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Upcoming:

Caps Mind and Body Fair will have activities and information about body types, eating disorders and body image. This event, which includes a free chair massage, will be in PUB 261 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Feb. 28.

Up 'til Dawn, the fundraiser for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, will be in the PUB Multipurpose Room on March 1 from 2 to 8 p.m.

The ASEWU will meet for work sessions from 7:30 to 9 a.m. in PUB 307 on March 13. **Council meetings** will be held on Fridays from 8 to 9 a.m. in PUB 307 on March 1 and March 15.

The 15th Annual Home Childcare Scholarship Fundraiser Tea will be March 7 from 2 to 4 p.m. in Monroe 205. The theme this year will be Tea at Tiffany's and the event will be cohosted by Nadine Arévalo.

Family Matters with Melinda Ovnicek will be in PUB 261 at noon on March 7. The event, which is sponsored by Caps, will address the effect of early childhood experiences on adult relationships.

26 Days of Kindness:

Donate new socks, gloves, underwear, deoderant, hats and gloves for **Crosswalk** teen shelter in PUB 320, Tawanka 121 or Showalter 115. (Sponsored by Sail and Career Services.)

Bring in new or gently used stuffed animals for the children at **Sally's House** at the PUB, Showalter 115, Hargreaves 111 or Senior Hall. (Sponsored by the Office of Global Initiatives.)

Volunteer income tax assistance will be available at **United Way** of Spokane each Friday through April 12.

The Riverpoint Campus will accept donations for the **Second Harvest Food Drive** until Feb. 28.

Alpha Phi will hand out free candy in the PUB on March 1.

The MSW Student Association will be serving hot cocoa in Senior Hall on March 5 at noon.

For more events, visit <http://bit.ly/Z95JFN>.

Gayton avoids time

Spokane Superior Court declines to file charges despite police recommendation



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Former EWU football player Chandler Gayton, who was arrested last May after allegedly displaying a gun near police officers, is not facing any charges for the incident, according to court records.

After an initial review of video footage from a traffic camera on First Street with Spokane County Deputy Prosecutor Larry Steinmetz, Cheney Police recommended that Gayton be charged with second degree assault and secondary charges for weapons prohibited in certain places and unlawful dis-

play of a weapon, according to Sgt. Rick Beghtol.

On May 11, Gayton was arrested after pulling a gun from his pocket when Cheney Police officers responded to a call at the Eagle's Pub. Gayton only complied with the officers after being ordered to drop the gun multiple times, according to the report. The gun was unloaded.

Beghtol said that the case was originally handed over to Spokane Superior Court, but the case was dropped by the county prosecutor's office before it reached court. "We [Cheney Police] were not happy about that," he said.

Spokane County Prosecuting Attorney Steven Tucker said that he made the final decision to decline the referral of the second degree assault charge after he and his colleagues closely reviewed the arresting officers' reports as well as the surveillance footage of the incident.

"We didn't feel that an assault occurred," said Tucker. "[Gayton] never actually pointed the gun at the officers." Tucker added that Gayton's extreme intoxication was also considered as a contributing factor to his slow reaction to the officers' orders to drop the weapon.

Beghtol said that after the assault charges were dropped, the Cheney Police Department submitted the secondary charges to Cheney Prosecuting Attorney Julie McKay. They have heard nothing about it since then, according to Beghtol.

McKay said that the secondary charges have not yet been filed, but she is still in the process of determining the appropriate course of action.

Neither Spokane Superior or Cheney Municipal court has any open cases for Gayton, according to city and county clerk's offices.

Bruce sentenced to nine months

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Dalis Bruce, a former EWU football player, pleaded guilty and was sentenced for assault in the second degree on Feb. 20, according to court records.

Bruce was charged with rape in the second degree following his arrest on Aug. 20 in connection to the assault of a member of the EWU volleyball team. His trial was initially set for Nov. 26. Since then, Bruce's trial has been postponed twice and was most recently scheduled for March 18, according to court records.

On Feb. 20, however, Bruce's charges were amended to assault in the second degree, to which he pleaded guilty.

Bruce's attorney, Bevin Maxey, said that the change in charges was "part of the plea bargain process to avoid the risk and embar-

assment of a trial for everyone."

said Maxey. "The consumption of alcohol led to a very unfortunate incident. ... It's a sad thing," said Maxey.

Court documents stated that Bruce was sentenced to nine months in the Spokane County Jail. Bruce was required to check into the county jail by 11 p.m. the day he was sentenced. The same document also stated that an agreed restitution order may be entered at a later date to be set by the prosecutor. In addition, Bruce was issued a lifetime non-contact order with the victim.

"I have not received any documents for restitution requests yet," Maxey said. He added that restitution would be considered payment for out-of-pocket expenses, such as medical bills, and not payment for pain and suffering or reimbursement for lawyer fees.

OPINION

Music: a history of discord, part II

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Welcome to A Brief History of Western Music, Part II. As I explained last week, in Part I, the colloquial term "classical music" actually covers a wide variety of style periods, each with its own distinctive philosophy and approach to sound.

Last time, I took you through **Antiquity**, with the Egyptian song-lyric gods Ra, Hey, Yeah and Baby; **Gregorian Chant**, which laid the foundation for bands such as Black Sabbath and Metallica; the **Middle Ages**, when hipsters first invented wrong notes; and the Renaissance, when performers bravely got on stage without actually knowing how to play their instruments.

Last time, I promised to answer these questions: What is classical music, and why should you care? Who were Mozart, Bach, Beethoven and Brahms? Is it true that jazz musicians basically just play a lot of wrong notes? And what exactly is the point of opera, anyhow?

Any questions? No? Who am I kidding — I can't hear you anyway. Without further ado, let us jump into:

Baroque: Just like the Renaissance, the Baroque period was a time of great activity. During this time, musicians were beginning to codify chords and melodies into the system of harmony with which we are familiar today.

The composer J.S. Bach is a famous Baroque com-

poser and organ virtuoso (literally, "one who plays very fast"). He created a body of work that includes some of the most beautiful and expressive examples of Western music.

However, the Baroque also produced what has become the most hated and feared of all musics: black metal. Just kidding — I am talking about opera.

In opera, singers and musicians perform a theatrical dramatic work that combines text, instrumental music and song. The most important type of song in opera is the aria, which is colloquially understood to mean "a very long-winded and repetitious song."

In fact, the word "opera" itself means "an unnecessarily long musical and performance narrative in which normal events such as the rising of the sun are noted by singing specific arias in honor of that event."

For the record, I'm a huge fan of opera, not only because I think the storylines and staging are interesting, but also because any form of narrative which uses gratuitous displays of vocal technique as a primary means of solving conflict has my vote.

Classical: Building upon the newly codified system of harmony developed in the Baroque, Classical musicians created music that presented and resolved melody in ways that emulated classical Greek and Western philosophy.



Photo by Anna Mills

Yaniera Delgado answers questions about being a "newcomer."

Chicano students create extended family at EWU

Students view Cheney as home away from home

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In Monroe Hall, students of the Chicano education program converse as classes draw to an end, like a tightly-knit family discussing issues of the day and laughing at the newest Harlem Shake video.

"It has been a great help, especially since it's my first year here away from home," Yaniera Delgado said.

Delgado is part of the 11 percent of the Chicano population in the Eastern student community, which is the largest minority group on campus, according to EWU Chicano professor Raphael Guillory.

"They made me feel more comfortable, and they made me aware of the programs out there that can help me," Delgado said.

Even as the largest minority group on campus, the Chicano population has been on the rise.

One of the reasons for this rise in Chicano population is because Eastern has become the college of choice for many students and families. In some eyes, Eastern has transitioned from a college where students can get the biggest bang for their buck into a college with a reputation of excellence in academic programs.

"Principally, there has just been this huge influx of migrant students in the state of Washington," said Guillory. "[They] have really adopted the philosophy that a better way to life is through education. The joy of this has been the fact that the Chicano/Latino community is just so close and so family oriented. Not just immediate family or the nuclear families, it's kind of an extended

family. And that type of family culture, they bring here."

Guillory believes the college experience is no longer about people searching for cultural enlightenment or finding ethnic festivities, but that Eastern has evolved from that.

"I get folks here that want to get [master's degrees] and Ph.D.s," said Guillory. "I know one student who wants to become a medical doctor. They have really big dreams here, and they want to do great things. These young people really add a sense of pride and service."

The Chicano education program has been extending its representation throughout the state by offering Chicano classes to high schools, much like a running-start program, expanding the outreach and family beyond the college level.

Progress made on lactation rooms

Potential areas located across campus to accommodate nursing mothers

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Five potential areas have been located on campus to provide nursing mothers access to a private room for breastfeeding or pumping.

Section 7 of the Fair Labor Standards Act, part of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act signed by President Barack Obama in 2010, requires that workplaces with more than 50 employees provide a private area for nursing mothers to pump breast milk while at work.

Universities across the country have implemented such areas for faculty, staff

and students, but currently Eastern does not have any designated area.

Vice President for Student Affairs Stacey Morgan Foster, who also serves as chair of the Women's Committee, has been busy locating spaces on campus that could be used as lactation rooms.

So far areas have been identified in Patterson, JFK Library and the communications building. Morgan Foster is working with Vice President of Business and Finance Mary Voves to find locations in the PUB and Showalter.

"If all of those come to be, we'll have five rooms across campus in various

locations, which would be great," Morgan Foster said.

She said Showalter is not an ideal location.

"We do need one sort of in the Senior [and] Monroe area because Showalter isn't a place where there really are students. Showalter is a very unsatisfactory location," she said.

Sally Winkle, director of women's and gender studies, said in the past they have allowed students and faculty to use rooms in Monroe, which is where the program is located.

"When we had an office that we weren't using, we would use that space. But now we're using all of our offices," she said. "There

might be something [available] upstairs since they moved the MARS Lab."

Morgan Foster said she is modeling the rooms based on federal requirements.

"I'm working from the federal standards, so I'm going to be looking for a chair that's close to an outlet so that somebody can use an electric breast pump if they would like to use an electric one, and an end table," she said. "That's pretty much the minimum. The other federal requirement is that it not be a bathroom that you sort of turn into a lactation room."

Once all five locations have been identified, Mor-

gan Foster will prepare a proposal to submit to Dr. Arévalo and Facilities and Planning containing proposed room locations, suggestions of what needs to be in the rooms and problems with the rooms that should be addressed.

"For example, the room in [communications] studies needs new carpet. I think most of the rooms should be repainted. ... Once they get approved, we will get them scheduled for some renovation and painting—small, minor sorts of projects," she said.

The planned lactation room in the library would be on the bottom level and would serve as more than

just a room for nursing or pumping.

"The library wants their room to be a little bit different, and I think it's probably a really great idea because it is down in the children's collection area," Morgan Foster said.

In addition to being a lactation room, it could also be an area with a changing table and a place parents could take their children to wind down if they were being unruly.

"They are going out and doing fundraising for it," Morgan Foster said. "If they end up getting those things, that's great. If they don't, I'll find a way to get some of the things they would like in there."

EWU students lobby for higher education

ASEWU brings 50 students to Olympia to lobby for increased educational funding

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Nearly 50 eastern students trekked across the state to the capitol on Presidents Day to lobby for less costly and more accessible higher education.

ASEWU joined with the Washington Student Association and students from 10 other member schools to get the attention of state legislators.

In August, student association met and decided on four priority issues to support, including expanding financial aid, new and dedicated revenue for higher education, increased voter access for students and access to financial aid for SB 1079 qualifying students. SB 1079 allows students that are undocumented but have lived in state for three or more years to be considered residents for the purposes of paying tuition at Washington colleges.

The day started bright and early with students getting a tour of the capitol building and learning a bit more about the Washington State Legislature.

Scheduled conferences took place throughout the day with Reps. Kevin Parker, Hans Zeiger, Jeff Holy and Sen. Michael Baumgartner's legislative assistant Shane Laib. Students had the opportunity to ask questions and tell their



Students with the Washington Student Association rallied on the steps of the Temple of Justice in Olympia, Wash., for Lobby Day.

