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THE MAGAZINE for Eastern Washington University Alumni and Friends

EASTERN

FALL 2005

Solving
Crime:
It's In
The Bones



Changing Perspective

There was a moment this spring, a quiet celebration that was emblematic of all that is good about change. The first class of Washington Achievers graduated from Eastern.

In fall 2001, 30 Washington Achievers enrolled here. They were low-income students selected by the Washington Education Foundation and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation to receive special financial and mentoring support at designated high schools, support which continued through college.

Six of these students graduated in June; most of the rest are set to do so within a year. One graduate is David Kazemba, a young musician raised by his grandparents in Spokane Valley – bright as all get out, but who had no higher education role models, prospects or means to pursue a degree. He now holds a baccalaureate degree from EWU and has formed Kazemba Records, his own fledgling record label, borne out of an entrepreneurship project he did for a class.

“This is probably the best opportunity I had to actually go to college, to actually do it, to put together music, which I love, with business, which I seem to be good at, and to make my grandparents proud,” David said.

There are currently 160 Washington Achievers changing their lives at Eastern.

As someone who has been here long enough to see five presidents preside at Eastern, experience some real breath-holding moments and witness some glorious rebirths as we’ve become the robust institution we are today – I know for certain that change is inevitable. And, most often, change is refreshing and life-giving, as it is proving to be for the Washington Achievers who are fulfilling their own dreams and stepping clearly and brightly into their own futures.

But it can be a little unsettling, just the same. Some of our University leaders have moved on. That comes with achieving highly visible success. For one, Angela Brown, that dynamo of an Alumni Relations director who taught us all to sing Eastern’s fight song loudly and proudly, has taken a new position in the private sector.

Those of us who have been around for a while will miss seeing some of our old friends, including all our newly minted alumni. But, it’s autumn now, and we are greeting a new incoming freshman class, expected to be a record-setting 1,600 strong. It is a time of renewal.

As we help change the lives of these new and returning students – they and the new programs, new faculty and new administrators who join the Eastern family this fall will do what those before them did – invigorate us, change us, change Eastern. All for the better.

Stefanie Pettit
Editor

Footnote: With this issue, EWU’s magazine for alumni and friends re-emerges as *Eastern* magazine. *Perspective*, its predecessor, served well – but it was time to refresh concept, design and name. Change and renewal are good for magazines, too.



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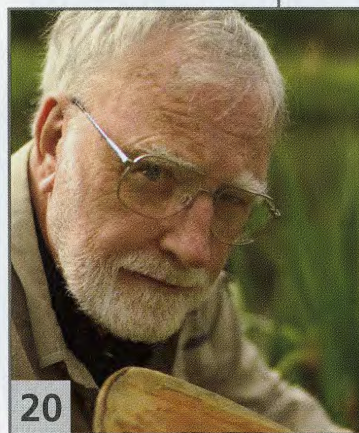
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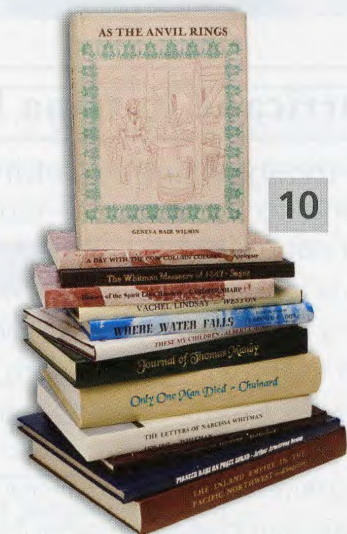


Forensic anthropologists examine skeletal material to help solve criminal cases. Not as easy as just looking through a magnifying lens, but even more fascinating!

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EWU Hosts First Group of Iraqi Educators in the USA

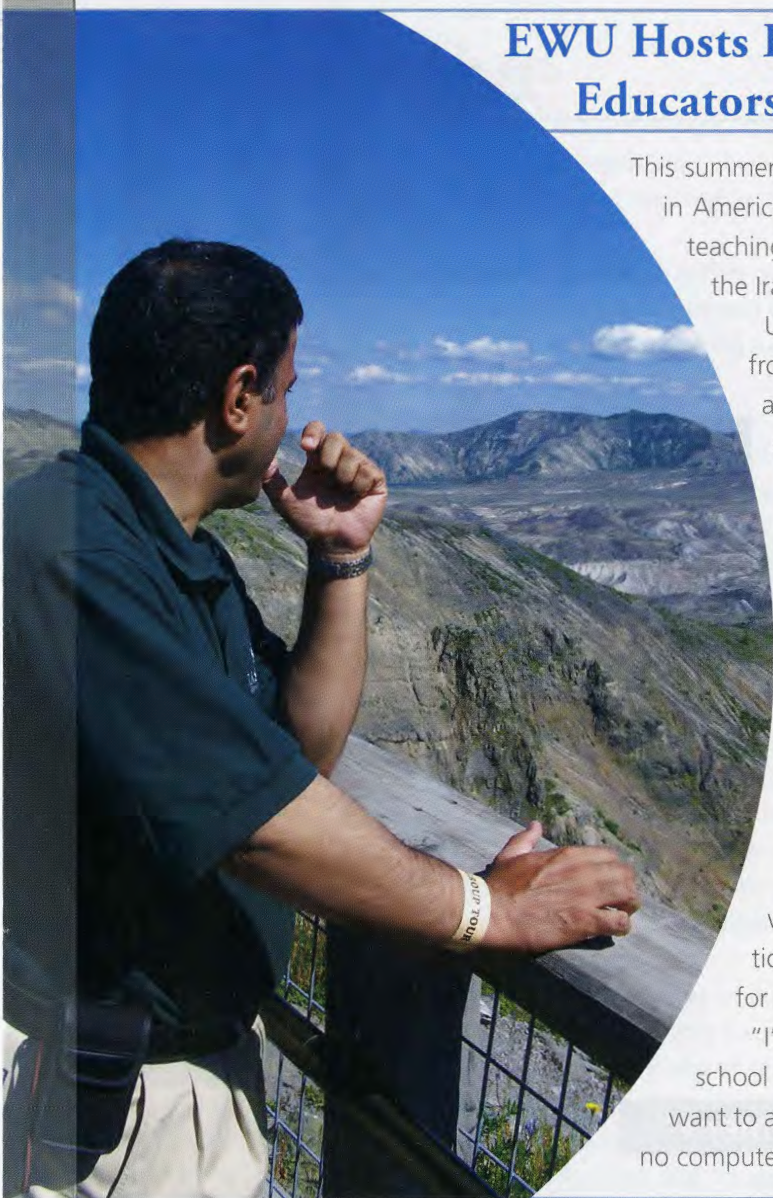
This summer, Eastern hosted the first USA-sponsored visit of Iraqi educators in America. The group of 13 Iraqi teachers came to Eastern to learn new teaching methods as part of a reform and modernization program for the Iraqi educational system.

Universities all across the country vied for the \$400,000 grant from the U.S. State Department's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs to conduct the program. Eastern, the institution which secured the grant, has expertise in such educational reform projects, having hosted Pakistani educators last year, as well as a group of Armenian educators. A second cohort of Iraqis (school administrators) arrives this fall for a similar experience at Eastern – and another Pakistani project at EWU next year will focus on education for women and young girls in Pakistan.

While in America, the Iraqis also visited some of America's historic landmark sites on the East Coast, as well as regional visits in the Northwest. (With security still an issue for them at home, the Iraqi teacher in this photo at Mount. St. Helens asked that his name not be used.)

"They experienced a rich and genuine slice of American life while forming a lasting network of personal and professional relationships with American educators," said Earl Gibbons, vice provost for Academic Affairs-International and Educational Outreach.

"I'm so impressed by the techniques teachers use here," said a high school teacher from Baghdad. "They teach with games and pictures. I want to apply them in Iraq. We don't have electricity in our school now, so no computers. But maybe I will buy a laptop – it's a first step."



Hurricane Katrina Response

The thoughts and hopeful wishes of the entire Eastern community extend to those in the Gulf Coast region who were impacted by Hurricane Katrina this summer.

As of early September, contact with our alumni, friends and colleagues there had been sketchy and brief. But as communication systems become reliable once again, outreach to our extended family in Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama will continue.

This fall, Eastern is enrolling some of the students who had been attending colleges in the hurricane-devastated area, and Eastern faculty, staff and students are mobilizing fundraising drives in support of national relief organizations.

If you wish to assist the overall hurricane relief effort, please contribute to those reputable national and local organizations reliably known for providing assistance under circumstances such as these.



4th Largest Social Work Program

EWU is No. 4 in the nation and proud of it. With some 625 students in its bachelor's and master's programs in social work this past year, Eastern's School of Social Work and Human Services was ranked fourth (by size) in the nation by the Council on Social Work Education.

Consider the proportions. No. 1-ranked Fordham University has a student enrollment of 15,000 to draw from and No. 2 Columbia University has 23,000 – while EWU has a total headcount enrollment of 9,800 students. (The No. 3 school is the University of Maryland-Baltimore.)

Eastern's statewide mission is growing, as it is expanding on its part-time, master's-level social work programs for working professionals in Everett and north Puget Sound, Yakima and Toppenish and Vancouver-Clark County, as well as in Idaho.

The need for competent social work practitioners "will grow faster than the average for all occupations through 2012," according to the U.S. Department of Labor's *Occupational Outlook Handbook 2004-05 Edition*.



Driving for Scholarships

Eagle license plates first became available in 1996, with \$28 of the \$30 assessed for the specialty plates going to fund scholarships at the University. With more than 1,207 EWU license plates issued so far, that means more than \$70,500 in scholarship funds have gone to Eastern students from license plate revenues.

Tuition and Enrollment Through the Years

An Eastern education continues to be a good investment for the dollar. In addition to the intellectual and personal growth it provides, people with college degrees can expect to earn approximately twice what high school graduates do over the course of their working lives, according to the Census Bureau.

Here's how tuition and enrollment have changed at Eastern over the years.

1925	free tuition (\$5 per-term enrollment fee) 823 students	1982	\$289 tuition & fees per quarter 8,155 students
1947	free tuition (\$18.50 in fees per term) 1,322 students	1996	\$810 tuition & fees per quarter 7,594 students
1965	\$20 tuition & fees per quarter 3,658 students	2004	\$1,194 tuition & fees per quarter 9,775 students

Visitors Center Under Construction

Within a matter of months, Eastern will have a formal point of entry to campus in the form of a 2,500-square-foot Visitors Center – long a goal of alumni and friends, not to mention administrators and students.

Now under construction next to Sutton Hall, across F Street from the Showalter Hall parking lot, the brick building is designed to be a destination and point of departure for first-time visitors and guests and an information center for programs, activities and events. It's also where the Eagle Ambassadors (tour guides) will be housed and where campus maps and parking and other information will be readily available.

The \$2.4 million project is expected to be completed by late winter-early spring.

EWU Visitor Center
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The Sweet Sounds of KEWU-FM

Eastern's radio station, Jazz 89.5 KEWU-FM, Spokane's premier jazz music source, this summer was named Small Market Jazz Station of the Year by

JazzWeek magazine. And completing the sweep, KEWU programmer Elizabeth Farriss ('05, BA electronic media and filmic arts) was named Jazz Programmer of the Year.

The awards are especially sweet for the station that operates with a smaller budget and staff than other stations up for the award – and which now broadcasts on 10,000 watts, after first hitting the airwaves in 1950 with a 10-watt transmitter. KEWU-FM is also home to EWU Eagles athletic teams' broadcasts.

Region's Only Preschool for Autistic Children Housed at EWU

It used to be that families with autistic children in eastern Washington needed to travel to the west side of the mountains for the complex set of services needed to help them. No more.

Thanks to a \$425,000 allocation (for two years) to EWU from the state, the University is partnering with Sacred Heart Medical Center – working with the Northwest Autism Center – to improve services to autistic children.

This fall quarter, EWU is opening a preschool for autistic children in Martin Hall. Not only will enrolled children receive specialized help, the school will provide training for their parents. And it will provide training and research opportunities for Eastern students and faculty, as well as bringing in expertise from other depart-

ments on campus (such as communication disorders, occupational and physical therapy).

"We expect also to provide training for outside schools and community sites on the best practices for working with kids with autism," said Marion Moore, associate professor of counseling, education and developmental psychology and director of the preschool.

Autism is a neurological disorder affecting behavioral, speech, social and cognitive functions in as many as one in 200 children.



Not Your Father's Little Literary Press Anymore

The EWU Press is probably best known for the annual literary arts festival it presents every spring – *Get Lit!* Eastern's literary press has been quietly moving "up market" in recent years and is now also publishing works for general audiences – such as *Walking It Off* by noted environmentalist and outdoors writer Doug Peacock, due out this month.

Also rather quietly, the Press has been garnering significant awards and achievements – several in this past year – including two for *Ayat Jamilah*, a collection of Muslim folktales. The book was named one of *Newsweek* magazine's 10 Best Children's Religious Books and received the Aesop Award from the Children's Folklore section of the American Folklore Society.

Several other Press-published authors and their works have received awards from such prestigious groups as the Fulbright Commission and National Education Association and received favorable reviews in publications such as the *New York Times Book Review*.



