



ASC NEWSLETTER

TRiO Day Celebrations

In April 2008, the ASC celebrated National TRiO Day. Two main events meant to honor this organization were held— a litter pick up day on 04/18 and a luncheon on 04/24.

57 students gathered with ASC staff for a community service project to kick off our celebration of National TRiO day. Litter was collected from parts of the EWU campus and the main streets of Cheney; many interesting items were collected along the

way, but the item that won the contest for being the most unique was a spoiler from a sports car. We wish to thank the following groups for making this day an enjoyable success: Pathways to Progress, TRiO Student Support Services, TRiO McNair Program, Washington Achievers, EWU Americorps, La Hermanidad de Oquichtli Macuilli Tonatiuh, Ladies of Lambda Theta Alpha, Sigma Lambda Gamma, and Kappa Delta Chi.

By Molly Thorpe

On April 24th 2008, Eastern Washington University celebrated National Trio Day. The purpose of this event was to acknowledge Trio for their superbness on aiding students. A scrumptious lunch was served by staff and students from the Academic Support Center. In addition, there were multiple speakers from across campus as well as current and former TRiO students.

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Meet the New Staff

The ASC has several new faces this academic year. As part of our expanding program, we have hired 7 new staff members.

Molly Thorpe is our new Reading Retention Specialist and one of the Education 150 instructors. She has a BA in Education from WSU and her MA in Counseling and Human Services from the University of Idaho. Molly pre-

fers to see the glass 3/4 full and strives to help others reach their full potential.

Anna Brown is the Writing Retention Specialist and also teaches ED 150. She obtained both her BA and MA in English related fields from EWU. Anna wishes to obtain her PhD one day as well, in addition to owning and operating her own winery.

Crystal Quiroz is the Administrative Assistant for our department. She worked on her degree at WSU, and obtained her BA in Social Science. Crystal has a wonderful husband, beautiful baby girl, and plans on getting her MA in Education.

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Among the honored speakers were President Arevalo, a Maria Cantwell representative and a Cathy McMorris-Rogers representative. For another speaker named Andre Guzman, life was full of asperity. Not only was he low-income, but he was the first in his family to attend a four-year university. Guzman was grateful for all the support and validation TRiO provided along the way. He stated, "Trio not only helped me, but changed my whole family." After he earned his degree, Guzman's mother went back to school to get her G.E.D. This individual's story is just one of the many that attests to the fact that TRiO does make a difference.



Andre Guzman

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Calendar of Events & Dates to Remember

May

12th to 16th — Civil Rights Appreciation Week

15th — Creative Works Symposium in Senior Hall

17th — International Street Fair @ 1st and College

19th — Priority Registration

26th — Memorial Day

June

6th — ASC End-of-the-Year Awards BBQ

9th to 12th — Finals Week

13th — Last Day of the Quarter

14th — Graduation

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Denise Smith is the DSS Retention Specialist, and the third instructor for ED 150. She comes to us from Whitworth University and has her BA in Elementary ED and a MAT in Special Education. Denise loves to travel, make music, camp, and participate in new and interesting things.

Khalil Islam-Zwart is the new Multicultural Retention Specialist. He received his degrees from EWU — a BA in Liberal Studies and a MA in Public Administra-

tion. He is currently working on his PhD in Organizational and Intercultural communication from WSU. Khalil likes to travel with his wife and daughter in their camper trailer, and likes to engage in good conversation with good people.

The last of our newly hired staff is Gail Forsgreen, the Tutor Coordinator. She received her BA in Literary Studies, her certificate in ESL, and her MA in Adult Education from EWU. When she is not hard at work coordinating tutoring for students, Gail likes to ride

her horse, travel, and wrestling with her dogs.

Redgy Smith is our new Plus Coordinator, and he is also a former student of EWU! When he is not hard at work, he is hard at playing. Redy enjoys snowboarding, hiking, and music making.

The new staff here at the ASC are an energetic bunch of people, and just like the seasoned staff, the doors of these newbies are always open to students in need of academic guidance or general life help. If you haven't yet, come in and say hi to us! We look forward to seeing you.