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All-star safety arrives from UCLA

Expect to find The Easterner on news stands on Thursdays spring quarter. Stay ahead of distribution by visiting 'Current Issue' on EasternerOnline. com as early as Tuesday nights.

The ASEWU is holding an Election Board Grievance Hearing on April 18 at 5 p.m. in PUB 307 and will address a grievance filed against an election candidate for alleged distribution of materials.

Love poetry and performance art? Eagle Entertainment will be hosting a spoken poetry event with Spoken Poet artists Katie Wirsing and Chas on April 22 from 7 to 9 p.m. in the PUB MPR. Admission is free.

ASEWU primary is

April 23. See our voter guide beginning on page 6. For additional information, visit PUB 303.

The EWU Women's Studies Center and EWU Army ROTC will be co-sponsoring a screening of Kirby Dick's Oscar and Emmy-nominated film, "The Invisible War." The screening will be April 24 from 1 to 3:20 p.m. in Monroe 207 and will be followed by a panel discussion.

"Speak Up: Being a Partner in Diversity' will be held on April 24 in the JFK Curriculum center from 3 to 4 p.m.

As part of Pride Week 2013, the workshop, "Fighting Bigotry and Bias on Campus," will be held on April 24 at JFK Library Lower Level. Faculty and staff workshops are at 9 a.m. and noon followed by the student workshop at 3 p.m.



UCLA transfer Tevin McDonald takes a water break during his first practice as an Eagle on April 11. He wore the No. 7 at UCLA.

McDonald seeks new start in Cheney after being dismissed as a Bruin

By Josh Friesen SPORTS EDITOR easterner.sports@gmail.com

The Eagles have another ball-hawk defender to bolster an already talented array of defensive backs. Tevin McDonald, a free safety recently dismissed from the UCLA football program for violating team policies, has made the 1,100 mile journey from Los Angeles to Cheney to play football at Eastern. According to the Los Angeles Times, McDonald was released after failing a third drug test. According to McDonald, he is ready to make the best of his second chance, this time as an Eagle. He is excited for a fresh start. "I'm putting that behind me," McDonald said. "I'd call it an experience that has taught me a lot about myself, about the people around me, ... [and] it will definitely be something that I grow from."

freshman in 2011, where he learned from his miscues, the tied for ninth in the Pac-12 Conference in passes defended. In UCLA's game against Cal, McDonald tied the school record with three interceptions in one game. He started the first 13 games of the 2012 season as a Bruin, where he ranked third on the team in tackles with 79. He was unable to travel with the team for their Holiday Bowl appearance due to his violation. Head coach Beau Baldwin acknowledged that Mc-Donald made some mistakes at UCLA and has had to pay the consequences. "I won't sugarcoat that," Baldwin said. "But you get into the details of who he was growing up, ... and you find out about the person outside of the mistakes." According to Baldwin, he and his coaching staff did extensive research, not only on McDonald's play on the field, but his attributes as a person. Baldwin said that if he had not been impressed with the way McDonald has

coach would not have pursued the young free safety.

The caliber of McDonald's character beyond his lapses in judgement was what made Baldwin com-



The Masquerade Ball

to conclude Pride Week 2013 will be April 26 from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. at Tawanka 215.

Graduation is almost here. The EWU Bookstore will be holding Grad Finales on April 23 at the Riverpoint campus and April 24 and 25 at the University Bookstore at the Cheney campus. Graduates must purchase cap, gown and necessary cords. Contact the EWU bookstore for more information. Graduation ceremonies commence at 9 a.m. June 15.

The non-traditional student awareness team

is looking for volunteers that need portfolio or résumé experience as they tackle a resource website for nontraditional students. For more information about this project please contact Sherie Lynn Betances-Vela at sherielynn@eagles.ewu. edu.



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McDonald, a redshirt junior, appeared in 14 games for the Bruins as a redshirt

fortable acquiring him.

"As you got to know him and have conversations with him and have him up here to campus you're like, 'Man," Baldwin said. "He's got so much going for him. ... He's just got to understand that, 'OK, [I have] made some mistakes. I got to work past these now.'

"This is a second chance, and probably in his mind the last chance," Baldwin said.

Aside from the personal traits that Baldwin believes make McDonald a great addition to Eastern's football team, the 5-feet-10-inch free safety also possesses the talent to succeed on the field. McDonald has been a consistent playmaker not only in the Pac-12 but in high school as well. He was recruited

Photo by Josh Friesen

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UCLA transfer Tevin McDonald mixes it up with the football team in his first practice as an Eagle.

Sam has enough RAM to process any emergency

By Aascot Holt STAFF WRITER aascot.holt@gmail.com

A robot that can cry, bleed, faint and sweat is helping EWU dental hygiene students learn how to handle emergency situations.

Sam is a human patient simulator, i.e., a human-like robot, used to recreate emergency situations. Laerdal and CAE Healthcare are the only two companies on Earth that make human patient simulators. Sam is a "SimMan 3G," created by the Norwegian company Laerdal.

Lisa Bilich is an assistant professor for the EWU Dental Hygiene program at the

Riverpoint campus in Spokane's university district. Bilich was one of the first 250 Americans to be a certified simulation educator. "I'm very protective of him," said Bilich.

The dental hygiene program used to rent a less advanced simulator from the WSU's College of Pharmacy. Before Sam was purchased, "We used to have faculty just drop [on the floor] in the middle of clinic and see if the students would react," said Bilich.

Today, Sam is shared with WSU's College of Pharmacy and the University of

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Hygiene machines falter in some school restrooms

By Amy Meyer

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Kelli Crawford wanted to buy a tampon, but all she found was an empty dispenser.

Crawford said that not only did she find the unstocked dispensers frustrating, but she thought the unavailability of these products as unhygienic. She felt unwelcome.

Menstruation is a natural, biological function of a woman's reproductive cycle. The uterus produces a lining to nurture a fertilized egg, but if no fertilized egg is present, then the lining is shed. This shedding is called menstruation or a period. Considering that a little over half of the students enrolled at Eastern Washington University are women, menstruation is a big deal to more than just a few people.

The Easterner found twelve buildings on campus with absolutely no working feminine hygiene machines. The machines were either absent, empty, broken or ate quar-

ters without producing a product. Some buildings had broken or empty machines in some bathrooms and machines that worked in other bathrooms. When researching, if we found a working machine in a building, we moved on to the next building without checking the other dispensers in other bathrooms. We were looking for one working machine per building.

Karen Wichman, director of facilities services, said in an email that the custodial staff was responsible for stocking and maintaining the machines. She stated that customers who discover machines that are not working properly could report those machines to the work order desk at 509-359-2245.

The broken machines are to be repaired or replaced with ADA-compliant devices, according to Wichman. She said that custodial would be checking all the feminine hygiene machines on campus. ADA-compliant devices cost \$450 apiece.

EAGLE LIFE

Japanese community to share culture

Opening celebration

By Kate Daniel STAFF WRITER katedaniel89@gmail.com

The 21st annual Japan Week will take place in Spokane, April 19 to 28.

The event, coordinated by volunteers including EWU alumna Marga Snipes, is an opportunity for members of the Japanese community to share their culture through education and entertainment.

Japan Week 2013 will include over 20 different events such as Kendo demonstrations, Japanese dinners, KuraNekoCon Cosplay fashion show and dance and many more. The event will kick off on April 19 at 6 p.m. with a Japanese dinner and cultural night catered by The Wave. The opening ceremony, which will feature dancing, singing, taiko (Japanese drumming) and aikido (martial arts), will take place April 20 at noon in Riverpark Square.

Billy Kuster, coordinator of student services for the Asia University America Program at EWU, said Japan Week offers community members a chance to experience a culture with which they may not be familiar. It also gives Japanese students the chance to share their culture.

'It gives [the exchange students] a chance to go out into the community and share something that they're experts on," Kuster said.

Kuster said he will be taking part in the Kendo demonstration. He said he is enthused about the new event, hosted by Magic Lantern, in which the theater will screen a variety of Japanese movies.

"They have a really good selection, because [they have] some older samurai movies," Kuster said. "They have Japanese cartoons, if that's what you're into. They had, I think, two documentaries and some older Japanese movies, so there's a good smattering of things to choose from," Kuster said.

Yoshiko Murahata, director of the features drums and dance Japanese Cultural Center at Mukogawa Fort Wright Institute, said Japan Week events mean something different to each person, both those participating and those attending.

"Each person can get some information about Japan or Japanese culture. It's very important for Japan to be understood," Murahata said.

"This year, as usual, we participate in the opening ceremony. An ensemble will sing, usually national anthems from the two countries, and then after that three dance groups [perform different routines]," Murahata said. "This year we will do organized cultural traditional dance and also one of the groups will dance hip-hop to show that Japan is more westernized than you might think."

Candie Coker, administrative assistant at the Japanese Cultural Center at Mukogawa, said she suggests people interested in attending should try everything as there are events suited for a variety of interests.

Marino Kitahara and Misato Kasamatsu, students at Mukogawa Fort Wright Institute who arrived in the United States in February, said they are excited to be dancing at the opening ceremony. They will be dancing Soran and Yosakoi, forms of traditional Japanese dance.

Yuka Chiaki, a faculty member of the English Language Institute at EWU, said she too will be attending this year's Japan Week.

"When I watch people appreciate my Japanese culture, it makes me proud, and I like being there to share it with everyone," Chiaki said. "Faculty and students who are native speakers can be extra educational resources there."

"I do think that Japan Week helps others learn more about Japanese culture and the food, dances, exhibit and art helps share the beauty that is available in Japan," Chiaki said. "When I watch people appreciate that beauty, it makes me proud, too.'

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Origami and name writing in Japanese	10 a.m 1 p.m.	Riverpark Square, Street level	Free		
Opening celebration	Noon - 2 p.m.	River Park Square, Atrium Court	Free		
	SUNDAY, APRIL 21				
23rd Annual "Haru Matsuri" Spring Food Festival	Noon - 4 p.m.	Spokane Buddhist Temple	\$12		
	MONDAY, A	PRIL 22			
"Day of Remembrance" presentation and discussion panel	7 p.m 8:30 p.m.	Spokane Falls Community College, SUB Iounges A, B and C	Free		
	WEDNESDAY,	APRIL 24			
Family Festival at Mukogawa Fort Wright Institute	3 p.m 5 p.m.	Mukogawa Fort Wright Institute, Commons building	Free (Some events/food cost \$1)		
	FRIDAY, APRIL 26				
"Education in Japan" Lecture by Shoko Masme	10:45 a.m noon	Corbin Senior Activity Center	Free		
KuroNekoCon Cosplay Fashion Show and Dance	7:30 p.m 10 p.m.	Spokane Falls Community College, SUB lounges A, B and C	\$5		
	SATURDAY, I	APRIL 27			
64th Annual Sukiyaki Dinner and Crafts	11:30 p.m 6 p.m.	Highland Park Methodist Church	\$12.50		
A Lesson In Manga	2 p.m 3:30 p.m.	North Spokane Library	Free		

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Japan Week features events that highlight Japanese culture. The full schedule can be found at http: http://www. japanweekspokane.com.



Springtime brings distraction

Students choose between schoolwork and sunshine

"If students view being outside as having a higher salient reward than being in class, it will win," Anderson said.

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By Haley Lewis STAFF WRITER haleybug818@msn.com

The sun is finally shining, the birds are chirping, but Jordan Martin, political science major, is stuck in class looking out the window, wishing he could go

out and embrace the warm weather.

"I felt like I was wasting the day," said Martin. "It is kind of hard to get motivated to get active in classes because there are a lot more opportunities in the spring to go out and do stuff."

Martin is one of several students who has trouble concentrating in the classroom during spring time.

Another student, Paige Davison, community health major, said it is harder to concentrate because "it is so dang beautiful out."

Davison also has trouble concentrating because of feeling burnt out. During spring quarter, Davison said she feels "done and over it."

Miguel Lopez, psychology and communications major, said the warm weather of spring does not really affect him because he enjoys the atmosphere of school and feels like that is where he belongs.

Like Lopez, Anna Hulse, art education major, said the warm weather does not bother her.

"Because I am an art student, I find lots of inspiration in the springtime," Hulse said.

Nick Stearns, pre-med biology major, said it is harder to go to class because the weather is warmer, but not necessarily harder to concentrate.

Jonathan Anderson, psychology department chair who holds a Ph.D. in clinical psychology with a specialty in neuropsychology, said students' attention tends to be pulled to activities or things that they have high interest in.

'In addition, attention is a limited resource," he said. "The more distractions you have, the harder it is to focus in and sustain attention. It makes sense in any situation that the more distractions you have, the less attention you have to dedicate to something else."

