Thousands of people will gather Saturday June 10, at Tomlinson Stadium for Central's 2006 Commencement Ceremonies. Jackie Loffer will be one of many graduating seniors walking in Saturday's ceremony with a Bachelor of Arts degree in individual studies elementary education cultural anthropology.

"I'm actually kind of scared (of graduating) because I don't believe it's really happening," Loffer said. She plans to move to Oregon and hopefully find a job working with children.

To accommodate the growing number of graduates and their families, Commencement will be split into two ceremonies. Students in the College of Business and the College of Education and Professional Studies are scheduled for graduation at 9:30 a.m. Students in the College of Arts & Humanities, College of the Sciences and Individual and General Studies will have their ceremony at 1:30 p.m.
Apartment rates around Ellensburg set to increase

by Carleigh Lorenz
Staff reporter

The Civic Engagement Center (CEC) and Dining Services have joined forces for a good cause. The two organizations are providing an opportunity for students to help fight hunger in Ellensburg and beyond.

The coordinated effort allows students to either donate food items themselves bought with their connection card or donate the money left on it, which in turn is used to buy food items through Dining Services.

"If you're hungry, you're not paying attention," said CEC Student Program Coordinator April Williams. "They've worked so hard to make sure there was enough money to feed the students.

Local organizations such as the Ellensburg Food Bank and APOYO (Allied People Offering Year-round Outreach), along with the Jubilee Women's Center in Seattle, will benefit from the donations. All the money donated goes to buy non-perishable food items, hygiene supplies and other objects for the box.

"Dining services has been very cordial in allowing students to donate as much money as possible and not limit it," said student resident point representative, Williams said.

Williams said that in the first week almost $200 has been raised for food banks in money donations alone.

The idea of donating left over money was first brought up when Williams visited Judy Hennings's spring sociology 101 course. Eight students from that class spearheaded the idea, helping to start the effort.

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Douglas Honors College in for serious change:

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To Sura Rath, the former director of the William O. Douglas Honors College at Central Washington University, and University President Jerilyn McIntyre the honors program at Central can be described as a "jewel for the university." Rath said that little has been done to help build the program to its potential.

"I assume that they [the university administrators] have no interest in building up the program," said Rath. Rath said that a major hindrance for the Department of Honors and Creative Thinking (DHC) is its adjunct status. Rath stated that his attempts to raise both curricular and financial support for the DHC have continually been turned down, leading to other problems such as a low retention rate among students in the program. Although many faculty members and administrators, including President Jerilyn McIntyre in her most recent Fireside Chat, have praised the program, Rath feels that little has been done to help build the program to its potential.

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A search for interim director begins

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It was late afternoon in Randall Hall. Students had spent the previous night toiling into the wee hours of the morning on various art projects, some of which are now displayed throughout the building. Then without warning, some of these pieces on display went missing. They were not taken by a professor for last minute grading or by an artist for a touch up or two. Speculation rests on a group of high school students who had hung around the building burning cigarettes.

Jesse Kundell, senior jewelry and metalsmithing major with a fine arts specialty said that the culprit was not an artist.

"Art students have a level of appreciation for the amount of time a person put into art," Kundell said.

The recent incidence of theft occurred mid-quarter. Four small sculptures were stolen from a display in Randall and the shoes of a larger piece were stolen a couple of weeks later. Sculpture professor Donna Stack said that it is more common for equipment and supplies to be stolen than student artwork.

"The department has asked that all faculty be aware of the thefts happening and to have students keep an eye out for suspicious activity," Stack said. 

That in Randall Hall has happened in the past but has never been a major problem. After the sculptures were stolen Stack filed a police report and an officer from the art department came down to talk to her and some students. Stack is worried that if the theft continues she will have to stop showcasing her student's work, as there are not large enough display cases to contain the artwork.

Travis Helkamp, a junior drawing major had a small sculpture stolen. Like others he believes the culprits were three high school students who used to hang out near Randall Hall.

"It's flattering that someone would like your stuff so much that they would go so far as to commit a crime to obtain it," Helmkamp said. "But at the same time we all worked real hard at it and it's a bummer that we don't get to enjoy them."

The doors of Randall Hall have always been locked at night and still are. Traditionally the doors have been locked at midnight.

Students in the building once the doors are locked are allowed to stay. Kundell worries that if the theft continues then the students will not be allowed to stay in the building after it closes. This might become an issue for art students, as they rely on the ability to be able to stay in Randall Hall all night to keep up with time-consuming projects.

"A work of art represents the mind, body and soul of the artist," Kundell said. "That's what is being stolen when artwork is taken without permission."

When must wisdom teeth go?

If you have heard that wisdom teeth will always have to be extracted, eventually, don't believe it. That's like taking sugar in your tea. It makes it sweet.

Wisdom teeth have fully emerged and there are no problems, they should be left alone. But if wisdom teeth must often sit in sockets where they don't belong, causing no end of problems, then they need to be removed.

The speech was given at Friday's meeting, held in the SUB/REC pit. Speaking in the new officers were schedule for the meeting, but was delayed to the next meeting. Steve DuPont, vice president for Political Affairs, said that John Drinkwater, senior director of Campus Life and Student Union, was required to be in attendance. Aronica said that this requirement was tradition.

The next and final ASCWU/BOD meeting will be held tomorrow at 3 p.m. in the new SUB/REC pit.

Fourth, the statement that "IBBC offered the contract to CWMO Moses Lake is misleading. The faculty of both institutions have discussed this offering for several years, and last fall the CWMO Flight Tech faculty submitted a proposal to the Higher Education Coordinating Board. At one time an out-state institution offered a baccalaureate degree in aviation at BBC, but I don't know any of the details of the "contract" or why it was terminated."

