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"Dedicated to the preservation of the first amendment"



A candlelight vigil was held Wednesday night in front of the U.C. to protest American involvement in the Middle East. Organized by Dawn Flood, the event drew over 50 people. (photo by Lisa Stubler)

Tire burning put on back burner

Chancellor Keith Sanders announced Wednesday he is asking state officials to postpone any further plans to test the burning of tire-derived fuel in the UWSP heating plant.

He told members of the Faculty Senate that he has received informal information from the state Departments of Administration and Natural Resources confirming his request.

"We don't want to do this until we are certain it won't do damage," he said.

But he cautioned against criticism of plans to conduct research on burning discarded tires as a means of addressing a disposal problem and, at the same time, replacing a portion of the coal that is purchased for fuel at state-owned facilities.

Sanders informed senators of his action after Lowell Klessig, who teaches in the College of Natural Resources, addressed the body about his concerns about having the test burns done here.

Klessig cited the fact the heating plant does not have adequate pollution abatement equipment and that more particulate and dark smoke will be released.

He asks the senators to oppose test burning until UWSP's heating plant is modernized to handle pollutants and until the Department of Natural Resources requires tougher emission standards.

After discussion and question-answer session with the professor, senators decided to endorse the chancellor's postponement request.

The campus has been abuzz on the tire burning issue since officials in the Departments of Administration and Natural Resources announced earlier in the fall that tire-derived fuel would be tested at four state facilities, including UWSP.

About 65 people attended a public information meeting on campus Nov. 27, when specialists came from Madison to defend the plan.

One of the most outspoken critics of the proposal has been State Senator David Helbach, D-Stevens Point, who argued that such testing should not be done here because of lack of pollution control equipment on the boilers.

Greg Diemer, assistant chancellor for business affairs, who

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600 to graduate on Saturday

About 660 master's and bachelor's degrees will be awarded at UWSP's midyear commencement Saturday, Dec. 15.

The 10 a.m. ceremony will be in Quandt Gym with Thomas Lyon, Shawano, president of the UW System Board of Regents, as speaker.

Music will be provided by the UWSP Wind Ensemble, under the direction of James Arrowood, a presentation of colors will be conducted by the ROTC Color Guard and the soloist leading the national anthem and "The Purple and The Gold" will be student Darren Zipperer.

Vice Chancellor Howard Thoyre will introduce honors graduates and present associate degree candidates, the deans or

their representatives will present candidates for graduation from the various colleges, and Chancellor Keith Sanders will confer the degrees.

Helen Godfrey, assistant chancellor for university relations, will give a charge to the alumni and serve with Carol Sanders as graduation reception hostess following the ceremony.

Lyon, who became a regent in 1986 with an appointment from former Gov. Anthony Earl, was elected board president in June.

He is a past chairman of the board's business and finance committee.

In the business world, Lyon serves as general manager of the 21st Century Genetics Cooperative of Shawano.

Students warned off of fences

"My concern is that some student is going to get hurt," said Don Burling, director of Protective Services.

Problems still continue with students climbing over the fences surrounding the DeBot renovation project. The construction company has added eight-foot sections and reinforced the remaining four-foot sections.

Students continue to break down the 2 x 4 supports and cut through the site to the two remaining open entrances.

"I saw two students come out between two parked trailers and a cement truck nearly ran them over. There are also forklifts driving around that could hurt someone," said Burling.

"The reason the fence is up is because there's heavy equipment moving through here and the guys driving these things aren't looking for students to be in between them and the road," explained Jerry Lineberger, associate director of University Centers.

The fenced off area space is a hard hat zone. Only contractors and people wearing hard hats are allowed. Students jumping the fence are violating a posted zone and the university cannot be held liable for any injuries incurred.

Protective Services is trying to make periodic checks throughout the day. Students caught entering the zone will be sent to Student Conduct on their first offense.

"If the construction company wanted, they could have students arrested for trespassing," said Burling.

Once again the university urges students to take precaution in that area and stay outside of the fences. Dinner will wait.

In another matter of safety, the Office of Protective Services would like to remind residence hall students to continue to be safety and security conscious.

Everyone needs to continue to avoid propping open entrance doors, permitting strangers to enter the hall, and they need to be sure to secure rooms before retiring for the evening.

1992 NCAA Div. III national track meet to be at UWSP

The University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, on the strength of its new Health Enhancement Center, has been chosen as the site of the 1992 NCAA Division III national indoor track and field meet.

The competition for men and women will be on March 13 and 14, 1992. That will be the first time a state school will have hosted the indoor tournament. In the spring of 1986, UW-La Crosse was the first Wisconsin school to hold a national outdoor meet.

About 500 athletes, coaches, team staff members, and NCAA and participating school officials are expected to attend. The number does not include visiting spectators, including relatives and friends of the athletes. The contest will include all track and field events.

200-meter track around the edge.

The center is the only building of its kind in Wisconsin that satisfies all of the facility requirements for national championships as determined by the NCAA, Witt added. Even at UW-Madison, which has indoor track and field facilities, track lanes are not at the required 42-inch width.

Witt announced that many volunteers are needed to operate such meets, and he said he will be giving people in the area opportunities to fill those positions. "There should be a lot of public interest," he said, adding that training sessions will be held for the workers.

"We're starting early in making announcements because there is so much planning involved. Besides, we want to

show everyone who comes that Wisconsin does things first class."

Brandeis University in Waltham, MA. also made a bid to host the 1992 indoor championships, and Witt said he expects that school will be granted the honor the following year.

He believes NCAA officials were pleased to receive a bid from Wisconsin because the state produces a large number of outstanding track and field teams. In addition, the tournament last year was at Smith College in Massachusetts and will remain in the same region this year at Wesleyan University in Connecticut.

Witt was joined in developing UWSP's bid by former athletic department official Scott Roeker.

Though the meet is held on a two-day weekend, most of the visiting people who will be involved are expected to spend much of the previous week here.

All housing and dining will be provided by area hotels, motels, and restaurants. NCAA will reimburse UWSP for its expenses as meet host.

"Having this held here will do a lot of good for the university," said Pointer Coach Rick Witt. He will be joined by fellow faculty member Len Hill in coordinating the meet.

All of the events are scheduled in the multipurpose section of the new \$7 million Health Enhancement Center that opened this fall. The massive 54,000 square foot room, which is larger than a football field, includes an eight-lane

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NEWS



Professor Jim Haney

Haney to serve State Dept. of Justice

Attorney General-elect Jim Doyle announced Friday that he has filled three top staff positions in the State Dept. of Justice, effective when Doyle takes office on Jan. 7.

Haney, 36, is director of broadcasting and associate professor of communication at UWSP, where he has been a faculty member since 1981. He teaches a variety of media courses and coordinates the campus' academic program in broadcasting.

A New London native, Haney has a Bachelor's degree from Ripon College and Master's and Doctor's degrees in communications from the University of Iowa.

He is currently general manager of university non-commercial radio station WWSP-FM; director of the UWSP/Wisconsin Public Radio news bureau, chair of the Wisconsin Broadcasters Assn. Education Committee, and a member of the City Telecommunications Commission in Stevens Point.

As director of research and information, Haney will handle media relations for the Dept. of Justice and help coordinate the department's legislative program. He has been granted a leave of absence from UWSP to take the position with Doyle.

Doyle said he expects to make a decision soon on naming his deputy attorney general and other top administrators.

Harmful or not; Asbestos on campus explained

by Laura Naus
Contributor

Prior to the recent asbestos incident in the basement of Sims Hall, many UWSP students were unaware of the asbestos problems here at UWSP. Many students still are misinformed.

According to the American Cancer Society, "Asbestos is a term referring to several types of minerals which can be separated into threads and woven. These threads or fibers break easily, float in the air, and stick to clothing."

Asbestos was used in virtually every building constructed up until the 1970s. So the problems of asbestos removal are not unique to UWSP.

Asbestos was used on this campus in the original construction of all of the buildings except for the new Health Enhancement Center. When it was installed, asbestos was known as a safe, durable, non-combustible construction material.

According to the American Cancer Society, "Asbestos bonded into finished products is not a health hazard so long as the product is not damaged and cannot release fibers into the air." Medical research suggests that the inhalation of asbestos dust can result in serious health problems.

Asbestosis is a chronic lung ailment that results from the in-

halation of asbestos dust. Mesothelioma is a cancer of the membrane lining the chest or abdomen that can be traced to previous asbestos exposure.

Asbestos exposure is also linked to lung cancer and other forms of cancer. Data from the American Cancer Society states, "It may take fifteen to thirty-five years for lung cancer to appear, and as long as forty to forty-five years for mesothelioma."

"Work with the system and then progress will be made."

Brian Marnholtz

Asbestos is present in the glue holding down floor tiles and the insulation covering the elbows of pipes in the residence hall rooms. Broken floor tiles and cracked pipe insulation are the two most common means by which students can be exposed to friable asbestos in their residence hall rooms.

Thus far, only several UWSP students have requested that their rooms be inspected. Last Friday, December 7, asbestos was removed from the room of Hansen Hall resident Staci Braham. "I decided to get it checked out because I wasn't sure if it was asbestos or not" she said, "and I figured it would be better to be safe than sorry."

Brian Marnholtz, the professional in the asbestos field sent to remove Braham's cracked pipe insulation said, "Staci did the right thing. If you think you've got a problem with a tear, call Jerry Walters (at Residence Life x3511) or tell a maintenance man."

The most important thing is that students bring a professional in to remove the material and don't try to remove it themselves. "If indeed the material is asbestos, touching it only releases more fibers into the air."

Marnholtz, an employee of Do-All Insulation, stressed that panicking and blowing a possible asbestos problem out of proportion are two examples of exactly what students should not do. Instead he advises, "Work with the system and then progress will be made. Removing asbestos from students' rooms is my priority."

After Marnholtz removes the material he takes it to a laboratory where the bulk sample is tested for asbestos content. As he removes the material he also takes an air sample, which counts the number of fibers in the air.

Air samples are only taken upon the student's request. Marnholtz strongly advises, "Request an air sample so you know the condition of the air in your room." He also suggests that all students ask for copies of their test results.

Males assaulted in Parking Lot Q

by Juan Ramirez
Contributor

Two male residents of Roach Hall broke the stereotypical victim profile last Saturday at approximately 12:30 a.m. They were not female.

Scott and Russ (last names withheld) were returning from the east end of Parking Lot Q to their hall when they were jumped by three men. The attackers appeared from between parked cars and began a fist fight.

"I guess we were more shocked by the situation," said Scott, "afterall, most guys think this stuff only happens to girls."

The three assailants were described as being in their twenties, all of them taller with large builds. Scott is about 5'11" and Russ is 6'1", both are 20 years old.

"They appeared to be students but you can never be sure in the dark," said Russ.

The victims were reluctant to share their experience with authorities for a number of

reasons, one of them being the poor description of their attackers.

The two felt that they were not being mugged. They did manage to break away and run for home. The only injuries suffered were a black eye and bruises.

Although their egos were more bruised than their bodies, they felt their experience would help increase awareness and caution men and women alike to take safety precautions when traveling in poorly-lit areas, such as parking lots.

SGA Calendar update

At Last Week's meeting:

→ There was discussion of the SGA Constitution and the Strategic Plan Resolution.

This week's senate meeting will be held at 7:15 p.m., on Thursday, Dec. 13, in the Wright Lounge of the University Center.

On the Agenda:

→ The ZEN sorority will be officially recognized as a UWSP student organization.

→ The SGA Constitution is up for approval by Senate.

→ The UWSP Strategic Plan

Resolution. Authored by President Craig Schoenfeld, the proposal, if approved will encourage student participation at all levels of the plan.

Under Finance:

→ Social Issues Forum is up for funding of \$2,861 for programming. Specifically, the money will be used to bring Yolanda King, daughter of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., to campus to make a presentation.

→ Athletics is up for approval of their three year annual budget.

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What do I Get Mom & Dad for Christmas?

Kris Kringle Craft Fair

Sunday, Dec. 16

10am-4pm U.C. PBR

Free w/UWSP ID \$1.00 w/out



EDITORIAL

Wedgies not the only mark of knowledge

by Ron Wirtz

Editor-in-Chief

It's a well known fact that teenagers and young adults today have a shaky knowledge of the world around them—geography and history seem to be the biggies.

