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# THE EASTERNER

## ‘Violent’ offenses cause barriers



Illustration by Linlin Xing

## Graduate students face difficulties with past felonies

**By JACLYN ARCHER**  
*news editor*

At approximately 11:45 on Dec. 21, 2007, Bill Keizer, a 45-year-old man driving under the influence of alcohol, was involved in a car crash that killed an 11-year-old boy. Keizer was sentenced to four years in jail for vehicular homicide and vehicular assault.

Now, nearly eight years later, the shadow of that car crash still hangs over Keizer and, notably, over his education.

Keizer returned to Eastern after he was released from prison, where he completed a graduate certificate in Addiction Studies. Then in the fall of 2015, he elected to complete a Masters in Public Administration.

Early in September, as Keizer was filling out his graduate application, he came across two questions, one asked him to check a box if he was a registered sex offender. The other asked him to check a box if he had ever been convicted of a violent felony. Vehicular homicide, while not a crime of intentional violence,

is considered a violent felony in the state of Washington. Keizer checked the box.

“I think a week or maybe 10 days went by, and I finally got a call from the dean of students office. And they said that because I had checked that box ... there has to be an investigation process,” said Keizer. “It was the Friday the 18th that I spoke with the admissions department ... My understanding was the investigator would look into my background ... and I could potentially have to be called in for an interview as well. The

Monday after school started I still had not heard anything.”

Detective Quincy Burns of the Campus Police said Keizer’s experience is typical of the Eastern applicant with a criminal record.

“This is a collaborative thing with the dean of students office,” said Burns. “We have two boxes that are on the application. One is if you’re registered sex offender, the second is another box we call the criminal offender or PCO box.”

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## Basketball preseason poll results released

**By BRANDON CLINE**  
*sports editor*

With basketball season officially getting underway on Oct. 5, the Big Sky released preseason polls and individual accolades during Media Day in Reno, Nevada, on Oct. 5, where the men’s and women’s basketball tournaments will be held for the foreseeable future.

After being picked to finish second by the coaches and third by the media last season, the defending men’s Big Sky champions were picked to finish third in both polls this season, after losing seven letterwinners from the season before. Weber State University and the University of Montana were ranked higher than the Eagles in both polls, with the Eagles grabbing one of the 17 first-place votes given out in the media poll.

Venky Jois was selected as the Big Sky’s preseason most valuable player in a poll done by the conference’s media relations directors and media members. Jois was also selected to the preseason All-Conference team, where he is joined by sophomore Bogdun Bliznyuk, who was last season’s Big Sky Freshman of the Year.

Jois averaged 16.7 points per game and 7.7 rebounds per game last season and was second in the conference in blocks per game with 2.2. Bliznyuk averaged 12 points per game, 5.6 rebounds per game and shot at an astounding 55.8 percent clip from

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## EWU soccer on historic winning streak

**By BRANDON CLINE**  
*sports editor*

Not one, not two, not three, not four, not five, not six, not seven: eight. Eight is the number of matches the EWU women’s soccer team have won in a row, including two home conference victories over the past weekend.

The Eagles squared off against the Sacramento State Hornets, fellow conference-unbeatens, who were 2-0 in conference and 4-6 overall on Oct. 2. The match was, for all intents

and purposes, decided by halftime. The two-headed attack of sophomore forwards Savannah Hoekstra and Chloe Williams combined for three goals and two assists in the first half, with Hoekstra recording a brace in the first 25 minutes of the half.

“It was good to see Savannah get off the mark with her first and second goals of the year,” said head coach Chad Bodnar. “We talked this week and I told her that the goals are going to come. She was getting a little frustrated about

not scoring, but she was setting up a lot of goals.”

Williams assisted on both of Hoekstra’s goals, and in the 30th minute recorded her ninth goal of the season. Her 22 points so far this season eclipse her 16 points in 17 matches last season, when she was selected onto the Big Sky First Team All-Conference, one of just two freshmen.