It's All for You

Governor Martin House – just across F Street from the front lawn of Showalter Hall – is now the Governor Martin Alumni House. Formerly a shared facility, the brick ranch home where former Washington Gov. Clarence Martin once resided is now devoted to Eastern alumni. And it's a stone's throw away from the new University Visitors Center now under construction. Stop by when you're in town.

What's 25 Years Old and 15,000 Strong?

International Field Studies at Eastern Washington University! Since 1980, IFS has been providing college-level academic credit for high school students engaging in study abroad experiences – from Ireland to Australia to China.

In total, more than 15,000 students from all 50 states and Canada have traveled to 35 countries as part of the People to People Student Ambassador Program and the Sports Ambassador Program, with Eastern providing the academic credentialing portion of the experience. IFS courses range from mass media and

cultures to the arts to leadership.

Adults – teachers mostly – also earn credit as part of the Ambassador Program's adult professional exchanges.

"We've found over the years that this gives students a real focus when they travel and that they come back with a better understanding of themselves and the world, as well as a better idea of the direction and studies they wish to pursue in life," said Jeannette Phillips, program director at Independent Learning and International Field Studies at EWU.

New Dean Comes Home to the West

Vickie Shields is pleased to “come home to the West” as she became dean of the EWU College of Social and Behavioral Sciences in August.

She worked in higher education in Ohio for the past 20 years, most recently at Bowling Green State University, where she was an associate dean and earlier, director of women’s studies.

Much of her research focuses on gender representation in the media, especially advertising, and she is the author of the book, *Measuring Up: How Advertising Affects Self Image* (2002).

“I am committed to continuing the forward-thinking curriculum integration project begun by Dean Jeffers Chertok before his untimely death,” she said. “That project is just beginning and is very good for the college.”

Vickie Shields grew up in the Nampa, Idaho, area, where she rode quarter horses and went on to become Caldwell Nite Rodeo Queen 1981 and Miss Rodeo Idaho 1982 (that last title is a pretty big deal in the world of rodeo). She had a good role model, she said – her mother had also been a rodeo queen.

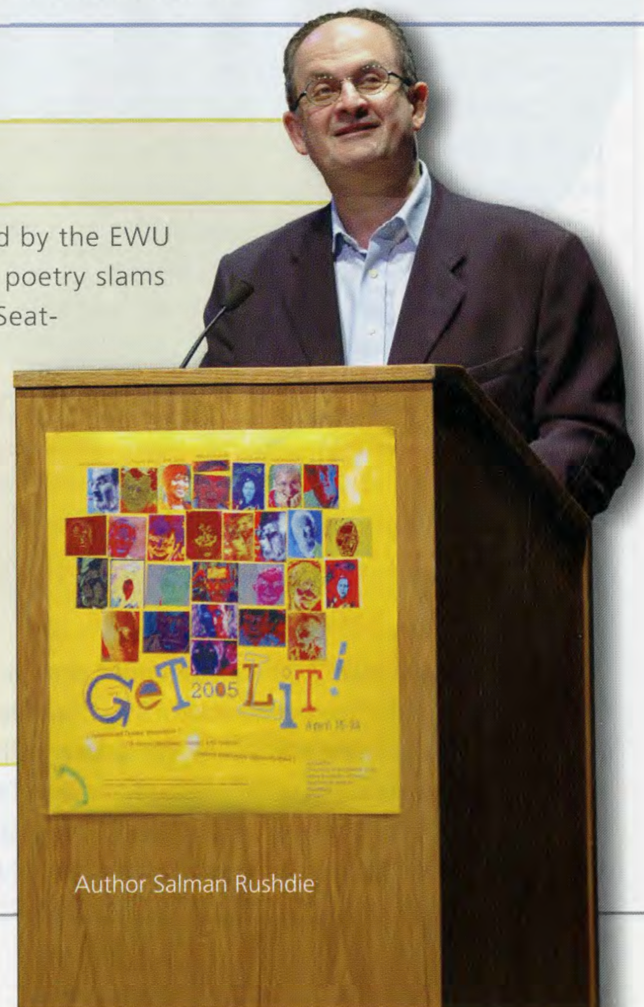


Get Lit! Got Hot!

This past spring’s *Get Lit!* literary arts festival, sponsored by the EWU Press, has gotten really hot in the literary world – from poetry slams to workshops to world-class presenters. *The Stranger*, Seattle’s alternative newspaper, even went to lengths to tweak its city’s own Bookfest in comparison.

With 2005 headliners Salman Rushdie, author of *The Satanic Verses*; Rita Dove, America’s poet laureate, 1993-95; Robert Bly, noted poet and international bestseller; and children’s author and storyteller Robert Munsch, author of *Love You Forever* – *Get Lit! 2005* could be hard to beat.

But don’t count on it. The *Get Lit! 2006* lineup will be announced this fall. Stay tuned.



Author Salman Rushdie

Focus on Faculty

Maria Hernandez-Peck goes to the White House

For the third time in her career, **Maria Hernandez-Peck** will be a delegate to a White House Conference on Aging in Washington, D.C. As one of four delegates selected by Gov. Gregoire, she will work on resolutions and strategies designed to help the nation's president and Congress shape aging policies for the next 10 years.

The conference takes place in December. A native of Cuba, Hernandez-Peck, director of Eastern's Center for Studies in Aging in the School of Social Work and Human Services, also was a delegate in 1981 and 1995.

This is the fifth-ever White House Conference on Aging and the first to focus on the changing face of aging in America, focusing on issues surrounding the 78 million baby boomers who will begin to turn 60 in 2006.



Kelly Casto at Mount Rainier with her father, Dennis Kifer.

Climbing Mountains with Faculty

For the 15th summer in a row, biology and geology faculty members took a field class on the road in August. This year it was to Mount Rainier and Mount St. Helens for the course, *Living with Volcanoes*, to study the geology and plant life of the area.

"There's no better place to study natural phenomena than in the real world," said **John Buchanan**, professor of geology and environmental science program director. "That's the benefit of a summer offering, when we can take a class away for a whole week."

In years past, these field experiences have been to Yellowstone, Crater Lake, Glacier, the Grand Canyon and other Western sites. It's so popular that about 40 percent of participants are second-timers at least, according to Buchanan, who

taught this summer's class along with **Suzanne Schwab**, professor of biology, and **Jennifer Thomson**, associate professor of geology.

Kelly (Kifer) Casto ('94, BAE mathematics and BA geology) was right there in the thick of it again this summer – along with her father, Dennis Kifer of Spokane – the 12th time the pair have participated together in an EWU summer field class.

Kelly, a math teacher at Kiona-Bentonia City High School in Benton City, first began taking the classes for continuing education credit; her dad participated to keep her company. Now they go just for the fun of it, to learn interesting things and still to spend time together.

Three to Serve at the National Science Foundation

This fall, three members of Eastern's faculty are serving as program directors at the National Science Foundation in Arlington, Va., making decisions about who will get valuable NSF research funding.

They are **Dona Boggs**, associate professor of biology; **Bob Gibbs**, professor of physics emeritus; and **Jeanne Small**, professor of chemistry/biochemistry.

"Having three faculty members on loan for two years each to the National Science Foundation is not only an honor, but a rarity, especially for an institution of Eastern's size," said Ray Soltero, dean of the EWU College of Science, Mathematics and Technology. "It speaks volumes about the caliber of our faculty."

The NSF employs scientists, engineers and educators on a rotational basis to further its mission of supporting research and education in the sciences. With an annual budget of about \$5.5 billion, the agency

funds 10,000 new projects each year and accounts for approximately 20 percent of all federally supported basic research conducted at America's colleges and universities.

Boggs will be a decision maker about research funding for projects relating to animal physiology. She has 20 years of research experience in these areas and has been a five-time recipient of NSF funding.

Gibbs, who received NSF grant monies for K-12 math and science curricular revision work in the early 1990s, will work with elementary-secondary and informal education research proposals. He retired from Eastern in 2003.

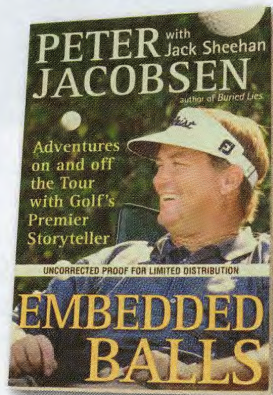
This will be Small's second year at NSF, where she is reviewing research proposals for improving the undergraduate education of future science, mathematics and technology K-12 teachers. She received nationwide attention in 2001 when she was heading an Office of Naval Research project to develop equipment that detects airborne microbes such as anthrax that can be used in biological warfare and bioterrorism.

Sights and Sounds

Embedded Balls

(G.P. Putnam's & Sons)

'74 Jack Sheehan, MEd (and Senior PGA Tour golfer Peter Jacobsen)



Embedded Balls is the second humorous peek inside professional golf by PGA golfer Peter Jacobsen and Eastern alumnus Jack Sheehan. And like their first collaboration, *Buried Lies: True Tales and Tall Stories from the PGA Tour*, this book is filled with insider stories about golf and golfers – behind-the-scenes moments from tournaments, the camaraderie and rivalries among players and tales about the PGA that are poignant (particularly some classic Payne Stewart moments), sometimes salty and often filled with name-dropping fun.

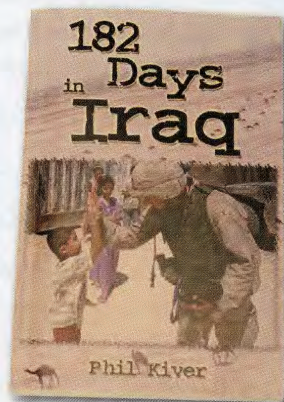
Readers will understand why it's not a smart idea to loan a caddy to Tiger Woods and what players *really* say to one another in the locker room. Clearly, Jack Sheehan and Peter Jacobsen, who became friends at the University of Oregon, love golf and the culture and personalities that surround it.

Jack Sheehan grew up in Spokane, learned to play golf at age 9 and, while a student at Eastern, played in the Hudson Cup matches at Manito Country Club and was club champion at Indian Canyon. After earning his master's at Eastern (Bob Olafson, professor of English, was his faculty advisor), he worked as a sportswriter at *The Spokesman-Review*, 1974-75, founded *Las Vegas* magazine in Las Vegas (he still lives there) and then went on to write screenplays and 11 successful books.

182 Days in Iraq

(Word Association Publishers)

'03 Phil Kiver, BA government



As a young man, Phil Kiver made a name for himself in Cheney. The son of Eugene Kiver, EWU professor of geology emeritus, he ran colorful campaigns for city mayor in 1997 and county commissioner in 1998 (which included a planned kegger to celebrate his 21st birthday).

After National Guard service, he enlisted in the Army and now serves as a broadcast journalist at the III Corps Public Affairs Office at Fort Hood, Texas. *182 Days in Iraq* grew out of a journal he kept during his deployment in Iraq, 2004-05, in which he puts a human face on the experiences of ordinary American soldiers in extraordinary circumstances – from a swim in one of Saddam Hussein's palace pools, to witnessing the deaths of children and comrades and being brought to tears at the thought of Thanksgiving dinner being prepared back home.

Very personal and pro-America's involvement in Iraq, the book reveals Phil Kiver's view of the world against the backdrop of a day-to-day personal history of his and other soldiers' experiences, ranging from tedium to terror.

Still colorful and definitely not mellowed, he blends in his opinions with his journal entries. He makes no apology. He never did.

Campbell House

(Northwest Museum of Arts and Culture)

John Fahey, noted regional historian and Eastern faculty member, 1965-83



This 26-page book depicts three important points of Spokane history – the house itself, the era in which it was a centerpiece residence and the business of the Campbell family.

It shows off the kind of elaborate Tudor mansion that made architect Kirtland Cutter's reputation. Photos of the Campbell family in the luxury of their gowns, the porcelains and London clocks, all give a genuine feel for what it must have been like to live in Spokane's "Age of Elegance."

But the Campbell House is more than another beautiful Spokane mansion. Amasa B. Campbell was one of the creators of the Coeur d'Alene Mine Owners Association. In 1892, that organization cut the wages of Coeur d'Alene miners, setting off violent labor wars and an era of gun battles, dynamite explosions, the assassination of a governor of Idaho and marshal law. The lavish Campbell dining room, scene of many war councils of mine owners, is an important historical site.

No one knew more about these dramatic events than the book's author, former EWU teacher John Fahey, who died last year and was author of a half-dozen books on the topic.

If you are an Eastern or Cheney Normal School alum, staff or faculty member and have written a general interest book or have a music CD on the market (no self-published works, please) and would like to have it considered for inclusion in *Eastern* magazine's Sights and Sounds section, please send it (along with your contact information) to: *Eastern Magazine*, 300 Showalter Hall, Cheney, WA 99004-2445.

Requiem for Ye Galleon Press

By Stefanie Pettit

A piece of Americana slipped below the horizon this summer.

The doors closed for the last time at the old Palouse Seed Company building in Fairfield, Wash. – where Ye Galleon Press, the impossible enterprise of Glen Cameron Adams ('38, BA education), had lovingly produced rare books of Northwest history.

The printing presses are gone, the building sold and the inventory packaged

up, waiting for a remainder buyer to distribute the beautifully bound books to select customers. Ye Galleon Press, like the seagoing vessel it was named for, became a relic of the past.