Finally, the Observer stated that "most of the students would come from Big Bend (Community College)"

In fact all of the students in the program at the CWMO Moses Lake Center will come from BBC.
Reserve training program graduates six new deputies

by Carly Petersen
Staff reporter

As another year of the Kittitas County Reserve Program winds down, six of the area's finest have graduated from the program, giving them the ability to volunteer as deputies, working to keep the county a peaceful place to live.

The Kittitas County Reserve Program is a program offered by the Sheriff's Office which allows those who pass to become volunteer deputies in the area.

"I think for anyone looking for a career in law enforcement it's a good way to get your foot in the door," said Adam Veach, a 2006 graduate of the reserve program.

The program is offered yearly, and consists of a series of steps including an application, a physical agility test, a polygraph test, a psychological exam and if all of the previous steps are passed, 300 hours of classroom time.

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The only exception is the requirements to become a full time commissioned law enforcement officer include a civil service exam, a specific test designed for law enforcement.

The program draws in volunteers for many reasons, including giving something back to the community, and that it is an excellent stepping stone for someone who wants a career in law enforcement.

"Right now I am just doing it for the experience," said Donald Ryan Gould, junior law and justice major and a recent graduate of the reserve program.

To graduate from the program, the volunteers must attend more than 300 hours of class which teach criminal law, criminal procedures, first aid and CPR, which includes pepper spray, traffic enforcement, criminal investigation and domestic violence, patrol procedures, crisis intervention with an emphasis on communication skills, defensive tactics, and if all of the previous steps are passed, 300 hours of classroom time which teach criminal law, corrections Center.

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The Kittitas County Reserve Program offers its own unique program, getting volunteers ready to be "peace keepers" of the county.

"The Sheriff's Office is unique from other law enforcement because we are not just strictly law enforcement," Shuart said. "The sheriffs and deputies, including the reserves, are responsible for the peace and tranquility in the county, emergency management, search and rescue, criminal subpoena, arrest warrants issued by the court, maintenance and care of prisoners incarcerated in the Kittitas County Corrections Center."

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The program has also proven to be a stepping stone for hundreds of graduates who have gone into law enforcement careers.

"Historically the number of individuals who have been hired as full time commissioned reserve officers who graduated from Kittitas County Reserve Program is proof enough of the program," Shuart said.

Andy Bayne, a 2005 graduate of the reserve program, is planning to become a police officer in Kennawick, Wash.

"The reserve program offers a lot of opportunities," Bayne said. "You meet a lot of excellent people to look up to and (you) receive excellent training."

Applications for the reserve program for the 2006-2007 season will be available around August and will be due on November 1, 2006. The Sheriff's Office is always looking for new volunteers.

The Police Chief of Chehalis, Dale Miller, has been in law enforcement for 23 years, the last 18 in Chehalis. Miller was in the military police during a three-year stint in the military.

"I define my career as a steady progression through the ranks of the Chehalis Police Department," Miller said.

Deputy Chief Mike Mitchell has been in law enforcement for 22 years and has spent the last 17 with the Mountlake Terrace Police Department.

"I love to work with the people," Mitchell said. "My career has covered every aspect, but it is all about the citizens."

Chief Phil Schenk has spent his entire 17-year career in Sunnyvale and is a graduate of Central Washington University.

"When I got here, Sunnyvale was kind of a rough place and dealing with serious crimes has given me the experience needed to be a good officer," Schenk said.

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A motion for an order of dismissal in Jonathan Chandler's trial was issued May 22. As of Wednesday morning there are no official charges filed against Chandler by the Kittitas County Clerk's Office stating the charges have been dismissed. Chandler, a former student was arrested and charged for second degree rape in November as reported in the February 9 issue of The Observer. His trial was set for May 23.

Park gets upgrade

West Ellensburg Park is getting a makeover which includes features like new soccer and baseball fields. A major feature being added to the park is a path that connects West Ellensburg Park to the Irene Rinehart Riverfront Park, commonly known as "People's Pond." The overall plan for the park is to make it more family-friendly and increase access. The project should be complete by 2007 with hopes of increasing activity and usage. For more information see The Observer Online at www.cwu.edu/~observer.

Chief suspects drop to three

by Joshua Gaertner
Staff reporter

Ellensburg has searched all of Washington to find a successor for former Police Chief Bob Ritchie, who retired March 31 this year.

The City of Ellensburg and the Police Department look for candidates who are proactive, problem solving and a team-building professional to manage and direct the programs, services and activities of the community-oriented police department.

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No need for booze at Celebration for the Masses

Over the years I've spent at Central Washington University (CWU) I've come to love and appreciate every aspect of the campus. It has been my goal and the ambition of the Associated Students of Central Washington University (ASCWU/BOD) to promote diversity in interests, needs, and values of the students of CWU.

Celebration for the Masses was designed to honor and recognize graduating seniors through positive and healthy programming. The entire Celebration for the Masses event tied to Celebration for the Masses was created to provide a calendar of events so that students could choose the events that suited their values among the many that are actually simple and we have seen an overall amazing response to programming that has not been tradition-oriented. (Sorry Paul, we draw the ethical line when we chose not to advertise in the Tax or other such locations).

There is a great chance that any event you have attended over the years who I'll leave with like sisters over stupid stuff. I'll really miss my friends I've made throughout my younger school years because I grew up in Hawaii. I saw friends that weren't Asian, but in my high school they were the minority. Here the tables have been turned and I'm the one who sticks out. But because of that, it's opened my eyes to realize that there are so many different kinds of people in the world and that I can be friends with them.

