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SkillsUSA successful at conference

by Winston Harris
Staff writer

This week, Eastern Wyoming College attended the state SkillsUSA Conference and competed in various events.

The EWC welders swept the competition with Dan Jerke, 1st, Mitch Falkenburg 2nd and Jesse Lang, 3rd. Also representing EWC in welding and machine tooling were Kole Kidd, Chance Steinmeyer, Joel Cannon, Austin Sussex, Tyler Kamp, Tony Haller, Ryan Haberkorn, and Tyler Bogue.

The machine tool students crafted a CO2 car from aluminum and named it the Silver Bullet. They entered it in the drag race competition at the SkillsUSA Conference

Skills/USA Conference attendees representing Eastern Wyoming College were, front row, Russell Pontarolo, Pete Cawiezel, Darci Duran, John Gibson, Ashley Wilson, Sharlet Starck, and Liz Sitzman; in back, Dan Jerke, Kole Kidd, Ryan Haberkorn, Tyler Kamp, Joel Cannon, Austin Sussex, Chance Steinmeyer, and Mitch Falkenburg. Courtesy photo

Forensics members to attend nationals

by P.J. Chavez
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The newly formed Forensics team has pushed through a late start into the year, and now will be taking a few members to nationals in Chicago.

Coach of the debate team Chris Hilton will be taking a small group of the team to participate in four events at the enormous tournament.

EWC has not had a forensics team in many years. Participating in this tourney will foreshadow the future success of the team in years to come.

"Debate is a very important skill in life, a skill that will take you further in life than athletics, and most academics," said team member Sam Schmidt.

Saturday Night Fever!

By Sara Foster
Staff Writer

Living in Torrington, Wyoming, the only chance you usually get to go to a concert is when you have to travel to bigger cities. On April 12th at 7 p.m. students, as well as others in the community, will get the chance to hear three bands live at Eastern Wyoming College, in the fine arts auditorium.

The concert will be co-sponsored by Student Senate and Torrington Beverage. Headlining the concert is The Market, with lead singer Bryan Shuurman, who has opened for Jimmy Eat World.

The Market has also been featured on local Salt Lake alternative rock stations and in Salt Lake's "City Weekly" magazine.

Also playing with The Market are The Lifespan, with lead singer Randy Brown, and The Melodie, with lead singer Scott Moses. The Melodie's first album "Into This" will be released this year. The following links will give you a taste of the entertainment EWC will be receiving that night: (The Market) www.myspace.com/the_market_tunes, (The Melodie) www.users.bandzoogle.com/themelodie/index.cfm, (Life Span—they used to be called Better than Most) www.myspace.com/betterthanmostmusic.

It's not every day when a small town like

and placed first.

EWC welding instructor Russell Pontarolo and former student Chance Pollo were keynote speakers.

In the Skills/USA Leadership Conference, EWC was represented by Liz Sitzman, Cody Wesch, Aaron McCloud, Ashlee Wilson, and Sharlet Starck.

In competition, results were as follows: McCloud – first place: Carpentry.

In business competition, the results were: Starck – first place, Customer Service; third place, Job Interview; Sitzman – first place, Prepared Speech; second place, Job Interview Cody Wesch – first place, Job Demonstration; and, Ashlee Wilson – first place, Related Technical Math. EWC was named College Chapter of the Year.

Falkenburg and Sitzman were elected state officers; the particular office will be announced at a later date.

Advisors accompanying the students were Russell Pontarolo, welding instructor, John Gibson, business instructor, Darci Duran, EWC webmaster, and Pete Cawiezel, member, Wyoming SkillsUSA board of directors and advisor for the state officer team.

Spring concert set for April 24 by Andrew Davis, Staff writer

The EWC College Choir is preparing to brighten up our night. To see what our new choir and band director Donna Kreiger has in store, attend the annual spring choir concert on April 24. If it is anything like last year's Christmas Concert



it will be well worth attending. It should also be noted that the choir is very excited to present the concert to us and seems to be bigger than it has been in the last few years.

Be prepared for a wide range of both musical pieces and vocal talents.

Civitas awards presented

by Skye Smith
Staff writer

Various students, teams, and clubs were honored at the Civitas celebration in the EWC cafeteria on Wednesday, March 12.

Dean of Students Marilyn Cotant presided over the evening's festivities.

Among the honored were President's Honor Roll, Dean's Honor Roll and Associate Dean's Honor Roll students, Phi Theta Kappa, Student Senate, men's and women's basketball, livestock judging, and forensics team members, student ambassadors, and those who received Civitas awards earlier in the year.