But it seems like every time you turn around you read or hear about some new study telling all of us pre-25 year olds just how stupid we all are. One essay on the topic quipped, "Imagine a game of Trivial Pursuit—it could last for years."

Enough already. How about the flip side? Have any of these know-it-alls ever looked at any possible reasons why things like this are happening?

I doubt it. And I won't even bother commenting on today's failing education system.

I don't excuse the fact that many are deficient in certain areas due mainly to ignorance and laziness. But there are also ignored factors that stretch today's student beyond merely learning all the presidents of the US, or where Madagascar is on the map.

So here my Christmas list for all bashers-of-those-who-don't-know-trivia.

You say (in general) that I'm ignorant, that I don't know what people did years ago. Well there may be there's a reason.

More is expected of me in today's world because there are

How about school? Every year, education programs get cut, leaving fewer dollars for the average student, while the job market now insists on absolutely nothing less than a college

Consequently, classes are structured to give narrow, specialized knowledge, not broad knowledge that would help me kick heinie in Trivial Pursuit. Students do not have the option of choosing the classes they want. Instead, classes are taken in order to get a piece of paper that says they are qualified for the workplace. General requirement classes will never come close to anything but a surface glance at material that used to be mandatory for students years ago.

That'll cost you another wedgie. Sorry.

Priorities have changed. I may not be able to quote Milton. But I do know spreadsheet and Pascal. You may believe in the nostalgia of knowledge, but in today's world, we are forced to believe in the reality of knowledge—knowledge applicable to everyday life. I'm not saying I like it. I don't. I'd rather read a George Orwell essay than a computer spreadsheet, but George is the one picking up royalties while I'm picking up unemployment.

I feel a sense of loss that half

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more issues to be addressed. This is a give and take situation. As with all things, you cannot take unless you are also willing to give.

If you want me to learn, don't make me spend time cleaning up your mess—environmentally, politically, and socially. This would give me a lot more free time. Responsible behavior takes time and effort, and it went ignored for too long. Sure, you were able to learn your ABC's, but in the meantime you were destroying the world around you. Now you expect me to take time out to clean your mess.

And I'll do it too, but it's gonna cost you a wedgie cuz I had to skip my history class (and grammar too) while I'm out playing Ralph Nader.

education. Give me the free dollars that were being given away twenty five years ago and maybe I wouldn't have to work 30 hours a week just to go to school.

Speaking of the work-place, specialization has hit. No more can you go into the market just looking for "a job." You have to get thirteen other jobs in the area of their schooling to prove you have "experience" in your field. Knowledge has become secondary to the extracurricular experiences you are supposed to be collecting while in college. Yet grade point must not suffer lest you be called ignorant and stupid.

Moreover, education is based around getting a very narrowly focused job.

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Reminiscent on the last days at UWSP

by Timothy A. Bishop

Sports Editor

Well, here it is, graduation time. After eight and one-half years (including several semesters off for good behavior) I am finally on that blessed list of those who will not be back next semester due to graduation.

But, for one last hurrah, I would like to take a look at some of the things that have happened around here. Some of the good, some of the bad, and, as they say, some of the ugly. Some of the triumphs, and some of the crushing defeats.

The Football Scandal

Probably the best known of any UWSP football team was the 1987 Pointers, who battled all the way the the school's first ever football national championship. That title, along with all of the team's wins that year, were washed away in one fell swoop when they were stripped of all they had worked for due to an eligibility scandal which forced the resignation of then football coach D.J. LeRoy.

The Racial Incidents

UWSP and the city of Stevens Point got a little attention for another series of events which the city would like forgotten in the summer of 1982, these involving racial violence in and around two city night clubs.

Several Nigerian citizens who were attending UWSP were assaulted and injured outside the Outer Limits and The

Flame after altercations inside the clubs.

Stevens Point was not alone. Other racial events occurred in both Eau Claire and Menomonie.

The Uncensored Pointer

Controversy in 1988 came from the same office in which I sit writing this. Pointer editor-in-chief Gabrielle Wyant-Perillo took on the question of censorship as she printed a number of highly questionable pieces.

Before long, the Pointer found itself standing in front of Student Government answering questions about how and why such an issue was printed.

After hours of debate, nothing was decided about the issue and it later passed into oblivion.

Hockey Champions

The Pointer hockey team found itself in the limelight in 1988. In only its second year under head coach Mark Mazzone, the Pointers went and won UWSP's first ever NCAA Division III national championship.

Before 1985, no UWSP athletic team had ever won a national championship. Three years later, UWSP had won three, and lost only one.

The Pointers proved in 1989 that 1988 was no fluke. This time, the Pointers took the number one ranking in the hockey polls on the first day and never gave it up. It was the first time that any Division III team had ever

successfully defended a hockey national championship.

Finally, A New Gym

In the fall of this year, UWSP finally got a new fieldhouse and indoor pool. But boy did they have to fight for it.

Almost 25 years after the plan was originally proposed,

Point finally got approval to build the new facilities, but not without help. Students had to put up a large amount of activity fee money before the state would approve construction. Perhaps it should be called the STUDENT Health Enhancement Center or named after a former UWSP student.

THE FAR SIDE

By GARY LARSON



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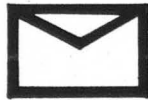
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LETTERS

A deep-roots look at the real Christmas

Dear Editor:

Yes, Christmas time is approaching. Already I can feel its subtle presence in the pit of my stomach. The wasteful blinking, glaring, electrical, plasticness of it all beats on my poetic nerves every night with increasing intensity.

What is it with this blatant materialistic binge that takes place every Christmas? I thought that the purpose of the Christmas holiday was to celebrate the birth of the Christian savior and Lord incarnate; a man who strongly and openly opposed such blatant

materialism (for one of many examples see Matthew 23).

It seems to me that the Christian savior has become a grand marketing scheme. But, then again, I'm Pagan. I find the "divine" in myself and nature, and significance in little flashy lights.

While U.S. soldiers are preparing to fight another "Vietnam" in the deserts of the Middle East over oil, their relatives and countrymen back home are wasting it to provide energy to light up plastic manger scenes.

As more and more religious leaders begin to recognize the

role of religion in environmental stewardship, increasing energy demands and the Mid-East paranoia are threatening to loosen, still too weak, environmental legislation.

Our national wilderness areas are being threatened by the increasing political pressure of the petroleum industry, yet the Christmas tree shines on. Are our soldiers and our environment being made the new martyrs of a plastic, oil run religion?

I don't believe the problem lies in Christianity itself, but instead in Christian hypocrisy. If Christians were truly following

the words of Christ, I believe we wouldn't see this wastefulness.

Christ taught, through personal example, to give of the self. He spoke against those who consumed needlessly at the expense of others. It seems that American Christians have traded their religion in for commercialism.

To me, the hanging of gaudy Christmas decorations represents not the joyful spirit of giving, but hypocritical wastefulness fueled by war and environmental degradation.

Paul C. Easton

Wedgies

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the teenagers in the US don't know who Jefferson Davis was. That is truly tragic. But to stereotype that age group as mindless MTVers is wrong.

Priority knowledge has shifted. Yesterday was Shakespeare, wars, pioneers and events. Today it's technology, specialization, computers and the environment.

Add to that the fact no other generation has had to bear the brunt of past generations like today's young-er generation. Oil spills, ozone depletion, homelessness, run-away national deficits and flattened rain forests are but a few extracurricular problems staring us in the face, vying for attention.

And you tell me, "fix it-and don't forget to do your homework either before you go out to play."

And I will...but it'll cost you a couple wedgies.

Peace

Regardless how cynical I usually sound, I hope everyone enjoys their well-deserved break. Good luck on finals.

You have the right to not remain silent on censorship

Dear Editor:

Our society seems to have become increasingly infatuated with telling others how to run their lives. From our involvement in Kuwait to the recent controversy over 2 Live crew-America's wave of concern for other people's morals seems to be taking us a great step backward.

One area that has been hit the hardest is the arts. Whether it be theatre, film, music, photography, painting, or any other form of artistic expression, there are those individuals who yearn to slap regulations on it.

Does no one have any concept of artistic expression? How can a few individuals be allowed to decide what is "fit for society" and what is not? Every individual's concept and definition of art is different. I personally loathe the idea that some judgmental snob out there can decide what I can and cannot see.

If these people object to the content of a show the solution is simple: DON'T GO! It seems hypocritical to attend a show knowing it has controversial content and then raise moral objections to it. Why go in the first place? No one tied these people

up and forced them to view these things. They chose to go and therefore made a conscious decision whether to view it or not.

Shouldn't every adult have this right? It's called personal censorship. This does not give those individuals the right to inflict their narrow minded view of the world on everyone else.

Some of us want to experience life and art as the artist sees it rather than as these people think they should see it. That is not what art is all about! That is not what America is about! Our country was founded by people fleeing from such ideals. Did

our forefathers cross oceans, fight disease, fight wars, and give their lives to this country only to have it become the same moralistic prison they fled from?

I certainly hope not, yet so many individuals are willing to sit back apathetically while others systematically limit their freedom.

It's time for action. Think twice before you allow someone else to limit your life by telling you what you can see or do. Censor THEM before they take over your life!

Lisa Allar

Student-townspeople relationship in bad need of repair

Dear Editor:

As a rookie in terms of off campus living, it has recently occurred to me that a definite kink exists in the relationship between UWSP students and long-time Stevens Point residents.

While walking to class each morning, I feel more like a paroled convict than a university student as concerned mothers yank their young children off the sidewalk as I pass by. And whatever happened to the standard greetings of "good morning" and "good afternoon"? I have hardly received more than a grunt and cold shoulder from the

townspeople I pass en route to class, despite my polite salutations and gaping smile.

In my opinion, it is quite obvious that many of the Stevens Point natives who live near the UWSP campus are not only angry with much of the college population, but that a great sense of mistrust also prevails.

Every fall the natives' neighborhoods are bombarded by students who raise hell for nine months at a time, leaving in the Spring only to make way for another invasion three months later. The end results are property damage, theft, and finally, hostilities.

I believe it's high time we UWSP students work to repair our ailing reputations by establishing a higher level of maturity and earning back the respect of our co-residents.

First and foremost, treat other's property with respect, and view vandalism and theft as the crimes they are. Keep in mind that beer cans and cups are not appreciated as lawn orna-

ments, and use the provided sidewalks rather than hurriedly cutting across lawns as you rush to class. Finally, don't underestimate the power of a quick "hello" as you pass your neighborhood, and, as the cliché goes, treat others as you hope to be treated.

I not only believe we are obligated to respect the properties and lifestyles of the

townspeople who live in the shadows of the university, but it is also our responsibility to behave in a mature manner which will reflect positively upon our school's image.

Maybe then college students will be viewed as the great asset they are to the community, rather than being viewed as social outcasts.

Greg Bayer

Non-smokers have wellness rights too

Dear Editor:

I'm writing in response to Barry Radler's editorial printed in the Pointer (Dec. 6) "On smoker's rights in this school of wellness."

I do agree with Mr. Radler that we should be left alone to choose what we want to do with our bodies. However, I do not feel that defenseless non-smokers should be subjected to the tar and cruffe someone else chooses to suck into his or her body. I have a choice too, and I choose not to be subjected to this "stagnant air" which lingers constantly around smokers.

UWSP is a school of wellness and that is why officials have banned smoking from most of the buildings on campus. Why should I feel sorry for a smoker's poor "tar-coated lungs outside where they must contend with the possibility of pneumonia..." It's not my problem if they are so addicted

to nicotine that they have to go out into sub-zero temperatures just to satisfy their craving.

Also, smoking is NOT an American institution. Images of smokers as being "cool" went out with bell-bottom pants.

Don't fool people into think-

ing that smoking is as American as baseball and apple pie. Smoking is a dirty, unhealthy habit. One that all of the non-smokers on campus should not have to endure.

Tammy Garrison

Be safe from assault

Dear Editor:

We are two senior women attending the university. We would like to talk about the danger of this phrase: "It will never happen to me." Specifically, we want to talk to the women on campus.