Photo by Nic Olson

stories about struggling to pay for school.

Sophomore and 1079 student Alba Ibarra was proud that she got the chance to speak up during the meeting with Baumgartner's legislative assistant.

"Today I learned that I'm not the only one, that there are other students like

me. I heard the story of another young girl who was told she couldn't go to college because she was here illegally. That really got to me. It gave me bravery and emotion to step it up and talk. I feel like my voice was heard, and we're a step closer to accomplishing what I want," said Ibarra.

The Washington Student Association advocates for the opportunity for all students to apply for the State Need Grant, including SB 1079 qualified students. According to the student association, including these students would only add about 700 students, or less than 1 percent of funding, to the State Need Grant.

"We have huge job gaps in Washington state because we don't have the kids to fill educated jobs. Our unemployment is not because we don't have the jobs, it's because we don't have the qualified applicants. This is a perfect group of people to get into these qualified jobs. If we get these kids documented and educated, we

can fill our economic needs," said EWU Legislative Liaison E.B. Vodde.

Vodde is staying in Olympia all winter quarter to act as a delegate and to communicate EWU students' needs to state representatives as they vote and make decisions that affect undergraduates.

At noon a rally took place on the steps of the Temple of Justice. Evergreen College made an impressionable entrance by dragging in a giant ball and chain larger than a car, labeled "\$1 trillion" to represent the large amount of debt that currently afflicts students state-wide.

ASEWU legislative affairs council representative Shelby Pelon is also currently the president of the Washington Student Association. She spoke at the rally, introducing other student speakers and leading cheers.

"We believe in affordable and fiscal higher education for all students. But the most important thing we believe in at the [Washington Student Association] is the power of the students, to protect and fight for their rights for themselves and by themselves. It's time to tell our legislators to stop dodging the issue and fund higher education," said Pelon.

Innards of the Rozell Plant revealed

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The Rozell Plant, with four miles of underground tunnels, does all of the heating and cooling at Eastern, generating around 63,000 pounds per hour of steam at its peak this year.

Kevin Beckwith, the lead stationary engineer, has been working at the Rozell Plant for 17 years. He and the other six engineers who work there keep the boilers running and do all the maintenance, aside from some work on the actual furnaces. They are also the central dispatch for maintenance around the school during the night as there is at least one person at the plant 24/7.

They have never had a major breakdown or complications with their system, as they do maintenance and checkups often.

Constructed in 1969, the plant began its use in 1970 and has only been completely shut down twice in those 42 years of service, according to Beckwith. On average, the boilers generate 41,000 pph of steam and the chiller, used to produce cool water, can generate 500 tons of ice per hour.

Five water tube boilers, the newest of them being 11 years old, are used to boil water using natural gas furnaces. The



This steam tunnel houses pipes that run all over campus.

Photo by Nic Olson

steam is then pumped through underground pipes to every building on campus.

According to the Discovery-School website, this design has been around as early as 1766, but the first successfully used water boiler was by an American inventor, James Rumsey, in 1788. These boilers are used in stages, depending on the heat demand, so there is always enough for all the buildings.

After sending it out to buildings, the steam returns to the plant as condensation where it is collected and purified before being sent back to the boilers at around 225 degrees fahrenheit, adding to the efficiency, and boiled again. The furnaces circulate warm air, making combustion of the fires even better than just using air from outside.

The four miles of tunnels include not only pipes for steam but electrical and fiber cables, pipes for the cooling system, which is also stationed at this plant, hot and cold water supply and return pipes. These tunnels are walked by the engineers to check for ground water leaking into and flooding the tunnels.

One time, before they installed motion detectors, they found a bed in the tunnels under the PUB, and someone was sneaking up there to get food. The motion detectors now alert police to unauthorized entries. Beckwith said the plant is open for those interested in it and that he is willing to show anyone the inner workings.

Spokane used boilers similar to the ones at EWU, but much larger, that was in service

until 1986. The plant was built in 1907 and the boilers went through many types of fuel, including coal, oil, wood, natural gas and electricity. Electricity became too expensive and the plant was shut down. It is now used for offices, retail space, the Steam Plant Brewing Company and Stacks Restaurant.

Some other colleges using boiler systems are Whitworth, Gonzaga and Washington State University. Whitworth uses a similar system with three boilers, the oldest being at 30 years, that heat 80 percent of the buildings on campus. Their system is in the same area of efficiency as Eastern's own plant. Gonzaga uses boilers, but has moved away from a central heating plant and has a boiler for each building. The newer boilers they are upgrading to are up to 98 percent efficient.

Tomson Spink is a former employee here at the Rozell Plant who now works at Gonzaga. He said that EWU's boiler system was easier to work on, as all the boilers were in a centralized space, rather than having one at each building. Instead of sending steam to every building, they send fuel to each building, and then the boilers heat water for the buildings. "It was the cheaper way to go," said Tomson. "But Eastern has a really nice system."

Civilians assist Cheney Police

Volunteers in Policing help with non-emergency tasks

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The Cheney Police Department has a long history of volunteer involvement, from volunteer police officers to a volunteer chaplain corps.

That list has grown even longer with the addition of the Volunteers in Policing program.

The Cheney Police Department started looking at creating a program to better serve the community in 2011, according to Commander Rick Campbell.

"While a number of our needs were being met, the way we wanted to reach out to the community was not being met the way we had hoped," Campbell said.

Cheney and EWU are already covered by a branch of Spokane's Sheriff Community Ori-

ented Policing Effort, also known as SCOPE. Volunteers with SCOPE work to provide a safe living environment, and the program believes that law enforcement and citizens can work together as a team to promote safety and prevent crime, according to its website.

"A couple of the volunteers with SCOPE came to us and said that they wanted to be volunteers solely focused on Cheney issues, and that their primary focus was that they wanted to help us design a program," Campbell said.

They spent 2012 building the foundation for the basis of the program, and in January the program really got up and running.

The program currently has six members, most of whom are senior citizens.

Visiting filmmaker spotlights asexuality

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Asexuality can describe many different lifestyles, but the culture has one common thread: Their sexual preference is not you.

In 2005, Angela Tucker was searching for a unique topic to create her first independent documentary. That May, Salon published an article describing the life story of asexual San Franciscan David Jay. Tucker was immediately inspired. She has since written, directed and produced "(A)sexual," a comprehensive look at asexual lifestyles and culture across the country.

The most widely used description of the sexual preferences for asexuals states that they simply do not experience sexual attraction towards others.

"(A)sexual" begins by explaining that 1 percent of the population observed in an American university study of 18,000 respondents were not attracted to either males or females. This means that statistically there are 3 million asexual Americans. If EWU were a perfect representation of the study's findings, there would be over 100 asexual EWU students.

Jay founded the Asexual Visibility and Education Network and the community-creating online forums within. Professionally, he is quite successful, but his personal life is strange to most. He has a specific friend for cuddling, another friend for deep conversations, etc.

Tucker told the group during the Q-and-A session after the showing that Jay is doing a lot better personally since filming the documentary and that he wants to be a father.

Also included in the film are an aromantic single woman, a grey-haired woman who recently joined the community and a roman-

tic heterosexual couple in which both partners are asexual.

"(A)sexual" briefly discussed the disproportionate number of autistic people, specifically those with Asperger's syndrome, among the online community's 26,000 members. Tucker hopes that the academic community will begin studying asexuality and its connection with autism in the near future.

Asexuality is not to be confused with belonging to the third gender. Third gender is a gender category in which members are neither male or female. Those of the third gender have created pronouns to refer to themselves with. Fira Ballew, an event attendee, chooses "jhe" in place of "he/her," and "jhur" in place of "him/her."

Ballew, an EWU interdisciplinary studies senior and aromantic asexual, said that jhe is happy to have the film available as a method of exposing jhur subculture to those who do not understand it. Jhe felt the film showed a lot of attacks on asexuality. "It felt like a punch in the gut to hear those," said Ballew.

Zach Oxford, an EWU psychology and premedical chemistry junior, said that he came to the showing to better understand how personal relationships worked among asexuals. "It's interesting to rethink present sexual relationships and wonder if there would be just as much love if there were no sex involved in the relationship," said Oxford.

Clover, an EWU women's studies junior, said that after seeing the film she felt that her understanding of asexuals not experiencing arousal is even more blurred. She said that it is important to talk to strangers personally before passing too much judgment on them.

Each student recommended the Pride Center in Showalter 207 as a safe haven for asexuals. Clover also suggested reaching out to women's studies majors. Tucker suggested joining the online community.

If a member of the EWU community would like to watch "(A)sexual" at home, there is a copy in the JFK library. It is available for streaming on Netflix, and for download on iTunes and Amazon.



Tucker

Condom 'leaves trace'

Student finds open condom in library laptop case

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An EWU student was surprised with more than just a computer when recently checking out a laptop from the JFK Library.

Graduate student Jeslyn Lemke discovered an unwrapped, unraveled condom in the side pocket of a laptop case immediately after receiving the laptop from the lower level service desk in JFK Library on Feb. 23. "I was all checked out and I lifted the strap out of the the laptop case and this big, wet condom just came flopping out onto the counter," Lemke said.

Lemke was returning a laptop after the three-day loan period had expired and picking up a new one. The library keeps the straps tucked into the side pockets of the case to keep the straps from dangling onto the floor. Lemke noted that the

reservoir tip of the condom was empty.

"The library right now has a 'leave no trace' policy for eating," Lemke said. "They have that posted everywhere, and here you have the library staff definitely leaving a trace."

JFK Library circulation manager Gary Jeffries was unaware of the situation when it was brought to his attention by The Easterner on Feb. 26. He said that every item goes through an inspection process after its return, but that the library is very busy right now. "Something like that could have been there awhile and was just stuck to something," Jeffries said. "If you work here long enough, you see it all."

However, Jeffries was skeptical that the condom had been simply overlooked. "It's hard for me to believe that our students would not have caught that," he said.

Service desk supervisor Heidi Chittim arrived at the library on Feb. 25 and saw a note on the laptop case informing her that there had been a condom in it. Chittim threw out the case, noting that one of the zippers was broken anyway. "They replaced the case," Lemke said. "I definitely got a new case, but I kept the same laptop."

Lemke said that she hopes this will inspire the library to be more thorough after loaned-out equipment is returned. "I just want to know that the library administration is aware that this happened and that they're taking measures about it," she said. "God knows what other human fluids are on these laptops that get checked in."

"If we want a healthy, safe campus, the staff at the library better get all hygienic on these laptops and other library equipment. This should not have happened."

Eggs survive bat attack

Engineering students crack annual competition

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The annual EWU egg drop competition, held on Feb. 15, has turned the entertaining pastime of dropping a raw egg off a balcony into a science.

The competition, sponsored by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers student club

at Eastern, is open to all students.

"It shouldn't be intimidating that people are competing against a bunch of mechanical engineering majors because everybody's just throwing things together at the last minute," said Megan Frederick, a club officer and senior mechanical engineering major. "It's just a fun event open to the whole school."

Club officers Frederick, Cody Engelke and Mitch Youngs ran the contest efficiently, handing out the club-provided eggs, announcing each contestant in turn and dropping eggs for people who had indicated they would not be there to drop their own entries.

Engelke stationed himself in the lower level next to the

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Students roll strikes in stacks

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Four teams of three people each swung, waited in suspense and cheered their way through the first successful Wii bowling tournament in the library on Feb. 22.

"I bring students through on tours of the library, and I kept joking that I should have some sort of Wii boxing or something because we've got these screens to use. I thought we would try bowling because apparently they don't like it when we want to punch people," said Rayette Sterling, outreach and inclusion librarian. "So they wanted a game with no punching. No punching in the library."

Student library liaison Nicole Sestrap said, "I wasn't here when

the original idea came up, but the Wii is really popular and people seem to like it. And it's not a loud game at all, so we don't disturb people down here. It's a fun social time."

