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A sunrise on the job market horizon

More employers visiting Central, more jobs lessening recession effects

by Kenneth Rudd
Staff reporter

Despite gloomy job market forecasts that have many 1991 college graduates flocking to placement offices nationwide, the word from Central's Career Planning and Placement Center is that Central has apparently escaped the recession.

Dean Owens, CPPC director, said this assessment is based on two rules of thumb used to gauge the status of the job market — the number of employers visiting campus and the number of jobs listed with the center, both of which are up from last year.

In addition, Central's annual Job Fair attracted a dozen more companies this year compared to last year, Owens said. "Many of the (employers) expected they had jobs open for graduating seniors," he said. "We have a nice diversity ... everything from retail stores to government at all levels, industrial companies, wood products companies ... a nice variety for the different majors."

A recent study by the University of Michigan revealed that nationwide 41 percent of graduates are in fields in which candidates outnumber jobs.

Owens said as far as Central is concerned, he doesn't know of any particular fields of study where jobs are harder to find than in others. "I think with our types of majors, we didn't notice the recession like other schools did," Owens said.

"There have always been areas that have been a little softer than others, and there always will be," But at Central, "I think the hiring is being done pretty much across the board," he said. Opportunities appear brightest in education, where teacher placement is at its highest level in the state in several years.

"There's no mystery to that," Owens said. "It's a time of retirement in the public schools, plus there's more children in the track now."

According to a report in the Seattle Times, many seniors nationwide are electing to ride out the recession in graduate schools, but Owens said he doesn't see that happening at Central.

"The students have such a close relationship with their professors here, and they're getting good advice," he said. Unlike some larger Washington state schools, Central has not had any recruiters cancel scheduled on-campus interviews, Owens said. "As far as the general outlook of employment is concerned, we feel it's as good as ever, and it might even be a little bit better."

The placement center runs workshops to assist students in locating jobs, how to research the job market, how to prepare for interviews, and how to write resumes and cover letters, Owens said.

How-to books and manuals are also available for students to check out. "We recommend students get acquainted with and find out as much as they can about the companies they're interested in," Owens said.

Information is available to help not only students seeking full-time work, but those in need of summer jobs and internships as well.

Registration computers go belly up temporarily

by Jonathan Modie
Managing editor

A massive registration computer "crash" Thursday and Friday kept students temporarily on hold as registration officials scrambled to keep a back-up system from getting overloaded, said registrar Carolyn Wells.

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Housing problems behind us for now

But officials are not optimistic new abodes will go up before fall

by Jennifer Mortensen
Staff reporter

The housing crunch Central experienced last fall is not expected to be repeated next year, said Jim Hollister, director of housing services.

"It's pretty hard to make confident predictions at this point, but right now I'd say we will be down by a couple hundred from last fall," he said. Hollister said if his predictions are right, students will not be housed in Courson Hall next year.

Last fall, nearly 190 freshmen and transfer students were placed in Courson, a conference facility, due to overcrowding in residence halls and a lack of available off-campus residences.

Another dozen students were forced to live in area motels. Hollister said these students were placed in various on- and off-campus residences by mid-February.

Each fall, about 40 students are placed in Courson for a month or so until they can be moved into the residence halls, which can hold a total of 2,488 students. But with or without Courson and extra students, housing is still expected to be tight next year.

Earlier this year, university officials predicted that private housing would have to continue to bear the burden of extra students. There are no plans for new residence halls in the near future.

But private housing is running into its own pitfalls.

It was reported last fall that plans were under way for two new apartment complexes, totaling 62 units. But city planner Robert Witkowski now says the apartments will not be ready for use by next fall.

"They're still in the making, but they've hit various obstacles," he said. "I know one of them got city approval and just can't find the financing."

"The other one is preparing a site plan, but it has not yet come in (to the planning office)."

Witkowski said he knows of a few other projects in the works, but "so far they're just talk."

"I only know of one apartment complex that's definitely going up — a 16-unit over on Alder Street," he said. The complex should be ready for use within the next few months. Witkowski said he is pessimistic about additional housing appearing before fall.

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"SERVICE!" — Residents of the Basseti dormitory complex take advantage of the increasing spring heat Tuesday outside Beck Hall by playing a game of volleyball. Temperatures soared to nearly 80 degrees, signaling in the upcoming summer.

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Police procure perturbed partiers

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Police noted that the man's window did not face Beck Hall, police said.

