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Student Life Accounting

Office moves to Showalter this summer

Past year has seen new processes for allocating student funds, move puts finances closer to administration

BY DYLAN COIL
senior reporter

The Office of Student Life Accounting, currently located in the PUB, will be moving to the vice president of student affairs office this summer and will be overseen by members of that office instead of the dean of students.

Student Life Accounting, which consists of three financial advisers, helps various clubs and organizations on campus handle money allocated to

them by the Student Service and Activity Fee, and up until now, has never directly reported to anyone besides the dean of students.

According to Vice President of Student Affairs Stacey Morgan Foster, plans for the move have not yet been finalized, but there is no doubt that the move to Showalter 129 will happen over the summer.

Deliberation for the move has been going on for the past few months, and the reasoning behind it is that if Student Life Accounting reports to the

vice president's office, then it's logical that Student Life Accounting also be located in that office, Morgan Foster said.

"What we wanted to do was put [Student Life Accounting] in a place where we could have direct supervision," Morgan Foster said.

Direct supervision over Student Life Accounting and the handling of student dollars, would come from Ted Carman, financial and planning officer for the vice president's office, who would have final say on the financial operations of campus clubs and organizations.

This move and change of authority

has come after an extensive restructuring of the Student Services and Activity Fee, including the establishment of the Student Services and Activity Fee Committee and after the retirement of the lead financial consultant of Student Life Accounting.

The vice president's office is currently in the middle of the hiring process to replace the lead financial consultant who works directly with students on managing funds allocated by the Student Services and Activity Fee and whose office would now reside in Showalter 129.

"We want to wait until we have the new lead [financial consultant] here

and make sure that person has some control over how the move will be facilitated," Morgan Foster said.

According to Morgan Foster, the hiring of the new lead financial consultant for Student Life Accounting will happen sometime in the next few weeks with the goal to have the move to the vice president's office completed before next fall.

"I think, honestly, it will end up with there being a net gain for students because the processes in the office will be streamlined and quicker for them," said Morgan Foster. "As part of that, we'll be giving them a little more professional assistance."



After the public memorial service, students, family and friends of Robyn Strayer share their fondness and admiration for a woman of influence.

A SOLEMN FAREWELL

Attendees share stories of how Robyn Strayer lit up a room and helped them to see the world through a different light

STORY AND PHOTO BY JAMES EIK | editor-in-chief

Red feather boas adorned the necks of many who attended the public memorial service held outside of the EWU Heritage Center for Robyn Strayer.

Strayer, an adjunct instructor in the Counseling, Educational and Developmental Psychology program since 2006, passed away Friday, May 20, following a severe aneurysm she suffered while on campus Wednesday.

The passing of a friend and instructor has left the campus with a feeling of loss and grief.

Nearly 100 people came to remember Strayer, many of whom were students. The crowd was large enough that it nearly flowed over the brick walkway.

Alan Basham, a senior lecturer in the same program and Strayer's academic adviser at Eastern, noticed that her dedication and drive were out of the ordinary for a college student. Strayer took classes at Eastern from 2002 to 2006 before becoming a part of the university's faculty.

"We all knew she was different," Basham said.

Although just a student at the time, Strayer's background in the Navy served as an immediate connection for Basham. He sometimes called her Chief, and she affectionately returned with Doc.

The memorial service featured "You Raise Me Up" and "Amazing Grace" as selections. It

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Northwest Public Power Association rewards Trulove's devotion to Cheney

Long time, beloved leader and teacher honored for service to community

BY KRISTIE HSIN
senior reporter

Cheney mayor and EWU economics professor Tom Trulove was presented the Paul J. Raver Community Service Award May 25.

The award is only given to individuals who have worked toward the advancement of cities, state or regions. The award also honors individuals who have illustrated superior leadership and community service.

Trulove is being honored with the highest admiration given by the Northwest Public Power Association.

His long list of accomplishments include having served as the chair of the economics department, a board member of Spokane Area Economic Development Council, chairman of the Northwest Power Planning Council and many more.

"I just have a long history of doing those kinds of public service things, and I think that's why I'm being given the Raver Award," Trulove said.

Trulove, a native of Klamath Falls, Ore., grew up with strong ambitions that prompted him to run for student government in high school.

Trulove earned his bachelor's of science degree, master's of science and Ph.D. at the University of Oregon, balancing his studies with his interest of economics.

In 1969, Trulove became part of the Eastern community as an economics professor and active member of the boards and association in relation to economics.

Before stepping into his role as mayor, Trulove was chairman of the Washington State Roads Jurisdiction Committee and engaged in other organizations relating to state and local civic matters.

Embracing two consecutive terms as mayor, Trulove has channeled his admiration for the city through his devoted interest in city government and aspiration in making a better community for everyone.

"In terms of contributions over the years, you just simply support the institution," said Trulove of EWU. "You try to find scholarships for students. You try to make sure students are successful. You try to develop a program that is competitive by national standards, and so when students graduate, they're competing for the job market."

According to Trulove, the best part about teaching is the students and helping them discover new ideas and possibilities.

Throughout his 42 years at Eastern, Trulove has illustrated leadership and service skills by organizing cleaning groups for the city when Mt. St. Helen's erupted and modernizing the city with functional departments like Choices for Cheney, which helps organize how and where the city will advance.

For the duration of his time in the Inland Northwest, Trulove has written countless research papers concerning topics such as the economic development and natural resources.

"I like to do community service, and I like the opportunity to help di-



File photo
Tom Trulove will receive the Paul J. Raver Award in Reno, Nev., May 25.

rect the city of Cheney to the future. So I enjoy being the mayor," said Trulove. "I don't see a lot of downside to it. It's a lot like everything else. Some days you have to work hard, and some days you don't."

When he's not conquering the city's issues, Trulove enjoys family time and flying small planes.

Trulove accepts the Raver Award in Reno, Nev., at the annual Northwest Public Power Association meeting May 25.

"I think that if you live long enough and you do a lot of things, people recognize it. ... Getting an unexpected award like that makes it all the much better," Trulove said.

Public demonstrations challenge student views

Protected by the First Amendment, students challenged by freedom of expressive thought

BY DYLAN COIL
senior reporter

According to university officials, public demonstrations performed on campus stimulate intellectual growth by challenging students' views, but problems can arise when these demonstrations disrupt Eastern's academic environment or cross into behavior that could be considered bullying.

Eastern is hesitant to employ any regulations on these kinds of public demonstrations with respect to an individual's right to free speech, taking measures only to include police supervision and asking campus visitors to abide by specific times, places and manners of behavior.

"Campuses and public entities always have the right to restrict people's access based on time, place and manner," said Vice President of Student Affairs Stacey Morgan Foster. "Those sorts of restrictions are very subjective, and you would only implement those restrictions if you felt that you were protecting the basic running of the university."

Some policies used by other universities, ones that Eastern has looked into, include designating a specific area for demonstrations or requiring permits for any group wishing to use Eastern as a public forum.

The most recent demonstrations of these kinds are last week's religious preaching of Brother Jed and his followers and the Westboro Baptist Church visit to Eastern earlier this fall. Both situations required EWU Police supervision.

"The role of the police in these situations is completely a peacekeeper," said Deputy Chief of Campus Police Gary Gasseling. "Their speech is protected by the first amendment of the constitution."

According to Gasseling, while Brother Jed spoke on campus a week before, the police had to step in to ask the demonstrators to tone down due to several complaints, but at the same time, the police department made sure the student understood that the police cannot infringe on anyone's right to free speech.

Currently, the university has no policy limiting campus demonstrations in any way, and technically, a group could appear to demonstrate whenever they want without informing the university.

Some groups, however, organize their gatherings with the university's events planning office to ensure they can assemble in a central location, such as the campus mall, during a time when no other events are scheduled.

According to Morgan Foster, the loose nature with which these demonstrations are carried out does not apply to commercial events, with the university requiring written authorization before any group with commercial aspirations can gather on campus.

"We have a lot more authority to restrict commercial speech on campus," said Morgan Foster. "All those sorts of activities would have to be

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THE
POLICE BEAT
JUST THE FACTS

May 14 - May 23

Agency assist

5/14 1:36 a.m. – A burglary occurred at the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity house. A witness saw someone enter the house and take some items, including a stereo. The witness tried to stop the crime and got into a verbal altercation with the robber. Cheney Police investigated the incident, and EWU Police have caught two suspects.

Alcohol violation

5/14 1:45 a.m. – A female student from LA Hall, who was unresponsive at the scene, had to be transferred to the hospital to be treated for an alcohol overdose.

Malicious mischief

5/16 1:00 p.m. – Graffiti, depicting “ZEST” underlined twice, was found in a second floor men’s restroom in the PUB between Baldy’s and the Bookstore. This graffiti has also been found in other locations around campus, including on a Code Blue station behind the JFK Library.