It had been Glen Adams' passion. This man, who had been named an honorary member of the history faculty at Eastern in 1983, had spent decades combing libraries, visiting homes and museums, searching out rare bits of Northwest history – journals, diaries, maritime tales, obscure and rare documents – to print them carefully and beautifully and make them available to others who cherished, as he did, these first-person windows on the past.

It was never intended to be a commercial success. And it wasn't. In 1992, Adams noted he had already lost \$250,000 since starting the press 28 years earlier. In 1988, he had sold the family farm to subsidize the operation, which he kept afloat with payments from the sale, retirement income and a few investments.

In 1987, he wrote to friends at EWU that "at one time, I had a true private press, hand-set type, hand press, a hobby venture; but as the tail got to wagging the dog, the press became so expensive to operate that I was forced to sell books."

And sell he did – to Harvard and Cambridge universities, to the British Museum, the National Library of France, the Vatican, historical societies and interpretive centers – in total, to 400 universities and customers in 42 countries. Never in huge amounts, of course, but so valued were Ye Galleon Press books by

lovers of history that Yale University, for one, had a standing order for a copy of everything the press produced.

Since its formal beginning in 1964, Ye Galleon Press published 744 titles and many pamphlets – from *Chief Joseph's Own Story* by Chief Joseph himself to *A Voyage to the North Pacific* by John D'Wolf (reset from the rare 1861 edition), and from *Three Years in the Rocky Mountains* (probably the only known account of the Fur Trade Rendezvous of 1837) by David Brown to *The Inland Empire in the Pacific Northwest, The Historical Essays of Ceylon S. Kingston* by C.S. Kingston, who had been Cheney Normal School president.

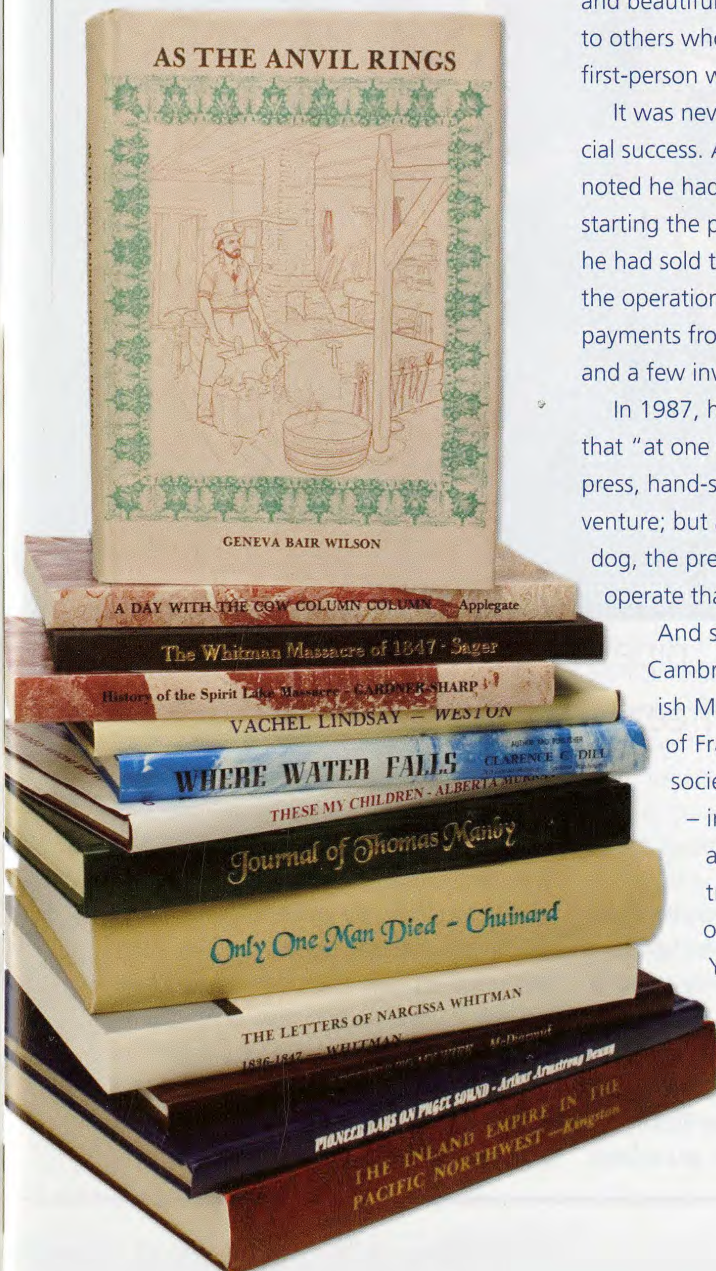
In earlier writings, Adams acknowledged it was his relationship with Kingston and Cheney Normal School's printer, Richard Hochtritt, that nourished in him the love of history and the desire to bring it to life on the page. Kingston taught him historical research methods and was a role model for many a student of regional history. Hochtritt taught him the printing trade and sold him a 6x9 Baltimorian table press before he graduated from Cheney Normal. The die, truly, was cast.

Glen Adams died in 2003. His cousin, Garry, office manager Gerry McLean ('72, BS medical technology) and others worked to keep the press alive in the two years since. "But, it needed Glen," Garry said. "That and finances. We simply had to close."

Glen had registered Ye Galleon Press with the International Register of Private Press Names back in 1937 while still a student, long before his first commercial printing. Once, when asked about the name, he said he envisioned that the press would carry precious cargos of works and ideas around the world.

It has.

Note: Alan Childister, who operated the press' hard case bindery since 1992, purchased the Ye Galleon Press name and materials. He will continue to issue a yearly catalog and print on demand from the archives. (www.yegalleonpress.com)



How Good Science Caught the Bad Guy:

By Stefanie Pettit

Caught the Bad Guy:

The Stanley Pietrzak Case

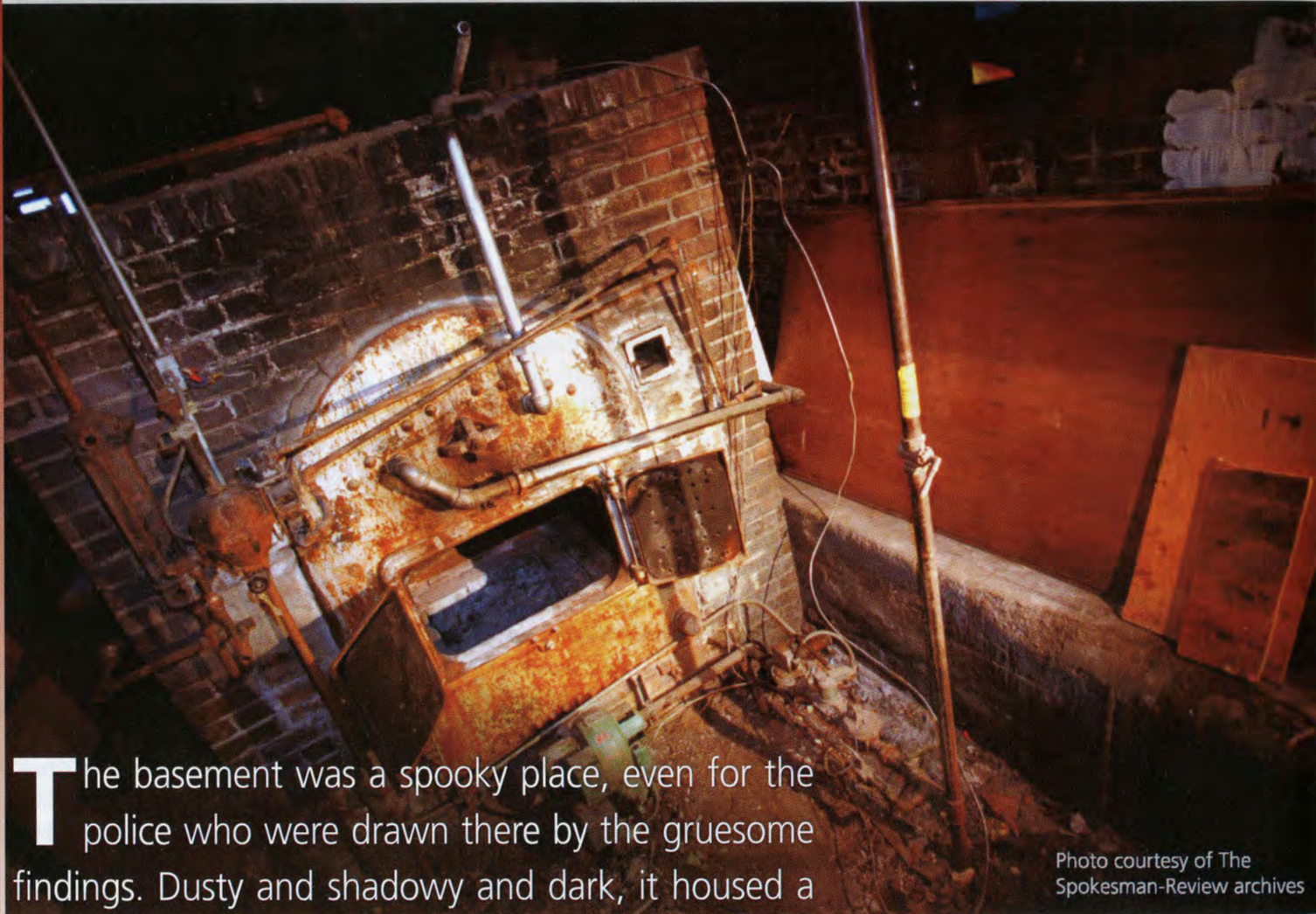


Photo courtesy of The Spokesman-Review archives

The basement was a spooky place, even for the police who were drawn there by the gruesome findings. Dusty and shadowy and dark, it housed a

furnace with iron double doors, exposed pipes, debris, storage space and a peculiar walk-in freezer. The police were there because of the furnace.

It was April 1999 and residents of Spokane were already on edge because a serial killer was moving about in their midst – unseen, kidnapping and raping prostitutes, then murdering them and leaving their bodies barely hidden.

But the sordid story that would emerge from the furnace in the catacomb beneath the Helen Apartments would not be part of the serial killer story. It would become its own tragic tale of murder, including the burning of a young

woman's body to ashes – with hints of torture and cannibalism.

It took three things to bring to light the events that took place there – a suspect who talked too much, a key piece of DNA evidence found by police and the painstaking efforts of a forensic anthropologist.

That forensic anthropologist was Sarah Keller, professor of anthropology at Eastern Washington University. Keller has worked with law enforce-

ment for nearly 20 years, identifying skeletal material and conducting physical anthropology workshops for police, students, coroners, attorneys and others.

"I'd say most all our major-crimes detectives have taken her bone identification classes," said Chet Gilmore, a detective with the Spokane Police Department. "She is *the* expert."

But back to the basement of the Helen Apartments, a group of low-income units above a tavern on the western edge of downtown Spokane. And, actually, back a little further – to November 1998 when Spokane Police first learned that Kelly Conway, 24, a young mother with a troubled history and a risky lifestyle, was missing.

Apparently, she had last been seen in the company of Stanley Pietrzak, a 44-year-old registered sex offender. Pietrzak was a resident of the Helen Apartments and had been the building manager for a time, with keys to the basement.

He was already well known to police. A woman had been found dead in his bed earlier that year – after a night of drinking, Pietrzak claimed. There was not enough evidence to charge him in the case, a case on which Gilmore was lead detective.

Pietrzak had also been questioned by detectives in 1993 in the disappearance of another young woman who had lived with him, a woman still listed as missing today. Even earlier, back in the 1970s, his first wife had been found dead in their home.

Still, nothing conclusive was learned about Kelly Conway's whereabouts in November 1998. Pietrzak, however, remained on the police radar screen, even as a suspect in the serial killer investigations for a time.

In April 1999, when police arrived at the Helen Apartments on another matter – “We had a long history there,” Gilmore said – residents spoke of disturbing things. They said Pietrzak, who had recently vacated the premises to begin a jail sentence for sexually abusing a 16-year-old girl, had been spinning wild tales about Kelly Conway.

According to police and newspaper reports, residents said Pietrzak told them he killed Conway – who they described as a likeable young woman they called “Bubbles” because of her happy disposition – and burned her body in the basement furnace, that he talked of a basement torture room, that he claimed he served some of her remains to them as part of a stew he made. Now that Pietrzak was in jail, residents had been poking around in the basement.

“This opened yet another creepy door into the life and times of the underbelly of the city,” said Adam Lynn, who was the police reporter with *The Spokesman-Review* at the time.

The Spokane Serial Killer Task Force began the investigation at the Helen Apartments and determined the circumstances did not fit the profile of their case. Chet Gilmore then took over as lead detective because of his previous experience with Pietrzak and the Helen Apartments.

The police would spend quite a bit of time in the basement, removing six five-gallon buckets of material from the old furnace and examining the “torture room,” a converted walk-in freezer,

about 8-by-8 feet with a 5-inch thick door, which made it soundproof. It contained leather straps and handles on the walls.

The Spokesman-Review began its own full-court press by assigning three reporters to the initial coverage, recalls Lynn, now a reporter with the *Tacoma News Tribune*.

“That basement was chilling,” he remembered. “Even a jaded, cynical journalist had to feel empathy for anyone who may have been kept down there. Even though none of the ‘torture’ information made it to court, just standing in that basement, I was struck by how young girls like Kelly Conway become victims, how they are preyed upon.”