The Eagles’ offensive pressure was steady all match long, firing off 21 shots, 10 of which were on goal. Of the Hornets’ 15 shots just three were

on goal, with the lone goal coming from Alyssa Anderson in the 88th minute, making the score 3-1, which went on to be the final score.

The Eagles’ next match on Oct. 4 against the Portland State Vikings, who were 1-2 in conference and 3-8 overall, would not be as smooth, though, where neither team spent much time in their attacking thirds. Much of the play in the first half was done near midfield, with the teams

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Photo by Karissa Berg

Allison Raniere defends herself from an opponent.

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## Upcoming Events:

### October

October 8: **Young Professionals Network:** Learn the skills you need to become a great communicator for present and future careers.

Oct. 8: **Pride Center Kickoff:** Join them from noon to 1 p.m. in the Campus Mall.

October 9: **Hap Klopp panel:** The founder of The North Face will be presenting his new book, “Almost.”

October 9: **EWU Spokane Movie Night:** There will be a showing of “Jurassic World” beginning at 7 p.m.

October 9-10: **\$25 Piercings:** Visit Body Language Tattoo and Piercing, located on 1st Street.



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Photo by Melanie Flint

**Eagle Life: Eastern After Dark kicks off with lasers**

SAIL laser tag event starts series. Pew! Pew!, [page 2](#)



# YPN will host first event of the school year

By LAUREN CORLEY  
contributing writer

The Young Professionals Network (YPN) will be kicking off its first event of the school year Oct. 8 from 5:30 p.m to 7:30 p.m at the Spark Center in Kendall Yards, Spokane.

The tickets are \$10 each unless purchasing multiple tickets, for which the price is lowered to \$8 each. Food and drink will be included as well as career stations, networking opportunities and drawings for prizes. The theme for this month is “How to Communicate at Any Age,” encouraging people of all ages and experience levels to participate.

The YPN is a monthly event that helps students step out of their comfort zone and network in a less pressured environment. Senior Katiah Peterson attended an event last year and said she gained quite a bit from the experience. “The YPN took me out of my comfort zone and taught me to network myself in a way that felt natural and casual.” She said, “I learned how to present myself and make my résumé look more appealing to employers while getting to meet working professionals who could share honest insight into the job market.”

Each event has a different angle to help young professionals make themselves more hireable, but the career stations that can be expected at the Oct. 8 event will be: Networking out of Your Network, Advocate for Yourself at Work, Ace Your Interview, Get the Most out of Your Mentor and Résumé Reviews.

For additional information, contact the Office of Alumni, or online at alumni.ewu.

# Eastern assigns freshmen schedules

LELIA THATCHER  
staff writer

As of this year, freshmen at EWU are being assigned schedules by their advisor prior to orientation to ensure that all students are able to take only classes that they need.

Mark Baldwin, Associate Vice President of Academic Planning at EWU, said that there were two main reasons for the change. The first was that the time allocated in the first step program wasn’t enough for every student and

advisor to be able to meet and create a schedule. Instead, incoming freshmen completed a survey that advisors used to make each individual schedule.

The second was that assigning schedules allowed the advisors to disperse enrollment more evenly and decrease waitlists significantly. With a record high freshmen enrollment this year, popular classes would have filled up quickly and some students would be left with limited options.

“For the first time, through a major switch of strategy, it has worked about

as good as it can,” said Baldwin, but some students have expressed frustration.

Freshman Ryan Hooper was assigned only 13 credits and then told he could pick up a PE class for extra credits if he wanted. Baldwin said this is something advisors are working to fix and will likely not be an issue next year. He pointed out while credits do matter, it is important to recognize every single freshman is taking three classes that count for either a general requirement or a major prerequisite, which he said is “something we’ve never been

able to do before.”

Freshmen Riley McNabb said he would have liked a say in the timing of his school schedule so that he could have coordinated it with his personal schedule. As far as this issue, Baldwin said students were welcome to contact their advisor to change their schedule, but very few students actually did.

“It is a little bit of a trade off,” said Baldwin, “but if you look at the 1700 students that came in as a whole, it is better for everybody.”