Martin, Lopez, Davison and Stearns all agreed that grades help keep them motivated. Anderson said this is an example of external motivation.

Grades can help students stay motivated, according to Anderson, because it is important to maintain high grades for graduate school or some department majors require students to obtain a certain grade in a class to have it count toward a major. Another external motivation is attendance policies of instructors. Some take attendance into the final grade.

Some students, on the other hand, are internally motivated to stay focused, according to Anderson. They learn for the sake of learning or delay their gratification of external motivation.

Anderson said if students are easily distracted, they should think about the environment they are studying in.

"A quiet library works for some, while others prefer the sound of music while studying," said Anderson. "But always limit distractions."

Anderson also said scheduling breaks into study time can be helpful too.

"When the urge to stray from your studying occurs, remember that your scheduled straying time is approaching," said Anderson

He also said it is important to study for small increments over a week, rather than one long increment over one or two days.

Lopez said if students are having a hard time staying focused, just remember the sooner the work is done, the sooner they can go outside.

Martin pointed out that there is one thing relieving about spring quarter.

"It is the light at the end of the tunnel," said Martin.

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EAGLE LIFE —

Mysterious writing appears in restrooms

Bathrooms secrets creep out students

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Eastern's campus is not typically a scary place to be, but some of its bathrooms have students terrified of what might be lurking within the stalls.

The creepiest bathrooms on campus are located in some of the most commonly used halls and often leave students wanting to get their business done as quickly as possible.

One EWU student, Kree Anderson, believes the creepiest bathrooms on campus are on the second floor of Martin Hall.

"They're always dark, and they're always kind of empty," said Anderson. "And there's that wall right there so you can't escape quickly."

While the female bathrooms in Martin Hall might be dark and empty, the male latrines of the same building have sinks that, with the slightest touch, will spray water like a geyser as if they are possessed by spirits.

Some of the buildings on campus were built so long ago that

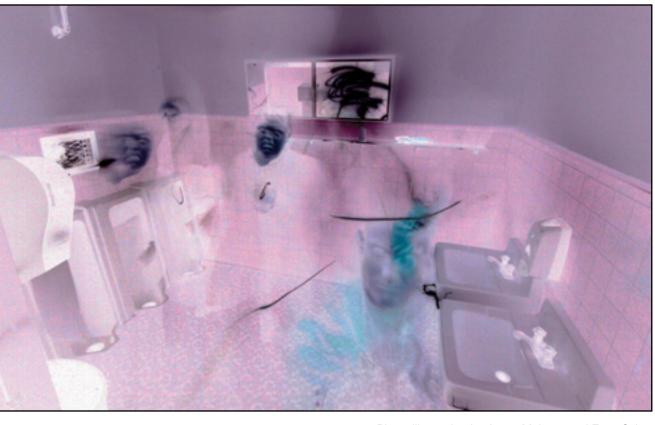


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There are several bathrooms on Eastern's campus that hold hidden secrets.

Moaning Myrtle would feel right at home in them. Dripping faucets, cold carpet or dim lighting are just a few of the things that make these ancient bathrooms creepy.

EWU student Liz Fisk is creeped out by the hallway leading into the bathroom near the PUB Eagle Espresso and Smoothie Company. "It's [like] that little dark hall-

way in all those horror and murder movies," said Fisk.

Other bathrooms on campus

sons, such as writing on the door. Leading up to one of the male bathrooms on the first floor in the Science Building, the door says, "LE SE LUSH I AI.

If a clear phrase was there once can be creepy for very simple rea- it has long since past and has given

way to what sounds like another language.

The bathrooms in Showalter Hall have one specific detail that leaves students confused: couches.

"I think it's so weird that the Showalter bathrooms have couches in them," said Kara Mayernik, "I mean, who's going to sit there when there's only two stalls? I don't get it."

In addition to couches, Showalter Hall bathrooms also feature carpet. There are also unknown white stains on the brown tile floor.

In other buildings like Kingston Hall and Isle Hall, the bathroom lights will automatically turn on as a student walks through the door. In addition, Isle Hall and the Reid Lab bathrooms come equipped with water trickling down into a catch on the ceiling. After it is full, the water flows down to the urinals and toilets, triggering them to flush whether someone is using it or not.

In the bathrooms of the Reid Lab, which was once an elementary school, the stalls are half the size of regular ones while the toilets and sinks are closer to the ground.

"I use to go to elementary school there," said Keanu Williams. "When I was little, we use to tell stories about how there were ghosts in the ceiling. It's just weird to think that I was there a long time ago and how many little kids have used that bathroom before."

EWU Deputy Chief looks back on lifetime in law enforcement

By Jane Martin NEWS EDITOR

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A wooden plaque with "Award of Merit" stamped in black and gold stood alone on Deputy Chief Gary Gasseling's office wall.

He gingerly removed it from its place and turned it over in his large, leathery hands. On the back were two yellowed newspaper clippings. The first told of a Washington State Patrol deputy named Wally Davis, who had been shot and killed in Clallam County in 1998. The second clipping, slightly less faded, reported the death of the man who had murdered him. He died of natural

that helps me keep making those decisions," he said.

"You place yourself in harm's way [as an officer], but you can't push yourself into a harmful situation and force the issue."

He believes that if an officer comes into a dangerous setting with the mindset that they are going to have to shoot someone, the situation is going to escalate to that point very quickly.

Gasseling's journey began at WSU, where he started as a cadet with the campus police. During the time he spent there, he was strongly influenced by the state troopers he came to know. "I saw the respect and almost awe when [people] see that state report and the defenders see

People scattered like quail. Thankfully we made it

through without any serious injuries.

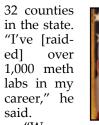
Gary Gasseling

cident. He would keep a tally each time he made a DUI arrest, and on the first page of the police report Gasseling would mark the number down. If a public defender or prosecutor noticed the number in court and asked about it, Gasseling would explain that the number represented the total DUI arrests he had made.

"If you write up a good that you have experience, they respect that. You build up a reputation," he said.

"people will lie to save their skin. It doesn't matter whether they are wearing a uniform or whether they are an average citizen. ... It was a hard lesson that even my own people will lie [to protect themselves]," Gasseling said.

Always looking for the next challenge, Gasseling soon found another arena in which he could push himself to the limit. By 1985, Gassel-



"We saw a lot of kids

in these meth houses," he said.

Gasseling

He was deeply affected by what he saw and recognized that there were very limited facilities available for people to be treated for meth addiction. This spurred him to start working with meth action teams to try to make a difference beyond making arrests, which required a good deal of travel.

But, Gasseling said, his passion and intense focus on ĥis work was not without a price. His home life suffered, and it was during this time that he went through a di-

idly in Gasseling's memory. He described a moment during the protests when his eyes fell on a young man, probably no more than 18 years old, stomping wildly on a sign bearing the Nike logo. On those outraged feet were a pair of Nike shoes. "These kids didn't even know what they were protesting about," Gasseling said.

Gasseling described how the tension would mount among the officers, decked out in riot gear, trying to keep calm and follow orders while things escalated around them. Inevitably, at some point one of the officers would get frustrated, break the line and charge forward.

"People scattered like quail," he said. "Thankfully we made it through without any serious injuries." "Some nights I wore a gas mask for six hours straight." Things have slowed down a little for Gasseling since then, but he continues to look for new ways to put his experience to work and to seek out new challenges. Six years ago, Gasseling came to EWU, where he currently works as deputy chief of EWU Police. "I wasn't getting any younger," said Gasseling, "and I wanted to make an impact here." Corporal Elvin Bermudez, who was recruited by Gasseling in 2008, seemed to think that Gasseling has succeeded in his goal.

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causes in prison.

Gasseling, then working with SWAT for the Washington State Patrol, was among those sent to apprehend the man who had shot one of their own. The suspect, Thomas Roberts, was holed up in his house with a shotgun. After a grueling 25 hours of tear gas and strained negotiations, Roberts finally surrendered.

"That's when the sys-tem works," said Gasseling "When no one gets hurt and the suspect is apprehended." After more than 30 years in law enforcement, Gasseling has come to look upon outcomes like this one as the most important and satisfying of his career.

"I've got a very strong Christian background, so police badge.

After two years with WSU police, Gasseling was offered a position as a corporal, but he turned it down. Although he said he benefitted from his time with the WSU Police, he was after more challenging

prospects. "If you get bored, you start slipping," said Gasseling. "I wasn't challenging myself."

In 1980, Gasseling was hired by the state patrol and was assigned to the governor's mansion in Olympia along with nine other cadets. By 1983, he graduated from the state patrol academy.

One of the things he learned during his time with state patrol was the importance of taking painstakingly detailed reports for every in-

Gasseling had spent seven years working the road, but he said he grew tired of the drunk drivers and the deaths he so often encountered.

So, he made the decision to take a desk job working in human resources in Olympia, Wash. While he was there, he hired over 200 state troopers. He said that even though there was a stigma that came along with taking a "cushy desk job," it was more challenging than anything he had done up to that point. "That was one of the most difficult jobs," he said.

Gasseling said the most valuable lesson he learned during that time was that

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ing was on the state patrol SWAT team, where he would stay for the next 20 years.

"I wanted to be the leader of that group. ... I was a motorcycle cop for four years in [Tacoma, Wash.] Only about 40 people could do that. I wanted to be one of the few."

That exclusivity gave him some rare opportunities, including the chance to work as a dignitary escort for high profile individuals, such as presidents Reagan, Clinton and Bush. As he reflected on that period in his life, Gasseling said, "You look back on the things and people you get to be involved with, and it was just phenomenal."

In 1996, Gasseling began spending a good deal of his time in charge of raid planning, busting meth labs in all

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vorce. In 1999, Gasseling found himself standing in the ranks of officers charged with the task of containing the chaos that was the World Trade Organization riots on Seattle's Capitol Hill.

'That was two weeks of hell."

"It was very strange," Gasseling said. "If you were [in the downtown area] after 10 p.m., you had to have a badge or you would be arrested. ... I was thinking, 'This must be what it was like in WWII Germany.' It didn't feel right."

One image stood out viv-

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Issue 22 Corrections

In the story "Helmerick brings experience to management position," Michelle Helmerick's name was mispelled in the first paragraph of the story and the mug shot caption.



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EAGLE LIFE APRIL 17, 2013 **Bat Boy finds home at EWU**

Play combines music, comedy and horror

By Davis Hill

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This spring, the EWU Theatre Department will perform "Bat Boy: The Musical," a musical play based upon the infamous "Weekly World News" character.

Bat Boy, a half-boy, half-bat creature who is also a decorated U.S. Marine, first appeared in a 1992 issue of the gag supermarket tabloid "Weekly World News." Over the course of the 1990s the tabloid documented the zany adventures of Bat Boy, which included police arrests, stints in Iraq and failed cloning projects.

In 1997, writers Keythe Farley and Brian Flemming decided to write a musical based upon the character of Bat Boy, with music by Laurence O'Keefe. The script is an original story based on Bat Boy's first tabloid appearance and differs from the events depicted in the "Weekly World News."

According to Jeff Sanders, EWU assistant professor of theater and director of the musical, the success of the "Weekly World News" articles created a cult of fans hungry for anything Bat Boy. When the musical opened off-Broadway in April 2001, it was expected to be a hit. After the September 2001 terrorist attacks, however, Bat Boy all but faded from memory.

Sanders said he is excited to bring "Bat Boy: The Musical" to Eastern, citing it as one of his favorite musicals. He explained that the play combines camp horror with slapstick and farce to reveal many unsavory aspects of human nature.

"It functions the same as 'Dracula' did in the Victorian age. ... [it examines] anything that's different from us," he said. "Fear brings out the worst in people. It reminds me of 'Frankenstein,' or 'Jekyll and Hyde."

The music, which comprises many different styles including rock, gospel and rap will be performed by a band of professional area musicians. Sanders plans to feature the band alongside the actors.

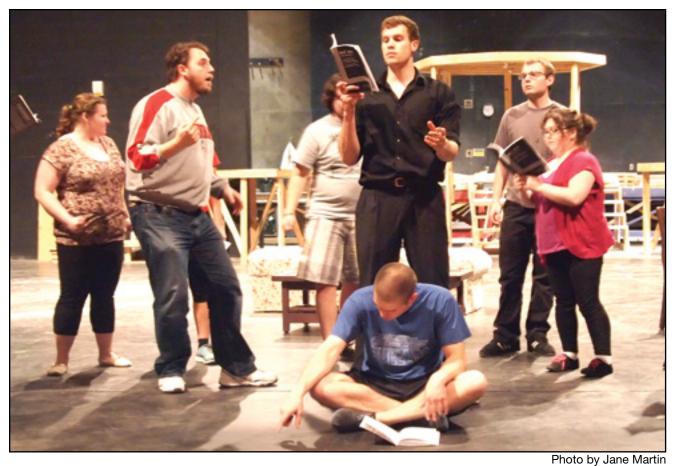
"[In] some musicals we want to try to hide the band . . . I want them to be on stage, maybe wearing bat ears," he said. "It's the kind of musical where we don't hide theatricality.'