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The woman told police the skunk usually comes out at night.

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After police traced the bike's campus identification number and ensured the man was the bike's owner, they cut the chain lock.

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Observer eats crow; they want their MTV
by Darla Hill

Central students do want their MTV — one-third of the time.

Following a recent Observer editorial, in which editors complained about the music video channel's over-extended airtime — especially in the dining halls — food service managers decided to check the situation out for themselves.

A survey was distributed to students eating in the dining halls, asking them to state what hours they most frequently dined and what types of shows they most wanted to watch.

"The best thing to do when people are complaining," said Bill Wood, Holmes Dining Hall manager, "is to give the people the power to make the decisions."

The results were tabulated and students want a variety of programming and not just MTV, he said. And the popular choices have been set to a schedule and placed next to each TV in the dining hall.

In other dining hall news:
- Other surveys are planned — one now in the works to do with food quality, service and atmosphere in the dining halls.
- Surveys are the best way for us to be effective," said Tom Ogg, manager of Dining Services.

Another survey will ask students to pick their favorite — and least favorite — foods. The information gained will be used in planning future menus.

- Cutting down on wasteful use of disposable products is on the front burner for the dining halls, Ogg said. Planned for next fall is the distribution of commuter-style plastic cups for regular re-use. Students will be asked to bring their cups with them to each meal, in order to cut down on the use of the styrofoam cups.

Multi-use canvas bags will also be given out, in conjunction with the University Store, to replace the take-out paper bags and plastic book sack currently in use.

- Bulletin boards in the dining halls will make students aware of potentially wasteful habits.

In a recent study of disposable product usage at the dining halls, staff learned the average diner uses about 4 napkins at each meal. That totals more than 3 million napkins a year and a big dip in use.

Students were aware of figures like this, it could have a huge impact, Ogg said. If each student used three instead of four napkins use, the dining halls would save more than $4,000 a year.

Central senior may be next Gallup poller

by Jennifer Mortensen
Staff reporter

Senior Corey Jacobson "Gallup" off to Lincoln, Neb., this summer, where he has landed an internship with SRI Gallup, a market research and national polling company.

Jacobson, 21, will spend June 3 to Aug. 3 at the Gallup Academy, a division of ASRI Gallup used for employee training.

He and eight others were selected for the internship from a field of over 500 applicants.

"It is a market research firm, so I guess I'll be doing a lot of plain old research," he said of the company made famous by its Gallup opinion polls.

Jacobson and the other eight interns will work in teams of three for the summer. Each team will consist of a manager, a sales person and a research analyst.

"The teams will go out and solicit area businesses and find out who needs market research," he said. "Then we will bring them back into the firm and work with them there."

Jacobson found out about the internship through a listing in the cooperative education center. After sending in a résumé and cover letter, he had two telephone interviews with the company.

"And then they called me and said I was one of the nine selected for the internship," he said.

"They had applicants not only from all over the country, but internationally as well." Jacobson said he looks forward to the practical experience he hopes he will receive from the internship.

"The textbook is only so good ... I want to use this opportunity to learn some practical sales and management skills."

Jacobson, who is graduating next spring with degrees in marketing and international business, said he would like a career that involves both of these areas.

"When I first got out of school, I would like to work for a large multinational corporation and work in their marketing department," he said. "Then eventually I'd like to get into the international side and work with international marketing."
New library hours, new computer to boot

New reference computer to open for finals week cramping

by Regina Freeman
Staff reporter

Students will find getting in those last few hours of studying for finals will be easier to do than they thought.

Extended hours for finals week and a new InfoTrac, a computer system that allows a student to track down magazine articles, will help make those last minute projects a snap.

The library is scheduled to stay open until midnight tonight and again Monday through Wednesday of finals week. The regular weekend schedule will remain in place with the library closing at 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

These extra hours will allow more students to become acquainted with the new Expanded Academic Index, or InfoTrac, now set up in the library.

The InfoTrac is a compact disc-read only memory (CD-ROM) search system, a computer that accesses information on compact discs, similar to the ABI- Inform and Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC) systems already present for business and education in the reference section of the library.

The InfoTrac indexes 950 journals by having the student list the subject they are looking for.

It covers a spectrum of articles that can be used for basic English, history and psychology courses.

The system covers the general journals for several different areas," said Patrick McLaughlin, head of the reference library. "This will be beneficial for students from all courses."