## FELONY: CONTINUED FROM FRONT

According to Burns, consequences of non-disclosure for students in Keizer’s situation, but who did not check the PCO box, could end their educational career at Eastern.

“They’ve basically falsified their application, which falls under the student conduct code, and there could be sanctions leveled against that person up and to permanent expulsion,” said Burns, “It really depends upon what brought it to our attention and what we’re dealing with.”

If, like Keizer, a student is open with the school about their past, they will be called for a one-on-one interview with Burns and the dean of students.

“We want to take a look at the individual to see just what happened in their past, and that they’ve gotten past that in the future ... We have a responsibility to keep our campus and the students here safe,” said Burns.

After the interview, Burns and the dean of students make a recommendation to Stacy Morgan Foster, vice president of Student Affairs.

“She’s one who has the right to say ‘no’ or ‘yes,’” said Burns.

Keizer’s own interview went well, “The investigator said, ‘As far as I’m concerned we have no problem with you registering.’ [He] called the Dean of Students and appointment. She was very pleasant, very empathetic, and said she had no problem either,” said Keizer.

Still, Keizer said he feels the investigation, and the delay that it caused, might have turned away less tenacious applicants in his position.

“For me it was a matter of inconvenience,” said Keizer, “I just got my financial aid, I couldn’t buy books ... my professors were kind enough to allow me to attend class before registration ... If they had not done that I might have just said, ‘Screw it.’”

Keizer speculated that other students in his position never made it through the process because they lacked the self-advocacy to continue the process in the face of academic delays.

Delay is not necessarily unusual, according to Burns. “Any time those boxes are checked the process automatically flags that applicant and that process is stopped until [the investigation] protocol is followed.”

For Keizer, things have worked out; however he worries that Eastern’s policy toward those with criminal records is impeding the rehabilitation of those with criminal records.

“Because of concerns for public safety, Eastern is putting up a barrier between individuals who have a criminal history and our ability to access our education,” said Keizer. Keizer said he supports policies like “ban the box,” which keep public employees from asking about criminal histories on initial applications, allowing job applicants to explain their history in an interview setting.

Keizer said he hopes to graduate from Eastern this winter. He is a cofounder of an LLC called Revive Reentry Services, an organization that seeks to prevent relapse by “providing safe clean and sober housing, peer support, social and emotional support for those who have served their time in prison and want to make a change in themselves and become a productive member of society,” according to Revive Reentry’s Facebook page.

The Office of Admissions has not yet responded to requests for comment.

# Timely warnings criticized

By JACLYN ARCHER  
news editor

When an assault is reported on campus, like what happened on Sept. 16, Sept. 21 and Oct. 2 of this school year, there is a process of notification and investigation which often ripples across the campus in the form of a timely warning sent out via email to all Eastern students.

Since mid-September, six timely warnings, public safety advisories and follow-ups have been issued by the Office of Student Affairs. These warnings traditionally include a summary of police involvement in a report of criminal activity, the basic circumstances of the crime reported, as well as a suspect description if necessary and safety tips for the student body. However, the specific language contained in the timely warnings changes on a case-by-case basis.

“There is no set language because each case is going to be different,” said Deputy Chief of EWU Police Gary Gasseling. “Ultimately the chief is responsible, but it’s vetted through several different avenues.”

According to Gasseling, those avenues depend upon the status of the crime. If the report is taken at night, the officer who took the report will contact Gasseling at home.

“My first question is, ‘Are they in custody?’” said Gasseling. If the suspect is not in custody, Gasseling, along with the sergeant on duty and the chief of campus police will review language for a timely warning to be sent out as soon as possible.

“[There are] times when we send it out without showing it to anyone else because it’s an emergency situation ... [such as the recent case]. We want to get it out right away because there’s a chance that he’s still a danger to the community,” said Gasseling.

If the crime was reported in the daytime, the language for the timely warning will be sent to Eastern’s public information officer. Stacey Morgan Foster, vice president for Student Affairs, is also given an opportunity to look at the language. The Office of Business and Finance is also involved.

If they respond promptly – “Two or three hours is too much time,” said Gasseling – they will have an opportunity to weigh in on the language before it is sent out as an email through Eastern’s Office of Student Affairs.