Cody Bray, a recent graduate of EWU's music department, will play the lead role of Bat Boy.

Bray explained that the musical is extremely demanding in terms of vocal technique. The music spans a range of three and a half octaves and occupies a diverse range of styles.

A large part of Bray's preparation for the role involves getting in touch with a more animalistic side. He has studied animal thoughts and urges, practiced running around in dark rooms and spent time working out in order to develop his physicality in the role.

Bray referenced Bat Boy's halfhuman, half-animal nature as a primary factor in developing his character.



Director Jeff Sanders (second from left) gives pointers as the cast runs through blocking for "Bat boy: The Musical."

"[Bat Boy] learns how to speak, [but] the town rebels against him," he said. "There are a whole bunch of things that devolve him back into a beast."

Actor Lexie Hoffpauir, who plays Shelley Parker, also cited the musical's novel mix of styles and approaches.

'Everything that you would hope for in a really big great musical and in a scary creepy horror film are combined really nicely," she said. "This musical embodies both of those things."

Of special interest is the musical's use of creative and sometimes inane staging and casting. Actor Ed Warren, for example, was cast as four separate supporting characters including a tortoise and a woman.

Bray said that although the preparation is very difficult, he is excited to be working with such a fine cast.

"This cast is probably one of the best casts we could have put together," said Bray. "Everyone is working their hardest. It's really cool."

Hoffpauir agreed with Bray.

"Everyone's just so talented," she said. "When we get on stage, all of that great fun we're having is gonna translate. ... The audience is going to love it."



Five verses with Duncan

A Q&A with a poet

These are the words EWU student Gerard Duncan ended his first poem, "Shot, shot." He was one of five participants in the Get Lit College Poetry Slam, April 11.

Duncan, who majors in both economics and creative writing, with an emphasis on poetry, competed against four other poets from schools around Washington state. In addition to "Shot, shot," Duncan performed his other piece, "Anything But Yellow," in the second round of the slam. He has been competing in slams for three years.

Photo illustration by Jaime Williams

There are several dangers students can encounter during the spring such as bees, birds and bicycles.

OPINION Spring is here, lock your doors

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Spring: a time of beauty, rebirth and above all-danger.

In order to stay safe, you should just stay inside. However, this is not always possible. Most dorm rooms and apartments only have enough room for a month of supplies, at best. You're going to have to venture out sometime.

Squirrels:

The onset of spring makes the quick, furry squirrel seem even cuter than it was — but control yourself. Do not pick up or play with the squirrels, or invite them into your home. They carry all sorts of diseases, including rabies. They are also kleptomaniacs.

Sports projectiles:

Flying discs, footballs,

soccer balls, baseballs, any- blue gnats will soon cover thing that is thrown for pleasure is cause for alarm. Impact with one of these flying objects can cause a variety of injuries, including bruising, stubbing, brief pain and autonomic nervous system failure. If you see someone with one of these objects, stand far away. Don't these sadistic aggressors have anything better to do?

Birds:

Every year, thousands of students die in bird-watching related street-crossing accidents. These could have been avoided if only the student had remained focused on scholastic duty, rather than the joyful beauty of nature. Remember to keep your eyes straight ahead at all times.

Blue bugs:

Miasmic clouds of tiny,

this campus. They will fill your eyes, nose and mouth with vibrating insect stickiness. Their color will probably clash with whatever you're wearing. Try not to breathe in.

Pinecones:

The land mines of the tree world. Stepping on just one pinecone can result in a severely twisted ankle, or worse. The trees know this, and cackle to themselves as they spread their cones over the most well-traveled paths.

Unexpected class changes:

This is a favorite prank of many of the departments on campus. On the first day of your last quarter, which is this one, you will learn that the times for your last two required classes have been changed. Both are now happening at the same time.

Have fun a., appealing to the department, b., failing, c., paying out of pocket for summer and d., learning that the summer course was canceled so you have to stay for the next fall.

Bicycles:

The Eastern campus is not designed for bicycles. Any time bicycles are mixed with pedestrians, there is the possibility of collision. Be sure to always wear your helmet, especially if you are the one on the bicycle. Pedestrians: If you see a parked bicycle and no one's around, pop the tires. Think of it as a personal safety investment.

Wasps:

During the spring, wasps start coming out of the woodwork-or going into it,

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How long have you been writing poetry?

Since I was in eighth grade.

What first drew you to start writing poems?

It was natural. It came easy to me. It was a good way to express myself with words.

You've been competing in slams for the last three years. What was your first slam like?

I was really nervous. My palms were shaking and I was sweating the whole time, but it was a blast. It kept me coming back.

• For anyone who is new to writing poetry, what advice would you have for them?

Don't be afraid to speak whatever it is you have on your heart. You have to bare it all

Interview by Al Stover



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Liquor control board eyes rules for weed in bars

Now that marijuana is legal, why shouldn't it be ok to use in public?

By Kyle Harding OPINION EDITOR easterner.opinion@gmail.com

Two bar owners on the west side of the state have decided to test the boundaries of marijuana legalization by allowing its use in their establishments, and it appears the Liquor Control Board is not going to sit by and

let that happen. In an April 3 press release, board chair Sharon Foster



Harding said, "It is important that the board clarify now that consuming marijuana in a state liquor-licensed establishment is not acceptable."

But with marijuana legalized for recreational use, why not allow it to be used in bars? It would appear that the board is just upset that the establishments are challenging state authority. How dare the little people run their own small businesses in the manner in which they see fit? How dare we let the market decide whether or not consumers want marijuana use in bars to be acceptable?

Although the state's stance on the subject is clear, the board will be taking public input on the rulemaking process. Information on this process can be found in the laws and rules section of the boards website at http://www.liq. wa.gov/laws/laws-andrules.

Given this opportunity to get involved in the state's rulemaking process, citizens of Washington should ask themselves a question. If marijuana is an acceptable recreational drug, why should it be subject to more stringent laws than alcohol? What if the alcohol market were susceptible to the same regulations as marijuana? For one, the large corporations who sell alcohol and have a massive amount of lobbying power would not stand for it. But neither would the citizens of Washington.

They would not stand for arbitrary limits on the amount of alcohol they can possess at a given time, as I-502 places on marijuana possession. They would not stand for the outlawing of brewpubs, yet Washington state law prohibits marijuana producers from having a financial interest in a marijuana retailer. They would not stand for the stringent advertising restrictions I-502 places on retailers.

Recreational marijuana is legal. The bureaucrats at the liquor control board should step aside and allow people to use it responsibly. If alcohol can be used responsibly in a public setting, why not marijuana?

Through the Eagle's Eye

Do you think the liquor control board should allow marijuana to be used in bars?

Interviews by Kyle Harding. Photos by Aaron Malmoe.



"I say no. ... In any public access building or location, you're infringing upon my rights.'

Theresa Turner

"I'd say not in public."

Herain Plancarte





"No. I didn't agree with legalizing it from the start. "

Cody MacGill

"I think [if you] keep it in your own home more people [would] feel comfortable that way."

Nick Titus

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Letter to the Editor

Campus events need more advertising

Events are happening for advertising or a texting everyday at Eastern Washington University, but it Alerts, but for events. is difficult for us to know when and where these ity of the organization to

system similar to EWU

It is the responsibilpromote the advertising

events are taking place.

The four of us are all current students at EWU and are all experiencing the same problem: where is the advertising? As students living off campus, it is frustrating to come to school and hear from a freshman living in the dorms about the beneficial experience they had at a school event the prior day. Our solution is to expand advertising throughout campus.

In general, there is a lack of community due to the advertising primarily taking place in areas like the PUB, dorms, and the Roost. It would not be difficult to expand advertisements throughout campus. Examples could include more walking advertisements such as balloons or buttons that students can wear around campus, designated areas specifically

of their events. Improving advertisements would trailblaze a path to a better sense of community and more campus involvement at the small price of time and money on the behalf of the event organizers. Not to mention that more attendance will lead to a greater profit for events. The positives far outweigh the negatives.

Overall, expanding advertisements would benefit the student body as a whole. We ask organizers to consider our proposal, ultimately leading to happier, more involved students.

Sincerely,

Aunja M. Norland Ashlee A. Odegard Kei Nishimura Kristen A. Pool

EWU knows there's always money in the banana stand

There needs to be Eagle Express Mart and a higher emphasis on healthy eating on college campuses.

When fruit and vegetables sold on campus cost more than junk food, it encourages students, including myself, to not pick the healthier choice when looking for a quick snack on-the-go. Having 75 cent apples and 75 cent bananas is like paying an arm and a leg for something that you can buy in bulk of for a similar or cheaper price at most grocery stores.

Dining making an effort to offer healthier foods for affordable prices. Every Thursday during spring quarter, they sell fresh fruit and vegetables in front of the

the prices are decent for students who want fresh and healthy food. I can get a banana bunch for 90 cents. The only problem is that it is once a week and it is not known if this fruit sale will continue into the next academic year.

Offering fresh produce during the week at reasonable prices would mean that students may towards eating lean healthier and may even trade in that candy bar for an apple or banana.

Dining Services has Services is the right idea, but it is going to take a lot more to persuade students to eat healthier while they are on campus.

Frank McNeilly

By Josh Friesen SPORTS EDITOR easterner.sports@gmail.com

I don't think these textbook companies are doing enough to swindle college students out of hundreds of dollars per quarter.

Sure, they have these online codes that cost \$80 and expire after a year. Sure, they print these books in hardcover and full color, causing the printing costs to go through the roof. Sure, they shell out a new edition every other year that forces students to buy their books new instead of used.

But come on, textbook companies. Take off those cash-lined, diamond-encrusted ear muffs and start

LETTERS

Kyle Harding

OPINION EDITOR

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heartless, greedy bastards to diabolically sell their books back at a fraction of what it costs to buy them. I think there should be a microchip in each textbook that can detect when the students' classes are over. When the quarter ends, the textbook would explode. Heck, by now, textbook companies are making so much money they could literally hire William Shatner to burst into the room whenever that happened just to point and belittle the student.

Maybe instead of making a textbook for a physics class, you should force each student to purchase their very own NASA engineer at \$250 per hour. How innovative. Boy howdy, isn't making money fun?

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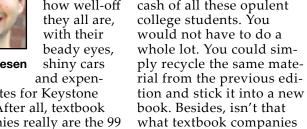
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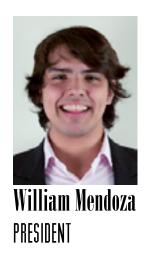


Frank Navarro EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT

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Student success is at the forefront of my campaign. If I am elected executive vice president, I will devote my full time to ensure that every student enrolled in our university graduates. No students should have to repeat pre-college level courses or drop out if we have the right to academic tools and financial support. As a college student, I have participated as a Microsoft scholar, Google scholar, president of MECha and other activities that prepared to represent all students. Lastly I will ensure that the voices of all students are heard and represented in student government.





Dahir Khadar Jigre

PRESIDENT

My name is William Mendoza and I am running for ASEWU president. My aspirations are to increase retention rates, lower fees and increase the graduation rate. My motivation will come from each and every student that wants a chance for his or her education and future. It will be the will of many and the desire to succeed that will push me as your president to change what was once an old system rusted to a new one constructed by you.

My goals as president of ASEWU

will consist of creating a unity be-

tween ASEWU and the students.

I want to tackle the issues that

many students face, such as being able to provide more variety

of food and healthier choice at

the PUB, food/beverages station

in the Communications Building and farther away from the PUB,

later bus schedules, increasing li-

brary hours throughout the year,

more laptops and equipment,

free print credit included in tech

fee, student should have the abil-

ity to upload their ID online. Last

but not least, Start Something Big

with the help of every student.



Ever since I was a freshman at EWU, I knew I wanted to make a difference on campus, improve the lives of students and be an advocate for students like myself who wanted to make a change but didn't quite know how. Now, three years later, I am hoping to take the next step in my leadership journey by running for the executive vice president of ASEWU. As vice president, I hope to improve the lives of all students, inspire others to make a change themselves and make a positive impact here at EWU.



As a future educator, I have a strong interest in the relationship between faculty and students. Before attending Eastern, my experience in working with students included coaching sports teams, over 100 hours interning in middle and high school classrooms, and serving as my high school student body president. In addition, for the last six quarters I have worked for the mathematics department as a facilitator. My natural leadership skills along with the experience I have gained over the years have given me the attributes necessary to be the academic affairs representative that the students of Eastern Washington University deserve.