While the system does not provide the abstracts the ABI and ERIC do, it does give a citation similar to the Reader's Guide and lets the student know if the journal is present in the library.

Special thanks to THE DAILY RECORD for their help in putting out this week's publication.

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Biz school requirements rise

by Jill Johnson
Staff reporter

In line with attempts to become nationally accredited, the school of business and economics will soon be raising its entrance requirements, according to Gerald L. Cleveland, dean of the school of business and economics.

Students wishing to major in business-related areas will be required to have a minimum grade point average of 2.5 in order to be admitted to the school if the necessary funding isn't found to hire more faculty.

Cleveland said the new requirements would take effect sometime in the next year and a half. He wants to see them in place before the department officially applies for accreditation and before the visitation team comes to evaluate the program.

The grade point requirement may be raised to 2.75 if the 2.5 minimum does not significantly reduce the number of students interested in pursuing business degrees.

The need to decrease student enrollment is the result of the department's attempt to become accredited again.

The accreditation process involves the proper allocation of necessary resources to the students. This will bring about some reallocations within the department, including increased hiring of faculty with doctorate degrees.

The cost factor involved in hiring a more specialized faculty and staff is one reason why the percentage of students in the school of business needs to be reduced.

According to Cleveland, there is not enough funding to hire the necessary number of qualified instructors to meet the needs of the students.

The business department already pays some of the highest salaries in the university, Cleveland said. This is because the university has to pay professors what they would be worth in the business world in order to draw them to the university.

Cleveland feels the accreditation, which is unofficially set to take place in the spring of 1994, will be a benefit for the students as well as for the school.

Although he mentioned concern about the effects the increased requirements will have on the students, "We (the school of business and economics) are concerned about the students. We do not wish to become elitist, we just want to provide an opportunity to up-grade the quality of education available," he said.

Central is currently the only state-funded university — with the exception of The Evergreen State College — whose business department is unaccredited.

Cleveland is hoping the accreditation will improve Central's image and provide increased opportunities for the students, opportunities the business department claims will make students more marketable for entry-level jobs.

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Looking to a 3rd year...

As your student body president, I’ve had the opportunity to work with and meet many people, from students to administrators. I have enjoyed being a part of the Board of Directors this year and working with Jon, Lorna, Dave, Russell, Matt and Jen. All the meetings and office hours spent in accomplishing goals were worth it.

I am excited about working with the newly elected officers and to represent you as ASCWU Executive Vice-President.

Everybody, good luck on finals. Have a great summer, and I will see you next year.

Dan Sutich
ASCWU President

Bart Simpson, BOD Officer?

It wasn’t me. I didn’t do it!

Matt Braden
Representative to Facilities Planning

It was that way when I got here!

Jon Elliott
Executive Vice-President

Accomplishments Despite Headaches

There may have been a lot of enormous headaches, but a lot of good things were accomplished.

I wish next year’s BOD the best with the new university administration.

Dave Vinther
Representative to Student Living

Regaining Lost Habits At the U of Maine

Being on the BOD has been an interesting experience. There are a lot of memories I’ll take with me, and a whole bunch I’d just as soon forget.

I wish the best to Bryce, the new VP for Political Affairs. He’s going to do a super job. I’ll be at the University of Maine trying to regain long lost study habits.

Special thanks to Michelle, Tricia, Regina and Kathy. And, of course, our office boy Scott.

TROLL!

Lorna Jackson
VP for Political Affairs

Thanks and Good-bye

Well, I’d like to take the time to thank some people and say good-bye to everyone! It was a great year for Faculty Senate & BOD...

Thank you to my fellow BOD members for working hard, knowing the issues, laughing in executive meetings & especially for late night cam-cord walks from the library.

A special thanks to my twin brother Jeffrey whom I love dearly. Thanks for all your support. Good luck—and I’ll miss you in grad school!

Thanks to Kathy, Regina, Trisha, Michelle, Bob, Don, John, Dick Thompson, Charles McGehee, *Karina Kuhlmeier*, Tami Schrank, T.J., Tim & Kevin E. McKee!!

Good Luck BOD ’91–’92 and Chip I leave you my desk!! Good Luck to the Class of ’91 and to the future alumni of Central Washington University.

Jenna Fisher
Representative to Faculty Senate

Great Year for Club Senate

Thank you to all of my officers, Chip, Alana, and Jeff, for a good year with the clubs.

