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Residence halls reaching capacity

In Eastern's recent history, low enrollment has been a serious problem that the administration has struggled to deal with. Recently enrollment has been on an up trend, and officials now have quite a different problem to face—housing the abundance of students attending EWU.

Eastern has many solutions underway, including a plan for a new dorm, in addition to a lack of student housing that many people think the new building will fill. "We've been growing between 15 and 25 percent per year in the last three years. We think it's going to continue to increase about 10 to 15 percent a year," said Romero.

Romero estimated that housing would be able to compensate for the projected increases in students for the first five years before they would run into serious problems.

In 1996, Pierce Hall had to be closed because there were too few students in the housing system. In 1997, Pierce Hall was reopened, and this year Louise Anderson Hall was opened up as a residence hall for the first time in nearly 20 years, said Romero.

"I'm really excited about this because the last time we had any new construction in terms of residence halls was 1971," said Romero.

Right now, the residence hall project is in the pre-design phase, where architects will look at proposals from nine architectural firms, and make a decision regarding which one to hire.

In April or May of this year, the committee will look at a conceptual design of the structure incorporating size, density, capacity, style, location and budget into the plan, said Romero.

"Originally, it was not expected that a decision concerning the building of a new residence hall would have to be made for another year."

"We actually stepped up this year form what we anticipated. We have moved the project to the point in which we expect to be at that a two year process. By making this decision, we have been speed up the process. The process has been accelerated a quick as it could while still using a somewhat conserva-

In the summer of 2000, the committee will look at the enrollment trends in terms of students signed up for housing, to see if the growth trend seems to be continuing.

"If we decide to move forward in May or June of this year we would then go forward with the fin-

Once the building is finished, it has to be completely supported by the revenues from housing. There is no state funding. We need to make sure housing can support the building be-

In May of 2001 the committee decides to move forward, they will take bids from different contracting companies and get a contractor on board. The actual building process will begin shortly after, said Romero.

In the planning of the building, officials are looking to get away from the large-scale communal bathroom approach and are playing with the idea of having a bathroom and common living area for each two or three rooms, said Romero.

"The difficulty is going to be incorporating between space and budget. We want to try to maximize our dollars to get the best facility possible."

The building of a new residence hall is not the only solution to Eastern's increased growth problem. Eastern's administration is working on. There is also going to be a new phase of construction taking place in the renovation of Louise Anderson Hall, and EWU officials are also looking at phases that might possibly complete up to two campus housing. The university houses only about one-third of Eastern's population, while the other two-thirds is housed off campus.

We are working with the city and the private community to spur the building of additional housing," said Brandon Moore, an administrative assistant to President Rodgers. "Morrison is the largest hall on campus and we hope to attract more students on the floors. Some floors are pushing 60 percent," Moore said. "I think that if we continue with the growth we've had this year they are going to have to build a new hall. There's no two ways about it."

Voting made easy

An absentee ballot voting system will be tested in this week's quarter ASWU elections.

"We're going to send out 1,000 test ballots," Goodwin said. "500 will go to students who live on campus, and 500 to off campus students," said Matt Goodwin, ASWU director of elections.

Goodwin said if the test results in an increased student voting percentage, the absentee system will be slowly integrated throughout the university.

Goodwin says there are currently two possible plans for the system: to switch to an absentee ballot system across the board; to give the community the option to sign up for an absentee ballot, or to send out absentee ballots to all students who have the number of poll
districts.

According to Goodwin, his decision will be made after receiving complaints last year about the voting system.

"A lot of non-traditional stu-
dents and students from the Spo-
kane campus were complaining that their votes weren't being heard," said Goodwin.

Goodwin also hopes that an absentee system will increase the percentage of students that vote, who he feels has been small in the past.

"Last year, we had 12 percent of the student body vote, and that was considered an accomplishment—in the past they've had trouble reaching 5 percent," said Goodwin. "I think we can shoot for higher than that."

Goodwin said there have been two main sides to the issue thus far. On one hand, there are those who think the new system will work well, and on the other there are those who feel that an absentee sys-
tem takes away from the concept of "hailing the polls."