Last Saturday night, while coming back early from an event, we made the decision to walk back alone, even though we knew of the possible danger. As every woman on this campus asks the same question, "Is it safe?" almost as many respond, "Well nothing will happen to me!" We asked the same ques-

tion and came up with the same response. Our rational was, "Oh it's close to campus, if we hurry, and cut across, nothing will happen. What we didn't anticipate was being chased down by a car in a parking lot.

Please, don't be stupid like we were. If you're alone, or even with just another friend, don't put yourself into a dangerous situation. Things can, and do happen, even if you think, "Oh it will never happen to me."

Too embarrassed to reveal our identity.



Anti-hunters; please think before you speak

Dear Editor:

The anti-hunting movement is resurging as of lately. We've read articles in the papers, seen animal rights demonstrations on the news and hear it from our peers. **HUNTING IS BAD! EVIL, INHUMAN AND UN-NECESSARILY CRUEL.**

Hunters, how often have you heard this? Shame on you for killing those poor defenseless pretty little creatures. How can you live with yourself? You must be mentally ill...the list goes on. OK fine, your entitled to your opinion but I don't want to hear it unless there are facts to back up your argument. OOps, there goes 99.9 percent of the animal rightist's arguments. End of discussion!

I usually defend my fellow hunters actions as well as mine, and when I do argue, facts, experiences, and practical ecology do my talking.

The problem with arguing with an animal rightist is that they know the answers. In fact they know everything about wildlife and how to manage it. Surprisingly enough these ignorant buffoons don't know squat about wildlife, nonetheless how to manage it. If it were up to them, Wisconsin would be an overbrowsed, crop-damaged wasteland laced with deer carcasses, while nuisance species overrun the remains.

Well, isn't that swell, not only have we lost a valuable resource

but we've destroyed entire plant communities as well as its inhabitants. In essence, we are destroying our own homes. The three basic necessities to all life (food, fiber and shelter) come from our natural resources whether you like it or not. We have a choice to either be a functioning part in the system or to ultimately die.

The problem with anti-hunters is that they don't know the facts and they definitely don't have the answers. These people have a difficult time grasping the concept of ecology. That in order for an organism to live, it will be at the cost of another organism. These people don't understand the concept of wildlife management nor the fact that hunting is an effective tool of wildlife manage-

ment. If you don't believe me, look it up in a book.

You "Purists" fail to understand that North America's big game population is relatively predator free. Many don't realize that wild game populations produce an overabundance of animals (compensatory mortality) which humans may utilize or let go to waste. Furthermore, people fail to realize that it is impossible to stockpile wild game populations.

There are many more overwhelming arguments in favor of hunting, but if you would like to learn more about them, do some research.

"I respect the choice of those who've decided not to hunt at all, whatever their reasons. But when others attempt to impose

their attitudes, values and tastes on my leisure pursuits...when they attempt to dictate my diet...when they sully and portray the choice of hunting as immoral...then the abridgement of morality has not been committed by me, but by my accusers." (M.B. Connolly)

The fact remains that the hunter has done more for wildlife than all the Dickey bird lovers put together. In fact if it weren't for the hunter, wildlife as we know it wouldn't be the same. Non-profit organizations such as Ducks Unlimited, Pheasants Forever, Whittails Unlimited, and the Ruffed Grouse Society have raised hundreds of millions of dollars in the name of wildlife preservation.

They have worked together and purchased critical wildlife lands, they undertake intensive habitat projects on less suitable lands and also construct devices to restore the original habitats. Sportsmen also contribute by paying an 11% excise tax on sporting arms and ammunition (called Pittman-Robertson) which has also generated millions.

It is obvious that the sportsman has paid his fair share, not to mention licenses, stamps, fees, and permits. But what has the anti-hunter contributed to wildlife? NOT VERY MUCH! So the next time you even think about whining to hunters, think again.

Rick Nelson

Hunters in the woods for more than just the kill

Dear Editor:

Golly gee, I sure am glad that Thomas Rowe took it upon himself to educate hunters in last week's Pointer. I haven't read such thought provoking stuff since I read a Marvel comic over three years ago. Of course, I don't read much since I spend 90 percent of my time killing stuff.

My friends tell me that guys like Thomas Rowe are simply insecure professors who are at

the university more due to tenure than due to ability, but I know better simply from reading his letter. Such wisdom only comes around once every decade or so.

My only complaint with Thomas Rowe's letter is that he missed the whole point of the hunt. I don't go for the killing, I go for the suffering. I just love to wound stuff and then watch it suffer. Deer, coon, squirrels, chipmunks, heck fire. I even

tried a skunk once but it didn't work out too good for me on that one. Anyway, it makes no difference to me what I wound as long as I cause a lot of suffering, cause of course that's why I hunt.

I also am glad that Thomas Rowe wrote to you guys because after reading his letter I have finally decided on a major. I have decided to major in "tripe," the only requirement being to attend every class that

Thomas Rowe teaches over the next 17 years (It will take me that long to get my degree since I spend so much time wounding stuff in the woods).

The way I got it figured, after spending those 17 years under the tutelage of Thomas Rowe, I too will be able to give insights on things that I know absolutely nothing about.

Frank Stallons

Don't be a X-mas shopping scrooge

Dear Editor:

Now is the time for all good shoppers to come to the aid of retailers nationwide. Yes it's that time of the year again. The time to spend your hard-earned cash on just the right gifts for your loved ones.

What could it be this year? A smokeless ashtray, an ill-fitting robe or maybe a Ginsu knife that slices, dices and juliennes? Well, whatever that perfect gift may be, be sure to be courteous to store clerks and cashiers when you shop.

The weeks before Christmas are some of the most hectic that shoppers have to face in their lives. But just because you had a bad day and couldn't find the right gift, doesn't mean you have to take that frustration out on store clerks. "Patience is a virtue," a wise woman once said, and it truly is.

First, when shopping this

season, remember that clerks often don't know where every item in a store is. So please be patient with them. Another reminder for the frustrated shopper is that of patience at the checkout counter. There are times when merchandise doesn't get entered into the computer or a price is entered wrong. However, people make mistakes and computers have glitches, so don't hold the cashier responsible for a computer error or a missing apparel tag.

The cashier does not control everything that goes on in a store. It takes teamwork from the entire store to make a customer's shopping experience a pleasant one.

Finally, don't go Christmas shopping on lunch break or with limited time available. The experienced shopper knows that

other shoppers into malls and department stores. Lines are to be expected at the checkout counters so don't expect to get through these lines in a hurry.

If you do get frustrated with the lines, tough. It's not the cashier's fault that you only had 15 minutes to buy your mother-in-law's present. So don't make them feel bad because of it.

The holiday season is hectic for everyone, including department store personnel. Please remember that clerks are people too and that the holiday's are supposed to be a time for good cheer and not time to be a Scrooge.

Tammy A. Garrison

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Please get some lights up

Dear Editor:

I would like to commend the letter written by Richard Waldvogel which appeared in the Nov. 1 issue of the Pointer. (Perhaps it should have been the headlining letter instead of more campaign propaganda.)

The issue of providing a safe walk to school for students is an important one that should be addressed. Without any crossing lights, the intersection of Division and Franklin street (near the Stevens Point Fire Department) is indisputably hazardous to pedestrians.

When approaching this intersection, it seems motorists put blinders on their eyes and lead on their feet.

However, I disagree with Mr. Waldvogel on one point. Although it is mainly students who frequent this intersection, I don't believe that the university is responsible for placing crossing lights on a non-campus road. However, the university should be interested in protecting the welfare of its students and thus be placing pressure on the city to handle the problem.

If students are left to depend on the courtesy and common sense of drivers who refuse to yield LEGAL right of way, there is going to be a tragedy. Let's not let that happen.

Kari Lee Nelson

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OUTDOORS

It's time to outfox those clever canines

Increasing fox numbers provide unique hunt

by Steve Schmidt

Outdoors Editor

Today's fashion trends, set by European designers, have generated a lag in the fox pelt market over the past several years. As a result, Wisconsin's fox populations have made a turn for the better, becoming remarkably up-to-snuff.

With prime red fox pelts yielding a meager \$3-5 a piece, most trappers have diverted their attention to mink, muskrats and other short-haired furbearers. The reason say mink farmers, is the belief that long-haired furs, like those of fox and coyotes, have the tendency to make women look fat. And in our style-orientated society, the general consensus is that a heavy appearance is undesirable.

Consequently, Wisconsin predator hunters have an improved opportunity this winter to score on some reds and grays, without the competition of the trapping community.

And the end of December

through January are choicest times to put an end to your cabin fever and venture out into the snow. It's during these months that foxes become more active as they engage in the breeding season. And reynards spend far more hours than normal in search of available vixens.

Both red and gray foxes possess impeccable senses of smell and hearing, in turn providing them with an uncanny ability to detect and flee from danger. Those who take fox hunting seriously maintain no other criterion is quite as cunning as an adult red fox. And when comparing the mental ability of a fox to that of its domesticated cousin the dog, it's no wonder they're the ultimate challenge to hunt.

Methods of fox hunting, for the most part, are easily mastered after learning the basics of what makes a fox tick. And fortunately, there is an abundance of informative literature on the subject.

Nonetheless, predator calling is a method which takes the least time and money to gain success.

And as opposed to trailing foxes with hounds, calling is generally more productive in terms of numbers of foxes located per day.

Calling can be executed in a couple ways, with the use of mouth calls or electronically amplified tape recorders. The most common method, however, is the use of simple single reed calls which are similar in appearance to any mouth call. They simulate the bloodcurdling squeals of an injured cottontail rabbit. And when deep snow adorns the winter landscape, a fox's temptation for an easily pounced-on meal, usually leads to his welcomed arrival on your calling site.

Still there are a variety of calls to choose from. Besides typical reed calls, diaphragm predator calls are gaining popularity. One reason for this is that they allow the hunter to keep his or her hands free to shoot, since the call is entirely positioned in the mouth upon operation. They function by



A fresh snowfall is always a plus for the fox hunter.

It can supply the hunter with a hot starting point when tracking and provides a contrasting background that aids in spotting predators. This particular red fox was shot after tracking it to a nearby woods. It was enticed into view with a cottontail distress call.

creating air movements between the roof of the mouth, tongue and reed itself. Another added benefit is that diaphragm calls will not freeze-up in sub-zero temperatures unlike earlier styles of closed reed mouth calls.

They are, however, difficult to properly utilize. And unless skilled in their use, productive cry patterns are impossible to propagate. A single flaw in a series of cries will always result

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Equipping one's self with the proper predator hunting gear is essential to a successful fox hunt. Identifying the perfect firearm, call and clothing for a particular outing will help increase the odds of bagging those crafty reds and grays.

(Photo by Lisa Stubler)

CLEAN & GREEN

by Paul C. Easton

Outdoors Writer

Although the importance of developing an environmentally friendly life-style on the personal level cannot be stressed enough, joining an environmentally oriented organization can prove invaluable as a source of information and encouragement.

Joining such an organization not only deepens your commitment to environmental stewardship, but brings you together with people who share similar values and provides a supportive atmosphere.

There are several local groups concerned with a variety of environmental issues. I encourage you to look into the following groups. I have worked with or talked to people from all of these groups and have found them all to be open and friendly people who are genuinely concerned with the health of the planet and its inhabitants.

The Alliance for a Sustainable Earth is a campus group with an international focus. Their most recent project, an International Craft Fair, was a big success. The annual craft fair allows people in developing countries to subsidize their incomes to make them more independent. This is done so as to enable them to resist the pillag-

ing of their natural resources by developed countries.

Future projects are still being discussed one being considered is a rain forest education campaign during Earth Week next semester. Meetings are usually held on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. in room 324 of the CNR.

The Environmental Council is a well established group that is best known for its annual Eagle Walk. The Eagle Walk is a 200 mile hike to Eagle Valley, WI with the purpose of raising ecological awareness and to solicit money which they donate to an environmental group or cause.

The Environmental Council also hosts several speakers a year, organizes camping trips and helps to sponsor other groups working for the environment. Next semester plans include a ski trip to Standing Rocks, an Environmental Awareness Weekend at Crivitz, and the spring break Eagle Walk.