Such was the protocol with the timely

warnings sent out this school year. However some students took issue with the language used in the timely warnings. Rebekka Shelp, a senior, wrote an open letter to the EWU community.

Written with the help of Kelli Crawford, a graduate Master’s of Education student, and Brit Davis, a graduate social work student, the letter claimed the language contained in timely warnings was “perpetuating rape culture.”

Shelp urged the administration to take steps to make students feel more safe, such as increasing patrols and lighting on campus. She further asked, “Why don’t we work with incoming and returning students to discuss what constitutes consent. As well as inform the student body on what the consequences of sexual assault are, instead of only victim blaming ...?”

In response to Shelp’s letter, Gasseling said, “Put yourself in our shoes. How do you say how to be safe without alluding to things that happened that night?”

Gasseling was alluding to the recent assault of a female student on campus, however he later added, “The young lady did everything right, except that she was alone. Her cell phone was charged, she called us immediately, that’s why we were able to get there so fast.”

In the same letter to which Gasseling was responding, Shelp wrote, “I shouldn’t have to walk in a group 24/7 in order to feel safe on your campus.”

When asked what the police department was doing to prevent sexual assault from the perpetrator’s side, Gasseling said, “We’ve had that in place for a millennium, it’s called laws. One of the basic premises of law is, ‘You won’t assault people.’”

Gasseling continued, “A criminal intent on doing wrong will do wrong. Now it’s up to the good people — the 99.9 [percent] of people to be aware of that and try to prevent it ... I understand what [Shelp] was getting at, but I think it was a little short sighted. My job is to enforce the law.”

Morgan Foster shared a similar perspective, noting it would be largely ineffective to simply tell people, “Don’t rape,” when that is a basic expectation of society.

Instead, the office of student affairs puts on safety workshops during orientation.

*“The young lady did everything right, except that she was alone. Her cell phone was charged, she called us immediately, that’s why we were able to get there so fast.”*

**Gary Gasseling**  
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Eastern After Dark kicks off with lasers



EWU student defends his territory between the book shelves the laser tag event.

Photo By Melanie Flint

SAIL starts safe and sober event series

By Allison Todd  
staff writer

Students lined up in the JFK library to join in on EWU's first Late Night Laser Tag event of the year on Oct. 1. From 9 p.m. to midnight, those attending got the chance to take part in eight-minute, every-man-for-himself rounds against their friends, snack on popcorn and punch, and play competitive rounds of "Mario Kart" on the Wii in between games. For some students, this was the first event on campus they had gone to since

the term started. "I actually didn't know it was going on until my friends said they were going," said freshman Eryn Smith. "I played Mario Kart for most of the time since the line was so long, but it was a lot of fun just being there." Late Night Laser Tag was organized by Eastern's Student Activities, Involvement and Leadership (SAIL) members, with collaboration with the JFK Library and Campus Recreation, and was one of the first of SAIL's Eastern After Dark events. "We want to give students healthy, non-alcoholic activities to take part in on campus and give them a chance to get involved," said SAIL member Briseida Rios. And with the amount of people who showed up to play, they seem to be off to a pretty good start; it had only been a little over a week since fall term began and the line for the event nearly stretched out the door. For students who are looking for other campus activities to try, Campus Recreation puts on a variety of different special events throughout the school year

including games of paintball and laser tag. There are plenty of other upcoming activities on SAIL's calendar as well. The next Eastern After Dark event, Late Night DIY Canvas Art, is set to happen on Oct. 29. It is scheduled to start at 9 p.m. and will take place in the multi-purpose room (MPR) in the Pence Union Building. Those who attend will learn to paint from instructors from Van Gogh & Merlot in Spokane and keep their artwork at the end of the session. Art supplies will be provided for all participants.

"We want to give students healthy, non-alcoholic activities to take part in on campus and give them a chance to get involved."

Briseida Rios  
Member of SAIL



Photo By Melanie Flint

EWU students search the JFK library to find opposing team players to target during the laser tag event.

