



# Letters to the Editor

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## Before There Were Eagles

This is an appeal from **Walter (Jim) Lord**, 1952 grad and assistant director of WSTRS (Washington State Teachers Retirement System) from '66 to '76:

I consented to write a history of EWCE 1945 to 1955, when Eastern dominated small colleges in all sports. I am compiling 400 pages of lost pictures and clippings in order to write: BEFORE THERE WERE EAGLES, THERE WERE SAVAGES. I want to make sure all information from this period is included. Friends, please send material to:

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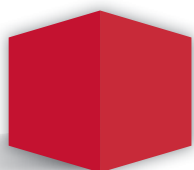


(For a rundown of pictures, articles and scrapbook contributions already collected, visit Lord's website at <http://picasaweb.google.com/corkylord/1950Rosters>.)

## Everyone is starting something **big**...

My "Something Big" would be to create a scholarship for students from alternative high schools. I've already helped develop a mentoring program in the high school where I teach, which has resulted in raising the percentage of students going to college from 10 percent to nearly 60 percent (in only three years). I am passionate when it comes to helping this group of students overcome the stigma attached to coming from an alternative background. I have seen a great deal of success in my students, and want them to continue their education at the postsecondary level. Assistance in overcoming the financial barrier of attending college is what helps most in convincing students to continue their education beyond the high school level. I would love nothing more than to inspire my current students to become tomorrow's leaders at EWU, and to create a partnership with the University that would enhance my group of students' chance at pursuing their education at EWU.

**Brian Sites '03, Pasco, Wash.**



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