Two 30-inch Visio screens mounted side by side on the wall displayed simultaneous games. In the first round, the Grab 'n' Groove team played Harry and the Potters while The Axis Powers took on The Bookkeepers. Team members downed pizza and soft drinks provided by the library between turns.

Alex Quam, who works at the library, put his own team together comprised of himself and his roommates. "I'm not doing very well," said Quam. "My teammates are. They're carrying me so far." He said that events like this are good for campus morale.

Marshall Peone is a fifth-year senior double majoring in earth and space science and education. "I work in the same office with someone who told us about it," said Peo-

ne, a member of the Harry and the Potters team. "We'd been talking about doing a Wii bowling tournament but at our house, so this was great."

Sterling tried Wii bowling last year but did not get much response. Since the library already had the Wiis, she decided to try again this year. Three student teams signed up.

"There are three teams that signed up, and then we made our own team with staff," said Sestrap. "We have the graphic designer, my boss and myself."

Bryn McAllister came just to watch and cheer for friends. She asked a friend about her weekend plans, and the friend said, "I'm going to [Wii bowling] on Friday." McAllister decided to come too.

After watching a couple of games, she said she would probably participate in the next competition. "Depends on the sport, but yeah," she said. "Any game on Wii Sports, pretty much."

Sterling said, "Nicole, this year's student liaison, has just been really good about getting publicity out and making sure people know that we're doing stuff."

Wii bowling does not have a left-handed bowler, so while some students bowled left-handed, the image on the screen still bowled right-handed. A spare tire rolled across the screen after each spare, and a bowling ball knocked over a scowling egg-headed pin after each strike.

Sterling said that if there were interest and students wanted to come out for other Wii competitions, she would certainly get more games and hold more events.

"It's really important to me that students feel comfortable about coming into the library and engaging in kind of a fun way as well as an intellectual way," said Sterling. "School is so stressful. So it's nice to come in every once in a while and play games."



Team seals up robot

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The rookie Medical Lake robotics team had to cease work on their unfinished robot Feb. 19, as that marked the "stop build day" for the First Robotics Competition.

The competition, described on First's website as the varsity sport for the mind that combines the excitement of sports with the rigors of science, is scheduled to take place at Reese Court on April 4, 5 and 6.

The Medical Lake team, nicknamed The Cards, has spent the last six weeks building their 95-pound robot to compete in the 2013 Ultimate Ascent games. While the robot is fully operational in driving and navigation movements, it is unable to perform the climbing function that the team planned to use to get most of their game points.

"We are missing one part to do a full climb, but that is just the way it is going to be," said Medical Lake robotics team mentor Ken Guidry. "The amount of energy that it is go-

ing to take to lift the robot off the floor, we're not currently providing to it. That's going to require some new part, and we're not sure what that is going to be yet."

The team had until midnight on Feb. 19 to work on the robot, but according to Guidry, the team stopped working at about 8 p.m. because they could not move forward without more parts. The robot was then placed in a bag and sealed with a numbered tag as required by the competition rules.

"You're never finished. At some point you have to call it done," Guidry said. "That's part of the purpose of the bag and tag. It's annoying and frustrating, but it reminds [the students] that at some point, you are done."

The robot has to remain untouched by the team until after check-in on the evening of April 3. The team will then be allotted time to work on their robot and make any changes or additions.

"We're going to look at configuring the gearbox differently. We'll have to do that

during the competition," Guidry said.

In the meantime, team members are planning to focus on the business portion of the competition. So far the students have designed a logo and T-shirts, which are already on order. Their focus now will be on creating business, safety and engineering binders to document their project for inspection at the competition.

High school student and the club's business lead Charleen McDaniel said that being in the club has taught her valuable skills about time management and talking to people. "It takes time to communicate with other people, and I have to take that into consideration," Charleen said.

According to Guidry, the team has run into problems that mimic real world work experiences such as time management issues, the inability to get resources and incorrect work. "If you take any frustration you ever run into in any business situation and roll it all into one event, this is it," Guidry said.

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Washington State Senate Bill 5737 assault weapons ban is an assault on individual liberty

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Gun owners are often labelled as paranoid for their distrust of the government, but how unfounded are their fears?

When a proposed bill in the Washington State Senate authorizes county sheriffs to inspect gun owners' homes without warrants, with jail sentences for non-compliance, the paranoia looks more and more reasonable.

The original version of Senate Bill 5737, a proposed law banning the sale of guns defined by the bill as assault weapons and mandating registration of those guns if they are already in a person's possession, would do exactly that. It also proposed that the registration of these guns and the background check of the owner would have to be repeated once a year. That is nothing more than a scheme to discourage people from exercising their rights while extracting money from those who are not discouraged and punishing them for the sin of owning guns that are deemed unacceptable by the political elite.

This portion of the bill has been removed but only after nationwide media attention and the realization that it makes SB 5737 nearly impossible to pass. Even the edited version of the bill is unlikely to pass this year as it did not make it out of legislative committee last week, but some version of an assault weapons ban will surely be on the docket for next year.

One of the bill's sponsors, Seattle democrat Adam Kline, claims that he did not know the provision was in the bill. That is hard to believe considering Kline, along with SB 5737 co-sponsor Sen. Jeanne Kohl-Welles, sponsored senate bills 5475 and 6396 in 2005 and 2010. These bills contained the same language mandating owners to submit to home inspections. Even if we are buying Kline's obvious lie about this, is it really OK for a senator to be sponsoring bills he cannot even be bothered to read? It seems that—as bad as it is for a lawmaker to admit to sponsoring bills he does not even know the content of—it is preferable to admitting to attempting a wholesale violation of the Fourth Amendment.

Bill co-sponsor Sen. Ed Murray told the Seattle Times that



Photo illustration by Kyle Harding

Under the original text of Senate Bill 5737, possession of this AR-15 would require owners to submit to warrantless home inspections.

he knows it is unconstitutional and has little chance of passing. He says it is "a guiding light of where we need to go." Roughly translated, this means he knows the bill violates a person's right against illegal search, but he dreams of a future where that kind of government authority is accepted by the people and upheld by the courts.



Harding

The bill's sponsors call the provision a mistake. I believe them. It is a mistake. However the mistake to them is not that their legislation shreds normal citizens' civil liberties, violates the constitution and treats them like they are

criminals. The mistake to them is that the bill is now less palatable to the public and less likely to be passed into law.

The vast majority of gun owners, myself included, oppose assault weapons bans even when they do not give the police warrantless access to our homes, not only based on the ban's arbitrary definition of what an assault weapon is but because we believe even these supposedly terrifying weapons to be arms protected under the Second Amendment. But those who do not own or even like firearms should be just as wary of laws that erode essential liberties.

Every time I have heard someone make the argument, "Nobody is trying to take your guns away," it seems to be followed by a list of all the guns

they want taken away. Whenever gun owners contend that we believe registration is intended as a stepping stone to confiscation, we are told that we are crazy. Rarely does anyone have the nerve to come right out and tell you that they want the police to be able to enter citizen's houses at will. Most of those who wish to trample upon your rights at least pay lip service to those rights while they are working to undermine them. When a Fourth Amendment-gutting law is passed, it is accompanied by assurances that it will only be used against terrorists or drug dealers or some other boogeyman du jour. Security-obsessed Americans, ignorant of the consequences of giving law enforcement more power, can hardly wait to give

up their rights to a paternalistic government.

But Kline, Murray and Kohl-Welles had apparently gotten so comfortable in their positions of authority that they were brazen enough to aim their unconstitutional law at a group of people who are, by definition, law-abiding: those who would register the guns they already own.

In a time when people believe more laws equal more safety and safety is our society's holy grail, the updated version of SB 5337, without a provision for home inspection, may not sound all that egregious to people who are not proponents of gun rights. But remember the bill's original intent. Kline, Murray and Kohl-Welles want police inspections of houses to be an accepted norm. That will be the next step.

Through the Eagle's Eye

Do you think Washington state should pass an assault weapons ban?

Interviews by Kyle Harding. Photos by Aaron Malmoe.

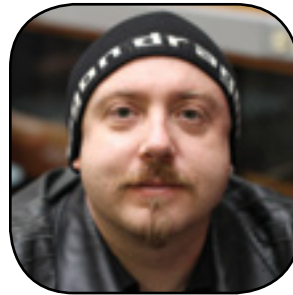


"I really don't think that's going to fly. All you're doing is hyping the industry ... doubling and tripling sales."

Dean Lyon

"Yes, I support that. I don't feel people need military-grade hardware for their personal arsenal."

Shane Mabrey



"I think as far as assault weapons, yeah. There's no reason to have an assault rifle as a civilian."

Joshua Rochon

"To a certain extent, I think some assault weapons should be banned. ... AR rifles, they seem kind of dangerous."

Ricardo Ely



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Don't flush that: a lesson on toilet etiquette and absorbency

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In the last issue of The Easterner, the front page was graced with a lovely article informing the student body that on Jan. 14 they more than likely walked through raw sewage while going about their day.

The article went on to detail numerous other instances in which the PUB plumbing failed, costing EWU approximately \$1,200 in repairs and cleanups. Who can we blame for these plumbing eruptions?

Apparently, the culprits are students themselves. While it is common knowledge that number one, number two and toilet paper go in the toilet, there are many things that should not. Paper towels, tampons and pads, shop towels and rags are just a few of these items.

Many readers would nod in agreement at this list of items, perhaps even a few having experienced firsthand the horrors of sewage backups that occur because of a clogged pipe. However, the

front-page article has brought my attention to the fact that many may not know the rules and regulations to what may or may not be flushable.

One of the statements the article made that shocked me was that, by student request, the signs detailing exactly what is not allowed in the toilet were removed from all women's restrooms in the PUB. My fellow women, if you're unaware of what exactly sanitary napkins and tampons do, I will educate you; they absorb fluids. Water is a fluid. Therefore, flushing one of these items down the toilet will cause it to absorb fluid and puff up to block the pipes, leading to some nasty sewage puddles and costing EWU money and time that could be put to use in other matters, such as plowing the snow that everyone seems to be complaining about all the time.

"But why?" you might ask. "Sometimes, those things are so small that it doesn't matter." The answer is really quite simple. These sorts of things are intended to absorb water, and sometimes even puff up with that water absorption. Therefore, despite the fact that you are using an ultralight flow tampon, it really is quite rude to flush it down the toilet

only to cause a massive backup that overflows into pedestrian traffic.

I feel my highest complaint about the situation, however, is the fact that many people are using paper towels as toilet seat covers. Are users of the bathrooms really taking the extra time to grab a few handfuls of paper towels, carefully line the seat and then do their business? If so, you're wasting a lot of your cellphone surfing time on the john. Why not use the alternative; toilet paper, which is flushable, can be layered to be just as effective as paper towels and is already at-hand in the bathroom stalls. This, I feel, will significantly lower the amount of backups in the PUB.

And for those who choose the hover style of using the bathroom—You are part of the problem. Your dangerous style of using the potty can sometimes leave little flecks of number one on the seat, which is why people have begun to use paper towels to line it. However, if you are one of the few who courteously wipe the seat down after you're done with your business, I applaud you.

As for those who have flushed their cellphone down the toilet, I really have no advice for you.

Letters to the Editor

Donations don't go unappreciated

I would like to thank all of my fellow EWU students and the residents of Cheney who made a donation Tuesday, Feb. 19 at Cheney Trading Company to benefit The American Indian Com-

munity Center. Your generosity and commitment to community is inspirational. Thank you!

Sincerely,

Megan Hewins

It's hard out there for a lefty

It is a right handed dominate world, but 10 percent of the population do not agree. The left handed person gets pushed to the side and has no power in this dominated right handed world. As a left handed person, sitting in desks that are only designed for right handed students is not only uncomfortable, but distracting. Lefties are forced to contort themselves uncomfortably in an effort to reach across the desk and take notes; their hand smudges almost everything they write, and desks are designed not for them but for their reflection. In lecture halls, desks are arranged as one long table, I have to be on the far left end so that I'm not being placed in the middle and bumping other people. And when I'm placed next to someone, I have

to make room for their right arm as I'm pushed to the side. Even though the left handed population is so small, it is still a factor of interfering with the learning experience when one can't comfortably write. Eastern doesn't provide the proper desk to work with students who are left handed. By making the desks more ergonomic for both right and left students and staff, it allows a compromise: students would feel comfortable in their learning environment, which results in focusing more in class. They might be labeled as a "disability" being left handed, but they aren't and don't need to be treated as if they are. Being a leftie is hard enough; school shouldn't be an uncomfortable environment to learn in.