Their next meeting will be held Monday, December 17 at 8 p.m. in the Campus Activities Office in the U.C. Check the Daily for other meetings. For those who want to help educate people about environmental issues and gain professional experience doing so, the Environmental Educators and

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Park stickers now available

State parks showcase the variety and beauty of Wisconsin's forests, streams, wildlife and other natural resources. And the state park admission sticker provides your entry to enjoying the 65 state parks and four recreation areas managed by the Department of Natural Resources.

From the northern forests to the Lake Michigan shoreline, Wisconsin's state parks exhibit a wide array of natural treasures. Each year thousands of residents purchase an admission sticker to enjoy hiking, cross country skiing, swimming, camping and picnicking, according to Bureau of Parks and Recreation Director David Wizenicker.

"The admission stickers make an excellent Christmas gift," said Wizenicker. "They provide access to an entire year's worth of recreational activities."

The admission stickers are available at state parks, forests and other DNR offices. Stickers cost \$14 for residents and \$28 for nonresidents. The stickers also provide admission to state forests in addition to state parks and recreation areas.

Two-vehicle families are able to purchase a second admission sticker for half-price.

Variety of seeds and feeders attracts birds

How can you attract a variety of birds to your winter bird feeding station? You'll need to provide a variety of seeds, feeders, and cover, says Mark Martin of the Department of Natural Resources.

"The seeds that certain birds prefer correlate with what they are naturally adapted to eat," said Martin, natural areas management specialist for the DNR's Bureau of Endangered Resources. "You'll attract more kinds of birds if you put out different kinds of seeds in different kinds of feeders."

Birds attracted to winter feeders are seed-eating species such as finches, cardinals and nuthatches. According to Martin, these birds spend winter in Wisconsin because they are naturally adapted to find seeds in the snow, or because the increased popularity in bird feeding provides them with a food source they wouldn't find under normal conditions.

"Cardinals previously weren't found in Wisconsin, but they've moved north with the food source," Martin noted. "Finches such as pine siskins and redpolls move with their food source too- they'll stay in an area if seeds are available."

Martin offers several tips that will help attract more birds to your feeder this winter:

- Start feeding in late October and continue through the following April.
- Goldfinches flock to niger seed. This black, oily seed im-



Cover is an important factor in attracting birds to feeding stations. Trees, shrubs and vines will provide birds with added protection from predators. (Photo by Lisa Stubler)

ported from India also attracts siskins and redpolls.

- Red and white proso millet is popular with ground-feeding birds such as juncos, cardinals, sparrows, doves and finches.
- Sunflower hearts (also called fines) provide energy that birds convert to body heat. Because the hulls are removed, sunflower hearts attract a wide variety of birds, including grosbeaks, chickadees and crossbills.
- Small, black sunflower seeds, with the hulls still intact, are higher in oil than striped sunflower seeds and attract many species.
- Cracked corn is an inexpensive food, high in calories, car-

bohydrates and vitamin A. It attracts ground-feeding birds such as doves and white-throated sparrows.

- Suet, hung from a tree in a suet feeder or old potato sack, attracts woodpeckers.
- Birds need water and grit too. Grit is available at most farm stores--it helps birds digest and extract necessary nutrients from their food. Water heating devices can be purchased at most garden and hardware stores.
- Fillers such as wheat, hulled oats and milo don't attract birds, but are often added to inexpensive bird seed mixes.
- Scatter some seed on the ground and provide some low

feeders and hanging feeders with perches to attract birds that don't like conventional feeders. To create a more diverse feeding area, put the ground feed in a different area each week. Make sure to clean all the feeders and remove seed left on the ground at least weekly.

- Birds prefer feeding stations that offer them some protection from predators. A yard with trees, shrubs, vines and wildflowers will attract many species. "Don't be alarmed if a hawk frequents the area," said Martin. "They usually are after the old or sick birds--it's a natural occurrence." American kestrels, coopers hawks and sharp-shinned hawks remain in Wisconsin through the winter, according to Martin.
- Squirrels are inevitable. Try diverting them from bird feeders by scattering ear corn on the ground.

"If you start feeding, make sure you continue through the winter," said Martin. "This is especially important in rural areas where your feeding station may be the only one around."

The University of Wisconsin-Extension offers three publications that will help you set up a bird feeding station: "Landscape Plants that Attract Birds," "Bird Feeding Tips for Beginners and Veterans," and "Shelves, Houses and Feeders for Birds and Squirrels." Call UW-Extension at (608) 262-3346 to order these publications; there is a fee for each.

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Naturalists Association (EENA) is the organization for you!

EENA was instrumental in establishing the UWSP recycling program and now is turning to local schools to bring environmental issues into the classroom. EENA meets the second Tuesday of every month. Meeting times and places are posted in the CNR across from room 105.

The Wisconsin Greens is an off campus group where both students and community members of all ages come together to work on local environmental issues. The Wisconsin Greens, modeled after the European Green groups, is very politically involved, covering a very broad range of topics. Although the Stevens Point group has only recently been established, they have already been involved the Mine Project in Ladysmith, WI and the local peace movement.

The Greens work on five basic principals: "ecological wisdom, social justice, grass roots democracy, nonviolence, and global responsibility. Meetings are held at 7 p.m. on Thursdays in the old sentry building downtown Stevens Point (use rear entrance, signs will be posted).

All the above groups will provide great opportunities to get involved in helping the ailing planet. Check 'em out!

UWSP receives wildlife sanctuary

A rural Nekoosa woman has donated a 116-acre tract of land to UWSP sanctuary.

The donors are Ellen Allan of Nekoosa, and her daughters, Maren Stein of Troy, N.Y., Carol Carson of Rolling Meadows, Ill., and Margaret Allan of South Bend, Ind.

Allan Acres for Wildlife is an "oasis" surrounded by potato fields, according to Mrs. Allan. She is retaining ownership of her home and four adjacent acres.

The property has an appraised value in excess of \$55,000. Alan Haney, dean of the UWSP's College of Natural Resources, whose faculty will manage the property, said it is UWSP's first "oak barrens complex of the Central Sands region" and is considerably different than other more northern properties used by the university as permanent outdoor laboratories. "It fits perfectly with the mission of our college," Haney added.

The donors signed over their property to the UWSP Foundation following a luncheon on campus Dec. 5 at which Chancellor Keith Sanders said the university will use the land in a way that will "honor and perpetuate the values of the Allans."

He explained that UWSP's College of Natural Resources has become renowned, in part, because of an emphasis on

providing students with "hands-on environmental experiences." To do that has required private gifts such as local land, in addition to state and federal funding, for the development of a unique curriculum.

The wildlife sanctuary was established in 1961 by Ellen and her late husband, Ralph Allan, who were then living in Decatur, Ill.

The Allans were involved in efforts to protect groundwater and preserve the county forest system of Juneau County, and when hearings on forest lands were conducted in 1979 they received support in their efforts from Raymond Anderson, Byron Shaw and several other natural resources professors at UWSP. That association eventually led to a decision, Ellen Allan says, to donate the land to UWSP.

About 90,000 red pine trees planted by the Allan family were destroyed by a major fire that swept through their area in the late 1970's, and about two-thirds of the trees were replanted before Ralph Allan died in 1982. "His signature is all over our property," his wife says.

Allan acres for Wildlife is located in the town of Armenia in Juneau County, about 14 miles south of Nekoosa.





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Extended season yields 11,000 deer

DNR's preliminary estimate is complete

MADISON, WI -- The extended 1990 Wisconsin gun deer season preliminary harvest estimate shows 11,015 deer were taken during the seven-day extension, bringing the total statewide harvest to 343,319, said Bill Ishmael, DNR deer, bear and furbearer ecologist.

The Northwest District, which had all of its 12-county area involved in the extension, led the harvest totals with an estimated 4,500 deer taken. Bruce Moss, district wildlife manager, noted that the district did have snow conditions and hunter enthusiasm during the extension.

"There was some pretty good hunting pressure during the final weekend the extension," Moss said. "Hunters were out, some deer camps reopened for a short time during the extension, and hunting activity was good. We may not have hit our overall harvest quota, but we did provide a quality hunting experience for many and some good early winter recreation."

Monday's heavy snowfall has hampered collection and mail delivery of the extended season deer registration stubs. The Lake Michigan District is experiencing that difficulty, but based on the registration stubs counted, the district estimates its seven day total at 2,000.

The North Central District reported 1,961 registrations, and the Western District is next with 1,940. Only three deer management units in the Southern District were included in the extended season and the estimated total there is 614.

Hunting pressure was reported to be very light during the weekdays of the extended season, but it increased over the weekend. Lack of snow in many areas suppressed much of the hunters' enthusiasm and made seeing deer difficult.

"Final figures for both the regular nine-day gun deer season and the seven-day extension are being entered in the computer now," Ishmael added. "It will be a week or two before a completed final tally for 1990 can be issued."



Canines

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in a flaming streak of red headed in the wrong direction or no turnout at all.

But advancements in fox calls have made great progress in recent years. And now open reed calls have come into the picture. Withholding the value of easy utilization they also remain trustworthy in bitter cold temperatures since the reed portion of the call is placed in the mouth during use.

When learning to use a predator call, I personally suggest purchasing a cassette tape with recorded rabbit distress sound patterns. Learning to reproduce these sounds is the most efficient way of becoming a hindrance to foxes. And remember not to be shy when blowing the call.

Once read the best method for successfully luring in predators is to make the most horrifying sound possible. Therefore, once your calling has progressed from subtle weeps to frightening screams, you are ready to try calling under authentic hunting conditions.

As far as hunting gear is concerned, warm clothing and boots are a must. Coated with plenty of fur insulation, foxes will never cease to be out and about despite the frigid weather. Therefore, lacking the proper winter attire could force you to miss out on some excellent days of hunting.

Another important decision the fox hunter is compelled to face is the type of firearm that best accommodates the area he or she intends to hunt.

It has always been my experience that red foxes thrive in the more open farm country, using any available hills or ridges as den sites. Grays, on the other hand, are for some reason inherently less abundant. But when sighted in a particular area, it's usually a densely

wooded region. For this reason, it appears grays feel more secure in the protection of a thick swamp or hardwoods.

Therefore, choosing a gun that best suits your hunting conditions will certainly pay off in the long run. When calling wooded areas, I usually arm myself with a 12 ga. loaded with buckshot or a .22 repeater with super velocity cartridges. Because foxes generally come into close range when called, a long-range rifle is not necessary when hunting woodlots.

Nonetheless, plowed fields and grassy meadows offer some of the finest red fox habitat available. Yet managing to hide one's self for any length of time in a nearby femeline is wishful thinking. Thereupon, it is vital to have a flat-shooting varmint rifle that's capable of reaching out and hitting the intended target.

Among the most respected rifles are the .222, .223 and .22-250, all of which are high velocity center fire cartridges. Consequently, safe practices are a must since these calibers can fly for over a mile.

I prefer using soft point spitzers versus the less destructive solid point bullets. Soft points have the tendency to break-up sooner upon contact with frozen ground or brush and for this reason are less likely to ricochet.

A reliable pair of binoculars is another item that can prove to be of benefit to ones fox hunting equipment. Although not a necessity, they can be a useful aid for spotting foxes that are sleeping on distant hillsides. And whenever the opportunity of stalking an unwary fox presents itself, take it. It's a rare opportunity that can readily result in a score if armed with a flat-shooting varmint gun.

Like with any type of hunting, the fox hunt is no exception in the fact that strategies must be formed. Foxes are extremely cunning and have a better understanding of their surrounding habitat than the hunter. There-

fore, it's mandatory to carefully plan your hunting approach.

Remaining unseen upon the arrival at your calling site is essential. Once detected by a fox, there is no point in attempting to call. So the position of your body behind hills and trees is the most favorable method to stay hidden. In addition, white snow camouflage can help to conceal

one's self.

The challenges of fox hunting are numerous. And with a more than adequate population of foxes in the state, this winter should offer hunters an excellent opportunity to test their skills against one of North America's smartest animal species.

OUTDOOR REPORT

There have been reports of some good walleye fishing in Ashland and Iron counties, where most inland lakes have three to four inches of ice. When you're ice fishing, be on the lookout for any moving-water areas around inlets and outlets. On many northern lakes, the ice is not yet safe, and anglers are being advised not to venture out.