Agency assist

5/18 5:11 p.m. – A shoplifting incident turned into an assault after a female injured an employee of Ben Franklin. Cheney Police assisted EWU Police in the case.

BY LAUREN JOHNSON | copy editor

Theft

5/21 5:15 p.m. – A man reported his backpack stolen from a URC locker between 3:15 and 5:15 p.m. He found the backpack in the bathroom with his driver’s license, debit card and car keys missing.

Burglary

5/22 – An ATV and John Deere Gator were stolen from Serbeck Services by two suspects. It appears the suspects drove over a fence with heavy equipment to knock it over, which was the only damage reported before joy riding out in the fields near Salnave. Only one vehicle was recovered by police, but a farmer recovered the other. The incident is under investigation.

Agency assist

5/22 7:30 p.m. – Cheney Police assisted EWU Police with an uncooperative shoplifter at Mitchell’s. The shoplifter, a student, was cited and released by police and referred to the OSRR.

Agency assist

5/23 1:03 a.m. – A 911 hangup call from Fresno Trailer Court prompted a police investigation. Police found that a verbal argument had occurred.



Comic by Blaine Mueller

Drug violation

5/16 1:00 a.m. – Male students from Streeter Hall were clearly under the influence of some substance, but it did not appear to be alcohol. When asked by police, they responded that they had taken some mushrooms. They were referred to the OSRR.

Presentation shines spotlight on economy

Federal reserve senior economist invited to visit Eastern’s Riverpoint campus to discuss national financial system

BY DOUG AULT
staff writer

EWU hoped to shed some light on the country’s troubled economic situation by hosting Federal Reserve Senior Economist Gary Zimmerman at 12 p.m. today at the Riverfront campus.

Zimmerman has been working on analysis and outreach activities for both the Economic Research and the Public Information Departments of the Federal Reserve since the 1970s. He received his bachelor’s and master’s degrees from Cal-State Eastbay and has spent time as a guest professor at Wirtschaftsuniversität Wien, the Economics University of Vienna in Austria. Zimmerman also served as the San Francisco Regional Economist for the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation from 1996-99.

The College of Business and Public Administration hosted the free event, which took place in the Phase 1 Classroom Building Auditorium on the Riverfront campus. Economics professor Grant Forsith, who has known Zimmerman for many years, played a role in bringing the economist to the Riverpoint campus.

“[Zimmerman] travels a lot making presentations to economists and explaining about federal investments, inflation and monetary growth,” Forsith said.

The stop at Riverfront was the second presentation of the day for Zimmerman, who also held one in Spokane this morning for local business owners. The goal of the lectures is to do exactly what the title suggests: put a spotlight on the economy. Forsith thinks those who attended Zimmerman’s discussions

will have a better understanding of the nation’s economic climate.

“The talks, which Zimmerman does all across the Western U.S., explain how monetary policies fit into overall economic performance,” Forsith said.

Zimmerman requested the public forum with students because he thinks it is important for college age individuals to have a solid grasp on the nation’s financial status. While the morning meeting with business owners had been set for some time, Zimmerman also contacted Forsith about presenting a public lecture for anyone interested in attending.

The lecture followed an open-assembly format; questions were welcomed and encouraged. Some students have been looking forward to discussing finances with Zimmerman for some time.

“I know what’s going on with the economy, but I don’t have a very clear understanding of the intricacies,” said EWU sophomore Caiti Lyons before attending the forum. “It will be beneficial to discuss them with an extremely knowledgeable source.”

ACCURACY CHECK

- Dr. Margaret Heady, mentioned in the Open House article last week, is the Chair of the Modern Languages & Literatures Department and a Professor of French.

- If you find any errors in your paper please contact our news editor at easterner.news@gmail.com.

EXPRESSION

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pre-approved.”

Examples of commercial activity include credit card and jewelry vendors along with any group trying to sell or advertise anything to students. But vendors are usually not as influential to a student body as demonstrators.

Gasseling said that he typically sees one or two dramatic demonstrations each school year, and he is always very impressed with the way Eastern students handle themselves.

“Those situations can get out of hand real fast. All it takes is one instigator,” said Gasseling. “Next thing you know we’ve got people getting hurt and the mob mentality takes over.”

Morgan Foster said, “[Demonstrations] certainly expose people to different viewpoints. Sometimes it can make people uncomfortable — challenges students to think about what they believe and if they want to engage a debate. That’s very healthy, I think.”

GREEN DOT SPOT

commentary by victim advocate Karen Wanjico

What are your plans for the summer? Will you take green dot with you? The truth is green dot is not just for campus. It is a strategy that can be used anywhere.

When you get home, will you take a few minutes and explain green dot to your brothers or sisters? How about talking to your parents or your spiritual mentor? Tell them how we can make a difference by speaking up, by becoming educated, by being

active bystanders. Share that vision of a world free of power-based personal violence. Imagine no more child abuse. No more sexual assault. No more partner violence. No more harassment or stalking.

Where ever you work over the summer, will you tell your coworkers about how they can cause a distraction if they see a situation that makes them feel uneasy? Will you teach them to directly ask, “Are you ok?” Show them

the importance of just checking in and taking those few seconds.

Maybe teaching other people can be your green dot for the summer.

Maybe your green dot will be to educate yourself about the issues.

Maybe you will want to learn about why we have so much violence in our society. In that case, explore gender socialization.

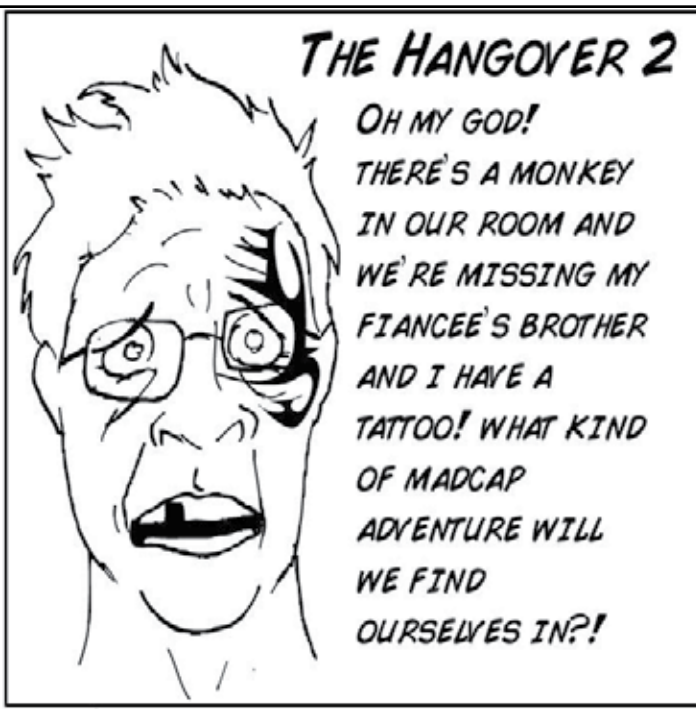
Maybe you will want to read studies to learn about who becomes a non

stranger assailant, from David Lisak or Stephen M. Thompson.

Maybe Alan Berkowitz is more your style. He has a lot to say about bystanders that appeals to men.

Whatever you do, please be safe. Look out for one another, and remember, we are trying nothing less than to change the culture. We need everyone, every day.

Working together we can visibly reduce violence.

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news editor

Some thoughts on my time at The Easterner

After two and a half years of hard work and dedication, my work here at The Easterner is sadly coming to an end. No, I am not graduating, and I unfortunately did not get a better job. Instead, next year's head of staff decided I have served enough time as news editor.

With this column being one of my last, I decided to be slightly less cynical and reflect on the various lessons learned while being employed by your campus newspaper.

Great friends

Through the bickering and shouting matches, I found myself one hell of a dysfunctional family in The Easterner office. Through all the late nights and shared passion for the product we print week after week, we have all become really close. I'll miss you guys next year. Hopefully those of you who are sticking around won't suffer too much.

Humor

Turning all the text in the newspaper to comic sans is something only nerdy newspaper kids could laugh at, and oddly enough, I have become one of them. Jokes about fonts, AP style and layout design is something I never thought I would be able to laugh about.

Hard work

I never really knew the meaning of hard work until my very first Tuesday night as news editor. The tedious line movements, endless story editing and logistics explaining the way pictures face showed me what it really means to put my whole heart and soul into my work. Unfortunately, I must not have worked hard enough because it certainly didn't pay off the way it should have.

Thick skin

Publishing something for anyone to read has really put my work under the microscopic scrutiny of the masses. Criticism is inevitable. In addition to the articles I composed for my section, I was responsible for designing four and sometimes six pages of news. This layout was also is picked apart and constructively criticized weekly.

At first, it was difficult to maintain a positive attitude, but working as long as I have, I developed rather thick skin. Consequently, I needed to gain this thick skin considering the recent decisions that were made in spite of my sweat and dedication.

I will miss my job as news editor more than I can express. I only hope that my work has made the same impact on my fellow students as it has on me.

