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“I have a dream that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed. We hold these truths to be self-evident that all men are created equal.”

From Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s "I Have a Dream" speech given on August 28, 1963.

SPEAK and be HEARD

Dr. Scott Finnie
will be speaking
Tuesday on Dr. Martin
Luther King's leadership
and accomplishments.
See *News* for story.



Finnie to speak at King celebration

Shelia King
Editorial Assistant

With Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day being a prelude to Black History month, many budding programs and progressive ideas break into the lime-light every winter, however, there is a significant and influential force that keeps the fire of his own mission burning year round; Dr. Scott M. Finnie. Dr. Finnie is a professor here at Eastern in the African American Education Program and will be speaking next Tuesday at 12:00 p.m. in the Showalter Auditorium celebrating Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Dr. Finnie was born and raised in the California Bay Area and earned a four-year Basketball Scholarship to attend Gonzaga University where he achieved a Bachelors degree in American History. He then, like most college graduates, entertained a montage of occupational interests ranging from working for Xerox to Safe Co. Insurance.

He then decided to go back to school, trading his bulldog tags for Eastern Eagle wings, and obtained a masters degree from Eastern in American History, which he completed in '92. He then in '97 pursued his doctorate, which he completed in 2000. Dr. Finnie has, "been paid to do [his] hobby ever since," he enjoys the "slow and remote" community of Spokane and has dedicated much effort towards the expansion of cul-

tural awareness and acceptance.

In addition to being a highly affluent and educated man, Dr. Finnie spreads his message of a desire for a "color blind society where individuality and identity are acknowledged and embraced" through many facets. As aforementioned here at Eastern he teaches all African American History courses, applied psychology cultural counseling, as well as teaching American History to our AUAP students. He also teaches American History and Political Science at Spokane Community College as well as doing a wide range of public guest speaking in Spokane. In addition to all of this, he runs his own consulting business, which educates Spokane employers about cultural awareness in the workplace.

All of this ambition and drive Dr. Finnie attributes to a strong Christian influence as well as the encouragement of the successful changes that occurred as the result of the 1960s Civil Rights movement. When asked about the current state of multi-cultural acceptance, Dr. Finnie pointed out that relative to the beginning of the Civil Rights movement when tolerance was extremely low, that we as a society have come a long way, however, we still have much farther to go before we reach a place in time where "dignity is afforded to everyone."

Eastern's enrollment has increased significantly and in respect to diversity our "campus is receptive and

open" says Dr. Finnie, "part of learning is exposure." With Dr. Finnie's class size being on average 85 or more, he has the opportunity to become familiar with students' opinions about the acceptance of diversity, "majority of students feel we have made progress, they are however, fearful of faceless discrimination, of constantly reinforced stereotypes." Dr. Finnie has found that students want to get into the subject of diversity and that the best way to gen-

erate open discussion and true education is to "create a safe environment and genuine acceptance where students are not judged for what is said or asked."

Dr. Finnie's overall life goal is to "inspire people to become teachers, so that the torch of good discussion and learning keeps grow-

ing." He also aspires to write American history textbooks, especially for grades K-12, to expose students to a more multi-cultural American history. When asked in regards to our National Holidays such as Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day and Black History Month, Dr. Finnie sees these Holidays as

"supplemental but a necessary step, we have not arrived yet and should look to the day when basic American History is a mosaic fabric." Dr. Finnie urges all of us to "seek out choices to bridge gaps; gaps between individuals, gaps between groups," as well as to create "bridges that link races."



▲ Dr. Finnie will speak in the Showalter Auditorium Tuesday at noon.

Weekend power outages frustrates residents

Melissa Duffy
Reporter

Last Saturday night, the power went out on the north side of Cheney, affecting Safeway's complex and homes at the north end of town.

Some people thought this was a planned power outage like the one we had a couple months back. This power outage was unexpected for everyone.

According to Joe Noland, the reason the power went out on the north side of town was due to a tree falling onto a power line on the highway. A few miles out, heading toward Spokane near the

Rodeo Grounds, a tree fell over and completely ripped some of the power lines down to the ground.

There are seven electrical units in Cheney, and it just so happened that the power lines that ended up on the ground were connected to the circuit that controls the north part of town.

On Saturday, it was windy. People living in Cheney heard branches breaking, and homes creaking. For some, the power flickered, others were victims of the outage.

The outage caused Blockbuster Video to close early; however,

Safeway remained open.

Many students experienced power failure on campus. According to some, the power would come on and go back out again in 10 minute intervals.

In Dressler Hall, the power went off three times during the day. On all occasions people were stuck in the building's elevators. The Community Advisors advised the residents to stay off the elevators.

"It was amusing," said Dressler Hall Administrative Community Advisor Kim Blatt, "I had to walk up and down 10 stories like eight times, so I was

hurting the next day." Blatt wanted to complement the rest of the Dressler staff on staying on top of the situation and keeping their residents safe.

Of course, some of the people living in the resident's halls weren't extremely thrilled about this. Doing homework in the dark probably doesn't work so well. Taking showers with no power isn't very possible either.

The resident's halls electrical circuit isn't the same one that is connected to the one that is used for the north part of town.

According to Steve Bloom, the reason the power went out in the

halls was due to the power line coming down, because of the tree. Since the power line that went down was connected to one of the two substations that the University campus runs off of, it caused half of campus to go out.

Bloom said that in a couple of months, he hopes that EWU will have an automatic switch to turn everything back on during power failures. Since the system was just installed in June, not everything is completed yet.

Until then, it is possible that power failures might happen occasionally.

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Dry houses successful for members

Greek houses going dry has led to a safer environment for everyone.

Emilly Lynn
Reporter

In today's world we look at fraternities and see visions of big parties, reckless behavior, and irresponsible drinking like John Belushi in "Animal House." However, this is real life and fraternities at Eastern are trying to escape from that stereotype.

This year is Sigma Phi Epsilon's 100th anniversary as a national fraternity and its 10th anniversary at Eastern.

It also marked the Sig Eps first year as an alcohol-free fraternity.

Being in a dry fraternity may mean giving up the right to bring any type of alcoholic beverage into the house, but there are far more benefits than downsides, said Nicholas Anderson, president of Sigma Phi Epsilon. Anderson has been a member since September of 1999.

The decision to go dry was made by the chapter members without pressure from their national chapter, alumni, or from the university.

"We voted to go dry in November of 2000. We really wanted to get back to what we're really here for. Our founders, in 1901, created Sigma Phi Epsilon on the foundation of virtue, diligence and brotherly love. Living in a dry facility helps us get back to that every day. We really reap benefits from being dry; we have brand new leather couches and new carpet."

The group's decision reflects a growing national trend.

"There's a whole movement going back to the foundations of what being Greek stands for: friendship, service and scholarship," said Stephanie Ennis, EWU director of student activities. "They asked, 'where does the party scene with beer fit into this?'"

They said, 'well, it really doesn't.'"

Encouraged by its national chapter, Phi Delta Theta went dry in 1997 and became the first alcohol-free EWU fraternity.

"Living in a dry house: it's cool and it's smart. What a great combo!" said Eric Stout, Vice President of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity.

Stout, a junior, is proud to live in a dry house where he knows he doesn't have to worry about stuff getting ruined or members getting drunk all the time.

"Our three basic principles are friendship, sound learning, and moral rectitude," Stout said, "With these tools, we can make right decisions. If the decisions are not popular, deal with it later, but we can still stand up for what's right."

EWU fraternities Beta Theta Pi and Sigma Nu are dry Sunday through Thursday. Pi Lambda Phi still allows alcohol.