Cassandra Bratto Academic Affairs



Aly Morgan President

The EWU Community is my life - this past year, I served as the ASEWU student health and safety services representative. Eastern Washington University's students deserve a president who is willing to leave this school better than they found it. I wish to do just that by improving the bond between the ASEWU and the students this organization represents. Elect a president who makes the students' needs and wants the first priority and who will increase the outreach by giving back to the EWU community. My passion for students is my drive. Start Something Big by voting Aly Morgan, your 2013-2014 ASEWU president.



I was selected for a scholarship that permitted me to student finance at EWU. Two years ago, I helped establish the Saudi Club. That started off with 120 students and is now over 300. I started off as a cultural officer and occupy the position of club president. What I hope to gain is financial experience and knowledge from being finance vice president. While I am the president for the Saudi Club I was dealing with many financial matters, which added more financial skills to me.



ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

Are you satisfied with our academic system? Can teachers cater to your learning pace and level or are they forced to teach at a midpoint? Are you satisfied with the availability of the classes you need? Does four and a half hours one day a week do it for you, or do you learn better with shorter more frequent classes? Is there an academic department you feel is better? I believe our school can do better for our students. My name is Cody, and with your vote, and your voice we can fight for a better system.



Caleb Morgan EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT

As students we all set out on a journey together, battling our way through exams and long hours of studying all in attempt to gain the knowledge that will give us our final product of a college degree. My job as executive vice president of ASEWU would be to make sure that you as students travel only the best waters in the quest for your degree. I am a very organized and well mannered man with a drive that makes the lives of Eastern Washington University better

each and every day.



Samson Hatton FINANCE VICE PRESIDENT

As the finance vice president my primary goal will be to keep the financial issues that students face at the forefront of institutional decisions made here at EWU. Financial responsibility, combined with a passionate student government, has the potential to make a tangible difference in the lives of students. This is what I want to be a part of, this is what I want to fight for: to make

sure every student's voice is heard, and that every student is represented. This is the idea that I am dedicated to and my reason for running.

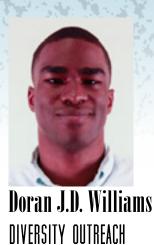


Amy Núñez Academic Affairs

There are over 12,000 students enrolled at Eastern Washington University in hopes of successfully pursuing a degree. My goal as an academic affairs representative would be to ensure academic success among all Eastern students and support the ambitions that every student has persistently worked towards while attending this university. I hope to expand library hours, enhance academic resources and create additional spaces for students to study, especially during finals. My commitment to all Eastern students is to create avenues for high quality education attainment and make every effort for students to truly acquire the most out of their learning experience.



My name is Tiffani Kittilstved and I have a dream. My dream is to live in a world free of discrimination and hatred. My goal in life is to spread love and acceptance to all people, regardless of race, gender, sexual orientation, religion or species. (I love the centaurs!) I am a junior and an anthropology major. If you elect me for diversity outreach representative, then I will encourage the promotion of diversity on the EWU campus, spreading love to everybody. I want to enrich the lives of students by showing them the cultures around us – and around the world.





Athletic affairs and university advancement provides every student the opportunity to become involved and enhance student needs. As a student my commitment to Eastern Washington University continues to provide me leadership based knowledge, experience and other oppertunities to live our institutional motto to Start Something Big. If elected to become your ASEWU athletic affairs and university advancement council representative I will dedicate my service to you. Your student needs will be heard and acted upon. Together we will exceed our institution's potential to enhance: campus recreation, career services, sports clubs and the university recreation center. Go Eags!



No statement provided



My previous work and volunteer experience has prepared me for this position. Some strengths include organizational, administrative and team building skills. These experi-ences will help me advocate for students and implement education and exciting forums. Furthermore, provide meaningful events around the area and professionally collaborate with others on behalf of my peers. I am very open-minded and passionate about what I get involved in on campus. Serving ASEWU will enable me to make a difference for a school that has done much for me. Thank you for your time and I hope I can count on your vote.

No statement provided.

Kyle Dodson ATHLETIC AFFAIRS AND UNIVERSITY ADVANCEMENT





ATHLETIC AFFAIRS AND

In running for my position, I hope to help continue and enhance the success of our student athletes, both on and off the field. Their hard work and dedication is what inspires us all, creating an environment that revolves around Eastern pride. Being a very active individual myself, I understand the hardships that can come out of balancing one's studies and athletic endeavors. My main goal is to keep both our student athletes on track for success in the areas of academics and athletics, while continuing the growth and advancement of UNIVERSITY ADVANCEMENT Eastern Washington University.



William C. Stotts **DIVERSITY OUTREACH**

With my experience as a Human/ Civil/Women's Rights activist and in student government, I would be an effective and motivated member of the council. Representing minorities means a lot more than representing people identifying as persons of non-American nationality, multi-lingual or non-Caucasian. Representing in the diverse populous of the minorites of our campus also means representing students who are LGBQ, who have mental illnesses, identify as trans-

gendered or who are differentlyabled. I feel like the like these groups have been neglected and mostly ignored on this campus, I want to see a positive change, and I want to help make that happen.



Jeffrey DeGon LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS

"Ask not what your country can do for you; ask what you can do for your country." This has been my motto since the days I can remember watching J.F.K. deliver one of the most famous inaugural address of all time. My name is Jeffrey DeGon and I am running for the ASEWU council position No. 5 legislative affairs. If elected, my main goal would be to help protect the students of EWU from harmful legislation that can lead to potential tuition hikes by working with our state representatives whom many I know and ensuring all our voices are heard.



DIVERSITY OUTREACH

as well as being a first generation college student, has taught me the in importance of cultural sensitivity and acceptance for all. My goal here at Eastern is for us to learn about the various diverse groups on campus and those that make up our beautiful world. I believe that we can all come together as a community and expand the meaning of diversity, so that it not only reaches some groups but anyone who is willing to learn and understand our differences. Together we can all stand in solidarity toward common goals.

Coming from a diverse background,



Much of my undergraduate time at Eastern Washington University has been associated with attentiveness to the well being of others. I have served as a community advisor in a residence hall, been awarded the opportunity to work with our university's police department as an employed police cadet and furthermore am fulfilling my second term as president of Beta Theta Pi. I've realized the limitless potential this school has to offer someone who eagerly looks to serve others, and I want nothing more than to continue to serve the diverse spectrum of my fellow students for the 2013-2014 school year.



Kelsy Watson LEGISLATIVE AFFAIRS

My name is Kelsy Watson and I am running for legislative affairs representative. I am running for this position so I can shine a light and advocate for our beloved Eastern Washington University. This year at Eastern has been an amazing experience for me. I hope to accomplish many things with the title of legislative affairs representative. I cannot promise anything specific, however, I can promise I will work my hardest to positively affect the lives of all of us here at Eastern. I will not let any of my fellow Eagles down. Go Eastern!

V O T E R

GUIDE



If I, Madison Azim, were to be elected as student activities representative my promise is that I would work diligently to reach out to the student body and encourage involvement and participation throughout all clubs and organizations. At Eastern many students end up leaving our university after a small period of time and I feel that this percentage of students leaving could be reduced with each individual finding some activity that they would enjoy being involved in. As student activities representative this would be one of my many goals to ensure a successful environment here at Eastern.



Currently, in my academic endeavors at Eastern Washington University, I have pushed myself to grow as both a student and leader in my fraternity of Beta Theta Pi. Having strong personal and intuitive characteristics, I feel compelled to focus my efforts towards the safety and well being of the students of our campus. By proactively plan-ning ahead, I intend to address the most critical of issues that present themselves at the current time, as well as those that may pose future threats to the livelihood of our peers.



STUDENT SERVICES

Student government is an important part of any university and is a fun and creative way to enrich the college experience for all students. I believe the students services position is a good fit for me because I want to expand and better the many services that EWU provides. If elected I plan on increasing the quality of food on campus and working with the EWU sustainability project, as well as adding more recreation services for students.



Student activities help every individual find their place within a university of thousands of students. I am passionate about helping each person find a place within campus to build relationships, create memories and flourish as a student. My personal involvement in student activities has made me appreciate the unique value of being involved in something greater than yourself. As your student activities representative I will be the voice of the clubs and organizations, the RHA and the Greek system. I want to listen, discover and fulfill the needs and desires of all student life here at Eastern Washington University.



No statement provided



Over the past three years I have dedicated my time and energy at Eastern Washington University to become involved on campus and serve students. As a proud Eagle I believe my involvement supported leadership based skills and other qualities that will provide me the opportunity to give back to our institution. My goal, if elected to become your ASEWU student service representative, will focus on enhancing student services that directly support your needs. These needs include and are not limited to: transportation services, parking in Cheney and at Riverpoint, student employment and food services. Let's start something big!



The health and safety of students are a priority at EWU. There are many underutilized resources available to students going through tough times. As a community health major, it is my mission to carry out behavior programs that enables individuals to make better lifestyle decisions. As part of my job, I will maintain close relationship with the staff of special support services, including the student health service, counseling center and campus safety. Presenting new ideas concerning student needs and taking necessary steps in order to implement positive change are my main priorities. I appreciate your vote in representing you.

No Photo Provided



Dear fellow students, I have had a desire to help others and to make a difference in the world as long as I can remember. The older I get, the stronger my desire becomes. I have had the chance to go on a few mission trips and serve others through volunteering, but my calling is not yet fulfilled. So, I have decided to make a big step in my college education and become more responsible for the health and safety of others. I am responsible, dedicated and hardworking. I know that I can make you all proud.



It is my desire to become the student services representative because I believe that I can fill this position to the brim and continue in bettering our school. Along with the requirements as far as meetings and facilitation goes, I full-heartedly believe that I will serve the university well as liaison between ASEWU and the students themselves. The resolution of issues is something I'm extremely passionate about and I am more than willing to help our students to have the best possible experience they could have while studying at this wonder-



Fellow EWU students, my name is Vaughn Cervantes and I am running to be your student health and safety services council representative. Roman statesman, lawyer, scholar and writer Marcus Tullius Cicero said "The safety of the people shall be the high-est law." As the health & safety student council representative I would like to fulfill Cicero's vision here at Eastern Washington University. Academic success starts with a safe and healthy environment in which students can thrive in. I am personally motivated to run for SHSCR because I would like to create just such an environment.



James Reisenauer TECHNOLOGY ADVANCEMENT You must have a solid foundation before you may build a home. Over the past year as the ASEWU technology advancement council representative, I have dedicated myself to fix what has fallen in order to form a solid foundation for our "EWU home," which we may build off of for years to come. I have worked hard on streamlining the Student Technology Fee

Committee over the past year to make us more efficient and effective. If re-elected, I will use this foundation to continue working on many projects to make campus technology friendlier for students.

CHECK EASTERNERONLINE.COM **ON TUESDAY NIGHT** FOR THE **PRIMARY ELECTIONS RESULTS**

The Easterner's Voter Guide is a special section intended to provide information about the current candidates running for ASEWU council positions. All statements and photos are candidate-submitted. The ASEWU will hold the primary election April 23 and the general election May 7. The two candidates receiving the most votes for each position in the primary election will appear on the general election ballot.

The Easterner does not endorse any specific candidate for any position in the ASEWU. Candidates are presented alphabetically by position. Candidate statements have been edited in accordance with the Associated Press Stylebook to reflect the requirements of content in The Easterner. Names and positions for diversity outreach candidates Shanakia K. Porter and Doran J.D. Williams and student health and safety services candidate Muzit Kiflai provided by ASEWU Public Relations Specialist Frank Mc-Neilly.

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Hygiene:

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Wichman stated that she thought that women do not call in the broken or empty machines because they are not using them. As a result, the machines are not stocked frequently.

Crawford said that she was unaware that machines could be called in to maintenance. Since she does so much running between classes, she said that she does not have much time to call in broken dispensers.

She added that while she was open and comfortable with talking about menstruation needs, some women might find it awkward to talk to a stranger, especially a male, about the feminine hygiene dispensers, even anonymously.

Dr. Elizabeth Kissling, EWU professor and international expert on menstruation, said that it is socially unacceptable to talk about menstruating.

In her book, "Capitalizing on the Curse," she states that public communication is limited to complaints about menstrual symptoms or the mocking of women who are menstruating.

She argues that advertising media promotes products to handle menstruation as a problem by either selling hygienic supplies or medication to treat menstruation or its effects.

Darrel Greene, a senior and biology major, said that he could relate even as a guy and thought that the school should stock the supplies to show care for the students, especially since they charge for the supplies.

