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## Obey touts new funding for education

By Kevin Lahner  
NEWS EDITOR

Congressman Dave Obey made a brief stop on campus Wednesday to unveil a new school reform initiative and reaffirm his commitment to higher education.

Up to fifty Wisconsin schools will be able to apply for new Comprehensive School reform start up grants aimed at raising performance in public schools.

"We have spent billions on education research. It would be kind of nice to use that research," said Obey.

The Congressman has been travelling the state with Superintendent of Public Instruction John Benson in an effort to familiarize the public and Wisconsin school districts with the new school reform initiatives Obey recently pushed through Congress.

"There are so many different ideas floating around about school reform. We have to separate the wheat from the chaff. New Ameri-

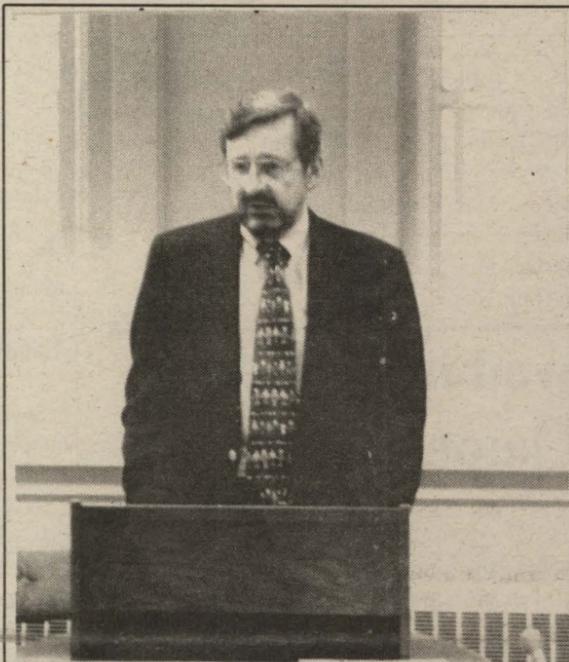
can Schools research has shown that it is not enough to focus solely on teacher training, technological investments, or parental involvement. Successful school reform requires doing all these things at the same time using a comprehensive plan," said Obey.

The program would enable schools to raise student performance levels by enabling schools to change the way schools are organized, the way teachers are trained and the way parental involvement is encouraged to improve the performance of schools.

Obey also discussed increased Pell grant levels passed by Congress.

"It was a really breakout year for Pell Grants," said Obey, who is the ranking Democrat on the House Appropriations committee and the Appropriations Education Subcommittee.

According to Obey, Pell Grant levels were increased by 24 percent and access was opened up to 230,000 working families.



Congressman Dave Obey speaks to students about education initiatives at a press conference Wednesday. (Photo by Carrie Reuter)

"I would like to see it (Pell Grants) doubled or tripled, but considering what we had to work with, we had a pretty daw-gone good year," Obey said.

Obey also mentioned the Clinton tax credit plan that will give tax breaks to

qualified families.

According to Obey, several billion dollars in tax relief has been raised to aid families with children in colleges.

Obey represents the 7th district which includes the UW-Stevens Point campus.

## Car crash leaves prof in critical condition

By Matt Mutz  
NEWS REPORTER

Richard Ackley, a Computer Information Systems (CIS) professor remains in critical condition after a severe crash on Interstate 39.

Ackley and his wife, Kathy, an English professor, were traveling north at highway speeds when Ackley attempted to slow down near the scene of a separate accident. The car hit an ice patch, slid, and began rolled three times when it hit dry pavement.

Richard remains in critical condition at the Wausau Hospital and is being treated for brain hemorrhaging, a collapsed lung and other injuries. Kathy was treated for head injuries and a broken rib and released.

Both Ackleys were wearing seatbelts at the time of the accident, but the car's air bags did not fully inflate because there was no impact to the vehicle.

Until his condition improves it is uncertain when he might return to teaching.

"The fact that he covers a wide range of mid-level courses makes it difficult to replace him during his convalescence. He's been an integral part of our department," said Jim Gifford, chair of the department of Mathematics and Computing.

Although difficult to cover his classes, arrangements are being made.

"Whether or not he is able to return in January, his scheduled classes will be taught," Gifford added.

Both Richard and Kathy are an integral part of the university and family and friends are wishing for a full and complete recovery.

## Let the winter begin...



Central Wisconsin was hit hard by a major snow storm Wednesday, dumping over four inches of snow. (Photo by Carrie Reuter)

## Winterim session draws a crowd

By Chris Keller  
CO-EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

UW-Stevens Point students behind in their General Degree Requirements (GDR), or those just wishing to add credits to their coursework were given a new option this winter break.

Winterim, a term given to classes offered over Christmas break, became a reality this year after a recommendation by a committee appointed by Chancellor Thomas George. The "calendar committee" came up with the idea to be tried on a two-year experiment, according to Dave Eckholm, Director of Admissions.

Among the things to be looked at is will Winterim enrollment will detract from

summer session classes and what classes may be offered in the future.

Thus far enrollment is about what was expected by university officials.

"We didn't know quite what to expect enrollment-wise; we estimated around 300 students," Eckholm said. "As of Tuesday noon, 260 students were enrolled in Winterim courses."

Eleven courses were offered this year, a number decided upon by what classes would offer a broad enough appeal for students, thus many classes offered are 100 or 200 level.

"A class could not be offered if only a small percent of the student body would be interested in course. It's the courses with a broad appeal that would, in effect, pay for themselves," Eckholm said.

"Those would be GDR type courses or special niche courses."

"The last thing you want to do is put out a smorgasbord of courses that would take enrollment away from each other," he said.

Eckholm described "special niche courses" as those where students in a particular college or major would be interested. He mentioned there's a possibility more "special niche courses," such as Natural Resources 395, offered this year, will be added in the future.

Writing Emphasis classes are also being looked at, but there's a concern that eleven days of class is too little for a writ-

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# THE POINTER POLL

## What do you think of Winterim?



**Richard Illka**  
COMM DEPT. CHAIR

"Long overdue option."



**Catherine Ligman**  
ENGLISH DEPT.

"It's a good idea. It fulfills student's needs. They can pick up courses they cannot get into during the regular semester scheduling."



**Debbie Sommers**  
CHEMISTRY DEPT.

"Fine in theory, as it should help with the 'time to completion' problem. Chemistry unfortunately is a subject where it would be almost impossible to conduct a course in a condensed time frame..."



**Heidi Lasher-Oakes**  
SCULPTURE

"In theory, it's a good idea but it's also nice to have a break."

## Minors no longer allowed in computer labs without adult supervision

By **Matt Mutz**  
NEWS REPORTER

As of November 19th minors who are not accompanied by a parent or guardian will no longer be allowed into the computer labs.

The new policy is the direct result of an incident which occurred with two middle-school aged boys in the Science Building computer lab.

The two boys, believed to be truant from school, were using computers to look at pornographic material on the Internet.

Protective Services was notified, who then contacted the Stevens Point Police Department

The pictures were printed and given over to authorities.

Use of computing facilities by minors and others has been an increasing problem this semester. Until last Wednesday, Information Technology (IT) policy was that campus computer labs were open to the public. Anyone could log in using "UWSP" as the user name, and no password was required.

Middle school students were often seen using chat rooms and viewing pornographic material on the World Wide Web.

A major problem with the younger students was that they often used more than one com-

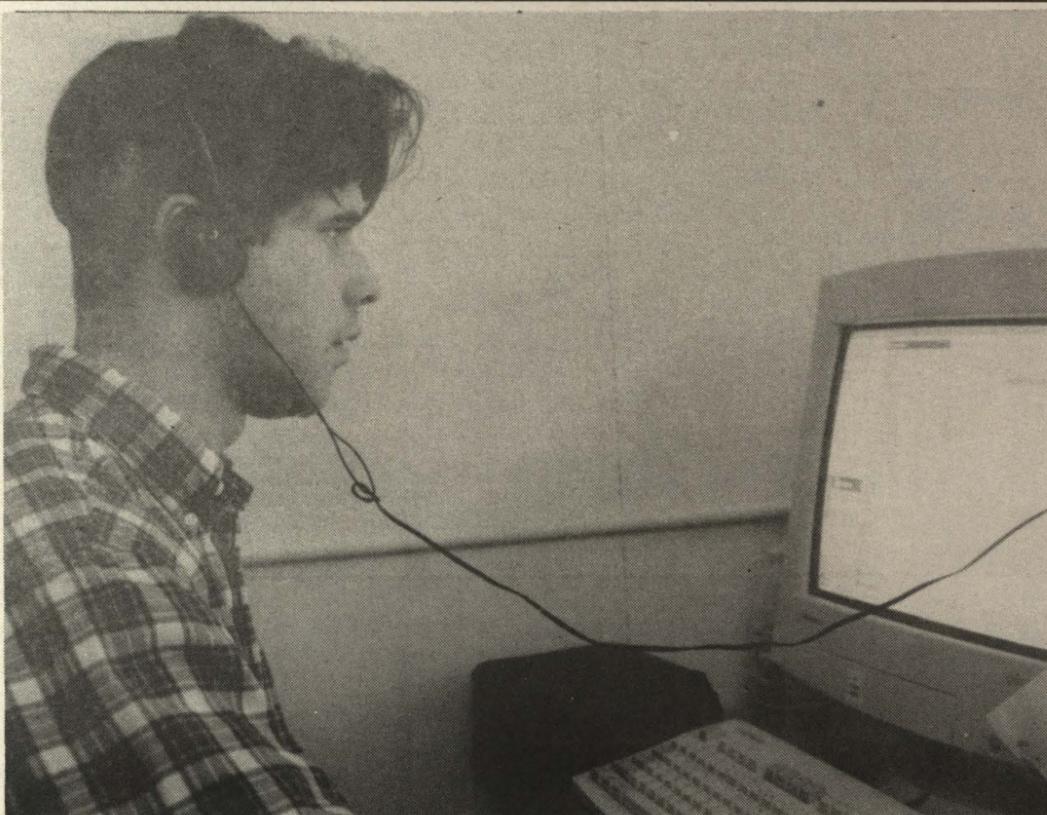
puter at a time and didn't log out properly.

Earlier in the semester an angry mother retrieved her daughter and told the lab assistant on duty to call the police if the girl was seen again.

Kim Suchowski, the lab assistant on duty when the incident occurred feels that the computer labs should be open to students only.

"It's not our job to baby-sit," said Suchowski.

Other people who are believed to not be UW-SP students also use the computer labs to view pornographic material. The new policy is now posted in all labs.



A new policy ensures that minors will not be able to use UW-SP computers without adult supervision. (Photo by Carrie Reuter)

## Campus Beat



### Monday, December 1st

- Report of a bike being left in the rack near the Schmeckle Visitor Center. The owner was called and said he would pick up the bike.
- A handicapped person was stuck in the elevator of the University Center. The information desk was contacted to solicit help.
- A crowd was reported to be gathering outside Neale Hall with multiple reports of noise. A crowd of about 25 to 30 students had gathered, and an officer waited until they dispersed.
- There was a report of suspicious activity in Lot Q. An officer found nothing.

### Sunday, November 30th

- A bat was found in the Learning Resource Center. An officer helped remove the creature of the night.
- A student in the Allen Center asked for help with lock up procedures because they had never worked the night shift before.

### Wednesday, November 25th

- There was a false fire alarm in Steiner Hall. 911 was called and the alarm was reset.
- A caller reported that a sign had been stolen in Pray/Sims Hall. Officer found no one.
- A Hall Director from South Hall reported loud music coming from a room. After many knocks, the room was entered and the stereo was turned off.
- Someone was stuck in the West Elevator of the Learning Resource Center.
- There was a report of burning garbage in the Watson Hall dumpster. The Fire Department extinguished the fire before officers arrived.
- A bat was reported on the fourth floor of Hansen Hall. A bat control specialist was called.

### Tuesday, November 24th

- A car with a the driver's side window smashed in was reported in Lot Q. The owner was contacted.
- Possible hit and run damage to a car in Lot Q.

### Protective Services' Tip of the Week

We have an armory located in our office. We will store your rifles, handguns and arrows free of charge. All you must provide is a lock for each item you wish to store. Our office is managed 24 hours a day, all year round, so if you wish to head out early to get a bird or that buck, we will be open to serve you. Housing prohibits the storage of weapons in your rooms and storing a weapon in your vehicle is asking for trouble. Be safe and be smart. Use the armory.

For any suggestions or comments, please contact Joyce Blader, Crime Prevention Officer at x4044 or email me at [jblader@uwsp.edu](mailto:jblader@uwsp.edu)

## THE LATEST SCOOP

## WORLD NEWS

## SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA

• Washington is interfering with sensitive negotiations with the International Monetary Fund (IMF) according to South Korean newspapers. Reports indicate that United States Undersecretary of Treasury, David Lipton visited Seoul and is forcing conditions on a IMF bailout for South Korea. The bailout is expected to exceed 20 billion dollars.

## MOSCOW, RUSSIA

• A huge explosion of methane gas in a Siberian Coal mine has killed at least 61 miners, and has left many injured. The blast occurred at Zyryanovskaya mine in central Siberia.

## SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA

• Australian Prime Minister John Howard is attempting to gain support for government efforts to reduce the land rights of Aborigines and instead offer them compensation. The proposed amendments have stirred bitter political debate in that country.

## NATIONAL NEWS

## CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

• A Chicago man appears in Federal court Wednesday for allegedly hitting an American Airlines flight attendant. Dennis Gerber, a computer programmer, allegedly slapped a male flight attendant and punched him in the eye, then shoved a handful of candy into the flight attendant's stomach and said "You can keep your damn candy." The FBI reported that the man had been drinking.

## WATERVILLE, WASHINGTON

• Bob and June Craig, who won \$7 million in the lottery three years ago said they always had concerns that they might be victims of an extortion plot. But they were stunned when they received threatening notes demanding \$500,000 and \$250,000. They were found to be sent by an eleven year old boy.

## LOCAL/STATE NEWS

## WAUPACA

• A truck driver is in serious condition after colliding with a train at a railroad crossing. The driver was thrown from his cab as a result of the impact with the Wisconsin Central Train. The train derailed, and crews are cleaning up the mess.

## MILWAUKEE

• A 53 year old woman is in custody after allegedly stabbing and killing Marsha Rosella Johnson with a barbecue fork. Police say the two were involved in a fight before the stabbing occurred.

## OSHKOSH

• Nearly twelve people have been infected with Salmonella from eating breakfast at an area restaurant. Oshkosh health officials say that raw eggs used in food at the restaurants buffet apparently are responsible for the outbreak.

## BERLIN

• Four people were arrested following a skirmish with Berlin police Tuesday. Police say they tried to stop 38 year old Keith Kamps who was driving erratically. Kamps allegedly got out of his car and hit an officer. His brothers, Kent and Kory Kamp were also arrested when they tried to join in. A 71 year old man is also facing charges as a result of the incident.

## SAUK COUNTY

• A Sauk County Jail inmate reportedly hanged himself in his cell Tuesday night. The county sheriff reported 19 year old Daniel Barry was found hanged with a bed sheet. This is the second hanging in the Sauk County Jail in the last five months.

## Students try to invoke the gods of luck

By Lisa Bertagnoli  
COLLEGE PRESS SERVICES

Finals week means it's time to study, eat too much (or too little), freak out and indulge in a little ritualistic behavior.

When it's exam time, students around the nation report they'll try almost anything to invoke the gods of good luck.

"One student rubs a redhead before taking a test. Another writes to her mother before every test or 'she is cursed,'" says James Farmer, public information officer at Lamar California Community College in Lamar Colorado.

Believe or not, a little ritual or two actually might help you pass that exam, says George Howard, a professor of psychology at Notre Dame.

"You want to do everything you can to be prepared, and if that means walking on the right side of something, then you're prepared," said Howard.

Engaging in such rituals also can put a student in a good frame of mind, which is crucial for good test-taking, Howard says.

At many colleges, finals week superstitions and rituals have been elevated to a campus tradition. Here's a sample of some of the rituals that superstitious students indulge in year after year:

• The smell of success. Test-takers at Colorado Electronic

Community College are encouraged to wear a fragrance they've never worn before while studying, then wear it again while taking the final.

"This actually works; our sense of smell evokes the strongest and most vivid memories," said college president Mary Beth Susman.

"Of course on exam day the whole classroom smells like a fancy whorehouse," she adds.

• The primal scream. At 9 p.m. the Sunday before finals, the 8,000 or so students at Northwestern University throw open their windows and scream at the top of their lungs. It's been going on "since time immemorial," says Stefani Sarvadi, adding that students off-campus let it all out too.

• The petting zoo. A water fountain at Ball State University, holds a statue of a small child holding a frog. Students rub the child's nose before taking a final for good luck. Similarly, students at Miami University pet the little turtles that decorate a sundial on campus for good luck.

• Watch your step. Miami University students also avoid a metal seal embedded in concrete in the middle of campus if they want to pass their first final.

"Some people press their luck and jump on it, but most people stay away," says Melissa Morris, a Miami University graduate. Likewise, students at Bowling

Green University walk on the right side of the school seal for good luck.

• Stay-away study area. Students at Baldwin-Wallace in Berea Ohio avoid a concrete study area built last year near the library.

"People say that if you study near it, you'll forget what you studied while you were there and fail your finals," said Jason Miller.

• Light the candle about it. A grotto campus at Notre Dame University gets a heavy workout during exam week says Dennis Moore, director of public relations for the school. Students can light a candle if they wish, and during finals week the shrine blazes, Moore says.

"It's not superstition, though," he points out. "Eighty five percent of our students are Catholic and they've been raised to turn to prayer when they need to get through something."

• Eggstra credit. Professors at Oglethorpe University in Atlanta cook and serve breakfast to students the night before finals week.

The same goes at Berry College where administrators serve breakfast to students at 9 the night before finals. . . .the same time NU students are screaming out their windows.

Whether its screaming, rubbing or maybe actually studying, we all gotta do what we gotta do to get that grade.

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## Advisor for College Dem's offers his reply to editorial

Dear Editors:

A bit belatedly, here's an answer to your question, "Where are the Democrats?" Belated because I waited to see who else, if anyone, would reply—and waited in vain. So, as advisor to the ColDems-UW-Stevens Point, I'm responding.

For all of their problems, whether reality or reputation, our political parties are necessary if voters are to be offered meaningful but manageable choices of leaders and public policies. We would be wise to attend to their health.

Terri Spring, the new and young chair of the Wisconsin Democratic Party, has set but three goals for her time as leader, one of which is "to increase youth involvement." The idealism of young people ought naturally to steer them toward the Democratic Party. Of the two major parties, the Democratic Party is by far the most diverse. The Democratic Party's vision of the purpose and potential of government is grand: Through this one institution we join in a sense of community.

In recent elections significant numbers of Democrats have survived and some even have

thrived. The same is the case for our campuses. Johanna Lewison, president of College Democrats of Wisconsin, reports that we have organized College Democrat groups on many Wisconsin campuses; the ColDems-UW-SP comprise one of 15 chapters. Christy Gwidt is President, Nathan White is Vice-President, and Hannah LaFave is the secretary and treasurer.

The ColDems purposes are to increase student awareness and participation in the political process and to promote and support the ideals and philosophy of the Democratic Party.

Your next opportunity to attend a party event is Dec. 3 when US Senator Russ Feingold will host a reception at the Sky Club at 7 p.m. Although it is a fundraiser, there's no requirement that you contribute. State Senator Kevin Shibilski and Representatives Bill Murat, Don Hasenohrl, and Marlin Schneider will also be there.

To learn more about the Democratic Party of Wisconsin, go to [www.execpc.com/democrat](http://www.execpc.com/democrat).

-Richard Christofferson  
Faculty Advisor  
ColDems-UW-SP

## Mine debate needs the public's knowledge

Dear Editors:

The proposed Crandon Mine has created much controversy within various groups in Wisconsin.

The Crandon Mining Corporation, composed of Exxon and Rio Algom, Ltd., Tommy Thompson and his administration, as well as the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) are in support of the mine for economic reasons.

Environmentalists, sportsmen, the various Native American Reservations in the state and concerned citizens are opposing the mine due to environmental and political concerns.

Exxon is proposing a 38-mile pipeline carrying contaminated wastewater.

The toxic waste, composed of mercury and heavy metals, will be dumped into the Wisconsin River at the rate of over 1,000,000 gallons per day.

This would not only effect the angler and outdoor sportsmen, but also the citizen who looks to-

wards experiencing nature in its pristine and uncontaminated state.

The Crandon Mining Corp. has also proposed a "tailings management area," which would encompass an area as large as 350 football fields.

What's more, the mining corporation will extract sulfide ore from the ground, which when in contact with oxygen, becomes sulfuric acid.

Despite the alarming facts above, as well as others mentioned, current mining regulations by the state and the DNR are in support of the Crandon Mining Corp. and their own political units.

Rep. Spencer Black (D) introduced the Mining Moratorium Bill (SB3, AB70) to prevent sulfide mining from damaging Wisconsin's Northwoods.

The bill states a mining company requesting a permit must prove a similar ore body has been found in the U. S. or Canada.

This ore body must have op-

erated for ten years and closed for ten years "without polluting groundwater or surface water from acid drainage at the tailings site or at the mine site or from the release of heavy metals," according to the Mining Moratorium Bill.

No sulfide mine, which produces this toxin, has ever been operated and closed without causing pollution to area ground and surface waters, according to the DNR.

We are spokespeople from the Central Wisconsin Group POWR (Protect Our Wisconsin Rivers). Our organization is committed to better inform the public on this issue.

We encourage you, as a concerned citizen, to better educate yourself and you community. Also, please contact your local representative to express your opinion and encourage them to vote "YES" for AB70.

-Angie Gonzalez  
Dana Churness  
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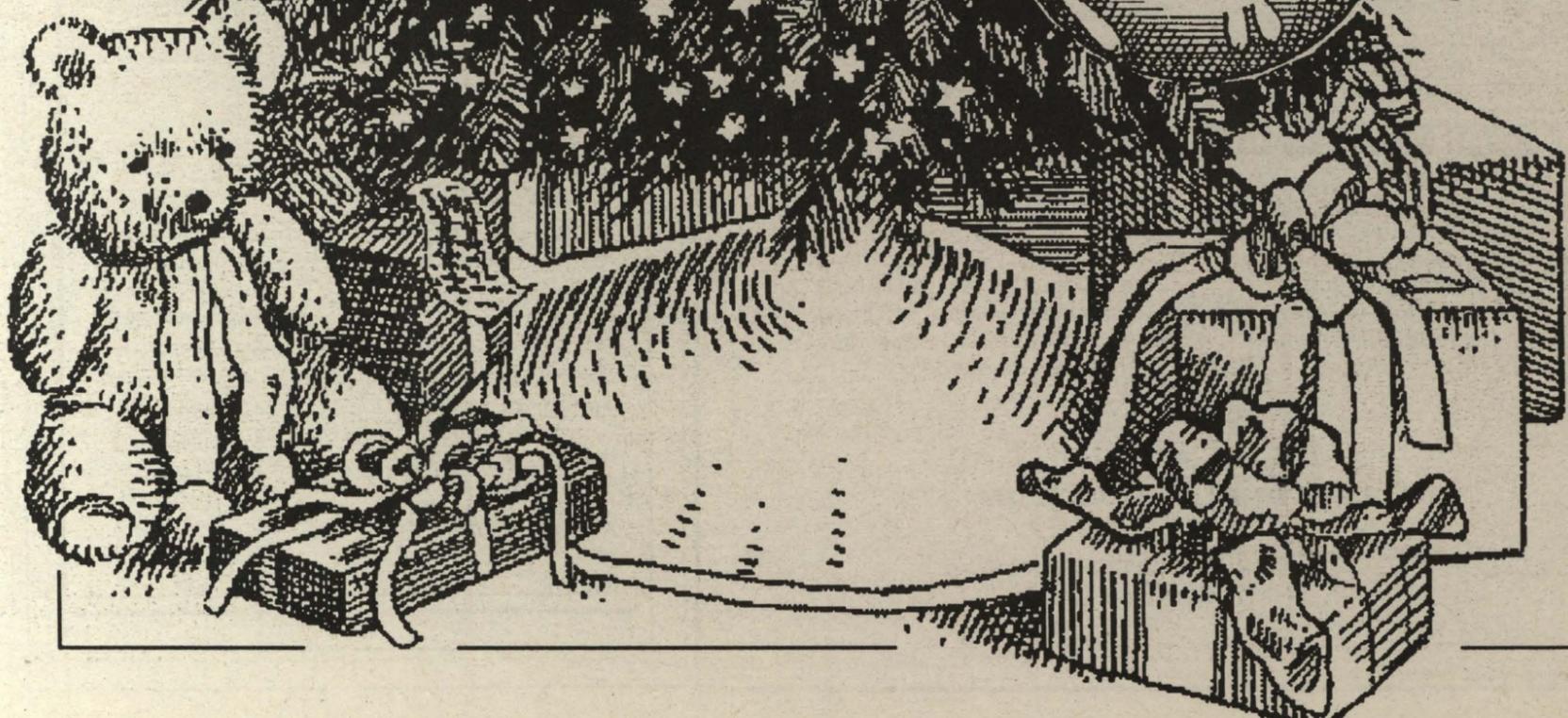
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## Point/Counter Point: What action should we take against Iraq?

**By Chris Keller**  
CO-EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

In 1991, the United States military embarked on a mission to free the small country of Kuwait from the clutches of Saddam Hussein, Iraq's president/dictator/despot. While the U.S. led coalition forces succeeded in their mission, one factor remained in the middle east: Hussein himself.

Now nearly six years after the gulf war, Saddam is back, his arsenal is back and public opinion is back.

The current flak is over Hussein's lack of cooperation with United Nations weapon inspectors, which has led to confrontational circumstances between the U.N., Iraq, and our country.

In my opinion, the recent problems should have been alleviated six years ago. When the coalition forces stormed

Baghdad these problems could have been avoided with the execution of Hussein.

Saddam has killed citizens of his own country and used chemical weapons on those in Iran and Kurdistan. He possesses a weapons supply that makes our government jealous and many think he won't hesitate to use those weapons if pushed.