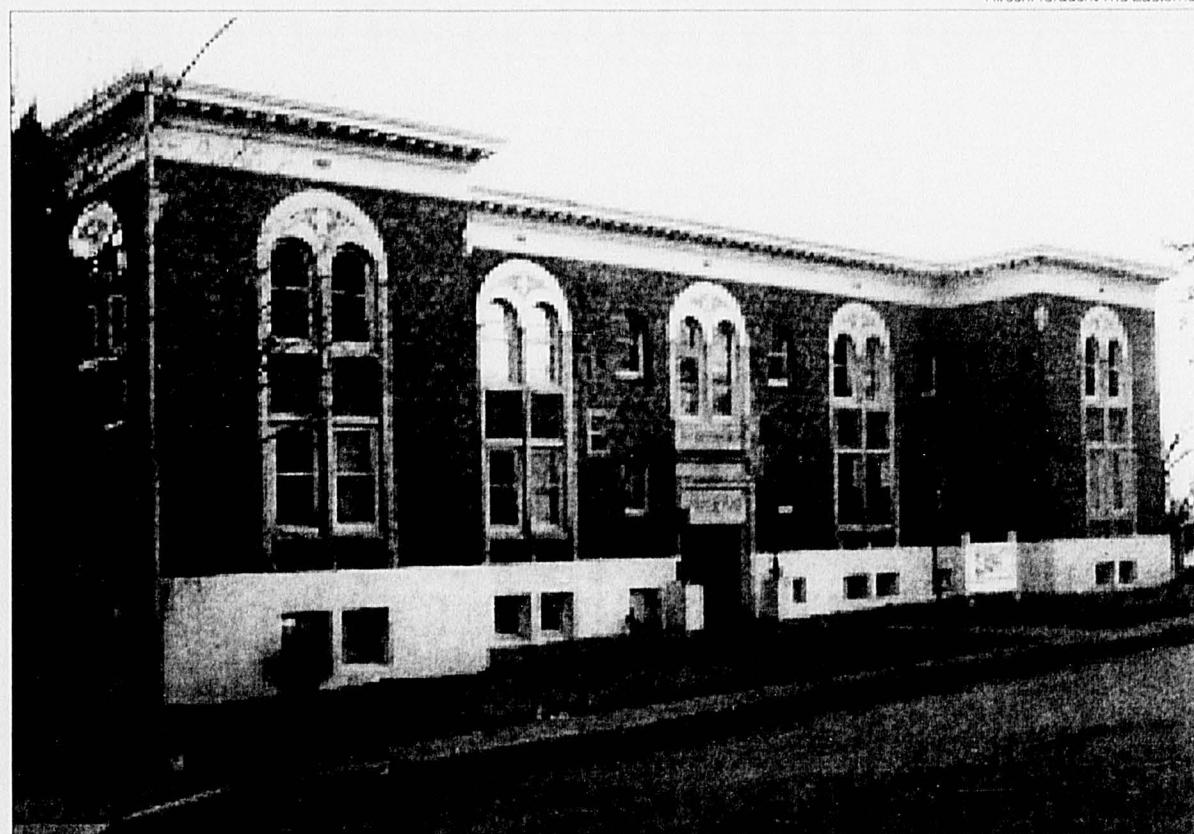
Like sororities nationwide, all of EWU's sororities are dry.

Although alcohol is not allowed at the Phi Delta Theta and Sigma Phi Epsilon houses, the fraternities may serve alcohol at parties held elsewhere if they receive approval from the university and their national headquarters. They also must alert the EWU and Cheney police departments, who have open invitations to drop by during the event.

That open-door policy is part of an agreement the fraternities signed in October that also requires guest lists for the parties.

Cheney Police Chief Greg Lopes said calls from the fraternity house neighborhood have diminished, and incidences of assaults, poor driving behavior, malicious mischief and fights have declined.

"The responsibility level has



▲ The Sig Eps are celebrating ten years at EWU

increased," he said. "Even when there are activities where alcohol is consumed, it's being consumed more responsibly."

Lopes credits the improvements to the three-way involvement of the EWU administration, the city of Cheney and the fraternities.

"It's had a pretty good positive impact on the community as a whole," he said.

With the fraternities turning dry, it has allowed the fraternities to focus on other concerns, like grades.

"Our house grade point average is sky-rocketing from last fall. We maintained a 2.9 GPA this fall, which isn't that outstanding, but considering the performances from other Greek houses, we really cleaned house for the fraternities," Anderson said, "We have a focus on academics and I think that's well displayed through our growing chapter house. I anticipate us reaching the 3.2 GPA mark this year."

Many would-be members might be turned away from the

alcohol-free policy, but Anderson said, "Who we look for is the guy who is the athlete, the gentleman, the scholar, and has it all; someone who isn't scared off by being in a dry house. We want balance. Recruitment has gone up since we went dry."

"We use being a dry fraternity as a rush tool. You take so much pride in your house, why wouldn't you want it to be nice? When there's no drunk people ruining things all the time, things stay nicer and more people want to join," Stout said.

"As president, I don't have to worry about any of the members getting into trouble while drinking in our house, which means I can focus my time and efforts onto more important issues like helping everyone to achieve a 3.2 GPA, getting 70 members by spring, and making house improvements that will encourage membership. It focuses our efforts, I think, and I'm proud to live in a dry house," Anderson said.

"There are plenty of things to

do without beer in the house. It's a lot nicer to live there and it smells nicer too," Anderson said.

Stout had an example of just what else there was to do besides party and get drunk. He said, "We have socials. They're not parties, but we invite other fraternities or sororities over to have good, clean fun in our house. Sometimes we have socials where you have to be from a certain era or dress like a specific group of people and it can be really funny to see what people come up with."

"We're really serious about our decision to go dry," Anderson said.

"You've got to live by the rules and you've got to understand what they mean if you want to get anywhere in life. We help our members do that by not promoting any illegal substances on our premise," Stout said.

Both officials were clear about one thing: being a member of a dry fraternity is a rewarding experience.

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Megan Curfman

Reporter

This Tuesday's ASEWU Council Meeting was concentrated on getting back into the swing of things after the winter break. The council listened to reports from Danny Pugh, the Dean of Students, the ASEWU Superior Court and Angie Dau, who is the Director of Elections.

The polling stations for elections are going to be changed around campus to make voting this year more convenient for EWU students to vote.

Nicole DeVon was appointed into Council Position #8, which is Campus Organization and Outreach. She was selected by the committee after many interviews and evaluations because of proven drive to assist students of this campus and her dedication to doing a good job.

Eastern's Superior Court competes in mock trial competitions, this might be of some interest to you. Eastern's team will be traveling to New York for mock trials and competing against Ivy League schools like Yale, Brown and Princeton. Six members of the court are lucky enough to take this trip, and the competition will be held on February 1, 2002.

As for basic office business, the council made a couple of constitutional referendums, changed the number of hours they were required to meet a week and bill 2001-2002/107, Establishing Departments of the ASEWU Council underwent its third reading. The bill will go into effect for the upcoming elections. They also passed some Supplemental Budget Requests. These budget requests will assist groups like the Native American Student Association with the bill for the upcoming Native American Week, Alpha Kappa Psi with paying for a conference which new members will be attending and Northwest Boulevard in purchasing the supplies needed to publish their annual free book of poems written by EWU students.

Over winter break, the Higher Education Coordinating (HEC) Board held a meeting at Gonzaga University. They are pushing for the model of low tuition and low financial aid. Currently at Eastern we support Partial Local Control, which is where legislature sets a cap on how much tuition can go up. Our Board of Trustees puts the increase anywhere from zero percent to the 13 percent it went up last year. The Governor has recommended unlimited increase, which would mean that the percent tuition would go up this year, is basically up to us as students. If the legislature is no longer

accountable for how much tuition increases, they no longer will be accountable for anything that happens to higher education, which could mean that students could have high tuition and low education. University presidents will be fighting against things like this at a meeting that will be held in Olympia, WA in the new future.

Some of you know that the old Bonanza Ford Dealership will be an apartment complex next year that is recognized housing by EWU. This means that if you get financial aid or scholarships, you can use that money toward housing in these new apartments downtown. Perhaps the best news about this complex is that the lower level is supposedly going to be retail shops that will accept the Eagle Card! These apartments are set to be opened by Fall 2002 so students can move in at the start of the school year. However there is only space for approximately 150 students, so if you want to live in the heart of downtown Cheney, plan ahead and get your housing applications in fast.

Lastly, the Council discussed their plans for making the student population aware that as of April 2002, the school can no longer use our social security numbers as our identification numbers. New cards with new ID numbers will be issued to every student around April, and from then on, our social security numbers will no longer be valid as ID.

Just a reminder to all students that are interested in ASEWU, there are weekly meetings every Tuesday at 3:45 on the third floor of the PUB, room 323. Everyone is welcome to come sit in on the meeting and take an active part in our school government.



EWU

POLICE BEAT

January 2nd-

Clothing theft at the field house involving two juvenile suspects. The suspects were later identified and the clothing was recovered.

January 3rd-

Report of Malicious Mischief in Lot 12 where a vehicle had sustained some damage over the course of winter break.

January 7th-

A student reported her bicycle missing. Last seen December 13th, the bike is described as a silver-gray K-2 with red front shocks and has not yet been located.

January 9th-

A reported fight that broke out in the campus PHASE complex is still undergoing further investigation.

A Dressler Hall resident reported a number of personal items stolen from her room. Items included a few video games and CDs.

A student was arrested for possession of marijuana at Morrison Hall.

A student riding a STA bound for EWU from Spokane reported a fourth degree assault that involved an unidentified passenger cutting her hair during the course of the bus route.

January 10th-

A backpack theft that occurred outside the campus bookstore was reported. The incident took place the day before the call was made.