I will find myself in a sea of numbered caps and gowns as I sit with my fellow graduating seniors in [omitted] Stadium. After years of writing papers, doing projects, spending hours sitting through lectures, finding classes that work, finding classes that I don't think I can safely say on behalf of the graduating class, HOLY CRAP! I will not apologize for providing.

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HOLY CRAP! lim graduating. I don't know if I got into a situation. I don't think I would have grown up much as I did if I didn't have an ocean between my parents and I. At the days wind down, I realize that there are going to be a lot of things and people I'll miss. I'll miss that I'll never be able to get Winegar's Sundae & serve these ideals with the knowledge I've learned both from inside the classrooms and from the people who have touched my life. They are responsible for who I am today. Thank you, Ellensburg, peace! I'm out.

Imagine that - you can have fun over and eat my food, use my shoes because of the wind. I'll miss Pat cutting my leftovers from Canyon River Bakery then rubbing his stomach like Budda or Paul quoting Anchorman & ringing his stomach like Budda or Paul quoting Anchorman calling herself an ass editor. I'll miss Wednesday afternoons going to the Tax with The Observer staff after putting out the paper and bitching about some beer over it we're not drunk and But I really miss my friends I've met over the years who I'll leave behind.

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I’m not excited about graduating. The prospect of getting a job and working 40+ hours a week is more appealing and even less appealing is the fact that I may have to relocate to some desolate place in the middle of nowhere just to get a job.

As scary as the “real world” may be, I’m mostly looking forward to it. Knowing I have to move on to something from something I’ve enjoyed a whole lot and feel I’ve done quite well.

Not just class and homework but dollar-wise and intramural softball. I’ll miss not having my first class till noon and staying out till 4 a.m. because of the latter reason. I’ll miss knowing I can put off a term paper till a few hours before it’s due and still pass. I’ll miss the establishment of a new class every quarter and the chance to meet new people.

Mostly I’ll miss Ellensburg and Ellensburg High School. This is the only town I’ve ever lived in where you can run into the mayor at Safeway and see him wear a Carhartt jacket and a beanie. I’ll miss getting through a week using less than $10 worth of gas. I’ll miss being able to get anywhere in town in ten minutes by car.

Orchestra to the offensive line. I thank Pat Brown, Bassettis, and made lifetime friends. I’m mostly overcome with sadness, but I’ll miss a lot of things but mostly I’m going to miss the people I’ve met here at Central.

My college memories certainly are numerous and innumerable experiences that will stay with me forever as reminders of times in my life that changed me into the person I am today.

Stephanie Howard
Staff reporter

The beef deck. I’ve seen the completion of our magnificent SUBREC. I’ve seen my beard grow for five years at this establishment, but what has made this time so enjoyable is the friends I’ve made. Ellensburg may not be as cultured as Seattle, but there is a place makes this great is the people you meet. I have heard so much complaining about how boring this place is and that there is nothing to do in this small college town, but the same people would be complaining about Seattle. It all about your outlook.

If you think Ellensburg is a P.O.S. town then it really is, as long as you bring 100% negative people. If you look around and get involved in what this town has to offer you will find things that are hard to see. It has hard to see a difference, but it’s a little easier in a small town.

Justin Munn
Photographer

College makes the person

I will think of quotas being all o us on some level. I have grown up quite a bit in the four years that I have been at Central. One memory can’t sum up my college experience because one incident hasn’t changed me since I arrived here.

For me college has been about much more than parties in the woods and late night drinking in the Box. College is weekend journeys to Vailama with my friends. College is Saturdays spent lying in the sun and bonding over copious amounts of suntan lotion and Donuts.

College is slipping and sliding to class in January wishing for warm weather and then sweating on the way to class on a 90 degree day and wishing for colder weather. College is intermediating professors who end up teaching easy classes. College is living in the library until the wee hours of the morning working on projects that seem pointless.

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The time has come to leave

Leaving school is a feeling of mixed emotions. I don’t know if I’m totally ready, but I will ever be. The reality of it is, you’re young and ready for any- thing. Most of the time, you just gotta do it. Experience is the best teacher and deep down I know that I need to take the next step. I’ve done all I wanted to at Central. I proved to myself that I could succeed away from the bright lights of home. That I could go away knowing me and establish my own identity. It is truly a move of independence.

My advice to all incoming freshmen next year? Enjoy every day you have at college. Don’t go thinking in the dorms and I hate small-town America. Don’t be superficial to where you are. Try to appreciate Ellensburg for what it is and take advantage of what’s in front of you.

I know that one thing I have taken away from Central. No matter where I’m going to be next year, I will make the most of it. When I’m covering a high school golf tournament for a local newspaper in the Southwest, I’m just going to embrace it. Learn from it. Better because of it. And don’t take it for granted. I’m looking forward to the challenge.

The first thing I will miss most about Central are my closest friends that I made here through the years. Some of them still live in Ellensburg and some of them have left. I think people make place in it is that and what has made Ellensburg special to me. The second thing that I will always remember about Ellensburg is the four years that I was at a career as a writer began. I know that I am going to blaze a memorable trail, separate and unique from any other. And it all started in that newspaper, room 222 in Bouillon Hall. Next year, when I am out struggling to keep my head above water, I will remember that room. I will remember when I worked so hard, and where the person who has followed. Wherever I may go, I’ll remember Central. That will be the fire that fuels me.