Thank you to Jon, Dan, Lorna, Dave, Matt and Jenna for an interesting year that could never be called boring.

I wish next year’s BOD the best of luck—especially Alana—in the upcoming year.

Russell Johansen
Representative to Clubs and Organizations

This is a paid advertisement.
A year of highs, a year of lows

It's been a schizophrenic year at Central.

Several of Central's leading administrators stepped down under pressure even as they worked hard behind the scenes to put a happy face on the 100th-year festivities, the Wildcat football team lost its No. 1 national ranking in the Pennsylvania mud, and the basketball teams quietly chafed under harsh NAIA disciplinary measures.

In September, students caught in a campus and city housing shortage were sleeping in cars, checking into motels and frantically scanning the classified ads in search of a place to live. Students who were put up in Courson Hall, Central's conference center, were eventually placed in regular campus housing. But the question remains — what about next year?

In October, student Board of Directors officers led a sit-in protest against the library's new closing hours, which Dean Frank changed from midnight to 10 p.m. After a meeting with university administrators, an agreement was reached to hire a new librarian and move the closing hour back to 11 p.m. These changes were implemented in January. In November, the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education withdrew its approval of Central's teacher education program, which graduates more teacher candidates annually than any other public university in the state. Central officials claim the split stemmed from a philosophical difference between the Washington, D.C.-based council and the university and, at the time, chose not to appeal.

In December, Central's football team, ranked No. 1 since early in the season, lost both its undefeated record and its national semifinal playoff game against Westminster (Pa.) College at the national semifinal playoffs. Here, Daryl Clark makes his second interception in a home game against Western. Central won the game 28-16.
PROTESTS, RESIGNATIONS, THE GULF WAR — CENTRAL HAS ACTIVE YEAR

TROOPS YES, War No — Dozens of Central students marched from campus to the downtown area in January to protest the United States' involvement in the Persian Gulf War. Students were inundated with the news of the Middle East and many traveled to Yakima for celebrations when troops began returning last month. Many pairs of shoes left to fill

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BICYCLE FELONS — In a crackdown on speeding bicyclists, campus police cited 27 riders in one three-day period. Speed limits for bikes were raised from 5 to 10 mph.

Also, Dr. Jimmie Applegate, who, as Central’s dean of professional studies oversaw the embattled teacher education program, announced his resignation effective July 1. In February, faculty senate members voted to carry out an unprecedented ballot of no confidence in Provost Robert Edington, the university’s No. 2 man and chief academic officer. Edington’s management style had come under almost constant fire since he came to Central in 1988. In March, the vote was carried out — and out of 318 voting faculty members, more than two-thirds stated no confidence in Edington. The provost later announced his resignation, effective July 31, stating he will return to Central as a tenured professor of political science. In April, barely 10 days after Edington stepped down, President Donald Garrity surprised the university with the announcement that he also would resign at the end of the calendar year. Garrity, 63, who has been at Central since 1978, has since accepted an invitation to teach at Kyoto University in Japan next year. A new president will be named Dec. 6. Also, in this year’s student elections, senior Eric Peter defeated Ryan Wasell to become next year’s student body president at Central. Current President Dan Sutich won his bid to become executive vice president. In May, Central kicked off the festivities of its year-long centennial celebration. In commemoration of the university’s 100th birthday, graduates will wear the Central crimson at commencement June 8 instead of the traditional black.

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Central's bests and worsts: an arbitrary, eclectic list

...and don't be too obvious - park away "commuter cups" to students next fall and doing away with those styrofoam earth-chokeurs.

Worst place to live: In your car, especially during the holidays, finals week and establishment games, then playing pool in the SUB games room. We're talking classy. Total cost: $3 tops.

Worst recycling effort: Look in any SUB garbage can Thursday afternoons. How many Observers and Safeway inserts do you see? Enough to wrap all of the sockeye salmon in the world, plus a few beluga whales.

Second, generally speaking: One that challenges your beliefs, attitudes and abilities. One that isn't so rigid as to forget his or her purpose here - to teach. And one that doesn't grade you down for asking dumb questions.

Worst editorial cartoonist: Zackula, Mike Zetty (Bouillon 227).

Worst parking for permit-less peons: The library. (GETTING SOFT)

Bias against age a form of discrimination

For the past few weeks there have been articles in The Observer trying to change the trends of sexual, racial and handicap discrimination. Yet in last week's Observance, the editors are guilty of discriminatory behavior against Shawn Christie because of his age.