January 12th-

DUI arrest of a non-student at the 1500 block on Washington Street

January 13th-

Two EWU students were arrested for MIP. Both were found and cited for drinking in Lot 16 at 2 a.m.

The EWU Police Department wish to stress that most of their services consist of helping people with automobile trouble. They provide many services including jumpstarts and services for lockouts. If you experience trouble of this kind please call 235-6235 and the dispatcher will send any available officer to help you.

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This week **ON CAMPUS** *Events Info*

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FRIDAY

ASEWU Superior Court Applications are due to PUB 303 by 5 p.m. For information about the court's responsibilities call 359-6549.

Last day to add or drop a class

Track and Field: EWU Pentathlon Championships Indoor Track Meet. 12 p.m., The Fieldhouse

SATURDAY

Track and Field: 15th Annual Jerry Martin Invitational. Field events begin at 9 a.m. and running events start at 11:30 a.m., Fieldhouse

Women's Basketball: EWU at Portland State, 7 p.m., in Portland.

Men's Basketball: EWU vs. Portland State, 7 p.m., Reese Court

SUNDAY

No Events Scheduled:

If you would like your event placed in our events calendar, e-mail us at easterneremail@yahoo.com or call us at 359-6270. Please be sure you leave your name, phone number, and the date of your event.

MONDAY

No Classes Martin Luther King Holiday

TUESDAY

ASEWU meeting, 3:45 p.m., PUB 323

Martin Luther King Celebration: 12 p.m. Showalter Auditorium. EWU professor Dr. Scott Finnie will be the guest speaker.

WEDNESDAY

WYSIWYG: Latino comedian Cain Lopez will perform, 7 p.m., PUB MPR. For more information contact Jenny at 359-7367.



News Briefs



Presidential scholarships available to new freshman

All new freshmen at Eastern Washington University in fall quarter 2002 who have a 3.8 high school grade point average – and who apply for admission by this April 1 – will receive a \$2,000 Presidential Scholarship at the university.

The merit-based scholarship is automatic for all new fall quarter freshmen who meet the admissions deadline and GPA criteria, and the scholarship is renewable for a second year if the student maintains a 3.5 GPA at Eastern.

"We think it is very important to provide incentives for students to do good work in high school and to reward that good work as they continue their education," said Dr. Stephen M. Jordan, Eastern's president.

In previous years, the Presidential Scholarship was available to the first 100 incoming freshmen with a 3.8 GPA and 1100 SAT score or 24 ACT score. Now, the scholarship is unlimited in number and the SAT/ACT scores are no longer a factor.

For more information about the Presidential Scholarship, contact the EWU Financial Aid and Scholarship Office at (509) 359-2314 or toll free at (800) 280-1256. Or via e-mail: finaid@mail.ewu.edu



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Out with the sun. *in with the fun*

Seth Swift
Reporter

"It's snowing it's snowing, the skiers and snowboarders are glowing."

While the previous song doesn't have quite the same ring as "It's raining, it's pouring," or even an old man snoring for that matter, it does have a charm all its own, mostly because I wrote it and I like to think of myself as charming.

This, however, isn't the case for the many students at EWU who have come east of the Cascades in order to further their academic experience and stay out of the real world for a few more years - and I don't mean the charming part, it's the snow. For those who are from the east side of Washington, all this snow falling outside isn't much of a thing to say "Who-diddley" over.

For those that aren't from the eastside, like myself, the individual flakes falling at a fervent pace outside can mean only one thing: "I'm trapped!" Over on what the Red Hot Chili Peppers would call the "other side," all it takes is a mere inch and a half of snow and all the schools are shut down with people panicking area-wide, running over elderly ladies in the grocery stores in order to get that last bottle of water on the shelf. Over on the west side, the people there get snow tires installed on their vehicles when the weathermen and women forecast a slight chance of frost.

But this is college now, the time to experiment with things both legal and not so legal. Besides, it's as the old saying goes, "When in Rome, do as the Eastern Washingtonians do." This entails clawing out of the cardboard box that has been put on one's shoulders from the locale in which they were raised and "get up, get out, and do something," to put it in the words of Macy Gray, everybody's favorite rock star.

For those with snow phobias, it will likely take baby steps in order to break out of that shell. This involves sitting on the PUB steps and watching others slip and fall, or taking the initiative and finding virgin slices of ice to practice sliding upon. One of the best places for this is around the trees behind Cheney Elementary and the Cheney pool, where great ponds of ice have collected due to the lack of drainage. Another place to take these baby steps is out in front of the PUB where people have been falling over already, but this means it isn't virgin ice and therefore not the highest quality to slide upon.

If a snow phobia is what the ailment is, then the last thing to do is get in snowball fights. This will either lead to one getting white-washed, which is a lot like being suffocated with pillows only it's colder, or it will lead to getting a snowball in the ear, which is pretty painful in its own right. Both of these can make the phobia worse.

This, though, is okay when a person can consider their experience equal to that of a snow novice. These are people who have done one of the following: They've taken ski lessons, driven a car in the snow between one and five times, slipped and fallen in front of people outside the PUB, or they can successfully write their name legibly in the snow. The levels to which their snow activities go generally do not exceed sledding.

Cheney is a great place for those of the sledding persuasion, though. There is a hill across from the cemetery on Salnave that is steep and has some large jumps. This hill's location is very convenient, because if someone were to break their neck or something from trying to jump off of the biggest jump on the hill, his or her friends only have

a short distance to walk in order to bury their recently deceased friend. An avuncular warning from personal experience is, do not go off these jumps with only plastic garbage bags as a means of propulsion. This will only lead to broken tailbones or something very close to it.

Another good hill that does involve some slight danger is the hill by the water towers and the human-sized chessboard east of the Streeter and Morrison dorms. It rides down at a sharp angle and ends in the street. A word of advice in the interest of keeping Eastern students safe, paying tuition, and without too many body parts missing is to either fall off the sled before hitting the street or go when the snowplow has already passed by, not when it is still coming. The guys that drive these are a lot like street sweepers, and will most likely just see people as another thing to be plowed. For the kids there are small hills all over Cheney, and the best ones for children are up on the EWU playfields where the Seahawks practice.

The person with an intermediate level of snow skills, which probably isn't too many of the Westsiders, should know by now what to do in and around the area of Cheney. These people generally consist of the snowboarders and skiers mentioned earlier, cross-country skiers, dog sled racers, people who hiked in the mountains and only lost two fingers to frostbite, and people without any common sense. Some make the case that all of the people above with intermediate skills have no common sense.

To gain the level of expert when dealing with the trials of snow and the ways to stay entertained in it takes more experience than I could ever imagine. Most of these people either died out after the last ice age, are Aleutians from Alaska, or live in other arc-

tic regions and speak languages I couldn't possibly hope to comprehend. Sorry, but I'm no help here.

The activity that requires perhaps the most expert snow knowledge and experience is that of making snow angels. People should not try to fool themselves about the difficulty of making a snow angel. In the first place, all it takes is one slip of a disc and the person that is creating the imprint in the snow may be laid out on their back for the rest of the winter and part of the spring. This is not good because it's hard to get around in the snow in a wheelchair or on crutches. A person is more likely to end up with more casts either way.

Secondly, and more importantly, only those who are very experienced with the snow, such as hikers, trackers, arctic explorers, and hunters know what secrets the snow hides. For instance, all the good hunters I've known can pick up a handful of snow and tell when last an animal has passed by and what kind of an animal it was.

That, of course, is the major danger of making snow angels. Who knows exactly what dirty secrets the snow veils behind a mask of seeming purity? I know someone who vomited on his back deck last year at a party. He didn't clean it up right away, as he should have, and now it is frozen to his deck, and there is no way of cleaning it until the next great thaw, which will probably occur sometime around late February.

For the students and faculty who have snow phobias, who are so scared of the snow they refuse to peel out in an empty icy parking lot and spin brodies, there is hope. Granted that there isn't much, but there is some slight hope. All it takes is baby steps and a little courage to face the slippery adversity that is snow.

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Driving in the winter: An ice tutorial

Adrian Workman
Assistant Editor

Cheney once again has the worst case of dandruff I have ever seen.

Considering this and the fact that quite a few students' vehicles lost features of aerodynamic engineering over the winter break, I find it necessary to impart some much-needed winter driving guidance.

This advice is mine. My less-than humble opinions are pieced together from snippets of information collected from mechanics, police officers, my own experience, and personal prejudices. It is also based upon the mutual assumption that people who own (lease, whatever) their vehicles intend to keep them in pristine condition.

The Good Rule, first: Your brake pedal is now off-limits. This will become harder to memorize while you are careening toward something that will decrease the resale value of your workhorse. This rule will become sacrosanct after a collision.