Health hut keeps students smart



Erika Ruppelius and Angela Birdsell give helpful information to Jenny Peterson

Photo by Karissa Berg

By Lelia Thatcher  
Rosie Perry  
for The Easterner

For the remainder of fall quarter, there will be a little red kiosk stationed around Eastern's campus on Tuesdays and Thursdays called the Health Hut. The kiosk is staffed entirely by Peer Health Educators (PHE) whose goal is to educate students on a wide variety of topics in a fun, interactive way. Each week the Health Hut has a different topic. Sept. 24-25 marked the first week with the topic How to Become a Peer Health Educator. Sept. 29-Oct. 1 was cold and flu, which featured a game called Myth or Fact. For example, students would be presented with the statement "hand sanitizer works just as well as washing your hands with soap and water," and students had to determine whether it was a myth or a fact. Correct answers were rewarded with prizes such as frisbees. Kleenex and hand sanitizer were also handed out along with information pamphlets. Oct. 6-8 features the topic marijuana. The Health Hut will be outside the URC on Oct. 8

from 5-7 p.m. The PHEs focus specifically on safety and the laws surrounding recreational marijuana use. Jamie Gladfelter, PHE, said their goal is never to tell someone not to do something, but rather, "if you're going to do something, do it safely." Student Tyler Cossey said the Health Hut "is a good resource to have on campus and the staff is super friendly." The topic for the week of Oct. 13-15 will be birth control and Oct. 20-22 will be alcohol education. PHE Erika Ruppelius said there will be several big events that week because it is Alcohol Awareness Collegiate week. There will be social media campaigns, Health Huts out around campus and one of the games will feature drunk goggles. Upcoming topics also include Party Smart, healthy eating on campus, stress, bystander intervention and sleep. Check out the EWU Health and Wellness Facebook page or stop by their office at 201 University Recreation Center for further information.





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<b>Monday</b> 9 ball pool tournament	Game Days Sometimes has specials	<b>Sunday</b> <i>Bloody Mary's and Breakfast Pizza</i>		<b>Tuesday</b> \$3 Coronas \$5 Margaritas \$2 Salsa and Chips \$1 Taco Tuesday	<b>Friday</b> Trivia at 7 p.m. Karaoke at 9 p.m.
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Daily drink specials		<b>Wednesday</b> <i>Trivia Beer Pong</i> tournament to follow at 8 p.m.		<b>Sunday</b> \$5 Bloody Mary's and \$2 biscuits and gravy	<b>There's a drink of the week that is at a lower price</b>
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REVIEW

# ‘The Martian’ hits the mark

By **JOE MATTHEWS**  
*staff writer*

With the finding of liquid water on Mars just a few days prior, “The Martian” couldn’t have asked for a better release date. Based on the book “The Martian” by Andy Weir, the movie tells the story of Mark Watney, a man presumed dead and consequently stranded 140 million miles away from home.

Set in the near future, Watney, played by Matt Damon, was abandoned on Mars when his research team was blindsided by a storm and forced to evacuate. Struck by debris while trying to board the shuttle Watney was lost, his life-signs were down and the crew was forced to leave him behind.

Regaining consciousness, he woke up alone on the red planet and wandered back to the small base camp left from his mission. Determined to stay alive, Watney, luckily a former botanist, developed a potato farm on the base and desperately tried to contact NASA.

Seeing that Watney was alive, NASA set out to do all it could to bring him home safely. Finding out their crewmate had survived stunned the homebound astronauts as they wanted to help bring him home. Going against their commands, the team set out on a do-or-die mission back to Mars to save Watney.

Though most of the movie revolves around a man alone on desolate planet, Damon’s performance as Watney never left viewers with that stranded feeling.

Like a cheerful version of “Cast Away”, “The Martian” captured the isolation, but also brought out the hu-

mor and optimism of being the only person on a planet.

“I am the greatest botanist on this planet!” Watney proclaimed at one point. There was even a point when Watney joked about laws that technically made him a space pirate.