According to Goodwin, a sur-
voy was conducted recently by the ASWU Elections Office, in which 351 students, selected at random, were asked if they would be in favor of or opposed to an absentee ballot system. Goodwin said the survey found that 40 percent of students interviewed were in favor of the new system, while 40 percent opposed it.

One student, interviewed dur-
ing the survey conducted by the elections office said, "While I'm on campus I go from point A to point B and I don't have time to wake up in line to vote. An absentee system would give me the chance to sit down and make an informed decision about what to vote for."

Another student said, "I'd prob-
ably participate in a smaller number. I wouldn't take the time to read it and actually see what it was."

The voting booth in the PUB will be shut down in order to fund the cost of the new system, said Goodwin.

"We only had 19 people vote there yesterday," said Goodwin. "If we discontinued it would kind of be a waste of our resources."

The primary elections for winter quarter will be held Feb. 10, and the general elections will follow on Feb. 17. Goodwin said that he's "looking forward to" comment for anyone who has any questions about the new system.

Students hang out in a dorm room on the third floor of Morrison Hall. Morrison has the greatest population percentage of Eastern's residence halls.

Students "got stuck" in Eastern's quarter blood drive in the PUB on Monday afternoon.
Rachel Coughlin
Assistant Reporter

Is school spirit on the rise? Eastern's student council is working to see that it is. "Visibility, interaction, accessibility," is the motto of Eastern's ASEWU Council. "We want to be a real visible council," stated Bree Holsing, Eastern's council member for student activities.

ASEWU President Danny Caldwell's desire for his 1999-2000 council is for them to infiltrate the campus with their enthusiasm and participation in scheduled events. "If you want to go to students' events, I want to go to where they are, run around, and support them," she believes school spirit comes from individuals lighting the fire and getting it going.

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Stingley does not believe that it has to do with the higher number of students in the residential halls. Some events are having a higher turnout and some are having a very disappointing turnout of supporters, and Eagle Entertainment is looking into why this might be. Both Holsing and Stingley agreed that there is a need to publicize events more. From larger signs hanged in the PUB to word-of-mouth transfer of information, advertisement of affairs may prove to be a crucial key in raising involvement on campus.

Elizabeth Frater, a sophomore at Eastern, noted that, "With more students, more people can participate, so of course attendance at events is going to go up." Anna Coddington, EWU Student Body President, "Yeah, there seems to be a lot more people on campus," but she wasn't quite sure if that affected the increase she saw in participation. "Likewise, Sophomore Anna Coddington, has attended "the whole lot" of events EWU has held this year. She believes the greater participation has a definite mark on the spirit we see on campus. "With more students," she said, "more people can participate, so of course attendance at events is going to go up."

Students attending recent volleyball games might be surprised to see how many other students are cheering beside them. Already this season, at Eastern volleyball games has set the record for attendance at one game with 1,273 fans attending.


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"I think the tours are quite important. We draw a good 75 percent of our students from eastern and central Washington. I think it is extremely important to get out and maintain those relationships," said Durrie, adding that communication of this sort was "a little hit and miss" with the former administration but that Jordan has demonstrated a strong commitment to keeping these lines of communication open.

"For a long time we had taken our pro-continental students for granted and assumed that as long as we unlocked the doors on the first day of school, the students would be there. We found out the hard way that this is not the case," said Durrie.

Akers said: "There is a growing recognition that we can't be so inwardly focused as we have been in the past."

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In regard to this individual contribution, Executive Vice President of Finance Roxie Arnold asked, "If we implement this $2 fee, we would be contributing more than the current WSL budget. Would we have more of a voice?"

In response Crum said that, "other members are trying to do the same thing at their campuses. When it comes to proportional votes there would be something the state board would have to look into," adding that the believed these boards sensed be that "everybody should have the same amount of votes." A number of council members voiced their assent.

"If we don’t support WSL, waves won’t happen," said Ryan Kroum, council member for student services.

"By supporting this we have a bigger voice in the state," said Tracy Williams, council member for legislative affairs.

"If we want to take a step towards increasing the enrollment, I can’t think of a better way than to look at the other universities how it should work," said Deb Jones, council member for student services.

Also at the council meeting, Mike Campenelli, the coordinator for Intramural Sports and Club Sports announced that the preliminary numbers for Intramural Sports "are very good right now."