The Rule is easier for people with manual transmissions, because they can more effectively slow the vehicle down by downshifting. Manual drivers should only be braking when nearing a complete stop. Automatic people: Treat your brake pedal like the detonation switch to a bomb.

If you have no experience driving in the snow, I suggest spending an inclement afternoon in an empty, slick lot with your "magic carpet." Familiarize yourself with its handling, traction, and especially, braking distance.

To me, the most important part of any icy or snowy drive occurs before leaving my block. During this time, making sure there is no traffic, do a "brake check": Get your car up to

between 15 and 20 miles per hour, then slam on the brakes. This simple and safe task will save you a lot of grief.

Some types of vehicles are better in the snow than others, and for different reasons:

First, for people who drive rear-wheel drive (RWD) vehicles (front-mounted engines): Find somebody who drives anything except the aforementioned type of vehicle. Con them into carting you around whenever you want. In my immodest opinion, RWDs have the worst traction compared to any other drive train. However, I have heard that VW beetles (the real ones, not the new ones) do pretty well in the snow, as the weight of the engine is directly above the wheels that the power comes from.

Vehicles with four-wheel drive are advantageous in that they do not get stuck easily. Some 4X4s have differentials that can measure how much traction each wheel has, and deliver power accordingly. When driven at conservative speeds, these vehicles can be a godsend from the Temple of Mobility. The only times I've seen stranded 4X4s are when they are lodged in the meridian of a freeway, lodged into another vehicle, or lying on their side, or rubber-side-up.

Most of the unfortunate motorists I see on snowy/icy roads humbly own vehicular handicaps appropriately entitled "off-road vehicles." This is why they are disadvantageous: Their owners tend to be overconfident. That added power to the drive train does absolutely nothing to slow the vehicle down. Added to this is that many 4X4 vehicles are SUVs, which are very heavy. A friend of mine who studies physics would say that SUVs in motion have a lot more of some-

thing he calls "momentum."

I find front-wheel drive cars to be the most advantageous in slippery conditions. Most of the weight of the car is located over the two wheels that provide all the power, and all the steering.

This means that as long as your foot is on the gas, you have control of the vehicle.

Just point it in the direction you want to go. The only disadvantage I can think of with these vehicles is that there is more danger of "backsliding."

If you change the direction of your automobile at a fast enough speed (a lot slower in icy conditions), the rear end of your automobile will (more likely than other types of vehicles, although they are far from exempt)

tend to want to go in the same direction that you were traveling previously, and at about the same speed.

If this happens, do not hit the brakes. Your brakes are off-limits, remember? If you can (if you execute this without hurting anyone), turn the vehicle toward the direction you want to go, lightly gassing it as you turn. Be prepared: If you turn too hard and/or give the car too much power, you will overcorrect, causing your car's posterior to sway just as much or more the opposite direction. Take it easy.

All consideration of drive train and vehicle type aside, a shrewd RWD owner will own his car longer than a brainless driver of any other drive train.

If you get stuck, all is not lost. The floor mats are more useful than just a dwelling place for all the detritus you step in on your way to your car. First, straighten out the wheels. Do

not spin the tires. This warms up the precipitation you are stuck in, making it even slicker. If it's not too icy, you can do a little digging with an ice scraper, but try to have something in your vehicle that you can use to bust some ice if you have to. Put on your hazard lights, so that all the SUV drivers who are going too fast can see you, so that they will crash into something other than your 1977 Toyota Corolla (or what-have-you). Dig underneath the tires a little, and a little in the direction you are trying to go. Tuck the floor mats beneath the tires and over your completed excavation project. If you have a friend with you, install him/her at the end of the vehicle that is stuck. Create some sort of aural communication so that you can tell at what intervals your friend is rocking the car. When this commences, step on the gas a little every time they push.

Fellow "Westies" traveling over the pass this long weekend to visit kin should have in their ride a flashlight. The working kind is more useful than the alternative. They should also have warm clothing, cables/chains, a blanket, and some food. Patience is a virtue here, too. Plan on a long trip. Bring things to keep you awake. I had a trip last year take 11 hours.

Oh yeah: Regardless of what kind of vehicle you drive, avoid the Safeway parking lot. The trip from Carl's Jr. to Blockbuster is a liability, to put it lightly: When there aren't people learning how to drive there, there are people who know damn well how to drive, doing doughnuts, compounded with traffic coming from all 12 directions.

Good luck.

Convenience store loaded full of inconvenience

Amber Salisbury
Reporter

In my experience here at Eastern, parties don't start until nine or 10 p.m. and they often run late into the night. There is also this thing that some may refer to as "pre-funking," a new term that I learned upon my arrival. Translated, it means you need to get to a store early in order to stock the fridge for the night's activities.

If you are the kind of person who enjoys the harder side of life, or just plain hard alcohol, then you must get to the only liquor store in Cheney before they close at 6:00 p.m. When I called to ask about the time of closing, the man informed me that the closing time used to be 7:00 p.m. I asked him what the deal was. He assumed it was state regulations. Okay, so 6:00 p.m. it is.

As I made some calls around Cheney, I found that many businesses close when the party is just getting started. IGA, Safeway, and TAJ all close at midnight. When I asked why this was, all told me to call their re-

spective corporate offices and ask them. One man at Safeway told me that he was just doing what he was told.

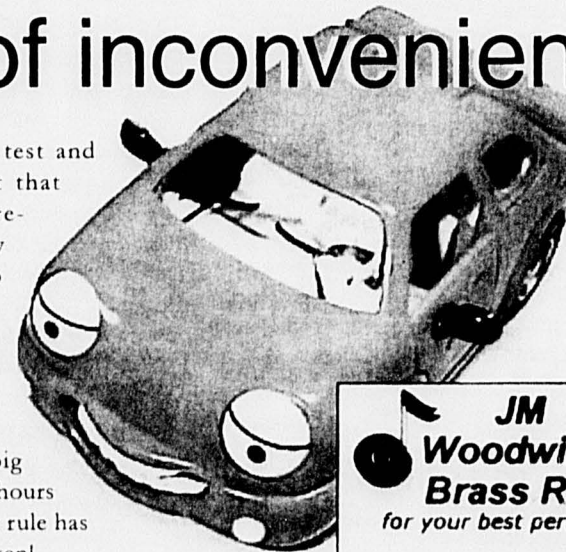
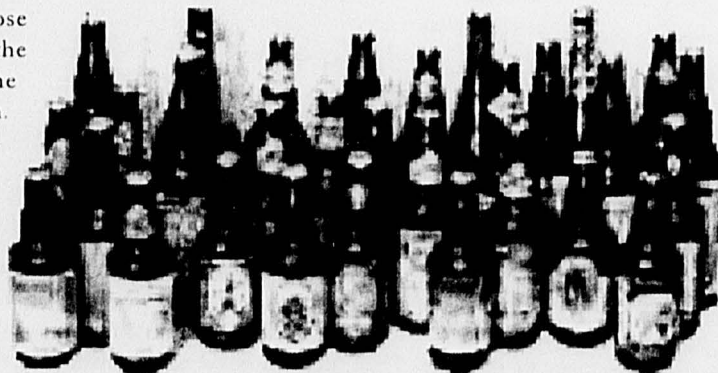
Well, now what? What do you do if you run out of beer?

For those who are fortunate enough to be 21, Willow Springs, Showies, and Bill's Tavern are the local watering holes. These fine establishments stop serving alcohol at 1:30 to 1:45 a.m., and the doors close at 2 a.m.

Cheney's last resort to buying a half rack past midnight is the local Chevron convenience store. Or, at least it was. I put my

journalistic skills to the test and called them to find out that the establishment has recently come into new ownership and they do not have a liquor license. They cannot sell tobacco products either. The lotto has also been put on hold. There goes my chance of winning the big jackpot. They are open 24 hours a day. Finally, the midnight rule has been broken!

When I asked when they would resume selling these products, and the man behind the counter replied, "I don't know." He told me that the owners have been there for a month and that they just filed the papers for the license last week. Now it's all up to the state. Hopefully, things will move quickly, for all you thirsty college kids.



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Artist works with female body theme

Cara Lorello
Reporter

The chocolate chips that adorn Laz Roberts-White's nude body in her self-portrait series exhibit, "Photographs," are every bit as real as those in a cookie jar's stash. But these morsels were not meant for the sweet tooth at all. The artist used the chocolate as a visual element representing the dark and complicated world of eating disorders and negative body image among women.

"Chocolate ties into the realm of eating disorders very well," says Roberts-White. "It is something that many of us were brought up to love at first, then hate after we grew to be a certain age. I see that much like the way women love and hate their appearance."