While the public speculated, police and scientists had already been at work gathering evidence. Before the investigation even became visible to the public, Sarah Keller was called in to the Public Safety Building in Spokane to examine the first fragments police removed from the furnace. She asked not to be told in advance what they thought they had found or where they found it.

“I didn’t want to know what it was that I was supposed to see,” she said. “It’s important to approach material without prejudice.”

The first few pieces she examined were so fragmented that it was hard to tell if they were human or animal. “But, the sixth or seventh piece was a cervical vertebra,” she said. “It wasn’t as damaged as the others, so I could determine that it was human.”

The six buckets of furnace material would be delivered to Keller at her lab at Eastern, and over the course of the next several weeks – working after hours and on weekends – she examined everything, screening it through a No. 10 USA Standard testing sieve with a 2 mm mesh opening. It was slow and painstaking.

“Burned material is difficult to work with,” she said, “because it’s so fragile and can disintegrate so easily. Bone shrinks and warps in fire as it loses water content, the bigger bones even more so. We get better identification from small bones.”

There were plenty of small bones.

The police provided her with a secure locker to store the material. She changed the locks on her lab doors. She wore a mask and gloves and worked her way through the buckets, one scoop at a time.

In all, there were 1,318 skeletal fragments recovered by the screening (varying in size from

4 inches to 10 mm) and some 50 others collected by the police and turned over to her, with 350 identifiable as to bone and anatomical features.

Her report provides intricate detail about the fragments, including her findings that the recovered material was human, consistent with being the remains of a single individual and that the individual was a young female 18-30 years old. She noted that all sections of the body were represented except for the skull and hands and that some bones – such as at the ends of the forearm bones – showed cuts or hack marks, cuts that probably occurred around the time of death.

All the fragments were taken to the medical examiner’s office and laid out on a gurney for autopsy.

The basement of the Helen Apartments had one more bit of evidence to yield up. In closely examining the scene, Detective Gilmore found a clump of hair with a section of scalp attached to it that had gotten snagged on some pipes in front of the furnace.

Then Gilmore checked medical records – and found material still intact from a 1997 medical test Conway had taken. The hair/scalp evidence and Conway’s medical test materials were sent to the Washington State Patrol Crime Lab in Spokane for analysis. They were a perfect DNA match.

At his trial in the summer of 2000, Pietrzak testified that he awoke in bed with Conway one morning and found that she was dead. There was talk of pills and alcohol, but he said he didn’t know what had happened to her. In his testimony, he said he stored her body in the basement room that used to be a cooler, that he returned to clean his apartment and throw out her belongings. He said he later dismembered her body and burned her remains in the furnace – but put her head and hands in a bag and tossed them into a garbage truck. He claims he did not kill her.

On Tuesday, Aug. 22, 2000, a jury found Stanley Pietrzak guilty of first-degree murder after just four hours of deliberation. He was sentenced to 40 years in prison.

The jury never heard about possible cannibalization or about the other women who had died in Pietrzak’s company.

What they did hear about was more than good enough for a conviction – Pietrzak’s own words, good police work and good forensic evidence, much of it provided by Eastern’s expert forensic anthropologist.



Sarah Keller has worked for nearly 20 years helping law enforcement, area tribes and others identify bones that are found in unexpected places. She has been a faculty member at Eastern Washington University for much longer – 39 years.

The Bone Lady

By Stefanie Pettit

“Most of the things I do outside the classroom aren’t as headline-grabbing as the Pietrzak case,” Sarah Keller says. “Mostly, I’m called on to identify whether found or unearthened skeletal material is human or animal. It’s really not as glamorous as you see on TV.”

Most forensic anthropologists are academics like she is, Keller explains. “We teach, we research and we provide assistance where our expertise is useful.”

Even so, she emerged in the headlines again this summer when some bones were found during a road construction project close to downtown Spokane. Keller confirmed they were human – and there she was, along with her students, at the location, sifting through the dirt, finding additional artifacts – and emerging on the front page of *The Spokesman-Review* newspaper.

Ambushed on site by the media. She hates that.

Ever the consummate behind-the-scenes scientist, she bristles when news media sensationalizes the work of forensic anthropology. “This is meticulous, serious science,” she said. “It is our job to identify the dead, respectfully and with dignity.”

As it turned out, the road paving project had unearthed a pioneer-era burial site, likely from the 1870s when the area was populated by farm families. Nothing criminal.

Her extracurricular work is mutually beneficial for her teaching and research, Keller observes. For example, the Pietrzak case led her to do additional study on the effects of high heat and fire on bones; she gave a presentation on bone shrinkage at the 58th Annual Northwest Anthropological Conference in Spokane in March.

She knew what she wanted to do in life early on, Keller states. While a student in the seventh grade in her native Boston, she read *Digging in Yucatan* by Ann Axtell Morris. That sealed it for her. She did field work, earned her PhD from Harvard University and came to Eastern in 1966.

Her sabbatical research passion is on the late 19th century Yellow River floods in China, a country she enjoys visiting. She just won’t fly there. “Flying makes me hysterical.”

To get to China’s Zhengzhou Technical University in Henan

Province in 2001 for a stint as an exchange visiting professor, her journey took her by train, boat and bus from Spokane to New York to London to Brussels to Hamburg to Copenhagen to Malmo (Sweden) to Stockholm to Turku (Finland) to Helsinki to Moscow. Then the trans-Mongolian express to Beijing and another train to Henan. It took a month to get there.

Sarah Keller is a 4-foot, 8-inch tall, focused and fascinated scientist who as a young woman was a figure skater, a ballet dancer and acted in the first amateur production of Samuel Beckett’s *Endgame* while an undergraduate at Lawrence University. She continues to act today in assorted community theatre groups, provides lunches for the Crosswalk teen shelter and will take your head off if you ever photograph her with bones. (“It’s not respectful.”)

Taking a month to get from here to where she wants to be doesn’t strike the eclectic scientist as at all unusual. She spent this summer in Nova Scotia with family and friends and her cat, Phoebe.

Naturally, she drove there.

Male or Female? Old or Young?

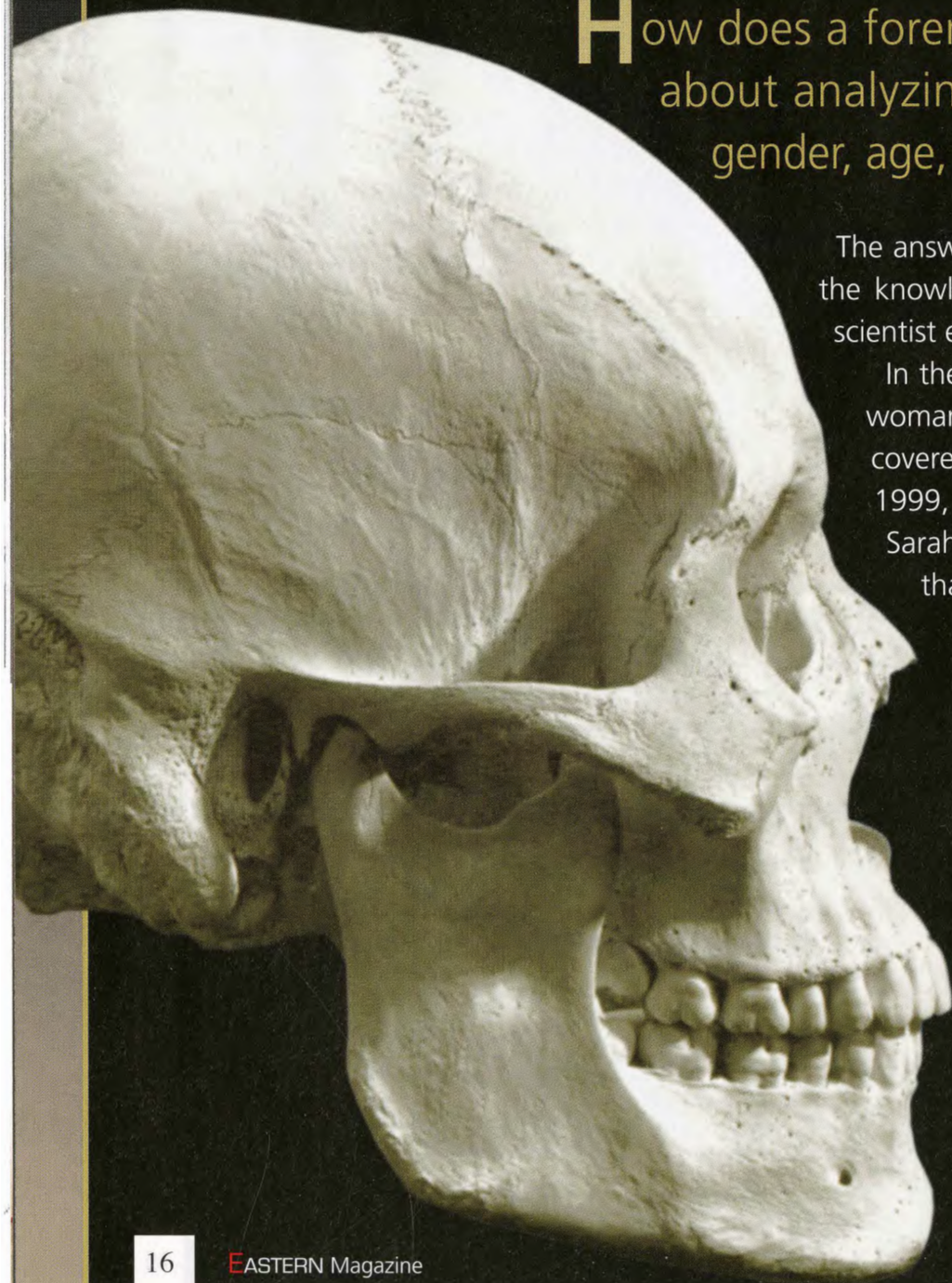
By Stefanie Pettit

How does a forensic anthropologist go about analyzing bones, determining gender, age, trauma and even race?

The answer is in the bones themselves and the knowledge brought to the task by the scientist examining them.

In the case of Kelly Conway, the young woman whose skeletal remains were recovered from a furnace in Spokane in 1999, Eastern's forensic anthropologist, Sarah Keller, found some key pieces that yielded the answers – in the dimensions of the head of the femur bone, curvature of the collar bone, shape of the pubic bone, appearance of the bones in general (slender and slight rather than heavily muscled), etc.

Here are some photos from *Human Osteology*,* the textbook Keller uses in her physical anthropology class, and what a scientist can determine from the structures. (Bones from the pelvic region are often the most telling.)



Front views of male and female adult skulls. Although there are cranial variations within each gender, these two skulls are reflective of the more extreme ranges of "male" and "female." Generally, the female skull is smaller and lighter in construction (more gracile); male features are more robust (squarer eye sockets and chins, larger and broader palates, etc.)



Male (left) and female (right) pelvis. The female pelvis has a more open appearance, whereas the male pelvis is more pinched toward the base.



The ventral arc of the female pubis (right) has a slightly elevated ridge of bone present, compared with the male (left).



Normal lumbar vertebra (left). Bony lipping and spur formation is present on the vertebra with degenerative arthritis (right).



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Anthropology at Eastern

At its simplest level, anthropology is the study of human beings. A broader definition includes their distribution, origin, physical characteristics, environmental and social relationships, cultures and races.

Interest in anthropology is growing at Eastern. Students are exposed to the subject through general education credit courses and through upper-division culture and gender diversity courses and international studies courses. There are about 50 current students majoring in the field.

About half of Eastern's majors go on to postgraduate study and the other half move into workplace environments in which international or cross-cultural components are valued.

Among its baccalaureate degree holders in anthropology, the University has graduates who have taught in Aboriginal schools in Australia, administered islands in Micronesia, served in embassies in Islamabad and Baghdad, worked in the Peace Corps in Africa and worked with migrant populations in America, to name a few.

A Forensic Science Partnership

Today, if a hair and scalp sample like the one found in the Pietrzak case needed to go to the Washington State Patrol Crime Lab for analysis, it would be sent to the campus of Eastern Washington University.

The WSP's new crime lab is located in an \$11 million, state-of-the-art facility just off Washington Street on campus. The grand opening was held in June.

The 32,000-square-foot building is projected to house 30 forensic scientists, and it's a far cry from the previous 5,000-square-foot lab in the crowded basement of Spokane's Public Safety Building. In the new facility, there are 19 scientists providing biochemistry/DNA, chemistry, firearms/toolmarks, trace evidence, criminalistics, latent fingerprint identification, clandestine laboratory response and crime scene response for the 20 counties of eastern Washington. And there's room to grow.

Also growing is the forensic science option within Eastern's baccalaureate chemistry/biochemistry major. Begun in 2003, this academic track is headed by Peter Bilous, a forensic expert who has worked on more than 400 cases, much of it with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. And it is drawing in students in record numbers – yes, driven in part by the popularity of TV's *CSI* franchise of shows – and it remains the state's only such forensic science program.

The WSP lab is also a first – the first-ever partnership between academia and the forensic community. "Our students will have rare and valuable hands-on experience because of this crime lab on campus," Bilous said.

A Legacy for the Library

"I resolved to stop accumulating and begin the infinitely more serious and difficult task of wise distribution."

– Andrew Carnegie, philanthropist of community-based libraries in America



Every outstanding university must have a library filled with preminent books, current periodicals, contemporary research and essential technology to inspire student success and community engagement – a goal that Eastern alumni Ray ('78, BA physical education) and June ('78, BA home economics-merchandising) Johnson clearly value.