Checking ice conditions, carrying screwdrivers or ice picks attached a length of rope, and wearing a personal flotation device can help prevent an accident on the ice. Help keep the waterways clean by removing all fire debris and litter when leaving your fishing spot.

If you're a bird watcher, focus your binoculars on the edge of picked corn fields, where you'll find turkeys, pheasants and song birds. A watchful eye on bottom land hardwoods in the Mississippi backwaters should yield a bald eagle or two, as the annual winter eagle concentration builds along the river corridors. Pine and evening grosbeaks and snow buntings are appearing in the northern part of the state.

With the holidays around the corner, think about what you can give to improve the environment and help the wildlife we share our state with.

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University recycling program turns garbage into big profits

UWSP is capitalizing on its garbage with a recycling program that is turning expenses into revenues.

Purchasing Director Jerry Burling reports that, for the first nine months of this year, nearly \$3500 was received from the sale of aluminum cans, mixed paper and corrugated paper.

But the amount of savings that has accrued from reduced landfill tipping fees is an even more impressive figure, surpassing \$12,000.

The 113.75 tons of wastes that were recycled would have cost \$3300 to be placed in an area dump. The application of ash from the power plant to roads being established at the UW Experimental Farms in Hancock and Marshfield saved \$8800 in tipping fees. And a composting project by the

ground crews, involving brush, leaves and grass clippings, saved several hundred more dollars with the amount expected to be significantly higher when the project gets into high gear in 1991.

Jerry Burling expects 50% of garbage to be recycled by next spring.

Phil Garr, manager of the Intra-State Recycling Corp. here, commended Burling for the initiative of "going outside and getting markets so the markets of the university can realize some revenues." Intra-State handles much of the recycled material locally but does not pay its suppliers.

"They're very conscientious about this at the university," Garr added.

The recycling effort began at UWSP little more than a year ago, primarily for paper, cardboard and aluminum.

Glass, plastic and tin were added to the collections in March, and a few months later the university became the only major recycler, to Burling's knowledge, of tin products in the area. UWSP is supplying about 1200 to 1500 pounds of used cans per week to Del Monte Corp., which has a plant in Plover.

The recycling effort involved about seven percent of the university's total refuse during the first quarter of the year. In the second quarter it had risen to 17 percent and in the third quarter to 22 percent. Burling

expects 50 percent of all the garbage on campus to be recycled by next spring.

While there are revenues, it costs to get a recycling program underway, Burling emphasized.

"They're very conscientious about this at the university."

Phil Garr

Proper containers are needed at strategic sites, and to date the university still is without an adequate number. There also are equipment needs. A baler, for example, was purchased this summer to bundle corrugated papers. However, it's expected to pay for itself in three years.

Burling is assisted by Sharon Simonis, physical plant business manager, in the capacity of campus recycling coordinator. Because of the experience the two have gained in their work in recycling the past year, people from other universities, businesses and area municipalities have been calling upon them for information, they report.

While they report favorable responses to recycling in all quarters of the university, Burling and Simonis are especially pleased with an innovative project that is carried out by members of the Wisconsin State Employees Union local here.

The organization combs the campus and university neighborhood at the end of each semester, picking up any items that have been discarded and can be reused or recycled.

Share the spirit

From December 3 to December 17, students at UWSP can share in the holiday spirit by decorating the "Giving Tree" in the College of Professional Studies (CPS) 101.

The "Giving Tree" is sponsored by the UWSP student chapter of the American Society of Interior Designer (ASID).

Lisa Franke, a member of ASID and the person in charge of the tree said, "it was really successful the first two years we did this. I hope that we'll be even more successful this year because I have made more of an effort to make this a campus-wide project."

Franke noted, "you can donate mittens, hats, scarves, gloves, socks, and even clothes. Adult sizes are needed the most." All items are hung on the tree and can be brought to CPS 101 between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. during the week.

ASID will give all items it receives from the "Giving Tree" to "Operation Bootstrap, who will in turn give the items to the needy families in the Stevens Point area.

"I hope that the giving tree is a big success and that people find it in their hearts to give to the needy," Franke added.

Tires

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oversees the heating plant operations, said this morning that, "While we are requesting to postpone the tire-derived fuel test burn, we also want people to know we want to assist in solving the solid waste disposal problem. We will continue to be open to ideas and opportunities to help the solid waste boards in Central Wisconsin."

"As UWSP's College of Natural Resources has been identified as the Environmental Education Center for the State of Wisconsin, we would like this campus to set an example which could be followed by others.

Perhaps some of our interested faculty could assist in reviewing/researching approaches which might reduce emissions through fuel and/or equipment alternatives," he said.

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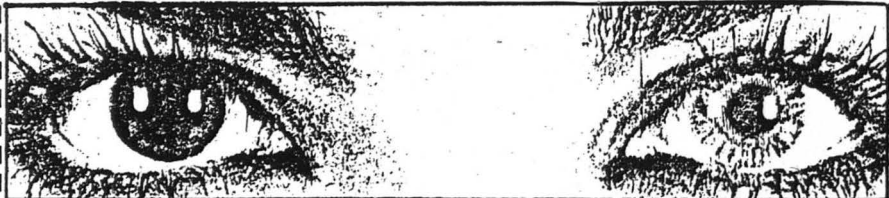
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FEATURES



Tips for Christmas haters

by Ebenezer Scrooge
Contributor

Unlike many college students, I am not a big Christmas fan. Too many holiday seasons spent in debt, too many disappointing family gatherings, I guess.

To me, Christmas is merely another stressful event in an already overly busy month. So I have compiled a list of alternative ways to spend the holiday season, a Christmas for Christmas-haters.

1. Tell a kid there is no such thing as Santa Claus.
2. Put a shiny, red nose on the deer you shoot in extended season and drive around with it attached to your car.
3. Watch all of the old Christmas classics from your childhood, but turn them off before you get to the corny happy ending. For example, stop the Grinch before his heart grows to three times its normal size. Leave Rudolph's family trapped by the snow beast. And keep Frosty a puddle in the

greenhouse forever.

4. Buy the Metallica/N.W.A. "mutilate your Christmas favorites" tape, play it loud and often.

5. Overdecorate your house. First, wrap your entire house in aluminum foil. Then, put as many strings of tiny white lightbulbs as will possibly fit over the foil. Finally, dig up as many lit-up Christmas statues as you can find and stand them up in your yard. The desired effect of the display is to burn the retinas out of any eyes that happen to gaze at it.

6. Buy yourself lots of expensive presents and send pictures of them to your relatives as gifts.

7. Go on a diet immediately after Thanksgiving. By New Year's Eve you'll be ten pounds lighter than everyone, gloat.

8. Go to your local shopping center, watch enthusiastically as supposedly giving and Christmas-spirited people repeatedly ignore the Salvation Army workers.

Bah humbug!

Christmas spirit brightens holidays

by Lisa Allar
Contributor

Being in school, one often forgets to stop and enjoy the smells and visions of the holiday season.

School begins and one day you look up and realize that the trees are no longer green and the air has become a little cooler. Pretty soon it's Thanksgiving and everyone has begun to rush down to the nearest mall to purchase all of those Christmas essentials.

With all of the confusion it's easy to forget about the changes going on around you. But think about it, really think about it! It doesn't matter whether you're Jewish, Lutheran, Catholic, or any of the other various religions - Christmas is a very special time of year.

The reason that Christmas is so special isn't Santa, the presents, or the parties... it's an attitude. When Christmas approaches, it permeates the air. Everyone begins to relax a little.

This time of year is one of the few when one can find people smiling at one another rather than staring at their feet as they pass one another on the street. People hold doors for one another rather than letting them

slam in each others faces.

This is a time of year when people are allowed to grin a little and allow themselves to be concerned with other people. Come on, even Scrooge caught the Christmas spirit!

It's just too bad we couldn't have Christmas everyday of the year! At least the Christmas attitude! Wouldn't the world be a much better place if we cherished every day as much as we do Christmas?

Imagine what life would be like... Everyone would clean up the house, decorate, and invite those relatives they haven't seen for a while over. People would get together to reflect on how much their family and friends mean to them.

Every week you would get a card or letter from that high school buddy or long lost aunt who you haven't heard from... Store clerks would smile a little bigger because people will be treating them much better. People will be friendly, smile, and give their best wishes to any passer by.

People will sit back and allow themselves to enjoy the sounds and smells of their home rather than becoming hypnotized by the TV every evening. Families will talk and have snow fights. Parents will

rush home to spend the evening with their kids... Christmas is a time that draws humanity together.

It's a time to appreciate how much we all truly have. Christmas is the warmth of family, the smell of a Christmas tree, the sensation of a snowflake hitting your face, the sounds of carolers strolling down your street and it's the memory of every Christmas you've had since you were five.

It's not too likely that everyone will be able to extend the season throughout the year. But while the season is actually here, let's all appreciate it rather than complaining about what a hassle it is.

When it's all said and done the joy that Christmas brings into each of our lives is well worth a few moments of discomfort. The discomfort is temporary but the memories are something we will carry with us well into our twilight years.

So the next time you're out Christmas shopping and you get stuck in line, don't get frustrated, just picture the smiles on everyone's faces when they remember that Christmas they had back in '90... and maybe your day will seem a little brighter.

Kris Kringle Craft show to run Sunday

Just in time for the holiday season, University Activities Board is presenting the first annual "Kris Kringle Craft Show" on Sunday, December 16. The craft show will begin at 10 a.m. and continue until 4 p.m. in the Program Banquet Room of the University Center.

According to Ann Moran, student coordinator for the event, the craft fair is an excellent fundraising opportunity for any campus organization that chooses to participate. "The

registration fee is waived for campus organizations, so each group gets to keep all of their profits," she said. So far, Moran has offered over seventy campus organizations the chance to participate.

The craft show will also include exhibitions sponsored by groups in the Stevens Point community. UAB selected the fifty-four community exhibitors from the "Tinsel Fair Craft Fair," which was held at the Holidome on November 24.

Moran stated that the idea originated with the realization that holiday craft shows are always popular during the Christmas season. "The craft show provides an opportunity for students to buy Christmas gifts for family and friends at very reasonable prices," she said.

Admission to the show is free to all UWSP students with an ID. Public admission is \$1 with free parking in the unmetered lots.

Pointer Poll: What is the Christmas present of your dreams?



Name: Brian Leszczynski
Major: Arts Management
Year: Senior
Hometown: Mosinee

"Wayne Gretzky's spot on the Los Angeles Kings and his annual income."



Name: Cassandra Barber
Major: Fine Arts
Year: Senior
Hometown: Waupaca

"Next semester paid for."



Name: Bill Pagel
Major: Accounting
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Hometown: Stevens Point

"A red Camero."



Name: Susie Pointer
Major: Fashion Merchandising
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Hometown: Sherwood Forest

"For Stevie Pointer to be a better lover."



Name: Stevie Pointer
Major: Forestry
Year: N/A
Hometown: Yellowstone

"For a real woman."

Residence halls improve image

by Jeff Kleman
Contributor

What is the first thing that comes to mind when you think of the residence halls on campus? Is it small crowded rooms, parties or community service efforts.

Chances are you thought of one of the first two choices rather than the third. However, some halls on campus are doing something to change the stereotypes and image of a dorm, in the eyes of the community.

This past semester some halls have put on programs and activities to improve their image. This can be done in a variety of ways. Donations of food, gifts and time to those in need or those far away have been the main focus of the projects. Among the halls participating were Pray-Sims, Roach, Burroughs, Hyer, Neale and Watson.

According to Pray-Sims Hall Director Laura Ketchum, "since residents of the halls make up a large part of the city's population, it is important for them to do things for their community."

Pray-Sims has collected canned goods for Operation Bootstrap at an all-hall meeting and the RA's are doing their part to help out too. One RA ran a hall-wide competition to send disposable razors overseas and collected over 1500; others are

also planning projects for the future."

Roach Hall is tying yellow ribbons on trees to symbolize the members of their Hall that have been called to duty over seas.

Burroughs Hall also helped out our soldiers overseas by sending approximately \$416 worth of Kool-Aid packets to Saudi Arabia. Hall Director, Michele Miller said, "The residents really enjoyed having an opportunity to help the men and women in Saudi Arabia. And one of the benefits from this program is hall pride."

