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## Students call all the shots at One Acts

Students star in, direct two plays this past weekend

By **HEATHER HOLM**  
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Student directors showcased their talents at the Student Directed One Acts this weekend.

Bailey Murphy, a senior theatre arts major, directed the play "The God of Hell," which is about a couple in Wisconsin who gets a visit from a government official who warns the wife about something terrible that is coming.

The play was written by American playwright Sam Shepard as a response to the events of Sept. 11.

It occurs to the audience right

away that there is something not right about the official, though.

Then, an old friend of the husband comes with a strange situation where every time someone touches him, the lights in the house flicker.

He then passes this on to the husband, and the wife is left with nothing at the end of the play because the government agent takes the hus-

band and friend away.

"You didn't think you could get a free ride on democracy forever?" the agent asks right before she leaves with the two men at the end of the play.

Murphy chose three plays before "The God of Hell."

"The others were 'Wallace and Women' and the 'The American Dream,'" Murphy said. "This play

was chosen because both plays had a political theme."

Murphy also said the part of the government agent was originally supposed to be a man, but she thought it would be more poignant to have a woman play the agent.

Murphy said she was surprised that the play turned out so well.

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## TASTING THE HEAT



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Rob Dalaskey, a senior business management major, left, watches as A.J. Brasel, a senior biology major, right, finishes his portion of chicken wings during the Alpha Tau Omega Blazin' Wing Challenge Sunday afternoon in McAfee Gymnasium. The event raised between \$500 and \$700 for the Charleston Fire Department, which responded to a fire at the fraternity's house in September. Check out DENnews.com for a photo slideshow of the Blazin' Wing Challenge.

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## Wall of oppression tears down hate

"Writing on the Wall" to be built at EIU to stand against oppression, hurt

By **JENNIFER BROWN**  
Staff Reporter

The words of hate and oppression painted on more than one hundred bricks for "Writing on the Wall" will now be built up for all to see.

"Writing on the Wall" was presented this year by the Residence Hall Association to raise awareness about diversity on college campuses.

The wall will be constructed at 2 p.m. today with the assistance of the

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programming and diversity coordinator for RHA

EIU Construction Club.

The wall will stand between the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union and the Library Quad.

Eastern students painted the blocks with words they found offensive and oppressive on Wednesday

and Thursday.

They painted 200 cinder blocks over during two-day period.

"These bricks represent the barriers between EIU students," said Karla Browning, programming and diversity coordinator of the RHA. "Students could stop and paint the

bricks with words that have hurt them."

Words of hurt and oppression were painted on these bricks, such as "retarded" and "loser," Browning said.

These bricks will be used to construct a 4-foot high, 44-foot long wall.

Until the wall is constructed, the blocks will be stored in Doudna Fine Arts Center.

The event is expected to raise understanding for one another at Eastern.

Once the wall is built, it will stand until 12:15 p.m. Thursday. At that time, students will come together and bring down the wall.

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## Banquet to help recognize faculty

Four professors being given awards

By **BOB BAJEK**  
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Four professors are being awarded with the Student Distinguished Professors Award at 5 p.m. today in 7th Street Underground.

The professors being honored are Daniel Carter, Steve Benner, Ryan Hendrickson and Sally Turner.

Jackie Alexander, vice president for academic affairs, said winners were chosen based on their students' application and written statement.

Carter, professor of early childhood, elementary and middle education, received the Student Distinguished Professor Award Overall Winner. Carter was nominated by elementary education major Jennifer Price and four others.

"He is the most amazing professor that I have had through my entire time spent at Eastern," Price said. "Dr. Carter gave each and every one of his students, especially myself, so much confidence. He taught us never to second-guess ourselves and that we are and will continue to be great educators."

She said even though Carter is not her professor this semester, he takes time to talk to her and one of her friends. She said Carter is a model for students and professors alike.

Student Senate member Jarrod Scherle nominated Benner, an accounting instructor. Benner won the Student Distinguished Professor of Academic Support award.

Scherle, a junior business major, changed his major from physics to business and Benner was his first accounting teacher.

"It was probably the best class experience at my time at Eastern," Scherle said. "Everything would make sense the way he would explain (material)."

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