An Invitation
to Community Groups,
Schools, Clubs,
Churches,
Service Organizations,
and Other Groups

Centralia College is rich in resources and expertise on a wide spectrum of topics. The Centralia College Speakers Bureau lists the following people and subjects to help you take advantage of available resources.

Organizations wanting speakers are cordially invited to contact the college or the speakers listed. Resources, however, are not limited to this list. If you have a topic or issue in mind and it is not listed, we would appreciate the opportunity to try to find an appropriate speaker.

Throughout its long history, Centralia College has placed an emphasis on quality faculty and staff, people who have, through education and life experience, become knowledgeable on a wide variety of subjects. They are marked by a keen curiosity, the desire to become informed and the ability to share their knowledge with others. This expertise and enthusiasm is the hallmark of the Centralia College Speakers Bureau.

Media Inquiries
The expertise available on campus can also be valuable to media representatives seeking topic interviews or a local angle. Resource people are able to offer comment on local, regional, national and international issues. This list serves as a reference for these purposes. In addition, the Office of College Relations will serve as a resource in helping track information for news or feature articles.

Contact a speaker ...
by dialing direct, (360) 736-9391, then the extension listed for the speaker you want to contact, or by contacting via e-mail at the address provided. You may also call the Office of College Relations, (360) 736-9391, ext. 268. A pdf file of this Speaker’s Bureau is on the Centralia College Web site at: <http://www.centralia.edu/news/pubs.html>.

Subjects and Speakers

**Acting For Fun And Rejuvenation**
Brian Tyrrell, ext. 301, btyrrell@centralia.edu

**Africa’s Malawi: A Different Way Of Life**
Ken Rakoz, ext. 316, krakoz@centralia.edu

**Animal Assisted Activities and Therapy**
Peggy Goldberg, ext. 265, pgoldberg@centralia.edu

**Assistive Technology In The Workplace – How Individuals With Disabilities Do Their Jobs**
Barbara Oswald, ext. 320, boswald@centralia.edu

**Astronomy: Looking At And Understanding The Universe**
John Martens, ext. 411, jmartens@centralia.edu

**Building Scenery For Stage And Film**
Tony Petzold, ext. 557, tpetzold@centralia.edu

**Centralia College: Honoring our Past, Building Our Future**
Dr. Jim Walton, ext. 231, jwalton@centralia.edu

**Chemistry For Cool People: Interactive Demonstration: “Fun Chemistry,” Making Slime Or Bath Fizzers**
Dr. Ruby Nagelkerke, ext. 333, rnagelkerke@centralia.edu

**Corbett Theatre: How This Marvelous Facility Works/The Potential It Brings To The Region**
Tony Petzold, ext. 557, tpetzold@centralia.edu

**Crime And Punishment In Our Society**
Tadd Belden, ext. 856, tbleden@centralia.edu

**Critical Issues Facing the Energy Industry**
Barbara Hins-Turner, ext. 477, bhins-turner@centralia.edu

**Diesel Industry: Importance, Growth and Personal Impact**
Ken Rakoz, ext. 316, krakoz@centralia.edu

**Disaster Preparedness**
Gil Elder, ext. 218, gelder@centralia.edu

**Endowments: Leaving A Legacy While Supporting Students**
Julie Johnson, ext. 516, jjohnson@centralia.edu

**Every Thing You Ever Wanted To Know About William Shakespeare**
Brian Tyrrell, ext. 301, btyrrell@centralia.edu

**Fishes of the Graveyard of the Atlantic: Diving Wrecks and Reefs Off North Carolina**
Dr. Steve Norton, ext. 261, snorton@centralia.edu

**Foundation’s Capital Campaign – Helping the College Grow**
Julie Johnson, ext. 516, jjohnson@centralia.edu

**Grant Writing: How To Start, Where To Look**
MaryAnn Medlin, ext. 302, mmedlin@centralia.edu

**ICP (Individual Certificate Program): Allied Health Care Careers**
Alicia Wicks, ext. 450, awicks@centralia.edu

**Insider’s Peek At The Disabilities Rights Movement: The Struggle For Progress For People With Disabilities**
Barbara Oswald, ext. 320, boswald@centralia.edu

**Introduction To Backyard Birding: Identification, Feeding, And Housing Of Southwest Washington Birds**
Russ Mohney, ext. 473, rmohney@centralia.edu

**Laura Ingalls Wilder and Rose Wilder Lane: Life In (And After) The “Little House on the Prairie”**
Susanne Weil, ext. 239, sweil@centralia.edu

**Mark Twain’s Life And Writing**
Susanne Weil, ext. 239, sweil@centralia.edu

**Mark Twain, Businessman**
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**Mathematics of Chance: Lotteries, Casinos and Life**
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**Origami (Paper Folding) And Rubber Stamping**
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Running Start: College Credits For High School Students
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Sailboating/Sailboat Racing
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Salmon Fishery In The Pacific Northwest
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Scholarships: How The Foundation Works To Support The College And How Scholarships Help Students
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Soap Making
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Success Stories Of Famous People With Disabilities
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Successfully Negotiating Contracts
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Team Building Concepts
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Volcanoes And Forests They Bury
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Why The World Needs Engineers (And People Who Are Good At Math)
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