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## SGA pushes for access to course evaluations

By Kevin Lahner  
NEWS EDITOR

The Student Government Association (SGA) unanimously passed a resolution Thursday that would make student critiques of courses more accessible to the campus community.

The resolution states that course evaluations, filled out by students in every course, should be published in the student catalog and the timetable among other places.

"Currently students aren't receiving the information prior to registering," said SGA's Academic Issues Director, Michael Synder.

Some students believe professors are not going to agree with the policy.

"The faculty are not going to want it published in the timetable, and that's where they are going to give us grief," said SGA President Sarah Houfe.

Currently, SGA has the authority to distribute the course evaluation results to all students, and does so via the "Course Source" on the World Wide Web. The problem is students don't know it's accessible, or don't know how to find it.

"I would ask how many students know they can receive the results (of the course evaluations) prior to registering," said Synder.

There is also criticism that evaluations are not taken seriously by students, and thus falsely reflect poorly on certain faculty.

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## Stevens Point lights up for holidays



Scenes like this one become common around the Stevens Point Community in celebration of the coming holiday season. (Photo by Carrie Reuter)

## RHA launches new clothing and food donation drive

By Kevin Lahner  
NEWS EDITOR

Campus residents are "sacking it to Goodwill" in an innovative new program to collect clothing and non-perishable food items for needy families.

The program is sponsored by the Residence Hall Association (RHA), Local Union 584, the UW-SP Recycling Program, University Housing, Goodwill and the Salvation Army.

According to Kanyun Rokicki, the Contemporary and Social Issues Chairperson for RHA, over 3200 bags are being distributed to residence hall occupants with a brochure explaining the program.

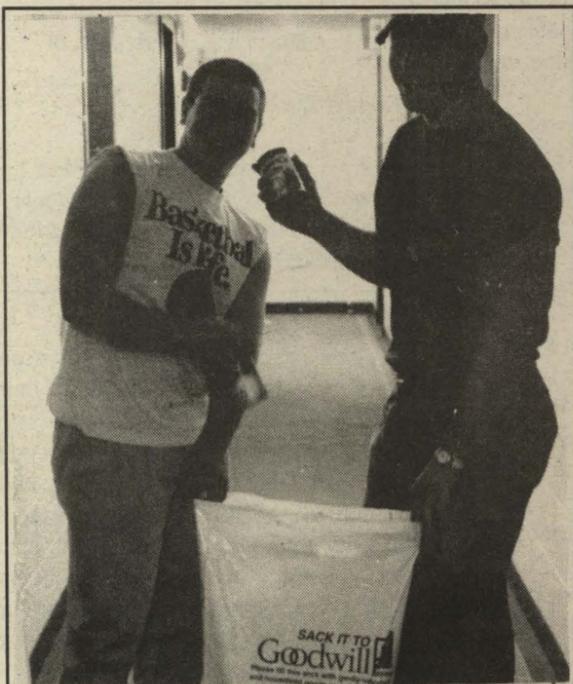
The residents are supposed to fill the bag with unwanted clothing and left-over nonperishable food items, like that box of Mac and Cheese you just are not going to eat.

Local Union 584 has volunteered to pick up the bags from Residence Hall lobbies on Friday, December twelfth.

Program coordinators

are hopeful for large student participation in the first year program.

"We're not really sure what to expect, because it's the first year," said Rokicki.



Students in Roach Hall pitch in for the new RHA program to collect clothing and food for needy families. (Photo by Carrie Reuter)

## Rams will decide after season

By Mike Kemmeter  
SPORTS EDITOR

UW-Stevens Point officials will have to wait at least two more weeks before finding out if the St. Louis Rams will hold their training camp on campus this summer.

The Rams have two games left in the National Football League season, against the Chicago Bears and the Carolina Panthers, and aren't expected to decide until their season is finished.