To help Eastern maintain and expand its library resources for students like senior Mike Horrocks, a music education major – and *all* students, today and into the future – the Johnsons recently included a bequest for the EWU Libraries in their estate plan.

"We plan to increase the amount of our bequest over the years because we believe Eastern's library is central to its ability to continue growing its great academic degrees and programs," said Ray, who was EWU Alumni Association president, 2000-01.

To learn more about how to make a bequest to the EWU Foundation, contact:

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Ray and June Johnson



How to Write Humor

By Patrick F. McManus

I have written humor columns for New York magazines for nearly 50 years. Casual observers of the craft might assume that we humor writers

skim comic ideas off the tops of our heads. Not so. Much care and deliberation goes into the creation of the idea for each humor piece. Here is an example.

Many years ago, New York editors figured out that by taking advantage of the three-hour time difference between their fair city and Spokane, they could catch me asleep and unaware at five o'clock in the morning. I wouldn't, therefore, be able to think up any lies about why I had missed a deadline or some other inconsequential matter.

So one morning at about five, or maybe it was eight or nine, I was suddenly awakened by the ringing of the telephone. Still groggy from sleep, I answered it.

Without so much as a "hello," a gruff voice growled in my ear, "It had better be in the mail!"

At the time, I was writing a monthly piece for

Field & Stream magazine and consequently had no trouble figuring out the identity of my caller. It was the editor of the magazine, one Dave Psinsky, as I'll call him here.

I instantly realized that Dave was calling about my piece. I wasn't too surprised that he hadn't received it yet. I hadn't mailed it yet. In fact, I hadn't even written it yet. I hadn't even thought about writing it.

I knew the only decent thing to do was to confess my error to Dave and plead for mercy. So I said, "What! You haven't received it yet?" "You mailed it?" Dave said. "The bleeping post office! Well, maybe it will arrive today." "You never can tell," I said. I figured I was off the hook for the moment.

About the Author

After working as a reporter in Idaho and Washington, Patrick McManus – nationally acclaimed outdoors humor writer – joined Eastern's faculty in 1959, teaching journalism and creative writing until retiring in 1983.

Over the past 50 years, he has turned out at least 1,000 stories for magazines and written 15 books, the 16th and 17th to be published by Simon & Schuster in 2006. Number 16 will be Pat's first mystery novel, *The Blight Way*. Number 17 will be another collection of his humor pieces.

For the first 20 years of his writing career, Pat wrote everything on his old manual Royal typewriter, which he still defaults to today "when I get furious with my computer."

Of all his books, *The Deer on a Bicycle* is one of Pat's favorites. It was written for the EWU Press, and all proceeds go to the Press and to student scholarships in journalism and the English graduate and undergraduate writing programs at Eastern.

Pat now divides his time between puttering in the backyard of his Spokane home and writing. Having written a book on writing, he said he is now thinking about doing one on puttering, which he feels is a lost art.

I'd get busy right away, think up an idea for the piece, write it, mail it and blame the whole delay on the post office.

Then Dave said, "Wait a minute. I need to get the artist started on the illustration right away. Describe one of the big scenes to me."

"Hmmm," I said. "Let's see, there are so many big scenes."

By then, I'd been writing magazine pieces for a long time, and I knew that it was good to have a little conflict in each story. So I said, "My wife and I are having an argument."

"Okay, got it," Dave said.

"What are you arguing about?"

"What are we arguing about?" I said. "Well, we are arguing about a big box."

"Okay," Dave said. "What's the outdoor angle?"

"The outdoor angle is this," I said.

"The box is full of old outdoor gear that my wife wants me to throw away."

"This box any particular color?"

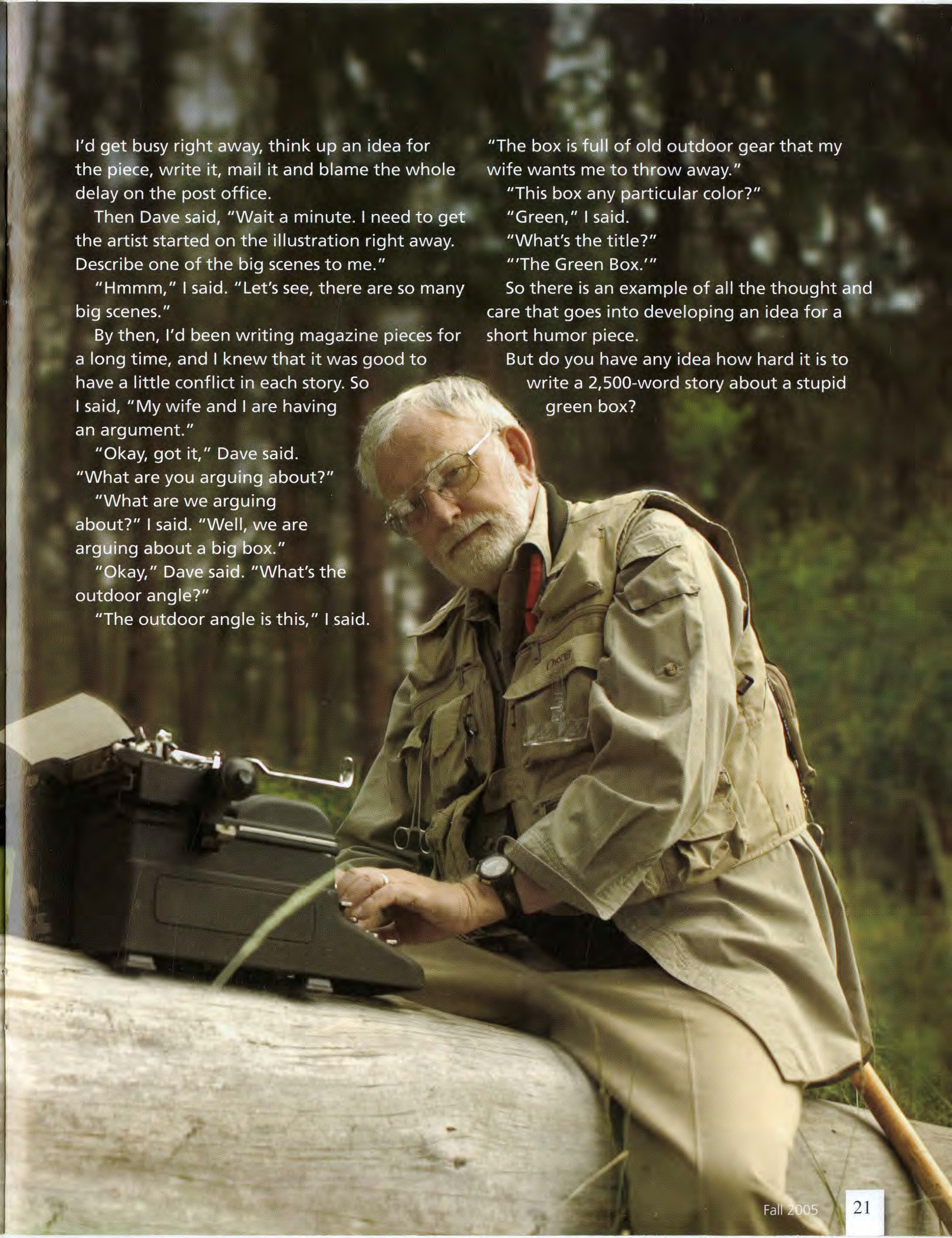
"Green," I said.

"What's the title?"

"The Green Box."

So there is an example of all the thought and care that goes into developing an idea for a short humor piece.

But do you have any idea how hard it is to write a 2,500-word story about a stupid green box?



The Definitive 20-Question Eastern Sports Quiz

Are you a rookie or a seasoned veteran when it comes to all things athletic at Eastern, including the personalities and around-the-edges factoids? How much do you really know? Take the test below and find out.

1. Eastern's men's basketball team went on to play in the 2004 NCAA Tournament in what city?

- (a) Denver
- (b) Kansas City
- (c) Seattle
- (d) Tucson



2. Eastern student-athletes did something in 1977 they never did before. What was that?

- (a) The entire eight-member swimming team earned NAIA Academic All American recognition
- (b) The football team doused head coach John Massengale with Gatorade after a victory
- (c) Members of the tennis team played left handed against senior administrators in a charity event
- (d) They won their only-ever NAIA title, a wrestling championship

3. Which one of these EWU Hall of Fame Athletes was not among the group of inaugural inductees in 1996?

- (a) Lanny Davidson (wrestling)
- (b) Launi Meili (shooting)
- (c) Kurt Schulz (football)
- (d) Bob Maplestone (track and cross country)

4. Who was Eastern's first athletic director?

- (a) Henry E. Smith
- (b) Bob Anderson
- (c) Jerry Martin
- (d) Cecil Dryden

5. Unscramble the names of some of these best-known Lady Eagles.

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6. In what school year did Eastern begin competition as a member of NCAA Division I (moving up from Division II)?

- (a) 1980-81
- (b) 1983-84
- (c) 1985-86
- (d) 1987-88

7. Eastern began competition in the Big Sky Conference in what school year?

- (a) 1980-81
- (b) 1983-84
- (c) 1985-86
- (d) 1987-88

8. Who coached the first Big Sky Championship team in any sport at Eastern?

- (a) Ray Giacoletti
- (b) Mike Kramer
- (c) Pam Parks
- (d) Sunya Herold

9. Who played basketball at Eastern and went on to become famous in another sport?

- (a) Bob Maplestone
- (b) Irv Leifer
- (c) Tom Sneva
- (d) Lisa Comstock

10. Which Eastern student-athlete was the NAIA all-around gymnastics champion?

- (a) Randy Carruthers
- (b) John Gwaitney
- (c) Paul Hamm
- (d) Steve Shumski

11. Eastern's athletic teams were renamed "Eagles" in 1972. What was one of the other names being considered by the Board of Trustees?

- (a) Badgers
- (b) Expos
- (c) Raptors
- (d) Scablanders

12. When Curly Rousseau, EAA president, played baseball at Eastern, 1969-71, what was the superstitious breakfast ritual he observed on game day?

- (a) It had to be oatmeal – plain, no butter or sugar
- (b) He would only eat off the second plate from the bottom of the stack
- (c) He would wear all-red clothing (shirt, sweats, socks) while eating
- (d) He practiced breathing through his eyelids while wearing a garter belt

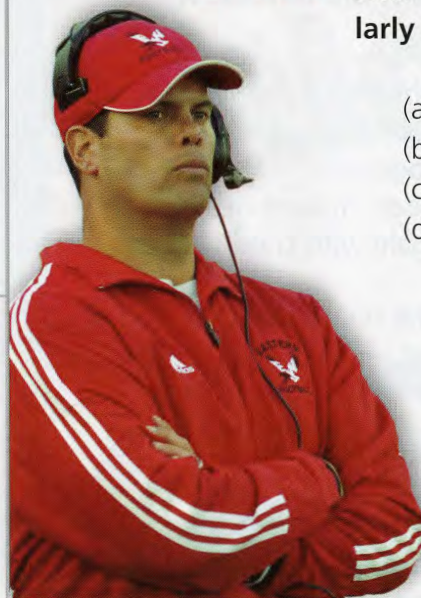
13. Swoop used to have another name. What was it?



- (a) Victor E.
- (b) Birdman
- (c) Baldy
- (d) Talon

14. Which of these activities does head football coach Paul Wulff not particularly enjoy doing?

- (a) fishing
- (b) yard work
- (c) shopping at Costco
- (d) bicycle riding



15. Which of these Lady Eagles went on to play in the pros or on a national team?

- (a) Kim Exner (volleyball)
- (b) Sarah Windham (soccer)
- (c) Kim Maxwell (volleyball)
- (d) Juli Argotow (volleyball)

16. Two women who were doubles partners on Eastern's tennis team, 1992-96, were from countries that were not on friendly terms. What were those countries?

- (a) Russia-Chechnya
- (b) Bosnia-Serbia
- (c) Cuba-USA
- (d) North Korea-South Korea

17. The old fieldhouse burned to the ground, damaging Cadet Hall and surrounding structures, in what year?

- (a) 1956
- (b) 1967
- (c) 1977
- (d) 1982

18. Which of these slogans is well-known and well-used within the Eagles football program?

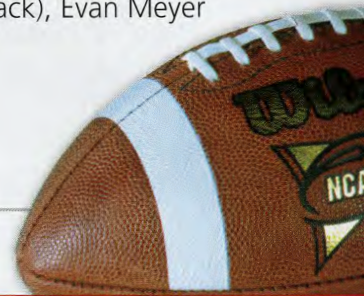
- (a) "four quarters"
- (b) "we can do it"
- (c) "push, push, push harder"
- (d) "there's no 'i' in team"

19. What was noteworthy about 19 of the incoming freshman student-athletes in 1999-2000?

- (a) They were from the same city
- (b) They had 3.9+ GPAs
- (c) They were walk-ons
- (d) They had red hair

20. E. Kimble and E. Meyer are on the 2005 Eagles football team. What are their first names (careful, spelling counts) and what positions do they play?