The sheer existence of such a powerful individual is horrifying to think about. Perhaps not since the days of the Third Reich and Adolf Hitler has such a lack of respect for humans been shown by one man.

War is a game of human chess. More often than not, some of the pieces are killed off. When dealing with a man such as Hussein, only one thing is important to think about. Should we wait until he unleashes his weaponry on us, or should we make the first move?

I say put Hussein in checkmate, execute him and finish this mess once and for all.

**By Nick Katzmarek**  
CO-EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

I think that the first thing we should examine and ask ourselves before taking action against Saddam Hussein, and by association, Iraq, is why do we do it?

We of course have a vested economic interest in Iraq; keeping her oil flowing freely is high on any politician's or auto magnate's list. Yet our sanctions prevent her from selling her oil, and to an economy that has, for decades, depended on the export of oil for basic needs like food, those sanctions can be as bad as dropping bombs.

Some say that the solution is simple; just put a .22 bullet at the base of Saddam's neck. But that goes absolutely counter to the morals of established society, and we as Americans cannot accept responsibility

for that action. Imagine the repercussions if "the infidels" brashly assassinated an Arab, now that some peace has been established.

It is an insanely complicated issue, and one that cannot be resolved in such a quick manner. This is one of those times when discretion is best called for. We need to allow Iraq to ship her oil, if only to feed her people. We must maintain a vigilant watch over the man on the trigger, but we cannot punish those people that he represents at the same time anymore.

The U.N.'s International Children's Fund reports that 4,500 Iraqi children under the age of five die every month from lack of food and medicine. What have these children done to deserve this? They cannot be the ones to pay for this man's mistakes. The best action we can take now is to watch carefully, and insist that Hussein allow inspection of his hidden areas.

### Helpful suggestions for The Pointer's content

Dear Editors:

I have been a faithful reader of your paper from the beginning of school. I enjoy it for the most part and like the Campus Beat section the most. I do disagree with the movie reviews quite a bit though.

A few suggestions:

1. A listing of the movies showing at local theaters would be great
2. Better comics. I suggest one called University2 (University Squared). It is hilarious and geared towards college life.

-Mike Patterson  
Student

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## Nature News & Notes

### State

#### Spring turkey permit deadline

Anyone interested in hunting wild turkey next year should apply as soon as possible. Applications for the 1998 spring turkey season are due by December 10. There is a \$3 application fee.

### Campus

#### Professor elected to lead AWRA

Earl Spangenberg, a professor of forestry and water science at UW-Stevens Point, has been elected president of the American Water Resources Association (AWRA).

His appointment was announced at the association's annual conference in Long Beach, Calif. last month. He will lead a nine-member board of directors in defining and carrying out association policy. The organization includes nearly 4,000 members nationwide.

#### Thomas up for outdoor award

Christine Thomas, professor of natural resources at UW-Stevens Point, author of *Becoming an Outdoor Woman*, and creator of the BOW program, is one of four finalists for the 1998 Budweiser Outdoorsman of the Year award.

The award recognizes an individual for his/her contributions to conservation, propagation and sporting accomplishments. The winner receives a \$50,000 grant from Budweiser and the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation earmarked for his or her chosen conservation program.

#### Treehaven tracking workshop

The Treehaven field station in Tomahawk is hosting a workshop on becoming a volunteer carnivore tracker on Saturday, Dec. 6 from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Participants will be trained by Adrian Wydeven, a mammalian ecologist for the Department of Natural Resources. There will be a \$12 fee per person. Call (715) 453-4106 for more information.

## Is organic farming "better" farming?

By Lisa Rothe  
OUTDOORS REPORTER

"Some people feel that organic produce is more flavorful, lasts longer, and is of higher quality than conventional produce," said Mark Anderson, founder, farm manager, and business owner of Sunny Sky Farm in Amherst Junction.

Sunny Sky Farm is a community supported agriculture (CSA) which means consumers or the public contract the farmer to provide their produce needs for the growing season.

In Anderson's case he provides his customers with many different varieties of fresh produce for 21 weeks during the growing season.

Anderson's dream of working and operating a farm began early in his childhood when he helped his dad in the garden. A UW-Stevens Point graduate with a degree in biology, a minor in soils, and a masters in horticulture from UW-Madison, Anderson feels organic farming is the "wave of the future for small scale farming."

Richard Steele, a fourth generation farmer in southern Minnesota, has been farming for 40 years on a farm that is over 100 years old.

Today Steele is in charge of about 2,000 acres of land. He's

adamant that "just because you use fertilizers doesn't mean you're not preserving your land.

It's true that not all farmers make wise use of their land, but then the result is *tired* land."

The main difference between organic and conventional farming is that organic farmers don't use pesticides, which Anderson sees as "harmful chemicals that control the environment."

Steele on the other hand sees pesticides as "the means to produce a higher yield."

"I won't put down conventional farming methods; that's how they've been taught to do

things," replies Anderson.

"You have to understand that 'organic' is a catch all phrase; it means different things to different people."

To Anderson organic farming is the means of "naturally building the soil to encourage the natural organisms in the soil to flourish."

Cover crops are implemented to keep the pH in line, replenish nutrients, and reduce the effects of erosion.

Steele also makes use of environmentally friendly farming

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Were pesticides used on these oats? Organic farming practices avoid chemical use. (Photo by Charlie Sensenbrenner)

## Lower kill was no surprise

By Bryon Thompson  
ASSISTANT OUTDOORS EDITOR

The 1997 gun deer season came to a close last Sunday evening, and it had many hunters disappointed. Some hunters were disappointed that this year's season ended. But, many were disappointed that they didn't see the deer numbers they had hoped to see.

The Department of Natural Resources, though, felt satisfied in that the deer population numbers finally have decreased.

The deer harvest dropped down 30 percent from last year. Hunters only registered 278,497 deer this gun season, including the four-day Zone T hunt in October.

The buck harvest fell 13 percent, with hunters only registering 120,033 bucks. The doe harvest plummeted 40 percent.

"That was totally expected," said Kevin Wallenfang, a biologist for the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR). "(The DNR has) been saying we expected the deer kill total to be between 250,000 to 300,000 since August," Wallenfang added.

The North has seen two brutal winters back-to-back, and the

DNR has implemented "aggressive harvest programs" in the South, Wallenfang noted.

Because of this, the total deer population numbers in the state have decreased, and Wallenfang said that this is "definitely a good sign."

The DNR is concerned with crop damage and social

deer capacity. For example, he said that while the southern portion of Wisconsin could harbor up to 100 deer per square mile, the

human social capacity (our willingness to live with that many deer) is much lower. With that many deer, there would be too many car-deer collisions and too much crop damage.

So, in the south, the human's capacity to handle the deer reflects the number of tags the DNR distributes.

In the North, biological factors influence how many permits the DNR gives out.

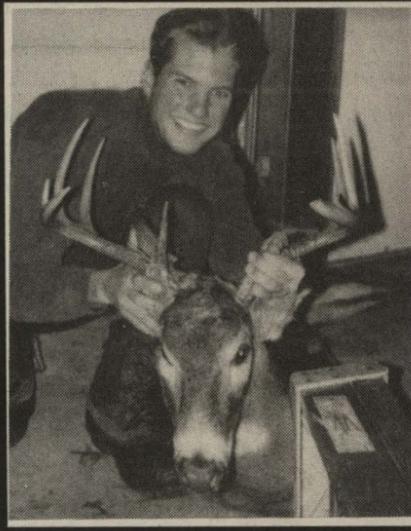
Wallenfang could not say if management goals were met yet, since Wisconsin's special muzzle loading season is currently underway, and the second half of the bow season still awaits. He expects hunters to harvest between 10,000 and 15,000 more deer.

While some hunters seem upset, the DNR seems content with the way their plans have worked.

## OUTDOOR POINTERS



Allison Plute, EE junior



Bryon Thompson, Comm. senior



Clint Cry, Resource Management senior



## And then there was ice...

By Matt "Bert" Ward  
OUTDOORS REPORTER

As you gaze out across a vast frozen wilderness with bone-chilling winter winds penetrating your clothing and snow hitting your face, it's difficult to realize that a peaceful, aquatic world exists just below the ice you're standing on.

Water is truly one of the most magnificent wonders that Mother Nature and science have created.

It is a compound that contracts as it cools, and then magically expands as it reaches 39

degrees Fahrenheit. This allows water to be less dense in its solid phase and thus allows ice to float.

After turnover has ceased and mixing has resulted in lakes becoming uniformly 40-42 degrees, ice formation begins taking place.

This is a process dependent upon air temperatures, depth, exposure to wind, and the angle and amount of sunlight the lake receives.

The lake's surface water will continue cooling until it reaches 39 degrees, which is the temperature at which water is the most dense. The colder, denser water molecules will descend to the bot-

tom of the lake, which will then stay 39 degrees until spring.

The surface temperatures of the lake will continue to drop until they reach 32 degrees when ice forms. Ice begins forming on cold, still nights when water undergoes a crystallization process that causes it to expand by nearly 10 percent. This allows the ice to easily float above the colder denser water that lies directly below.

As you descend down in the water column, the temperatures will drop proportionally from 32 to 39 degrees.

The water then undergoes several subtle changes. The water clarity increases, and the light penetration and oxygen levels decrease.

The most prevalent change is the gradual depletion of oxygen. Oxygen that is consumed by the fish in their daily activities during the open water period is replenished by tributary streams, water molecules coming in contact with air molecules, and the photosynthesis of plants.

With the formation of ice, the water molecules no longer come in contact with air molecules, tributary streams aren't as large of a factor, and photosynthesis

SEE ICE ON PAGE 13

## Anglers into early freeze

By Joe Shead  
OUTDOORS REPORTER

Yesterday's snowfall proved what some people have already known for quite some time: winter is here. While the snow seems a bit late, many lakes have been at least partially frozen for weeks.

Anglers are reporting four to six inches of ice on Lake Dubay, Big Eau Pleine and McDill Pond.

Renee Vollert of Northern Bait and Tackle reports early angling success.

"They're doing halfway decent but a lot of guys are scared to go out," said Vollert.

So far, most of the fish caught have been bluegills and crappies with some bass and walleyes mixed into the catch. Northern pike fishing has been slow.

The fish haven't been fussy yet, either. "They've

been catching them on the old faithfuls," Vollert said. "Right now color doesn't make a difference but in a few weeks they'll figure out the secret lure. Guys will want lures with a certain dot or stripe."

Four inches of good ice is generally safe to fish on but anglers should be cautious nonetheless.

Beware of current which will prevent the water from freezing as quickly. Shallow bodies of water with no current will freeze the fastest.

Areas such as the lakes listed

SEE FISH ON PAGE 18

## Fresh Tracks

By Charlie Sensenbrenner  
OUTDOORS EDITOR

Opening morning, when the white woods were still, my attention and thoughts started to wander. I tried to imagine what the other people in our group were seeing as the hunt unfolded.

I was leaning against a fallen birch tree near barbed wire fence at the edge of our land. To my left was heavy timber, to my right an aspen-choked valley, and straight ahead was a grassy marsh. Finger-like hills carved once by glaciers, now fringed with spruce and covered with oak jutted into the marsh from the other side.

I liked my chances, but of all the stands in the 160 acre woods, I thought my older brother Jamie had the best chance at success. Like my stand, his is in the middle of our land near a barbed wire fence, except on the opposite side of our woods. He had the advantage of hunters in the neighboring land to push deer over while the woods next to me was empty.

But when the day was over, the only deer in our camp was a doe shot by my dad. I passed up a six-pointer at about 7 a.m. that was about two points and 30 pounds shy of what it would have taken to end my season before it started. Jamie's friend, Bill, passed on a spike, and the other two hunters in camp saw deer. Everyone was happy with how the day went except Jamie.

He didn't see a thing all day so he was mad and let us all know it. The whole camp shook their heads and laughed to each other as he grumbled for over an hour about how we hunt the worst woods in Wisconsin.

He was frustrated with good reason. Over the past decade, my dad and I seem to shoot deer year after year while Jamie ended up getting skunked. He has always been one of the most dedicated, yet least successful hunters I have ever known.

But on Sunday things changed for the better. A four-point fork horn bolted across a field he was watching and though his bullets missed, the experience hit and he left the woods in a much better mood.

Later that afternoon he sat down in one of those spots that just feels right. If you saw it you'd know what I mean, the combination of rolling hills, brushy undergrowth, towering pines, and fallen trees to sit by that would make any hunter sit for hours with a sure feeling that deer would come by.

Eventually one did, a six-pointer, and he shot it.

I trudged back to our cabin without seeing a deer and didn't recognize the shots as coming from our woods, so the buck hanging by Dad's doe was a surprise. My brother's smiling face was another. He seemed like a different person from the night before; laughing and joking and telling his story over and over to whoever would listen.

A few days later on Thanksgiving morning, another six-pointer followed by an eight-pointer crossed Jamie's path. He acted quickly and dropped the bigger buck for his second deer of the season.

We work as a team during the gun hunt, so my stepbrother offered his tag without a word.

"I'm the MVP of our team this season," Jamie joked, but in truth he was. The bucks made up for the countless hours he spent in the woods this and every other season over the past 15 years.