Hyer and Watson Halls also worked with Operation Bootstrap to raise money for the less fortunate in Stevens Point. Watson Hall collected 20 bags of can goods and non-perishable products, by "Trick or Treating." This program was coordinated by the Assistant Director, Amy Roth.

Hyer Hall also helped out Operation Bootstrap. The residents lost weight to gain money through pledges. The Hall raised approximately \$130.00 from the program, which Jeff Strock, resident assistant, coordinated.

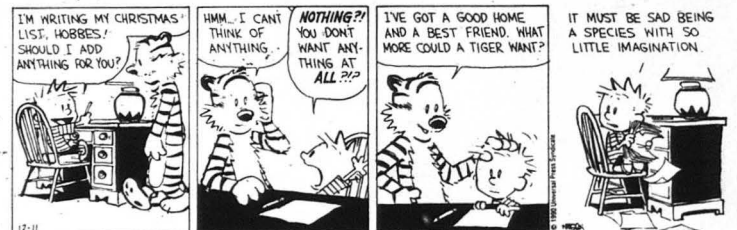
Finally, Neale Hall put on the second annual Senior Prom. Kris Mitchell and Rich Frost coordinated the program with the help of residents and other resident assistants.

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Calvin and Hobbes

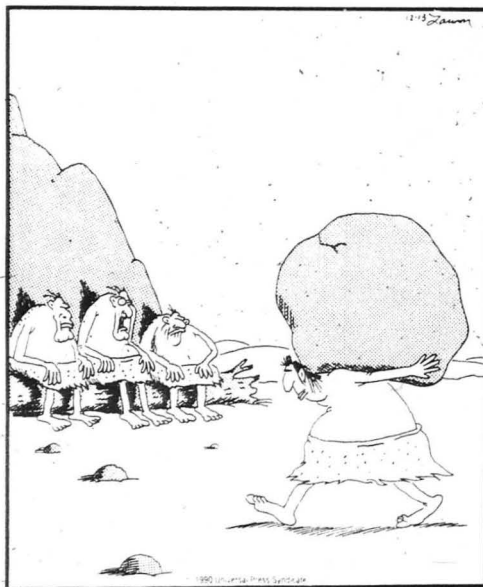
by BILL WATSON



The Far Side sponsored by The Hostel Shoppe

THE FAR SIDE

By GARY LARSON



"Would you look at that? ... By thunder, you couldn't do that in our day — yessiree, the rocks were just a lot heavier back then."

Calvin & Hobbes
sponsored by Galaxy Hobby

'After Images' dance showcase to run this weekend



Dancers from the "After Images" show running this weekend practice.

The annual "After Images" performance, a showcase of dances choreographed and performed by faculty and students, will be presented at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Dec. 14 and 15 at UWSP.

A Studio Theatre Series production, the concert will be in the Jenkins Theatre of the Fine Arts Center. Tickets are on sale at the College of Fine Arts and Communication box office. Admission is \$4 for the public and \$3 for students.

The concert will begin with "ette von lis," by Tara Volk of Burnsville MN.

Choreographed to the mellow jazz music of saxophonist Kenny G., the piece epitomizes

the ease and elegance characteristic of sax-influenced music. The dancers use expressive movements to articulate the wide range of feelings that are reflected within the jazz melody.

Kelly Roth, a member of the dance faculty, will recreate "Grand Pas de Deux" a duet performed by Roth and student dancer, Stephanie Alt of Appleton. Choreographed by Roth in 1975, he considers the piece to be "his first real dance."

The work's structure follows the classical pas de deux while depicting a competition between the couple in desperate attempt to regain waning life. One of two of Roth's dances in-

cluded in the show, the duet is set to the music of Viennese composer Anton van Webern.

Roth's "Groves," performed by six women and two men, is set to an original percussion score by William Kraft and performed live by the Mostly Percussion Ensemble, a student performing group directed by Robert Rosen. One of Roth's newest dances, the work contains imagery of ancient fertility rites, idol worship, and human sacrifice.

"Blinded Friendship," by Cathy Schwartz, a duet danced to the music of David Foster's "Stealing Home Reprise," two women enact a routine influenced by abstract and

geometrical shapes. The piece is statement of true friendship, a bond between two people that lasts no matter how far they may drift apart.

It is one of two works created for the show by Schwartz, Belle Plaine, MN., a senior dance major at UWSP.

Her other piece, "Unlimited Perceptions," will be performed by seven females and one male. Set to "Rain," an instrumental work by pianist George Winston, the performers follow the varied pattern of tempo that is much like the development and dissipation of a rainstorm.

The work is inspired by Schwartz's own interest in creating movements that use different aspects of time, space and dynamics. Several simultaneous activities fill the stage and there is no clear focus of the dance's alternatively calm and energetic events.

"The Dream," a duet by Beth Papacek of Lakeville, MN., will be performed to the lyrical jazz piece of the same name by musician David Sanborn. The work tells the story of one woman's search for someone to love. In the end, the audience is left to conclude if the man is real or merely an illusion.

Papacek also has created a group dance, "Encounters," set to the song "Flight of the Snowbird," by David Foster. Danced by three men and three women, the piece involves the couples performing flowing movements and lifts.

Characterizing various encounters with people throughout our lives, the dancer change partners to execute different types of interaction.

"Pachelbel," a ballet piece set to music by the composer, is made up of three soloists and

four members of a ballet corps. The featured ballerinas dance to their respective musical selections while in the background the corps move in strict unison.

The effect is of effortless simplicity and linear variation. The piece is the creation of Jo Ellen Maxymek of Neenah and Stephanie Alt of Appleton.

Lori Knudtson of Oconomowoc has choreographed "To Be a Part Of." Described by Knudtson as a "modern dance with a little ballet flavor," the piece is performed by six people. Accompanied by William Ackerman's "Conferring with the Moon," the work incorporates the story of man's lifelong search for self and the friends who are supportive of this inner examination. There performers move in groups of two, three and six within the piece.

"Looking Out for #1," has been created by Annette Kuchera of Cudahy. A group dance involving five women, the work is inspired by the Phil Collin's tune "Something Happened on the Way to Heaven."

The movements examine the theme of failed relationships, with the performers influenced by the jazz rhythms that depict the high emotional content of disenchantment with love.

The concert will close with "It Had To Be Who," a tap dance inspired by jazz/pop musician Harry Connick Jr.'s "It Had to Be You." Choreographed by Tina Hiller of Manitowoc, the piece is a comedic twist of the classic boy meets girl motif, performed by six dancers.

This year's "After Images," is co-sponsored by The Players, a student theatre arts organization.

FASHION POINT

by Susan Stadler
Contributor

Well, this is the last article of my career as writer of Fashion Point. After the holidays I'm headed for the real world. I hope you have enjoyed reading Fashion Point as much I enjoyed writing it. Watch for Alphonsus Chung next semester as writer of the column.

The holidays are in full swing. I know it may be hard to get into the holiday spirit now, but what better way to celebrate the holidays than by dressing yourself up in glitter. I'm not implying that you literally cover yourself in glitter, but dress up in rich, glittery fabrics and styles. Christmas and New Years Eve parties are the perfect setting for this season's festive styles.

And this season clothes are more glittered up than ever. Evening wear is also similar to everyday styles this year in that there are a great variety of styles and fabrics. This makes it even easier to find an outfit that suits your style and occasion.

Styles are designed for several different occasions. Dinner suits are for more conservative or business occasions.

Hemlines are shown at every length, although short seems to be winning out. Short skirts are especially being paired with long evening jackets. Shorter bolero jackets are paired with short and long skirts that are slim or full.

The bolero jacket is also shown with bustiers and strapless dresses. This combination gives a conservative look with the jacket but still allows for some variation in the outfit.

Dresses are shown in many different styles as well. Sleeves are long, short, and off the shoulder. Again the skirts are slim and fuller. For a more romantic look try a dress with a full skirt, longer sleeves, and a scoop or sweetheart shaped neckline.

For a more sophisticated look, pair a strapless, slim fitting gown with a bolero jacket. Whichever style you choose, it can be dressed up or down depending on the fabric it is made of.

Velvet is the number one seller this season, especially in black. The little black dress is still in style this holiday season and is sure to last for many more seasons to come. Velvet is also embossed and printed with glitter. As with the decorated vel-

vets, other evening fabrics are jeweled, beaded, and sequined. Lycra is showing up in evening fabrics to give more comfortable fits. The lycra also helps create more body conscious styles.

Keep this in mind when choosing an outfit. Not everyone is built to wear a slim-fitting stretch velvet or stretch gold lame dress.

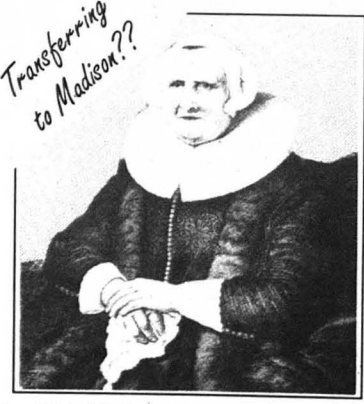
Knits are a more conservative fabric that give you similar comfort of a fabric paired with lycra. To dress them up, knits, like the velvets, are embellished with pearls and chunky jewels for a contemporary look.

Once you find an outfit for the holidays, or if you will be updating another for a party, be careful about accessorizing. Many of the dazzling styles shown this season need little extra decoration. You don't want your jewelry to stand out or compete with dressier styles and fabrics.

A rich black velvet dress for example needs little more than a pearl necklace and earrings to finish it off. If you're not sure about an accessory get a few opinions from a friend or take the outfit into a store and ask for

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Condom buying -- love for sale

by Barry Radler
Asst. Features Editor

My guess is that this scenario is not unfamiliar to you: You are on a date--a movie, dinner, whatever. Before either of you are aware of it, it is late and the encounter has taken a turn for the intimate.

Ah, intimacy. But wait! Has anyone proper accouterments for impenetrable proximity? (read: do you have a condom?) What will you do? What will you do?

You must get a condom, no doubt. Hopefully one of you have some remnant of clothing still attached to your body, for studies show there is a negative correlation between the amount of clothes shed and willingness to get up, go out and buy a condom.

Nonetheless, the question is not should you get a condom, but where. Consult the all-knowing yellow pages under "Rubbers," right? Wrong. The following are suggestions--a guide if you will.

If you live in a dorm, a short trip to the basement--with a basket of laundry to be discreet--and if the machine hasn't been ripped off the wall, you run back to your room with the quickest load of laundry ever.

But what if you don't have change? Your best bet is to find a vending machine, buy a pop or some chips with your dollar bill and the machine will give you change. What if they're out?

There are condom dispensers in the University Center rest rooms, but the building closes at 11:00 p.m.

Allen and Debot Convenience Centers may be just that-- convenient. But only if you can ask the woman behind the counter for a condom without noticing the strong resemblance to your mother. The stores close at 10:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. during the week and on Friday respectively.

Buffy's Lampoon has three types of condoms available in the bathrooms. What's that? You're not 21?

Shopko has condoms thoughtfully stocked in the feminine hygiene products aisle. Shopko employs quite a few students and even if you don't know any of them, someone might know or recognize you. And while safe sex is nothing to be ashamed of, your sex life is nothing to advertise.

The K-Mart Pharmacy, Park Ridge Pharmacy, Copp's Pharmacy or any pharmacy are an obvious choice. So why is it so unpleasant, even distressing to

purchase condoms at them?

The Store has your standard blue, gold and orange Trojans right behind the counter. The Store is open 24 hours a day and is at roughly the geographical center of the student population. You can generally duck in and duck out with reasonable anonymity and discreetness.

The clerks are helpful, and will offer suggestions as to which condom is appropriate for you and your partner. Now you might not be thinking about going to a gas station to buy condoms. Sing their little jingle: "Go to the Store--for gas! Go to the Store--for milk! Go to the Store--for rubbers!"

One last thing: If any of the above options cause you or yours unreasonable duress--due to degree of embarrassment or undress--be smart. Go the mail-order route and buy bulk. The condoms are usually sent in discreet brown packages and if you're still embarrassed, have them sent to your roommate or something. You can find the appropriate mailing lists in the classified section in any number of adult magazines.