- (a) Eric Kimble (quarterback), Eric Meyer (wide receiver)
- (b) Ethan Kimble (wide receiver), Elliott Meyer (quarterback)
- (c) Eric Kimble (wide receiver), Erik Meyer (quarterback)
- (d) Erik Kimble (quarterback), Evan Meyer (wide receiver)



Answers

- 1. (b)
- 2. (d)
- 3. (c) Kurt Schulz. Kurt was inducted two years later, in 1998
- 4. (a) Henry E. Smith was hired in September 1904
- 5. Kim Exner (volleyball), Juli Argotow (volleyball), Brenda Souther (basketball), Lisa Comstock (basketball), Maria Loos (basketball)
- 6. (b)
- 7. (d)
- 8. (c) The 1989 volleyball team won the Big Sky Championship under head coach Pam Parks
- 9. (c) Tom Sneva won the Indianapolis 500 in 1983
- 10. (b) John Gwaitney in 1979 (Randy Carruthers held the NAIA title for vault in 1967, Steve Shumski held the pommel horse title in 1978)
- 11. (a)
- 12. (b)
- 13. (a)
- 14. (d) Not going to see him on a bicycle anytime soon
- 15. All of them. Kim Exner played with the Canadian national team and professionally in Belgium and France. Sarah Windham is playing professionally for the Cleveland Internationals. Kim Maxwell and Juli Argotow played for the Canadian national team
- 16. (b) Teammates Sejla Serifovic Tusla was from Bosnia and Tina Dlouhy was from Serbia-Montenegro
- 17. (c)
- 18. (a) It's about being committed for the whole game
- 19. (b) Of that number, 10 had perfect 4.0 high school GPAs
- 20. (c)

Scoring

20 **Omniscient Eagle.** Your name will be forwarded to the selection committee for consideration as University president.

17-19 **Superior Avian.** Preen your Eagle feathers with pride. If Swoop needs a day off, you're our go-to guy/gal!

14-16 **Loyal Fan.** We bet you've got more than one Eagle logo shirt or hat in your closet.

10-13 **An Eaglet.** You've got pride all right but are a little wobbly on the details.

6-9 **Illegal Eagle.** You probably attend games just for the cheer squad and the nachos.

0-5 **Needs Introduction.** Hello, we're Eastern. You know, your alma mater. You might want to stop by from time to time.

Remembering 1964:

The Year Duke Ellington Crowned the Homecoming Queen

By Pat Spanjer

Who could forget Duke Ellington's performance at the 1964 Homecoming coronation ceremony? It seems to be the one thing many Eastern Washington State College alumni remember about that Homecoming. The bandleader's poetic lyrics and his band's trumpet wah-wah and growling saxophone blended uniquely for a timeless jazz-swing-classical sound that still lingers in the deepest recesses of their minds.

"The crowning ceremony was really pretty special," remembers Homecoming Queen **Betty Jo (Tesch) Nebb** ('66 BA education). In grand style, Ellington placed the crown on her head while the band's performance of *Satin Doll* filled the fieldhouse.

Nominated by the Greeks, Betty was chosen as a finalist for the crown along with Pearce Hall nominee **Bobbi (Stowell) Brown** ('65 BA education), and off-campus nominee **Marcene (Flikke) Hendrickson** ('64 BA education). While royalty campaigning could be as competitive as the football game itself, it was all in good fun for the three girlfriends.

Betty and Bobbi were roommates in Louise Anderson Hall's Primrose Lane. Betty and Marcene went way back as Longfellow Elementary School-mates who lived on the same block in a Spokane neighborhood where they played kick the can, dolls, house and hide and seek. They wiled away many hours performing backyard plays. Blankets hanging from clotheslines were their stage curtains.

On coronation night, the three women – wearing beautiful formal gowns, long white gloves and white pumps – graced the fieldhouse stage, holding their collective breath as they awaited the selection



Jazz legend Duke Ellington crowns 1964 Homecoming Queen Betty Jo Tesch.



1964 Homecoming royalty (from left) bobbi Stowell, Marcene Flikke and Betty Jo Tesch.

announcement. Actually, Bobbi remembers holding her breath because the gown she borrowed for the event “was too small for me, but I got it zipped up!”

As part of the royalty campaign, **Chris Brown** ('65 BA journalism), shot publicity photos of the candidates. After taking Bobbi's photo, Chris asked her out for coffee and then dinner and a movie (*Goldfinger*), and they eventually married.

In the days between the coronation and the Homecoming game, students kept the campus and Cheney hopping with mixers, campus decorating, float construction, bed races, two parades and a bonfire.

The week culminated with the semiformal postgame dance at Spokane's Ridpath Hotel. Bobbi didn't go to the dance with Chris, but she wore the same dress she squeezed into for the coronation. Marcene went to the dance with classmate and future husband, Paul Hendrickson. Betty's date was her future husband, **Peter Nebb** ('65 BA health and physical education).

Dick Zornes ('72 MA physical education), starting safety and backup fullback for EWSC in '64, didn't attend the dance. “It wasn't for me,” he acknowledged,

“but **Heidi Aldinger** ('66 BA education and his future wife), the cheerleader I was going with, made me go to the Homecoming dance in '66.”

Dick's recollections of that Oct. 24 Homecoming game are sketchy, but he recalls, “Coach (Dave) Holmes really turned the program around that year. It was a lot of fun.” Unfortunately, on that day, EWSC suffered a disappointing 20-7 loss to Pacific Lutheran in the midst of the team's first winning season in several years.

“Up till that game, we were feeling pretty good about our ability to beat Pacific Lutheran,” recalls starting quarterback **Bob Clark** ('65 BA biology).

His wife, **Maureen** ('65 BA elementary education), was less concerned about the game than learning the Twist, the latest dance craze, before the big night at the Ridpath.

“The girls and I practiced the Twist in our apartments at the edge of campus,” Maureen said. “We used a towel to learn how to do the moves. It wasn't the way we moved our bodies back then, but we decided we needed to get with it.”

As fate would have it, Maureen and Bob had to wait for another occasion to do the Twist.

Bob remembers things going pretty well in the first half of the game, but then, “Some time in the second quarter, I went out for the sprint-out pass – now it's called the roll-out pass. A linebacker, quicker than I, got to me. It was helmet-to-helmet contact. At 155 pounds, I was gone. Small and slow is not a great formula. I was unconscious.”

Maureen accompanied Bob in the ambulance to Sacred Heart Medical Center, where they spent Homecoming night, just blocks away from the Ridpath.

Bob's injury gave freshman backup quarterback **George Cross** ('68 BA and '70 MA mathematics), the opportunity to step in and finish the game.

“Forty-one years ... that was a long time ago,” George said with a chuckle. “It doesn't stand out for me anymore than to remember it was my first Homecoming game at Eastern. Yeah, Pacific Lutheran handled us a little that game. But when we started beating them the following years, it was fun.”

Homecoming '64 a little fuzzy in your memory banks? It's time to renew acquaintances and make new memories at this year's Homecoming Reunion for the classes of 1964, 1965 and 1966. In addition to the pregame activities for alumni, the game is 2:05 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 22, at Woodward Field. Visit <http://www.ewualumni.org/> for details.

Class Notes

2000-2004

'04 Josh Miller, BS computer information systems, was recently hired as an information technology specialist (systems analysis/security) for the FBI's Northwest Cyber Crime Task Force in Seattle. He serves as technical expert on all information technology matters for cyber-related cases and is creating course work to train law enforcement personnel.

'03 Kris Monaghan, BA recreation management, a 15-year Ladies Professional Golf Association (LPGA) Tour player, was recently named head teaching professional at Taos Country Club in her home state of New Mexico. With two wins on the LPGA Tour, she had previously taught golf in Spokane while a student at EWU.

'02 Fred Salanoa, BA recreation management, is head football coach at Radford High School (his alma mater) in Honolulu. Quarterback for the Eagles in 2001, he put the pads on again this summer as a member of Team Hawaii USA to face an all-star team from Japan's X-League in the Japan-USA Bowl in Tokyo.

'02 Gregory Newell Smith, BM and MFA, is a writer living in Moscow, Idaho. His first book, *The Solitude of the Open Sea*, a collection of narrative travel essays, was published this year and was nominated for a National Outdoor Book of the Year Award.

'01 David Chamberlain, BS chemistry, recently completed his doctorate in pharmacy at the University of Washington and has begun work as a clinical pharmacist at Providence Everett Medical Center.

'05 Kiyoshi Sakai, MBA, and '04 Kodo Yokozawa, MBA

Kiyoshi and Kodo recently got together in their native Japan with Eastern faculty who were visiting Asia University. Kiyoshi and Kodo talked about what an important part of their lives their experiences at EWU will always be. Kiyoshi and Dave Gorton, Eastern's MBA director, easily slipped back into their custom of swapping fishing stories (they both love to fish), just as they had done when Kiyoshi was a student at Eastern.



It was then that they had their ah-ha moment. Time was carved out, and the three of them went to a small stream in west Tokyo for the better part of a day of fishing (that's Kiyoshi with one of the dozen or so river carp they caught and released). The two alums also had to fish Gorton out of the stream when he slipped off the bank into hip-deep water.

On that trip in June, Gorton was visiting with prospective students throughout Japan and Taiwan, along with Mary Brooks, English Language Institute director, and Atsushi Inoue, assistant professor of computer science. Whenever they met with international alumni, they found them eager for news from their alma mater and eager to stay connected.

Kiyoshi recently started a job with a worldwide steel distributor based in Tokyo. Kodo is in a doctoral program at University of Twente in The Netherlands.

'01 Tuan Le, BAB management information systems, is an account executive for American Mortgage Network in Seattle. He was an invitee to the Chairman's Club 2005 for funding \$112 million in mortgage loans in 2004.

'01 Chris Thew, BA journalism, was recently hired as a reporter/photographer with *The Omak-Okanogan County Chronicle*.

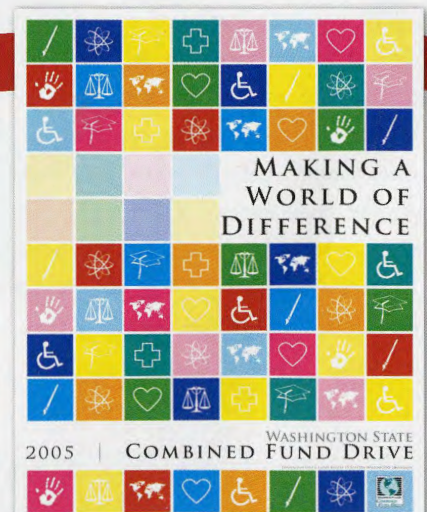
'00 Tom Snitily, BA criminal justice, recently received a medal of valor from the Portland Police Department for his bravery in stopping a stabbing in progress at a woman's home. A three-year Portland police officer, Tom wrestled the attacker to the floor until backup arrived.

'04 Lance Kissler, BA graphic communications

Lance was appointed this summer by Washington Gov. Christine Gregoire to a one-year term as the student representative to the state's Higher Education Coordinating Board. Lance, who is now pursuing a master's degree in communications at Eastern, is a health communications specialist for the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health in Spokane.

Lance and Eastern student Ian Shea (who is scheduled to complete his BA in graphic communications this fall) designed the poster being used in the current Washington State Combined Fund Drive, a state-run charitable-giving program to which state employees annually donate some \$5 million for distribution to local, national and international charities. The poster (6,000 of which have been printed and are on display statewide) is also being used as the cover for the Combined Fund Drive's companion guide to eligible charities.

Lance and Ian have been recognized by the state and the University for their design work on the poster, which was chosen in a statewide competition.



'00 **Chandra Schumacher**, BA business-accounting, and her husband, '01 **Jason Schumacher**, BS mechanical engineering technology, are new business owners in Odessa. This spring, they purchased Voise Sausage (now Voise Sausage by Schumacher), which supplies more than 50 retail outlets.

'00 **Joanna (Phillips) Bennett**, BAE reading, is an elementary school teacher in Las Vegas and recently earned an MA degree in education-curriculum and instruction from the University of Phoenix.

'90s

'99 **Carolbelle Branch**, BA interdisciplinary studies, recently was named public information officer for the city of Spokane Valley. She had served as executive director of the West Plains Chamber of Commerce.

'98 **Laurie Winn Carlson**, MA history, has just had a new book, *William J. Spillman and the Birth of Agricultural Economics*, published by the University of Missouri Press. Spillman is considered the founder of agricultural economics. Laurie, who lives in Cheney, is the author of many books, including *Cattle: An Informal Social History* and *Seduced by the West: Jefferson's America and the Lure of the Land Beyond the Mississippi*.

'97 **Brian Hart**, BAE social science, has been named principal of Sunnyside High School in Sunnyside.

'97 **Mary McDaniel**, BA radio-TV, was one of two speakers at this past winter's 25th anniversary celebration of Seattle's Center for Career Alternatives. She spoke of the help she was given to make a better life for herself, how she has helped her siblings who like herself moved north from rural Mississippi in search of opportunity and how she is giving back to the community by working as a teacher in the Seattle Public Schools.

'97 **Benaya Allison**, MS psychology/community college teaching, works as a psychologist for Grant County's Mattawa School District. She made a sister city visit to Gunpo City, South Korea, in the spring and is now working to forge school relationships between Korean and Grant County schools.

'97 **Thomas Granger**, BA government, is president of Florentine Design & Marketing in Bothell, a web design and development company, which recently opened a second office in Seattle.