No one else in our group shot a buck, but that just made things better. He deserved a moment in the sun and his excitement made the season memorable. Success like that makes a deer season great.



Andy Bartel drills through the ice for another day of fishing. (Submitted photo)

## State board awarding education grants

With the signing of the state budget earlier this month, the Wisconsin Environmental Education Board (WEEB), located at UW-Stevens Point, will award 26 grants worth more than \$273,000.

Initiated in 1990, WEEB's mission is to "provide leadership in the development of learning opportunities that empower Wisconsin citizens with the knowledge and skills needed to make wise environmental decisions and take responsible actions in their personal lives, work places, and communities."

Their grants program in 1998 will distribute approximately \$430,000 to schools and organizations across Wisconsin.

Board members include State Representatives Tom Ourada (Antigo) and Spencer Black (Madison), as well as State Senator Brian Burke (Milwaukee).

"Leadership on both sides of the aisle and in both houses of the legislature has been a critical component of our success," said WEEB chairperson Jack Finger. Finger is an educator in the Waukesha School District.

"Nationally, Wisconsin has always been considered a leader in both conservation and education.

"Environmental education is a marriage of both disciplines and reaffirms this state's ongoing commitment to both individual and collective stewardship of our

air, water, soil and wildlife," concluded Finger.

Recent grant cycles reveal a strong interest in the program. More than \$1 million in grant requests were received this past year.

Applications for 1998 are due Jan. 16, 1998 and awards will be announced May 1. Public and

nonpublic education institutions, all units of government, and corporations (nonprofit, nonstock) are eligible for WEEB grants.

Grant requests cannot exceed \$20,000 and projects must be designed for Wisconsin residents and assist learners in achieving the goals of environmental education.

## ENVIRO PINION

The following was written by the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies in support of "Teaming With Wildlife."

Over 2500 conservation and recreation groups and businesses are championing a national effort to prevent declines of fish and wildlife, to ensure high quality outdoor recreation, and to meet the rising demand for conservation education.

The Fish & Wildlife Diversity Funding Initiative, heralded as Teaming With Wildlife, offers a simple, proven mechanism to raise \$350 million annually that will return to state fish and wildlife agencies for the threefold purpose of conservation, recreation and education.

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-Carol Strojny

Editor's note: I agree that user fees are an excellent way of furthering conservation efforts. What do you feel the role of sportsmen and other users is in preserving the environment? E-mail csens806@uwsp.edu

## IN THE ZONE

### The real 49ers finally show through

By Mike Kemmeter  
SPORTS EDITOR

Many casual observers of the National Football League watched in awe as the San Francisco 49ers rolled over their opponents 11 straight weeks, opening up a NFL-best record of 11-1.

The talk of the 49ers being the best team in the league and the favorites to make it to Super Bowl XXXII was everywhere.

Steve Young all of a sudden was a great quarterback again, after suffering through an injury-riddled 1996 season. The defense, ranked #1 in the league, was being compared to the 1985 Chicago Bears as the best ever.

Life without Jerry Rice? There's no need to worry, because they've got Terrell Owens and J.J. Stokes and Rice will make a miraculous comeback from his torn ACL.

All 49ers fans thought they were on the top of the world until last Sunday, when their confidence came crashing down at the hands of the Kansas City Chiefs.

The Chiefs, entering the game with a 9-3 mark, were the first opponents with a winning record San Francisco had faced since Week 2 of the season (the 1-0 St. Louis Rams).

All of a sudden the 49ers didn't look so high and mighty, suffering a humiliating 44-9 loss, their worst regular season defeat since the 1960's.

Sure the 49ers still can boast about an 11-2 record, good for the best in the NFC and tied with Denver for tops in the league, but a quick glance at their opponents takes much of the glimmer away.

Over the stretch from their Week 2 game against St. Louis to Sunday's blowout loss to the Chiefs, 83 days elapsed on the season's calendar.

Playing in the horrible NFC West Division definitely helps matters, since the four other teams besides the 49ers all carry losing records. San Francisco has the luxury of playing each team twice, making up half of their 16 game schedule.

What about the tough 49ers defense? Well, even the Baltimore Ravens could look like the '85 Bears facing offenses which rank 24th in the NFL.

And it doesn't get any easier for San Francisco either. The team that is 0-2 against teams with winning records (losses to Tampa Bay and the Chiefs) faces teams with a combined 25-14 mark the final three weeks of the regular season.

After the 49ers crushing defeat to the Chiefs, hopefully San Francisco backers realized their team isn't anything special. If they don't, they'll be wasting their time making travel arrangements to San Diego for Super Bowl XXXII.

## Pointers hang on to unbeaten record UW-SP holds off Lawrence, captures Porter Classic

By Laura Petzold  
SPORTS REPORTER

The UW-Stevens Point men's basketball team defended their undefeated status on the road Tuesday, holding on for a 67-65 win over Lawrence University.

"It was just a real hard fought win for us," UW-SP coach Jack Bennett said. "I thought we played real well in spurts."

"Our backcourt of Dan Denniston, Russ Austin, Dave Grzesk, and Jay Bennett all played real well. It was really a game between both teams' backcourts."

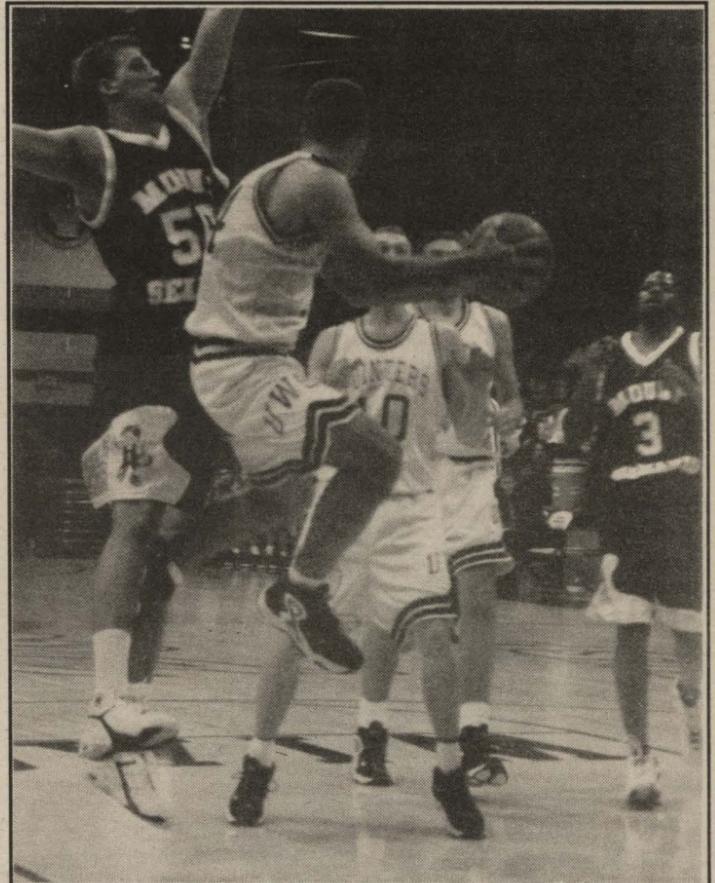
Trailing 34-31 at halftime, the Pointers came out of the locker room firing. Lawrence opened the half with a Joel Depagter three-pointer, but UW-SP countered with a wrath of offense.

The Pointers exploded on a 12-1 run behind the scoring of Dave Grzesk, Russ Austin, and Derek Westrum. UW-SP continued to heat up the court, opening up a 61-47 with just eight minutes remaining.

"The team came out and played a real solid first 12 minutes of the second half," Bennett said.

But the game was long from over after a questionable technical foul was called on Point, tossing the game's momentum to the home team.

Lawrence then went on a run of their own, scoring 10 straight



UW-SP's Dan Denniston looks for the open man Saturday in the Terry Porter Classic. (Photo by Mike Kemmeter)

points to pull within four, 61-57.

With only 1:35 left, Lawrence's Rhett Wurtz connected on a three-point-play, making a layup and a free throw to move within a point, 66-65.

But the Pointers' stifling defense took over, and a Grzesk free throw with just seven seconds left sealed the victory.

### Terry Porter Classic

The UW-Stevens Point men's basketball team dished out a pair of victories over the Thanksgiving weekend at the 1997 Terry Porter Classic.

The Pointers coasted through the opening round against Do-

SEE BASKETBALL ON PAGE 13

## Cross country slips and slides to fifth

By Mike Kemmeter  
SPORTS EDITOR

The NCAA Division III men's cross country championship race in Boston, Mass. was barely underway and UW-Stevens Point's hopes for a national title were already dashed.

Running on a course which was entirely covered with four to six-inch deep mud, the Pointers'

chances went down in the mud in the first 200 meters.

UW-SP's top runner Josh Metcalf fell over another runner in the opening 200 meters and couldn't get back up until everyone passed him.

"Our number one man was about dead last before the race was 200 meters old, and for all practical purposes our dream of the championship was over," UW-SP coach Rick Witt said.

Metcalf was not the only Pointer to go down in the mud. Chad Christensen, Justin Ratike, and Mike Peck also lost their footing and fell during the race.

"The course conditions were the worst any of the coaches had seen for a national championship in the last 30 years. It looked like a dairy farm feed lot during the spring thaw.

"In no way am I using the cir-

cumstances that we faced as an excuse, but rather just the fact of how luck played a big part in the race," Witt added.

The Pointers had to settle for fifth place overall, scoring 183 points. Number one ranked North Central made it through the mud faster than any other team, taking the national title with 94 points.

Matt Hayes paced the Pointers with a 36th place finish in 26:04. Christensen (43rd in 26:15), Dan Schwamberger (46th in 26:19), Metcalf (64th in 26:32), and Jason Enke (66th in 26:34) accounted for UW-SP's scoring.

"I cannot say enough about how proud I am of these young men. After having our two top runners and returning All-Americans go down basically before the race was even started, it would have been easy for them to throw in the towel," Witt said.

### Quote of the Week

“You can't win with five midgets.”

-Phoenix Suns owner Jerry Colangelo, after the team lost by 18 points to the Minnesota Timberwolves. Phoenix coach Danny Ainge sometimes uses a small lineup with three guards and Rex Chapman playing small forward.

Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel

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## UW-SP comes up short in Classic debut

By Mike Finnel  
SPORTS REPORTER

The UW-Stevens Point women's basketball team fell a little short in their first appearance in the 14-year history of the Terry Porter Classic last weekend.

After advancing to the championship game of the Classic with a 69-45 victory, the Pointers couldn't finish off undefeated Beloit College.

Leading 35-30 at halftime, UW-SP started the second half with a 13-4 run, to open up a 14-point advantage, 48-35.

However, that's when the tough Buccaneers exploded, outscoring the Pointers 42-21 the rest of the way.

"This was a big game for us. It went back and forth in the first half, but we let them back into the game by not executing as they made some big shots," UW-SP women's basketball coach Shirley Egner said.

The combo of Jayme Anderson and Kathy Selek killed the Pointers, combining for 46 of Beloit's 76 points.

Kari Groshek lead the Pointers with 21 points and Jessica Ott and Christina Bergman each had 13 points respectively.

Point outrebounded their op-

ponent 37-27 as Point's Terri Crum had 12 rebounds.

"With more rebounds, we can control and dictate the game every night out," said Egner.

In their Classic opener against Marion, the Pointers found themselves down by four points at the half. Then UW-SP jumped all over Marian, outscoring their counterpart 45-17 in the second half.

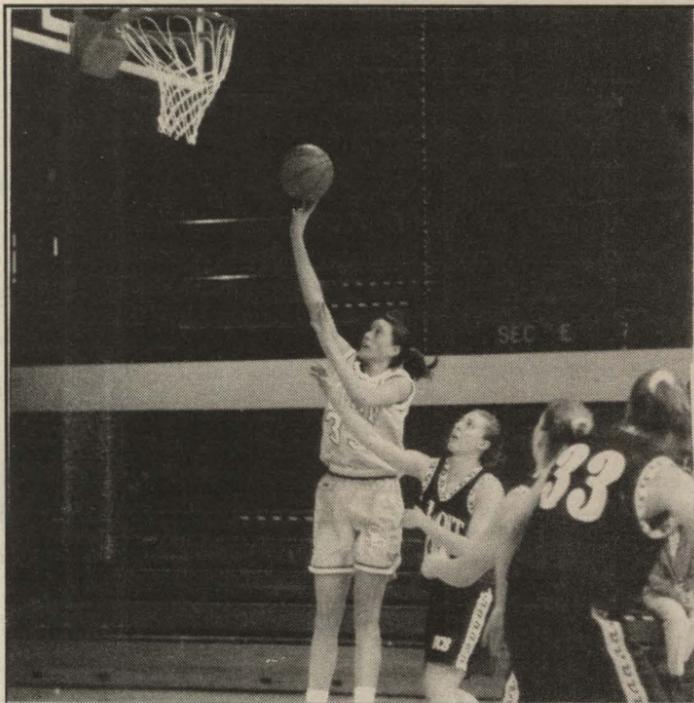
"We had a big run after half-time that carried us through the

rest of the game," Egner said.