So, fellow students, it has been a blast. Working for The Easterner has been an experience I will never forget. Stay tuned for next week when I apologize to graduates who may have worked harder than they needed to "earn" their degrees. Apparently I have been wrong all along: You don't need common sense to succeed.

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Alcoholism

A disease, not a party



Photo illustration by Aaron Malmoe

BY DYLAN COIL
senior reporter

Many chemical dependency professionals compare alcoholism and other forms of addiction to diabetes because all are considered diseases with genetic and environmental factors and have lifelong treatments consisting of proactive harm reduction.

Alcoholism is considered a young person's disease, with increased risk in subjects who begin using at an early age. Dangerous consequences associated with alcoholism include negative effects on health, social issues, economic problems, lower mental stability and legal consequences.

Alcoholism is a degenerative disease that develops in four stages: experimentation, referring to first time use; misuse, meaning multiple times using; abuse, occurring with regular use; and dependency, the final stage.

"Alcoholism is a progressive disease, so where you're at in that progression varies from individual," said Lisa Parker, a chemical dependency professional for Alcohol, Drug, Education, Prevention and Treatment, an addiction treatment center in Spokane.

Chemical dependency professionals differentiate between abuse and dependency by deciding whether someone meets at least three of seven criteria.

The first of the seven criteria is whether a subject notices an increase in tolerance when using. The second is whether a subject experiences withdrawals. Third is when someone continues to drink large amounts over

extended periods of time. Fourth is giving up important social or occupational responsibilities as a result of using. Fifth is multiple unsuccessful attempts at quitting. Sixth is long periods of time spent obtaining or recovering from a particular substance. The seventh criteria is continued use despite pre-existing medical or mental conditions or previous negative consequences.

Meeting any three of these seven criteria is what classifies someone as chemically dependent, but being chemically dependent is not the same as having the disease of alcoholism.

"You can have considerable substance abuse and be struggling with the disease of alcoholism but not yet been diagnosed chemically dependent," Parker said.

According to Parker, this is where the comparison between alcoholism and adult-onset, or Type 2 diabetes, comes from because individuals can be genetically pre-disposed to certain health issues, but if they maintain a healthy diet, the disease won't spin out of control and become chemical dependency. Such behavior with alcoholism is analogous to someone struggling with addiction but who can limit his or her use to monitor the disease.

"If your family has a history of diabetes, you know you need to take certain health care precautions on how you eat and how you live your life, but you eating fast food one time a month is not going to necessarily give you diabetes," Parker said.

In the world of addiction studies, academics debate about how much genetics play a role in an individual's progression into alcoholism.

DO AN ALCOHOL YOU HAVE DEPENDENCY?!?

If you meet THREE of these criteria, you may be chemically dependent

- ☐ Do you notice an increase in tolerance when drinking?
- ☐ Do you drink large amounts of alcohol over an extended period of time?
- ☐ Do you experience withdrawals?
- ☐ Do you give up important social or occupational responsibilities as a result of drinking?
- ☐ Do you try to quit but end up going back to the bottle?
- ☐ Do you spend long periods of time obtaining or recovering from alcohol?
- ☐ Do you still use despite pre-existing medical or mental conditions or previous negative consequences?

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was completely quiet on campus during the performances, with the exception of the trickling of water from a nearby fountain.

Strayer's no-nonsense, hardworking and dedicated leadership style attracted the attention of students in her classes.

Students and friends were invited to share personal stories, all of which pointed to Strayer's optimism and positive outlook.

President Rodolfo Arévalo sent a letter to university employees last Friday, informing the campus of the loss.

"We get to choose how to live while we're here," Raphael Guillory, associate professor in the counseling, educational and developmental psychology program, said.

Strayer placed honor at the height of her teaching methods. Described as tough, but never harsh; she was strong, not brittle.

Students affected by the loss of their instructor and friend were moved, as were numerous others gathered to say a final farewell to one of Eastern's finest graduates and employees.

The university is offering counseling for anyone in grief through Counseling and Psychological Services, which can be contacted at (509) 359-2366.

Strayer extended her life's passion into the classroom, with a clear love for her profession.

To the students, Guillory said, "She loved you guys. She really did, and I can tell you loved her."



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Cheney, Monroe Halls have high lead count in water

BY KRISTIE HSIN
senior reporter

Ongoing testing of campus water by EWU's Facilities and Planning has resulted in lead samples leveling beyond the action level.

Samples under .015 mg/L are considered safe and harmless. The action level, or "trigger level," is set by the Department of Health, and samples above .015 mg/L are considered to be over the action level. In such cases, samples are required to be tested and reported back to campus and the Department of Health immediately.

"The action level is just a trigger point to know that we have to report back. ... That action level was reached in a couple of our buildings," Shawn King, vice president for facilities and planning, said.

Two samples, one taken from Monroe and one from Cheney Hall, were determined to be over the action level for lead. Samples from Monroe Hall came back at .021 mg/L, and samples from Cheney Hall returned at .016 mg/L.

"We do ongoing testing for a variety of different items found in all drinking water and all drinking water systems," said King. "We have had some tests in various campus buildings that show concentration of lead that are over the action level, required by the Department of Health for us to report."

Lead and copper testing occurs on a regular three year cycle. Methane, acids, nitrate and general pesticides, among other things, are also tested.

"We're well below the limit on everything except for lead," said Jim Butler, water district manager. "The lead is not in the system. It's specific to a few buildings, and in those buildings, it's specific to a fixture. ... There is nothing harmful in our water."

The main sources of lead exposure are lead-based paint, plumbing materials and lead-contaminated dust or soil. Lead can also be found in cosmetics, food, clothing and pottery. Health effects from excess lead include brain and kidney damages and production of red blood cells.

Leaving water running for 15 to 30 seconds will help flush out some lead, so will using a water filter or waiting un-

til the water gets to a very low or very high temperature.

In conjunction with the Health Department, EWU's Facilities and Planning Department continues to test on a regular basis until the issues are resolved. In fact, a more intense and regular testing system takes place for samples that come back over the action level. According to King, the department has been testing the buildings around campus for the past year.

In response to the recent water concerns in Pearce and Dressler Halls, according to Butler, the two buildings may sometimes encounter water concerns because they were built before electric water coolers were available. The systems in those buildings are fed through a filter, chiller and then into circulation for drinking fountains.

"Those two building are chilled into the drinking fountain," said Butler. "That water is filtered and completely clean."

Pearce resident freshman Victoria Valles, however, disagreed with Butler, saying, "I went to cook dinner downstairs, and I turned on the faucet to fill water into a container and it was yellow."

According to Valles, who took a picture of the water, the water looked like urine.

The department places together what is called a corrosion mitigation project to treat the specific areas with some chemicals that would keep the lead that is in the material from leaching into the water.

"Sometimes lead in the systems can be a specific fixture or a portion of a building where the piping is older. So what we do is test, and if we can eliminate that by changing out some of the piping, we do that," King said.

Of the 20 lead and copper samples tested, the department's latest round of tests in Cheney and Monroe Hall show samples at .0185 mg/L, which is above the action level of .015 mg/L.

Previous testing did not show a lead sample at or above the action level, and no samples exceeded the maximum contaminant level, according to King.

The next round of testing will take place early next month.



Casey Picha/Easterner

Dr. Carpenter (left) accepts a plaque from President Arévalo to show appreciation for more than 30 years of work in EWU libraries.

Carpenter retires after 30 years of service to EWU

Donation of 10,000 young adult and children's books will keep her legacy alive

BY AZARIA PODPLESKY
staff writer

To honor Dr. Marilyn Carpenter and celebrate her 30 years of service to the university, the EWU Libraries hosted a reception in the JFK Library Curriculum Center Monday.

After half an hour of mingling, Dr. Lynn Briggs, dean of the College of Arts, Letters and Education, announced that President Rodolfo Arévalo arrive shortly to say a few words.

While waiting for Arévalo to arrive, Briggs mentioned how pleased she was to be able to work with Carpenter for the year that she has been dean.

She also mentioned a few of the many things Carpenter has achieved during her tenure at EWU.

"She has leadership roles in the [International Reading Association and National Council of Teachers of English] both regionally and nationally," said Briggs, who also praised Carpenter for her donation of more than 10,000 children's books, which

"shows pre-service teachers how literature can wake classes up."

Arévalo then arrived and told the crowd of nearly 50 people about his experience developing a children's library at Fort Hays State University in Hays, Kansas. He then thanked Carpenter for her years of service.

"The community, especially the campus community, will miss the work you've done," Arévalo said. "Thank you for the years of contributions you've made to Eastern Washington University."

After speaking, Arévalo presented Carpenter with a plaque that included a picture designed for her by Jim Trelease, an author whom Carpenter housed during his first round of speaking engagements in California.

Jan Werst, one of Carpenter's best friends, came to the reception to congratulate Carpenter on her achievements. Werst said that Carpenter is a natural when it comes to teaching.