Teddy Feenberg
Sports Editor

Nowhere to go but up

Being a graduating senior at Central Washington University is a liberating experience. To know that you’ve beat this pandemic of education and there is still only one way to go up. Now I find myself, apartment full of boxes, scrambling to the finalization of college wrapped up. Coming to Central I thought I’d have my market- ing/advertising degree by now, however I spent four years changing from an interior design major with a communication minor. And now I find myself transitioning from a tiny-farming community to my new apartment on Alki Beach in Seattle starting college can be a life lesson and opportunities that normally just would­ not exist. Trust your instincts, trust your choices, and believe in yourself that you can get anywhere you want. College is about taking the stepping stone for those who are on their way to the top.

Haley Harrigan-Bottle
Staff reporter

Individualism comes to life

Looking back on the last three years of my life as a student athlete here at Central I have come to realize the attributes, and qualities that have attributed to my emergence and self-realization. As an athlete, I have experi­ enced so much yet there is still more to come. I am leaving behind a life that over the years I have grown very accustom­ ed to. I have perfected the art of procrastination, studying for countless exams at the last minute despite prom­ ising myself that I wouldn’t wait until the day of to study. I look back on the numerous hours that I have invested into being an athlete here at Central and realize I have learned more about my mental and physical capabilities and limitations as an athlete than any other person will learn in a lifetime.

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Dick and Jane's Spot is a local attraction that has drawn the attention of many media outlets across the country.

Student Appreciation Day ends every year with a beautiful fireworks show above the baseball field.

The Central Washington University Chamber Choir presented the second-to-last Presidential Speaker series concert of this academic year on April 30.

Gloria Steinem, one of the most recognizable figures of the late 1960s feminist movement, spoke at Central on May 9.

The first ever Ellensburg Film Festival took place during the weekend of Oct. 7.
Jazzv sounds to fill the valley in July

by Korbin Cook
Staff reporter

It might seem awkward to host a jazz festival in a college town where the majority of the young community does not listen to jazz. Virginia Korte, education committee member for Jazz in the Valley music festival, feels that this is one of the main reasons it exists.

"Jazz is truly one of America's greatest cultural achievements and you can find its creative elements in many forms of music," Korte said.

The Ellensburg Chamber of Commerce is hosting the ninth annual Jazz in the Valley festival in historic downtown July 28 – 30. Twenty-three bands in 10 locations will play music ranging from blues and jazz to salsa.

Not only will there be music, but many local businesses have jumped on the bandwagon, opening their venues to performers and events such as Brewfest in the Rotary Pavilion, Sip N' Sample wine tasting and Jazz the Kids children's museum.

Jazz in the Valley is a widely recognized festival in the jazz community with artists eager to perform.

"This last fall I received about 50 to 75 CDs of bands who would like to come," said Larry Sharpe, organizer of Jazz in the Valley.

The Jazz in the Valley committee, whom organizing the festival tries to circulate new talent who have yet been to the festival or have not been to the festival in a few years. One of the main goals of Jazz in the Valley is to expose new bands and get them heard, Sharpe said.

Some of the artists playing include Tim Casey and the Bluescats, Susan Pascal Trio and Pearl Django in locations such as Grand Central Theater, Palace Cafe and Robber's Roost Pizza.

"Jazz has had its ups and downs and people are interested in it again," Korte said.

Sharp said that in 2005, more than 4000 people attended Jazz in the Valley.

Along with the festival, Jazz in the Valley holds jazz clinics at Central Washington University and Ellensburg High School (EHS) to teach students who will appreciate jazz," Korte said.

The clinics are put on by the education committee for Jazz in the Valley, which is essentially composed of Jazz in the Valley committee members, but also collaborates with Central jazz education studies.

These various clinics occur all school year and are taught by well-known jazz musicians.

"This one-on-one education is priceless," said Don May, instrumental music director for EHS. "You can take all the classes and read all the books, but it is through experiencing concerts, experiencing clinics with professionals and performing that you gain the knowledge needed to be a musician."

The EHS jazz band has met in the past at 7 a.m. to attend these clinics and are extremely dedicated, Korte said.

Even though Jazz in the Valley does not host any particular event, it does promote activities put on by the local businesses.

As well as offering jazz education to students, Jazz in the Valley offers many activities to the general public including events during the festival.

"This allows parents to leave their kids at a fun place and experience the music for themselves," Sharpe said.

The museum is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday, July 29.

Sip N' Sample wine tasting is 1 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. across from the main stage at the Rotary Pavilion, Gallery One and The Clymer Museum of Art will have various Northwest wines served with a variety of foods. Sip N' Sample costs $10 per person.

Passes range in price from $15 for Friday night, $10 from noon to 7 p.m. and $15 for times after 7 p.m. on Saturday and $10 for Sunday. Three day passes are available for $30.

For further information about Jazz in the Valley visit www.jazzinthevalley.com.

Drag Show features "fierce girlfriends"

Sometimes people are afraid of what's different or of doing something they've never done before. Well last Thursday was not one of those nights for me.

I couldn't help but feel excited. I mean, we've all seen "To Wong Foo, Thanks for Everything, Julie Newmar." Let's face it, that's the best movie Patrick Swayze, John Leguizamo and Wesley Snipes ever made together. But I still didn't know what to expect from a real drag queen.

At the Drag Show put on by Gay and Lesbian Alliance (GALA) for Pride Day Thursday night, there were a lot of people with different sexual orientations. The room was filled and there was a mad dash for front row seats. My friends and I had no idea what to expect.

The performers lip-synched and danced with so much energy and enthusiasm, they involved the audience.

After the show, I met Miss Gamine and Miss Kiss. I felt like I was meeting celebrities. From far away you couldn't tell it was a man in drag, but close up I just kept thinking how tall they were.

For most of the people there, it was their first drag show. It was so much fun because of the open-mindedness of the whole room.