Granted, there are very few freshmen informed enough to be on the S&A fees committee. However, there are very few sophomores, juniors or seniors well enough informed.

Christie is 18 years old, and in being so is legally an adult. He should be treated like one. I don't know Christie and he may not be qualified to be on the S&A committee. However, there are very few students informed enough to make such assumptions.

Get off your high horse, Russell

Several points addressed by Russel Johanson, director to the clubs and organizations, in his letter responding to "MUN ac­cuses fees committee of foul play" need to be clarified.

We need to always obtain the facts. Since it is difficult to obtain factual information from official sources who decline to comment, unofficial sources of information, and we must assume from Johanson's letter that therefore lying, must sometimes be used.

Good investigative journalism often relies upon these unofficial sources. It is amazing that a student leader would have the audacity to assert that a well-respected professor (Dr. Rex Wilcox) would consider punishing a student for their activities.

Talk about unfounded, biased allegations! We have no way of knowing exactly what was meant or to be implied by the J.R. Walker quotation.

Johanson said that because Walker is a "MUN member, former Observer staff and friend of the author" he is a biased source of information. Investigative reporters get their information from contacts that have been carefully cultivated to provide useful and truthful information.

One would hope a leader and pillar of society would have the courage to check facts and consider the implications of his statements before committing them to the editorial page of a newspaper.

Michael Chess

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Racism is everyone's problem

We have come to the conclusion there is a racism problem on this campus. We have had awareness talks about it and have services to deal with it. However, racism is still here. What we as a campus need to do is recognize racism for what it is. It is not just a problem with the white population. It is everyone's problem.

That means everyone must look at what they are doing — including the blacks, Hispanics, Japanese, Native American and white students. Until every member of this school comes to terms with the issue for themselves and stops passing the buck, we will never get rid of racism.

Billy Wagner

Alcohol is a much more 'scary' drug

In the March 16 Observer there was an article concerning the "scary" drug LSD, a drug sources in the story say is far fewer threatened to society than alcohol. Over 225,000 people die every year in this country from this scary drug. It is a welcomed part of the day for all too many average folk on our campus. There is a truly wonderful thing for the students, in that it allows them the luxury of guiltless escape.

Removed from the fear of being treated as criminals, drinkers can quaff all night long, and then brag about it openly the next day.

There has long been a doctrine in this country condemning LSD and marijuana, as well as their users, as threats to society. There is substantial medical evidence suggesting neither marijuana nor LSD is physically addicting and no evidence exists of substantial physical or neural damage associated with the use of either.

Alcohol, on the other hand, does cause extensive damage to vital organs, such as the heart, liver and brain. And it is physically addicting — so much so that addicts can die from detoxification. Is this a threat to society?

Marc d'Angelo

Observer is 'cruel to ... insulting'

I am writing in response to the advertisement for a new staff at The Observer. As a non-traditional student at Central, I find many of the choices made in this newspaper cruel to the point of absurdity.

I started at Central in September of 1988 and found the editorials demonstrated poor judgment and immaturity, as well as sexist, racist and often illegal attitudes.

I remained silent because I was hopeful this would be corrected with a new staff the following year.

This was not to be the case. During the past year not only were there poorly-covered stories and editorials, the readers were bombarded with what I can only assume is political satire in the form of cartoons.

What is ironic or humorous about a senile old man kicking a diaper-clad grandchild while the parents look on?

Are we to believe the parents are not going to intervene? How about the two students not knowing it is Parent's Weekend until their folks are at the door?

This drawing not only suggests they don't know what day or time it is, but they don't know because they consumed so much alcohol.

Political cartoons are most effective when they make you think about an issue.

The issue that comes to my mind when I see these is the lack of sensitivity and quality being brought to this publication.

Linda Ferrier

Year 'on the road' a thrill for bus driver

Willie Nelson’s "On the road again" was the theme song for Central’s motorcoach this year. The song refers to traveling with friends, doing things and going places we’ve never seen before.

From Victoria, British Columbia, to Havre, Mont., to the Grand Canyon in Arizona it has been quite a year for the bus — and for its driver.

This year has been one of the most exciting of my life. Central’s great faculty and tremendous students get the credit. All were kind, courteous and fun to be around. I am very proud to be associated with the people of Central.