Karly V Kayler

Eastern policy debate club struggles to stay alive

By David Collins
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My name is Dave Collins and, in this essay, I hope to persuade you to do what you can to help save the debate program at Eastern Washington University.

Our team last year consisted of Pierce Oefflein, a running start student from University High School, head coach Izak Dunn and myself, and together we generated close to a thousand pages of original research and represented EWU at six tournaments across the country. At the end of the year, however, the debate program was eliminated. Oefflein and I were both accepted to different universities while Dunn was hired at Arizona State University. Despite being accepted to Arizona State University, I lacked the economic resources to attend and instead returned to EWU. Not willing to forgo my senior year of debate, I am working with Gonzaga University and have debated with Hailey Clawson, a first year student from Colorado at two tournaments, and will hopefully also attend the national championships in March.

There are many reasons why the students of EWU should be proud of our school. Tuition is reasonable and the class sizes are for the most part not overly large. I read in this



Dave Collins of EWU's debate club and Hailey Clawson of Gonzaga University's debate club participate in a debate at Whitman University.

Photo contributed by Sarah Partlow Lefevre

paper that we are considering spending over \$50,000 to bring Macklemore to our campus to play one show. But we can't find even a penny to give to the debate program, which is truly interdisciplinary. This should give our whole

campus community pause for thought. But there are practical solutions. Some departments could contribute a nominal amount from their budgets to provide a tuition waiver for a graduate student to function as a coach. If a revived pro-

gram held a high school tournament and summer camp then additional funds could also be generated. The ASEWU could also provide funds.

If everyone gives a little, EWU can once again have a debate program.

We can be known as a school that didn't give up on debate and resisted its elimination, or we can just be another name on the list of policy debate programs that have fallen by the wayside. If you found this essay the least bit per-

suasive, you can check out our facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/SaveEWUdebate> - together perhaps we can save the debate program and maybe Macklemore will be so impressed he will offer to play a show for free.

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Students give away teddy bears

Office of Global Initiative sponsors drive for 26 Days of Kindness

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EWU's 26 Days of Kindness kicked off Feb. 14 with a teddy bear drive, sponsored by the Office of Global Initiatives, to support the children of Sally's House Foster Care.

Sally's House offers immediate care for children ages 2 through 12 who have been removed from their homes due to violence, neglect or abuse, according to the Salvation Army's website. Often, children from these situations arrive in foster care disoriented and scared.

Rebecca Hoogstad, who has been the program manager at Sally's House since 2006, said that stuffed animals are given to the children upon arriving at the facility to help comfort them.

"They're upset, angry or hurt [and] it's amazing how a stuffed animal ... kind of soothes the pain," Hoogstad said.

The Office of Global Ini-

tiatives designed the teddy bear drive, in part, to provide children in need with something they can call their own.

Typically, the children at Sally's House arrive with little more than the clothing on their backs, according to Hoogstad.

"The idea is to show them that this [animal] is theirs [to keep]," Hoogstad said.

Graduate assistant George Moreno, who works in the Office of Global Initiatives, also said that the drive is benefiting the children on a more personal level.

"Obviously [the drive] isn't going to solve everything with regards to the issues of why they're [at Sally's House]," said Moreno. "But at least [it is] making them feel a little bit better."

Sally's House, which is associated with the Salvation Army, receives some government funding. However, the program relies on donations to cover all the costs.

Hoogstad, who fully supports the teddy bear drive,

knows that without these donations, Sally's House would not be able to provide enough stuffed animals for the children.

Moreno believes that the drive will have a lasting and positive effect on the lives of EWU's students. He hopes that the drive will inspire them to continue to support local communities.

"It could be community service, [or] it could be something that they do in the future," Moreno said.

Moreno hopes that the drive will show the community that EWU's students care.

"[We're] trying to prove that the students do care about the community, about the kids," Moreno said.

According to Moreno, the teddy bear drive was selected for many reasons, including more community involvement. The main goal is to include students, faculty and members of the community in the drive. "There is



Illustration by Vania Tauvela

BEARS-PAGE 9 All the teddy bears that are donated will go to children at Sally's House Foster Care.

Audience falls in love with McManus

Proceeds from comedy go to EWU scholarships

By Al Stover

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Patrick McManus was falling as his life flashed before his eyes.

After a brief moment, he realized that the images he was seeing were not his own memories.

"That's not my life," Patrick said. "Put that life of Hugh Hefner back in the vault."

This was just one of the scenes in "McManus in Love," a one-man play produced Feb. 23 in Showalter Auditorium. All proceeds made from the show went towards EWU scholarships.

Written by retired EWU professor Patrick F. McManus, the comedy centers on a young Patrick, played

by EWU alumnus Tim Behrens, and his first experience at romance. Behrens, who was also a former student of McManus's, also played the other 14 characters.

The first act of the show began with an older Patrick sitting at his typewriter, striking the keys as he wrote the story about his fantastic love life, which he described as "150 words of fiction." The audience laughed as Patrick began sharing stories from his childhood such as conquering his fear of the dark and how his friend Crazy Eddie Muldoon's father, Mr. Muldoon, ended up getting sprayed by a skunk the boys were keeping in the tool shed.

"The skunk smell lasted a couple of weeks," Patrick said. "Mrs.



Behrens

Muldoon said he didn't have to sleep in the barn no more."

Patrick, who had gained confidence after defeating his phobia of the dark, realized he and Eddie needed to start asking out girls. One day after geography class, he went to the water fountain to ask out Melba Peachbottom, the prettiest girl in school. As she was getting a drink, Patrick, in a gesture of kindness, grabbed the handle and accidentally sprayed Melba in the face with water.

After the intermission, Patrick shared a story about his first date, which he referred to the "double date from hell."

Melba accepted his invitation to go see a western-themed movie with him, Eddie and Marybeth. Patrick went to his cousin Buck, who he swore was not much smarter than celery, for advice about what to do on a first date. Buck told Pat-

rick to yawn, put his arm around Melba and then nibble on her ear.

As the date began, Melba informed Patrick his zipper was down, which led to Patrick getting his tie caught in his fly. Eddie, who helped Patrick cut his tie loose, told him the movie they were seeing was not a western, but actually "Dracula." Patrick, who had forgotten his glasses and was unable to discern that Dracula was a horror movie, leaned in to nibble on Melba's ear but instead bit her neck. Patrick's hearing was lost as Melba screamed into his ear.

In addition to sharing his romantic experience, Patrick told other stories. One of them began with a Biblical joke about Adam and Eve that led into a story about his pet snake Herbie sneaking into Patrick's sister's underwear drawer.

Throughout the play the audience laughed and applauded at

Behrens' quickness to change roles while smoothly telling the story. Anastasia Black, who had worked with Behrens at the Rockin' B Ranch, enjoyed everything about the show.

"Even his hysterics made me laugh," Black said.

EWU student Brady Nash enjoyed how the stories told in the play were relatable.

"Everyone has wacky stories like that growing up," Nash said. "I loved it."

After the show, Behrens shared some history about his 20-year collaboration with McManus. The two are planning to have the Washington state premier of their new play, "McManus and Me," at the Lincoln Center in Spokane on Father's Day weekend.

"There is a great love between us," Behrens said. "It's been a long and fruitful road."

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Chicano:

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"We're in Warden High School, offering a course in Chicano history," said Guillory. "We're trying to make our presence known throughout the state, and it's really growing in that capacity."

In addition to Eastern's academic growth, the rise of the Chicano population at EWU can also be traced back to Central Washington's rural towns, which also have a strong Chicano presence, according to Professor Guillory.

"[Eastern is] far enough away from home where you can have a little bit of freedom," said Guillory. "But then it's also close enough where if you need to get a home fix that they can just hop on I-90 and head right on down to Pasco and the Tri-Cities. It's for kids who love home, but it's also that idea that if they're at Central [Washington University], they're too close."

Nancy Munoz is Chicano, but hails from Walla Walla, Wash., and is not used to being far away from her family.

However, Eastern has provided a sense of family amongst her fellow Chicano students.

"In our culture, we usually don't leave home," said Munoz. "We usually try to stay close to the family, so it is kind of difficult to be so far away. I really enjoy it [at Eastern] though, because they help you a lot. It's like a family, you can come here and use the computers or we can talk to them. We don't feel afraid to ask them questions."

The family-like bond in the Chicano community even continues outside of graduation and makes an impact in the Washington state workforce.

"I think that has aided Eastern's reputation throughout the state that it's not just for the low income," said Guillory. "Our academic program has been speaking for itself. I think about 83 percent of our graduates work and live in the state of Washington. We make a strong contribution to the economy and state. People who come to Eastern have a tendency to stay in the area, it's a great place to grow up and live."

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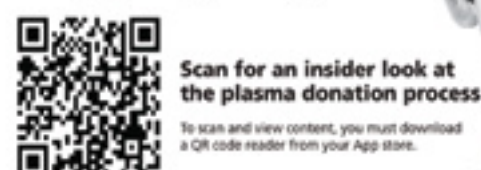


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Trivia trend takes over Cheney

Local businesses host weekly games

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Surrounded by half-full glasses of Batch 19 beer, EWU student Jaime Mahoney and her six teammates huddle together as they try to answer questions like, "What is the chemical name for laughing gas?"

Mahoney is one of several EWU students who plays trivia at The Basement on Thursday nights. The Basement is one of three Cheney businesses that offer free trivia to their customers.

The Basement

The Basement, located on 315 First St., has trivia every Thursday night at around 9:30 p.m. According to Al Pjosek, the general manager who also runs trivia, the bar began hosting trivia last spring quarter and has had an increase in customers every Thursday night.

"Some nights it takes a hit when events [like the Carrie Underwood concert] happen, but we usu-

ally get the after-crowd," Pjosek said.

For the game itself, there are three rounds with two additional bonus rounds. Teams are given slips of paper to write their answers while Pjosek announces the questions, which also appear on the projector screens above the bar and on the right wall.

Despite the echo of pool sticks cracking against the cue ball and the increasing chatter from the other patrons, Mahoney and her teammates, known as the "Harlem Shake Weights," played through each round with little trouble.

Mahoney began coming to trivia after reading about it on Facebook. She enjoys The Basement's casual atmosphere.

"It's really relaxed," Mahoney said. "Sometimes trivia can be stressful."

There is around a 20-minute break in between rounds. This is a chance for teams to engage in conversation.

Brett Dustin is one of Mahoney's teammates. Although the questions were difficult, he also enjoyed The Basement's casual atmosphere.

"It's kind of serious, but



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The Basement, The Mason Jar and Eagle's Pub are located in downtown Cheney.

people aren't cutthroat about it," Dustin said.

Eagle's Pub

Across the street from The Basement, Eagle's Pub has trivia every Tuesday and Friday from 7 to 9 p.m. hosted by Ryan Jensen. Despite the pub serving hard alcohol, minors are allowed to come in and compete in trivia.

The game consists of 10 categories with three to four questions. Categories range from general topics like ani-

mals to specific subjects like "Breaking Bad." If teams are struggling to come up with answers, they can wait until a random person blurts out the right — or in some cases wrong — answer.

Once the round is over, Jensen hurries from one table to another and deals out raffle tickets for correct answers. In between rounds, Jensen has a raffle for prizes and plays music. Teams win bonus points if they guess the songs correctly.

EWU student Zack Ranck has been playing trivia at Eagle's Pub for a year. In addition to it being fun and competitive, Ranck likes the pub's open space and Jensen's style of hosting.

The Mason Jar

The Mason Jar, located next to Eagles Pub, holds trivia on the third Thursday of every month at 7 p.m.