"Students always keep in touch with her," she said. "Her reputation is certainly warranted."

Senior education major Yelena Pichinevskiy took a children's literature class with Carpenter, and said she will miss the opportunity to speak with Carpenter about their shared love of reading.

"I love reading, and she's one of those people who isn't afraid to speak about her passion," said Pichinevskiy. "She's a huge inspiration."

After reflecting on her time at Eastern, Carpenter said that she will miss the students the most.

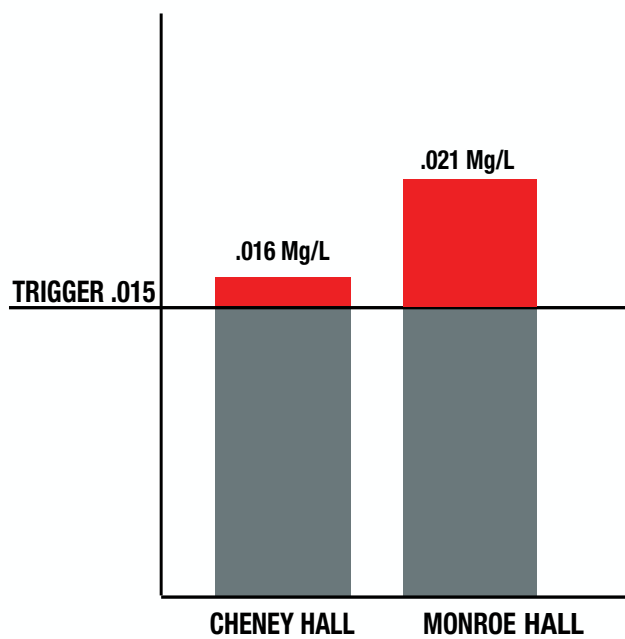
"It was wonderful to see the students blossom and to learn from them," she said.

Carpenter is also going to miss the opportunity to learn and grow on a day-to-day basis.

"Another highlight is figuring out how to change my classes and add new things," she said. "That part's fun — learning and growing and seeing new things."

All of the more than 10,000 children's and young adult books Carpenter donated to the library will be available in the Curriculum Center, located on the lower level of JFK library.

Levels of lead in campus water



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GENIUS OF THE WEEK



Maria Schriver announced that she is planning to divorce Arnold Schwarzenegger after discovering he had a love child with a household employee.

Maria Schriver

MORON OF THE WEEK



Harold Camping, predictor of the rapture, had people all over the world believing that the apocalypse would occur on May 21. No Rapture happened, and Harold Camping was wrong.

Harold Camping

through the EAGLE'S EYE EDITORIAL

Location, location, location. It's the real estate sector's mantra. And it's one of the main factors relating to the Student Life Accounting office.

The Office of Student Affairs will move its accounting department from the third floor of the PUB to Showalter Hall this summer.

Those behind the office's move say that it is a matter of offering more direct supervision. Other improvements not related to the move include making the office more paperless, which could potentially lower student traffic rates. It is also argued that the office will be more accountable, and that the most important thing is to keep track of the money and make sure it is dispensed in the most appropriate way.

However, moving the office isn't the right way to go about making improvements.

This move is a net loss for the student population.

The office is currently in a central location, with easy access for any budgeting questions that students may have. The PUB is a nexus for all student-related activity, and houses the permanent offices of nearly all student groups.

It only makes sense that the money being given to those groups is easily accessed. The office's current location serves that purpose and more.

A visit to the office will show that student traffic is both frequent and time-consuming. In a typical 30 minute span, the office of Student Life Accounting will service up to five students. Apply that figure to a typical eight hour work day: Nearly 80 students a day will need help, place an order, or need to take care of business for their group.

The students' money belongs in the students' building. Moving the students' money to Showalter Hall is in direct conflict with the mission statement of the Office of Student Affairs. Instead of placing departmental streamlining as a priority, the students' needs must be recognized in this matter. Student opinions should to be sought before any decision is finalized.

The functions of the office will remain unchanged, and its efficiency could improve with relocation. But student servicing, the office's highest priority, would be lost. The Student Life Accounting office sees an incredible amount of traffic, which would be brought to Showalter Hall. And that traffic is not a quick in and out visit.

If the Showalter Hall portion of the Student Life Accounting office is looking to become a hub for student traffic, then this move will work perfectly. If not, then this will be a difficult transition for all parties involved.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



Keep it to yourself

Slush, slosh, pop, smack; that's all I seem to notice when there is gum chewing. To me, this is one of the more irritating quirks that people have. Also the most hair raising. It's a very sloppy noise in quiet times, and it makes me feel edgy at the slurpy sound.

Tara Gidus wrote an article, "Pet Peeves," about this habit. She suggests this in her article: "If you love your gum, chew alone or be conscious of those around you. By limiting myself to a half piece, the wad is smaller and luck is back in my mouth without chewing it obnoxiously."

This is a great way of enjoying gum without disturbing others. Personally, I don't mind if people chew gum. It just bothers

me when they open their mouths while chewing gum. The sloppy noises coming from their mouths are detestable. I'm still trying to understand the need to distinctively show that gum is in your mouth. Whether it's pink, blue, green, or even purple, it's never a sight to see or hear squishing between tongue and teeth.

My solution to this problem is simple: Keep your mouth nice and shut when there is gum inside. This would help at least me, and a majority of people I know, a lot with stress and anxiety over this controllable issue.

Brianna DuFour

Bad singers should stay silent

People with horrible voices should not sing. My sister is one of these people. When she attempts to sing, a noise sounding like an animal is dying (or in a lot of pain) comes out of her mouth. Even my father complains about the sound of her singing voice. My sister sings so loud I can't hear myself think when she is yowling!

Professional singers record their songs in studios and then use technology to make their voices sound better. Ashlee Simpson is a great example of fake singers. One time on "Saturday Night Live," Ashlee Simpson was on stage holding the microphone down when the song started playing.

Ashlee's voice was being heard, but her lips were not moving. Ashlee Simpson started to dance and almost ran off the stage. When I am in my room, I listen to music and sing along. Most

people can't hear themselves sing, so you would have no idea if you are hitting the right note or not. During auditions on "American Idol," the contestants are always saying how they are the best, but they usually end up sounding really bad. The contestant then becomes humiliated on TV in front of millions of people. If only a good friend had talked the contestant out of auditioning, then the person trying out would hopefully realize they are not good at singing.

Not every person should sing in front of people. If someone you know told you that you have a horrible singing voice, would you continue to sing?

Melodie Eaton

Eastern students lack school spirit

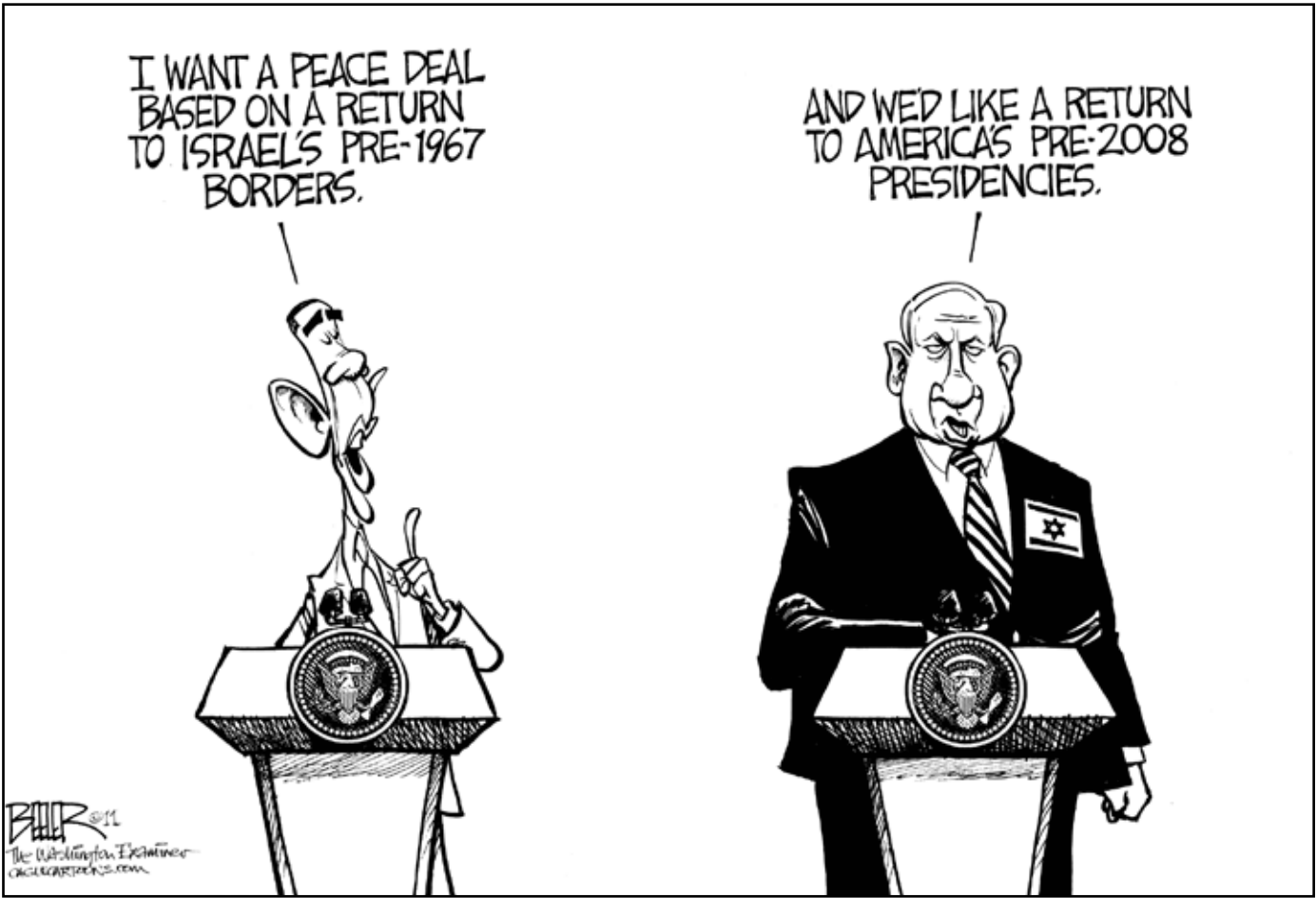
The problem I would like to address is the lack of school spirit and student attendance at all sporting events here at Eastern Washington University. Although we saw an improvement in the student attendance during football season, does each one of our teams need to be national champs in order to gain some support?