"They're going to wait until the season's done to make a decision," UW-SP Vice Chancellor of Business Affairs Greg Diemer said.

"(Head Coach Dick) Vermeil doesn't want to think about training camp until the season is over."

Diemer said the university is still holding discussions with the Rams, who are reportedly unhappy with their current training facilities.

Last summer, St. Louis trained at Western Illinois University in Macomb, Ill., but were not satisfied with the maintenance of the practice fields.

The only problem with UW-SP's facilities will be solved if the Rams decide to train on campus.

A plan for air conditioning in three locker rooms, training room, and equipment room was approved by the Wisconsin State Building Commission.

The \$176,000 project is pending the Rams signing a contract to train at UW-SP.

To complete construction though, the university needs a decision as soon as possible.

The air conditioning plan needs to be designed, engineered, and constructed before camp would begin.

The lack of air conditioning in those facilities was

the one complaint the Jacksonville Jaguars had when they trained at UW-SP in 1995.

The university and Gov. Tommy Thompson promised the Jaguars they would install air conditioning for the 1996 camp.

But Jacksonville owner Wayne Weaver decided to keep their training camp in Florida instead of returning to UW-SP, so the improvements were never made.

The Rams told UW-SP officials those facilities needed to be upgraded if they are going to hold training camp here in 1998.

**"Vermeil doesn't even want to think about training camp until the season is over."**

*Vice Chancellor of Business Affairs  
Greg Diemer*

# THE POINTER POLL

Photos by Carrie Reuter

## What do you want Santa to bring you for Christmas this year?



**Jason Rieckman**  
COMMUNICATIONS, SENIOR

"I would like Carmen Electra, but if I can't have her I would like an A in Karlene Ferrante's class."



**Mark Weinhold**  
PLANT BIO, SENIOR

"A big bag of goodies!"



**Karen Budzbanowski**  
ART, JUNIOR

"Not to be greedy, but, EVERYTHING!"



**Bill Zanski**  
PHILOSOPHY, JUNIOR

"I want Santa to drive me in his sleigh to all my classes for a day!"

## Action against Kmart falls short of goal

By Kevin Lahner  
NEWS EDITOR

Student leaders have lost their steam, and as a result Kmart goes on with business as usual despite no proof that anything has been done to address cultural sensitivity in the store.

"We seemed to lose interest from people supporting the project and the committee lost momentum," said SGA President Sarah Houfe.

Early in September, student leaders united to address issues of discrimination at the Kmart store.

The issue, sparked by the alleged mistreatment of Jin Sang, a foreign ex-

change student from Korea, motivated student leaders to form a group to address the possibility of discrimination at local businesses.

The group, consisting of members from the International Club, Progressive Action Organization, Residence Hall Association (RHA), and Student Government Association (SGA) organized a meeting with Kmart officials to discuss the issue.

According to SGA's Student Life Issues Director, Nicole Evans, Kmart agreed to work with students to develop sensitivity training and attend a multicultural issues forum at the university.

To date Kmart has not worked with students in any manner following the meeting.

Despite threatening "further action" and giving Kmart a deadline to respond to student concerns, nothing has been done in response to the apparent lack of concern.

"We had people assigned specific duties and those duties didn't get carried out," she added.

The actions that were planned by students included a postcard campaign, and a possible campus-wide boycott.

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## Jan Albertson retires from UW-SP

One of Jan Albertson's final accomplishments upon her retirement as interior designer at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point was to complete a computerized inventory for furniture management in the university's 14 residence halls.

The inventory began in the 1980's for the purpose of tracking furniture use and condition. It was completed, in addition to Albertson's other duties as a designer, which has involved "creating a comfortable and positive learning environment for students over the past 17 years."

Albertson believes that an important part of her job has been to educate people about good design and the philosophy of how and why designers do what they do.

She outlined her philosophy in an article in last June's issue of "Talking Stick," a publication for housing professionals.