What's that? How does one go about purchasing an adult magazine? Well now, that's another story.

suit your personal style and the occasion. Remember to keep in mind your figure type, and once you select an outfit, choose accessories carefully. By making a good choice you'll feel and look more comfortable.

All that glitters is gold this holiday season. Make it glitter! Happy Holidays to everyone and good luck on finals!

The Pointer Staff wishes Bon Voyage to that lovable nanny-for-hire, and all around soda consumer Mary Kaye Smith. She's leaving us after a year and a half stint as Features Editor.
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Hopefully the efforts of the halls have been appreciated by those benefiting, and have been enjoyed by those participating. Also these projects have given the community the chance to see residence halls in a different light.

Local merchants worked with Neale Hall by providing donations for the Prom at the Portage County Health Care Center. The residents at the Center really appreciated the Prom. The 98 year old Prom king was heard to say, "They were really nice folks to do this."

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assistance. Save the over decoration for the Christmas tree.

With all the styles and rich fabrics this season it should be no problem finding an outfit to

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SPORTS

Hockey team sweeps Mercyhurst

by Kris Kasinski

Assistant Sports Editor

The UWSP Hockey Team completed their third sweep of the season last weekend over Mercyhurst of Pennsylvania in the Hardee's Hockey Challenge. With Friday's 3-1 victory and Saturday's 6-3 victory, the Pointers now hold an 8-2 record.

In Friday's victory, Marc Strapon got things going at 6:43 of the first period when he beat Mercyhurst goalie Gary Bowles. He was assisted by Sean Marsan and Pat Moran. This was the only scoring of the period.

Mercyhurst scored the only goal of the second period at 18:50. The goal was scored by Scott Baurfoot.

The Pointers took the lead in the third period when Tim Hale scored the winning goal at 14:23 with assists from Scott Krueger and Todd Tretter. UWSP got some extra insurance at 18:18 of the period when Frank Cirone scored with assists from Krueger and Paul Caufield.

The Pointers had 43 shots on goal and Mercyhurst had 25. Pointer goalie Todd Chin had 24 saves.

In Saturday's victory, the Pointers were led by Paul Caufield with a hat trick and assist and Jeff Marshall with two goals. Mickey Keen got things started just eleven seconds into the game to put the Lakers ahead 1-0. Jeff Marshall evened the score with his first goal of the night at 18:57 of the period. Marshall took advantage of a Pointer power play and scored with assists from Tretter and Jared Redders.

Paul Caufield scored his first of three goals in the period to put UWSP up at 1:02 of the second period. He was assisted by Mike Green and Mike Stahley. Mercyhurst then answered with their second goal at 2:49 to the score 2-2.

Caufield answered back scoring an unassisted power play goal at 6:25 to make it a 3-23 Pointer lead. But, Mercyhurst was determined to keep it interesting when they once again tied



Pointer goalie Kevin Marrion awaits a face-off in front of him in last Saturday's hockey game in the K. B. Willett Arena. The Pointers defeated Mercyhurst College (Penn.) 6-3 on Saturday after beating the Lakers 3-1 on Friday night in non-Northern Collegiate Hockey Association game.

(Photo by Kris Kasinski)

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Women's basketball team loses to River Falls, beats UW-Eau Claire

The UWSP Women's Basketball team holds a 4-2 record after losing to River Falls last Thursday and defeating Eau Claire on Saturday.

Last Thursday, the Lady Pointers hosted River Falls, and held a lead throughout the game. However, the last minutes of the game, the Falcons turned the

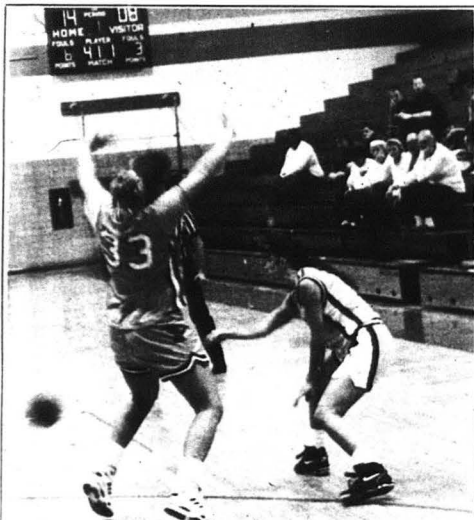
game around to catch up to the Pointers, take the lead, and come away with the 69-63 victory.

In Saturday's victory over Eau Claire, the Blugolds held a marginal lead throughout the first period. The largest margin was six points. The Lady Pointers went ahead with just 2:51 to go in the period when Kate Peterson sank an 18 foot jumper. The final two minutes of the half went back and forth, with a 35-35 tie score at the half.

The second half went the Pointers way, with Julie Schindler sinking two free throws to open the half. The scoring for the first five minutes of the half once again went back and forth, but the Pointers went ahead for good with 14:56 when Deana Sexson converted on two free throws to bring the score to 48-47. The Pointers biggest lead was nine points, and they came out with the seven point margin and a 75-68 victory.

Tricia Fetke led the Pointers with 21 points against the Blugolds while Julie Schindler added 19 and Kate Peterson 14 for UWSP.

The Pointers took on Michigan Tech yesterday and will travel to Plattville on Saturday to take on the Pioneers.



Kate Peterson passes the ball off to another member of the Pointer Women's Basketball Team despite pressure from UW-River Falls last Thursday in the Berg Gym. The Pointers lost to River Falls, 69-63, despite leading through most of the game.

(Photo by Timothy A. Bishop)

Mens basketball team loses three straight

by Kris Kasinski

Sports Editor

The UWSP Men's basketball team dropped to 4-5 after suffering three straight losses to UW-River Falls, UW-Eau Claire and Mt. Senario College.

Last Friday, the Pointers traveled to River Falls to take on the Falcons, only to find themselves with an 85-80 loss, then having to travel to Eau Claire the next day to take on the number one nationally ranked Blugolds. Their third loss came at home on Monday night.

In Friday's loss, the Pointers got on the board first, and kept the game fairly close throughout the game. The Pointers were ahead for most of the first half, leading the way until there was just 3:06 left in the half when the Falcons went ahead 29-28. The Falcons held on to that lead and found themselves ahead 40-31 at the half. The Pointers could have prevented this had their shooting been on. They made just 12 of 27 field goals in the first half.

The Pointers also got on the board first in the second half, but did not come close to the Falcons until there was 7:24 left when Andy Boario hit a three pointer to bring the score to 66-

63. Just twenty one second later, the Pointers came within one when Jon Julius hit two freethrows. This was the closest they would come, with the rest of the game going all River Falls way, and the Falcons came away with the 85-80 victory.

Jon Julius led the Pointers with 22 points. Also in double figures were Mike Harrison with 17 points, Vince Nichols with 14 points and Chas Pronschinski with 12.

On Saturday the Pointers work did not get any easier, having to take on the undefeated Blugolds of Eau Claire. The Pointers found out why Eau Claire is ranked number one, when they were handed a 90-55 defeat.

Blugold standout Mike Prasher opened the game with a three pointer, and basically, the Blugolds never looked back. They had the lead the entire game and were ahead at half time 50-26.

In the second half, things continued to go the Blugolds way. They held a dominant lead for the entire half, and came away with the thirty five point victory, 90-55.

Only two Pointers scored in double figures. Jon Julius led the scoring for the second night

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Pointer swimmer Caberera places third in 1990 Central-American Games

by Stephanie Bass
Contributor

Sophomore Juan Caberera of the UWSP Men's Swim Team recently competed in the Central American Games, swimming for his native country, the Dominican Republic.

Cabrea placed third in the 100 meter butterfly which qualifies him to compete in the upcoming Pan-Am Games to be held in Cuba in August of 1991.

Cabrera has competed in both the Central American and Pan-Am Games before. In 1983 Cabrera competed in the Pan-Am Games when he was only 14 years old.

In 1986, Cabrera also participated in the World Championships. Cabrera compares the competition at the Central American Games to the collegiate level of swimming. He also added that the majority of the swimmers at the meet attend school and swim for colleges in the United States while representing their countries in international competition.

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in a row with 11 points. Mike Harrison had 10 points.

The Pointers only made 17 of 47 shots from the field, for a 36.2 field goal percentage. They made 18 of 27 free throws for a percentage of 66.7.

The Pointers returned to their home court on Monday to take on Mt. Senario, however, they only ran into more bad luck, suffering an 88-57 loss to the Saints.

Mike Harrison got things going when he scored just four seconds into the game. UWSP held a lead for the first three

minutes of the game, but then Mt. Senario went ahead 8-7. The Pointers went up 12-9 when Jon Julius put the Pointers up for the last time of the game. From this point on, the Saints dominated the game. The Saints were ahead 43-24 at the half.

The second half proved to be no better for the Pointers. The closest they could come to the Saints was 18 points with 16:14 to go. To make the nightmare seem even more real, the Pointers lost two key players in Senior Co-captain Chas Pronsinske and Freshmen Billy Fraaze, when they came down after a collision and both suffered ligament damage to their knees. It is unknown how

long they will be out.

"I haven't seen an injury outbreak like what we're going through right now in 17 years of coaching," said Pointer head coach Bob Parker. "When it rains, it pours. Everybody is down now, but I guess we have to remember that the sun will come up again for us. My biggest job as a coach is not to come down hard on the kids, its to bring us back and make positive strides every day in practice."

The Pointers will have a chance to turn their luck around this weekend when they host UW-Platteville on Saturday. Game time is 7:30 at Quandt Fieldhouse.

Four Point wrestlers finish fourth at Parkside Open

The UWSP wrestlers attended the UW-Parkside 19th annual Wisconsin Collegiate Open Championships on December 8. There were no team scores kept.

Finishing fourth for the Pointers in the consolation finals were; at 118 pounds, Bob Koehler, at 134 pounds, Jeff Bartkowski, and at 177 pounds, Dave Carlson.

Coach Marty Loy was not pleased with the performance of his team.

"Thank goodness they didn't keep team scores! We did not wrestle a good tournament. We lost a lot of close matches that we needed to win to place. It seems like our young squad is on a rollercoaster ride. One minute we're wrestling well and the next minute we're down wrestling terrible," said Loy.

Intramural Notes

The winners of the intramural basketball Super Shick Hoop tournament have been announced. The team Lethal Weapon 3, whose players include Roy Anderson, John Bodden, Brad Sabol and Jim Lloyd, won the tough battle in the mens division. While the team of Tina Anderson, Kris Loomans and Sarah Fisher won the womens division.

Anyone interested in signing up for the Intramural 5 on 5 basketball tournament must turn in their entries by January 25. Play for the tournament will begin on January 29.

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Wisconsin State University Conference

Conference Standings

	WSUC	Overall
UW-Eau Claire	2 0 7 0	
UW-Platteville	2 0 7 0	
UW-River Falls	2 0 7 1	
UW-Whitewater	2 0 5 3	
UW-Oshkosh	0 0 6 0	
UW-LaCrosse	0 2 5 4	
UW-Stevens Point	0 2 4 4	
UW-Stout	0 2 3 4	
UW-Superior	0 2 1 6	

Recent Results:

La Crosse 76, SW Minnesota 63
UM-Duluth 74, Stout 68
Whitewater 91, Concordia 66
Whitewater 76, Superior 52
Platteville 95, Stout 92
Eau Claire 75, La Crosse 49
River Falls 85, UWSP 80
Oshkosh 74, UW-Parkside 63
Platteville 33, Superior 77
Whitewater 73, Stout 65
Eau Claire 90, UWSP 55
River-Falls 88, La Crosse 70

Hockey

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the score at 8:12 to bring the game to 3-3.

However, Paul Caulfield once again answered for the Pointers scoring at 17:44 with an assist from Stahley to put the Pointers ahead for good. Tim Hale added some extra insurance when he scored his second goal of the series on assists from

Redders and Tretter, which increased the Pointer lead to 5-3.

Marshall added the Pointers final goal, scoring his second goal of the night at 19:06 off an assist from Caulfield. This ended the game scoring at a 6-3 victory for the Pointers.

Pointer goalie Kevin Marion stopped 20 shots in net. The Pointers had 38 shots on goal.

Coach Mazzoleni was pleased with the series and his team's overall play.

"I was very happy with the outcome from the weekend. Mercyhurst is a very good team. We played hard and tough but we also played smart," said Mazzoleni.