Unlike The Basement, The Mason Jar's trivia night, which started three months

ago, allows for customers of all ages to play. It only has one round with specific categories, each with five questions. Players are given a sheet of notebook paper to write down their answers.

Rachel Cervas, who studies exercise science, had intended on doing homework until her friends brought her to The Mason Jar trivia night.

"It was fun," Cervas said. "I liked learning things that I don't know why we would know, but everyone else seems to know. I [also] liked the team atmosphere."

Beth Robinette, who is the trivia master at The Mason Jar, holds a glass of red wine in her hands as she reads the questions to the teams. When the round is over, teams switch their papers and mark correct answers. As friendly trash talking between teams fills the room, she stands on a chair, reading the answers from her MacBook.

For Robinette, The Mason Jar's trivia night is an alternative for families who want to relax and bring their children with them. Being trivia master also gives her a chance to "ham it up."

"I like being the center of attention," Robinette said. "It's my favorite part about it."

Bold spicy flavor warms in cold dreary weather

Corona Village offers Mexican experience

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On a cold February night, the flames of the fire coming from the open kitchen bring warmth to students who come in for lunch and dinner at a small restaurant named Corona Village.

Corona Village on Second Street offers Mexican food ranging from enchiladas to fajitas. The storefront is nothing special. It blends in with the other surrounding stores. The building's exterior is not indicative of the clean bold walls on the inside.

The seating area is faced with an open kitchen, which makes it easier to see how the food is prepared. Flames from the pan flare up in a blaze of bright orange while the clinks and clanks of the cooking utensils blend in with the Mariachi music playing from small speakers placed in the ceiling corners of the establishment.

Upon arrival, the staff greets customers without being overwhelming. Meanwhile, portions of chips and salsa are already being prepared for the new guests as they sit down to their tables.

"I like how everything is fast," Jordan Tonani, a regular customer, said.

According to Tonani, he and



Photo illustration by Nic Olson

In addition to their regular items on their menu, Corona Village offers daily specials and platters.

his friends, who are all Eastern students, go to Corona Village at least twice a week.

"It's our go-to place," Tonani said.

Hostess for Corona Village Beatriz Montiel said the majority of their customers are Eastern students.

The walls are vibrant, much like the laughter and conversation mixing in with the music. They are clean, without any objects like photos or knickknacks littering them. The bare walls of the restaurant make the small inside feel spacious. Most notably, the lights in the es-

tablishment are never directly hitting a table. The lights hit off to the side, making everything look softer and more relaxed instead of stark and harsh on the eyes.

Food prices range from \$5.25 to \$14.25. Most of the menu items are around \$6 to \$11.

Tonani and his friend, Parker Kelly, said the price paid is worth the portion received.

"This burrito cost six bucks. I could go to McDonald's and get a cheeseburger for seven bucks but it would be [low quality]," Tonani said.

Kelly said it is the best Mexican food he has come across in both Spokane and Cheney.

"Everything is freshly made. ... We don't freeze anything for months back there [in the kitchen]," Montiel said.

One of the more simple menu items, the chicken quesadilla, will cost \$7.95. It looks small in presence but is filling nonetheless. There's a good ratio between all of the ingredients. The cheese and chicken were not overpowered by the pico de gallo, which can easily be watered down and turned to mush by the water in the tomatoes. The



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chicken itself is flavorful, and the taste of the flames it is made with is present.

The chips and salsa that are served to every guest are homemade. Tyler Harvey, a regular customer, says they always bring out the chips to him warm.

Unlike store-bought salsa, the one made at Corona Village has a short kick of spice and then a sweet tang for the aftertaste. It's not too watery nor too chunky with vegetables.

"Nothing beats free chips and salsa. If you run out, they just end up giving you more," Tonani said.

Music ed:

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One of the most exciting classical musicians was the keyboardist Thelonious Mozart. He wrote tons of music and took improvisation to a new level, but he was insane. Mozart was famous for standing up during other people's solos, talking to himself onstage and even leaving to go home in the middle of a performance.

Eventually, Classical musicians got tired of listening to Mozart, and decided to take it in a different direction. They decided to quit school and used their remaining money to found a small computer company with the hopes of making it big one day. No, wait — I'm thinking of Bill Gates.

Romantic:

During the Romantic period, the focus shifted from melody and harmony to, like, the vibe, you know? It was, to quote the famous French composer Debussy, "Real far out, man." (Fun fact: The Beatles actually stole the song, "Lucy in the Sky, with Diamonds," from Debussy).

The Romantic period also included many refinements in instrument technology, especially keyboard instruments. The keytar, for example, was invented in 1856, and the Hungarian composer Franz Liszt is considered to be the first great keytar virtuoso.

Liszt contributed a lot to modern rock music. He was the first musician to invent the idea of trading fours, and his theoretical treatises on guitar shredding and keytar pitch bender technique were widely circulated. Liszt was also the first musician to popularize the tradition wherein audience members throw undergarments onto the stage in what is considered a rather bold display of endorsement.

Jazz:

Once went to a jazz concert during which one of the performers referred to jazz as "indigenous North American music." It's true: Jazz could have only been created in the United States. For the purpose of this discussion, let's ignore the fact that almost all of the "indigenous North American" culture was destroyed by the American settlers.

One of the most unique things about jazz is the swing. Swing is a special form of rhythm. Instead of the normal "buh duh duh duh," swing beats sound like "buh duh duh duh" or "buh duh duh duh."

Do jazz musicians just play a lot of wrong notes? Of course they don't. That would sound terrible. The trick to jazz is to mix in some right notes with the wrong ones so that the listener thinks you know what you're doing.

In order to separate the "hip" from the "squares," jazz musicians coined their own language. For example, really good cool-looking jazz players were called "cats." Other animal names, such as "dog," "roach" and "lizard," caught on less well.

The other rite of passage for jazz musicians was becoming addicted to heroin. Somebody might have been able to play like Charlie Parker, but if he couldn't shoot up like Charlie Parker, he was a nobody. Some greats, like Chet Baker and Bill Evans, spent as much time perfecting their needle technique as they did working on their scales.

When it first started, jazz was considered to be decadent

popular music. Teachers and parents banned children from listening to it in order to protect them from the powerful, corrupting influence of swing.

In the modern era, it's a lot easier to avoid the decadence of jazz. Today, jazz is mostly consigned to elevators and business management commercials, so as long as you avoid those, you're safe.

Conclusion:

"Classical music" is really a misnomer, because the term encompasses a wide variety of styles and time periods.

There is an idea that "classical music" is extremely intellectual and refined, but it's just not true. As we have seen, classical musicians were just as crazy, wild and — shall we say, "romantically" — oriented as musicians today.

So the next time your parents or friends get on your case about your loud/obnoxious/profane/weird music, just tell them, "Hey, it's in the tradition of Classical music." If they don't believe you, sing them an aria.

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Who is your favorite classical musician?

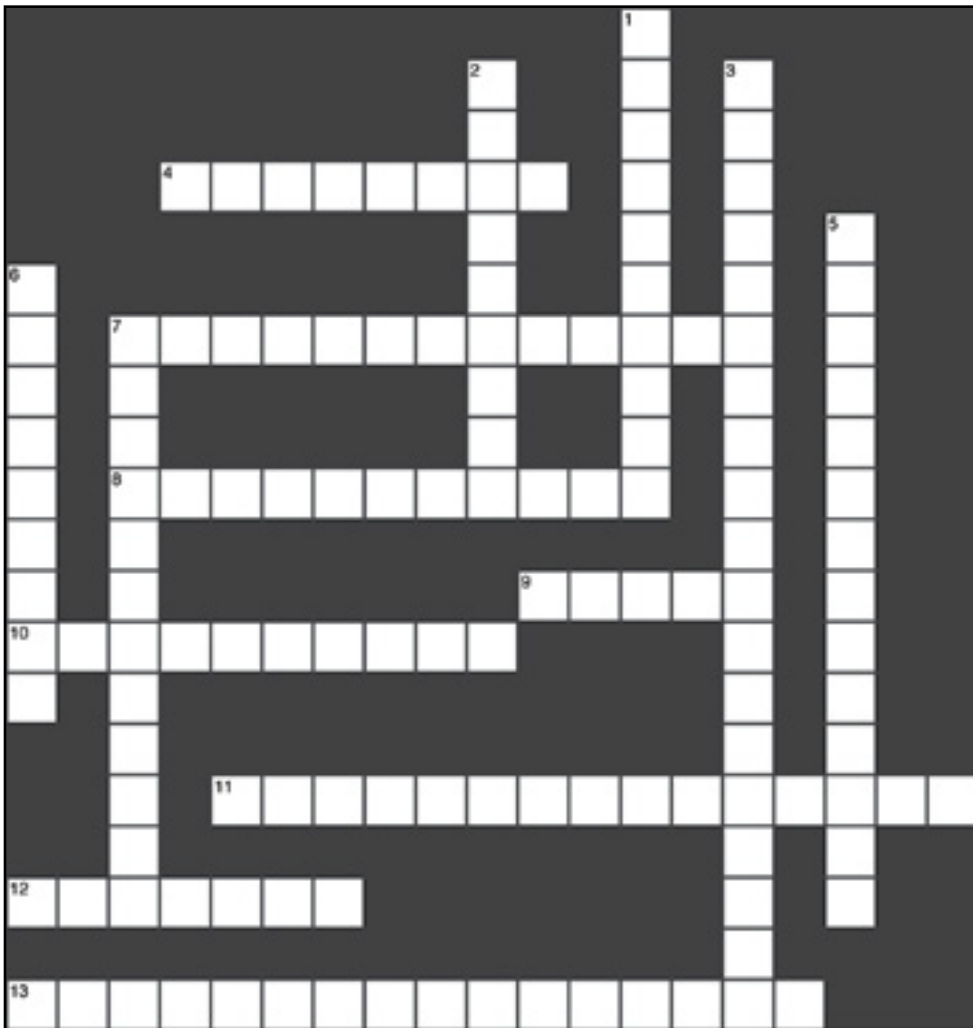
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7. Written by retired EWU professor Patrick F. McManus, this comedy centers on a young Patrick, played by EWU alumnus Tim Behrens (3 Words).
8. Constructed in 1969, this building began its use in 1970 and has only been completely shut down twice in those 42 years of service (2 Words).
9. A branch of Spokane's Sheriff Community Oriented Policing Effort, also known as ____, covers Cheney and EWU.
10. ____ is not to be confused with belonging to a third gender.
11. Wide receiver Brandon Kaufman performed in front of coaches and scouts at the annual NFL scouting combine at ____ in Indianapolis (3 Words).
12. This competition sponsored by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers student club was held Feb. 15 (2 Words).
13. The ____ program has extended its representation by offering classes to high schools, much like a running-start program,

expanding the outreach and family beyond the college level (2 Words).

Down

1. ____ is managed by Lanzce Douglass Properties, a company that is listed as not accredited by the Better Business Bureau (2 Words).
2. Building on the newly codified system of harmony, ____ musicians created music that presented and resolved melody in ways that emulated classical Greek and Western philosophy.
3. 36 companies, including Dominos and the ____, currently sponsor EWU's sports teams (3 Words).
5. Section 7 of the Fair Labor Standards Act requires that workplaces with more than 50 employees provide a private area for nursing mothers to ____ (3 Words).
6. The Office of Global Initiatives designed the ____ drive to provide children in need with something they can call their own (2 Words).
7. This tennis player played 18 out of 19 matches at No. 1 singles. The league's coaches also honored her as member of the All-Big Sky conference second team (2 Words).

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FROM THE EASTERNER ARCHIVE



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Feb. 28, 1985

Students and viewers are drawn to the PUB's third floor on Feb. 16 to participate and watch the annual Genghis Con gaming convention.

Egg drop:

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clear plastic drop mat, ready to examine dropped eggs and shout, "Clear," when he was ready for the next drop.