"The design of a room, the arrangement of its parts, the choices of materials, textures and colors all work together in a room...Environments speak to us, they send messages to inform us about the nature of the space, what activities take place there, and they inform us of the subjective feelings we might experience while we are in the room," she wrote.

At UW-SP Albertson encountered a direct example of how the design of a room can influence the behavior of its inhabitants. In one of the men's residence halls, the common room was evocative of a rathskeller, or beer pub. She says the atmosphere "invited horseplay" and led to vandalism and damage to the space almost every year. After it was redesigned to emulate a

more formal English men's club, with wood paneling and vinyl wall covering, behavior in the room changed, and the room has remained in good shape despite heavy use.

Reflecting on her retirement, Albertson says she regrets leaving a job which she loves and people she has enjoyed.

Albertson has many interesting items on her retirement agenda.

She plans to take a women's cruise on a tall ship which embarks from Seattle, spend some time on a horse ranch in the Southwest, pursue her hobby of oil painting, and perhaps work part-time as a professional problem solver.

She hopes to register for class in her field at UW-SP, and to remain active with an educational organization for women and the Progress Club, the oldest organized book group in Stevens Point.



**Albertson**

## Campus



Tuesday, December 9th

- A false fire alarm was reported in Watson Hall. 911 was called.

Monday, December 8th

- A caller reported that a bat was in the stairwell of the Learning Resource Center. Call was transferred directly to the Physical Plant.

- An individual reported that their vehicle was damaged by another vehicle. The person doing the damage left a note for the owner.

- A lock was damaged in Thomson Hall.

Sunday, December 7th

- The Assistant Hall Director reported a janitor's closet door had been broken and there was glass on the floor in Burroughs Hall.

- Residents of Roach Hall reported they were feeling sick, had a burning sensation in their throats, and continuous coughing. Officers checked it out and 911 was called.

- Individual reported smelling something burning in room 110 of Quandt Gymnasium. Nothing was found burning in the room.

- A caller on a Code Blue Phone called with concerns that people were camping out in the sundial.

Saturday, December 6th

- Two males were cited for underage drinking in Lot Q.

- The kitchen in Hansen Hall was reported as being flooded. Maintenance was called to address the problem.

- A fire alarm was activated in Hansen Hall. The Stevens Point Fire Department was called. It was determined to be a false alarm.

- A window in the Smith Hall laundry room was reported as being broken from the outside.

- An accident involving three vehicles was reported in Lot P.

- Vandalism was reported in Lot J.

Friday, December 5th

- An individual was reported as having a seizure in the Telephone Support Office of the Learning Resource Center. An Ambulance was falsely dispatched to the Public Library. Officers called and corrected the misinformation.

### Protective Services' Tip of the Week

UW System Risk Management strongly recommends that holiday trees and wreaths not be placed in individual living quarters of any residence halls due the severe safety hazard that these items present. Artificial trees of flame retardant material or natural trees may be used in office areas, lobbies, and reception areas only if precautions are taken. The most important factor in reducing the flammability of holiday trees is maintaining adequate moisture content. Secondly, only indoor lights may be used on indoor trees. These lights must bear Underwriters Laboratory approval. Lights should be inspected for shorts or weak or cracked spots before using. Never leave tree lights on when unattended.

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

## TORONTO, CANADA

• Toronto police are holding eight young people on hate crime charges for allegedly demonstrating against Romanian gypsies in August. The protesters, wearing neonazi symbols including swastikas, carried signs saying "Honk if you hate Gypsies."

## SEOUL, SOUTH KOREA

• Negotiators from the two Koreas, China and the United States are set to announce peace talks will begin in March. Negotiations over a peace pact to end a 44 year ceasefire between the two Koreas are under way in Geneva this week.

## KYOTO, JAPAN

• The European Union, Japan, and the United States have agreed to targets for cuts in greenhouse gas emissions as they close in on a protocol for developed countries. A top European Union negotiator said delegates are now "really in the very final stage, with figures and everything on the table."