"It's an unpleasant week of someone's life -- the least the school can do is take one less factor, fear of not being able to keep the flow [in] control, out of the stressful event."

He said that women would feel safer knowing that supplies were available in an emergency.

Kissling said that not every woman menstruates consistently every 28 days. She said that many women do not always have something in their pockets when their periods start.

THE HYGIENE TEST

Each building was tested: Was there at least one working feminine hygiene machine present?

Aquatics Center	No machine in the audience bathroom upstairs	PASS
Art Building	Machine empty	FAIL
Cadet Hall	No machine present	FAIL
Cheney Hall	Machines empty	FAIL
Communication Building	Machines empty	FAIL
Hargreaves Hall	No machine in gender neutral/family bathroom	PASS
Huston Hall	Machine on second floor works	PASS
Indian Education Center	No machines present	FAIL
Isle Hall	Machine ate quarters	FAIL
Kingston Hall		PASS
JFK Library	Main floor bathroom ate \$1.50. Pads in basement	PASS
Martin Hall	Machine present on main floor	PASS
Monroe Hall	Machine present on main floor	PASS
Music Building	Machine present on main floor	PASS
P.E. Classroom Building	Machine present on upper floor	PASS
The Phase	No pads in staff bathroom	PASS
R-TV Building		PASS
Reese Court	All machines work; one produced pad on second try	PASS
PUB	Condom machines also present	PASS

ASEWU briefs

By Libby Campbell SENIOR REPORTER libbyrcampbell@gmail.com

With ASEWU elections right around the corner, current council members have been plenty busy attending various meetings and organizing upcoming events.

President Becca Harrell and Executive Vice President Justin Filla have attended multiple meetings about the forthcoming PUB remodel.

It would be done in stages so the building could remain operative, unlike the Patterson Hall renovation. Right now they are in the stages of finding an architect.

"Architects are extremely expensive," Harrell said. "So for right now, it's putting the bids out, getting somebody in here and then getting focus groups so that students' voices are heard on what they want to see change since we paid for this building, and making sure that the changes they want to see are the ones being made into a reality."

Harrell said a common request from students is an expanded multi-purpose room. They are also looking into bringing outside eating establishments such as Panda Express into the PUB remodel, all while keeping student fees low.

"We want to make sure that we're not raising student fees to a ridiculous amount," she said. "Students would vote on this when it gets to that point, but we don't want student fees to go through the roof. That's one thing that we're definitely taking into account."

Filla said he is hoping the remodel will be a studentfriendly environment.

"We're really looking forward to getting the ball rolling with the PUB remodel," he said. "Hopefully this year we have a good grounding to leave for the new incoming ASEWU council that will be elected here in the next few weeks."

The primary election is April 23, and the council will be holding an event called "Primary Election Party! Engage Yer Civics" in the PUB's Fireside Lounge. ASEWU Legislative Liaison E.B. Vodde described the event as "an election party extravaganza."

"Macklemore is coming to Eastern Washington University. If you vote in the ASEWU elections, you will receive prioritized admission to Macklemore," he said.

Students will be able to vote at the event, so candidates will not be allowed to attend.

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New vice provost selected

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Dr. Charles Lopez, the incoming vice provost, has worked with university students in various capacities since his own graduation in 1987, according to his résumé.

"My roots are working with the students," said Lopez. "My background is in counseling. I think you'll see that my roots are definitely in making connections with the students."

His community involvement includes ongoing church work ranging from preschool teaching to the planning committee. He has worked with the Scouts organization and has served on the Mayor's Committee on People with Disabilities and the Governor's Committee on People with Disabilities.

EWU President Dr. Rodolfo Arévalo said, "I believe that Dr. [Charles] Lopez will provide great leadership in the area of student retention and [will] promote excellence in undergraduate education at Eastern. He comes to us with a great deal of experience in student support services." According to Rex Fuller, provost and vice president of academic affairs, Stephen F. Austin State University's student profile is similar to EWU's profile. "Dr. [Charles] Lopez's experience with programming in student affairs and his work on student success and transitional issues will be an asset," Fuller said. Charles Lopez comes to EWU from Stephen F. Austin State University in Nacogdoches, Texas. His numerous positions there include teaching and thesis advising, counseling and career services, student employment and disability services. He has also worked in higher education administration at Tulane University and Utah State University and has over 20 years of experience in senior leadership positions. His master's dissertation focused on factors affecting the academic success of veterans. "I look forward to working with him as we continue to create more success initiatives for our students," Arévalo said. Charles Lopez spoke about his interview visit to EWU and about how much he enjoyed meeting faculty and staff who were dedicated to student success. "It is evident that students are the number one priority at Eastern," Charles Lopez said. "I look forward to my arrival on campus and to becoming a part of the 'Start Something Big' team."

Greene also said that it was a good idea to carry a spare pad just in case. "It's also a good thing to do in case you encounter someone who needs one."

Wichman agreed. "I think most women carry what they need with them. We wonder sometimes if the amount of use is worth the cost of maintaining the machines and carrying the product. They are prone to vandalism, which may be why some are not working," she said.

After several different occasions of finding either an empty dispenser or no dispenser at all, Crawford said she has learned to always carry feminine hygiene supplies so she does not have to ask a friend or run to the store between classes.

Science Building		FAIL
Senior Hall	No working machines	FAIL
Showalter Hall	No working machines	FAIL
Sutton Hall		PASS
Tawanka	No working machines	FAIL
University Theatre	No tampons available	PASS
URC	No machines present	FAIL
Visitor's Center	No machines present	FAIL
Williamson Hall	Machines present on main floor	PASS

Spanish class defers fluent speakers

By Jake Kershinar STAFF WRITER

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Carla Martinez, who is of Spanish heritage, started the spring quarter taking a conversational Spanish speaking class, but because of her last name, the instructor felt as though she did not need to be there.

"He told me the class was just for gringos," Mar-tinez said. "I grew up in a Spanish speaking family but I don't know the language fluently."

Dr. José García Sánchez, who has taught all levels of Spanish at EWU, weighed in on the issue of having a mixture of novice speakers with advanced speakers in with their family but they have foreign language classes. "We have a variety of [class

options] here, which is Spanish for heritage speakers and for students who are learning a second language," García Sánchez said. "We have two big groups that we have to take into account. Heritage students have totally different needs than those who are learning a second language."

García Sánchez explained that heritage students are usually encouraged to take other classes apart from novice speakers.

"Those are the classes we mainly focus on grammar specifically because some heritage speakers have learned the language just from talking

many issues with grammar, that category. accents and even literacy."

Sometimes students, whether fluent or not in a foreign language, can be tough to judge where exactly they should be put. García Sánchez said that most of the time language department officials will have students take placement tests and meet with students one- on-one on occasion.

"Sometimes we have first generation students who are very fluent," said García Sánchez. "But we're starting to get students who are second generation and even third who are not so fluent so they are almost on the same level as some students who are learning a second language."

Martinez would fall under She explained the situation

to her professor and was able to stay in the class after showing that Spanish was not her first language and she did not need to move to a more advanced class.

"The whole class voted on if I got to stay or not," Martinez said. "No one voted against me when they heard me speak Spanish in front of the class and saw that I wasn't fluent. We even voted on another girl staying in the class who just spent a year in Peru studying and she was probably the most fluent out of all of us."

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Lopez said that he and his family will move here from Texas sometime between July and early September.

"My family enjoys the outdoors," said Lopez. His wife, Angela Lopez, has a master's degree in counseling and currently homeschools their three youngest children. Their eldest, Justin Lopez, is 22.

His son Logan, 14, is an Eagle Scout who will be coming in as a dual-credit Running Start student; his son Nathan, 10, is also involved in Scouts; and his daughter Anna Ruth is 7.

According to Charles Lopez, he and his wife enjoy the performing arts and musicals, among other things. "Our family's fairly musical," said Charles Lopez. "My wife plays the trumpet. My second oldest [Logan] plays the drums. Nathan is learning the guitar, and Anna Ruth is ready for piano now. Our oldest [Justin] plays the trombone."

They enjoy the oldies, according to Charles Lopez, and their radio stations at home are usually playing Christian music or country.

"We're going to sound like Texans. All the stereotypes," Charles Lopez said. The Lopez family also loves Mexican food, Chinese food and pizza.

Charles Lopez said that he and his family stay involved with their local community wherever they are. "We focus on family and on continuing those family values and wanting to be engaged in things that support those values," he said. "We're looking forward to the Eastern football and basketball students too."

Wage gap remains an issue for women

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Though the strides made for equality in recent years have been monumental in some aspects, society still has an issue to tackle: women still do not earn the same wages as their male counterparts.

Equal Pay Day, observed this year on April 9, marks how far into the 2013 year women must work in order to earn the same amount men earned in 2012.

This year also marks the 50th anniversary of President John F. Kennedy signing the Equal Pay Act.

"It is illegal for an employer to pay a woman something different than a man," said Virginia Hinch, Career Services director. "I know [President] Obama has done the Lilly Ledbetter Day, and there's been other initia-

tives, so how come this stuff is still happening?"

On average in the U.S., for every dollar a man earns a woman earns 77 cents. For every dollar their male counterparts make, African American women earn 69 cents, and Latina women earn just 57 cents.

A recent study done by the Institute for Women's Policy Research estimates that the wage gap will not close until 2057 if it continues at the current pace.

"It's something we need to change. After one year of college, women working full time earn 80 percent of what their male colleagues earn," Hinch said.

The biggest factor contributing to the wage gap is salary negotiation. Men are much more likely to negotiate when hired for a job than women.

"Oftentimes you're fresh out of school, and you're "It's something we need to change. After one year of college, women working full time earn 80 percent of what their male colleagues earn."

Virginia Hinch

excited to get anything. So you're quick to accept that first job," Hinch said. "It's oftentimes more money than you're used to, and it's also really awkward to handle the whole process of negotiating your salary."

Laura Sanchez, a career adviser at Career Services, said though women often refrain from negotiating, it is not because they are not good at it.

'We are excellent at negotiating for others. Not for ourselves, but we are right there to negotiate for things that are unfair to others," she said. "But within our society, we tend to

not negotiate with that type of fervor [for] what we should be receiving ourselves."

Women are less likely to negotiate salary for many reasons, according to Sanchez. Downplaying their worth, aiming to please others at their own expense, failing to research comparable compensation and settling for what others think they deserve rather than what they know they deserve are a few factors.

In order to prepare for that first salary negotiation out of college, Sanchez said it is important to start keeping track of key elements now.

studying along with experience from clubs, organizations, internships and affiliations are all factors that could help in the negotiation process later. Quality traits, characteristics and accomplishments should also be taken into consideration.

"Not only will it help you at this moment thinking about how to negotiate and knowing what skills you could put forward to help you negotiate, this is also going to help you just get a job, period," Sanchez said.

Professional confidence and the right attitude can also help women feel more comfortable negotiating salary.

"They're hiring you based on your skills and your abilities, how you interviewed, how they feel you'll fit within their organization and they want you, that's why they're offering the job to you," she said. "They are lucky to get

Knowledge gained from you - that is the attitude shift that you should have."

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In addition to having professional confidence and a positive attitude, it is crucial to research comparable salaries. Resources like the Washington Occupation Information System and the Bureau of Labor statistics contain information about different careers, wages and other helpful tools.

"If you haven't done your homework, you really don't have anything to fall back on to negotiate those key things," Hinch said.

Negotiating a salary can be a nerve-wracking experience for anyone, regardless of gender. Sanchez said that despite the outcome, it is important to take advantage of the experience.

"Even if they say no, it can open a door and create an opportunity to discuss other opportunities within that organization."

Construction planned for more campus parking

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To ease parking challenges, 553 new parking spaces are planned, which will enlarge parking lot 12 to the northwest, with 151 additional spaces planned for the second phase of the project, according to Associate Vice President of Facilities and Planning Shawn King.

Greg Dempsey, director of campus services, said that the added parking spaces will not form a separate parking lot, but will be part of lot 12. Like the rest of lot 12, the new spaces will be free. "We might add more RV spaces, too, if we get feedback from people that it's needed," Dempsey said.

Mike Davis, construction project manager, said they are hoping to open the construction bid process around the end of April and to start the project sometime in May.

'Our schedule right now doesn't necessarily guarantee that it will be available for the first home game [of the at the north end of the new lot and will

school year]," said King. "It will be available this fall."

While the lot 12 extension and the Gateway Project will not overlap physically, King said, "[The Gateway Project] will displace parking north of the stadium right now. ... We need more parking, and we [also] have to replace the parking that that project would eliminate."

The new parking area is intended to meet several goals, according to Davis, including adding to available campus parking and providing additional parking for events. Tailgating for sports events will be allowed in the new parking area, according to Dempsey.