Ken Prothero, a senior in mechanical engineering technology, recited this year's rules: The egg container had to be less than 1 foot by 1 foot; it had to weigh less than a pound; entrants had to be able to open the container, recover the egg and then close it up again; and no memory foam, glass, liquid, lighter-than-air gases or flammables could be used.

"Last year we had one that had some memory foam in it," Prothero said. "It was indestructible."

Engelke, a senior mechanical engineering major, said, "Over the years, the designs of the projects have become very advanced, so we try to adjust the rules every single year to try to compensate for that."

Engelke said that any eggs that survive the drops—and they have dropped an egg out of a high residence hall window and had it survive—are finally subjected to a baseball bat. Club officers are not allowed to win, but several entered this year just for fun.

This was Abby Damerow's first year participating. The sophomore computer science major heard about the contest the same morning it was to be held and put together a last-minute entry made with a partially full peanut butter jar and other wrappings. It broke this year, but she says she might participate again next year.

"Maybe with a fuller peanut butter jar," she said. "If I'd had more time, I would've put together something better."

Senior mechanical engineering major Joshua Stebbins constructed an entry made with straws to cushion the impact, a large hollow plastic Easter egg and a lot of additional padding. His egg survived the first round but broke soon afterward.

"The top is modeled after a badminton birdie," he said. "Its skirt kind of keeps the heavy end dropping first. ... What let it down was the fact that I didn't account for a large enough egg. I thought it was going to be one of those smaller eggs, but it turned out to be a jumbo egg. So my

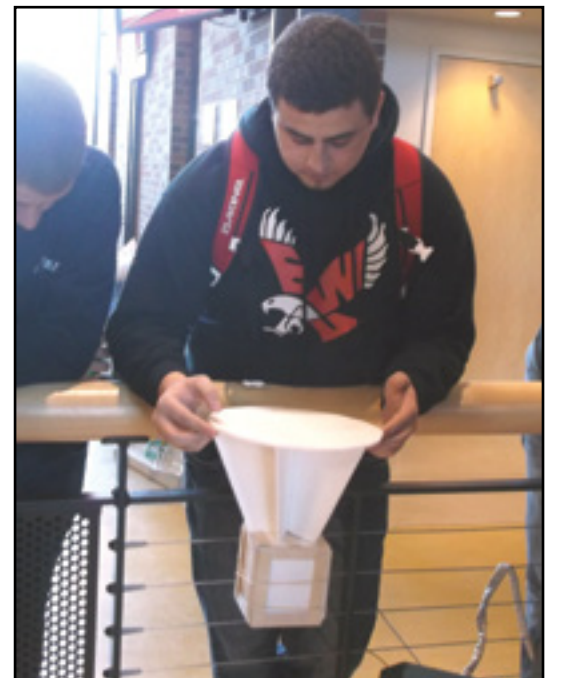


Photo by Lorna Hartman

A student prepares to test his design.

foam wasn't cut out enough inside."

In the end, several entries survived being dropped from the highest floor of the CEB to the lower level. The last remaining entrants took their eggs outside. Someone handed a baseball bat to Jason Durfee, associate professor of mechanical engineering, and he went after the last few eggs with enthusiasm.

Onlookers and contestants teased Durfee for not swinging hard enough when three of the entries survived the baseball bat treatment.

One of the entries was disqualified because it was not only entered by a club officer, but also because it was too big. So the competition ended with two winners: Nick Scull, a junior mechanical engineering major, and Arturo Martinez, a senior mechanical engineering technology major.

Scull and Martinez each received a bag of prizes, including a Swoop bobblehead and an American Society of Mechanical Engineers LED keychain, and then the winners put their egg containers on the ground and started passing the bat around to give everyone a chance to destroy the winning entries.

VIP:

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Typical tasks include writing parking tickets, impounding abandoned vehicles, fingerprinting clients, writing minor crime reports, performing traffic control duties and delivering paperwork to prosecuting attorneys.

"There are a myriad of administrative tasks that need to be done on a daily and weekly basis to keep a police department running. Not all of those tasks need to be accomplished by a commissioned policeman," Campbell said. "My goal is to keep the officers out on the street where they can do

the most good as often as possible."

Volunteers can eventually be trained to take minor incident reports, maintain the property and evidence room and dust crime scenes for fingerprints.

The program currently has vacancies. Those who are interested can visit www.cityofcheney.org, fill out an employment application and turn it in at the Cheney Police Department.

There are no age restrictions, but Volunteers in Policing members must be able to pass a law enforcement background check.

"You can't have felony convictions, you have to have a clean driver's record,

no moral turpitude violations, that kind of stuff," Campbell said.

Job-specific training is available to volunteers based upon which sort of tasks they are interested in tackling.

Campbell called the Volunteers in Policing program a "win-win."

"The city gets the benefit of the extra administrative work," he said. "Some of the tasks that sometimes can slip to the bottom of the pile just by call volume now can get some attention, and the people who are volunteering for us have an opportunity to give back to the community in a meaningful way."

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Feb. 19
12:45 p.m.
Theft

A student in Brewster Hall reported that his mountain bike, a navy blue Trek Navajo worth approximately \$200, had been stolen sometime in the last several days. The student noticed on Feb. 17 that both the bike and chain lock were gone.

Feb. 20
1 a.m.
Theft

A student in Streeter Hall reported that his bike had been stolen. He left the bike locked to a bike rack on Feb. 17 and when he returned on Feb. 20, both the bike and lock were missing.

Feb. 22
Domestic assault

Officers took a 12-year-old child into custody from the Townhouse Apartments for assaulting his

mother. He was transported to juvenile hall.

Feb. 23
2:28 a.m.
Minor in possession

A student was observed drinking in an elevator in Morrison Hall. The student tried to run, but EWU police were able to catch up and cited him for MIP.

1:54 p.m.
Agency assist

EWU Police assisted the Cheney Police Department with a possible domestic violence situation on First Street. One person was arrested on a DUI related warrant.

Midnight
Felony

Two students, a male and female from Pearce and Morrison halls, were arrested for possession of cocaine.

Feb. 24
Possession of a controlled substance

A female student in Morrison Hall was found in

possession of prescription drugs that did not belong to her. Officers also found pipes with marijuana and other drug residue. She was arrested for possession of a controlled substance.

Feb. 25
Missing person

Officers received a report from a student that their roommate had been missing for 24 hours. The student returned to his residential hall before police arrived, citing that his cellphone battery had died while he stayed with a friend.

Tip of the week:

Having any kind of prescription drugs in your possession that are unlabeled is illegal. Make sure all prescription drugs are clearly labeled.



Illustrated by Vania Tauvela

Feb. 24 - Possession of a controlled substance
A female student was found in possession of prescription drugs that did not belong to her and was arrested for possession of a controlled substance. Arresting officers also found marijuana pipes and other drug residue.

Easterner Horoscopes:

By Kristie Hsin and Linsey Garrison
FOR THE EASTERNER

Pisces Feb 19-Mar 20:

Notice how there is always a 10-foot radius between you and everyone else? It's because everyone can tell that you haven't washed your shirt in a week. Please wash it. Your peers will thank you.

Aries Mar 21-Apr 19:

It's your turn to do dishes. Your roommates are getting annoyed with having to pick up after you. They're not your mother or your keeper. Get off your butt and start contributing.

Taurus Apr 20-May 20:

Lay off the Tequila. Next time you black out you're going to wake up in a storage closet at Eagle Point.

Gemini May 21-Jun 20:

Congrats to the huge weight that has been lifted from your hard-working shoulders. Now all that's left for you to do is figure out how you're going to pay for your next meal. Good luck.

Cancer Jun 21-Jul 22:

Consider going to the gym more often. Before you know it, spring will be here and everyone will be showing off their beach-hottie body except you. You don't want that to happen, do you?

Leo Jul 23-Aug 22:

You have too much drama in your life and yet, you're the common denominator in every situation. Quit with the pity party, stop feeling sorry for yourself and start living your life.

Virgo Aug 23-Sep 22:

Your relationship is failing

because there's more than two people in it. Some people just don't know how to count, so be the smart one and set things straight. Decide whether they're worth staying with so that you can get back to more important things like spooning.

Libra Sep 23-Oct 22:

You have trouble registering for classes every quarter so it's no surprise that you couldn't register for microeconomics and indoor cycling. The reason? You keep registering for classes held at the same time. Consider reading the fine print before clicking your mouse.

Scorpio Oct 23-Nov 21:

You say you have a lot on your plate. Well, guess what? So does every other person in the world. Think of the saying, "Go big or go home." Only you can't go home, so go big.

Sagittarius Nov 22-Dec 21:

If you can get through today, you can get through anything. But just in case, lay off the fireball and crown this weekend. You might regret it come gameday.

Capricorn Dec 22-Jan 19:

Prepare to be hung over like never before this weekend. Consider stocking up on some Kraft Easy Mac, Gatorade and a new garbage can. You can label it, "Puke pal."

Aquarius Jan 20-Feb 18:

You recently took a major risk and things did not turn out the way you had hoped. Some things happen, or don't happen, for a reason. Get over it. Tomorrow is a new day.

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Bears:

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no real restriction as to who may participate," Moreno said.

The Office of Global Initiatives chose to collect teddy bears because it proved to be an easy event for students to participate in. Moreno said that the event needed to be uncomplicated in order to get students to participate.

"It's something that encourages [students] to bring an extra teddy bear that they might have from home," Moreno said.

Hoogstad said, "It's a wonderful thing to make the kids smile, and I think that's great." Hoogstad and Moreno hope that the teddy bear drive will continue next year because they both think that the drive is worthwhile.

"They can never have enough teddy bears," said Moreno.

Several locations around EWU's campus will collect stuffed animals through March 11. All of the toys will then be donated to the children receiving care at Sally's House. However, stuffed animals will still be accepted through the following week at Hargreaves Hall 103.



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Student Alexa Haberlack donates a teddy bear in the PUB, one of Eastern's several campus locations. Teddy bears and other stuffed animals will be collected through March 11.

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JULKA LAWRENCE

Harvey provides fire off the Eagle bench

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Down by 18 points with 7:35 left on the clock against Northern Arizona on Feb. 9, redshirt freshman guard Tyler Harvey stepped onto the court and ignited a triumphant comeback for the Eagles.

Coming off the bench, Harvey was at the top of his game, converting 4-of-5 from the 3-point line and scoring 14 points. At the time, Harvey was a virtual unknown, averaging just 4.8 minutes in his 13 games played at that point in the season.

"What an inspiration from Tyler [Harvey]," said head coach Jim Hayford after the Feb. 9 overtime victory. "That substitution brought some inspiration, and then the rest of our team was playing at the top of their level."

Since that game, Harvey has seen more playing time. He played only 10 minutes in the game against Northern Arizona, but saw 14 minutes of action in the next game, a Feb. 16 win at home against Southern Utah. In the game against Portland State on Feb. 28, Harvey's playing time more than doubled at 29 minutes.

He made the most of it, leading the Eagles with 23 points on 10-of-18 from the floor in the Eagles 89-80 loss.

"You couldn't ask for a better example of somebody given the opportunity to show, 'I can play to the very best of my ability,'" said

Hayford. "That is what Tyler's doing."

While Harvey attributes some of his success to his talent, he learns key aspects of the game from watching his older teammates.

"Learning from Kevin [Winford], Jeff [Forbes] and [Collin Chiverton], I learned a lot sitting back on the bench," said Harvey. "When you get into the game you try to mimic them and do what they do."

Watching his teammates certainly elevates his game. Despite playing in only 16 games and starting none of them, Harvey has become an efficient shooter. He is second on the team in field goal percentage, shooting 54.3 percent from the floor. Although he has only attempted 22 shots from the 3-point line, he has converted nine of them, good for a 40.9 field goal percentage from downtown, which leads the team.

Perhaps just as impressive as his shooting prowess is his play on defense. In his past four games, Harvey has averaged 1.75 steals per contest. To put that in perspective, the next player on that list, freshman forward Venky Jois, averages 0.9 steals over his 23 game span. According to Harvey, his 6-foot-4-inch frame and long arms allow him to cause defensive chaos.