Yes it is true that our other sports did not shine as much as the football team, but they deserve to have full stands too. Or our women's soccer and basketball teams, which played very well, there were seldom many fans there to cheer on our fellow eagles.

Maybe we should sit back and think about how our lack of support as students and fans is why some of our teams aren't doing as well, the lack of support and enthusiasm may be rubbing off. So I suggest we fix the problem and start being more supportive of all of our eagle sports, regardless of their record. As current students, we should have more school pride and fill the stands and cheer on our teams and hopefully see them to victory.

Lydia McHugh

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Lip-synch

BY DOUG AULT
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Greek Week culminated Saturday night in Showalter Hall with the annual lip-synch competition.

This year's showcase featured creative routines from all the fraternities and sororities taking part in Greek Week, some of which employed black lights, current dance crazes and classic movie themes to amp up the crowd.

The event was won by Phi Delta Theta in the men's division. The winning Alpha Phi entry had some sorority sisters donning orange faces and prancing around as oompa loompas to movie tunes while others dressed as Augustus Glute, Veruca Salt and the rest of the cast from "Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory."

"We all felt like I was crazy enough to pull off the Willy Wonka character, so I just went up there and danced like a fool the whole time," Brittany Boyd said.

"All the leads got pretty into it. It was a ton of fun and totally worth all the practice it took."

Extensive practice was a commonality among all the performers, who spent countless hours fine-tuning their performances before the big event.

"The hardest part was the late night practices. The most fun part was spending time with sisters and watching everything come together," said Alpha Xi Delta Ashlee Piper.

Additionally, some say the event has effects that reach far beyond the realms of the competition.

"Lip-synch is a great culmination of Greek Week where everyone comes together to support and entertain each other through hard work," said Patrick Spanner, former president of Pi Lambda Theta. "Chapters spend hours putting together music mixes and preparing their dances. It takes a lot of time and effort, and all the houses come together to entertain the campus community and show what we can do."

Dodgeball & women's basketball

BY KRISTIE HSN
senior reporter

Greek Week presented friendly competitions in men's dodgeball and women's basketball Thursday, with Sigma Phi Epsilon and Alpha Xi Delta as the overall winners.

Five sororities battled against the clock during their three-on-three basketball games on Reese Court where competitors illustrated skill, teamwork and sisterhood.

Participating sororities included Alpha Phi, Alpha Xi Delta, Alpha Omicron Pi and Gamma Phi Beta. Each team rotated, playing a total of four games.

The girls substituted for each other, taking turns with the dribbling, shooting and cheering.

Freshman Erica Chavarrias from Alpha Omicron Pi said, "It was pretty intense, but it was nice to see how sisters supported each other."

Alpha Xi Delta senior Lena Lewis said, "It's mainly about having a better bond with your sisters."

The men's dodgeball game, held in the upper PHASE, included fraternities Sigma Phi Epsilon, Sigma Nu, Delta Chi, Phi Delta Theta, Beta Theta Phi and Pi Lambda Phi.

Each fraternity played against another to be the best of three games. With balls being thrown and caught left and right, fraternities hyped up the crowds as everyone ducked and cheered.

Both fraternities and sororities were spirited in voice and clothing, solidifying friendship and fun.

"Greek Week is a time to bond with your sisters or brothers to work towards something but, more importantly, to form better Greek relations throughout the entire Greek system through support for chapters other than your own and have a great time," Katie Simpson from Alpha Xi Delta said.

A MODEST PROPOSAL



How to balance your life between school and home

With finals looming only two weeks away and late night studying, projects and papers burying the studious up to their eyeballs, it can be hard to keep a healthy balance between school and play while holding insanity at bay.

The following are key methods in keeping your school and personal life in check.

Mental file cabinet:

Our ability to perform well in school relies heavily on a personal life that refreshes and restores us after a draining day in class. But too often, the stress of our day follows us home, preventing us from rebooting. This usually occurs because we can't help but obsess over deadlines, tests, and the minute details of our day.

To keep a healthy balance, it's important to create a mental filing system of sorts that allows us to switch between work mode and play time.

Like a filing cabinet, if we can learn to pull up the things we need and then file them away when we don't, we can force our brains from allowing spillover in our personal lives and give our bodies some much needed downtime.

Multitasking:

Many of us subconsciously bring our school habits home with us. We often become so used to being in overdrive and having a million things to do at once that we forget it isn't normal or good for our well-being.

Though multitasking is a good skill, if we are constantly juggling our personal lives, it can be all too easy to become quickly burnt out. To avoid burnout, concentrate on only one task at a time. This slower pace will give you more longevity throughout your day.

Once you have your to do list at a manageable level, try cutting back the amount of time you spend on your tasks. Ultimately, this will limit stress on your body and help you regain control of your day.

Find an escape:

I'll be the first to admit that school often leaks into my home life. In fact, I'm surprised I know what the inside of the library on campus looks like because I so rarely do my homework there. The problem with bringing your work home is that it makes it extremely hard to separate your work and personal life.

To prevent school from invading, leave the studying for another location. That way, you won't taint your home environment with school-related memories.

A good way to switch gears is to start projects at home that are relaxing and rewarding such as cooking, painting or simple housework. Hopefully, you will eventually correlate home with what it's supposed to be — a peaceful escape.

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Flag football

BY DYLAN COIL
senior reporter

For 2011's Greek Week, men's flag football showcased fierce competition and a very close championship game between Sigma Nu and Sigma Phi Epsilon, rival fraternities, with Sigma Phi Epsilon coming out on top.

The game was part of a round robin single elimination bracket; the final score was 26-22. Sigma Nu was ahead most of the game, but Sigma Phi Epsilon made a last ditch effort before time ran out fourth quarter, throwing a 55-yard Hail Mary touchdown pass.

According to Director of Campus Recreation Mike Campitelli, a meeting had to be organized to discuss taming down certain behaviors that took place in the men's Greek Week activities.

"There's so many rivalries and such high emotions out there sometimes that it takes awhile for us to corral these teams and remind them how important it is to focus on participation and sportsmanship," he said.

No serious physical altercations took place, and all teams participating followed student code and conduct rules.

Eastern's community of sororities also played a flag football tournament Monday at 4 p.m., in which the championship game boiled down to one touchdown.

Gamma Phi Beta beat out Alpha Omicron Pi 6-0. In the final moments of the game Alpha Omicron Pi threw an incomplete pass that would have tied the game and made the championship move into overtime.

"It was a really close game," said Director of Campus Recreation Mike Campitelli.

"It was just as competitive as the men's game. It came down to the last play."

Overall, the annual Greek Week flag football tournaments ended with high levels of competitiveness, high spirits and comradery and very close games between both men and the women divisions that made the tournament a must see for spectators.

Women's kickball & men's soccer

BY AZARIA PODPLESKY
staff writer

Members of several sororities showed off kickball skills on the Intramural Fields during the women's kickball game as part of Greek Week.

Originally scheduled for May 17, the game, which featured members of the Alpha Omicron Pi, Gamma Phi Beta and Alpha Xi Delta sororities, was postponed until Friday because weather.

As the noncompetitive games were played, it became clear that some girls knew how to play while others learned as the game went on.

"I don't know what I'm doing," yelled a player standing in the outfield.

Another player answered, "Just stand there and smile."