Having struggled with her own body image in the past, Roberts-White incorporated specific things related to that experience into the work of her art and photographs. A past project in particular was a floor-length skirt made entirely out of empty gelatin pill capsules.

"For me, the diet pills were my way of dealing with my weight while I was all caught up wanting so bad to be thin. The pill-skirt came out of my manifestation of that," she said.

Another personalized piece is featured in the "Photographs" series, now on display in EWU's Gallery One Two Nine. It is a line of horizontal

pictures showing Roberts-White re-enacting her wedding ceremony. She describes the inspiration for her reenactment as wanting to go back to a period in her life when she felt insecure about herself and seeing things for what they really were, bringing closure to those insecurities.

"I felt the need to see things as being real, not so much how I idealized them to be. I was probably doing what a lot of young women do: Anything and everything to make their wedding perfect. A perfect 'white wedding.' But in reality, it wasn't as perfect as it seemed because I was uncomfortable with myself."

For the reenactment, Roberts-White dressed up in the exact same wedding gown that she had worn for the wedding. Her dress no longer fit, as she recalled being at an unhealthy weight at the time. The gown was held together with a line of safety pins. Roberts-White also used a real white cake to make the setting all the more real, and served pieces to those attending her exhibit.

"Having my dream wedding go from perfect to not-so-perfect was a defining moment for me, because it was my way of coming to terms for the first time with myself and the reality of it all."

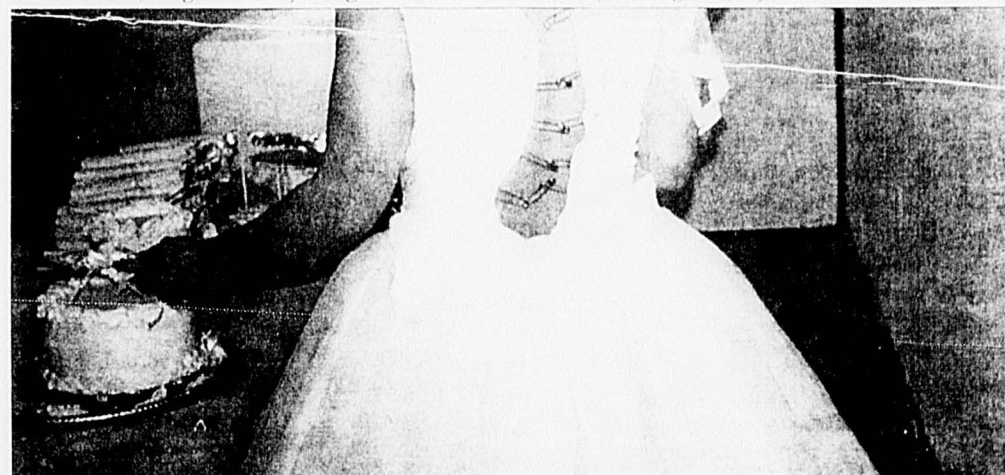
Beauty is a defining characteristic for women in many cultures, and American society tends to thrive on perfection at extreme levels. Young girls often go to extreme levels to perfect their

image to fit the media's standards. Eating disorders have risen to epidemic level within the past decade, affecting girls as young as 5 and 6, with the most common cases involving teens and early 20-year-olds. Recently, there have been cases involving males with eating disorders, as psychological records have indicated.

The message behind "Photographs" Roberts-White hopes to present is a positive interpretation of coming to terms with one's personal identity, and accepting yourself for who you are naturally. She hopes to extend that message beyond herself to other women affected worldwide by negative body image issues.

"Both my brother and sister have had bulimia (binge-eating followed by self-induced vomiting). I'm trying right now to get my sister to find some help," she says. "Art can be a very effective way to communicate psychological feelings and help to a certain extent. But still, it can only help so much with something as complex as an eating disorder. More professional help is needed to make a full recovery."

Laz Roberts-White's "Photographs" exhibit is currently on display in the Art Building's Gallery One Two Nine (RM 129), and runs from Jan. 10 through Mar. 21. Building hours are 8-5 p.m. Monday through Friday.



▲ Roberts-White's expression about the "not-so perfect wedding."

Can you *Rock Steady* without ska? No Doubt!

Their new album breaks from *Tragic Kingdom*

Cara Lorello
Reporter

I can say without any doubt that No Doubt has nailed the success target once again with their latest release, *Rock Steady*.

This record can be enjoyed clear through, sort of like a steak. Other albums I've purchased in the past usually had a load of tracks I didn't care

for, and maybe three or four I liked to listen to. I like to call these albums "vegetable records": Music that has its good points, but lacks any real substance. By contrast, *Rock Steady* isn't a vegetable record at all—it's meat. This is definitely a good purchase if new music is on your list.

This is the third album since *Tragic Kingdom*. I note this one in particular as being their best mix of sounds both old and new. The first album



▲ Hey Baby! The fearsome foursome is back. *Rock Steady* is stocked and ready.

exhibited a strong, brass-instrument feel, and the second album later introduced keyboard and synthesizer. *Rock Steady* combines all of these elements without sounding off-tune. New features include a little bit of rhapsody and high-tone vibes paired with the band's eclectic mix of sound.

The greater half of the album features energized, yet easy-to-listen-to tracks that would suit most any occasion where music is needed. The introduction short at the start of the album reminded me somewhat of that faint, carnival-chimes music that hypnotizes you into a feeling of curiosity. Then there are a few more mellow-toned songs, such as "Running" that gives off a

hint of wanna-be ballad, but has too strong a rock undertone to come off as a soft song. Clever lyrics such as those in "In My Head" explain how two things such as love and paranoia don't mix very well: "I try to think about rainbows when it gets bad/You gotta think about somethin' to keep from going mad."

Given the success of their freshman and sophomore albums, No Doubt's *Rock Steady* ought to be well-received by fans and new listeners in search of a good listen. I would recommend playing track 11, "Platinum Blonde Life" on a day where life doesn't seem like it's worth waking up to, and time is not your own.

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Chinese Gardens is the best place to go for quality and budget-friendly Asian cuisine

Seth Swift
Reporter

You find yourself driving west on 1st St with a rumble in your stomach and something new on your mind, but it seems as though you've tried all the Cheney hotspots that serve food. "I guess I'll try one of those Happy Mackerel Smackers, which are really just burgers dressed up with fish sauce," you resignedly say to yourself. You pass the Taj on your way to whatever restaurant it is that serves such food and a small, unassuming sign one door down declares, "Chinese Gardens" outside a red, humble-looking building.

Before you can even ask yourself, "What's that place like?" you speed on by, scanning the side-roads for cops, and plod on down the street towards another doleful lunch fraught with unfortunate after-effects.

Listen. The next time you're heading down this same road, leap out of your fatalistic shell and turn into the Chinese Gardens parking lot. The helpings there are generous, probably enough to sate a sumo's appetite, and with a mere two dishes.

If you were an Eagle alumnus three decades ago, it will be almost exactly like you never left, according to the proprietor of the restaurant, who prefers to remain nameless. The proprietor has owned Chinese Gardens for the last two years. Much of the décor, such as walls and seats, are burnt crimson red with inlaid golden patterns and dark wood tones. The artwork is interesting to stare at when the conversation runs thin and can ignite it again. One such piece of art is a rendition of two pandas, one behind the other. The lighting overhead is covered in soft colored Chinese paper lanterns.

My favorite dish at Chinese Gardens is General Tso's [pronounced "So"] chicken. Take one taste of this and dirty the air with a burp and a hearty "Goddamn!" when you've finally finished ingest-

ing the contents. Here, unlike many other places, people can order it just as they like it, tangy or hot.

Since I moved out of Cheney, I've been to many different restaurants purporting to sell Chinese food, but nowhere else comes close to the succulent taste of Chinese Gardens' General Tso's Chicken. It especially beats the Virgin Mother out of those large grocery stores' weak facsimiles that are mostly leftover drumsticks.

By now both the proprietor and his staff pretty much know what I'm coming in for, which says something about the service. I walk into the restaurant and if I don't say anything, 10 minutes later a large dish of food is at my table, along with tea. The tea, by the way, is excellent. Here the tea isn't watered down and rusty tasting, but full and strong.

Another favorite dish of mine is the hot and sour soup. As with General Tso's Chicken, I've been all around Spokane lately trying to find true hot and sour soup. At other places, the soup is either plain without sour or sour without hot, or just hot salty. Simply put, the other Chinese restaurants are probably already sneaking in to try stealing the recipe, because all it takes is one taste and people are hooked.

The owner attributes the unique tastes of the food on the menu to the lack of strictly regimented recipes. It is his belief that he and the staff can all learn from one another, thus constantly improve upon old recipes.

"There's no sauces," the owner says with a hint of confidentiality. He refers to store-bought, ready-made sauces.