"I try to cause havoc on the defensive end and get a lot of deflections and tips," said Harvey. "I just try to make it tough for the defender with my arms."

According to Hayford, Harvey demonstrates just as much character off the court as he does on it.

"He's a great young man -- outstanding character [and a] great student," said Hayford. "He epitomizes everything that we want in a player in our program."

Harvey will need to utilize every aspect of his skillset to give the Eagles a chance to make it to the Big Sky Tournament. The top seven teams in the conference make the postseason. Right now, Eastern sits at eighth place with a 6-10 record. However, they are only a game behind a multi-team traffic jam in the middle of the conference. Sacramento State, Montana State and Northern Arizona are only a game ahead of the Eagles, each with a 7-9 conference record. Northern Colorado sits just a half game in front of the Eagles at 7-10.

"We're in a position where if we defend our home court, we can be a part of the Big Sky Tournament," said Hayford. "When you look at the history of Eastern basketball, there are more times we haven't been in it than we have. ... To get into it would be great."

According to Harvey, the team is continuing to grow as the regular season winds down with only four conference games remaining.

"We just need to keep growing as a team," said Harvey. "I think we're going to be OK."



Photo by Aaron Malmoe

Harvey started the first game of his collegiate career against Sam Houston State on Feb. 23.

Eagles, led by Hedberg, have won their last four

Sophomore serves up victories and aces

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Moir Hedberg's hard work and tennis background are what have made her a successful EWU athlete.

According to head coach Dustin Hinson, Hedberg comes from a big tennis family. Her sisters also play tennis, which shows that the sport has been a big part of her life. "She was really successful as a junior tennis player and we were just fortunate to be able to recruit her and get her to come to Eastern," Hinson said.

During her first year at Eastern, Hedberg managed to get herself to the top of the tennis lineup. She played 18 out of 19 matches at No. 1 singles. She also was honored by the league's coaches as member of the All-Big Sky conference second team.

Hedberg won five of her first eight matches during the 2012 spring campaign. Her big wins included a 6-4, 6-2 victory against Northern Colorado and a 7-6 victory against Portland State. She was recently named Big Sky player of the week. As a high school student, Hedberg was one of the top 40 players in the southwest region of Oxnard, Calif.

According to Hedberg's doubles partner, Chelsea Patton, Hedberg is fun to be around. "It's really fun playing doubles with her, and also playing singles next to her," Patton

said. Patton is No. 2 in singles so she plays on the tennis court besides Hedberg who is No. 1 when they are competing. "We're always next to each other supporting each other. She's really excelled this season."

According to Patton, Hedberg pushes her teammates in practice and encourages them to improve. During matches, Hedberg is vocal and supportive toward her fellow teammates. Patton and Hedberg have played doubles together before their college careers.

Patton describes her as calm and confident. This is something the team is learning and picking up from her. Hedberg looks at this season as a step above last year and approves of her team. "[The season] has been going a lot better than last year. I think the team has come together a lot more. We're all practicing really good."

Hedberg thinks of herself as a positive addition to the team. She tries her best to be supportive and she tries to lift everyone up. As far as competing, Hedberg tries not to think negative thoughts. "I like to think about myself and my games and not let [the opponents] get into my head too much," said Hedberg.

According to Hedberg, her greatest achievement this year was how much she has improved as a tennis player compared to last season. Last year, when she started off as No. 1, she did not know how the



Photo by Evan Sykes

Moir Hedberg will look to build upon her season against Gonzaga's No. 1 singles player Katie Edwards on March 1.

season was going to go, but to her surprise it went well. This season Hedberg wants to keep that No. 1 spot by consistently improving.

Hedberg wants to be able to focus on finishing out her matches the right way. "I think I need to work on closing out my matches because I play against these good girls who are ranked way higher than I am, but then I'm right there with them. But I psyche myself out," said Hed-

berg. She wants to avoid any mental lapses as well.

Both Hedberg and Patton work on maintaining positive attitudes and intensity. Hedberg thinks their strength is their physicality on the court, which makes them competitive. Hinson likes what he sees when Hedberg competes on the court and is looking forward to seeing more of her hard work.

"Her attitude that she brings to the court is just as good as her playing ability," Hinson said. He wants to see continued improvement in Hedberg's doubles matches with Patton, along with more communication and footwork on the court. "They're working on being aggressive, really crossing a lot and communicating a lot, which can help to confuse their opponents," Hinson said.

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Eagles thrash nonconference foe Bearkats

Eagles set Big Sky blocked shots record

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The Eagles took a break from Big Sky Conference play on Feb. 23 to take on the Sam Houston University Bearkats in an ESPN BracketBusters game.

Although the Eagles ended the first half with a 41-25 advantage over Sam Houston, the Bearkats refused to quit. They came back strong during the second half, and the lead got as narrow as two points within the last seconds of the game.

Sophomore forward Martin Seiferth said that he did not want to be too confident at the end of the first half.

"We've had a couple of games where we lost the second half," Seiferth said. "You have to tell yourself, 'Don't give up. Keep playing, even if you're up 20.'"

Eastern fought hard for the remainder of the half and ended the game with a new school record for 16 blocked shots in a single game. This total was divided between four players: Seiferth, freshman Tyler Harvey, freshman Venky Jois and senior Collin Chiverton. Seiferth alone had eight of the blocked shots.

"To block 16 shots in a



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Freshman forward Venky Jois had 11 points, eight rebounds, six assists and four blocks against Sam Houston State on Feb. 23.

game, I've never been a part of something like that in my life," said head coach Jim Hayford. "We knew we had a height advantage, and they maybe had a quickness advantage, and it would show up somewhere."

Seiferth was proud of this accomplishment, but he also said that blocking shots may not be quite as easy in future games because the height advantage will not be there.

Senior guard Jeffrey Forbes hit a milestone of his own during the game. He surpassed 1,000 career points, ending the game with a grand total of 1,004, after scoring 11 points. Forbes is the 16th player in Eastern history to make 1,000 career points.

Because this was not a conference game, Hayford and the team went in with a different mindset.

"We approached today like our best practice for our big game Thursday against Northern Colorado," Hayford said. "I thought our guys had a lot coming at them — a very athletic team — and [they] kept enough poise to finish."

Hayford also commented on Harvey's performance as starting guard in place of Kevin Winford, who is sitting

out due to surgery from compartment syndrome. Harvey started the season as a fourth string point guard, but he helped lead the team to a big win over the Bearkats.

"The best thing Tyler did today was eight defensive rebounds, and some of that was chasing down blocked shots," Hayford said. "Tyler continues to step up and seize the opportunity. It's a lot of

pressure on a freshman point guard."

Putting Harvey in the lineup this game marks 13 different starting lineup changes throughout the course of the season. Jois, who is still recovering from an injured ankle, said that his team has never been 100 percent healthy at the same time during any point in the season.

In terms of his own health, Jois said he is operating at about 85 percent.

"When I went for the dunk, my ankle was hurting so badly after that. Hopefully come Thursday, I'll be at 95 [percent]," Jois said.

Despite these setbacks, the Eagles still made impressive percentages from the field and from behind the arc. Their field goal percentage was 60.5 and their 3-point percentage was 55.6 for the game. In comparison, Sam Houston was 33.3 percent from the field and 30.4 percent from behind the arc.

Hayford said this shows significant improvement in his team's offensive abilities, which is something he thought they struggled with earlier in the season.

"Our theme today was great effort, great execution and great efficiency," Hayford said. "As we're nearing the most important games of the year, we're starting to play complete games, and I thought today was a complete game."

Track and field men finish seventh, women ninth

Four Eagles earn all-conference honors at Big Sky Indoor Championships

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At the Big Sky Championships Feb. 22 through the 23, despite having four all-conference performers Eastern's track and field team did not have enough points to come out on top.

The men placed seventh with 46 points and the women ninth with 26 points. Athletes received points for their team if they placed between first and eighth.

All-conference honorees included Jordan Arakawa, Brad Michael, Marlyn Anderson and Emma Murrillo.

Sophomore Arakawa placed second in weight throw with a personal best of 65-4, an almost 6-foot difference from his previous record. He is now second in school history.

For the women, finishing third in weight throw was sophomore Murrillo with a mark of 58-8 1/2, tying her for third all-time in school history with junior Vania Tauvela who placed fourth at the conference.

Senior Marlyn Anderson finished third in shot put with a personal best of 56-11 1/4. He is now fifth all-time at Eastern. His father Bruce Anderson holds the fourth all-time record.

Sophomore Brad Michael placed second in the 400-meter with a time of 47.84 seconds. He also placed fifth in the 200-meter with 21.84 seconds.

This year the Big Sky Conference added two new teams, Northern Arizona and Southern Utah, bringing the total to 11 competing universities.

On the women's side, the strength of the women's team lied in the pole vaulters. According to head women's coach Marcia Mecklenburg, they had

the most depth. "We are looking for them to do some good things for us," Mecklenburg said.

Of the six competing pole vaulters, junior Robin Taylor tied for sixth in pole vault with freshman Anandae Clark, another EWU track and field member. Defending champion Keisa Monterola started the competition at 12-9, but did not clear the bar.

The women jumpers that placed included freshman Alyssa Neal, senior Brianna Okoro, senior Elise Jensen and freshman Sierra Arlauskas.

"The strength of our conference ... is distance running. You look at which athletes in which sports make it to the national championships at the NCAA Division I level. Across the board, it's distance running in the Big Sky Conference," said head men's coach Stanley Kerr.

The track and field team has a phenomenal level of talented athletes who run 800 meters to 5,000 meters, according to Kerr. "We look at the standards of the 3,000 meter, 5,000 meter, the mile, are all very difficult standards to make it to the meet, let alone win it."

Kerr said that he was excited to see both Chris Scroll, who is coming off a redshirt season, and Vince Hamilton competing for the Eagles on the indoor circuit.

Hamilton is a sophomore who ran 15 minutes, 15.11 seconds to place eighth in the 5,000-meter race, which is under a five-minute mile. Schroll, a junior, has a personal best of 4 minutes, 37.02 seconds for the indoor mile.

Another contributing distance runner was freshman David Thor who ran the 800-meter race in 1 minute, 56.21 seconds, placing seventh.

"[Distance coach] Chris Zeller

is continuing to add to the distance running legacy, with guys like Hamilton and Schroll, who will continue to carry the good word of our distance runners," Kerr said.

Distance runners are not only running against some of the best runners in the conference, but the best in the country, according to Kerr.

Sophomore Nick Stearns, an all-conference pole-vaulter, cleared the bar at 15-9 and placed fifth. Kerr said he had a good indoor season.

High jumper Cody Fishel is in his last season and went into the competition with confidence. He had already competed at the Bozeman facility for conference and placed sixth this conference. Kerr described him as a seasoned high jumper.

Fishel has been able to train harder and stay focused longer. "I'll miss it when I'm done, but I'm excited to go out knowing I did everything I could," Fishel said.

The team gained points for every player that placed within the top eight.

Coach Macklenburg emphasized to her athletes that everyone has a role on the team.

"It's about who keeps their composure through warm-ups, having a terrific mental map. Physically anyone can be ready to compete, but mentally, if you're not there weeks ahead of time, you probably won't be very successful at this level for very long," Kerr said.

The indoor track and field season is preparing the team for the new cycle of outdoor conference. "Hopefully everyone will be peaking by the outdoor conference," Mecklenburg said.

Junior Michael Okoro said he just wants to be the best. This was his fifth



Photo by Anna Mills

Sophomore Nick Stearns placed fifth in the pole vault with a height of 15-9.

Big Sky Championship, including indoor and outdoor track seasons.

"If I could have all the sprint records at Eastern that's what I'd want. I want to be the best, that's what motivates me is striving for more," Okoro said.

Okoro was the champion in the 4x400 meter relay at last year's Big Sky Indoor Championships. He was not a member of the indoor 4x400 meter relay team. In the championships, he did not regis-

ter a fast enough time to get to the finals, and disqualified from the 200-meter.