Point was lead by the sophomore Ott, as she pumped in 24 points and grabbed seven rebounds. Ott connected on four three point baskets.

"Ott has the green light to take the three whenever she is open. That is her strength," Egner said.

In the midst of a five game road swing, the Pointers travel to UW-River Falls Saturday and to Carroll College Wednesday.



UW-SP freshman center Kari Groshek goes up for an easy two against Beloit College Saturday. (Photo by Mike Kemmeter)

## Hockey underclassmen step up against St. Mary's

By Nick Brilowski  
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

With the recent rash of injuries that have decimated the Pointer hockey team, they have been forced to look to a number of their younger players to step up their play.

Wednesday night at K.B. Willet Arena, UW-Stevens Point's Derek Toninato took center stage.

The sophomore from Ashwaubenon took it upon himself to net the game-winner with 3:54 remaining in the third in the Pointers' 3-2 victory over St. Mary's of Minn.

Toninato, who recently switched back to playing forward from defenseman, snuck a wrap-around past Cardinal goalie Chris Lamb for the winner.

"I went far side and it went in," Toninato said of the goal. "Most guys expect you to stuff it in."

"We've got a lot of freshmen playing and guys with injuries. I just try to contribute every time I go out there."

UW-SP's coach Joe Baldarotta had high praise for Toninato and his team.

"He's been a great player for us. He's not fancy; he's all heart."

"It's as big a win as you can have this year."

The Pointers took a 1-0 lead at 7:12 of the first period when Casey Howard scored his first of the year.

St. Mary's tied the game with six minutes left in the second when the Pointers got caught in a line change and Kevin Mackey snuck it past Bobby Gorman.

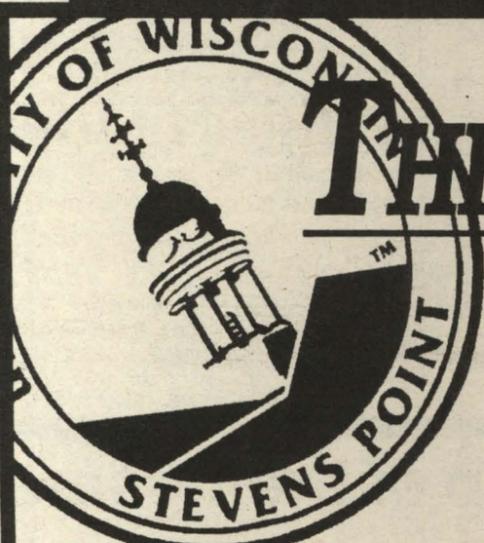
Point took the 2-1 lead at 7:22 of the third period when Jason Kendrick scored his first goal as a Pointer. Kendrick split the pipes off a blast from the point on the powerplay, giving assists to Mikhail Salienko and Forrest Gore.

But it took the Cardinals only 53 seconds to get the equalizer. Mackey notched his second of the game from the right wing, leaving it to Toninato for the heroics.

Gorman finished with 16 saves in net to get the win.

"You've got to give a lot of credit to these kids. We're finding ways to win," Baldarotta said of his team.

With the victory, the Pointers upped their record to 9-2 on the season. Point will receive a much needed break before returning to action on Dec. 12th and 13th, when they travel to UW-Superior for a key NCHA series.



# THE WEEK IN POINT!

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4

MADRIGAL DINNER, 7PM (UC)  
Schmeeckle Reserve Prog.: Did You Shower Today?--Hand Crafted Soap, 7-7:40PM (Visitor Center)  
Senior Recital: KARLA REZUTEK, Clarinet, 7:30PM (MH-FAB)  
Centertainment Prod.-Alt. Sounds Presents: AARON PLANTENBERG (Acoustic), 8PM (Encore-UC)  
TREMORS DANCE CLUB w/Club Music, 9PM (AC)

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5

Swimming/Diving: Wheaton Invitation-Swim (Wheaton, IL)  
Wom. VB, NCAA Championship  
Wom. Hockey, Waupaca, 6-8PM (H)  
Centertainment Prod.-Special Events Presents: HOLIDAY CRAFTS WITH KIDS, 6PM (Encore-UC)  
MADRIGAL DINNER, 7PM (UC)  
UWSP Concert Band/Wind Ensemble, 7:30PM (MH-FAB)  
TREMORS DANCE CLUB: Hits From the Past, 9PM (AC)

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6

Swimming/Diving: Oshkosh Inv.-Dive (T)

Swimming/Diving: Wheaton Invitation-Swim (Wheaton, IL)  
Wom. VB, NCAA Championship  
Wrestling, UW-Parkside Open, 9AM (Kenosha)  
Wom. Hockey, Merrill, 1:30-2:30PM (H)  
Wom. BB, UW-River Falls, 3PM (T)  
Horn Festival Concert, 4PM (MH-FAB)  
MADRIGAL DINNER, 7PM (UC)  
BB, UW-River Falls, 7PM (H)  
Central WI Symphony Orch., "Classic Vintages," 7:30PM (Sentry)  
TREMORS DANCE CLUB w/Club Music, 9PM (AC)  
**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 7**  
Edna Carlsten Gallery Exhibition: BFA CANDIDATE Through 12/19 (FAB)  
Wom. Hockey, Madison Lightning in the Coliseum (T), 12N-2PM  
Conservatory for Creative Expression Recital, Music 1-2:30PM & Dance, 3-4PM (MH-FAB)  
Planetarium Series: SEASON OF LIGHT, 2&3:30PM (Sci. Bldg.)  
MADRIGAL DINNER, 5PM (UC)  
Central WI Symphony Orch., "Classic Vintages," 7:30PM (Sentry)  
**MONDAY, DECEMBER 8**  
UWSP Jazz Ensemble, 7:30PM (MH-FAB)  
Planetarium Series: SKIES OF WINTER, 8PM (Sci. Bldg.)  
**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 10**  
BB, Edgewood College, 7PM (H)  
Wom. BB, Carroll College, 7PM (Waukesha)  
Wrestling, UW-Platteville, 7PM (T)  
Univ. Orchestra & Combined Choirs Handel's "Messiah," 7:30PM (MH-FAB)

For Further Information Please Contact the Campus Activities Office at 346-4343

## The Pointer Scorecard

### Men's Basketball

**UW-SP AT LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY**  
December 2, 1997

UW-SP	31	36	--	67
Lawrence	34	31	--	65

Player	FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Points
10 Grzesk	2-6	3-6	7
20 Bennett	3-6	0-0	7
22 Austin	6-11	0-0	16
24 Denniston	6-12	0-0	15
32 Zuiker	2-4	1-4	5
33 Bailey	2-4	3-4	7
40 Frank	1-4	0-0	2
42 Benesh	0-1	0-0	0
44 Westrum	2-6	4-4	8
52 Hornseth	0-2	0-0	0

Player	FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Points
10 Depagter	7-21	0-0	17
11 Leverage	1-1	0-0	3
12 Cogill	0-1	0-0	0
20 Clark	6-15	4-4	18
22 Zimmerman	0-1	0-0	0
30 Zagorski	5-11	3-4	15
32 Wood	0-1	0-0	0
33 Conard	1-3	0-0	2
35 Wurtz	1-4	2-3	4
42 Mcgovern	0-4	0-0	0
51 Bauer	1-2	3-4	6

**TERRY PORTER CLASSIC AT UW-SP**  
Semifinal Game  
November 28, 1997

Dominican	20	24	--	44
UW-SP	30	39	--	69

Player	FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Points
3 Wingate	5-8	0-0	12
11 Eiternick	1-4	0-0	3
12 Bujalka	0-5	1-2	1
20 Ciegotura	0-0	1-2	1
22 Watson	4-7	2-4	12
25 Porter	0-0	1-2	1
32 Luezzi	0-1	1-2	1
33 Gbadomosi	0-0	1-2	1
43 Schneider	0-2	0-0	0
44 Brice	3-4	2-2	8
20 Junious	1-8	2-3	4

Player	FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Points
10 Grzesk	3-7	4-4	11
12 Vosters	1-1	2-2	4
14 Hoerman	1-2	0-1	2
20 Bennett	1-3	0-0	3
22 Austin	5-13	0-0	12
24 Denniston	5-8	0-0	11
32 Zuiker	4-7	0-0	8
33 Bailey	1-2	0-0	2
34 Vander Velden	0-1	0-0	0
40 Frank	1-5	2-2	4
42 Benesh	0-1	0-0	0

### The Week Ahead...

#### UW-Stevens Point Athletics

Men's Basketball: UW-River Falls, Saturday, 7 p.m.;  
Edgewood College, Wednesday 7 p.m.  
Women's Basketball: At UW-River Falls, Saturday; At Carroll College, Wednesday  
Men's and Women's Swimming: At Wheaton Invite, Friday and Saturday;  
At UW-Oshkosh Invite (Divers only), Saturday  
Wrestling: At UW-Parkside Open, Saturday; At UW-Platteville, Wednesday

44 Westrum	5-6	0-0	10
50 Blessington	1-1	0-0	2

#### Championship Game

Mt. Senario	20	28	--	48
UW-SP	36	26	--	62

Player	FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Points
3 Harris	3-10	2-4	8
4 Huggins	0-1	0-0	0
10 Saunler	0-1	0-0	0
11 Smannigan	1-3	0-0	2
21 McKay	4-9	4-4	13
23 Epps	0-4	2-2	2
32 Herink	0-1	0-0	0
33 Krakovic	4-7	1-2	10
34 Plecas	3-10	2-2	11
50 Seavic	1-2	0-0	2
54 Robinson	0-1	0-1	0

Player	FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Points
10 Grzesk	1-6	8-8	10
14 Hoerman	1-1	0-1	2
20 Bennett	2-3	0-0	6
22 Austin	6-14	0-4	12
24 Denniston	0-9	0-0	0
32 Zuiker	3-7	1-2	7
33 Bailey	3-3	4-4	10
40 Frank	0-3	0-0	0
44 Westrum	2-4	2-2	6
50 Blessington	3-4	1-1	7
52 Hornseth	1-1	0-0	2

#### Terry Porter Classic Awards

**Most Valuable Player**  
Dave Grzesk  
**Mr. Hustle**  
Derek Westrum  
**All-Tournament Team**  
Dan Denniston

### Women's Basketball

**TERRY PORTER CLASSIC AT UW-SP**  
Semifinal Game  
November 28, 1997

Marian	28	17	--	45
UW-SP	24	45	--	69

Player	FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Points
11 Olejniczak	0-1	0-0	0
13 Knier	4-6	0-0	8
21 Davis	0-2	0-0	0
23 Ott	5-12	0-0	13
25 Crum	4-8	0-0	8
33 Groshek	10-19	1-2	21
35 Trzebiatowski	2-2	0-2	4

Player	FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Points
15 Gustin	3-5	2-2	9
21 Pleshek	2-6	0-0	5
23 Holz	3-7	1-3	8
25 Wagner	2-5	0-0	5
30 Ellis	1-4	1-2	4
31 Diaz	0-2	0-0	0
32 Schroeder	1-2	0-0	2
34 Pickelheimer	0-3	0-1	0
50 Schmitz	0-3	0-1	0
51 Victorson	1-3	0-1	2
53 Davison	4-9	2-2	10

Player	FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Points
11 Olejniczak	1-5	0-0	2
13 Knier	2-5	2-2	6
15 Van Dyke	1-3	0-0	2
21 Davis	0-1	2-2	2
23 Ott	9-21	2-2	24
25 Crum	1-4	0-0	2
31 Carlson	0-1	0-0	0
33 Groshek	6-10	1-4	13
35 Trzebiatowski	1-4	0-0	2
43 Konrardy	0-1	0-0	0
45 Bergman	3-5	0-0	6
51 Westphal	1-1	0-0	2
53 Trice	0-1	5-6	5
55 Cychosz	1-2	1-3	3

#### Championship Game

November 29, 1997

Beloit	30	46	--	76
UW-SP	35	34	--	69

Player	FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Points
10 Koch	0-2	2-4	2
12 Pape	4-9	3-4	14
22 Anderson	8-15	7-7	23
23 Owings	0-3	0-0	0
25 Williams	1-6	0-0	2
32 Selck	9-12	3-4	23
33 Hellpap	4-6	4-7	12

Player	FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Points
11 Olejniczak	0-1	0-0	0
13 Knier	4-6	0-0	8
21 Davis	0-2	0-0	0
23 Ott	5-12	0-0	13
25 Crum	4-8	0-0	8
33 Groshek	10-19	1-2	21
35 Trzebiatowski	2-2	0-2	4

45 Bergman	3-7	7-9	13
53 Trice	1-2	0-0	2

Miss Hustle: Jessica Ott  
All-Tournament Team: Kari Groshek

### Hockey

**UW-SP - ST. MARY'S COLLEGE**  
November 14, 1997

St. Mary's	0	1	1	--	2
UW-SP	1	0	2	--	3

**Scoring**  
**First Period**  
UW-SP - Howard (Cappizano and Nicolet assist), 7:12.  
**Second Period**  
St. Mary's - Mackey (Gallatin and Tripicchio assist), 14:00.  
**Third Period**  
UW-SP - Kendrick (Zimmerman and Gore assist), powerplay, 1:22.  
St. Mary's - Mackey (Gallatin and O'Connor assist), 8:15.  
UW-SP - Toninato (Slobodnik and Gore assist), 17:06.  
**Shots on Goal** - UW-SP: 18, St. Mary's: 25.  
**Goalie Saves** - UW-SP: Gorman 16, St. Mary's: Lamb 22.