"[When you] come here it's like eating in China." In Cheney, as in China, the cooks cater to the customer, with sauces built to suit, which is key in doing away with industrialized sauces that are merely heated up and glopped on top of a dish. This, says the proprietor, is a way of bringing a piece of Chinese culture into Cheney. It also nearly guarantees that any dish eaten here



▲ The view of from First St., via a hazy shade of winter.

Hiroshi Terauchi/The Easterner

will be exactly the same as the last time.

My favorite appetizer is the fried won ton. My fiancée can attest to this. Whenever she thinks she's being sneaky, hiding them from me in the back of the fridge, my keen nose searches them out. She eventually comes home to me sitting in a pile of won ton, eating as much as I can. Then I have to go and buy her more. The fried won ton comes with two sauces: One is sweet and tangy; the other is spicy, with a hint of vinegar.

The prices are relatively affordable. The hot and sour soup in Spokane generally costs about seven to 10 dollars. At Chinese Gardens it's \$5.95. General Tso's Chicken runs anywhere from \$10 to \$13 in Spokane. It costs \$8.45 at Chinese Gardens. If these particular dishes aren't what your Pontius Palate calls for, or if you prefer variety, there is a horde of other options to choose from, and most notably the "choose your own combination." With this it is possible for a person to get four to six different items, ranging in price from \$7.35 to \$8.50, egg flour soup included. There is also the "Chef Ling Special" for

those with big appetites. This particular dish costs \$7.99 and includes seven different dishes, and also includes egg flower soup. For nicer dinners there are the combination dinners that contain, on average, five separate dishes and cost from six to eight dollars, or for the family feasts there are family dinners with a minimum of two orders and six dishes for eight to ten dollars.

Additionally, Chinese Gardens has lunch specials that are priced at \$3.99 and up.

If it isn't possible to drive due to a lack of transportation, safety (thank MADD), or plain laziness, Chinese Gardens also delivers to the Cheney area. While there is a surcharge for delivery, the food is worth it. I've only gotten one bad delivery all the times I called in, and when I complained- because I'm such a big whiner- the driver came right back with food that better suited my high tastes. The delivery number is 235-6926. I've memorized it, and you should, too.

The proprietor's plans for the near future do not include expansion. The plan is to "keep making good food."

The Cyber Cafe may be Eastern's best kept secret

Sheila King
Editorial Assistant



Ally Sperber/The Easterner

▲ The only way you may be able to tell you are near the Cyber Cafe.

Eastern's campus seems common place as any small school. However, in the corners of mundane brick buildings lurk various gold mines of entertainment and resources.

Unfortunately, a lack of advertising has left the mainstream of Eastern students completely in the dark about a very useful service: The Cyber Café.

The Cyber Café opened up in the middle of fall quarter and despite a previous article run in The Easterner, is still a relative mystery to most students.

"Cyber Café, what the hell is the Cyber Café?" asks Morgan Zentler.

The Cyber Café is a place where students may bring a snack and utilize any one of its 17 computers to surf the web. The Cyber Café also features a place to either study or have engaging conversation with its low light fixtures and comfortable seats.

This secluded and social atmosphere is comparable to Starbucks

and is truly a hidden treasure on Eastern's campus.

However, do not be misled, the Cyber Café does not serve food or beverages but merely provides an alternative place to eat and have access to computers.

The computers in the Cyber Café are mainly programmed to support Internet based software, rather than academic use. Printers and word processing programs are not available.

The Cyber Café is located on the third floor of the PUB, and is situated on the balcony that overlooks the MPR.

A new bright red neon sign now beckons curious students towards the Café.

"It's amazing," said frequent Cyber Café user Travis Nichols, "Eastern has things popping up in every little nook and cranny."

Nichols has become a regular at the Cyber Café and prefers it over the PUB computer lab because, "it is convenient and laid back."

Though the few current Cyber Café users would like to keep this Eastern's best known secret, all students are encouraged and invited to drop by and utilize this little known social hub.

Cyber Cafe Hours	
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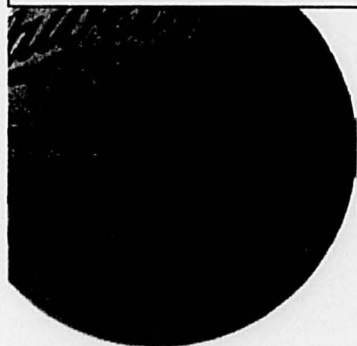
Allie Bailey

Senior Allie Bailey scored her second double-double of the season against Montana with 12 points and 10 rebounds.

Bailey has been one of the Eagles top performers in both the above mentioned categories the last two seasons.

Chris Hester

Junior guard Chris Hester scored a game-high 14 points in the Eagles big win over Montana Jan. 11, and the 6-foot-3 transfer scored 18 points on the Bobcats of Montana State, but in a losing effort.



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Eags fall hard after uplifting win

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Megan Curfman

Reporter

Eastern toppled marks one night and was out of sync the next, during last weekend's Big Sky Conference opening win over Montana and an uncomfortable loss to Montana State at Reese Court.

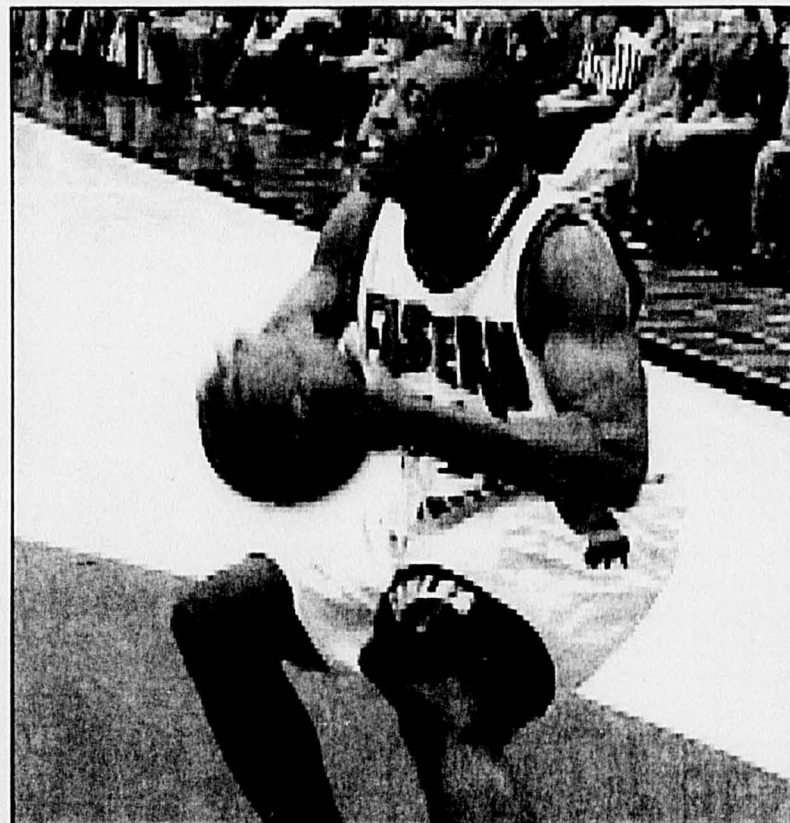
On Jan. 11 the Eagles defeated their first opponent, the Montana Grizzlies, 79-46 — the largest margin of victory against the Grizzlies in the 19 seasons being a part of NCAA Division I. The largest overall margin of victory versus the Grizzlies was back in 1946, when the Eagles won 61-23.



Mark Axton

Starting center Jason Humbert, who is the team's second leading scorer (averaging 8.6 points) and leading rebounder (5.2 a game) was injured and was forced to sit this one out due to a knee injury from last weeks practice. His replacements, Gregg Smith and T.J. Williams, were completely capable of filling Humbert's shoes though. Smith shot 100 percent from the field, making all of his three shots to finish the game with six points, three rebounds and three blocks.

Williams, who shot 80 percent from the field, chipped in ten points, six rebounds, and five blocks. Chris Hester led the Eagles in scoring with



File photo

▲ Eastern sophomore Alvin Snow pivots for a lay up for the Eagles.

14 points. He finished the game with shooting four for six from behind the three-point arc. Alvin Snow had eleven points and six rebounds to contribute to the win. The Eagles made a total of 52 percent of their shots from the field and shot 65.2 percent from the line.