"Vigilance has [got to] be higher than it's ever been. That's something that is not a given. As coaches we got to give [our athletes] mental and physical tools to be successful at this level," Kerr said.

Kerr asks his athletes, "What do you do better than anyone else that allows you to be on top of the podium level?"

Several regional sponsors engage Eastern athletics

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According to the Eastern athletics website, EWU's sports teams are currently sponsored by 36 companies, including Dominos and the Northern Quest Casino.

These companies provide promotions and giveaways for students at various sporting events. Dominos provides the 3-point shot promotion during basketball games. The first player to make a 3-pointer gets the equivalent of their number added to \$3. This becomes the cost of a medium, one-topping pizza that is re-

deemable on the same day as the game.

Based off of the team's numbers, the lowest price pizza would be \$3.01 if freshman Tyler Harvey made the first 3-point shot of the game, and the highest price would be \$3.55 for freshman Venky Jois.

Steve Bege, the general manager of the Cheney Dominos, said he hopes to have other promotions in the future.

"We're trying to set up something where [Eastern will] have a sports night where they hand out a bunch of flyers [for pizzas] and some of the proceeds go to EWU," Bege said.

If companies want to sponsor Eastern athletics, they go through Tim Shustoff, senior account executive at KP Sports.

"Realistically, we try to engage local, regional and national companies," Shustoff said. "We meet with them and address what their specific marketing needs are."

Depending on the specific needs of the company, Shustoff then creates tailored plans that can incorporate multimedia and signage elements. Shustoff said general, basic proposals are also available.

"We have general proposals that are very basic and kind of flat, and we custom-

ize and develop those as we meet with these companies. Some people like just the general proposals; it's easy, it's simple and straightforward," Shustoff said.

Other companies want to incorporate activities that will engage students into their plans. Dominos is one of these companies, and according to Bege, one of the ways the company interacts with students is through giving out free pizzas to the loudest cheering fans during basketball games.

A trade partnership is the third way that companies can choose to sponsor Eastern athletics. The company will provide goods or services in

exchange for advertisements during sporting events.

"A trade relationship we have that we value quite a bit is the Northern Quest Casino," Shustoff said.

Before the Feb. 2 men's basketball game against Montana, the Northern Quest Casino provided the first 1,500 fans with free T-shirts. During football season, the coach's shows were held at the Northern Quest Casino.

Shustoff explained that if a company wants to use an athlete to promote their product or service, the company must follow the NCAA compliance rules. This includes filling out a form and being familiar with compliance rules, which

include a provision that the athlete not miss class.

"A lot [of the rules] comes down to NCAA compliance. Any marketing that we do is approved by the athletic department so we clear all compliance issues," Shustoff said.

One of the main reasons companies choose athletic events to promote themselves is because of the large number of students that will all be in one central area.

"That's a very large demographic. Being able to engage them in an arena where you're going to have over 10,000 people at one single time, that's a very direct way to engage a crowd for a specific purpose," Shustoff said.

Sports in brief:

The women's tennis team record improved to 4-5 overall after a dominant 7-0 performance against Seattle University on Feb. 23 in Issaquah, Wash. It was the Eagles' fourth consecutive win. Seattle held an advantage early after Eastern's Christy Uriate and Kelsey Knight lost their No. 2 doubles match, 8-2. No. 1 doubles Moira Hedberg and Chelsea Patton evened the score with a win of their own, 8-3. With the doubles point at stake, Eastern's Alexis Filliol and Rocio Norena won the point for the Eagles in the No. 3 doubles match, triumphing 8-6. The Eagles cruised by the Redhawks in singles play, with Eastern's Ryann Warner joining Hedberg, Uriate, Patton, Knight and Filliol in winning their respective matches.

Several Eagle football players flung themselves into the frigid waters of Liberty Lake on Feb. 23 to take part in the Polar Plunge, a fundraiser for Special Olympics Washington. The event was organized by several law enforcement agencies in the state. The team won the award for the top fundraising school, raising approximately \$700.

Former Eastern football player Jay Day, who is now a member of the EWU Police Department, received the Tom Oswald Memorial Award during the EWU Football Awards Banquet on Feb. 24. The Tom Oswald Memorial Award was created in 2007 in memory of former Cheney High School coach Tom Oswald, who passed away on Aug. 4, 2006. The Eastern coaching staff looks for potential recipients of the award based on helping youth. Day was a defensive back for the Eagles from 1992 to 1995. After graduating from Eastern, he began coaching at Cheney High School, where he remains the school's defensive coordinator. "What he does for this community and university is commendable," said head coach Beau Baldwin. "We couldn't be prouder of him as a former football player here."

Upcoming:

The men's basketball team will host Northern Colorado on Feb. 28 at 6:05 p.m. On March 2, the Eagles will host North Dakota at 2:05 p.m. Both games are at Reese Court in Cheney.

The women's basketball team will travel to take on Northern Colorado on Feb. 28 at 6:05 p.m., followed by North Dakota on March 2 at 10 a.m.

The men's tennis team will host Montana State in the Jim Thorpe Fieldhouse in Cheney on March 1 at 3 p.m., followed by Northern Colorado on March 2 at 4 p.m.

The women's tennis team will travel to Spokane to take on Gonzaga on March 1 at 5 p.m. They return to Cheney on March 2 to host Northern Colorado at 10 a.m.

The women's golf team will compete in the Red Rocks Invitational at the Oakcreek Country Club in Sedona, Ariz., on March 2 and 3.

Eagle women reach for the 'Sky'

Eagles dismantle Vikings, win Dam Cup

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Redshirt freshman Hayley Hodgins had the hot hand for the Eagles as they trounced Portland State 83-51 at Reese Court on Feb. 21.

Hodgins scored a career-high 24 points, and the Eagles held Portland State to just 29.5 percent shooting en route to Eastern's largest victory of the season. The Eagles, 15-10 overall, clinched a berth in the Big Sky Conference tournament and remain in third place in the league with an 11-5 record. Northern Colorado and the University of Montana are each two games clear of EWU with similar 13-3 conference résumés, and whichever team finishes with the top overall seed will host the conference tournament.

After scoring a previous career-best 22 points in a 68-56 victory over Portland State on Jan. 21, Hodgins was halfway to 40 by halftime and made her first seven field-goal attempts. She finished 7-of-8 from the field, including 3-of-4 from 3-point range and 7-of-8 from the free-throw line. Hodgins also contributed with four assists and one rebound, playing limited minutes in the second half because of the lopsided score.

The Eagles jumped out to a 46-21 halftime lead, shooting 60 percent from the floor in the process. The 46 first-half points are the most scored by EWU in any first half this season. "We were just moving the ball really well," Hodgins said. "I had the hot hand and they were just giving it to me. We were taking



Senior center Carrie Ojeda celebrates with her teammates after an 83-51 victory over Portland State on Feb. 21.

a lot of what came to us. Our first five possessions, we really took advantage and I think that got us going."

Head coach Wendy Schuller said that Hodgins got into a rhythm by making baskets closer to the rim. "The thing that she did best is she got herself going with layups," Schuller said. "She got a couple early inside buckets, got her confidence going and then took some wide open good shots from three and knocked those down. I think that kind of got her feeling good."

"As a shooter, when you make your first shot, it's always a good sign," Hodgins said. "You always want to get into the flow."

Emphasizing strong play in transition both offensively and defensively, the Eagles were able to take advantage of slip-

shod play from the Vikings—EWU outscored Portland State in points off turnovers by a 25-0 margin. "We really wanted to push the ball in transition as much as we could," Schuller said. "That was something we talked about. We thought coming into the game that transition basketball was going to be key. We needed to be able to run and we needed to play great transition defense."

Charged with the task of guarding multiple scoring threats, junior Aubrey Ashenfelter earned Schuller's admiration. Vikings guard Courtney VanBrocklin, second in the conference with 15.2 points scored per game, was held to just seven points on 2-of-9 shooting. "You think about the fact that she guarded VanBrocklin, who's their point guard and has a perimeter

game ... and then we ask her to guard a post player—she can handle all of it and she does it all," Schuller said. "That's pretty special when you have a defender and sometimes those players are kind of unnoticed."

"She didn't put up huge stats, but she made a huge difference for us on the floor."

The Eagles' lead grew to as many as 41 points in the second half before sloppy play allowed the Vikings to go on a 10-0 run. "We didn't play as focused late in the game—probably the last eight to 10 minutes," Schuller said. "I didn't think we were as focused as we were the first 30, but I thought we did continue to play hard."

Redshirt sophomore guard Lexie Nelson scored 14 points on 5-of-9 shooting and was an efficient 3-of-6 from downtown. Junior Laura Hughes

continued her strong play off the bench, scoring 12 points in just 17 minutes.

With the win, EWU secured the "Dam Cup," a five-sport rivalry between Eastern and Portland State instituted in 2010. The friendly competition includes football, women's soccer, women's volleyball, men's basketball and women's basketball. "We just wanted to hold up our end of the deal," Schuller said. "We knew that it was on our shoulders and so I'm glad we did."

EWU next faces Northern Colorado on the road on Feb. 28 before traveling to North Dakota on March 2 in the Eagles' final two road games in the regular season. The Eagles will be looking for the season sweep on both teams.

Kaufman works out at combine

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In an effort to boost his NFL draft stock, Eagles' record-breaking wide receiver Brandon Kaufman performed in front of coaches and scouts at the annual NFL scouting combine from Feb. 21 to 24 at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis.

Kaufman was the lone participant from EWU in what is known by some as the "underwear olympics" in which prospective NFL draftees execute a series of on-field workouts and medical and psychological testing.

"Overall it was a great experience," Kaufman said. "It was a really, really long four days and I think they did that on purpose just to make it stressful and see how you can handle it. I think I did well throughout the whole process with all the tests [and] with all the interviews and then ultimately on Sunday [in drills] I thought I performed to the best of my ability."

After suffering knee injuries in high school and college, Kaufman was thoroughly examined by team doctors at the combine. "I'd say about 40 to 50 doctors examined my body and you just go from room to room," he said. "After the first room you think you're done because you get a full examination and then they report to the teams. Then, you go into the next room and do the exact same thing. You do that six times. You have other tests you do that day. That was overall probably the most straining day—about six hours of people just tugging on you that whole time."

Kaufman showed off his knowledge of the wide receiver position when he met with teams for informal interviews. "I talked to about 16 teams," Kaufman said. "We would be in a big room and all the teams would be in there, all the repre-

sentatives. I typically talked to all the receivers coaches on the team. I would draw up plays and they would ask me some background information. They asked me if I understood the coverage and found out what I knew and my knowledge of football."

In the all-important 40-yard dash, Kaufman clocked in at 4.67 seconds, one of the slower times for wide receivers in a class of elite speedsters. However, his 10-yard split of 1.59 seconds indicated quickness off the line, especially for a 6-foot-5-inch wide receiver.

Kaufman, who set the all-time single-season record in Football Championship Subdivision history with 1,850 receiving yards in 2012, registered a 33.5 inch vertical jump and repped 225 pounds on the bench press nine times. Considering Kaufman's long arms—32 ¼ inches long, to be exact—nine reps is not a terrible result, due to the added bar height needed to achieve each repetition. Kaufman's broad jump, in which a player leaps from a standing position, came in at 9 feet, 7 inches.

For measurement of agility and fluidity, Kaufman and other wide receivers performed two shuttle drills—20 and 60 yards—and a three-cone drill. Kaufman ran the 20- and 60-yard shuttles in 4.44 and 12.14 seconds and finished the three-cone drill in 7.11 seconds.

Kaufman's next step leading up to the NFL draft is EWU's pro day, to be held at Roos Field on March 6 at 1 p.m. Kaufman, who said he will perform the same drills he did at the combine, will be joined by fellow Eagles receivers Greg Herd and Nicholas Edwards, quarterback Kyle Padron and Washington State University wide receiver Marquess Wilson and quarterback Jeff Tuel. The 2013 NFL draft takes place at Radio City Music Hall in New York City from April 25 to the 27.