According to Campenelli, so far there are currently 1,100 students enrolled in IM sports, compared to the 1,160 enrolled all fall quarter of last year, and Campenelli expected the current numbers to increase during Special Events Week. Campenelli said that there have been several new clubs this year, such as ice hockey and soccer, with possibly a women’s fast pitch and men’s volleyball club forming.

"Basically, things are good," said Campenelli.

In other news regarding the council meeting, David Stingley, the Chair of Eagle Entertainment said that they are looking for a big concert with a "big name band, but not too big."

Stingley said that the current bands being considered include the Goo Goo Dolls, George Clinton, Korn and Pearl Jangle. Additionally, the ASEWU President Danny Caldwell announced that he wanted a memo of resolution that "parking is a problem," noting that if the ASEWU wants parking considered in the ten-year plan, "we have to move on that right away."

At this weeks meeting, Deana Ratafay of the Alcohol Task Force requested the council’s participation in three open-forum meetings. The topic of discussion will be the new alcohol policy, which will apply to "every function or event, social event, and campus wide activity sponsored by organizations or individuals associated with the University," as well as off-campus university events that "imply or express University affiliation.

Also included in the new policy is a change in the procedures for obtaining permission to serve alcohol, which will require that all individuals and groups wishing to serve alcohol obtain written permission from "the President or his/her designee.

The open-forum meetings will take place Thursday at noon, 1 p.m. in PUB 323 and at 6 p.m. in the MPR. All students are encouraged to read the policy and give their input. The policy can be found on the internet at www.ewu.edu/StudentLift/StudentAffairs/AICTaskForce.html.

Drug users just told NO!

Travis Reed
University Daily (M. Masurek)

(U-WIRE) MINNEAPOLIS - Students planning to apply for federal financial aid should prepare to divulge more than just their social security number, university and address.

The U.S. Department of Education published final regulations last Thursday on a law prohibiting students convicted of drug-related crimes from receiving federal financial aid.

The regulation makes students who have been convicted of drug charges ineligible to receive Pell Grants, student loans and other forms of federal financial aid.

The Education Department regulation, slated to take effect on July 1, won’t withhold funding on the severity and number of offenses.

In the case of a drug possession, a student is found to have been denied financial aid for one year. A second conviction bars a student for two years, and a student with three offenses will be indefinitely disqualified.

Those convicted of selling drugs once will be denied eligibility for two years. With more than one Conviction, eligibility for financial assistance would be indefinitely denied.

In recent university police reports are any indication, the new standards could spell trouble for an increasing number of lithium students.

Drug-related offenses have quadrupled during the past four years, according to university police reports. From 1997 to 1999 alone, offenses jumped 26 percent.

Students are encouraged to take part in a drop-out of more stringent punitive measures for drug offenders, the university received a share of opposition - including skepticism from some University officials.

"I don’t think that it will help people from using drugs, but I think it might keep people from completing their education," said Dave Hayden, university coordinator of student behavior. "In substance-abuse prevention, we’ve found that scare tactics don’t work."

A student’s eligibility for aid would be reinstated if the student completes a rehabilitation program, and it criticizes charge that such a policy is useless to most.

"The law includes even simple possession of marijuana, and there is nothing out there to rehabilitate people from marijuana because many professionals don’t believe that you can be addicted to it," said Jason Fizzel, a member of the Department of Education at Eagle Entertainment, which devised the regulations and staffed person for the University of Wisconsin-Madison student government.

Additionally, critics say the law might hurt people already socially and economically disadvantaged.

"People who use drugs are most likely to need financial aid," Hayden said.

Not everyone who uses drugs is economically disadvantaged, but it will affect people without money more than it will affect people with it."

Fizzel referred to the bill as a "farce," and said strong opposition exists among student groups, police officials and many members of the Education Department’s committee.

Even those within the department say the bill lacks credibility because students must self-report convictions on their aid application.

Currently, no database of criminal records can be cross-referenced by the department.

"We won’t know whether or not students are guilty unless they put it on the applications or someone gives us an evidence of the crime," said Jane Glickman, Education Department spokesperson.

"We hope people will follow the law and report offenses and we don’t expect schools to check their students either."