### Cross Country

**NCAA DIVISION III CHAMPIONSHIPS**  
November 22, 1997 in Boston, Mass.

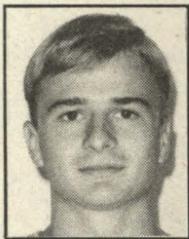
**Team Standings**

- North Central 94
- Mt. Union 96
- UW-La Crosse 131
- Brandeis 141
- UW-SP 183**
- Calvin 237
- St. John's 239
- St. Thomas 254
- Haverford 273
- Keene State 285
- Williams 287
- The College of New Jersey 310
- UW-Whitewater 316
- Nebraska Wesleyan 317
- Heidelberg 319
- UC-San Diego 337
- St. Lawrence 372
- Washington 403
- Plattsburgh 468
- Frostburg State 487
- SUNY-Cortland 547

**UW-SP Finishers**  
36. Matt Hayes 26:04, 43. Chad Christensen 26:15, 46. Dan Schwamberger 26:19, 64. Josh Metcalf 26:32, 66. Jason Enke 26:34, 102. Justin Ratike 26:56, 131. Mike Peck 27:17.

## SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

### CHAD CHRISTENSEN - CROSS COUNTRY



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#### UW-SP Career Highlights

--Named Cross Country All-American in 1996  
--Member of NCAA Div. III third place cross country team in 1996 and fifth place team in 1997  
--Member of 1996 WSUC and 1997 WIAC championship teams

**Hometown:** Iron River, Michigan

**Major:** Physical Education

**Most Memorable Moment:** Last year when our team finished third overall at the NCAA Division III National Cross Country Championships.

**Who was your idol growing up?:** Larry Bird. He's a hard worker. He never took his sport for granted and played every game like it was his last.

**What do you plan to do after you graduate?:** My ultimate goal is to teach and coach cross country at the college level. Once I graduate, I'd have to go back to college to get my masters.

**Biggest achievement in sports:** Becoming an All-American my junior year in cross country by finishing 14th at Nationals. I was also an academic All-American.

**What is your favorite aspect of cross country?:** It's up to the individual to be as good as you want to be. Whatever work you put into your running is what you'll get out of it.

**What will you remember most about running cross country at UW-SP?:** The good times with the guys on the team. I'll also remember how dedicated our team was.



## On top of their game

### Intramural Top Teams - Block #2

#### Men's Basketball Top 10

- No Fat
- The Lizards
- OFF 3
- Shooting Stars
- Team Turtle
- IBA
- Shoot n' Run
- The Cuts
- GATP, BWAS
- Big Shooters

#### Women's Basketball Top 2

- Freedom
- Purple People Eaters

#### Ice Hockey Top 2

- Team Blue
- Team Orange

#### Floor Hockey Top 3

- S.B.S.L.S.
- A Bag of Chips
- 8M Hmmm! Minus one

#### Soccer Top 5

- The Wall
- Lucky Charms
- AC Milan
- Barca FC
- Shup

#### Co-ed V-ball Top 5

- 2 Short
- Danger Zone
- D's Destroyers
- Spiked Punch
- Hot Blooded

#### Men's V-ball Top 2

- Xibalba
- Caucasian Persuasion

#### Women's V-ball Top 3

- Garden Peas
- Side Out
- Sarah's Slammers

Standings are for Week #4  
11/15-11/20/97

## Basketball

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minican 69-44, and continued to command their home court with a 62-48 victory over Mt. Senario.

The win over Mt. Senario Saturday gave UW-SP the championship in the 14th annual Classic.

"We played real sound basketball on both nights," Bennett said. "Our team played real aggressive.

"I also felt on the second night our bench players really were the key to our victory: Bob Blessington, Jay Bennett, Brant Bailey, Kurt Hoerman, Gabe Frank, and Brett Hornseth.

"Those kids put in real solid minutes and were the key to the championship," Bennett added.

The Pointers open their WIAC schedule Saturday with a 7 p.m. home game against UW-River Falls.

On Wednesday, UW-SP hosts a nonconference clash with Edgewood College, beginning at 7 p.m.

"We've gotten everything we wanted out of these nonconference games," Bennett said. "They've put us in pressure type situations that will prepare us for the conference race."

## Farmers

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practices by rotating his crops every year, terracing steep hills, and leaving chopped corn stalks on the steep hills to provide cover and prevent erosion.

"Conventional farmers care about the environment. We take care of our land because that's our life. You take care of what feeds you," states Steele.

Steele built two small duck ponds, no deeper than three feet, on a field that he was having drainage problems with to "give back what I take away from the wildlife. I chose to make use of this wetland." He also has a permit to raise and release game birds and he wanted place where they could go after he released them.

Even though their techniques vary, both farmers agree that sustainable agriculture, a combination of conventional and organic methods, is something all farmers should lean towards in the future.

## Ice

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slows down considerably. Fish can then face oxygen deprivation which has the potential to lead to winterkill.

Winterkills generally occur on lakes less than 20 feet in depth, with no tributary streams and a deep snowfall. This blocks the sun's rays and causes photosynthesis to cease completely. Unfortunately, oxygen deprivation affects the largest fish in the lake most severely, and consequently smaller shallower lakes lack larger fish for this reason.

Water clarity improves greatly because the bottom is no longer being stirred up by the action of the waves and wind, and most suspended sediments tend to settle to the bottom. Light penetration diminishes due to the increasing thickness of the ice and the heavy snowfall.

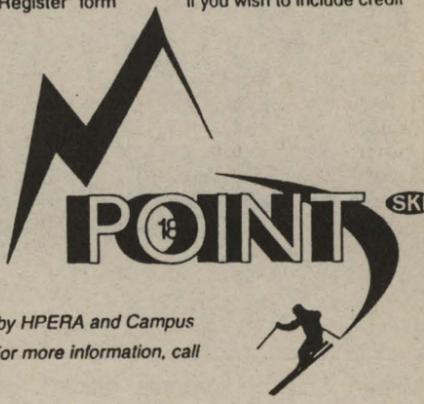
So as you stand in quiet solitude and let the crisp winter air fill your lungs, drill a window to what lies below and view the aquatic world the ice has decided to hide.

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## Attention CNR Students Two Organizations Offer Scholarships

Salmon Unlimited Wisconsin, Inc., and the Wisconsin Sportsman's Association will award scholarships to students enrolled in the College of Natural Resources.



**Salmon Unlimited Wisconsin, Inc.** will award four to six scholarships to undergraduate and/or graduate students studying water resources, limnology and fisheries.

**The Wisconsin Sportsman's Association** will award scholarships to students enrolled at the College of Natural Resources from Racine and Kenosha counties who have financial need.

Applications are available at Room 100 of the College of Natural Resources. You may also call 1-800-236-7510 for an application. Return completed applications to:

Ronald R. Mack  
4234 Greenbriar Lane  
Racine, WI 53403

**IMPORTANT:** Applications must be received by December 15, 1997 to be eligible.

## ROTC affords many opportunities

By Nick Katzmarek  
CO-EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

On Friday, Nov. 14, I had the opportunity to invade Madison with a select group of cadets from UW-Stevens Point's Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC).

Technically "Leadership Development Training," ROTC is a program that gives students the opportunity to experience something a little different than your typical William Blake and Aldo Leopold curricula.

The contracted students in the program are cadets in a military environment. The benefits of being so are, according to Capt. Tabb Benzinger, "an increase in

communication skills, problem solving, and an immediate application of learned skills."

While in Madison we toured several places, including the Adjutant General's offices, the National Guard building, the Sports Pub, and the capitol building. The capitol was a little disappointing as it was under construction, but we managed to squeeze in the nickel tour.

Some may be asking what this tour may have to do with leadership development, and I asked myself that very question. Benzinger said that it "helped students to maintain interest in the program."

It also exposed some of the students to some opportunities

that the military provides.

ROTC is a program that looks for specific characteristics in people, but not specific people. Capt. Benzinger said that he looks for "maturity, honesty, integrity and commitment" in his cadets.

Possibly the greatest benefit to the program is the financial rewards for your commitment.

If a student chooses to participate in the National Guard program, they will pay 100 percent of your tuition, and all you have to give is six years of Guard duty. All that, and a monthly stipend of up to \$350.

Also, the way in which the ROTC scholarships are awarded

SEE ROTC ON PAGE 18



Military Science students, officers, cadets and guests line up on top of the new Terrace in Madison on Friday, Nov. 14. (Photo by Steve Schoemer)

## Feature Organization: Habitat for Humanity

By Tracy Marhal  
FEATURES REPORTER

Habitat for Humanity, founded in 1990 on UW-Stevens Point's campus, fits well with the Christmas theme of sharing and helping others.

The organization focuses on people volunteering to build homes for less financially fortunate families.

The campus organization helps out the Central Wisconsin Chapter of Habitat for Humanity. Together they worked on two houses last year and one this year.

This organization has helped to build more than 10,000 houses total and has its national headquarters in Georgia. Their most famous volunteer is former president Jimmy Carter.

People of Carter's status are not the only ones who can volunteer.

"Anyone can get involved," said Kristin Streng, UW-SP's Habitat for Humanity branches president. "Sometimes we even

work side by side with some of the families, and that's really cool."

Families in need have to apply for the assistance provided by Habitat for Humanity.

When accepted, they must agree to work "sweat equity," or 500 hours of service helping to build their house or the house of another family involved with the program.

They also have to pay back any money used to build their house within 30 years.

The dedicated students involved with Habitat for Humanity even get a spring break related to their cause.

"We had a great time in Guatemala Valley, Texas last year. We got to build the house from the ground up," said Streng. "This year we're going to help out in Flint River, in Albany, Georgia."

Habitat for Humanity can be seen every September at UW-SP's Involvement Fair. It is a great experience and you can see the happy faces of families the program has helped throughout the nation.

By Carrie Reuter  
PHOTO EDITOR

If you are looking for a warm cozy atmosphere with great food, the Hilltop Pub and Grill is the place for you.

The Hilltop is located at 4901 Main St. out towards Fleet Farm. They are in the process of completing a major remodeling project. The new entrance is an old wooden beer holding tank from Stevens Point Brewery.

I was immediately seated upon entering. The new atmosphere is very open yet the wood floor and walls complement the nice mood lighting to give a very pleasant feeling.

The menu offers a wide variety for every palate, ranging from sandwiches and appetizers to dinner entrees. Sandwiches range in price from \$3.50 to \$7.00, appetizers \$2.50 to \$4.25, and dinner entrees up to \$9.95.

I ordered a pepper cheese Philly steak sandwich, with criss-cut french fries, a side of ranch dressing, and a Corona with a slice of lime to wash it down.

### Q&A with Chancellor Tom

#### With the approach of finals, what do you suggest to students to relieve stress?

I have said before that regular exercise and decent eating can help manage stress. In addition, one should try to maintain regular study habits so as not to create a stressful cramming schedule at semester end. At the same time, taking time out for fun and relaxation is also important, and there are plenty of opportunities on campus for that.

#### What advice do you have for students who receive a grade they feel is unjust?

The first recourse in every case should be to communicate with the instructor who gave the grade.

#### How will University students benefit if the Rams hold their training camp in Stevens Point?

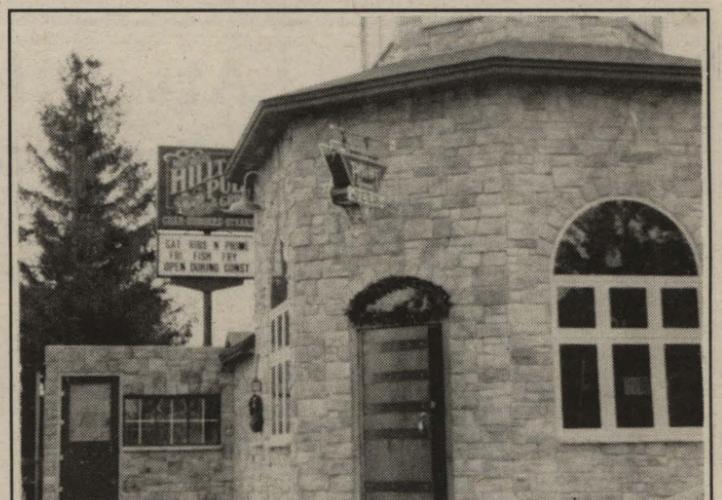
If an NFL team chooses to hold summer camp here, students will benefit in several ways. First, many students will have opportunities for summer employment, both as interns and student employees. Second, the campus will have improved facilities such as air conditioning in the sports medicine complex, locker rooms, equipment room and eventually most of the instructional rooms and offices housed in the Health Enhancement Center. In addition, the housing rates paid by an NFL team will help produce revenue for the residence halls that should help hold down the cost paid by students for residential living.