If you ever get a chance to do something that's out of the ordinary for you I suggest you go for it. I went to this show because I had never seen or experienced anything like it, besides that I've seen in "To Wong Foo." But I know if I ever get the chance to see another drag show, I'll go.

For those who went, you know all about these ladies. These girls are fierce!
Dancing shoes to fill the Moose Lodge

by Robbie Miller
Staff reporter

This month's First Friday Dance is like deja vu all over again as Rusty Bucket and Open Country Joy return for another epic hometown throw down of danceable jams. "They played earlier in the season and it was our best night ever," said Ren Albright, who books the bands for the dance and is also married to a member of Rusty Bucket. "Between the two we drew a really great crowd."

The First Friday Dance usually brings in bands from out of town, but Albright said they love to support local music. This month's dance, the sequel to the one in March, will also feature local singer-songwriter Star Anna.

OCJ guitarist Brandon Brooks described the band as having a different than a concert and it's different than a bar. It's all about audience participation with the bands and it's usually a lot of fun because there is that interaction.

The venue reached maximum capacity last time Rusty Bucket and OCJ played, so show up early. The First Friday Dance starts at 8:30 p.m. on June 2 at the Moose Lodge on Main Street. It's $5 with student ID and $7 for general admission. Kids 12 and under are free.

Venues

- The Clymer Museum
  Southwest Meets North
  west 5 p.m.
- D & M Coffee Downtown
  TBA
- Ellensburg Wine Works
  Snake River Winery wine tasting. Barbara Johnson, Dan Black.
- First Impressions
  Janice Welch
- Gallery One
  Louis Kollmeyer: Retrospective 5-7 p.m.
- Hungry Hippo Sub Shop
  Ellensburg Photography
  Club Display
- Jade Moon
- Synth Tasting
- Lucky Dog
- Bob Scott
- Abby Downey
- Late Arts and Crafts
- Vicki Strickland
- Old Chick Enterprises
- Jill Alfre
- Organized Noise
- Matt Brooks
- Salon Felix
- Sarah Sparrington
- Gallery One Visual Arts Center

The Clymer Museum will be exhibiting works by Santa Fe-based artists Sara Novenson and Deborah Gold. Novenson creates Southwest landscapes with chalk, mixed-media and excerpts from Psalms in the original Hebrew; Gold does impressionist oil paintings of mesas, deserts and horses.

"It's a beautiful, spiritual, passionate show," said Mia Merendino, co-director of the Clymer Museum. "It's just kind of a self-perpetuating thing and it keeps getting bigger and bigger."

Rusty Bucket leader Sam Albright, Ren Albright's husband, said they play mostly cover songs, but not the typical bar band songs. He said they're very eclectic and have a lot of soul influence.

The dance is always about community and this month even more so. Rusty Bucket and OCJ are friends who practice at the same place and sometimes use each other's equipment. All three acts share the same drummer, Travis Yost, who Sam Albright says is "the hardest working of all of us."

The dance was started about three years ago by a group of people, now called the First Friday Dance Club, who wanted to create a place where people of all ages could hear live music and dance. "It's so often that little kids and even high school kids don't hear anything but canned music," said Mollie Edson, who handles promotion for the dance. "It's just kind of a self-perpetuating thing and it keeps getting bigger and bigger."

The dance is about 70 percent of the crowd has become college students because of the quality music the dance brings in. "Sam Albright says the dance is "different than a concert and it's different than a bar. It's all about audience participation with the bands and it's usually a lot of fun because there is that interaction."

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People on the street: What are you doing this summer?

Meghan Jackson
Sophomore
Exercise Science
“I’m going home to work and going to a community college.”

Erik Davals
Sophomore
Undecided
“I’m going to Western for their food and Vancouver is by chance close to Bellingham.”

Jude Rent
Sophomore
Undecided
“I’m going to Marine Corp Officer Candidate School in Quantico, Virginia.”

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Three’s company in awards for Central’s Track and Field stars

by Tyler Lobe
Staff reporter

Only two centimeters separated sophomore thrower Katie McMeel from becoming a national champion in the women’s javelin last weekend at the 2006 NCAA Division II Outdoor Track and Field Championships held in Emporia, Kan.

McMeel led the event going into the final day when Holly Noller of Southern Illinois-Edwardsville edged her with a throw of 48.88 meters. However, McMeel and her toss of 48.86 meters improved her personal record by 1.3 feet and shattered the previous Great Northwest Athletic Conference (GNAC) record set last year by six feet, one inch.

With the second place finish, she earned All-American honors after placing in the top eight. It was also the highest-ever national placing by a Central Washington University student-athlete since the track and field program moved to the NCAA Division II level in 1999.

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McMeel said there was a lot more pressure on her to succeed at nationals than Kim will have to deal with when he takes the mound in his second flight. Head coach Kevin Adkisson said that for Katie to lead the team with two flights remaining in the top eight, it was also the highest-ever national placing by a Central Washington University student-athlete since the track and field program moved to the NCAA Division II level in 1999.

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Many of the women in her event posted big marks even before McMeel was scheduled to throw, towards the end of the second flight. Head coach Kevin Adkisson said that for Katie to take the lead after waiting around for so long and seeing those big throws, displays how much of a competitor she is, especially for a sophomore.

“It was quite an exciting competition,” Adkisson said.

McMeel said there was a lot more pressure on her to succeed at nationals and it was hard for her to keep calm before her first attempts. As for next year, she thinks she can bring home a title.

Junior thrower Cameron Neel earned himself a pair of top-five finishes in Kansas to add to his already impressive collegiate resume. By finishing third in the discuss with a throw of 53.47 meters (175 feet, 5 inches) and a fifth

Gloves and bats get no downtime during summertime

by Kristoffer Shellenberger
Staff reporter

The school year is almost out and the summer is fast approaching. While most students will be working summer jobs or just lying around enjoying the sun, some Central Washington University baseball players will be playing summer ball.