The Pointers will try to keep their winning streak alive this weekend when they host the yellow jackets of UW-Superior. Game time both nights is 7:30 at KB Willett Arena.

Northern Collegiate Hockey Association

Conference Standings

	NCHA	Overall
W L T Pts		
Bemidji State	6 2 2 14	7-2-2
Mankato State	5 0 3 13	7-0-3
UWSP	6 2 0 12	8-2-0
UW-Superior	4 4 0 8	5-4-0
UW-River Falls	3 6 1 7	3-7-1
UW-Eau Claire	2 4 2 6	4-4-2
St. Scholastica	0 8 0 0	0-14-0

Recent Results:

UWSP 3, Mercyhurst (Penn.) 1 (NC)
UWSP 6, Mercyhurst (Penn.) 3 (NC)

This weekend's games:

Friday, December 14
Superior at UWSP, 7:30 p.m., Willett Arena
Mankato State at St. Scholastica
River Falls at Eau Claire
Bemidji, open date
Saturday, December 15
Superior at UWSP, 7:30 p.m., Willett Arena
Mankato State at St. Scholastica
River Falls at Eau Claire
Concordia College at Bemidji State (NC)

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175 Americans were released from Kuwait as Saddam Hussein upheld his promise of freeing all hostages. There are still an estimated 750 hostages still in Iraq and Kuwait. The U.S. has also agreed to pull all its diplomats out of the embassy in Kuwait after the release of all hostages.

Oil prices have fallen to levels unseen since mid-August, due mainly to Saddam Hussein's promise to free all hostages. Light sweet crude dropped to \$26.40 on December 7.

At nearly \$100 million a day, the Pentagon estimates that a total of \$30 billion will be spent on the U.S. military build-up. That estimate would rise substantially if hostilities rose to the point of military confrontation.

More than a dozen cities, including Milwaukee, have broken previous homicide records in a year with one month still to go. New York has the highest homicide total, 2000 as of December 2. Washington D.C. has had 434 so far this year, taking the current lead for highest per capita homicide rate, a title it has received numerous times before.

Lech Walesa easily won Poland's free elections over challenger Stanislaw Tyminski,

77% to 23%. Tyminski had used scare tactics in his attempt to sway voters, saying at a debate that he had incriminating evidence of Walesa's personal life in a briefcase. He would not produce the evidence when demanded by Walesa.

Wisconsin has again made the notorious "Top 10" for the highest state taxes per capita. At \$2,016 per person, Wisconsin is ranked tenth, moving up one spot from last year.

It is the fourth time in the past decade that Wisconsin has made the list. However, the state's income tax bracket is 17th in the nation. In the Midwest, only Minnesota's state tax per capita was higher.

The Food and Drug Administration has approved the innovative, long-acting contraceptive called Norplant. The contraceptive consists of six thin flexible capsules made of soft rubber-like material which are filled with synthetic hormone. These capsules are then surgically placed under the skin of the upper arm.

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The new method has been approved in Finland since 1983. Major possible side effects include menstrual irregularities, occasional headaches, nausea and acne.

Ski team ready to open season as practice begins

By Chris Stebnitz
Contributor

The UWSP Ski Team is now back in training for the 1990/91 season, working out every Thursday for a couple of hours.

The Ski team has started to gain some recognition that they feel they duly deserve. Craig Auterman, a member of the team, said that every day someone will come up to him after seeing his UWSP Ski Team jacket and say, "I didn't know there was a ski team on campus."

Although the Ski Team is

called a team by name, they are not a team according to University standards. The ski team is actually classified as a club because they are not funded by the University. Consequently, they must raise all of the money they need to compete and practice by themselves. SGA does help in the funding for tournaments but the team has to pay for all lodging, ski lifts and equipment.

Auterman said that there really is no requirement to join the team because even if you can't ski the best, you can be taught how to be a "better, more efficient skier."

CALLING ALL COMMUTERS

All freshman commuters who attended orientation during the summer months were asked to attend a special commuter meeting. In this meeting, all freshmen were informed of the services and opportunities here on campus. Each freshman commuter was also given the opportunity to participate in the Commuter Campus Room Program. For those of you who don't recall all the details, here is a quick rundown.

Participants are assigned a regular two bed residence hall

room in Steiner Hall with four commuter students being assigned to each room. All students must sign a housing contract and will be under the authority and guidance of the RA and the university housing staff.

A meal plan using UWSP personal points or through the purchase of a commuter meal ticket will be encouraged. The cost for this program, offered only to freshman commuters, is currently \$175 per semester. Rooms filled quickly during

the orientation sessions, so perhaps some of you didn't get the chance to participate in the program during the first semester. Well here's your chance! There are now openings in Steiner Hall. There is currently room for one (1) male and six (6) females. If interested, contact:

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as soon as possible. Placements should be completed by Dec. 22.

THE WEEK IN POINT

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 13 - WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1990

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Ice Hockey, Superior, 7:30PM (H)
Studio Theatre Prod.: After Images, 8PM (JT-FAB)
Univ. Orchestra & Central Wis. Youth Orchestra, 8PM (MH-FAB)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15

Reading Day
Commencement
Wom. Basketball, Platteville, 3PM (T)
Basketball, Platteville, 7:30PM (H)
Ice Hockey, Superior, 7:30PM (H)
Studio Theatre Prod.: After Images, 8PM (JT-FAB)

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& Star of Wonder, 4PM (Planetarium-Sci. Bldg.)
UAB Visual Arts Presents: Kris Kringle Craft Show, 10AM-4PM (PBR-UC)
Monteverdi Master Chorale, 2:30PM (St. Stephen's Church)
Conservatory for Creative Expression Recital, 3PM (MH-FAB)
Student Voice Recital: Darren Zipperer, Tenor, 7:30PM (MH-FAB)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 17

Final Exams

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 18

Final Exams

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 19

Final Exams

UWSP Arab students speak on the Gulf crisis

UWSP students from the Persian Gulf region fear dramatic changes in their lives and economic status if war breaks out there.

For Ali Algarni of Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, worries are foremost about two brothers who are on the front lines in the Saudi army. But war could necessitate his return home to become a soldier, too.

Ammar Abdulhamid of Damascus, Syria, says armed conflict for him "means no money because the Arab world is so interconnected in the economy and in social stability."

"In fact, the whole image of wealth around the Gulf will vanish," Abdulhamid predicted.

Doura Diqs fears becoming a person without a country. She is a Palestinian by lineage, a Jordanian by citizenship and a resident of Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, where her father is involved in an agriculture irrigation business.

The three were interviewed separately several days ago, and while they all gave a different view of the situation in the Gulf, each one also expressed horror at the prospect of militia hostilities.

"I get so upset when I see American soldiers so far away in a totally different culture," said Diqs. "If I were an

American, I would never let my kids go there," she said of the troops in Operation Desert Shield.

As a member of a Palestinian family that is displaced, she said she can appreciate "where people are coming from on this matter because I hate to see another country occupied."

"But if war comes, it will be a disaster," she predicted.

Algarni agrees. The 34-year-old communication graduate student, who is joined here by a wife and two infant sons, foresees a "very bloody, very destructive war lasting two or three months, at least. And it will affect the entire Gulf region."

Algarni is resigned to the fact he may be forced to fight "if my country needs me." In his opinion, Saudi Arabia's military is inadequate with its 65,000 men under arms.

A disappointment he has experienced in Stevens Point during the U.S. military buildup in his country is a certain amount of apathy to the situation on the part of his American classmates.

"A lot of students here don't seem to care—probably because they don't feel personally involved," he observed.

Algarni welcomes more questions about his homeland

than he is receiving, adding that American soldiers would have experienced less culture shock upon arriving in Saudi Arabia if more were done in this country calling attention to different cultures of the world.

Abdulhamid, who is the first Syrian ever to study at UWSP, regrets the ongoing conflicts throughout the Middle East have left "so many people confused," contributing to inconsistent policies, especially on the part of the U.S. government.

A student of history, he believes if the U.S. resorts to war, "it will only be able to defeat Hussein by going house to house" in Iraq. Everyone in that country will be armed, he predicts.

Cleanup after such a conflict will be an enormous job, he continued, and the destruction will end Iraq's contact with its history through the loss of antiquities that dot the landscape.

Though Abdulhamid denounces Saddam Hussein's actions, the student is even more concerned with the conduct of Israel and views that country as a greater threat to his homeland of Syria than Iraq. Abdulhamid is especially fearful that if the U.S. gets bogged down in a fight with Iraq, Israel will be freer to create mischief in its corner of the Middle East, and he believes

the lives of Palestinians would be in extreme jeopardy.

The son of the president of the Arab Union of Movie Workers in Syria, Abdulhamid says his father is "famous but not rich" and would suffer economically in the event of war.

All told, there are a dozen students at UWSP from the Middle East—one who is from Syria, two who are Saudi Arabians citizens, and nine who are Jordanian citizens. Three of the students are from the same family.

Diqs, a chemistry major, is joined at the university by two sisters all of whom live together in a local apartment complex. They are undecided if they will return home to join their family or remain here if war breaks out. UWSP has no Iraqi students.

However, the school's Mus-

lim population, which includes the Middle Easterners and some Asians and Europeans, numbers about 30. This group gathers every Friday for prayers at the University Center.

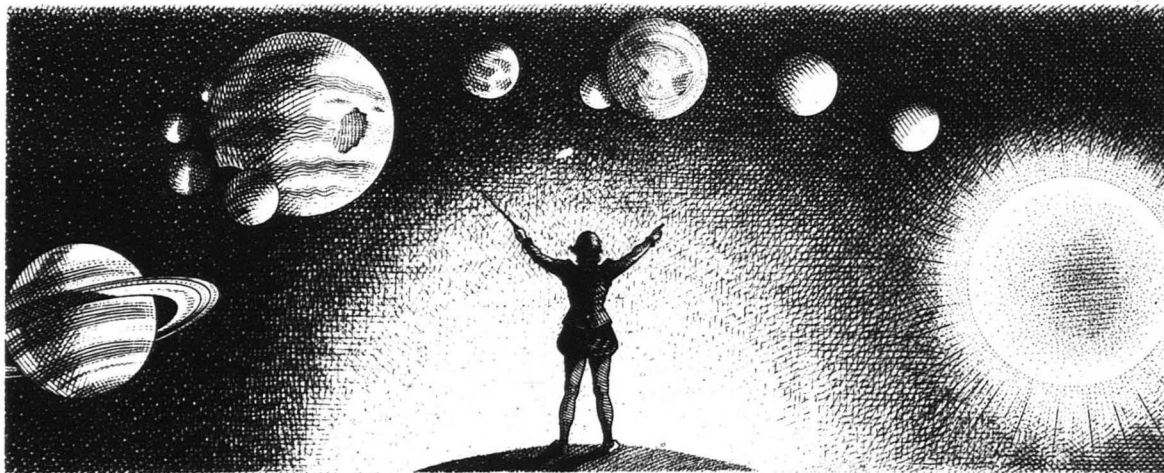
Marcus Fang, director of the foreign student programs, urges members of the public to pursue a clearer understanding of the history and culture of the Persian Gulf region as debate heightens over war questions.

He said he and his office staff are interested in arranging for speakers to address local groups on issues that have led to the current crisis.

Fang urged people to avoid portraying critics of the "administration's position on this matter as unpatriotic."

In this dispute, he argues, "there is a growing awareness that one group is not totally wrong or right."

The Pointer staff extends a hardy farewell to our dull-as-paste, nightstalking staff dweeb, Tim Bishop. He's finally graduating and we're all sure he'll do well in all his endeavors. GOOD LUCK TIM!



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The University Child Learning and Care Center is now registering for semester II. We are open to all students, faculty, staff and alumni of UWSP. The center is open exam week on a drop-in basis, all those needing extra time may register. The center is nationally accredited and state licensed serving children 2-10 years. Care is available over semester breaks on a limited basis to previously enrolled children. To register, stop by center or call 346-4370.

Orientation meeting is scheduled for all planning to student teach or intern spring, 1991. Attendance at one of the following meetings in Rm 116 CPS is mandatory: Thursday, Dec. 13, 2 p.m., or Friday, Dec. 14, 2 p.m.

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