The comedy lightened the mood, helping the viewer relax and seemingly helping Watney remain sane. Finding the silver lining in a seemingly dire situation, Watney was able to brighten the moods of even his apprehensive crewmates.

Though comedic at times, this is still a movie full of drama and suspense. From making bombs in a space shuttle to launching into space with a shuttle held together by duct-tape, “The Martian” never ceased to keep viewers on the edge of their seats.

With stellar performances by Jeff Daniels, Jessica Chastain and Kate Mara the movie kept viewers enthralled throughout.

At two and half hours, the movie seemed to fly by — ironic considering the entirety of the journey took the astronauts close to five years.

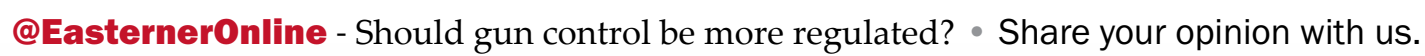
“The Martian” showed how easy it is to take advantage of Earth; inhabiting billions of people, animals and plant life, Earth is a miracle. On Mars, there has never been a tree, a plant or any living thing that we are aware of. With the struggles we see Watney going through trying to survive, it makes us appreciate our home planet.

With a solid cast and phenomenal acting, “The Martian” was an overall stellar movie. It let us know there is always hope, to always look at the bright side and to laugh at our misfortunes. As Watney proves, it might help you survive — even on Mars.

**Joe Matthews**  
*staff writer*

“‘The Martian’ showed how easy it is to take advantage of Earth; inhabiting billions of people, animals and plant life, Earth is a miracle.”





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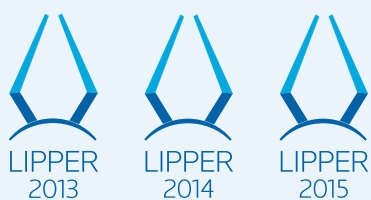
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I mean c'mon, What's the deal!

SEXUAL ASSAULT:  
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"I don't think any of the workshops are given in a way that re-victimizes people, and we certainly talk to students about what our expectations for their behavior are ... but it's also good to talk to people about how to be safe," said Morgan Foster.

Shelp has no problem with safety tips but argues there is a lack of balance in the timely warnings.

"I think it's important to remind people to be aware of their surroundings ... Just like if you're in the forest, you bring bear spray, or you teach children to cross the street. It's just that when you're only saying those safety rules, you're not really telling the victim

that you support them, you're just sort of blaming them for not being prepared," she said.

Shelp said she believes support should be offered to those who may think they have the potential to assault someone.

"Why aren't we giving them the resources to help them through those feelings? Why are we not, as a community, telling them that we're here to help them through ... the urge to hurt someone? ... I think we as a community could come together and find a way to support these people, because they are people who are part of this community," said Shelp.

For Shelp, who was raped at the age of 15 the issue is not just theoretical, but personal

"My sister was best friends with a girl who was really

close friends with the person that raped me," said Shelp. "They both told me that it was my fault because I was hanging out with this person alone ... To this day, my sister tries to tell me that I made the choice to go over there, and so in a way I was asking for it."

Shelp has arranged to meet on Oct. 7 with Katie Sweeney, ASWEU Health and Safety; Amy Johnson, dean of students; Lisa Logan, Women and Gender Studies Center Manager; and Tricia Hughes, director of Health, Wellness and Prevention on campus, who Shelp said reached out to her.

"I'm just hoping they would be open to changing the wording. ... Just less on the victim and more on the assaulters," said Shelp.

The timely warning for

Oct. 2 was released after Shelp's letter. While the basic format was consistent, it also included text not seen in previous alerts:

"No action or inaction by a crime victim makes that person responsible for their victimization. Perpetrators are responsible for crimes and their effects. The following suggestions may help reduce the possibility of experiencing a crime."

The wording, undoubtedly approved in part by Gasseling, undergirds his claim that the student health, mental and physical, is at the forefront of campus police priorities.

"We never want to revictimize someone. That is never, never, never the intent," said Gasseling.

Shelp maintains the conversation will continue.