"This project accomplishes a couple of things," Davis said. "It's not just parking, but it's [also] providing preliminary access to the new recycling center site.'

The new, larger recycling building will be built as soon as phase I of the new parking area is completed, according to Davis, to provide more space for recycling, which helps cut costs.

The extension of lot 12 will require an additional access road, which will be built mostly serve trucks for loading and unloading, according to Davis.

Driveway access to lot 12 will remain the same for students and visitors, although for large special events the additional access road may be opened to speed traffic through the lot. Davis and King are taking spring commencement into account and will wait on bringing in heavy equipment and doing the most invasive parts of the job until after graduation.

'Survey markers are out there now," said Brett Lucas, senior planner for the city of Cheney. "We obviously have to grade the site." Lucas said that construction of a parking lot on the planned site will not have any significant environmental impact.

Measures are planned to make the construction process easier on nearby residents and students, according to the environmental report. Construction will only take place between 7 a.m. and 10 p.m. in accordance with Cheney requirements.

Lights used after dark will be shielded from glaring into nearby buildings and traffic. Dust control measures will be put in place as soon as grading begins.

About 30,000 cubic yards of clay, the type of earth found at the construction site, will be moved during the grading process, according to the environmental report.

The new parking area will be lit with several 30-foot posts supporting four lights each, according to Davis.

'We want to be able to provide lighting that meets code ... but one that's going to not necessarily be excessive," said Davis. "We want it to be safe and we want it to be code, but we're not going to add a bunch of additional lighting so that we have a lighting pollution issue.'

Phase I, with the initial 553 parking spaces, is estimated to cost \$1.8 million, according to Davis.

"That's just an estimate, because we haven't finalized design. We haven't received bids, so we don't know yet," Davis said. This estimate includes preparation for the recycling center site. Pricing estimates are not yet available for phase II.

Funds for the project come out of biennial general capital funds that are allocated specifically for minor works, which are projects costing under \$5 million.

Macklemore to take center stage at **Reese Court as voting incentive**

By Jake Kershinar STAFF WRITER jgkersh@gmail.com

sensations Hip-hop Macklemore and Ryan Lewis have been officially scheduled to play a free show for EWU students on May 30 at Reese Court.

ASEWU members have been working on the process of getting a big name artist to play for students since as early as last October. Travis Hughes, who is in charge of student services, originally came up with the idea.

Hughes said he saw a need for student turnouts for ASEWU elections and wanted to promote voting — in this case, through a Macklemore concert.

"[Students] didn't have any reason to be involved [with elections]," Hughes said. "I think our campus suffers from a definite lack of student engagement and our events, besides football, don't really get student involvement because they don't feel any reason to."

Hughes' main goal was to increase voter turnout. He decided to do that by creating a reason for students to get excited about voting by promoting an event many students would want to be involved in.

In a proposal written by Hughes last December, Hughes released a chart of voter turnouts among EWU students for elections.

Hughes' proposal stated

high as 13.7 percent in 2007, and have dropped as low as 7.05 percent in 2011. 2012 was not listed.

"I thought of some things in what students are interested in," Hughes said. "I thought, 'Hey, students want to have big name events here on campus. Is there some way I can tie a big time event to the elections and kind of support two goals with one event?""

Hughes said he feels that EWU students in particular will be able to embrace Macklemore because he has in some ways been embraced by the university already.

"He's probably the most prominent mainstream artist in Washington state right now," Hughes said. "Our [marching] band has been playing 'Thrift Shop,' the music video has been playing on the scoreboard [at the football games]. He's an artist whose name carries some weight who we could get for a reasonable price."

While Hughes said that the ASEWU cannot release an actual number, he estimated that this event will probably cost around \$50,000 for all expenses.

Markus Hammond, who is the ASEWU finance vice president, explained exactly where this money is coming from.

"The students of EWU are providing the funds," Hammond said. "These funds were made available that voter turnouts were as for use through the Services

and Activities Fee Commit- will begin on April 23 foltee after a proposal was submitted by a representative from the ASEWU."

Hughes said that the logistics as of right now are not certain, but the idea is that students who vote in the upcoming elections have the opportunity to get in earlier.

"There's only limited seating," Hughes said. "So let's say that the concert started at nine, people who voted may have the opportunity to go in at 6:00 p.m. and the people who didn't get to go in at 7:00 p.m."

Hughes stressed the point that the concert is open to every student, but because of limited seating it would benefit those who want to go greatly to vote so they can be guaranteed a spot.

When asked whether he was worried that priority seating at a Macklemore concert would cause students to vote for the wrong reasons, Hughes said he did not think that would be an issue.

"I think it's better than them not voting at all," Hughes said. "Student involvement is better than no engagement whatsoever. I think if you're a freshman and you're thinking, 'I want to go to Macklemore. How do I vote?' I'm not saying we're going to do this every year but now [students] know. We've educated them on how to vote."

The primary elections

Robot:

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Washington School of Dentistry's Regional Initiatives in Dental Education program.

Sam's cost was \$110,000 and purchased through a grant and university funding due to Bilich's diligence. \$45,000 went towards a comprehensive warranty program that pays to annually replace his silicone skin and software and perform maintenance on his hardware. Bilich said, "Sam has been FedEx'd to New York a lot." Training is required so Bilich and other faculty members can operate, program and perform basic maintenance on him appropriately.

Sam can breathe, drool, sweat, urinate, cry, blink and speak. He reacts to intravenous therapy, or IV, solutions, his pupils dilate and he even reacts to receiving CPR. His blood pressure and pulse can be taken. His "stomach" gurgles, his "heart" beats, and his esophagus can get blocked. His mouth will turn blue if students are not careful. Every bit of him can be altered to simulate a huge number of unique emergency situations that students must be able to handle.

A lot of staging goes into simulations using Sam. Though Sam is typically male and is usually referred to as a man, he can easily become a woman if needed. "He can be a man, woman or a Ken doll,' said Bilich. Sam has many changes of clothes; he can wear glasses, hats and shoes to make simulations



Photo courtesy of Lisa Bilich Sam is a human patient simulator used by the EWU dental hygiene program.

more realistic for students, as opposed to working on a nondescript, naked robot.

Bilich said that students forget that he is just a man-nequin, "They'll comfort him and talk to him."

"We'll talk [through Sam] to [students] if they're not paying attention when they should be," said Bilich. "I actually met the guy [Sam] is modeled after. He is from Norway. I saw him in the elevator, and I [said], 'Gosh, I recognize you.' He asked, 'Do you have a 3G?' I said, 'Yup,' and he said, 'Yup. That's me,''' said Bilich. Sam is also used to keep

up private practitioners' sedation skills during annual conferences at the Riverpoint campus. He will be used to train South American exchange students during a program this summer.

For a chance to meet Sam, make a dental appointment at 509-828-1300. EWU students get a 10 percent discount.

to Macklemore's agent," said Cerrillo. "Because he is such a high-profile guy, I actually used a middle agent who I've known for awhile now to negotiate with Macklemore's people. I simply related our wishes to this agent so he could negotiate.' Cerrillo said he has had

programs.

some experience booking smaller events but this event may be the biggest of which he has been a part.

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the day of elections."

"I arrived on campus two years ago and even back then we were saying we need to get a big show here," Cerrillo said. "I think it's cool that we can get a local guy like Ryan Lewis [from Ferris High School] and Macklemore [from Seattle] to come here. Plus, having a guy who now has over 20 million hits on YouTube for his 'Thrift Shop' song alone is big." Cerrillo also confirmed

that the concert will begin 8

p.m. with a warm-up act.

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What the EWU community is generally worried about is an unfair advantage for heritage students when paired up with students trying to learn a second language.

García Sánchez said that mixing the learning levels of students hinders the learning process.

"If we let heritage speakers into those [novice] classes, they intimidate the other students. The other students feel like they are at a disadvantage. We encourage [heritage] students to take other classes at the same time so students who are learning a second language don't get intimidated by how proficient they are."

Martinez agreed with García Sánchez on how it is better to have non-fluent speakers in conversational Spanish classes.

"I would say that feeling intimidated is true in a classroom setting," Martinez said. "Our grade is based on the progress our teacher sees in us. There was one student who didn't seem all that fluent and after two days didn't come back."

The intimidation factor is not limited to conversational Spanish classes.

Dr. Florian Preisig, who is the Modern Languages and Literatures Department chair and has taught different levels of French at EWU, says that he has seen the intimidation factor in other language classes.

"Beginners have complained to me in the past that they were intimidated by students who were fluent or near fluent," Preisig said. "I remember being intimidated, myself, when I learned German, and was in the same class as native speakers. I felt cheated."

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5 p.m.

A student reported that his or her black Schwinn Sidewinder bicycle was stolen from the bike rack near the front of Louise Anderson Hall sometime during the weekend. There are no suspects at this time.

April 10 5:30 p.m.

Theft

A student reported that his or her bicycle was stolen from the science building. The bike is a grey "Giant" worth approximately \$700. There suspect was a student who are no suspects at this time.

April 11 12⁻p.m.

A live .22 caliber bullet was found in the PUB. Another was later found on the ground in parking lot 9.

Police Beat

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April 12 7 a.m.

Vandalism

An upset citizen reported that there was sexually explicit graffiti in the campus mall. Officers investigated and found that the graffiti was done in sidewalk chalk.

11:57 a.m. Hit and run

A driver reported that his or her red dodge charger had been damaged while parked near the music building. There are no suspects at this time.

12:25 a.m. Agency assist

An EWU officer assisted with a burglary-in-progress call at a residence. Cheney police were holding a suspect at gunpoint, but he did not comply with officers until another arrived. The

EWU and Cheney Police responded to a 911 call about a robbery in progress at Eagle Mart. A fake gun was used as a prop in a film project. The students working on the project had asked employees for permission, but no other authorities had been informed. No one was injured.

Illustration by Kristie Hsin

takenly entered a house that was not his. He was transported to the hospital and cited with trespassing and minor in possession.

4:49 p.m. Assault

Officers responded to a fight in progress between two female students at the PUB. Both parties were interviewed and one was cited and released for fourth degree assault.

April 13

6:50 p.m. Agency assist

Officers from EWU and the Cheney Police Department responded to a 911 call about a robbery in progress at Eagle Mart. The suspect was a student who was pointing a gun at people in the store. Four officers responded and drew their weapons. The student was slow to respond and put down the weapon. No one was injured. The gun was fake and used as a prop in a film project. The students working on the project had asked Eagle Mart em-

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A woman reported that she was being bothered electronically after the harasser had been recently arrested for trespassing. The investigation is ongoing.

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ployees for permission, but was highly intoxicated and no other authorities had been informed of the event.

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"You can also see some of the various legislation that your student legislative operators, such as Shelby [Pelon] and myself, have been working on over the past year, and you will have the opportunity to contact your legislators in order to say whether you want your tuition to go down," Vodde said.

Council members also discussed the addi-

tion of a student member to EWU's Board of Trustees. ASEWU accepted applications for that position until April 17.

This is a really, really important position," Harrell said. "Students fought for a long time to have our voice heard at the highest possible table, which is the board of trustees. They set your tuition rates. It's something, as students, we struggle with because our tuition keeps increasing and we can't afford it."

The next ASEWU meeting will be April 25 at 4:30 p.m. in the PUB's Fireside Lounge.

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depending on where you live. They like to build nests in the most innocuous of places, and they do not like to be disturbed. Do not offend the wasps. They know where you live, and they know how to get in.

Sunlight: It burns. It glares. It causes you to sweat and squint your eyes. The warmth of sunlight will seduce you into wasting time outside. Be sure to cover up and always wear dark glasses.

Flowers: Do not stop to smell the roses. This could kill you or — even worse — your GPA.

Happiness: Many students experience feelings happiness around this time of year,

especially after the long dark cold of winter. Be wary of such feelings. They threaten to distract you from things that are truly worthwhile, such as good grades, letters of recommendation and overfull schedules.

If you are feeling happy, do not worry. These disturbing feelings are normal during the spring and can be managed with medication and a proper diet. Many students are able to have a stressful and degrading life despite their feelings of happiness.

Watch for these dangers as you navigate campus. With a little bit of luck and a lot of vigilance, you'll be OK. Remember: Stay inside. Stay safe.

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Bermudez explained that he first met Gasseling when he was working as an ROTC instructor at EWU. "I came in to get my fingerprints done to go apply for work in corrections ... [Gasseling] came up to me and said, 'You don't want to do that, do you?"

Bermudez soon found his place with the EWU Police and has no plans to leave. "They can't get rid of me here," he said. "This is the best job I've ever had."

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Bermudez said that after 20 years in the military, he has seen many different kinds of leadership and that he appreciates how things are done at Eastern.