There are many reasons why these athletes choose to sacrifice their summers to play baseball.

“I love playing baseball and I just want to enhance my skills. I just love the game of baseball,” said second baseman Jason Kim, freshman exercise science major.

Other players look to enhance conditioning or improve physically.

“I want to keep my arm up for next year,” said pitcher Brent Botkin, freshman business major.

What these players are doing is quite common. Baseball is played throughout the year but summer is where players gain valuable experience. Kim and Botkin, who both red shirted this past year, need summer ball to maintain their playing shape.

Botkin said his goals for this summer are to have fun while improving his pitching skills. Kim said he would like to get back to the playing shape of his senior year, but in Auburn, Washington. Kim will play for the Seattle Rainiers, managed by Mark Minckler.

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“I want to pitch well and keep my team in a position to win the game,” Botkin said. “I want to be successful for the Kitsap Blue Jackets in Bremerton.

By playing summer baseball these players certainly didn’t hurt their chances to get better and achieve their goals as Wildcat athletes.
Anderson puts in inspiring effort

by Nolan Tredsky
Staff reporter

Although the Central Washington University Athletic Department just held the Hall of Fame induction ceremony two weeks ago, the selection committee may have to get back to work. There is a current two-sport Wildcat athlete who could garner that attention, and not just for her athletic ability, but also for her bravery, strength and determination.

Anderson competed in a qualifying triathlon last summer, and had to finish in the top two in her age group in order to compete in San Francisco with the 1600 other professional and amateur triathletes. Anderson is excited to take advantage of such a rare opportunity and has a very positive attitude as the physically grueling event nears.

“I want to limbo and feel good through the whole thing,” Anderson said. “I just want to have fun and see what I can do.”

Anderson had a unique journey to the top of her field. She was brought up in a single parent home, being raised by her father. The summer before she was to transfer to Central, Anderson lost her father during open heart surgery, making things much more difficult was the fact that he passed away shortly before June 3, she will be one of only twenty particular triathletes in her 18 to 24 age group competing in the ever popular and physically grueling event nears.

“Rafting the Yakima River is a sensational feeling of relaxation,” said junior art major Jordan Koons.

Many students take advantage of the hot dry days, floating in the cold river and enjoying the scenic views that come with the Yakema. Scenery includes sagebrush, tall pines and in some areas, canyons with steep basalt cliffs.

Students have access to raft rentals at The Outdoor Pursuits and Rentals Shop located on the east end of the SUB/Recreation Center. Outdoor Pursuits and Rentals is one of the only places in Ellensburg that rents six person rafts. For a day, Outdoor Pursuits charge $25 or students can choose to rent the raft for the weekend for $40.

The Outdoor Pursuits and Rental Shop is looking to enhance programs for next fall including white water rafting on both the Wenatchee and Snoqualmie Rivers.

The Snoqualmie River has a large variety of challenges, ranging from lower class II to a low class IV difficulty levels. The upper section of the Snoqualmie River is 6.3 miles long between Deep Creek and Swinging Bridge and has a difficulty level of a class III.

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Central students enjoy a day rafting the Yakima River. The river offers a fun and easy experience for those looking for outdoor activities to enjoy.

Rafting trips

- Always bring two pairs of river sandals or shoes (not flip-flops) so you’ll always have a dry pair.
- Try to avoid wearing cotton clothing because it dries slowly.
- Prior to your trip, make a check-list of what’s needed.
- If you don’t already have the required gear, make sure it is available for rent or purchase.

Red Sox columnist talks about career as writer

by Courtney Naccarato
Staff reporter

The dew soaked grass is glistening in the loggy, crisp morning air. The sun is starting to wake up, showing its warm face over the horizon. The sound of a bike bell breaks the morning calm as a young man tows freshly printed newspapers onto the lawn. The Red Sox just traded the beloved “Nomah” (Nomar Garciaparra) and they are eagerly waiting for what one man has to say.

There are many sports writers who would just call this normal news but to the Boston Globe’s Dan Shaughnessy this is anything but normal.

Shaughnessy has been a Red Sox columnist for the Boston Globe since 1981. What he has to say is taken into the hearts and minds of Red Sox fans very seriously.

“When I wrote my article about Nomar leaving I received about 1000 emails from fans that day,” Shaughnessy said in a phone interview.

To the people of Boston, he is considered one of the best sports writers of today. Even though he has written across various mediums, he feels that columns are more personal because they reach more people.

In a phone interview in mid-May, Shaughnessy opened up about how he got to where he is today and gave advice to new writers looking to break into the field.

Shaughnessy comes from Groton, Mass. While he was there, he worked for the weekly campus paper. The school does not offer a journalism major so he majored in English and at age 19, he decided he wanted to write for the rest of his life.

“I love sports. I loved reading it and it was only natural that I write about it,” Shaughnessy said.

After high school Shaughnessy went to college at Holy Cross in Worcester, Mass. While he was there, he worked for the weekly campus paper. The school does not offer a journalism major so he majored in English and at age 19, he decided he wanted to write for the rest of his life.

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After college he got his first job in journalism at the Baltimore Sun covering...
Martial arts makes impact at Central

by Jordan Montgomery
Staff reporter

With the popularity of competitions such as the Ultimate Fighting Championship (UFC) or Pride Fighting, the sport of mixed martial arts (MMA) has grown in popularity.