The game got off to a close quick start. Tied at 8 points a piece, with

14:50 minutes left in the first half, went on a five minute 12-1 run to earn the Eagles a 29-9 lead. With 50 seconds left in the half, Darren Cooper (8 points, 2 rebounds) hit a three pointer and then Eddie Lincoln put two in to end the half with the Eagles leading 39-17. Eastern finished the half mak-

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Friday, Jan. 11

Eastern Washington 79,
Montana 46

Montana (7-8, 1-1)—Cummings 2-4 0-0-4, Trammel 3-9 1-2-7, Greenwalt 3-5 0-0-6, Christensen 0-4 0-0-0, Bell 5-12 2-3 1-3, Riddle 2-4 2-4-6, Carr 1-2 1-2-3, Luedtke 0-3 0-0-0, Rosser 0-2 1-3-1, Slider 2-3 0-1-4, Pederson 0-0 1-2-1, Venters 0-0 1-2-4-1, Totals 18-48 9-21-46.

Eastern Washington (7-8, 1-0)—Quinto 3-5 0-0-9, Snow 4-8 0-0-11, Smith 3-3 0-1-6, Hester 5-7 4-6-14, Lewis 1-5 3-4-5, Hull 1-4 0-1-3, Lincoln 1-1 0-0-2, McCulloch 0-0 0-0-0, Cooper 2-6 2-2-8, Browne 1-2 4-6-6, Axton 2-5 0-0-5, Williams 4-5 2-3-10, Totals 27-51 15-23-79. 3-point goals—Bell, Quinto 3, Snow 3, Hull, Cooper 2, Axton. Total fouls—Montana 21, Eastern 23.

Saturday, Jan. 12

Montana State 90,
Eastern Washington 81

Montana State (10-6, 3-0)—Latovic 9-14 5-7-23, Rich 1-2 7-8-9, Reynolds 5-5 5-5 1-8, Erickson 8-10 4-5-21, Clark 4-7 1-3 1-1, Conway 2-5, 1-1-6, Plummer 1-2 0-0-2, Faaborg 0-2 0-0-0, Duffy 0-0 0-0-0, Totals 30-47 23-29-90.

Eastern Washington (7-9, 1-1)—Quinto 3-9 0-0-9, Snow 4-7 0-0-9, Smith 0-1 0-0-0, Hester 7-9 4-7-18, Lewis 1-2 0-0-3, Lincoln 0-1 0-0-0, Cooper 3-10 1-1-9, Browne 2-4 2-2-7, Axton 7-11 2-2-20, Williams 3-5 2-2-6, Team totals 30-59 12-81.

3-point goals—Reynolds 3, Erickson, Clark 2, Conway, Quinto 3, Snow, Lewis, Cooper 2, Browne, Axton 4. Team fouls—Montana State 15, Eastern 21. Fouled out—None.

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Eastern women look to break losing streak this weekend

End four-game road trip in Portland on Friday

Eastern heads to Portland this weekend for the last road game on a two-week stretch of away games. Portland State and Eastern are each tied at 0-3 in conference play. Eastern holds a 17-



Allie Bailey

13 edge in the overall series between the two schools. Last season, the Eagles beat the Vikings 85-63 at home and 84-71 on the road. At Portland, Allie Bailey led the scoring with 14 points. At home, Jennifer Paluck and Janelle Ruen combined for 31 points in the contest. The last Eagle loss to Portland State was Jan. 8, 2000, where the Eagles lost at home 69-51. Eastern will have to slow down junior guard Nikki Petticrew and sophomore forward Sarah Hedgepeth. Together, the two players lead the team in scoring with a combined 25 points per game. Hedgepeth is the team's leading

rebounder averaging eight rebounds per game. She led the team in rebounding and field goal percentage as a freshman and was the Big Sky's 14th leading rebounder in 2001. PSU starts one lone senior in guard Krishelle Jessee, who averages six points and 2.8 assists per game. The Vikings are coached by George Wolfe, who is in his third year as head coach with a 13-42 overall record at Portland State.

Eastern leads the Big Sky Conference in free throw percentage at .749 (all games). The percentage is helped by a perfect performance by Demetruk at Montana of 8-of-8 from the charity stripe. The Eagles are third in the conference in steals averaging 8.38 per game. Nygaard is fifth in the Sky in scoring at 15 per game and leads in field goal percentage at .582. She ranks third in free throw percentage with .843 and second in rebounding (8.5/game). Bailey ranks fifth in steals and two other Eagles rank in the top ten in steals (Nygaard and Demetruk).

Big Sky Standings

	W/L	W/L
Weber State	4-0	12-5
Montana	2-0	10-5
Montana State	2-0	8-7
Idaho State	1-1	8-7
Portland State	0-3	6-10
Eastern Wash.	0-3	4-12
Sacramento State	0-2	0-15

The Eagles dropped a pair of games on the Montana road trip losing to Montana 58-50 and Montana State 64-48.

The Eagles led Montana for most of the second half. The Grizzlies made six-of-six free throws with 30 seconds in the game and grabbed two critical defensive rebounds to pull away from the Eagles. Nygaard left the game midway through the first half with an ankle sprain. Freshman Stephanie Ulmer was already missing in action due to an ankle sprain and the loss left the

Eagles with only six healthy players for the weekend. Bailey and Demetruk led the team in scoring with 12 points each. Bailey grabbed ten rebounds to register her second double-double of the season. Demetruk added four assists in the contest and was a perfect eight-of-eight from the free throw line. Molly Carlson came off the bench to score 10 points, two assists and one blocked shot.

Eastern scored only four points in the first five minutes of the game against MSU while the Bobcats jumped out to an 11-4 lead. In the second half, the Bobcats continued to stretch their five-point halftime lead. Following two technical fouls on Eastern's bench, MSU forged a double digit lead that lasted the rest of the second half.

The Eagles were led in scoring by Bailey with 17 points and seven rebounds. Demetruk added eight points, two assists and three steals. The Eagles shot .463 to MSU's .500 from the field and made three-of-seven three-pointers in the contest.

Eastern athletes dominate Early Bird Open

Busy weekend ahead at Thorpe Fieldhouse

As the weather continues in its cold and snowy state, the collegiate track season is underway, for indoor competition.

Last weekend Eastern hosted the Early Bird Open at Thorpe Fieldhouse, and dominated the field of competitors.

And the season is just heating up. This weekend the Eagles host the EWU Indoor Pentathlon Championships in Thorpe Fieldhouse at Noon, and on Saturday, the 15th Annual Jerry Martin Invitational will be held at Thorpe with field events beginning at 9 a.m. and running at 11:30 a.m.

Ashley Hale Eastern Wash 7:76q 2 10 Katie McGree Eastern Wash 7:95q 1 11.

Mile Run

1 Laura Hodgson Unattached 5:18.37 2 Jamie Geissler Unattached 5:24.17 3 Mayra Morgado Unattached 5:38.97 4 Kelly Turner Unattached 5:43.34 5 Laura Hernandez North Idaho 5:47.65 6 Susan Osborn Unattached 5:51.50 7 Nicole Clutter North Idaho 5:59.21 8 Rita Hansen Unattached 6:05.21 9 Yvonne Bakich North Idaho 6:22.60 10 Carolyn Lovano Unattached 6:56.30

500 Meter Run

1 Terran Legard Unattached 1:17.63 2 Haley Heater Eastern Wash 1:19.28 3 Caitlin Prunty Eastern Wash 1:19.59 2 4 Lisa Harrison Eastern Wash 1:20.38 2 5 Susannah Lowber Eastern Wash 1:20.69 1 6 Robbi Schwarz Eastern Wash 1:22.27 1 7 Alissa Miller CC of Spo. 1:22.31 3 8 Kristine Larson Eastern Wash 1:24.41 3 9 Katie Gleason Eastern Wash 1:24.72 3 10 Anita Nygard Unattached 1:27.47 2

55 Meter Hurdles

1 Ellannee Richardson Wash. State 8:21 2 2 Randi Smith Wash. State 8:23 2 3 Dacia Fernandez Idaho 8:58 2 4 Whitney Evans Wash. State 8:59 2 5 Mary Ann Graves Idaho 8:66 1 6 Anita Nygard Unattached 8:85 1 7 Christie Kight Eastern Wash 8:89 1 8 Alison Eldridge Wash. State 9:13 1

55 Meter Hurdles

1 Ellannee Richardson Wash. State 8:16q 2 2 Whitney Evans Wash. State 8:49q 1 3 Randi Smith Wash. State 8:52q 4 4 Dacia Fernandez Idaho 8:54q 1 5 Mary Ann Graves Idaho 8:77q 2 6 Anita Nygard Unattached 8:82q 3 7 Christie Kight Eastern Wash 8:99q 4 8 Alison Eldridge Wash. State 9:24q 1 9 Jessica Shanafelt North Idaho 9:33 3 10 Alissa Miller CC of Spo. 9:55 2 11 Heidi Abersfeller Wash. State 9:67 4 12 Jeslyn Lemke Unattached 9:94 3 13 Melissa Loss CC of Spo. 10:18 1 14 Sarah Babler CC of Spo. 10:99 2 — Jenny Hansberry CC of Spo. DQ 3