"The leadership is out-standing," he said. "They take care of us here and they include us in decision making."

It was Gasseling, according to Bermudez, who first recognised his aptitude with weapons and suggested that he go into weapons instruction. Now, Bermudez is EWU Police's weapons instructor. In that capacity, he

conducts quarterly weapons training courses and inspects weapons used by campus police officers.

Speaking about Gasseling's effect on the officers he works with, Ber-mudez said, "We go out and do our best for him, because we know we are representing him as well ... That's why we rank number one safest campus in Washington."

Gasseling said he has worked to encourage an atmosphere of respect and confidence among the officers on campus. "There's a fine line be-

tween cockiness and confidence," he said. "We want to be accountable."

One of the things he has grown to appreciate about working on a college campus is the opportunity to build relationships and to have a lasting impact on the people here. He said that when students run into trouble, they want to do more than make arrests.

"We don't want to be the belt running through and punishing people." said Gasseling. "We want to follow up with these kids."

JULKA LAWRENCE



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Sophomore women's tennis player Moira Hedberg is one victory away from Eastern's all-time record for victories in a season when the Eagles host their last match of the season against Portland State on April 19. The previous record was set by Kasey Knox in 2007. Playing at the No. 1 position, Hedberg is currently 13-8 for the season, which includes an impressive 8-1 conference record. Her sole loss came on Feb. 8 against Sacramento State, who had been nationally ranked at the time. Two players have played the majority of matches at the No. 1 spot for Portland State, Mandy Mallen, who is 8-12 overall, and Marina Todd, who is 4-14 overall.



Arakawa

For the second time in three weeks, sophomore Jordan Arakawa was named the **Big Sky Conference** men's field athlete of the week following his hammer throw performance at the **UNLV** Randall Cunningham Invitational on April 12. Arakawa is currently second in the Eastern record books with a throw of 211-1, just behind the record distance of 226-2 set by David Paul in 2007. Arakawa leads the Big Sky so far this season in the hammer throw and sits in 15th place nationally. Arakawa's first accolade was after his performance at the Al Manuel Invitational, where he had a distance of 208-1.

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The stigma prevails that all college athletes must be on some kind of scholarship, but the fact remains that each sport only has a certain number of scholarships to distribute, leaving some players without any form of athletic financial aid.

Senior Jake Pugsley is a walk on for the football team. He said that being a walk-on athlete requires a large amount of passion for the sport you play.

whole process of getting to play on Saturdays. You truly have to earn it," he said.

Because Pugsley is not on a full scholarship, he has to work harder to prove himself to the coaches and earn his playing time. He said that this can alter his motivation because he can become discouraged and frustrated during practice.

Overall, however, he said he embraces the challenge and constantly looks for new ways to showcase his abilities on the field.

"I believe when you are paying "[The] motivation to play my for something yourself, it means a

sport has always been loving the whole lot more to you," Pugsley said.

> Athletes have the potential to work up to a scholarship in any sport based on their ability and demonstration of improvement. Linebacker J.C. Agen is such an athlete.

"I walked on, and after a couple years the coaching staff decided that I deserved a scholarship for my performance on the field and off the field as well," he said.

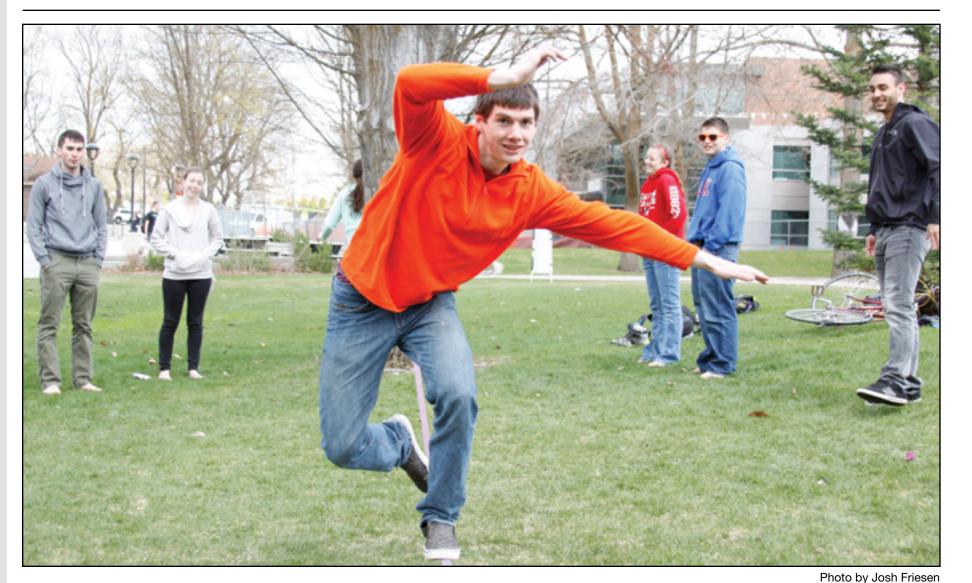
Agen was a redshirt walk-on during his 2009 season. By the 2010 season, he was named to the Big Sky All-Academic team and was named Big Sky Special Teams Play-

er of the Week. According to Agen, his determinative mindset helped him persist through his initial redshirt year.

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"I think that coming in as a walk-on, I had to work very hard to prove to my coaches and to my teammates that I could be an asset to the team," Agen said. "Everyone on the team works very hard, but my mindset might have been a little different compared to someone who was on scholarship because I had to prove my worth day in and day out."

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Walk-on athletes must earn scholarships

James Mower tries to steady himself outside of the PUB on a slack line. Veteran slack liners are able to not only balance, but perform tricks while on the slack line.

Slackliners practice art of balance

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agement major and sophomore Mower.

Bordonaro tends to bring his slackline with him when we want to go out we first learning, but it just be-Slacklining in front of on a regular basis to school. The slackline fits right in his backpack, along with his textbooks and notebooks. "You can set it up with friction, repel rings and carabineers. It's primitive, basically bare bones. That's the way I prefer."

open to anyone, according to Bordonaro.

is so unusual and it's actual- learn how to do the sport, ac-"It's mostly spontaneous, ly quite difficult when you're cording to Mower.

"What draws me is that it newcomers who want to

"It's a good way to meet

The golf team finished 15th out of 19 teams in the Wyoming Cowgirl Classic on April 8-10. The Eagles were in good position at the end of the first day, being tied for seventh place. They could not keep the momentum, however, as their score dropped the next two days. Freshman Marissa Borja finished 14th overall, shooting a total of 231.

Upcoming:

The women's tennis team host Portland State on April 19 at noon in the Jim Thorpe Fieldhouse.

Some members of the track and field team will compete at the Mt. SAC Relays on April 18-20, while other members will compete at the Long Beach Invitational on April 19 and 20.

The golf team will compete in the Big Sky Conference Championship at the Ocotillo Golf Resort in Chandler, Ariz., on April 21-23.

the PUB started in fall 2011 and was initiated by Tanner Bordonaro, Nathaniel Hippauf and James Mower, according to outdoor recreational major and junior Bordonaro.

In April 2012, the slackliners group started a Facebook open group called Slackers Anonymous, which now has 35 members. The purpose of the Facebook group was to be able to get the word out about slackline times, according to recreational man-

There are different ways to set up a slackline. Another way to set it up is a ratchet kit, according to Bordonaro.

Slacklining times depend on class schedules and weather, and the activity is announce it on Facebook. Usually, we just set it up in front of the PUB so you can see it on your way to class," said Mower.

"I started doing it as a balance practice thing and [it] developed into being more and more fun. It's challenging, it's difficult and it's something that you're not used to doing," said Mower.

Slacklining is a really good, all-around workout because it works one's balance and core, according to Bordonaro.

comes more and more fun as you get better," said Mower.

A message to the students who walk past the slackliners and are interested bystanders: "Instead of just looking at us and saying you want to do it, just get out and do it. Everyone around is there and friendly, we'll help you out, lend a helping hand. [We'll] hold your hand as you walk across your first couple of times. It just gets easier from there," said Mower.

Slackers anonymous is a very welcoming group to

people. It is one way to start making friends." Curious people stop by and continue to come back, according to Bordonaro.

The fact that Slackers Anonymous meets outside causes the number of participants to continually grow, according to Bordonaro.

"As the weather progressively gets nicer we'll probably be staying out later and longer. We're going to make sure we have lines up almost all the time," said Mower.



Photo by Dylan Paulus Dustin Hinson hits tennis balls during tennis practice.

Coach hopeful to return Nothing is set in stone for interim coach Hinson

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While nothing can be made official until the conclusion of the season, interim women's tennis coach Dustin Hinson feels there is mutual interest in him coming back in a full-time position as the women's head coach for next year and beyond.

"There's nothing that can be official until the end of the season, but both sides seem to be happy with the job that's been done," Hinson said. "I'm certainly happy, and I've enjoyed it. I want to continue, and it's been great working with [Director of Tennis] Darren [Haworth] as well. It's been good, and I think it will carry on for next year."

A father of six with a master's degree in environmental science from the University of Idaho, Hinson has improved the win-loss record of the women's tennis team -4-15 in 2012 and 6-15 so far in 2013 - as well as pushed his players to focus more intently in their preparation. "There was a lot of improvement in work ethic," Haworth said.

Replacing the departed Mykala Hedberg in January, Hinson made the best of a difficult situation. "Dustin [Hinson] did a great job this season helping to stabilize the program," Haworth said. "The players all really liked him, and I believe he did a really good job this year under the circumstances. Taking over a team midway through the season is quite the task. He really stepped up to the plate.

Sophomore Moira Hedberg, who plays No. 1 singles and doubles, gave Hinson a vote of

confidence. "He's really good with us, and he knows how to talk to me," Hedberg said. He helps me pull through the matches, and he keeps me fired up. I love him as a coach. He's great."

Once the women's tennis team plays their final match of the 2013 season, the head coaching position officially becomes available and a hiring procedure will be implemented, according to EWU athletic director Bill Chaves. "At the conclusion of the season, we will recruit for the position, and certainly he could be a candidate for the position, no doubt about it," Chaves said. "When we hired him on an interim basis in early January, the process would be: We'll move through the season and then right when the season concludes, we'll move through a recruitment process for the position full time".

Chaves sees the improvement that has taken place under Hinson's watch and believes it will factor heavily into whether or not Hinson is retained. "I think he's done a real good job with the team, and I think they've responded well to him. I think if he so chooses to be a candidate, we'd be excited that he'd be in the candidate pool.

Although he would prefer to find a fulltime coach sooner rather than later, Chaves was hesitant to put any kind of timetable on the proceeding. "Every recruitment process kind of takes on a life of its own. I think we always want to get it done as soon as we can, but we have to make sure that you're dotting all your 'I's' and crossing all your 'T's', and you're doing all the things we need to do obviously from an HR standpoint and make sure we do all the things necessary that a recruitment process takes."

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Equality rules hinder track and field

Team's recruitment rarely ranged beyond northwest

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Of the 91 athletes on the 2012-13 track and field roster, only two women and three men are not from Washington or Oregon.

Head coach Stan Kerr explained that the limited number of athletes from places other than Washington and Oregon is due to team budget constraints.

Junior jumper Morena Mannucci was born in Rome. She gives all the credit to her older brother who encouraged her to start track and field and to come compete in America.

Her journey to EWU initially started by accident. When she was eight years old, she went with her brother to sign him up for rugby. Rather than doing that, they both started talking to the track and field coach.

"We ended up on the track by the rugby field talking to the coaches, and [we] started track and never quit," Mannucci said.

Although both siblings competed in track and field, they opted for different events.

"My brother was a shot putter for University of Idaho, and he came [to the United States] two years before me. He really wanted to come here and get the same experience as me and

be close to him," Mannucci said.

When she started looking at schools, Mannucci was drawn to EWU. She did not want to go the exact same school as her brother, but she did want to be nearby. According to Mannucci, she was also drawn to Eastern's programs. Mannucci is a marketing major.

This interest led her to email the jumping coach, who she kept contact with for a few months before fully making her decision. Mannucci said she was hesitant to move away from home, but now she is certain she made the right decision.

"It was scary," Mannucci said. "I wasn't sure that's what I wanted, but I did it because of [my brother], and I'm thankful everyday for that."

According to Mannucci, moving so far away from home was not an initially easy transition, and she admitted that the past two years have been very hard for her. Although she is now more comfortable and adjusted to living in Washington, she still misses certain aspects of Italy.

"The biggest difference is the food. I love my grandma's food, and I miss it," Mannucci said. "I love my family, and I miss them very much. Whenever I have a bad day, I always complain to my teammates about wanting to go home."