'96 **Chief Allan**, BA government, was named chair of the Coeur d'Alene Tribal Council this spring; he had been vice chair and executive director and had previously worked in legislative affairs for the tribe.

'96 **Nadine Chapman**, MFA creative writing, has had a book of poetry, *On Solitude*, published recently by Finishing Line Press. She is an assistant professor of English at Whitworth College.

'96 **Anita Martinez**, BAB finance, was named chair of the regional board of the National Association of Credit Management. She lives in Spokane.

'96 **Brent Baldwin**, MURP, was recently named community planner for the city of Blaine, having worked previously for the city of Bellingham.

'95 **C. Andrew Coleman**, BA recreation management, has been awarded the Outstanding Professional Award in the Athletic/Fitness Section by the Washington Recreation and Parks Association. He is a recreation specialist for the city of Walla Walla.

'94 **Greg Wendt**, BA urban & regional planning, is assistant director of planning and building for Franklin County in Pasco, where he lives with wife, Heather, and 21-month-old daughter, Allyson. He had been a county planner in Maryland and Oregon.

'93 **Tina Hormel**, BA sociology, is an assistant professor of sociology at Worcester State College in Massachusetts. She was a member of a fact-finding delegation in June for the parliamentary elections in Nagorno Karabagh, a region that declared its independence from Azerbaijan. She will return to Ukraine in 2006 under a Worcester State College grant to continue her research on gender and the informal economy in that country.

'92 **Sheri L. Plucker**, BA recreation management, is a freelance writer who has written extensively about her daughter, Hailey, who has Down syndrome. Her article, "Humor in the Challenges of Life," was in the March/April issue of *MOMSense* magazine; her picture book, *Me, Hailey*, was released in August. Proceeds from her cookbook, *Kiss the Cookbook*, went to Sherwood Community Services, a nonprofit organization providing therapeutic services to children with disabilities. Sheri lives in Snohomish with her husband and children.

Rick Nesbitt, who completed the requirements for a degree in journalism in 1992, recently accepted a position as a field representative with the Washington Federation of State Employees, based in Spokane, where he will be responsible for local meetings and dispute resolution throughout eastern Washington. Rick worked in roofing and maintenance for 10 years at Eastern, where he served as executive vice president, acting president and steward with Local 931 of the classified staff union.

'92 **Ildiko Kalapacs**, BA studio art, is an active visual artist living in Spokane. The native of Hungary has had numerous exhibitions and will be exhibiting soon in Brussels and Budapest. She and her husband, Wayne Kraft, professor of German at Eastern, are involved in Hungarian folk dancing and have held numerous folk dance events in the region.

'92 **Jeff Kophs**, BA business administration, is the owner of the new iSold It franchise in Clackamas, Ore.

'91 **Ken Larsen**, BAE social science, was recently named vice president and assistant manager of residential loan production at Banner Bank's Bellingham administration office.

'80s

'89 **Vincas Greene**, BA liberal studies, is an associate professor of dance and director of dance/chair of Performing Arts at Brenau University in Gainesville, Ga. His wife, '87 **Robin (Henager)**, BA economics, is director of ministry impact for Crown Financial Ministries. They live in Gainesville with their daughters, Sierra and Tessa.

'89 **Mark Mansell**, BAE earth science, is the new superintendent of the La Center School District in southwestern Washington, having served as superintendent for two small eastern Washington school districts previously.

'88 **Uriel Iñiguez**, BAB business administration, was appointed executive director of the Washington State Commission on Hispanic Affairs in May by Gov. Christine Gregoire. He served as interim executive director for a year and has been with the Department of Corrections since 1989. He was featured in the fall 2004 issue of *Perspective*.

'88 **Mimi Blank**, BFA studio art, is the owner of Tiles by Mimi, a Spokane business that creates custom tile murals for homes and commercial clients across the USA.

'88 **John Weimer**, BA liberal studies, and his wife, Louise, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a dinner in June at their home in Spokane. They were married June 18, 1955, in Columbus, Ohio.

'87 **Steve Worthington**, MPA, has been appointed city manager of Fife. He had been the city's community development director since 1998.

Class Notes

'86 **John Welch**, BA finance, was promoted to superintendent of Highline Public Schools this past March. He had been deputy superintendent. Previously, he was vice president for business and administrative services at South Seattle Community College.

'86 **Joan Juskie**, MFA creative writing, is living in Pocatello, Idaho, where she is enjoying temporary retirement. Joan is a poet.

'83 **Victor Azar**, BA government, is owner of Azar's Food Services in Spokane, which grew out of a small family business begun in 1973.

'83 **Michael S. Gardiner**, BA government, a commander in the U.S. Coast Guard, was installed this summer as the new commander of the Marine Safety Office in Valdez, Alaska.

'82 **Albert Andrews Redstar**, BA English, a Nez Perce tribal elder, is part of a project to preserve the spoken Nez Perce language. He led sessions in July at the 18th annual Summer Fishtrap Gathering writers conference at Wallowa Lake in Oregon, sponsored by Fishtrap Inc., a nonprofit organization "promoting clear thinking and good writing in and about the West."

'80 **Tom Burnett**, BA journalism, is the editor of *The Rathdrum Star*, a weekly newspaper he founded in 2004 that covers community news from Rathdrum and Spirit Lake, Idaho. He was previously editor of *The Post Falls Tribune* in Post Falls, Idaho, and had been a reporter with *The Spokesman-Review*.

'70s

'78 **Rik Nelson**, BA English and MA English, holds exhibits across the nation displaying artworks that are inspired by traditional quilt motifs. Living in Spokane, he creates collages from recyclables.

'78 **Elinor Nuxoll**, BA social work and BA journalism, now resides in Keizer, Ore. She is the former editor of Spokane's *Senior Times* and continues to contribute articles to the publication.

'77 **Bill Burke**, BA marketing, is a community development consultant and owner of Burke Marketing. Once the manager of Spokane's downtown Retail Trade Bureau, Bill is likely most well known for his annual September Pig Out in the Park event in Spokane's Riverfront Park.

'77 **Hosey Horton**, BA journalism, and his wife, Josephine, recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in Spokane. They were married May 14, 1955, in Reno.

'76 **Brig. Gen. Scott West**, BA history, was appointed this summer as commanding general of the 21st Theater Support Command in Kaiserslautern, Germany. He had been commanding general of the U.S. Quartermaster Center and School and deputy commanding general of Fort Lee, Va. He is one of five brigadier generals to have earned a degree at Eastern.

'76 & '80 **Cliff Fisher**, BA management and MBA, teaches environmental law at Hanover College in Hanover, Ind., where he lives with wife, Lori, and their sons. The Gonzaga Law School graduate is also teaching law classes at Purdue University. As a young man growing up in the Cheney area, he was a page for state Sen. Sam Guess.

'75 & '83 **Myrna Gothmann**, BA education & MEd reading specialist, and her husband, '84 **Bill**, MBA, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in June at their Spokane Valley home.

'74 **Bonnie Pierce**, BA child development, was a winner in *PieceWork* magazine's Needleworker of the Year 2004 contest. The Vancouver resident's white and cream crochet vest earned her the Crocheter of the Year award and was featured in the national magazine's May/June issue.

'89 and '90 LaRae Wiley, BA history and BA education

LaRae is embarking this fall on a two-year immersion project to help recover the Salish language, which she taught at Eastern this past academic year.

An enrolled member of the Colville Confederated Tribes, she will be teaching social studies and science at the Lower Similkameen Indian Band Education Centre's ntamtgan school in Cawston, B.C. The immersion school teaches in Salish half the day and in English the other half.

LaRae, whose grandmother and great-grandmother spoke Salish, studied the language with Similkameen elder Sarah Peterson, with whom LaRae and her husband,

'89 **Christopher Parkin**, BA and BAE Spanish, will be living in Cawston these next two years. They expect to converse only in Salish.

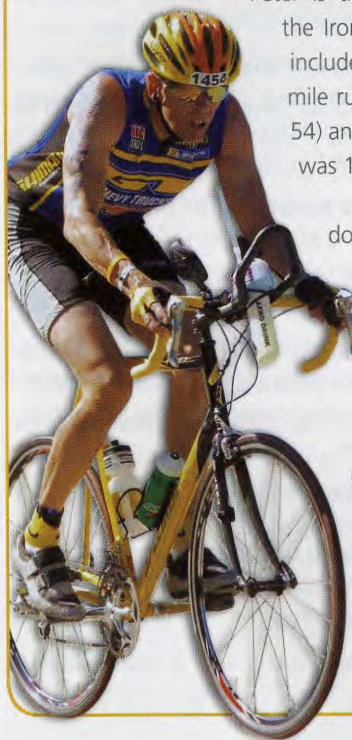
Christopher's company, Idiom Software, is developing Salish language learning software for the school, and he is also helping develop the curriculum there.

LaRae is best known in the region as a singer and musician. She has two adult contemporary (with a Native American influence) CDs on the market, *Kelly Hill* and *Dissonant World*, on which she sings and performs on keyboards, flute, harmonica and drums. Two other CDs are in the works, one in Salish and another adult contemporary offering, both projected for spring release.

"But now, I'm focusing on revitalization of the Salish language," she said. "It's critical because most of the speakers are elderly, and the time is now if the language is to survive."



'74 Peter Turping, BA business administration-marketing



Peter is truly an iron eagle. He participated this summer in the Ironman competition in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho – which included a 2.4-mile swim, a 112-mile bicycle ride and a 26.2-mile run. He finished 41st of 97 in his age group (male 50-54) and 954th out of 1,761 starters/1,657 finishers. His time was 13 hours, 2 minutes, 57 seconds.

It was Peter's first full Ironman, though he has been doing shorter triathlons since 1982.

"The Ironman has beckoned me for a long time," Peter said. "It has a certain allure for a long-distance athlete – going through a disciplined process (seven months of training) with a single result to focus on. The finish was an emotional high."

He noted that the greatest athletic success he had while attending Eastern was lettering in golf. "It took me a while to figure out that I was more of an endurance athlete than a skill athlete he observed."

Peter is the accounting manager at Lockheed Martin Information Technology in Richland. Lockheed Martin holds the information technology contract for the Hanford Nuclear Site.

'72 **Stephanie Zoldak**, BA English, has been teaching in Post Falls, Idaho, since 1977, and received the Post Falls Middle School 2001 Teacher of the Year Award.

'60s

'67 **Henly "Ed" Reed**, BA communications, was hired recently by the Terrorism Research Center, a counter-terrorism think tank based in the nation's capital. He had been emergency management program manager for seven years in Pierce County, where he and his wife Kathy continue to live on the banks of Puget Sound in Olympia and where he works from his home office.

'67 **Robert "Pat" Patterson**, MEd mathematics, is a retired math teacher from Mercer Island High School. His father was Don Patterson, Eastern's president, 1954-67. Pat says he's excited to see the new EWU @ Bellevue center at Bellevue Community College and his alma mater's outreach in the Puget Sound area.

'62 **Laurel Hansen**, BA education and MA natural science, has just had a book, *Carpenter Ants of the United States and Canada*, published by Cornell University Press. A member of the biology faculty at Spokane Falls Community College, she is a recognized national expert on carpenter ants.

'50s

'58 **Joan (Neff) Brownlee**, BA business education and her husband, '58 and '62 **Phil**, BA physical education and MA, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary this summer at their home in Pateros. They both taught in schools in Omak, Pasco and Pateros, as well as farmed in Pateros.

'53 Molly Saty, BA education

Molly is a multiple award-winning poet. One of her works won first prize in the Arizona State Poetry Society's Cinquain Competition.

She and her husband, Bob, attended an April reunion in Virginia for men who served aboard the naval light cruiser *Tucson*. The Satys, who live in Newport and have a summer home in Peoria, Ariz., attended the reunion with friends '52 **Pat Johnson**, B.A. education, and her husband, Roger, who also served aboard the *Tucson*. The Johnsons live in Seattle. Molly and Pat taught in Spokane schools for many years.

Molly, who still teaches summer session English in Newport schools, retired in 1991 from full-time teaching in Spokane.

Wilderness Nights

Death lurks
Deep in the woods
Accustomed to nature's dark ways
I sleep



'57 **Norma J. Williams-Hall**, BA physical education, is retired and living in Bellingham. She earned a PhD in 1983 from the University of Iowa, taught school and was a principal; she now supervises principal interns for City University.

'53 & '61 **Stanley Heath**, BA early childhood education and MA education, was recognized as Volunteer of the Week in May by The Volunteer Center in Olympia. Having served 39 years in the Navy, the retired teacher has been a volunteer with Animal Services and provided help to Thurston County Television and Senior Services for South Sound.

'50 **Whit Workman**, BA elementary teaching, and '51 **Esther Baker Workman**, BA education, celebrated their 54th anniversary in August. They both taught in Colfax and Hooper; he was a special education reading teacher in Edmonds and she was a counselor at Everett High School for 28 years. Now retired, they reside in Edmonds.

'40s

'41 **Richard Heinemann**, BA economics/social science, farmed in Rosalia until retiring in 1995; he also taught traffic safety for Education Service District 101. His wife, '64 **Viola**, BA music, taught in Oakesdale and has been choir director at Rosalia United Methodist Church for 35 years.

'20s

'25 **Norma Rose (Shelton) Wills**, BAE education, celebrated her 100th birthday April 12. The Spokane resident farmed with her husband for many years on a ranch by the Snake River that was only accessible by WWI ferryboat.