Central Washington University is no different. Central's MMA club is nearly one year old and is going strong. The club, like many on campus, has had its issues with the school, despite its violent nature. It continues to get support from members and club senate. The sport remains one of the more popular of any, and attracts people with all kinds of backgrounds.

"I had never done anything like this up until I came to college," said junior construction management major, Rob Harvey. "I can work on my technique and learn at my own pace."

The club's members experiment with any form of martial arts ranging from complete novice to multiple year veteran. Many members have had several years training and hope to go professional. Brian Carrigan is registered in the UFC in many states excluding Washington. For people like Carrigan who are serious about the sport and want to compete, the club also organizes weekly trips to Yakima where they can meet and train in former Heavyweight Rich Geurin's gym. Recently members have been able to train with a veteran of the sport, Anthony Hamlet, who has fought all around the world.

The club offers a safe place to practice and someone to talk to. Members are supposed to bring their own workout clothes, mouth guard and cup for the genitals.

"It's hard to go into something you don't know, you think you're going to die," said freshman aviation management major Even Johnston. "I was surprised, I thought since I didn't know those interested, the club meets in the upper level of Nicholson pavilion, Monday through Wednesday, 1-5 p.m.

"I love to watch fighting, it's something I could really get into," said junior elementary education major Peter Troong. "I am a wrestler, but I tried a little bit of jiu-jitsu and boxing, and wanted to know more."

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ing the Orioles.

"I was able to get the beat I wanted because I expressed an interest in baseball and sports," Shaughnessy said. "I was really interested.

After working at the Sun he went to the Washington Star. When the Star went out of business in 1981 he went back to Boston to write for the Globe and cover the Red Sox.

In 1986, Shaughnessy wrote his first book, One Strike Away, about the Red Sox 1986 season.

In 1988, he received a letter from a woman at Dutton Publishing (Penguin Books) about writing The Curse of the Bambino.

"Everything was her idea, even the title," Shaughnessy said. It has been said that The Curse of Bambino is a required reading for the students of Boston but Shaughnessy laid that rumor to rest.

"That's a myth; however, it is on reading lists for some of the high schools," Shaughnessy said. "I wish I were in hotels like the Bible."

Shaughnessy admitted that even having the beat he wanted had its ups and downs. In 1993, he covered the death of Boston Celtic forward Reggie Lewis, who collapsed during a game.

"Everything about that story was bad because he died doing nothing," he said.

Then in the fall of 2004 he was able to cover the Red Sox winning the World Series for the first time in 86 years. "You knew they were going to win," Shaughnessy said.

Every morning consists of him reading as many papers as possible. Each week he has an average of three stories to write. He said his attic is pathetic.

"We're (journalists) not the best dressed employees in America," Shaughnessy said.

Since 1977 Shaughnessy has been a member of Baseball Writers' Association of America which inducts baseball players into The Baseball Hall of Fame. He is one of the top in seniority and is at the top of the game.

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Shaughnessy said he loves his job but dealing with athletes can be hard. He said that the passion of fans often gets misplaced especially "when they love Nomar more than their brother."

Yet he said it is all worth it when he is able to impose his opinion on others and people know who he is.

"I'm not surprised and I feel our kids are doing the right things because they realize the consequences," said Ken Klafik, head athletic trainer.

"Football players are always tested because of the likelihood that an athlete would take performance enhancing drugs in the sport. One other sport is chosen at random. This NCAA visit to CWU they tested 12 athletes from football and four from track. In a year the NCAA will test roughly 13,000 athletes in order to maintain the

integrity of the sports. Steroid testing is costly, ranging from $90-$150 per test. That is why more athletes are not tested. Some athletes go their entire college career without ever being tested."

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Mixed martial arts members exchange blows during Tuesday afternoon practice at Nicholson Pavilion. Anyone is welcome to join the club.

"I was able to get the beat I wanted because I expressed an interest in baseball and sports," Shaughnessy said. "I was really interested."

After working at the Sun he went to the Washington Star. When the Star went out of business in 1981 he went back to Boston to write for the Globe and cover the Red Sox.

In 1986, Shaughnessy wrote his first book, One Strike Away, about the Red Sox 1986 season.

In 1988, he received a letter from a woman at Dutton Publishing (Penguin Books) about writing The Curse of the Bambino.

"Everything was her idea, even the title," Shaughnessy said. It has been said that The Curse of Bambino is a required reading for the students of Boston but Shaughnessy laid that rumor to rest.

"That's a myth; however, it is on reading lists for some of the high schools," Shaughnessy said. "I wish I were in hotels like the Bible."

Shaughnessy admitted that even having the beat he wanted had its ups and downs. In 1993, he covered the death of Boston Celtic forward Reggie Lewis, who collapsed during a game.

"Everything about that story was bad because he died doing nothing," he said.

Then in the fall of 2004 he was able to cover the Red Sox winning the World Series for the first time in 86 years. "You knew they were going to win," Shaughnessy said.

Every morning consists of him reading as many papers as possible. Each week he has an average of three stories to write. He said his attic is pathetic.

"We're (journalists) not the best dressed employees in America," Shaughnessy said.

Since 1977 Shaughnessy has been a member of Baseball Writers' Association of America which inducts baseball players into The Baseball Hall of Fame. He is one of the top in seniority and is at the top of the game.

"It's hard to go into something you don't know, you think you're going to die," said freshman aviation management major Even Johnston. "I was surprised, I thought since I didn't know..." Shaughnessy laid that rumor to rest.

The club offers a safe place to practice and someone to talk to. Members are supposed to bring their own workout clothes, mouth guard and cup for the genitals.

Shaughnessy said he loves his job but dealing with athletes can be hard. He said that the passion of fans often gets misplaced especially "when they love Nomar more than their brother."