Thank you to each of the following: Gary Frederick and the women’s basketball team, Murray Larsen and the Residence Living staff, Bill Baker and the women’s soccer team, Barry Donahue and the Douglas Honors College, Greg Sambrano and the men’s soccer team, Gil Coleman and the men’s basketball team, Robin MacAlpine and "his" recruits, Bob Gregson and the entire swim team, Cynthia Green and Asia University students, Mike Dunbar and some of his football team, John Gregor and the ski class, Don Ring and his geology class, Ken Wilson and the men’s baseball team, Charles Chandler and the track and field teams, Gary Smith and the athletic trainers, and Spike Arti and the cross-country teams.

Steve Woodward

Seasons in the sun some fun for one

After two thick, viscous and generally pulchritudinous years at Central, my boots are finally made for walking.

I’ve learned many things here, such as why guys talk to each other at urinals, why couples like to walk slowly on a closed path so nobody can pass, and what women do when they go en masse to the washerroom.

I’ve also learned if I moved to Antarctica, vigilant Alumni Association officials would track me down and vigorously massage me for contributions until I passed out.

I’ve experienced nasional concern, unrequited love, soggy Rice Krispies, bad rap music, the wrath of Khan (known better as Don Garrity), joy, fun and seasons in the sun, not in any particular order.

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Some thank-yous are in order, so here they are: thank you, thank you, thank you, thank you, thank you, thank you, thank you.

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Jim Thomsen

Gatherings and meetings

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Jim Thomsen
Barefoot in the winter, barefoot in the spring

H ere I stand on the brink of graduation and I tell you what, I am darn excited. At any point in life, there are exactly four outlooks you can have: Knowing exactly what you’re doing and being apathetic toward it; having no clue whatsoever what lies ahead and worrying about it; being excited about it; knowing what you’re doing and being excited about it. I’m in the last category.

For the longest time—well, since about January—I have thought I would stay in Ellensburg after I graduate, at least for the summer. Then next fall, I thought I might go to Minneapolis with some friends and live for a year. I just wanted to go. Go somewhere I haven’t lived yet. Do something I haven’t done yet. But on Sunday I decided I’m going home. My family all lives on the west side of the mountains—mom and dad still in the house I grew up in. That’s where I’m headed. To do what, I don’t know. Sometimes plans change that fast.

Some might say I’m going backwards. Some might say “that’s not living a life you haven’t lived yet.” But I say it is, because I have changed considerably over the past few years and I know how to see the same old things through new eyes. I can see new challenges and things to enjoy. I can have fresh, new relationships with my family. Cool. No matter what I do or where I go, there I am and there I’ll be.

My life’s purpose is no longer dependent upon things or jobs or having a significant other. Those things can all be quickly taken away as if blown away with the wind. Wind is a good metaphor to use in this dandy city.

The wife of our family doctor died suddenly last Friday. Bam. That’s it. Financial trouble can come and all the material stuff goes out the window. See ya later alligator purse.

The “dream job” may never ever come through (if there is such a thing anyway). The dream spouse may never come, nor the dream kids. I know someone who thinks she’s invincible. Seriously. She thinks nothing bad will ever happen to her and truly that she may never die. Life is hers and why worry about its purpose when she’ll always have it?

Scary. Life is going to end—sooner for some than others—and I don’t know that there’s much decision-making power after that point. Decisions need to be made now.

There has got to be something—something giving us a secure future and a living purpose.

For me, as a Christian, it’s my faith. God can’t fail me because I didn’t make him up in my head somehow. God—if he is who he says he is—can’t end his character and plans aren’t dependent upon me.

That’s my stability. What is yours?

My challenge is for you to find that something that is secure and true and real. Find the something that says to you “this is your reason for living.” And make sure you know it 100 percent.

There are a lot of fake reasons out there. Find truth. That is what life is all about. Don’t be living for nothing.

And then, once you decide... kick off your shoes and relax. Life is an adventure! “If I had to do it over,” said a woman in a rest home, “I would start barefooted earlier in the spring and stay that way later in the fall. I would play hooly more. I wouldn’t get such good grades, except by accident. I would burn more gasoline. I would eat more ice cream and fewer beans,” she said.

“I’d try to make more mistakes next time. I would be sillier than I have been this trip. I would be crazier. I would take more chances.”

