Mesa State continues to grow with demolition of student center
Four decades of memories come down with walls and name

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News Editor

It was often called the “monument to Mesa State,” the center of the campus, and even the “family room” of the campus. After almost 50 years, the W.W. Campbell College Center has been torn down. As Mesa State continues to grow, it has come time for a new student center, and within the next 18 months, construction crews will work to provide Mesa State with a new “family room” for students.

Don’t fill the air at a building or take chunks out of the Outdoor Center program office beginning at 11:18 a.m. Thursday morning. Students and faculty alike gathered around to watch and reminisce about times spent in the student center and what it meant for them to see it go.

“It was exciting to see the new growth,” Interim Wellness Andre Mitchell said. Mitchell attended school at Mesa State for four years and graduated a year ago. “But it’s sad to see all of the memories I had go down. I won’t have a place to see them anymore.”

Not only did students make memories there, but the staff did as well.

“It was a great space when students felt safe,” Director of the Student Center Deb Hoefler said. “It’s a place they could come and hang out, talk to people, and not feel like they were intruding on anybody.”

As the W.W. Campbell College Center came down, the name also came down with it. Once rebuilt, it will be named the Mesa State College Center. The new two-story student center is planned to be up by the summer of 2010 complete with a three-story parking garage.

Crews tear through the outside east walls of the former W.W. Campbell Student Center at Mesa State College February 12. Work will continue at the site for the next 18 months as the old building is replaced with a brand new structure and parking garage.

Spring football training: new location due to construction
New location causes training complications, team still hopeful

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Spring football training is here and this time of year may be vital to next season’s success. However, there has been so much construction going on at Mesa State that some of the facilities are off limits.

The Mesa State football team usually works out in Saunders Field House, but due to the renovations under way, the players must go to a downtown warehouse in order to prepare for next season. The team was given to First St. downtown four days of the week in order to train. Some of the players are able to accept the challenge and other are not as fond of it.

“The only things that may affect the workout are the unsafe and unsanitary conditions,” sophomore Contour Wright said.

Weight understands the situation but makes sure some improvements could be made. The warehouse is a make shift gym so the conditions there are not similar to the field house the team is used to. The floors are made of concrete and they tend to become slippery when wet and since it is still February, the warehouse can become rather cold.

Not only does the team lift weights so they can be in better physical shape for next season, but they also get up at 5:30 a.m. to go running.

Even though Wednesdays are their days off, they still have the option to go and play an intramural seven versus seven scrimmage to further their training. Even though this is an optional exercise, the majority of players choose to participate so that they can better themselves as well as the team.

Spring ball is an exciting time of year for many players because it is this time of the year when they have an opportunity to shine and show their coaches what they are really made of. Many players love this part of football because it is more that they begin feeling more as like an integral part of the team than ever before.

“I’m really excited for this upcoming spring ball to compete for a starting position at cornerback,” sophomore Kyle Hartman said.

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Mesa State students gather to honor fellow Maverick
Family hopes tragedy serves as a lesson for fellow students

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Loved ones and friends at a packed memorial service honored Samantha Loy. Feb. 12 at the Callahan-Edith Montmyer Chapel, Loy, 18, was described as always being happy and smiling all the time. She was not to always look at the positive side of things and always bring happiness to those around her.

“She was a girl with a future so bright that you needed sunglasses,” Loy’s sister-in-law Valerie Lee said.

Loy was killed in a car accident at 1:50 a.m. Feb. 9 on Interstate 70 about seven mile marker 23, near the 20 fiscal overpass. Blood alcohol tests revealed alcohol in her system and that was a factor in the accident. Investigations are still under way whether she was texting in the moments leading up to the accident. She was also not wearing a seat belt, causing her to be ejected from the car out of the drivers side window.

Staff officer Nick Peck pulled Loy over half an hour before the accident for two minor traffic violations, but let her go. Peck did not see any indicators of alcohol or drug impairment when he pulled Loy over. Family and friends wanted to stress at the memorial service the fact that Loy was not what she appeared to be in the news, she was a smart student with a bright future and made good choices. They would also like this to serve as a lesson for everyone and hope that it can make people be careful when they’re driving and not drive if intoxicated or texting.

“I know this tragic loss has caused a tear in us all,” Lee said.

Friends and family gather to honor the memory of Mesa State student Samantha Loy at memorial service Feb. 12.

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Live Well encourages women
Discussion held to “empower”

Sean Johnson
News Reporter
College is a time when phrases such as “the freshman 15” become a reality for many students while being on their own to exercise and drinking alcoholic beverages heavy in calories. Live Well, a student led group on campus has just this on their minds. The group focuses on issues that include assisting students with their physical, emotional, financial, and spiritual needs. On Feb. 24 “Get Talk,” a discussion about self image, will be presented in the Academic Classroom Building at 6:00 p.m. Presentations by professionals connected to the issues will be given along with food for the audience. The goal is to create a comfortable environment while discussing the topics of eating disorders, image, relationships, and more.