Department officials said students caught misrepresenting information on federal financial aid forms would face felony charges.

By supporting this we have a bigger voice in the state.

Tracy Williams
Executive Vice Council Member

The Students of Morrison Hall’s third floor fill their floor lobby with ghoulish decorations in preparation for Halloween this year.

EWU students and staff contribute to social causes

Shawn Ernst
Emeritus Reporter

Not doing enough for the community? Want to make a difference? The United Way is now giving EWU students as well as faculty that opportunity.

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Murder: Who done it?

Chris Carlyle
Contributing Writer: Writer's Choice

Detective Trent watched the ambulance race away, grumbling under his breath about killers trying to cover their tracks by strangling freshmen. He hated that. He looked again at the crumpled piece of bright pink paper. Sorry. Skipper. You were too much. Beneath that were three small greek symbols.

Trent looked at his partner, Keefe, "You know what these symbols mean?"

Keefe looked at him. He shrugged. "Probably for a traitor sorority around here."

"What?" Trent asked.

"Dunno," Keefe answered. "Never in a frat. The only one I ever heard of was Delta Thigh."

"I doubt that one exists," Trent said, turning on his heel to look back at the crime scene. He called over his shoulder, "Find out what those greek symbols mean!"

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It was strange to see the yellow police tape surrounding a locker room. Trent felt a pain in his psyche as he walked into the room. The last time he was willingly in a locker room was during his high school years. Although he was now over six feet tall and immensely thick at his neck and shoulders, in high school he was known as "birdchest."

He didn’t like to think about that. Trent put on a pair of latex gloves as he began to search Skip’s bag. Nothing there that seemed out of the ordinary: shoes, shorts, deodorant, strawberry scented soap—no wonder the boy got picked on in high school. Trent zipped the bag and carried it from the locker room.

As he left the building he smiled at a young coed who was walking in. Her blonde ponytail swung from the back of her Yankos cap as she slouched into the Phase as only a young blonde could. Trent wished he had been twenty, no twenty-five, years younger. Then a sudden thought hit him.

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Trent answered as the receiver continued to buzz, telling him that Keefe still had not picked up the phone in the office. Finally the buzzing stopped and the voice of his partner came through, loud and only slightly clear.

"Keefe."

"Keefe, here. What did you find out about the symbols?"

"Well," Keefe said, "they are greek for sure."

"We know that. What do they mean?"

"Delta Loma Kappa."

"Is that a frat around here?"

There was a pause. Some doubt seemed to creep into Keefe’s voice. "Can’t be entirely sure, just yet. No one from housing will call me back. We did get a call today, though.

"Yeh? Who from?" Trent asked, starting to fidget. He hated calling his partner. Keefe was always so deliberate, only responding to what he wanted, never offering more information that was needed.

"Some bigwig alumni. He said he wanted us to hurry up with the investigation. Some bigwig function is going on for all the other bigwig alumni."

"Could you say 'bigwig' one more time, Keefe?" Trent laughed a bit. "Tell him I am doing the best that I can. If he wants it done better, he can do it himself."

Trent hung up the phone and started thinking about that coed. What was it about her? Not her looks; Trent was used to seeing beautiful women that paid no attention to him. He had almost put his finger on it when a knock came on the door to the office. He was using.

A small, wearing thick glasses walked in. "Detective Trent?"

Trent recognized the voice. "Name is Melvin, I am Skip’s friend."

Even his statement seemed to have a question mark after it.

"Melvin? Right have a seat?" Trent pointed to a chair in the corner. Melvin struggled to drag it across the industrial carpet. "What can you tell me about Skip?"

"Melvin shrugged. Not much. I only know him from class."

"We’ve talked about getting together, but then he was attacked."

"Does he have any enemies?"

"Only Bionca. I think she just hated being attacked."

"I know that was very upset by the way she spoke to Skip. Recently added me. I know that Melvin’s face was getting flush and a vein began to throb on his forehead.

"You know who might have attacked Skip?" Trent asked, noticing the change in Melvin’s behavior.

"No, unless Bionca is not dead. I would believe that she would come back from the dead just to cause more trouble for people smaller than she was." Melvin’s face had taken on a crimson hue and his hands were shaking.

"Well... as of last night she was still dead. The medical examiner finished her report this morning."