Torrington has the opportunity to hear popular bands with good music, playing live their town.

Tickets can be purchased for \$6 in advance at the EWC Information center, and will be \$7 at the door. They will also be giving out an iPod shuffle at the concert.

"This is really a great opportunity for students to do something on a Saturday night in Torrington. We hope that attendance at the concert shows a demand from students for similar events, so the college can continue offering these types of activities," states Annie Hilton, who is the Community Education Coordinator for EWC.



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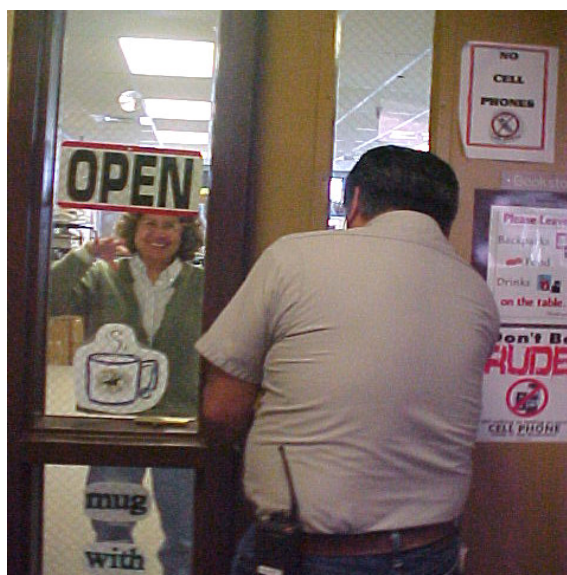
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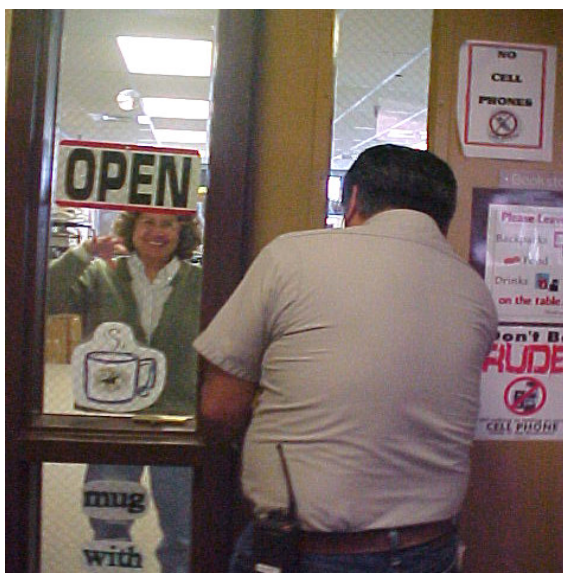
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Summer room, board available

Student housing and food service will be available for the summer session, according to Marilyn Cotant, vice president for student services.

Lancer Hall will be available for students enrolled in a minimum of six EWC credit hours during the summer session.

Costs will be \$135 per week, for a two-person suite, or \$150 per week for a private suite. Both packages include 15 meals per week.

"These costs should work well for students who may not be here for the entire summer session, noted Cotant.

Please check with the financial aid office regarding possible dorm and tuition financial assistance.

NEWS ACROSS THE NATION

by Skye Smith
Staff writer

American Airlines Fails Inspection, Cancels Flights

Over 1,000 American Airline flights were cancelled for Thursday, April 10, and Friday, April 11 for failing to meet government inspection standards.

Other airlines affected by the Federal Aviation Administration's safety checks were Southwest, United, Delta, Alaska, and Midwest Airlines.

Texas Polygamist Ranch Raided

Police raided the Yearn for Zion Polygamist Ranch in Eldorado, TX, where a 16 year-old girl reportedly had called social workers to report sexual and physical abuse by a 49 year-old man, who had fathered her child after their "spiritual marriage" last year.

Four hundred and sixteen children were taken into state custody, while 139 adult women voluntarily went to the shelters

Art exhibit features Scottsbluff, NE native

Artist Mark Anderson, a Scottsbluff, NE native, is the artist currently featured in the Fine Arts lobby. Anderson's exhibit, "Natural Elements: Monotypes and other prints," will be on display until April 20th.

Anderson is professor of art at Texas A&M University - Corpus Christi.

Hours are Monday-Friday, 9-4pm, with special hours: Thursday, April 17 - Sunday, April 20th until 9 pm for the performance of "The Sound of Music."