“We feel by having an open and honest discussion, we can learn from each other’s experiences and share a sense of empowerment that helps everyone deal with any issues they may face,” Live Well Vice President Kelly Finnegan said.

She believes it is essential that girls feel comfortable and know that they are not alone in dealing with important issues that effect everyday life. Finnegan wants the discussion to be safe and comfortable so the women who attend can talk and heal.

The members of the group believe much is more powerful than seeing a smile on a professor or student. This has led the group in reaching out not only to women but men. The goal here is to provide any assistance that may be needed. The group wants to ensure good health throughout the student community.

Students wanting to incorporate all areas of health and make available assistance and advice to everyone created Live Well. Seeing more students take on the issue of health while working with friends and family to promote good health is important to the group. 

Blotter
Source: Grand Junction Police Department
Tobacco use by underage: Three known juveniles, two 15, one 17 years of age, were arrested and released on a summons Feb. 9 for possession of tobacco by an underage person on 6th St and the Get Way.
DUI, Liquor: Stephanie Amos, 19, was arrested and released Feb. 10 on a summons for DUI, careless driving, being underage in possession of alcohol and failing to notify police of an accident. This occurred at 1061 S. 5th St.
Liquor: Franklin Miller, 20, Victoria Piper, 18, and a known juvenile female age 16, were arrested and released Feb. 13 on a summons after they were contacted at 864 Bunting Ave. for possession/consumption of alcohol by under age persons.
Narcotics, Outside Warranty: Adam Lee Hillton, 23, and Joshua James Wilson, 25, were contacted at 1231 Kennedy Ave. Feb. 13. Hillton was found to have an active warrant—bond of $1,000. Both males were also found to have possessed and consumed suspected illegal drugs and to have possessed suspected drug paraphernalia. Jessica Bailey, 20, was arrested and released on a summons Feb. 15 for possession of tobacco by an underage person.
Toxic use by Underage: Three known juveniles, two 14, one 16 years of age, were arrested and released Feb. 16 for possession/consumption of alcohol by under age persons.

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Fuzzy feeling is over for the better

I imagine a group of armed men taking your soup kitchen

I have you every day that you had come to

I now feel what you feel because your unawareness does not compare, even slight-

It has been a long month.

It’s a little harder to get around campus now.”

“I just get my vocabulary back and my hands back on top of a book.”

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Music review: Morrissey “Years of Refusal”

Janice Sylva

On Feb. 17, as Morrissey released his first record of the new decade, he also released his first new record in four years. “Years of Refusal,” a taut and rousing album, marks the return of Morrissey to the world of music. A life-long observer of human behavior, Morrissey approaches his music with a sharp, almost clinical eye.

Q: What went into your artwork? Is it collective or is this all new?

A: Most of them are current work, either last year or two years ago, since I gave birth to my daughter. I brought some extra work because it’s a sort of sequel to the first record. Morrissey says, “I do very well.”

Q: Do you think moving to the U.S. has influenced you at all?

A: Yes, because I can’t get Nihonga pigment. I use acrylic or watercolor or some other water-soluble materials (not) since I came to the U.S. I combine acrylic and watercolor, and sometimes other material, and layer it to make it look like Nihonga, like the appearance to the Nihonga paintings.

Q: What can viewers expect from your show? Do you hope it affects people?

A: Yes, if they feel something is calming or satisfying their feelings.

Q: What are the risks involved in kiln firing and post-firing?

A: You may have seen him laying bricks, plumbing or working construction, but most people have never been involved in these activities. According to Shepherd, the potter can change visually in minutes or even seconds and it forces you to be in tune with others or have other work to do. To determine the final outcome of the piece, it is all about steps.

“Embellished by Fire” workshop

Laura Barton

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“Let the processes kind of play it’s part… not knowing everything about it you kind of give it over to the kiln,” Shepherd said.

As manifested by Shepherd, to become a good artist it’s about taking risks and examining both past and present methods and approaches.

Q: Have you ever been involved in pottery, or just in art in general and what you kind of give it over to the kiln, “Shepherd said.”

Q: What are the risks involved in kiln firing and post-firing?

A: The potter can change visually in minutes or even seconds and it forces you to be in tune with others or have other work to do. To determine the final outcome of the piece, it is all about steps.

Shepherd is involved in kiln firing and post-firing. He has a distinctive method and approach. He has a distinctive method and approach. He has a distinctive method and approach. He has a distinctive method and approach.
Mesa State Track Update

Patrick Morrell
Sports Editor

The women's track and field team traveled to Colorado Springs over the weekend for the Air Force Invitational. Senior Megan Box placed sixth in the one-mile run with a time of 6:07.44. This was the Lady Mavs strongest showing at the event. Andrews Agos placed 11th in the 800 meter run prelims (2:26.05).

Mesa State Wrestling Update

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