Though winning teams were announced, the sisters seemed happy to simply enjoy the sun.

Guys in cleats covered the Intramural Fields Saturday as fraternity members competed in the men's soccer game.

The first of three rounds featured games between Phi Delta Theta and Sigma Nu, and Sigma Phi Epsilon and Pi Lambda Phi. Phi Delta Theta won their game 3-2, and Sigma Phi Epsilon beat Pi Lambda Phi, 3-0.

The winners proceeded to the semi-finals where a regular game determined third and fourth place, and a penalty kick shootout determined fifth and sixth place. First and second places were determined through the championship game. Pi Lambda Phi took second, and Sigma Nu won.

Senior Tim McDowell, a third year member of Delta Chi, has played in the Greek Week soccer game for the last three years. "I do it for the love of the sport," said McDowell. "Soccer was one of my favorite sports as a child."

Though there were winners and losers, sorority and fraternity members enjoyed the chance to earn points for their organization during Greek Week.

Volleyball & men's basketball

BY DYLAN COIL
senior reporter

Girls from each of Eastern's sororities gathered in the upper PHASE Wednesday at 6:30 for an evening of volleyball and camaraderie among their fellow sisters that ended with Alpha Xi Delta beating Gamma Phi Beta.

After losing in the first round to Alpha Phi, Gamma Phi Beta ventured through the loser's bracket to make it to the finals, only to come up short at the last second, ending the tournament well after 8 p.m.

Each house played well during Wednesday's tournament with special praise coming from campus recreation on the performance of the sororities.

"The women are incredibly competitive, but they have a different way of showing it. If you're out there watching them, they're supporting each other; they're helping each other up when they get knocked down," said Director of Campus Recreation Mike Campitelli. "They take it exactly the way we want them all to take Greek Week, which is, 'Let's try to win, but not at the expense of being good people,' which is what the Greek system is about."

Also Wednesday, during the Greek Week men's basketball tournament, Sigma Nu's A Team beat out their rival Sigma Phi Epsilon's A Team.

Each fraternity brought two teams to the tournament that resulted in Sigma Nu winning 15 to 8 in a close game that went well into the night.

The tournament started at 6:30 p.m. and, after more than twenty separate games, the final basketball game started around 9:10 p.m.

"[Greek Week] is always a fun week for everyone," said Coordinator of Club Sports Rick Scott. "It can be a little competitive at times, but sportsmanship is always the ultimate goal."



Choir serenades audience

Symphonic and Concert Choirs, Vocal Jazz and Collegians perform for ‘life and love’

BY AMY MEYER
staff writer

The EWU choirs serenaded the audience, filling the floor in front of listeners and lining the aisles. Each choir member stood in a black gown adorned with either red or white sashes to sing the opening number “Chindia” by Alexandru Pașcanu. Their concert, Life and Love, featured the Symphonic Choir, Concert Choir, Vocal Jazz and the Collegians.

Highlights of the evening included “Wipip!!” featuring the Symphonic Choir. It is a Haitian and folk-inspired tune composed by Sydney Guillaume. It bubbled along with lyrics written in

Creole by his father Gabriel T. Guillaume. The Concert Choir continued the fun with “Da Coconut Nut” by Ryan Cayabyab, featuring a solo by Ed Warren, who wore a yellow toucan hat. He sang with seeming Jamaican emphasis, “Da coconut nut is a giant nut.” The crowd roared with laughter.

After a brief intermission, the rhythm section, comprised of pianist Davis Hill, drummer Kenny Sager and upright bass player Kelly Buxton, rearranged the stage for the following jazz groups.

First up was Vocal Jazz, wowing the crowd with “The Nearness of You,” written by Ned Washington, arranged by Dave Cazier and featuring a solo

by Faith Mitchell. Noelle Covorrubias followed with a solo in “Why Did I Choose You,” written by Michael Leonard and Herbert Martin and arranged by Dave Barduhn. Jordan Gilman joined the rhythm section with his saxophone in the Earth, Wind and Fire favorite “September,” an arrangement by Dana Libonati.

The Collegians sang next with the highly punctuated phrases of “Sandu” by Clifford Brown and arranged by Mike Dana. They wrapped up their section of the concert with the song “Rosetta.” Matt Michelotti and graduate student Kristen Nauditt bantered through the Earle Hines arrangement by Larry Lapin, singing about happy

premarriage tensions. The musicians surprised the audience with a sudden a capella emulation of the upright base, building into harmonies.

Nauditt conducted all the choirs with assistance from Kristina Ploeger with the exception of Collegeians, which was directed strictly by Ploeger.

All choirs reassembled for the finale, “All Works of Love,” a piece about a Mother Teresa of Calcutta quote: “If we have no peace, it is because we have forgotten that we belong to each other. Remember. All works of love are works of peace.”

Music lovers can hear all five EWU jazz ensembles at a performance in Sutton Park Friday, June 3 at 2 p.m.



Sexy lingerie: male and female perspectives

BY CHELSEA TWISS
columnist

Anyone who has ever seen a Victoria's Secret commercial can see why lingerie is so appealing. While ever enticing, under what conditions is it appropriate to wear lingerie?

For some women, the idea of wearing lingerie in front of anyone other than their own reflection is terrifying, yet other women have no problem flaunting what they've got for their man.

When asked about personal preferences concerning lingerie, some Eastern students' responses were predictable. Others were rather unexpected.

When asked about his general opinion of lingerie on women, Jon Bersos replied, “If it looks good on her, it's fine.” According to Bersos, the conditions under which lingerie is appropriate are subjective and depend on who is wearing it.

In response to whether he prefers a woman to wear lingerie, Kevin Winford said, “Yeah, I do.” When asked to further clarify his opinion, Winford explained, “Lingerie is a turn on ... definitely. To me, it's classy.”

Darion Roth contemplated for a moment when asked about his preferences for color when it comes to lingerie. He responded with “black and red.” Either Roth has a lot of school spirit or he is among the many who find such colors appealing when it comes to women's undergarments.

Black tends to be the dominant color of lingerie in stores like Victoria's Secret and Lovers. As far as red is concerned, Victoria's Secret chooses to market this color primarily around holidays like Christmas and Valentine's Day.

Contrary to the popular positive opinion on campus of lingerie, some students remain skeptical. Regarding the circumstances under which wearing lingerie is appropriate, Annie Lagerway said, “In college, it's a little bit ridiculous. If you're in a serious relationship, it's different.”

When asked if lingerie is something worth spending money on, Trevor Geren said, “No. I—don't think it's worth it. It's an accessory. Does attraction need to be superficial? It isn't necessary.”

According to Geren, a woman shouldn't feel like she has to spend the extra cash on something like lingerie when it is her natural beauty that should be appreciated above all else.

It seems that when it comes to the use of lingerie in the bedroom, it essentially boils down to the personal preference of every individual.

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The traveling bum: how to be a glorified moocher after graduation

BY CHELSEA TWISS
columnist

With the end of the long road in plain sight, many soon-to-be alumni of Eastern are contemplating some hefty decisions regarding the rest of their lives. Many statistics show that more than half of all college graduates end up right back where they started after graduation: at home with mom and dad.

If you aren't already set with a nine to five, full-benefit career right out of school and therefore plan to bum around on the parents' couch, at least bum around with style. Consider these options before making your reluctant, but compassionate, parents disassemble that Bowflex treddclimber they put up in your old bedroom.

Try out the lifestyle of the traveling bum. Sell or give away all of your worldly possessions following the footsteps of the devout Buddhist tradition of enlightenment and hit the road. There is so much to discover. Traveling in the U.S. alone holds plenty of adventure prime for fascinating experiences, and sometimes the best journeys begin with no route or road map in mind.

There is also the option of traveling around Europe. Purchase a one-way ticket, perhaps, with the money

you made selling your decrepit furniture to incoming freshman. Fly somewhere completely outside of your comfort zone, halfway across the globe. Not only will you surround yourself in a completely new environment, but the people you meet along the way and the experiences you encounter will be unforgettable.

All the traveling bum really needs is a big enough backpack for a few changes of clothes, some ripped up jeans, a dirty white T-shirt, maybe a pack of smokes and a scrappy dog for company. Also, if you aren't too proud, exploit one of your many hidden talents on the street for pocket change.

If the idea of the open road is a bit too daunting, there is always the option of becoming the coffee shop bum. Find a local café and start frequenting it regularly. Perhaps bring a book to read and a couple of dollars for refills, and you will be set for the entire afternoon. Just be sure to always tip the barista so she doesn't get irritated that you're taking up residency in her shop.

The conversations you will have with a multitude of interesting people you meet while being a coffee shop bum is a significant perk of the lifestyle. Remember to bring the antacids if you have a weak stomach to help digest that strong black brew.

For a hardcore version of the coffee shop bum lifestyle, once the neon “closed” sign flicks on and you

still have daylight to burn, head to one of the local bars and wash that coffee down with a stiff drink of choice. You definitely won't ever feel lonely, or thirsty for that matter.