Melvin seemed relieved. "How is Skip?"

"Trent answered, "I was just going to the hospital now. Want to ride along?"

Melvin shook his head. "Hospital makes me nervous."

"Trent smiled. "I feel the same way about Chinese restaurants."

Before Trent left, Melvin said, "Tell Skipper that I have the assignments for the days he will likely miss."

"Thanks," said Trent.

As Trent crossed the courtyard he saw a young couple folding hands. Suddenly he turned and ran toward the administration building. He knew what was important about that girl; it was the fact that she...

"What? Was blonde? Had a big gap in her front teeth? Was the only one on campus that Trent had never seemed to be going somewhere with a purpose? It’s up to you.

Head over to housing and find out what they can tell you about this girl. Help solve Bionca’s murder. Turn in your submission for the story line at NOVEMBER 2nd to the Writers’ Center, PLIB 354.

Eight Stops Seven is seventh heaven

Holly Gandhi
Managing Editor

Eight Stop Seven is one of the better hard rock / alternative bands to emerge out of California.

Eight Stops Seven are a band formed of Evan Sula-Goff, Seth Watson, Adam Powell and Alex Viveros. The band they create the hip new sound of Eight Stop Seven. Their debut album, In Moderation, which hit stores last week.

In Moderation displays a fresh new sound and Eight Stops Seven. The band can’t go wrong with Toby Wright (Alice in Chains, Korn) on lead vocals. The band include numbers seven and eight are used to portray different parts of life. The seven represents days in a week, years of bad luck and the number of years of a plague, while the eight, sideways, represents infinity.

The seven symbolizes completion and the eight symbolizes new hope. said vocalist Evan Sula-Goff, "In certain branches of psych, the number eight is divided into eight stages of development. Basically, seven is some
ting you want to get away from and eight is the door you go through to get there."

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Editor

There’s never a bad time for an all-nighter, but watching horror flicks, but what better time than Halloween?

If you’re tired of all the sophomoric gack being made today, such as Scream or I Know What You Did Last Summer, then head to the nearest video store and pick up some real horror movies. They don’t get any better than these, so grab your security blanket, some munchies and a barf bag.

The original Halloween was released in 1978 directed by John Landis in one of the few horror films that can actually boast good acting.

Set in England, the film opens with David (David Naughton) and Jack (Griffin Dunne) backpacking across the countryside. The two are attacked by a creature which kills Jack and seriously wounds David. While recovering at the hospital, David receives a visit from Jack, who as a member of the “undead” is forced to walk the earth. He tells David to kill himself before he kills others.

A perfect mix of comedy, gore and special effects, this is one movie that shouldn’t be missed. The scene in the movie theater where Jack and David’s victims are suggesting ways that David could kill himself is one of the true brilliant scenes in horror movie history.

Black Christmas: This 1974 Canadian film should be considered the godfather of slasher films in North America. It is compared to the original Halloween by many, not so much because it was at a time going to be released as a sequel to the film.

One of the first true slasher films to show scenes from the killer’s point of view, Black Christmas set the tone for this sub-genre with the ladies being prepared for their holiday break. A rash of prank phone calls begins closely followed by the disappearance of sorority members. Coincidence? I think not.

The oft-quoted “the call is coming from inside the house” phone trace bit gives the flick a suspenseful ending that will have you on the edge of your seat.

Gate of Hell: This obscure 1980 Italian film is one of the true all-time great “gore” films. Directed by one of horror’s underpaid directors, Lucio Fulci, who also directed “Zombie,” this film is a little on the campy side, but its brilliant use of gore more than makes up for its shortcomings.

The film begins with a priest hanging himself in a cemetery, thereby opening up the seven portals to hell. If the portals are not closed within three days “the dead shall arise and walk the earth." This movie also receives bonus points for using a journalist as the “hero” in the film, something there should be more of. If you have a weak stomach be sure to close your eyes during the drill scene.

You probably won’t be able to find this at your local Blockbuster, but it’s well worth the effort to track down a copy.

Dawn of the Dead: This 1978 George Romero classic is as good as it gets. Great acting, a well-crafted script, and gore enough to make your stomach churn. This film is the ultimate zombie flick.