Eagle Marriages



'04 **Cathleen Corbett**, BA education, and '04 **Derek Marquez**, BA history, April 30. They live in Portland, where she is a teacher at Kindergarten and he is an inside sales/estimator at Portland Bolt and Manufacturing.

'04 **Renea McMurrin**, BA human resources and management information systems, and '05 **Jake Vining**, BAB marketing, June 18. The couple lives in Seattle, where she works in human resources and he works in advertising.

'03 **Jill Cusick**, BA criminal justice, and '04 **Jeff Welton**, BA criminal justice, March 18. They live in Spokane, where she is a service provider at Molina Healthcare and he is a deputy sheriff with the Spokane County Sheriff's Department.

'02 **Cameron Ellingson**, BS biology, and Jill Watts, June 4. He is a technician at Northpoint Dialysis. The couple lives in Deer Park.

'02 **Lisa Kukal**, BA applied developmental psychology, and '00 **Eric W. Jennings**, BA electronic media and filmic arts, March 12. Lisa works in child care and Eric works for the KXLY Broadcast Group in Spokane.

'00 **Dorri Deno**, BA reading, and '01 **Andrew Rolwes**, BA history, May 21. She is director of education at Sylvan Learning Center in Spokane and he is a captain in the U.S. Army.

'99 **Molly Schultz**, BA business-management information systems, and Kevin Smith, April 9. She is vice president of All Lines Associates, Inc. The couple lives in Spokane.

'99 **Deborah Kaakstad**, BA marketing, and Brian Cox, Feb. 18. She works at Arrowood Golf Course in Oceanside, Calif.

'90 **Richard Schade**, BA nursing, and Amy Hill, Oct. 23, 2004. He is an RN anesthetist at Holy Family Hospital in Spokane.

'90 & '95 **Ronald Andring Sr.**, BA liberal studies and MPA, and Rita D. Krebs, July 23. He is retired from the Department of Corrections, Washington State Penitentiary; the couple lives in Yakima.

'03 **Robbie Hendrickson**, BA business administration, and Allison Detjen, May 14. He is an assistant golf pro at Three Lakes Golf Course; the couple lives in East Wenatchee.

'02 **Stacy Zehm**, BS journalism, and Chris Hudson, July 23. She is a public relations specialist at North Idaho College; the couple lives in Post Falls, Idaho.

'99 **Chad Hugh Galbraith**, BS chemistry, and Darcy Ruemping, May 28. He is completing a pediatric dental residency in Denver after earning a degree in dental surgery from the University of Washington in 2004.

In Memoriam

'90s

'95 **Anita Register**, 59, BA social work, died March 18 at her home in Cheney. She worked for Spokane Mental Health-Elder Services.

'93 **Dixie Graves**, 49, BA liberal studies, died April 9 in Spokane. She worked for many years with the Spokane Sheriff's Office and in private security work.

'80s

'89 **Karen Wells**, 57, BA liberal studies, died May 7 in Spokane. She worked in the insurance industry for 15 years and had a great love of the outdoors.

'87 & '88 **Robert George Ellis**, 41, BAB business administration and certificate-marketing education, died May 24 in Renton. He was a senior program manager at PEMCO Corp. computer services.

'87 & '88 **Mark Gehring**, 55, BA management information systems and BA business administration, died July 21 in Redmond. A former

member of President Nixon's honor guard, he was manager of Underwater Sports in Bellevue and an avid scuba diver.

'83 **Charles "Chuck" Gray Jr.**, 65, BA government and BA radio-TV, died May 17. A Spokane resident, he had been an office manager for the state's Department of Social and Health Services and was passionate about playing ball.

'82 **Kathy Ledington**, 50, died June 8. A resident of Caldwell, Idaho, she had been a business technology instructor at Idaho State University School of Applied Technology and later a business and computer applications teacher in secondary schools.

'70s

'78 **Diannia (Smith) Piercy**, 52, BA studio art, died Jan. 23. She had been coordinator of faculty development and an instructor at the Art Institute of Seattle for the past 10 years.

'78 **Cheryl Oten**, 49, BA reading, died June 18. The Grandview resident taught in the Prosser School District.

'78 **Beverly Contois**, 79, BA sociology, died June 25 in Spokane. An accomplished pianist and expert seamstress, she lived in Japan, Germany, Alaska and Cambodia before settling in Spokane 40 years ago.

'73 **Greg Pollock**, 54, BA social work, died April 8. A Spokane Valley resident, he was a union plumber and vice president of West Plains Speedway.

'73 **Fermin Nunez Garcia**, 57, BA social work, died April 28. The Spokane resident worked for Employment Security, the U.S. Forest Service and retired from Fairchild Air Force Base as a civilian personnel specialist.

'72 **Patrick Denckla**, 55, BA pre-MBA, died April 8. A life-long Seattle area resident, he worked in the insurance industry.

'71 **Frank Talarico**, 56, BA management, died April 20 in Yakima. He played four years of football at Eastern, coached AAU basketball, was an avid sports fan and worked as an estimator for Pacific Power & Light.

'60s

'68 **Roberta "Bobbie" Mayer**, 84, BA social science, died March 25 in Mt. Vernon. She taught for many years in Spokane schools.

'66 **Cecilia 'CeCe' Thompson**, 68, BA English, died Dec. 5, 2004, in San Antonio. She had been a chartered licensed counselor for 20 years with expertise with children and families with special needs.

'66 **Carol Smith-Whitman**, 73, BA studio art, died March 12. The Plummer, Idaho, resident had taught in several Idaho communities and had operated a B&B for many years.

'65 **Ellora "Alli" Bennett**, 61, BA physical education, died July 16 at her home in Garfield. She had been a physical education teacher and athletic director at Garfield-Palouse High School and had served as floor manager at the State B Girls Basketball games in Spokane, 2004-05.

'61 **Grace Stingle**, 93, BA music, died May 28, in Spokane. She taught for 26 years.

'50s

'59 **Lela Wogman**, 97, BA English, died June 6 in Spokane. She taught at a one-room schoolhouse in Wisconsin, taught math and science in junior high school in Spokane and was a volunteer at the Spokane Guilds' School.

'58 & '65 **Warren Scheibner**, 73, BA physical education and MA school administration, died March 14. A resident of Orting, he was a teacher and principal for 28 years in Coulee City, Bridgeport and Auburn.

'57 **Ernest A. Boyd**, 77, BA journalism, died March 9. A long-time Edmonds resident, he founded the Pancake Haus Restaurant in 1969.

'54 & '56 **Byron Leeper**, 76, BA early childhood education and MA industrial technology, died Dec. 7, 2004, in Palm Springs, Calif. He served in the Air Force in WWII and retired as superintendent of schools in Kelso in 1984.

'51 **Lois Muse**, 75, BA elementary teaching, died May 4. A lifelong teacher whose career spanned five decades, she finished teaching her last class about 12 hours before her death. She had been a volunteer teacher with the Literacy Council of Kitsap the past seven years.

'50 **Harry Grabow**, 78, BA elementary education, died Dec. 27, 2004. He had taught school

in Moses Lake and Marlin and worked for U&I Sugar and had been residing in Spokane.

'40s

'48 **Wayne Stenson**, 83, BA early childhood education, died June 22 in Kirkland, where he lived since 1961. He had been a school principal in Colville.

'47 **Victor Carpine**, 86, BA early childhood education, died Jan 31 in Tacoma. A track and field athlete at Eastern, he flew a Flying Fortress in WWII (after which he never set foot on a plane again) and taught school and coached in Seattle for 30 years.

'46 **William Diedrick Sr.**, 87, BAE physical education, died in Spokane April 2. A member of Spokane's Rogers High School's first graduating class in 1935, he served in WWII and retired from teaching in Reardan and Spokane after 26 years. He received the Inland Empire Sports Hall of Fame Award, the 60-Year American Legion Membership Award and many other recognitions.

'46 & '53 **Elmer Kimm**, 89, BA early childhood education and MA industrial technology, died March 10. He taught in the Washington communities of Twisp, Dryden, Harrington and Latah and was principal of Harrah Grade School for 14 years.

'42 **Bernice Fahlgreen**, 86, BA education, died June 10 in Spokane. She taught for 27 years and traveled extensively.

'41 **Verlan Pinson**, 87, BA education, died May 27. He had worked for the Vancouver School District for 34 years.

'40 **Dorothy (Logsdon) Schafer**, 87, BA music, died in Spokane July 10. An active community member in Odessa, she was the first woman elected school board director.

'30s

'36 **Mary Mott**, 92, BA education, died April 1. A Spokane resident, she had been a special education teacher.

'35 & '40 **Rosa Russell**, 93, BA education and third-year certificate, died Jan. 21. She taught in a one-room schoolhouse in Lantz and later in Spokane, Portland and Quito, Ecuador.

'34 & '52 **Everett Henderson**, 94, BA physical education and MA, died June 3. He was a quarterback and member of the Eastern basketball

team; he taught for many years in Spokane and had been principal of Sacajawea Junior High School until retirement in 1972.

'33 **Gertrude (Ames) Salt**, 92, BA home economics education, died June 12. The Valleyford resident taught school in the Spokane Valley, retiring in 1974.

'33, '34 & '48 **Katie Wynia**, 93, third-year physical education teaching certificate, lifetime teaching certificate and BA education, died May 1 in Spokane. A member of Delta Kappa Gamma International, she taught in Idaho and Washington and was later principal of Medical Lake Elementary School.

'20s

'26 & '53 **Marie Combelic**, 97, teaching certificate and BA early childhood education, died March 16. A Sunnyside resident, she began teaching at a one-room schoolhouse in the Rattlesnake Hills northeast of Prosser. A 50-year 4-H leader, she received the Washington State Distinguished 4-H Alumni Award.

Faculty & Staff

Bilal Hashmi, 69, professor of sociology emeritus, died June 24 of leukemia. He retired from Eastern in 1998 with more than 20 years of service and had been living in Bellingham. Dale Lindekugel, Department of Sociology chair, recalls that he "was a true gentleman scholar who cared deeply about the intellectual growth of his students." A native of India, Bilal Hashmi led the development of the race and ethnic relations component of the department's curriculum and taught in that area along with population studies and social stratification.

Paulette Scott, 63, professor of English, died June 24 in Spokane. She had been a member of the English faculty for 27 years. Dana Elder, English Department chair, notes that she "was an exceptional teacher, scholar, leader, colleague, parent and friend. She always put the needs of others and of the University ahead of her own."

Bette Jean Colson, 83, died March 31 in Spokane. She had been secretary in the Department of Sociology, 1977-86, and was an accomplished seamstress and quilter.



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At right, alumnus Doug Kelley volunteered to be the test subject for this first issue – taking last spring's sample *Eastern* cover with him to Glacier National Park.

Well-traveled *Eastern* Magazine

'83 Doug Kelley, BA recreation administration, is not afraid to show his true colors, even in the middle of grizzly country. (Take note, University of Montana Grizzlies!) On his trip to Montana's Glacier National Park this summer – he's had a backpacking permit there for 12 of the past 13 years – he brought *Eastern* magazine along with him. And, while wearing a bright red Eastern football shirt, Doug ran into UM's alumni director in Kalispell, who good-naturedly warned him that "a guy could get run over wearing that around here!" Doug, regional account executive with Avista Utilities in Spokane (and president of the EWU Alumni Association), wasn't put off.

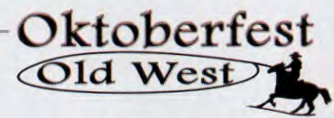


"Whenever you travel in bear country, especially in Griz country, it's always good to have EWU gear and reading material," Doug said. "Griz not only respect, but even fear EWU. And besides, if a bear gets too close, you can roll up your magazine and swat it on the rear to chase it away."

Where in the world will *Eastern* magazine next be sighted? That's up to you.

Fall Calendar

These are a few of many events you are invited to be involved with at Eastern Washington University in the coming months. Come join (or rejoin) us! For information on any of the alumni activities listed below, call (509) 235-5034 (<http://www.ewualumni.org>)



OCTOBER

8	Oktoberfest Old West, the EWU Libraries' annual fund-raiser (with a kick) – 6-10:30 p.m., JFK Library. Auction, food, wine and beer tasting (non-alcoholic beverages also available); JFK Library. Tickets \$30. Call (509) 359-2264. (http://ewu.edu/oktoberfest/)
15	Football: EWU vs. Montana in Missoula; EAA bus trip and alumni pregame event
17-22	Homecoming Week (http://www.ewu.edu/homecoming2005)
19	Dedication of the new School of Computing and Engineering Sciences building; call Candace Oswald for information, (509) 359-6244 (http://www.ewu.edu/x7874.xml)
20-22	1964-66 Class Reunion (see story, page 26)

NOVEMBER

12	Football: Governors Cup, EWU vs. Montana State, 2:05 p.m., Woodward Field; alumni pregame event at noon
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DECEMBER

2	Gov. Martin Alumni House Raffle at the Davenport Hotel — 5:30 p.m. Grand prize: an automobile. Tickets \$150 (admits two people); proceeds pay off Gov. Martin Alumni House mortgage
16	Basketball: EWU vs. UW in Seattle, 7 p.m. Alumni pregame gathering
19	Basketball: EWU vs. Gonzaga University, time TBA, Spokane Veterans Arena. Alumni pregame gathering

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