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FIREED UP ABOUT IT; KNOWING WHERE I STAND ON THE BRINK OF GRADUATION...
Artist's work influenced by 'comic books, campy humor, bad films and noisy music'

by Karri Matau
Staff reporter

After two years of preparation Scott Mansfield, 23, will finish up his master's degree in fine arts with his thesis exhibit on June 2-7. The exhibit will consist of drawings and sculptures.

Mansfield graduated from Central in the spring of 1989 with a bachelor's in fine arts and decided to continue on and get his master's degree. Although he plans on getting his Master of Fine Arts in the future, he is going to wait a while though he plans on getting his master's degree. Although he plans on getting his master's degree.

Mansfield said that he created images and shapes out of bronze, wood or aluminum. He then combines and recombines these parts until they begin "to make sense together," said Mansfield. "I practically live in Randall Hall, and when I'm not there I'm thinking about my work," said Mansfield. "I'll probably never have the chance to devote so much time to making art again." Mansfield said that he doesn't try to change people's minds with his work.

"My work does deal with certain political ideas or subjects, but I try not to be overtly political," he said. "My work is concerned with the basic ideas of life, death, love, guilt, and sex," said Mansfield. "My work is also influenced by fun, trival things like comic books, campy humor, bad films and noisy music. So there are two sides to what I do."

Mansfield's exhibit continues through June 7. Gallery hours are 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays.

Alternative sounds on cassette

by Gina Zukoski
Scene editor

Looking for a few different sounds to help you while away your summertime hours? Two local bands offer debut cassettes.

From Chameleon King, we have "Logical Disorder." This band, formerly known as Lunar Eclipse has Central students Justin Berger, Robz and Ronson, Rob Bartleson, Jess, Rich Brown/lead guitar, and Matthew Cranes, who have kept in touch.

Logical Disorder is a collection of 10 originals, with music and lyrics predominantly composed by Brown and Crane, respectively.

If I had to define the band's overall sound, I couldn't. I would lump it together with the alternative sound currently riding high on the crest of the musical popularity wave. While all of the songs seem to be similarly melodic -minder based, and contain a melodic chord progression, they nonetheless work.

There is diversity to be found within the lyrics and mood of each tune. A particular favorite was "Doin' my time in hell." From the opening in-fusting lead guitar riff, the band displays a cohesive groove. The lyrics are crafty - a unique approach to the

Chris Sledge

"Just love the East Coast and this weekend it's been hot and humid," said Johnson. "I could really live here." In fact, she "doesn't want to come back ... not that Central's a bad place or anything, but I am not looking forward to coming back just before finals." Before departing, Johnson, a sophomore majoring in communications, talked to her professors who were "very supportive ... they told me to have a good time," she said. She added, "Even though I brought my books, I never opened them."
Z-Trane, good-bye bashes and just plain good-byes

Loads of stuff to report this week, so let's get busy.

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Four earn All-American status at national meet

by Todd Tucker
Staff reporter

Central’s men’s Track-and-Field representatives at the NAIA national meet placed 17th overall with a total of 15 points at Tarleton State University in Stephenville, Texas, last week.

Four men earned All-American status at the meet for the Wildcats.

Keith Baker broke his own school record and placed second in the 110-meter high hurdles preliminaries with a speedy 14.26 seconds.

In the finals, some physical contact from a runner falling down caused Baker to run a 14.55 for a fourth-place finish. His placing earned him a spot on the NAIA All-American team.

“I’m happy that I improved since last year,” said Baker. “I got bumped in the final heat by the guy running next to me as he was falling down, and that knocked me into fourth place,” he said.

David Cummings, who placed seventh in the 10,000-meter race-walk, was also selected for Academic All-American team. He placed in the 10,000-meter race-walk with a time of 49:45.75.

On the academic side, Cummings posted a 3.64 grade point average in flight technology.

Greg Olsen finished fifth in the 400 intermediate hurdles with a 53.24 second time. Olsen finished second in his preliminary and semifinal heats, and also earned All-American honors.

Dave Phillips made the All-American team with a 156-4 discus throw. The toss was long enough to place him fifth overall.

“The team didn’t do as well as we would’ve liked, but everyone seemed happy,” said Baker. The team, however, was unable to score in the meet.

What a year in sports: No Nicholson and No. 1 in football

by Greg L. Miller
Sports editor

Central’s sports teams had some great moments over the past nine months, and to recap some of these memorable events here is a look back at what happened in sports at this university this past year.