The story line is the same as Night of the Living Dead: the living are walking the Earth and snacking on the human inhabitants. Four people are in a helicopter trying to make their way to Canada where they hope to be safe from “the plague.” Unfortunately, they run low on fuel and are forced to land at a shopping mall overrun with zombies. Out heroes manage to clear the mall of zombies, but face a new challenge from a gang of looters.

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Plagiarism, you've heard it before

especially in schools. It seems that students are constantly purchasing papers from other students or getting them off the Internet. I doubt that plagiarism occurs as often in the professional field, as they have a wider audience to check their work and are more likely to be employed in areas they have chosen, rather than a class that they need to pass with that paper. Occasionally, however, it does still occur. Writers must be wary of how they cite works and make sure that any idea that they write down wasn't heard elsewhere and subconsciously turned into theirs. I know that these two at least have caused me some thought. I hope that editors may offer some help in that they have read a wide selection of works, and could possibly recognize plagiarized works more often than the common citizen. As I have had very little to no experience in the real writing and publishing field, I would want credit where it's due, whether or not it is praise.

I am currently unaware as to how editors, political and publishing companies deal with the plagiarist. However, steps can be taken to end plagiarism where I think it begins, in the schools.

Websites entitled "Other People’s Papers" and "Absolutely Free Online Essays" are just a few of the many sites offering free essays and term papers. Being a student and knowing of sites such as these, although only because of this paper, I think that teachers should be aware of them as well. It would also be good for a teacher to understand the limitations students’ writing capabilities, and so recognize when students turned in something that was beyond them.

Beyond the innocent error of citations, I do not plagiarize. I feel that it is a cheap and irresponsible thing to do. If I read something brilliant, I want to know who really wrote it, not who claimed he was that smart. As a writer, I would not want anyone to steal my work. I would want credit where it's due, whether or not it is praise. It is extremely important for someone ever to plagiarize me, that would make me very angry, and although it's okay to be angry, I don't think it's an emotion we want to go around promoting and encouraging. I have never known anyone to intentionally plagiarize, and I hope I never do. I did, however, recently find an article that spoke for plagiarism. I was curious to know why anyone would do this, so I read the rest of the article. The main point of the author was to take good ideas from others. In this case it was business. The author wrote that if another business has a good idea, say a way to structure hierarchy, then it is okay to use the same idea. In this case, I agree with the author. I think abstract and general ideas cannot be copyrighted, much less claimed by a single "inventor." People cannot plagiarize, for example, the use of glass in windows. I realize that a big part of plagiarism is not giving credit to the author/inventor or claiming the work as your own. In the realm of window glass and business ideas, as they are not necessarily attributing that work as their own, I think it is fine.

In most respects, however, plagiarism is simply stealing, and I'm glad it is educated against. I find it reassuring that anyone caught stealing work would get zeros and kicked out of a classroom setting. While it is not a crime that I would spend billions of tax dollars to fight against, I approve of all the measures undertaken thus far to prevent and end plagiarism.
I'm not throwing the first stone here. I've had more than one atheist in my classes, and I could probably find at least three examples in the U.S. Constitution that would support my statement that I've had my legal share of harassment. Why? Because I'm going to hell and know of such worldly things.

I'm a nice guy (sometimes), I pay my taxes (sometimes), I try not to cause trouble. But, if you are a devout bible thumping Christian, I'm a horrible man with demons hanging off of my every breath. If I am not wrong, I am not alone. There are billions of people running around that you feel the need to let know, "You are going to hell."

(Yes, I'm a fan of conversations that begin in this way. No, really.)

The people, even on campus, who will shout this at you at the top of their lungs. "This is the most important test of your life! God and his son are watching! They will not hesitate to send you to hell! God hates the sinner! You will all go to hell without the answer key I hold in my hand!"

(Alas, the bible. The most versatile work in human history. If you wanted found a verse to interpret that says "only people who drink Coca-Cola are going to heaven," you could.)

What are their tactics? To bully you into believing something you don't believe in. And a wonderful thing here is, they can't do it. To scare the living piss out of you, so that in your dreams you can almost feel the hot burning your feet. They will shout this to you everyday of your lives until you finally capitulate and scream out "Hell sounds scary! I don't want to go there!"