GUEST SPEAKERS:  
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during guest speakers is not always due to lack of respect; there are many occasions on which students will be forced to see the same presentation that was shown in a previous class. This can be incredibly frustrating, especially if it's the class you had to wake up early for.

When I say, "Lack of respect," I don't necessarily mean "respect" — it is more a lack of the authoritative presence causing students to feel more relaxed. It is like having a substitute in high school; students got away with more because the authority wasn't there and, like most guest speakers, substitutes aren't likely to call you out for not paying attention.

Having been present for several guest speakers, I have come to realize that most of what is being said could be handed out. Most speakers break it down to facts, numbers and stats. Instead of presenting for an hour, hand out a piece of paper, put the facts, numbers and stats on it and tell us that it would benefit us to read it. Those who would have paid attention during a presentation will read it, those who wouldn't have, won't. It's that simple. And it saves so much time.

Before continuing, I must add that I in no way dislike guest speakers. I fully appreciate every one of them and what

they are trying to do. They put in time to help ensure that I have a better future and I would like to thank them all for that. However, I still believe that if they could condense their presentations into a page or two, it would be more beneficial to everyone if it was turned into a handout instead.

Now, I know some students may think they've had some really good guest speakers. So have I. But there was a big difference from those guest speakers to the ones I was referring to earlier. These guest speakers usually bring something more to the table, an experience rather than a presentation. For example, in a religious studies class, I was fortunate enough to attend, we had cultural guest speakers. Different people from different cultures came and we got a firsthand look at religions from around the world. It was engaging, interesting and people participated. Guest speakers can't lecture if they hope to be successful — they need to come with something that can't be typed on a handout; they need to bring an experience.

So, not all guest speakers waste time. But there are a lot that we could do without. Professors need to keep this mind when appointing guest speakers. If the speaker is just going to run down a list of Googled facts they slapped on a PowerPoint, it probably isn't a good idea.

Police Beat



Illustration by Linlin Xing

By **CLAIRE SIMPSON**  
*art director*

September 30

**Unknown Time Hit and Run**  
A student reported damage to the passenger-side bumper of their car had occurred on Sept. 27 in Lot 12. The student discovered the damage when they returned to their car at 5 p.m. It is estimated to be \$750 in damage, but there are no leads or suspects.

October 1

**10:40 a.m. Harassment**  
A student contacted the police after engaging in an argument with another student through text messages. The incident has been referred to Student Rights and Responsibilities.

**11:48 a.m. Hit and Run**  
A student reported she returned to her car parked in Lot 16 to find that white paint had been transferred to the side of her car. The scrape extended from the driver-side door to the front bumper and is estimated to cost \$300 to fix. There are no leads or suspects.

October 2

**7:45 a.m. Safety Check**  
A student was concerned when they awoke in the morning to find lights on in their apartment that were off the night before and the curtains covering a sliding glass door were pinched in the doorjamb. There was nothing missing from the apartment.

October 3

**Unknown Time Sexual Assault**  
A female student reported an assault. The investigation is ongoing.

**1 a.m. Alcohol**  
Officers observed a man leave a portable restroom in P18 and stumble over a curb. Assuming intoxication, they called him over, but he was having difficulties maintaining balance and following instructions. A breathalyzer test revealed his BAC to be .19, so he was cited for minor in possession and transported to Pearce Hall.

**1:20 a.m. Alcohol**  
A group of people were guiding their intoxicated friend from an off-campus house party when she fell to the ground vomiting and could go no further. Her companions called the police for help, and she was transported to Deaconess Hospital in Spokane.

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# Eagles volleyball soars to 4-0 record in conference

By BRANDON CLINE  
sports editor

The amazing turnaround from last season continues for the EWU volleyball team, as it recorded its second consecutive week-end sweep to move to 4-0 in conference play and 9-6 overall.

The Eagles traveled to Cedar City, Utah, on Oct. 1 to face off against the Southern Utah Thunderbirds, who were 1-1 in conference and 10-5 overall, their first road conference match of the season. After winning the opening set, 25-22, the Eagles dropped their next set, 22-25, the first set they have dropped since a 3-1 loss to the University of Hawaii on Sept. 12.