#### While Stevens Point has many fine restaurants, which is your favorite and why?

I think I have been to just about every restaurant in Stevens Point since moving here 17 months ago, and to be honest each one seems to have specialty entrees that make them unique and interesting.

If you have any questions for the Chancellor please e-mail tzawl584@uwsp.edu.

## Restaurant Review: Hilltop Pub & Grill



Hilltop Pub and Grill provides hospitable service and a cozy atmosphere. (Photo by Carrie Reuter)

My food arrived in a very reasonable amount of time. The portion was quite generous and prepared to my request.

As I took my first bite my mouth began to water, it was absolutely great. I thought it was a very unique taste and I ate every single bite like it was my last. The fries were good too.

I have nothing but nice things to say about my meal at the Hilltop. My friends that were with me ate quesadilla rolls, and a quar-

ter pound garden burger with beer fries. They were just as satisfied as I was.

All in all, my experience at the Hilltop Pub was pleasing. The food was reasonably priced, my selection was generously portioned and we had quick service.

I recommend next time you and a friend are sitting around wondering where to eat, go to the Hilltop. The food is good and the beer is cold. You won't be disappointed.

# Ratings: Is there a need for society to rate music concerts?

**By Jason R. Renkens**  
ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

There seems to be a trend in our society of rating each and every form of mass media. There is a proposal that the music industry and those that sponsor music concerts should place a rating on these events.

I do not feel that concerts fall under the category of mass media.

I do think that the application of a ratings system on music concerts, like the one that the industry has already applied to record sales voluntarily, can be a positive thing.

Our society, in its attempt to protect the right of free speech has evolved in such a manner that a rating system of some shape or form has taken the place of censorship.

The ratings systems that exist are targeted towards those individuals in our society that are under the age of 18: minors.

The minor in our society has limited rights and for the most part, can have their actions and beliefs dictated by their parents or guardians.

The cultural gap between parents or guardians and their respective minors is increasing every day.

This can be attributed in part to the ever growing age gap between generations because of medical advances.



An increasing independence among minors can also be blamed for the strained lines of communication that are forming between our youth and their guardians.

With this gap comes ignorance. Ignorance is the largest barrier to overcome in terms of communication and, in many cases, never is eliminated.

This is exactly where a rating system will be beneficial. For events which the parents or guardians are ignorant about, in terms of both content and purpose, like concerts by groups they may have never heard of, a guide is needed.

Whether minors like it or not, their guardian has the right and responsibility to filter what information or ideas their minor is exposed to. To do so, knowledge of such events, a rating system, is needed.

**By Tara Zawlocki**  
FEATURES EDITOR

Television ratings have gotten many people what I'll call "ratings happy." It seems that everything has a rating on it from TV to movies, and now to music.

Are ratings really necessary for everything? Initially, I thought TV ratings were a good idea. If there are parents out there who need them to censor what their children watch, great!

I think the problem begins when some people think there needs to be ratings on things like concerts.

How can you effectively rate a rock concert when each is supposed to be different from the last?

Popular music groups like Marilyn Manson have brought on many questions including the notion of concert ratings. I assume anyone wanting concert ratings would decide this simply from what they've heard about this supposedly shocking group.

So, what if we do decide there should be ratings on concerts, where would that

leave society? Would we be forced into a life where everything has a rating and someone else would decide what is and what is not appropriate for us to see?

I would hate that. I understand there are kids out there who probably shouldn't be viewing groups like Marilyn Manson.

But in reality, would concert ratings really solve anything? I'm sure there are parents who will still let their kids go and I'd bet there are kids who'd go without their parents' blessing.

Television ratings are different from concert ratings. A TV show's content can't change in the way that a music concert can. I can't imagine a musician wanting to have the same concert just so they could receive a PG rating. How boring it would be not only for the musician, but for the audience members.

Concert ratings are a joke; it seems to me that someone has too much time on their hands to be able to sit and think of the many reasons why concerts need ratings.

It's ridiculous to have ratings for concerts that inevitably will go on changing from day to day.

## Meatless diet raises ethical questions

**By Jason R. Renkens**  
ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

When my dad asked me if I wanted to drive down to Nashville, Tenn with him for Thanksgiving break, I said yes without a moment's hesitation.

My older brother lives in Nashville and I hadn't seen him since last spring.

Only after a friend posed the question to me did I start to wonder what exactly I was going to eat on the trip.

I am an omnivore, someone

who eats both meat and vegetables, although I do limit my intake of red meat.

My dad is a vegetarian, someone who does not eat any meat which technically excludes chicken and fish.

My brother is a vegan (pronounced VEE-gun), someone who does not eat any animal by-products. Strict vegans do not buy or use any products which come from or require the use of animals.

Our conflicting diets usually are not a problem at home where I can team up with my step-mom and little brother and my dad and

older brother can join forces.

I decided to totally submerge myself in the non-meat eating culture and restrict my diet to that of my brother. It was easy for my dad to adjust so we ate as vegans for the entire vacation.

Eating at my brother's apartment was easy because our resources were already geared towards the diet. It was eating out that proved to be a problem. Preparation of the meal as well as its actual content must be considered in ordering any item off of a menu.

I obviously survived my vegan experience or I would not be writing this article.

The question now arises as to whether I want to continue to eliminate just meat or all animal by-products on a regular basis.

The reasons that I have found and am considering for becoming either vegetarian or vegan include animal rights, environmental wellness, and personal health and appearance.

Animals die and/or are exploited in the effort to maximize profits and output in the meat and dairy industry.

"Eating meat and using animals for our survival is part of nature and our placement on the food chain," Tyler Theder, a UW-Stevens Point student said.

The issues of squandering grain and water, adding to the problem of topsoil erosion, and animal waste disposal are only a few of the reasons vegan publications give for their life-style in terms of the environment.

"The resources will be used eventually anyways," said a student opposed to this view. "The

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## Cooking Corner

### Tony's venison stew

- 2 pounds venison chopped
- 1 packet Lipton onion and mushroom soup mix
- 1/2 teaspoon cayenne red pepper
- 1/4 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1 can mushrooms
- 2 onions chopped (1 cup)
- 8 potatoes skinned, boiled and cut into pieces
- 1/3 cup brown sugar
- 2-3 tablespoons seasoning salt
- 1 tablespoon pepper
- 1 tablespoon meat tenderizer
- 1/4 teaspoon celery salt
- 2 cans cream of mushroom
- 1 can whole kernel corn
- 5 carrots chopped

• Mix venison, 1 can cream of mushroom soup, brown sugar, Lipton soup, and spices together in bottom of crockpot.  
• Add mushrooms, corn, onions, carrots.  
• Add potatoes and put other can of cream of mushroom soup on top.  
• Cook until vegetables are tender, then mix everything together.  
• Cook on low, about 6-8 hours.

*Editor's note:* Have any recipes you might want to submit? Send your recipes to *The Pointer*, room 104 CAC or e-mail tzaw1584@uwsp.edu

## UW-SP clubs spread cheer

**By Jason R. Renkens**  
ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

SALSA and the Spanish Club are sponsoring a less fortunate family with the help of the St. Vincent De Paul Society.

"We are donating food and gifts to the Hispanic family to fill their holiday season with a little joy," said Ellen Klasen.

SALSA and the Spanish Club are organizations on campus affiliated with the Foreign Language department.

The two clubs are collecting and contributing money, food, new and used clothing and toys. "Giving and sharing is the rea-

son for the season, so why not share a little of what you have with those less fortunate," added Ellen Klasen.

The family consists of three children. The oldest, a boy, is 4 1/2 years old and wears a size six. The middle child, a girl, is three years old and wears a size five and the youngest, also a girl, is two months and wears size six-12 months.

St. Vincent De Paul supplements their sponsorship of families with a holiday gift basket program.

Donations can be brought to the Foreign Language Lab, Room 305 in the Collins Classroom Center.

## WORD OF MOUTH



### OPERATION BOOTSTRAP

Centertainment Productions is sponsoring a Holiday Crafts for Kids, Friday, Dec. 5 from 6 until 8 p.m. in the Encore of the University Center.

Admission is free with a nonperishable food item. Kids can meet Santa and make gifts for the holidays.

All donated items will go to Operation Bootstrap of Stevens Point.

### GUITARIST

Centertainment Productions' Alternative Sounds presents Aaron Plantenberg Thursday, Dec. 4 at 8 p.m. in the Encore of the University Center.

Plantenberg is an acoustic guitarist and singer with a unique style.

Cost is \$1 with an ID and \$2 without ID.

### GIVEAWAY

The Stevens Point Brewery will be giving away a \$500 savings bond at the men's Pointer basketball game versus River Falls, Saturday, Dec. 6.

## SLOW WAVE

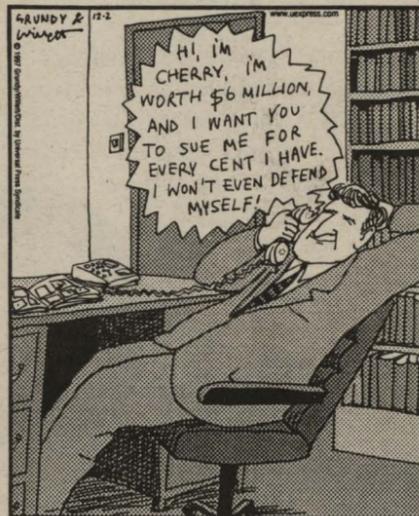
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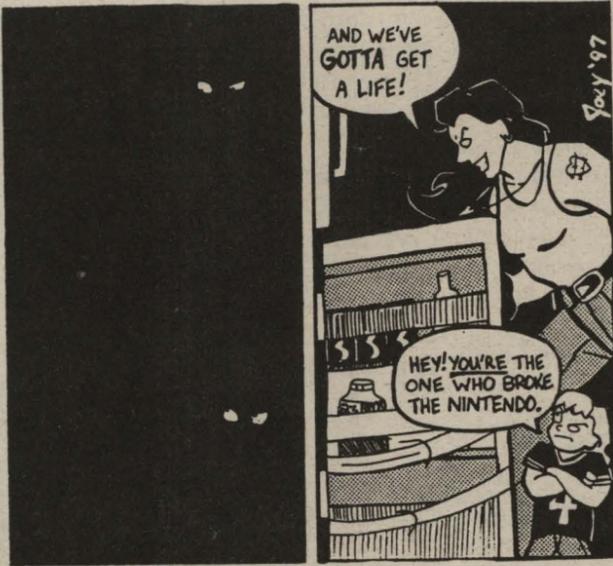
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## TONJA STEELE

By Joey Hetzel



WINTER DRIVING TIP: DON'T FLIP PEOPLE OFF WHILE WEARING MITTENS!

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### THE Crossword

- ACROSS
- 1 Matched collections
  - 5 Indulges to excess
  - 10 Mop
  - 14 Salver
  - 15 Perfect
  - 16 Rabbit kin
  - 17 Lubricates
  - 18 Style of painting
  - 19 Scent
  - 20 Fruit thickening agent
  - 22 Gibing
  - 24 Son of Seth
  - 26 Little fight
  - 27 Trade
  - 31 Rubs out
  - 35 Past
  - 36 Sitting room
  - 38 Covered with gold
  - 39 Metal fastener
  - 41 Abate
  - 42 High nest
  - 43 Equal
  - 44 Descends suddenly
  - 46 Greek letter
  - 47 Mexican shawl
  - 49 Provided with guns
  - 51 Red planet
  - 53 Simmer
  - 54 Actress Hamel
  - 58 Like mosaic
  - 62 On — with (equal to)
  - 63 Come up
  - 65 Indian of Peru
  - 66 Parched
  - 67 Burdened
  - 68 Goblet feature
  - 69 — off (began)
  - 70 Used up
  - 71 Animal pelt

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- DOWN
- 1 Traffic sign
  - 2 Great Lake
  - 3 Powder
  - 4 Method
  - 5 Italian title
  - 6 Fruit drink
  - 7 Decades
  - 8 Works for
  - 9 Old railroad car
  - 10 Scarcity
  - 11 Dry river bed
  - 12 Elvis — Presley
  - 13 Floating mass of ice
  - 21 Not talented
  - 23 Hearing organ
  - 25 Metal fastener
  - 27 Worries
  - 28 Molding style
  - 29 Activist
  - 30 Arm joint
  - 32 Warning sound
  - 33 Best of class
  - 34 Place
  - 37 Musical instruments
  - 40 In love with
  - 42 Tree
  - 44 Continued stories
  - 45 Doctor's client
  - 48 Dish
  - 50 Like a barn bird
  - 52 Leftover bit



FOR ANSWERS SEE CLASSIFIEDS

- 54 Immense
- 55 Fencing sword
- 56 Uncommon
- 57 Helper
- 59 Against
- 60 Chilled
- 61 Titled lady
- 64 Japanese coin

### THE K CHRONICLES

PLAYED LASER TAG FOR THE FIRST TIME THE OTHER DAY...

LASER TAG IS A GAME WHERE TWO TEAMS RUN AROUND A DARK MAZE & SHOOT EACH OTHER WITH BEAMS OF LIGHT...

I'VE ALWAYS BEEN HESITANT TO PLAY THESE TYPES OF GAMES BECAUSE OF WHAT HAPPENED TO A FRIEND YEARS AGO IN NEW HAMPSHIRE...