## NATIONAL NEWS

## HENDERSON, NEVADA

• Sixty three year old Barbara Howard won a life sized, four bedroom replica of the home inhabited by the cartoon characters "The Simpsons." The Kentucky grandmother won the home in a contest sponsored by Kaufman and Broad Home Corporation, Fox Broadcasting and Pepsi-Cola.

## GALVESTON, TEXAS

• University of Texas researchers in Galveston say in the British Journal Nature they have figured out why harmless things scare us. They say unfounded apprehension are caused by powerful emotional associations, including those resulting from child abuse, war and other trauma.

## FAIRFIELD, CALIFORNIA

• Police say a woman might have waited 14 years to avenge a slaying by seducing her friends convicted killer and then cutting off his penis. Detectives are searching for a woman known only as "Brenda" who they believe attacked Alan Hall after meeting him at a gas station last week.

## LOCAL/STATE NEWS

## DALTON

• A plea of innocent was entered on behalf of 24 year old Thomas Jerome for the burning of an Amish families buggy. Jerome is one of four men involved in the incident. A hate crime penalty enhancer has been added because it's alleged the men targeted the Amish family.

## FOOTVILLE

• Former Postmaster Jon Peterson says financial troubles at home led him to the theft of more than forty two thousand dollars from the Post Office. Peterson faces federal court charges for embezzlement. Reportedly, Peterson had run out the back door when postal inspectors arrived for an audit last January.

## STEVENS POINT

• A bill that would require health certification for all captive wildlife brought into the state was up for a hearing Wednesday in Stevens Point. Representative Duwayne Johnsrud says that certification from a veterinarian is required for domestic and agricultural animals already. He says that the bill makes sense since many wildlife diseases can be transferred to free ranging wildlife and domestic animals.

## Student, faculty and administration ringing bells for the Salvation Army

Several groups at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point assisted the Salvation Army with a special three day kettle campaign this week.

This year's local Stevens Point Kettle campaign is chaired by UW-SP basketball coach Jack Bennet.

The national and city wide campaign runs from November 21st through December 24th.

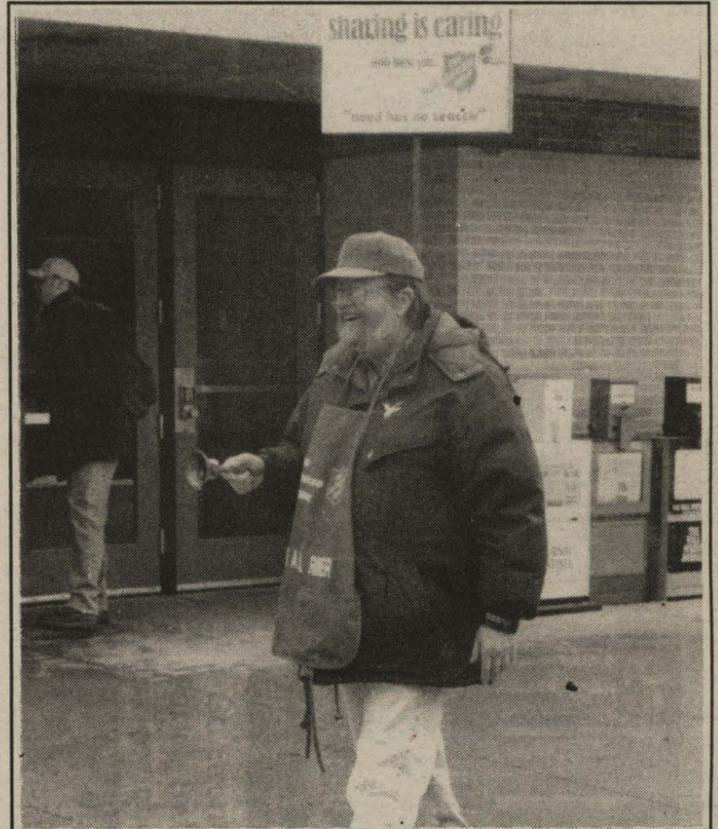
The National Salvation Army helps meet the basic needs of people everywhere - feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless, comforting the sick and lonely, counseling the afflicted and providing worship opportunities.