You will probably need at least a minimum wage job to fund this kind of lifestyle with the mass amounts of drinks you will have to purchase, so either check Craigslist often for job openings or offer to mow neighborhood lawns.

Lastly, there is always the appealing life as a starving musician. Learn a socially desirable instrument of choice at least semi-well and start playing at local places with open mic nights. Eventually you may even start your own band and become famous. Although, you won't be making any money right away. There is always the option of playing on street corners in the hopes of having someone throw a few quarters your way out of interest or pity.

When you think about it, despite the barrage of student loans to pay off, the pressure to find a career right off the bat and the allure of your parents' sofa sleeper once you graduate college, the world is your oyster.

Do with your new-found freedom what you will. There is some beauty to be found in the life of a college graduate bum.

Climbing community unveils NC3 banners



Casey Picha/Easterner
Ben Ward slacklines at the rock wall while Tony Bordonaro spots.

BY DYLAN COIL
senior reporter

Eastern's climbing community congregated at the URC rock wall to unveil banners showing off dual NC3 championship wins for the 2010 and 2011 seasons.

The growing EWU Climbing Club put on the event Monday celebrating accomplishments from this year with individual awards, climbing movies, slack lining and free beverages and pizza donated by Safeway, Cheney Trading Company and Rosas.

“We've been kicking butt all season,” said Joshua Wittman, vice president of the climbing club. “We're looking to grow as a club and get people amped about climbing.”

Eastern's Climbing Club only began recently, over the last two seasons, and has been growing rapidly with successes in competitions and increased interest from Eastern students.

“The real method to our madness is having a lot of people show up for our competitions,” said Wittman. “Climbing is so much about community and being a part of a team.”

During Monday's festivities, the climbing club gave

awards for the most valuable, most improved and most inspirational male and female climbers from this year, giving out coasters made from climbing rope and certificates of achievement.

For the women, Lindsey Hoyle won most valuable climber, Josie Ryan won most improved and Jordan Almli won most inspirational.

For the men, Tanner Bordonaro won most valuable, Jakin Fung won most improved and Scott Traver won most inspirational.

“This award really shows all my hard work,” said Fung, who started climbing in the fall. “I came in not knowing a thing and it just took off from there.”

According to Wittman, the climbing club only had 12 members last year and has grown dramatically this year, with more than 40 climbers competing at more than eight competitions this season.

Wittman said that the Climbing Club has big ideas for the upcoming seasons, with plans to travel to even more competitions and make slack lining, a technique requiring balance on a strap between two fixed structures, a more frequent activity.

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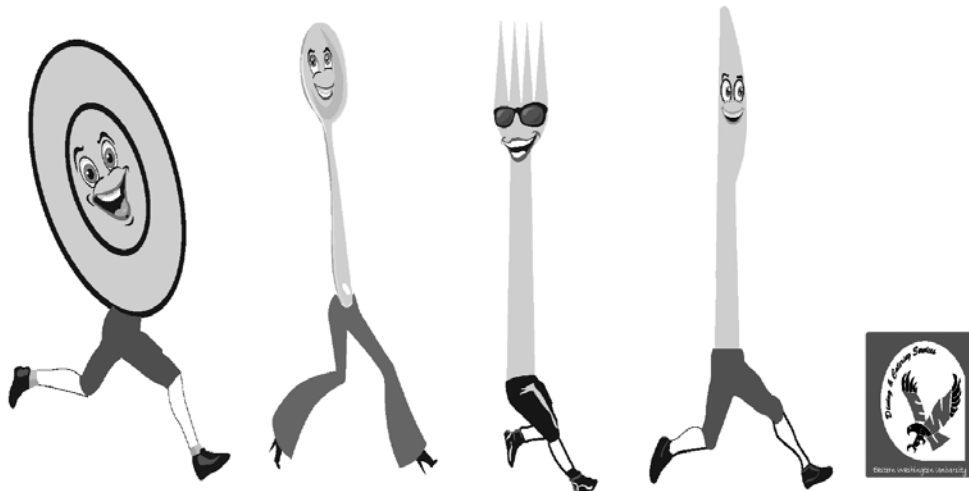
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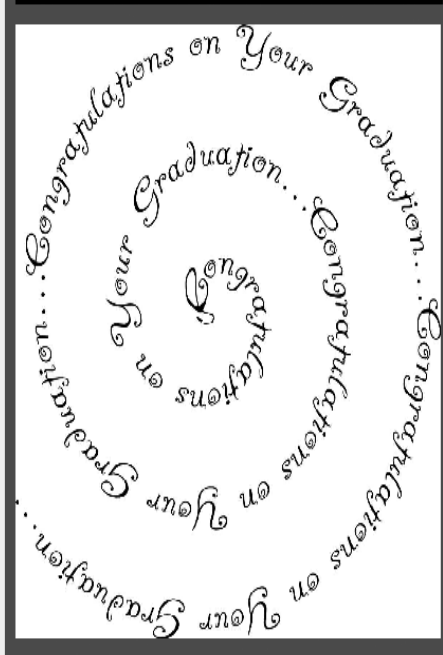
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We're to blame for SuperSonics relocation woes

Funding an arena is no easy feat, but when you ask for a ridiculous amount of money, that feat becomes a far off dream that only Bill Watterson can draw up.

When Howard Schultz sold the Sonics to Oklahoma City businessman Clay Bennett, Bennett said all the right things.

"It is not our intention to move or relocate the teams — as long, of course, as we are able to negotiate a successor venue to the current basketball arena and arrangements to ensure the Sonics can succeed," Bennett said.

But Bennett lied when he said it was not his intention. Then emails with his business partners Aubrey McClendon and Tom Ward surfaced, talking about quickly whisking the Sonics away to Oklahoma.

"Is there any way to move [to Oklahoma City] for next season, or are we doomed to have another lame duck season in Seattle?" Ward wrote. Bennett replied: "I am a man possessed! Will do everything we can. Thanks for hanging with me boys, the game is getting started!" Ward responded: "That's the spirit!! I am willing to help any way I can to watch ball [in Oklahoma City] next year." McClendon then said: "Me too, thanks Clay!"

So obviously Bennett never once thought of keeping the team in the Pacific Northwest, but he did cover his rear end by "attempting" to build a new arena.

The Sonics played at the KeyArena, which was the smallest arena in the NBA. NBA Commissioner David Stern said it was by far the worst arena. So with Stern making these comments, Bennett wanted to impress him with a state-of-the-art facility — One that would cost \$500 million.

Tax payers were told they would only have to come up with \$278 million with the rest of the funding coming from the state. The deal was actually a very well thought out plan, but with the Mariners and the Seahawks recently getting new stadiums, the people of King County had had enough.

Seattle showed a dying devotion for baseball club in 2001 when Safeco Field was built, and the Seahawks have been stuck in mediocrity for years, but they got Qwest Field. Citizens had to pay \$360 million for that one.

So that left the Sonics with a terrible arena lease — where they earned nearly 10 percent of income. This ultimately led the NBA to leave Seattle and hitch a ride with Bennett to Oklahoma City to become the Thunder.

People keep blaming Bennett and Stern for the relocation of the Sonics, but in reality, we could have prevented it with ease. If we would pay millions of dollars for two teams, why not pay for one more? Sure Schultz screwed us over. Sure Bennett was a dishonest prick. But in the end, we're to blame.

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Erica Chaney has been having one of the best seasons ever for Eastern's track and field team. goeags.com

A shot at the big time

Big Sky double title holder Chaney represents serious threat to competitors on the field

BY AMY MEYER
staff writer

After Erica Chaney's fifth throw in the shot put at the Big Sky Conference Championships, she was in second place. She had scratched during the three previous attempts.

Just before her final throw, her teammate told her a joke.

"What did the mama bullet say to the daddy bullet? We're gonna make a bee bee." Chaney laughed as she recalled the joke.

"So as I'm going up to throw, people thought I was probably crazy because I was laughing, grabbing my shot put," she continued.

Crazy or not, it was just what the psychology major needed to launch the shot 51 feet 3/4 inches.

"Even then ... my 51 wasn't the prettiest throw... I didn't even put a lot of effort into that last throw, but it felt more natural than my previous five throws," she said. "I remember coming out of the ring, still laughing because I thought it was a funny joke."

Not only did that throw win Chaney the title, but it also broke the 20-year-old record set by Nancy Kuiper, who threw 50-11 in 1991.

Considering the psychology behind Chaney's win, it's no wonder that her post-graduation hopes include sports psychology. She's also considering high

school counseling with coaching on the side. She said she wants to stick with sports.

"I like sports altogether. I started doing fast pitch. Actually, fast pitch is my first love. ... At track, there's so much going on that you could watch, which I found to be really cool. And then, if you weren't good at one of it, you still like watching other people do it," she said.