For more information, contact: Daniel Fielder, Assistant Professor of Art Eastern Wyoming College 3200 West C Street Torrington, WY 82240 307.532.8291 daniel.fielder@ewc.wy.edu

Campus Calendar

April 11-13	Rodeo at Crawford, NE
April 12	Alternative Rock Concert - Fine Arts Auditorium, 6 p.m.
April 16	Job Expo: 9 a.m. - noon, EWC Gym
April 17	Last day to drop blocked classes Community Ed. Courthouse History Tour 4-6 p.m.
April 17-18	Golf at Laramie
April 17-19 & 24-26	Goshen Community Theatre production of <i>The Sound of Music</i> , 7 P.M.; Fine Arts Auditorium; 2 p.m., April 20
April 18-20	Rodeo at Casper College
April 19	Athletic Banquet, 6 p.m.
April 22	Civitas Celebration in the cafeteria at noon
April 23	All school picnic - north lawn, 5 p.m. Student/Faculty soft ball game, 6:30 p.m.
April 24-25	Golf at Trinidad, CO
April 25-27	Rodeo at Sterling, CO
April 25	College for a Day for 6 th graders
April 27-28	Golf Regionals at Gothenberg, NE
April 27	Dorm Dinner at 6 p.m.
April 29	EWC Spring Concert: Fine Arts Auditorium at 7 p.m.
April 30	AG Awards Banquet - 6 p.m. Intramural basketball, 8 - 10 p.m.

Looking back through the pages of The Lancer Post while celebrating EWC's 60th year

December 12, 2001

"Petsch gets his 900th victory as volleyball coach"

Eastern Wyoming College volleyball coach Verl Petsch claimed 900 wins to his credit after his lady Lancers win over Northeastern Junior College on November 1st.

February 14, 2002

"New Vet tech lab benefits students"

The vet tech program has really been coming along this year with the new 3500 square foot large animal care facilities at EWC. The building was made possible by community and corporate donations.

April 8, 2002

"Irish Americans celebrate History Month"

President George W. Bush on February 26, 2001, proclaimed the month of March of every year as a celebration period for Irish Americans. Over the years millions of Irish immigrated to

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April 10, 2003

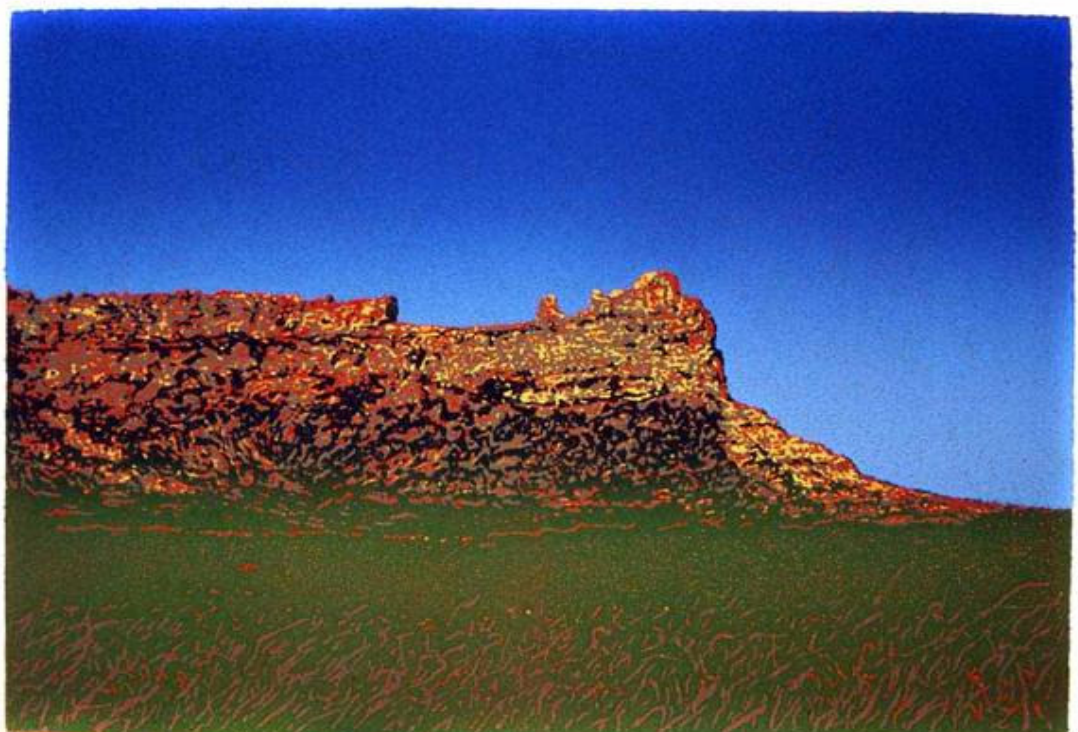
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