The Eagles bounced back in the next two sets, winning both 25-19 and moving to 3-0 in conference play. Senior Ana Jakovljevic led the Eagles with a season-high 17 kills, while senior Ryann Ensrud's 28 digs were double of what her previous season highs were.

"[Ensrud] had a great night defensively and dug some great attacks, allowing us to run our offense," said interim head coach Michael King.

King also highlighted the Eagles' blocking against the Thunderbirds, and for good reason. EWU compiled 13.5 blocks on the night, 10 of which came from Jessica Gilbert, compared to Southern Utah's six blocks.

Thunderbirds head coach Craig Choate was complimentary of the Eagles, telling Southern Utah Media Relations that "the way Eastern played tonight is the way I aspire us to play."

It was a quick turnaround for the Eagles following the victory as they took on the Idaho Vandals, who stood at 1-2 in conference and 4-11 overall, two days later at Reese Court. Like the team had done in its last four matches, the Eagles jumped out and won the first set, 25-21. They built up a 19-10 lead in the first set and were able to withstand an 11-6 Idaho run to close the set.



Photo by Melanie Flint

Ana Jakovljevic goes in for the spike against Idaho Vandals on Oct. 3.

The Eagles were very efficient in the second set, grabbing an 11-6 lead early on and coasting to a 25-19 victory, giving them a commanding two-sets-to-none lead over the Vandals.

With a 20-11 lead in set three, the Eagles withstood a furious Idaho rally, finishing off the set and the match, 25-22, on Jakov-

ljevic's 11th kill, a match-high.

"Give a lot of credit to Idaho," said King. "They handled our serving very well and forced us to have to do some things differently offensively. Our team was able to make some adjustments and came through with the win."

The win vaulted EWU to the top of

the North Division standings, ahead of 3-1 North Dakota, whose only loss to a conference opponent was to the Eagles. The Idaho State Bengals are the only other undefeated team in the Big Sky, sitting atop the South Division at 4-0. The two teams meet once during the season, on Oct. 22 in Pocatello, Idaho.



Photo by Karissa Berg

Alexis Stephenson going for the goal.

**What's Next:** The Eagles hit the road again after two home matches, traveling to Missoula to take on the Montana Grizzlies (1-2-1, 4-7-2) on Oct. 9. Following that match, EWU returns to Cheney for tilts against the Northern Arizona Lumberjacks on Oct. 16 and the Southern Utah Thunderbirds on Oct. 18.

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combining for just eight shots.

It was the Eagles who broke through in the last 30 seconds of the half when senior Tasha Luu fielded the ball off a deflection from the Vikings near midfield and beat the defense into the 18-yard box, firing a shot that found the upper-right corner of the net to give the Eagles a 1-0 lead.

As it turned out, Luu's goal was all the Eagles needed, recording their second clean sheet of the year. Goalkeeper Mallory Taylor finished with six saves — the most she's had in a match since recording nine in a 2-1 win over Valparaíso on Sept. 11.

"We didn't have our best first half but we dug in defensively and got our second shutout of the year and I am proud of our team and how they keep fighting and finding ways to get a win," said Bodnar.

During their eight-match winning streak the Eagles have outscored opponents, 18-8, with 6 of the 8 matches being decided by one goal.

## PRESEASON: CONTINUED FROM FRONT

3-point range last season.

In the women's pre-season poll, the EWU women's basketball team was selected to finish sixth in the media poll and ninth in the coaches poll. Last season, the Eagles were predicted to finish third by the media and fifth by the coaches. The Eagles would end up finishing fourth with a 12-6 conference record and an overall record of 21-12.

Senior Hayley Hodgins was selected onto the pre-season All-Conference team, with the University of North Dakota's Mia Loyd being selected as the preseason most valuable player.

Hodgins averaged 16.3 points per game and 4.2 rebounds per game last season, and shot 42.4 percent from the field. Her 1,185 career points rank seventh all-time in program history and needs 537 points this season to become the school's all-time leading scorer. She finished last season with 538 points.



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