In contrast, junior distance runner Jordan Curnutt had a much different recruiting experience. He is originally from Spokane and attended Mead High School. One of his major requirements for a college was that it would be close to his home.

Therefore, his choice was between Washington State University, EWU and Gonzaga. Curnutt knew that he wanted to attend EWU after his first recruiting trip.

"My recruiting trip at Eastern went really well," Curnutt said. "I had already visited some other schools, but after my recruiting trip at EWU, I immediately knew it was where I wanted to go.'

Curnutt was also influenced by his high school coach, Steve Kiesel, who ran for EWU and was teammates with current head coach at Eastern Stan Kerr. Both Curnutt and Kiesel run the 800 meter, and Kiesel still holds the school record for that event.

Kerr explained the recruiting process for track and field as one that is based on aspects other than scores in competition.

"Mental toughness is something we have to deal with because college track is hard and division one is hard. We also look for good personalities, and academics is at the top of the list," Kerr said.

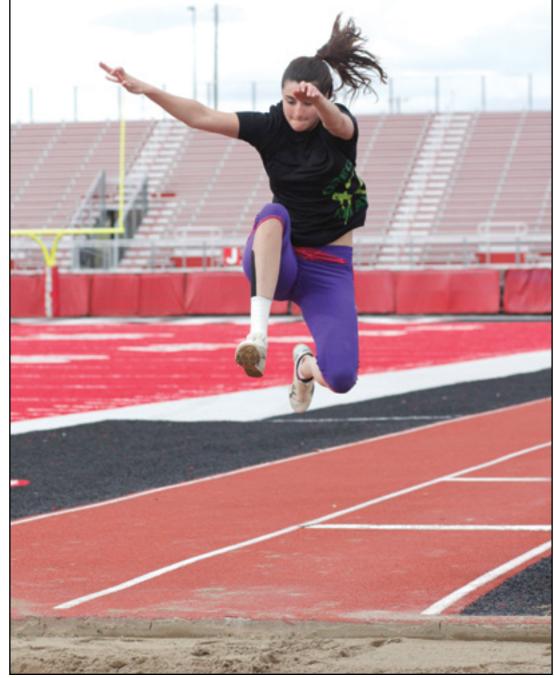


Photo by Anna Mills Morena Mannucci has qualified for the Big Sky Championship in the triple jump.

Men's tennis soars as year progresses

Eagles earn berth to **Big Sky championship**

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This season has not been easy for the EWU

men's tennis team, but they still managed to do well in the month of March.

positive outlook. "The guys have been play- Finally, the team ended the road trip with a ing really great on the road. That road trip, the guys came in really focused," head coach Darren Haworth said. According to Haworth, the team was determined to sweep the three away games that they played in March. The team has had a lot of injuries this year; this caused other players to step into new roles. "It's been a really great opportunity for guys like Stefan Farrar and Arturo Carpio and Eduardo Bringold to

get the chance to play a little bit higher in the lineup and get exposed to some better talent," Haworth said.

On March 2, the Eagles defeated Northern Colorado, 5-2. On March 8, they played Pacific Lutheran and ended up winning 7-0. March 12, the team went up against North Dakota where they also had a victory of 7-0.

On the road they managed to keep the winning streak going. The Eagles started off with a 6-1 win against Seattle University in Winning six consecutive games in March, Las Vegas on March 26. The team also defeatthe team is looking to end this season with a ed Southern Utah with a 7-0 win on March 27. 5-2 victory on March 28 against Northern Arizona. According to Haworth, the team has not really done anything differently since those consecutive wins in March. "We've just been playing pretty good teams. We haven't changed a whole lot up," Haworth said. The team has been working hard on the tennis court and they have been conditioning heavily this season.

One of the main successes of the team has been No.1 Joseph Cohen. He has managed to stay dominant throughout the season, despite the struggles of the team earlier this year. "I feel like every match I've played good tennis, and I managed to keep it up repetitively," Cohen said. According to Cohen, he has simply been playing solid tennis consistently.

As a team, the Eagles still want to be able to qualify for the conference tournament. This was a goal that they have had since the beginning. For Cohen, this was not the season he expected to have. "We lost a lot of players last year, we had a lot of freshmen come in, so that made [the season] quite hard," Cohen said. Before the winning streak, the team had lost consecutive games in the previous months. They managed to make up the losses with the successful run in March. Haworth is still optimistic about the season.

As the season is coming to an end and the team is fighting to get into the postseason, No. 3 freshman Tomas Aranguiz has learned a few things. "At this level, the competition is much better. I think players at this college level are always trying to win," Aranguiz said.

Aranguiz takes college competition seriously, "You have to fight, and you cannot [take] anything for granted. You have to give everything you have in order to win each game," Aranguiz said.

"We battled some injuries and I think that if we get into that top six, the season will be a success," Haworth said.

One thing that Haworth will take with him after this season and for the future is fitness. "The Big Sky is a really diverse conference where you play at different altitudes, and you play different conditions. I think it all comes down to how important fitness really is," Haworth said.

"I think going on to the future, I want to continue to really work on fitness and making the guys tougher, and it makes them mentally tougher as well," Haworth said.



McDonald:

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heavily out of Edison High School in Fresno, Calif., and was recognized as one of the best defensive backs in the country.

"He didn't just have success against some teams. He had success against the best of the best in the Pac-12," Baldwin said. "You just see a guy with some definite ability."

While Baldwin liked what he saw on film, it was McDonald's football acuity that really caught the attention of the Eastern head coach.

You can tell he grew up around football," Baldwin said. "He knows the game. He loves the game. He understands the game."

McDonald's knowledge of football can be attributed to his upbringing. He came from a family of football players. His father, Tim McDonald, was drafted in the second round of the 1987 NFL Draft to the Arizona Cardinals, helped the San Fransisco 49ers win Super Bowl XXIX and was a six-time Pro Bowler. His brother, T.J. McDonald, was an All-American safety at USC in 2012. Though Tevin McDonald has

played well against some of the toughest opponents at the highest level of collegiate football, he still feels as though he has not earned anything yet. He is eager to earn a spot at the top of the depth chart before Eastern's first game of the 2013 season at Oregon State on Aug. 31, a team he registered nine tackles and a fumble recovery against.

"I expect to compete just like everywhere else," Tevin McDonald said. "I'm going to come here and compete for a job like I did when I was at UCLA."

Already in spring classes, Tevin McDonald has begun to enjoy the Inland Northwest. During his tour, he appreciated the small-town atmosphere, a divergence from the bright lights and media blitz of southern California. More than anything, Tevin McDonald felt Eastern was a place he could call home. He is excited at the prospect of playing for a championship-caliber team.

"I'm planning to make the most of it. [I am] looking to help the team out, get back on the right path, and get back to a position where I get to reach my goals," Tevin McDonald said. "I'm fired up about being here."

Photo by Josh Friesen Tevin McDonald snags a ball out of the air during a defensive backs drill at his first day of practice.

Walk-on:

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Like Pugsley, Agen found his motivation in his genuine love of football, which he has been playing for the majority of his life. He grew up playing many different sports, and his favorite was basketball. However, in high school, he started concentrating more on football, and he realized that was the sport he wanted to take to the next level.

Agen and Pugsley both praised head coach Beau Baldwin for explaining his reasoning behind the allotted scholarships. According to Pugsley, Baldwin told him that only around 63 scholarships can be given out per year. These are primarily students recruited directly from high school and starting players.

Unlike football and basketball, track and field athletes can be on partial scholarships. Head coach Stan Kerr estimated that about 25 percent of his team are walk-on athletes.

On the men and women's side, scholarship can be anywhere from 1 to 100 percent. I don't have a single male athlete on a full-ride," Kerr said.

This is because of gender equal-

ity rules that do not apply to sports like basketball, which is separated by gender.

Like football players, track and field athletes are given opportunities to build up a scholarship.

"The increases are based on your performance," Kerr said. "If you have a tuition scholarship one year, and you have a pretty good year, scoring sixth or seventh, you can get upgraded to a book scholarship, which covers 100 percent of your books."

Whether they are on scholarship or not, Agen and Pugsley both said that their primary focus was on academics.

When I was a walk on I put a lot of importance on school and still do to this day. I am in my major now, and I put a lot of time into school to prepare me for life after college," Agen said.



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Out with the old, in with the red

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While Eastern loses three top wideouts, the crop they have remains hungry

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What Eastern's new-look receiving corps lacks in production, they make up for with confidence.

Wide receiver Cory Mitchell, a redshirt junior with 23 career catches, has heard all the questions about how the Eagles are going to fill the void left by the departures of "The Big Three." Frankly, he's heard enough. "I know everyone's been questioning how we're going to replace the receivers that we had," Mitchell said with a note of defiance. "But we're going to be good."

The numbers don't lie; Brandon Kaufman, Greg Herd and Nicholas Edwards combined to catch 601 balls for 8,713 yards and 83 touchdowns in their storied careers donning the red and white. At the other end of the spectrum, EWU's current receiving corps has a combined total of just 120 catches and 1,415 receiving yards on their résumés.

Redshirt senior Ashton Clark is responsible for the majority of those numbers, having caught 83 passes for 1,091 yards and nine touchdowns in his career. "We got so many guys out here," Clark said. "Not only is it my turn to step up, but it's a lot of other guys' turns to step up and show that we can put together another strong group and be a great receiving corps just like we were last year."

"This is his group," receivers coach Junior Adams said, referring to Clark's seniority and leadership. "I remember two years ago, he was in the same situation as a lot of these guys were, but he never even touched the field. But he gets his first catch, and first touchdown against Washington, and since then the maturation process has just been on a steady incline. He works at it. I always talk about, 'Be a pro, attack it like a pro,' and he exemplifies that."

One of the guys looking to step up and be a difference-maker in 2013 is Cooper Kupp, a redshirt freshman from Yakima, Wash., who boasts a 6-foot-2-inch frame and breakaway speed. Adams raved about all the receivers on the roster but took an extra moment to praise Kupp's ability. "He's going to be awesome," Adams said.

Kupp said being at a place like Eastern brings out the best in him because he faces top-level talent every day. "You want to go against the best to be the best," Kupp said. "You're basically going against what

even touched the field. But he gets I think are some of the best players his first catch, and first touchdown in the league. It definitely helps."

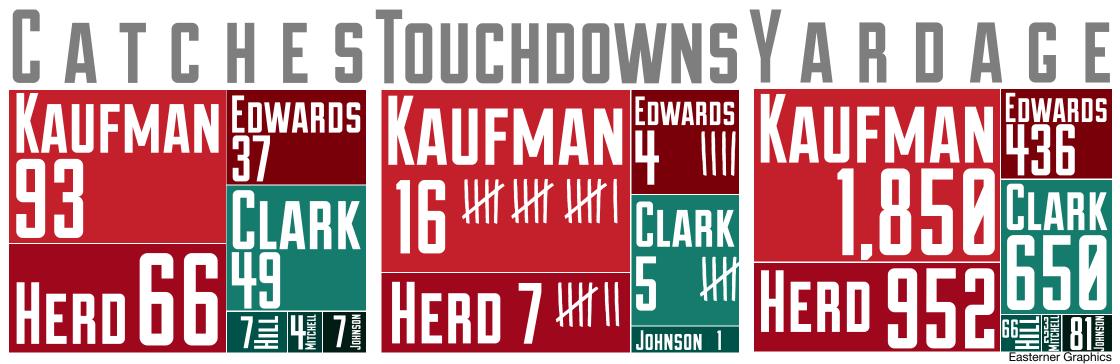
Camaraderie within the receiving corps has forged a bond within the group; a bond that makes itself evident once the pads get strapped on. "All of us are really good friends with each other, and we know that we all have something we can contribute to this team," Kupp said. "It's not really about competing against each other; it's just going out and each day being the best you you can be. Coaches know that each of us brings something a little different."

While each receiver brings something different, the same word keeps popping up when talking to coaches and players about the receiving corps: speed. "We're going to try to stretch the field with our speed," Mitchell said. "We're going

to be great at making people miss, getting to the next level [and] beating people deep."

Every receiver on the roster has redshirted, and coach Beau Baldwin said that extra year of experience helps immensely to learn the playbook. "Sometimes [with] certain positions or players, you don't have that luxury — they got to play right away as freshmen and that's just going to help the team in that year. But with this crew, every one of them was able to redshirt at one time or another. They're that much further along within what we're doing."

Players need confidence to be able to perform at the best of their abilities, and it appears as if that confidence has spilled over to the coaches, especially Adams. "Trust me," Adams said. "We're going to be just fine."



Greg Herd (left), Nicholas Edwards (center) and Brandon Kaufman (right) combined to be a fearsome trio. Red represents departing receivers. Green represents receivers still at Eastern.