What kind of followers do these Christians want anyway, the ones who are just around so that they don't go to hell? It sounds reminiscent of pre-Luther church politics. If I were a conscientious Christian, I would not be after the people that really need and are in search of a higher meaning or cause for their lives. The people who want to be in church on Sundays, who don't want to become my study meets on Wednesday. The people who want to hear what I have to say. Of course, I know that it is in the teaching a Christian reader needs to kick your likeliness to Christ (the translation of Christian) and to spread this around, but there is a point however, where some people need to pipe down and learn a lesson in humility, not to mention civility.

To talk in a blasphemous tone with the bible thumping, top of the lungs hell shouters and inspiring their eternal ire, I will speak of the object of their teaching.

In all my studies of the bible I can only remember one instance when Jesus was pissed off enough to break things and shout. That was when mercants and the likes set up shop in a temple of worship. Other than that, the wine imbibing, inspiring man could almost have been mistaken for a stoner (no pun intended). His most notable teaching, as far as keeping a low profile and letting people know of God through the love one exudes, is the throwing the first stone proverb. It went something like, "Let he who is without sin throw the first stone."

Which means, back off man, there's only one person that knows enough to tell a person where they can go, and you're not that (for her).

Before I get a plethora of letters letting me know what an asshole I am, I have unfounded my statements. I want to state that I do not believe all Christians are self-righteous. Grouping millions of people into one category is never acceptable, no matter your beliefs. I can think of many examples of people who don't push their religion and thoughts on others, but instead emulate their likeness to Christ.

I had a friend in high school that was a partier, even more so than I. One day he woke up and realized that what he was doing wasn't what he wanted for his life. He began the Wednesday bible study routine, went to church on Sunday, and still found time to put in appearances at parties. He didn't drink or anything like that, he was just there to break up fights, be a good person and give us lunches who needed it a ride home. Through his silent work, there were three or four of my friends who also gave up their "cool" ways and joined a bible study group to feel better about their lives. He accomplished all this without once mentioning hell or shoving the bible upon you. He knew you what it was.

Another example, perhaps the best one to me, is my mother and father. They are very religious and have been so since they gave up their long hair, stoner hippie days. My father was a Baptist preacher for the first five years of my life, and before that he was a missionary spreading the word in such places as Taiwan and Jamaica. But I have never seen either my father or mother climb the ladder to higher moral ground and stand on their soapbox. They've never stood up there shouting invectives at all the sinners running around with purple dye in their hair and telling them they are going to hell. Instead, they have led by a shining quiet example. Always willing to counsel another and only speaking of the wonders of God to sinners when they saw the opportunity was such that God might still have a Gem even to lead his god club.

I believe once forced their ideas on anyone, except for me and my siblings, and even then, only until they felt we were old enough to be making our own decisions. They never forced me to break anything, or never again forced me to sit through church services. What they did instead was give me religious readings and let me know the option of their religion was always there, both of which I thoroughly enjoyed and appreciated, considering many of my friends had no such option.

Even on our own campus there are a couple good examples of those not forcing anything on anyone. There is a man, whose name, regretfully, I do not know, who has a booth set up in front of the PUB with Christian literature. He does what will gladly speak to you with civility about life in general, not just his beliefs. There is a professor, Scott "Big Daddy" Finn, who will let you know he is a Christian but won't tell you that you had better become one or your grade will suffer.

These are just a few of the examples I can pull out of my experiences to support Christians who don't out throwing stones. And, believe me, I give all of you a big thumbs up for the way you present yourselves.

My only concern is, why does it take a non-Christian to point this out to you? But there I go, throwing too many stones. I'll just shut up and quit forcing my beliefs on you.

The Pagan Society on campus is an open-minded group for people who might feel alienated by society due to their religious beliefs. Pagans are not witches that fly on brooms, they are students like the rest of us. The only difference is their religious beliefs.

College is the prime time for learning about oneself and exploring the ever popular thought "who am I?"

Even though as a campus, Eastern tries to claim non-discriminatory behavior towards any group, the underlying prejudice is ever strong against Pagans.