4x400 Meter Relay

1 Eastern Washington Univ. 'A' 4:18.80 2 Unattached 'A' 6:12.31

Distance Medley

1 Unattached 'A' 12:55.45 2 Washington State Univ. 'A' 13:14.26 3 North Idaho College 'A' 13:28.93 4 Eastern Washington Univ. 'A' 13:34.59 5 Eastern Washington Univ. 'B' 14:04.25 6 North Idaho College 'B' 14:27.76 7 Unattached 'B' 15:41.21

High Jump

1 Briana Willis Wash. State 1.65m 5-05.00 2 Ellannee Richardson Wash. State 1.60m 5-03.00 3 Christie Kight Eastern Wash 1.60m 5-03.00 4 Dacia Fernandez Idaho 1.55m 5-01.00 5 Ariell North Idaho 1.50m 4-11.00 6 Ashley Hale Eastern Wash 1.50m 4-11.00 7 Melissa Loss CC of Spo. 1.45m 4-09.00 8 Katherine Flood Eastern Wash 1.45m 4-09.00 8 Katie Coles Eastern Wash 1.45m 4-09.00 10 Alissa Miller CC of Spo. 1.40m 4-07.00 — Sarah Babler CC of Spo. NH

Pole Vault

1 Karla McGee Wash. State 3.65m 11-11.75 2 Emily Roberts Eastern Wash 3.65m 11-11.75 3 Autumn Deda Eastern Wash 3.50m 11-05.75 4 Kristen Bolender Eastern Wash 3.20m 10-06.00 5 Tracy Koesel Eastern Wash 3.05m 10-00.00 6 Katie Coles Eastern Wash 2.90m 9-06.25 — Stephanie Robinson Wash. State NH

Long Jump

1 Wiyanna Kramer Eastern Wash 5.48m 17-11.75 2 Christie Kight Eastern Wash 5.24m 17-02.25 3 Katherine Flood Eastern Wash 5.18m 17-00.00 4 Katie McGree Eastern Wash 5.02m 16-05.75 5 Amy Nickerson CC of Spo. 4.86m 15-11.50 6 Melissa Loss CC of Spo. 4.78m 15-08.25 7 Robbi Schwarz Eastern Wash 4.68m 15-04.25 8 Cassie Rohrbacher CC of Spo. 4.67m 15-04.00 9 Alissa Miller CC of Spo. 4.67m 15-04.00 10 Sarah Babler CC of Spo. 4.61m 15-01.50

Shot Put

1 Shannon Rance Wash. State 14.33m 47-00.25 2 Marie Muai Wash. State 13.11m 43-00.25 3 Kelli Holloway Eastern Wash 12.39m 40-07.75 4 Katie Jacobson Eastern Wash 12.37m 40-07.00 5 Jennifer Broncheau Unattached 11.37m 37-03.75 6 Mary Ann Graves Idaho 11.36m 37-03.25 7 Dacia Fernandez Idaho 10.47m 34-04.25

Weight Throw

1 Jaime Martin Eastern Wash 17.61m 57-09.50 2 Katy Elsbury Unattached 14.90m 48-10.75 3 Mary Caruso Idaho 14.46m 47-05.25 4 Katie Jacobson Eastern Wash 14.01m 45-11.75 5 Jennifer Broncheau Unattached 13.99m 45-10.75 6 Heidi Lambley Idaho 13.89m 45-07.00 7 Sammy Jo Missel Wash. State 13.64m 44-09.00 8 Abby Monta Eastern Wash 13.25m 43-05.75 9 Britany Henry Unattached 13.13m 43-01.00 10 Cassie Rosette CC of Spo. 13.13m 43-01.00 11 Shannon Groh Unattached 12.55m 41-02.25 12 Christina Dickinson Eastern Wash 12.34m 40-06.00 13 Kelli Holloway Eastern Wash 11.13m 36-06.25 14 Suzanne Vogt Unattached 9.95m 32-07.75

Men have good first outing this season

55 Meter Dash—1 Bennie Chatman (WSU) 6.39, 6, Seth Morris (EWU) 6.65, 7, Matt Miller (EWU) 6.66, 9, Preston Dennis (EWU) 6.72, 10, Justin Drake (EWU) 6.75.

55 Meter Dash—1 Bennie Chatman (WSU) 6.47, 3, Dan Brink (WSU) 6.58, 5, Matt Miller (EWU) 6.60, 7, Preston Dennis (EWU) 6.65, 9, Justin Drake (EWU) 6.70, 10, Seth Morris (EWU) 6.72.

1 Mile Run—1 Patrick Valisto (EWU) 4:27.90.

500 Meter Run—1 Dionne Cason (WSU) 1:04.59, 2, David Stoddard (EWU) 1:05.24, 3, Josh Roys (EWU) 1:07.09, 5, Joshua Arnold (EWU) 1:08.45.

55 Meter Hurdles—1 Arend Watkins (U) 7.26, 2, Dan O'Brien (U) 7.56, 3, Steve Dwyer (WSU) 7.63.

55 Meter Hurdles—1 Arend Watkins (U) 7.26, 2, Dan O'Brien (U) 7.71, 2, Steve Dwyer (WSU) 7.71, 10, Brad Groh (EWU) 8.10.

400 Meter Relay—1 Eastern Washington Univ. 'A' 3:27.75, 2, Eastern Washington Univ. 'B' 3:29.21.

Distance Medley—1 Unattached 'A' 10:43.68, 2, Eastern Washington Univ. 'A' 10:45.74.

High Jump—1 Howard Harrison (CCS) 6-06.75, 2, Joel Gordon (WSU) 6-06.75, 3, Jeff Hyndman (EWU) 6-02.75, 3, Lance Rendall (EWU) 6-02.75.

Long Jump—1 Mason Cohen (U) 23-00.75, 2, Justin Drake (EWU) 22-11.75, 3, Devion Tinsley (U) 22-09.00, 4, David Sargent (U) 22-08.50.

Shot Put—1 Joachim Olsen (UI) 68-05.75, 2, Simon Stewart (UI) 60-10.00, 3, Tim Gehring (WSU) 51-08.25, 4, Ty Weingard (EWU) 51-06.50, 8, Ben Snyder (EWU) 47-05.25.

Weight Throw—1 Chad Goodard (NI) 59-07.00, 2, T.J. Crater (UI) 58-04.75, 3, Joe Woodske (A) 58-04.75, 4, Ben Snyder (EWU) 54-07.50, 5, Ty Weingard (EWU) 54-01.25, 10, Clint Paslay (EWU) 45-08.00.

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Hoops: Play Saturday

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ing 59 percent of their shots while the Grizzlies only made 33 percent.

During the second half, Eastern never let the lead slip away. With Snow hitting a three pointer with 15 minutes left in the game and Jason Lewis passing Hester the ball for a impressive dunk, the team played smoothly through the second half. The team also did an excellent job rebounding this half, pulling down 24 boards. The Eagles outscored the Grizzlies 40-29 the second half to win the game. **EWU 79, UM 46**

However, Saturday night's game was much less impressive.

Up against the Montana State Bobcats, the Eastern Eagles lost their momentum and the game, scoring 81 points to Montana's 90 in a Big Sky Conference game. This puts the Eagles at 7-9 overall and 1-1 in the Big Sky Conference, while the Bobcats are 10-6 overall and 3-0 Big Sky.

Marc Axton led the team with 20 points, followed closely by Chris Hester who had 18. Axton had four three pointers, made 7 of 11 from the field, shot 100 percent from the free throw line, had two rebounds and two assists. In the second half alone, Axton scored 16 of his 20 points. Prior to this game, Axton's game high was 12 points and he averaged only 3.4 points a game. Hester's 18-point game include making 7 of 9 shots from the field, grabbing five rebounds and giving five assists. Starting guard Jason Lewis also contributed with nine assists and three points.

The Eagles started out the game battling back and forth with Montana State until the nine minute mark when a three pointer by Bobcat Pete Conway jumpstarted Montana's offense and changed the momentum of the game. For two minutes, both teams failed to score despite many attempts. A foul by Keith Brown put Montana's Rich Aaron on the line. After both free throws were made, Montana and Eastern continued to battle back and forth until the half, when the teams entered the locker room Montana leading 40-33.

Coming off the half time break, the Eagles fell quickly behind 55-35 and struggled to come back with an impressive 24-6 run in just six and half minutes to get themselves within two with 9:36 to go in the game. This was the Eagles' last courageous run and Montana continued to push at the lead and finally win the game 90-81.

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