U The Wildcat football team, by winning its game against Western Washington 28-16 September 29, 1991, became the No. 1 ranked NAIA Division II football school for the first time in school history. The previously No. 1 ranked team Missouri Valley lost that week to catapult the ‘Cats into the top spot which they held throughout the season until losing in the third round of the playoffs to eventual national champion Westminster, Pa.

U The Wildcat basketball team began a new era without Hall-of-Fame coach Dean Nicholson for the first time in over 30 years. Nicholson resigned, and the basketball program was placed on a two-year suspension after it was learned Nicholson had used money generated from his summer basketball camp and given it to players. New head coach Gil Coleman took over and led the Wildcat basketball team to a 14-14 record after the team started the season at 1-8.

U Central’s men’s swimming team captured its ninth District 1 title in the past 10 years, winning the district meet by well over 200 points. Both the men’s and women’s teams raced in the top seven at the national tournament.

U Central’s wrestling team compiled its best season since 1985 under new coach Jim Heikes. The men’s club finished with a 15-2 record, despite the fact the club lost Club Senate funding in November, and will be moved up to the A’ Division for next season. The women also won their first meet ever this season.

U Central’s men’s and women’s rugby squads continued to improve this season. The men’s club finished with a 15-2 record, and the coveted co-ed softball championship.

U Central’s men’s baseball team reached the NAIA Division 1 playoffs for the fifth year in a row, but failed to make the regional tournament losing to Whitworth.

U Central’s track team placed 17th at nationals with 15 total points and had four athletes earn All-American honors.

Gams, Shoes win intramurals

by Greg L. Miller
Sports editor

Central’s 1991 intramural softball season came to an exciting end last week.

Four-on-the-floor gams defeated Uter Confusion 12-2 in a 4 1/2 inning masterpiece, to give the gams the championship.

“Our girls played excellent, they were the deciding factor,” Mike Massie, co-captain

The team won four games to win the championship. After winning their first-round game they defeated an Al-Monty squad 11-4 in the second round.

In the semifinals the gams then beat a tough K.C.’s crew team by a score of 3-1 to advance to the finals where they ended their season by utterly confusing Uter Confusion.

“Our girls played excellent,” said team captain Mike Massie. “They were the deciding factor.”

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In the men’s league, Shoes Unlimited, which finished the regular season with a 9-2 record, won the intramural softball championship by beating My Oh My 11-4 in the finals.

Shoes beat the Tourists 15-6 in their first-round game, then beat the Scratch Crawlin’ Woody Boogers, who won the pre-season intramural softball tournament, 15-1.

In the semifinals Shoes beat Tom Bannen’s team 7-3 to advance to the finals where they won the championship.

“It was a good win; this was the first season everyone played together (as a team),” team captain Todd Daniels said. “I didn’t know half the guys before the season started,” he said.

Daniels, who won his first men’s intramural softball championship after six years of trying. “I was pretty excited,” he said.
Basketball team picks up new recruits

Shane McCullough, a part-time starter at San Jose State during the 1989-90 season, has enrolled at Central and will play basketball this winter for the Wildcats.

In addition, Central Coach Gil Coleman has received verbal commitments from three other transfers who plan to enroll this fall.

Joining McCullough, a 6-4 guard from Hazen High School in Renton, will be guards Chad Boyer (5-11, Jr., Oak Harbor) and David Rockwood (6-2, So., Redmond) and forward Damon Hunter (6-5, So., Denver, Colo.).

McCullough, who has one year of eligibility remaining, averaged 20.7 points and 7.4 rebounds at Grays Harbor Community College in the 1988-89 season. He was the NW AACC West Region MVP and earned JC All-American honors.

McCullough is rated an excellent perimeter passer and shooter.

"Shane has great physical ability and mentally he understands the game of basketball," Coleman said. Boyer led the NWAACC in assists last winter averaging 12.2 to earn All-Northern region honors.

"He is very good in the open floor and we thought he was one of the top three point guards in the NWAACC," Coleman said.

Rockwood can play point or the shooting guard position. He led Redmond to two State AAA high school titles and was a teammate of Western Washington University all-district guard Jeff Dick. "He is an excellent defensive guard," Coleman said.

Hunter is enrolling at Central after spending six years in the Army. Prior to joining the military, he played one year at Nebraska Western.

"He has excellent offensive skills," said Coleman. "He can shoot from the perimeter and can also post up. He's also very quick and is a good jumper."
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