Chaney started throwing in seventh grade at Cheney Middle School under the direction of coach Charlie Lemcke. She immediately threw better than the other girls. She threw so well in middle school that in 2001, she set the record for the seventh grade girls' shot with a distance of 33-1, and in 2002, she set the record for the eighth grade girls' shot with a distance of 33-7 3/4 and eighth grade girls' discus with a distance of 108-7.

Coach Lemcke described Chaney as a diligent, hard worker, "That's what caught my eye at the start."

Chaney's high school career at Gonzaga Prep was even more spectacular. As a senior in 2006, Chaney set the girls' school record for the shot, throwing 42-10 1/2. In the same year, she set the girls' record for discus at 133.

"She was a pretty stellar performer for them at [Gonzaga] Prep," said Lemcke, who has followed her career through the newspapers. "Everything she's done has been of her own hard

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- Charlie Lemcke
Cheney Middle School track and field coach

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After four years at Gonzaga Prep, Chaney had opportunities to attend out-of-state schools such as the University of Nevada, Rice University in Texas and the University of Michigan.

Women's Head Coach Marcia Mecklenburg recounted that time, "When I was recruiting her out of high school, every meet I went to, I'd ask somebody about her, 'You have to get Erica. She's great. You need to get her in the program.'"

"It was pretty consistent across the board, whoever I'd talk to. ... Other coaches, without even me mentioning that I was recruiting her, would talk about Erica and say what a great person she was and what a positive person to have around to be on your team," Mecklenburg said.

Chaney's reaction to attending Eastern is equally as optimistic. "The reason I chose Eastern is because I felt not only Marcia, but the other coaches really cared about the athletes, not just as athletes, but as students and becoming well-rounded people. ... That's what I've felt for the last four years."

Mecklenburg shared the sentiment.

"I feel very fortunate, very blessed that I have had the opportunity to be able to work with her for the last five years. And she's going to be a hard one to see go."

In preparation for the NCAA preliminaries, Chaney is looking up new jokes. Certainly, she'll crave teammate support.

"I just think that with my teammates, they made this year a lot more fun, and I think that if it would not have been for them, I don't think I would have thrown as far as I did at Big Sky or just throughout this year."

Men's rugby victorious in alumni match

BY LINSEY GARRISON
contributing writer

The EWU men's rugby club played against returning alumni players in a special game to end the year on Saturday. Despite the alumnus team having extra players on the field at times, the alumni fell to Eastern 44-14.

"[This game] is like a season-ender, and to keep that tie [to the alumni]. Our hope is that maybe someday we'll have some money come back from the alumni to keep us going and building," said coach Ian Martin. "I think we've got a really good team right now. It's been built on the shoulders of the alumni over the past seven or eight years that we've been going as a club."

Jarvis Lunalo, a player for the current Eastern team, said,

"We're bonding with the alumni. It's like old school versus new school."

The game started off with a breakaway run and Brendan Rannow getting his "zulu," or first try, of the season.

Alumnus Casey Willis made the first points for the alumni team, which was quickly followed by a trick resulting in another try for Eastern.

At halftime, the alumni team challenged the current players to a foot race, which turned out to be rigged. The alumni traded the other team's rugby ball with a ball filled with concrete.

The second half of the game resulted in zulus for Eastern's Zac Hearn, Jarvis Lunalo and Jake Hammon.

Some of the alumni continue to play rugby on other men's

teams while a few others only play once a year in the alumni game.

Alumnus Mark Shearer flew back to Spokane to visit while he had the chance. "I just came back to say hi. This was my only opportunity to come back to see them all," he said.

Allen Rowland, the original founder of the club, looks forward to more alumni games in future years. "Casey Willis started the tradition of the alumni coming back, and I'm glad he did — Camaraderie, seeing everybody again every year, seeing how far everybody gets. ... We didn't even warm up before this match."

Martin said, "It's nice just to have these guys back so they can see where we're at, where the club that they started is going."



Justin Dreyer runs with the ball. Aaron Malmoe/Easterner



DRESSLER 3-ON-3 TOURNEY

12th annual basketball event raises money for St. Jude Children's Hospital

BY KYLE HARDING | staff

A little bit of rain didn't stop 20 teams from taking part in the 12th annual Dressler 3-on-3 tournament Saturday.

Starting at 9 a.m., teams with names like I Don't Care and Super, Great and Awesome warmed up on the courts outside of Dressler Hall. They were randomly paired to play each other to 21 points in men's and co-ed leagues, with the first games starting at approximately 10:15 a.m.

The sun was out, and the temperature was high for most of the day, but the rain started at approximately 3 p.m. As the weather deteriorated, the players, staff and spectators moved into the PHASE for the last three games of the men's competition. The tournament wrapped up around 3:30 p.m., and more than \$650 was raised for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, the beneficiary of this year's charity tournament.

Tournament organizer Grant Vetter had hoped for a stronger turnout but remained optimistic about the amount of money raised. "It's nice to have something to give to them. We'd like to have more," Vetter said, noting that the tournament took place right after Relay For Life, which could have negatively affected participation.

Team Emo won the men's league while Super, Great and Awesome took home the co-ed championship.

Team Emo consisted of three Eastern track athletes, Stephen Praast, Adam Stewart and Kersee Lind. The story behind the team's name stems from a rival athlete from Sacramento State.

"Emo is the nickname of the best high jumper and triple jumper in the Big Sky Conference, Emilio Hernandez," said Praast. "It wasn't a hate thing, just kind of a funny thing. He has beat me and Adam both. We wanted to win so we had to be like Emilio."

Emo had to play the same team in a row at the end of the tournament, but prevailed in two of the games to secure their



Photo by Kayla McAllister

The Tropics vs. The Blue Parrots play at Dressler.

title. After the games Praast said the team was "exhausted."

For Super, Great and Awesome, the win meant something different.

"It was really cool [to win]," said Nikki Gaut of Super, Great and Awesome, who played with teammates Shane Nolt, Zac Simmons and Greg Malm. Gaut has played in the tournament for the last three years, but this is the first year she has been on a winning team. "It's my senior year, and I've been wanting to win something," Gaut continued.

Gaut played not only because she enjoys basketball, but also to help the tournament raise money for St. Jude. As a Morrison Hall community adviser, she was involved in the organization of the tournament, raising money so that additional teams could play.

Between and after games, players ate pizza donated by Domino's. Water and Gatorade were contributed by Housing and Residential Life, who also provided the T-shirts that competitors received.

Dressler Hall leadership picks a different charity every year to contribute the proceeds of the tournament to. St. Jude was selected this year, and the money is being donated through Up 'til Dawn, a nationwide student-led organization affiliated with the hospital. St. Jude, located in Memphis, Tenn., is a nonprofit pediatric treatment and research hospital, known for treating children affected by serious illnesses as well as leading in the research efforts of many diseases. The majority of its funding comes from charity.

Summer golf league scrambles to begin

BY KYLE HARDING
staff writer

Twenty-nine teams have registered so far for this year's Faculty, Staff & Friends Summer Golf League and are ready for their first scramble in a six-week league competition. The first tee off is June 16 at Fairways Golf Course outside of Cheney.

Though primarily comprised of faculty and staff, the league is open to students, alumni and what Director of Campus Recreation Programs Mike Campetelli calls "friends of the university." It is to allow as many people to compete as possible.

"Anyone with any type of connection to the university is welcome," said Campetelli. "It's predominately faculty and staff, [but] we also have a lot of alumni, and this year we have four students."

In order to fill the ranks, each foursome is allowed one player who is not connected

to EWU. The league entry fee is \$45 per player in addition to each week's green fees.

In the six weeks of league play, the golfers play in scramble format leading up to the seventh week's shotgun start player's tournament. The scrambles and the tournament are scored using the Modified Stableford system, through which players earn points for scoring birdies, eagles and double eagles, rather than counting strokes. There are five divisions: Men's A, Men's B, Men's C, Co-ed, and Women's.

After the player's tournament finishes July 29, the golfers will enjoy a barbecue and awards ceremony. Although the first and second place teams in each division receive plaques, Campetelli said that for the golfers, it is all about having fun. The players joke a lot and make fun of each other for having old golf carts, or just being bad golfers. They even give out awards for ugliest driver and ugliest golf bag.

Golfers of all ability levels are welcome to play. "We typically get a lot of beginning to moderate players," Campetelli said.

Some of the better known names in the league include Rex Fuller, EWU's provost and vice president of academic affairs, and Dean of Students Al Thompson.

"We have five deans, the provost and a lot of department chairs," Campetelli said of the participating faculty and staff.

The summer golf league plays Thursdays at 11:30 a.m. from June 16 until July 21 at various area golf courses leading up to the player's tournament Friday, July 29, at Fairways. Teams can enter after the league starts but must play in at least four of the six league rounds to be eligible for the player's tournament. After June 23, the \$45 registration fee is increased to \$55. Prospective players can find registration forms and other information on the campus recreation page of EWU's website.

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