One aspect about Pagans, which is very different than other religions is that they do not proselytize. In other words, pagans do not "convert."
**Football**

**Grizzlies maul Eagles 25-7**

The University of Montana Grizzlies picked off seven passes en route to a 25-7 rout of the Eastern Eagles Saturday in Missoula. Montana jumped out to a 10-0 lead before Eastern narrowed the gap to three on a one-yard run by Jesse Chatman. The Grizzlies added an 8-yard TD pass from Drew Miller to Jeremy Watkins to give them a 16-7 halftime lead. Miller threw his third TD pass of the game early in the third quarter, a 4-yarder to Jimmy Farris, and Kris Heppner rounded out the scoring with a 27-yard field goal in the fourth quarter.

Eastern's vaunted ground game found yardage tough to come by as they were held to 86 yards on 28 carries. Jovan Griffith was held to 61 yards on 12 carries and Chatman carried the ball 12 times for 46 yards.

**Cal State Sacramento (4-4) at Eastern Washington (4-4)**

**The Series:** Eastern Washington leads the series 7-0, including 2-0 at home.

**Last Meeting:** Eastern Washington's Bashir Levingston returned three kickoffs for touchdowns and set four NCAA records in the process to lead the Eagles to a 31-25 victory in Sacramento last year. Cal State Sacramento, which had more rushing and passing yards than Eastern, took a 25-23 lead in the fourth quarter before Levingston returned the ensuing kickoff for a touchdown to close the deal.

**The Coaches:** Cal State Sacramento coach John Volek is in his fifth year with a 15-36-1 overall record, including a 6-24 Big Sky record. Mike Kramer at Eastern Washington is 34-32 in five seasons, including a 21-22 Big Sky record.

**Notes:** Eastern has scored at least 30 points in five of the last six meetings, while Sacramento has scored over 30 just once in the series. This game will feature the league's top two rushing teams, and three of the top five running backs in the league in Charles Roberts (1st), Jovan Griffith (4th) and Jesse Chatman (5th), all of which average over 100 yards per game.

**Volleyball**

**Eastern Washington (18-3, 9-1) at Idaho State (10-13, 3-9):**

**The Series:** Idaho State leads the all-time series 24-15, but Eastern Washington has a 13-10 advantage in league match-ups.

**Last Meeting:** September 16, 1999: The Eagles swept the Bengals in Cheney — 15-11, 15-5, 17-15.

**Notes:** The Eagles have won the last seven meetings between the two squads and the Bengals haven't won in Pocatello against the Eagles since 1995. Idaho State plays at Utah State on Monday before hosting the Eagles.

**Eastern Washington (18-3, 9-1) at Cal State (14-7, 7-3):**

**The Series:** Cal State Sacramento holds a 6-3 advantage in the all-time series and a 4-3 lead in league match-ups.

**Last Meeting:** September 30, 1999: The Eagles won the five-game thriller in Cheney — 15-10, 16-18, 17-15, 16-18, 16-14.

**Notes:** Cal State Sacramento broke the NCAA record for most attacks in a five-game match with 359 in the last meeting, while Eastern Washington's 340 attacks ranks 4th on the list. The Eagles 80 points scored is also the third most ever in Division I in a five-game match.
Soccer

Sacramento State at Eastern
Friday, Oct. 29, 3:00 p.m.

Eastern will try to get back on the winning track as the Hornets of Sacramento State come visiting for the Eagles final Big Sky Conference game of the season.

Last week Eastern dropped a pair of conference games, losing 3-0 to the Northern Arizona Lumberjacks and 1-0 to Cal State Northridge. Goalkeeper Katie Grothkopp played brilliantly against Northridge, stopping 18 of 19 shots.

The Hornets are 1-3-1 in Big Sky play and sport a 7-7-1 overall record.

Wyoming at EWU
Sunday Oct. 31, Noon

Three seniors, Caryn Noel, Lora Auch and Beth Ransom will be making their final appearances in Eagle uniforms as Eastern closes out their season with a non-conference game against the University of Wyoming.

Noel will leave as Eastern’s all-time leading scorer with 25 points, nine goals and seven assists. A senior from East Wenatchee, Wash., she is currently the team’s leading scorer.

Auch, from University High in Spokane, has scored four goals and three assists in her career, while Ransom has scored one goal and an assist in her playing days at Eastern.

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