Yet he said it is all worth it when he is able to impose his opinion on others and people know who he is.

"I'm not surprised and I feel our kids are doing the right things because they realize the consequences," said Ken Klafik, head athletic trainer.

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BRANDY: Multi-sport athlete makes headlines at Central

said. “She’s going to continue to do what will truly make her successful very well.”

Anderson plans to continue competing, but what she soon would throughout her career. Anderson went on to be voted captain and most inspirational for the cross country team, she was selected to the 2004 Conference Championship and was selected to the All Conference team twice, and was the 2004 Conference Championship team's top runner. Anderson won three individual Conference Championships in track and she will graduate this spring with a degree in elementary education. "He [her father] always wanted me to finish school," Anderson said. "It will be good to get that done." After she finishes the triathlon, Anderson plans to continue competing, and although it may seem like a difficult task she has a goal of becoming a professional triathlete. Anderson is waiting to gauge her chances of achieving that objective through the Escape from Alcatraz triathlon, but her supporters are confident in her ability, especially her proud and supportive husband James Anderson. "I think she’ll end up surprising everybody," he said. Her experience in track and cross country may give her an initial boost toward becoming a professional, but her fortitude, work ethic, and resolve are what will make her successful in her quest. Kevin Adkisson, Anderson's coach in cross country and track, said. "She's a super competitor," Adkisson said. "She's going to do very well in track and she will graduate this year with a degree in English."

After overcoming such hardships and continuing to accomplish so much, the next step is to see if that trend won't continue. She's always found a way to succeed and will continue to look to do so in the future.

Donny's top ten Sports movies

Honorable mentions:

Caddyshack- An old-timer that never gets old even if you are or becoming older.

Rookey of the Year- I remember when I begged my dad to take me to this movie and how I wanted to break my arm by seeing it.

The Rookie- Phenomenal story of how dreams really do come true, even if you play for the Devil Rays.

Major League- Laugh out loud funny, a great flick.

The Program- Super cheesy and unrealistic but they try to make it look the exact opposite.

Bad News Bears 1, 2, 3- If you have seen the most recent one; I assure you a bunch of the even older versions that are much more vulgar.

Bull Durham- I just had to put this one here to make people happy. For sure classic though.

The Natural- Good old Robert Redford does it up real good in this one. What would he do without that bat in the entire movie.

Breaking Away- This is one of those movies that draws you in.

A classic story of how some Native Americans probably feel towards college students and vice versa.

Mighty Ducks 1, 2, 3- After the third, I was done, but one and two both stole my heart.

Miracle- If you don't know the story, then I suggest you watch it. Also some history that is important.

The Hurricane- I remember watching this one and how great of a movie it really is. Plus, what about Mr. Dylar?"

The Sandlot- By far, but none, the best sports movie there is to offer on the market today.

Rocky- Top-notch in your face fighting action that has you gripping the edges of your seat wanting more and more.

Budy- If you feel like life has you down, this movie for a quick pick me up.

Field of Dreams- Man, who came up with this sure was a thinker.

Happy Gilmore- Everything about this movie will make you want to watch it again and again.

Hooisers- The classicist of all classic movies that was done back in the day but is still a hit with everyone.

Little Giants- For sure this will make you laugh and always not for the undying.

Friday Night Lights- A gripping tale about Texas high school football its significance to the state.

Million Dollar Baby. For those that have always thought that something is impossible, you need to meet Hilary Swank.

Strange Brew- Not really for its sports side of the story, this gives a great depiction of how much Canadians care about their hockey.

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"It was all about teamwork," Comier said. "We had worked so hard on one touch passing, and it finally paid off."

Half time was rounding the corner as Central's defense kicked the ball towards the opposing team's goal just in time for sophomore Jen Wentworth to score. Soon after Central's fifth goal, Kamienski managed to score Central's last goal of the first half leaving Central with six goals and Yakima with zero. Although Central was clearly in control of the game they still were not satisfied with their effort.

"I don't like playing teams like this because I feel like we play down to their level," Wentworth said. "We just need to keep doing those tough balls because we get them every time."

Central entered into the second half ready to play and although they were short two players, they seemed to have no problem maneuvering around their opposing defense.

It started out with freshman captain Shannon Smith dribbling up the right side, pushing up the field and scoring Central's seventh goal.

"We definitely picked up our team play after the 2nd half," junior captain Rachel Davis said.

As the game was nearing its end, a perfect corner kick was made by Wentworth with a beautiful finish by Jackson. The game was polished off with a powerful goal by Comier, leaving Central with a win.

TRACK: Three athletes bring home the bacon to Central

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place finish in the shot put with a toss of 17.17 meters (56 feet, 4 inches), he earned All-American honors in each event.

Neel also improved his personal record in the discus by 11 feet while setting a new GNAC-best throw record—eclipsing the old record by one foot, six inches.

"Cam is an extremely good and focused competitor and he's been a real inspiration for the rest of the squad, especially with the back injury he battled with mid-season," Adkisson said.

In her last ever collegiate track and field meet, senior mid-distance runner Lindy Mullen finished fifteenth in the 1,500 meter preliminary race but it was not enough to advance to the finals of that event.

It was a season of ups, so to speak, for the Wildcats this season, as the men took home their first-ever conference championship and Adkisson earned his first and only Coach of the Year award for the men. Twelve provisional national qualifying marks were made throughout the season and many more personal records were broken. Fourteen women and four men earned spots on the GNAC All-Academic team. Senior Creap Watson led the Wildcats with four All-GNAC awards (200 meters, 4x100 and 4x400 relays, and the high jump) and 27 other teammates received all-conference accolades.

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