HE WENT TO PLAY PAINT BALL. A GAME SIMILAR TO LASER TAG, BUT PLAYED OUTSIDE...

THE CROSSING TEAM HAD SOME SORT OF CRAZED WAR VETERAN ON THEIR SIDE WHO GOT A LITTLE CARRIED AWAY...

CONSIDERING THAT I WAS OLDER THAN EVERYBODY IN THE GAME CENTER THAT DAY (EVEN THE WORKERS), I DIDN'T THINK ANYTHING LIKE THAT WAS GONNA HAPPEN.

MY TEAM: Ashley Sharp age 12, Little Ray Quinones age 5, The Smith Brothers age 13, Trevor.

MY FRIEND & HIS TEAM WERE BOUND & GAGGED FOR TWO DAYS UNTIL POLICE NEGOTIATED A RELEASE.

MAYBE A LITTLE TOO EXHILARATING.

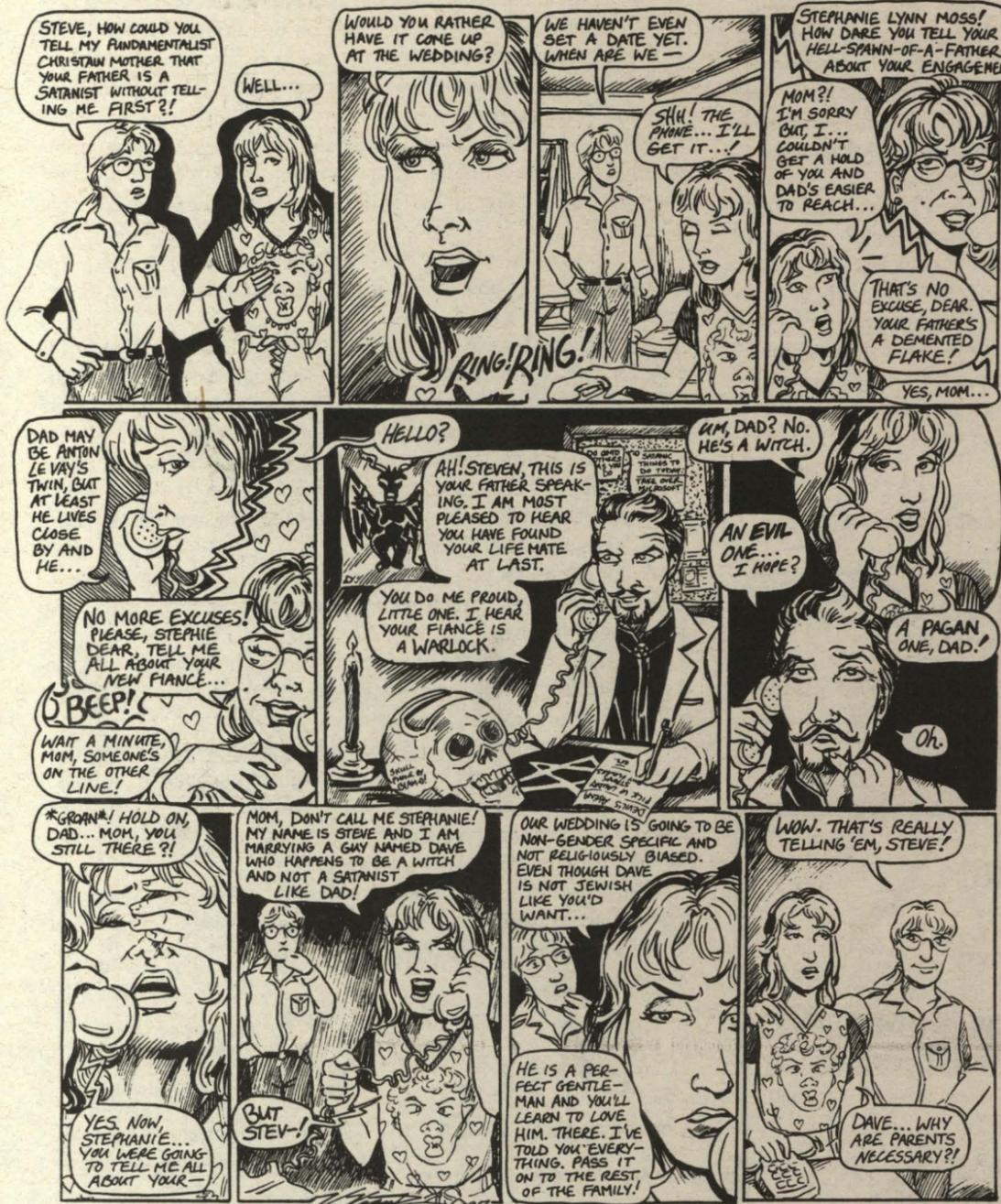
SWAT MAKE (SAD) Tuck & Roll, pick up child up to blast enemy.

MUST LIBERATE THE CHILDREN!! DIE YOU THAT'S IT!! YER OUTTA HERE, FREAK BOY!!

I WAS PLACED IN THE PENALTY ROOM!

I DON'T KNOW WHAT WAS WORSE, BEING REPRIMANDED BY THE 14 YEAR OLD GAME MASTER... OR SCORING LOWER THAN A 5 YEAR OLD IN THE SHOTS FIRED/HIT RATIO... The Horror... The Horror...

## Dave Davis By Valentina Kaquatosh



www.uwsp.edu/stuorg/aurora/davis/dave.htm

Next Week: Blame it on the Mistletoe!

## After Seeing Blue

There's this French chalet owner with arms as thick as birch trees holding out a basket of boletes, kinds I've never seen before: green stalks, pink caps some that stain purple then black, then blue at least eight varieties. I'm looking them over sniffing them out. One smells like an orchestra. Another like an Olympic swimming pool.

All the sudden this French cop bursts in with a sawed off shotgun and asks what are we doing hunting mushrooms out of season?

The owner slips the cop a sheet of music as I spot a Caesar's Amanita. Normally, I'd avoid these, but I'm in France and I know that this guy is a pro. So I ask him if I can have it, sautéed in butter. He says sure and starts frying it up. A young blonde boy sings soprano while it bastes in the brass pan.

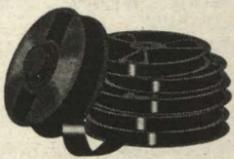
I scarf them down like a banana slug slime coats my mouth and esophagus my stomach lines itself with peaches which turn into gladiolas that recite William S. Burroughs, "The Ticket That Exploded" then turn into firecrackers.

The chalet owner looks at me says, "Five seconds of hallucination then out like a bug playing dead for two days..."

You should have eaten them with raw eggs the French way...

By Matt Welter  
POINTER POET

## Leave Anastasia to the kiddies



By Nick Katzmarek  
Co-EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Before I get into this movie, let me start off with a disclaimer: this kind of movie is not really my cup of tea anymore. That being said: I really did not like this movie.

Now, before you set your kids on me like some twisted *Children of the Corn* flashback, let me explain why.

There are essentially three reasons why, from an adult point of view, I didn't particularly like *Anastasia*.

Reason number one: the violence. Rasputin (brilliantly voiced, by the way, by Christopher Lloyd), well, melts, not to put too fine a point on it. That is not something that the two-year-old children that I saw in the theater need to see. We get enough of that on TV.

Reason number two: the lips almost never matched up with the voices. When we hear some of the excellent voices casted in the film, including John Cusack and Meg Ryan, just to name two, we expect the lips to match. Simple enough, isn't it?

Reason number three: the actual picture. It just didn't have the richness and depth that a movie like *Aladdin* and *The Lion King* had. Perhaps too much to ask from a non-Disney corporation, but when a studio has the talent and resources that Twentieth Century Fox threw into this one, we expect the backgrounds to be complete, the people to move realistically. That just doesn't happen here.

All of that aside, you should take your kids that can handle the violence. They'll enjoy it, and that alone should be worth the investment. It's just not one for the discriminating moviegoer.

Rating:



## Rentals

The Maltese Falcon  
(1941, 100 min.)

Quite possibly one of the greatest movies ever made, and one I just saw myself for the first time recently, this is one that belongs on any shelf.

Humphrey Bogart is Sam Spade, Dashiell Hammett's definitive detective. Bogart is amazing-I found myself literally cheering for him as he pulled his stunts on the baddies over and over again.

Mary Astor plays the enigmatic Brigid, whose motives (and real name) don't really become clear until the end of the film.

Sydney Greenstreet, Peter Lorre and Elisha Cook, Jr. all give fantastic performances in supporting roles, and John Huston, as usual, directs an amazing black and white film.

Without doubt, this is one of those movies that you should go rent now.

-Nick Katzmarek

## North of the border South of heaven

### Eerieconsiliation Elevator to Hell



By Mike Cade

ENTERTAINMENT REPORTER

The members of Elevator to Hell met at a Christian potluck dinner; oh, wait- that's someone else's biography. Never mind...

New Brunswick's Elevator to Hell (ETH) consists mostly of songs written by head cheese Rick White. And ETH isn't a death metal or grindcore band as their name might suggest.

In fact, the quieter moments on *Eerieconsiliation* are often more unnerving and disconcerting than the heavier ones.

It took a while for the effect of this CD to set in; after four or five listens, however, I became intrigued. Yes, I eventually started levitating toward Rick White's dark, mood-layered world.

Occasionally hints of Sabbath and early Dinosaur Jr. surface on *Eerie*, but these are just vague reference points.

Like old Dinosaur, though, ETH specializes in *truly* psychedelic songwriting. And by psychedelic, I'm NOT talking 'bout hippies wearing hemp necklaces, listening to Grateful Dead bootlegs.

I mean psychedelic as in A) it sounds like Canadian cabin fever has placed its claustrophobic and haunting chokehold on Rick White, or B) White decided to light himself on fire and the smoldering orange embers of flame can be viewed from ten dimensions of space.

But hey, Rick-I know the feeling. I've been without the heavenly glow of cable TV for a month now.

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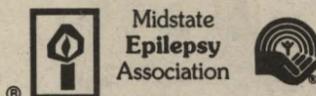
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ing-based class, Eckholm said. Demand for one course, English 251, subtitled business writing, was so great, another section was added. English Professor Dan Dieterich was called upon to teach the added class.

"(The English Department) didn't know what to expect because this is the first year Winterim is offered," Dieterich said. "It's always a popular course and we have a list of students waiting."

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**Fish**

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above and river backwaters should be ideal right now.

Catching fish at first ice depends on one thing: location. Fish will relate to the same structure in winter as in summer. Fish should be fairly shallow currently, but as oxygen levels fall in midwinter, they will move deeper.

Shallow weed lines should hold fish right now. The most important thing is to stay mobile. If the fish aren't biting in one spot, try someplace else. Sometimes a shift of just a few feet can make a big difference.

Techniques for catching first-ice fish are relatively simple. For panfish, a small jig pole with a tiny ice jig such as a teardrop should produce.

My personal favorite jig is a Rat Finky. Its slim contour makes it easy for fish to inhale and it can be fished horizontally which increases hooking percentages. A spring bobber attached to the end of the rod will make detecting strikes easier.

The nice thing about this time of year is that fish are often so shallow that you don't need to worry about finding the right depth. Often panfish will be holding in only three feet of water which makes it much easier to find them.

As for northerns, tip-ups are the way to go. From there the decisions are not so easy. Some anglers prefer dead minnows while others swear by live bait.

Hooks are also a matter of personal preference. Some people use a quick-strike rig which consists of a treble hook in both the head and the back of the minnow.

This allows anglers to set the hook immediately after the fish takes the bait. Other people use only a single treble hook in the back.

Still others use giant Swedish hooks which run the length of the minnow. All work but Swedish hooks tend to hook fish deeper and kill fish that you might want to release.

With these tips in mind, anglers should be ready for some fast action. Once you locate one fish, you're bound to catch several. Just be cautious of thin ice and dress for the weather.

**Veggies**

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benefits of raising animals for human use far outweigh the drawbacks."

The final argument for the adoption of a meatless life-style is better health.

Albert Einstein once said that "nothing will benefit human health and increase the chances for survival of life on Earth as much as the evolution to a vegetarian diet."

Consumption of animal fats and proteins has been linked to heart disease, colon and breast cancer, osteoporosis, diabetes, and many other debilitating conditions.

Eggs are higher in cholesterol than any other food.

Vegan and vegetarian food is low in fat, especially saturated fat, contain no cholesterol and are rich in fiber and nutrients.

"It is still common to hear people ask whether it is 'safe' to eliminate meat and dairy products," said American physician and founder of The Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine, Dr. Neil Bernard.

Doubters of the meatless and animal product free philosophies claim that it is impossible to gain the same proteins and nutrients that are present in meat and animal products.

Diet proves to be an important decision on many plains of life. Careful consideration is required in determining the appropriate dietary life-style that fits with your beliefs or lack thereof.

**ROTC**

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has been revamped so that anyone applying no longer has to compete on a national level, but instead on a local level, against other students here. That, according to Capt. Benzinger, gives Lt. Col. Phelps, the person in charge of dispensing the scholarships, the "latitude to award scholarships to the most deserving people."

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