The organization also operates abuse shelters, ministers to AIDS victims, provides meals and companionship for senior citizens and those suffering from drug and alcohol abuse.

The Army's case work services affected more than 11 million people last year, with an additional 2.5 million served during times of disaster.

Its Christmas and Thanksgiving programs brought holiday hope to nearly seven million Americans.

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Biology professor Doug Post does his part in the recent Salvation Army kettle campaign. (Photo by Carrie Reuter)

centers and boys and girls programs.

To volunteer as a Salvation Army bell ringer in Stevens Point, prospective volunteers may either call the Stevens Point office at (715) 341-2437 or the Association for Community Tasks (ACT) at

346-2260.

Those who do not have the time to ring bells can make donations of nonperishable food items by using the bags provided by the Residence Hall Association to all on campus residents. Have an enjoyable holiday season.

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## Review's findings called into question

Dear Editors:

In response to the review of the film *Anastasia* in last week's Pointer, Nick, are you sure it was *Anastasia* you saw? I've seen it twice—once before and once after I read your review. The three reasons you gave for disliking the film make no sense.

Reason number one: the violence. Rasputin melts. In two sequences that total about six seconds together, you see the mad monk's skeleton as he is physically punished for evil deeds that were his own choice to commit. Did you see any blood? I didn't. Magic lights, sure. In Disney's *Sleeping Beauty*, we got blood as Prince Phillip skewered Malleficent in the chest. In the *Lion King*, Scar dropping dear ol' Dad off a ledge to be trampled to death by a herd of stampeding

wildebeest was more shocking and violent than Rasputin getting his just desserts. And as I recall, the bad guy in *Oliver & Company* got run down by a subway shortly after one of his dogs was electrocuted on the tracks. No matter what you watch, there will be violence. It's the easiest way to show conflict and kids certainly get it.

Reason number two: the lips almost never matched up with the voices. Guess what I was watching the second time around? I didn't see a single thing wrong with the lip sync—not even when Rasputin's lips fell off. The kids behind me loved that part. That point aside, it was a pretty petty excuse for disliking the film. Try watching Japanese animation some time. Even in the original language the mouths rarely match. That shouldn't detract from your enjoyment of the film.

Reason number three: lack of richness and depth—compared, specifically to Disney's *Aladdin* and *The Lion King*. I'm sorry, but Disney is not God. They didn't invent animation and they're only one of the best in the business. *Aladdin* was fun to watch, but that was about it. It had stock Disney characters and a watered-down plot.

*The Lion King* is second only to *Pocahontas* as the most embarrassing Disney attempt ever. Technically, the animation was superb. But they left out little things like plot, pacing, character development and so forth. Think about it: Simba watches Dad die, leaves the valley in shame, grows up and comes back to do what we knew he would anyway.

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## Student asks if needs are being met be SGA

Dear Editors:

This is a warning to all student organizations seeking funding! The members of the Student Government Association (S.G.A.) stated they are concerned with spending their money. I found this statement shocking! All students pay the student activity fee which is used to enhance a student's experience. I am extremely disappointed in our elected and paid members of S.G.A. It is usually the goal of government to serve its constituents. However, this year is not the case.

I was a member of a group known as the United Nations Student Organization (UNSO). Our purpose was to study international politics and participate in a model United Nations. We were given the opportunity to participate in a conference, which would require us to prepare papers to be debated in

the actual headquarters of the UN. The trip could only be pulled off with help from the student activity fees that are allocated by S.G.A.

UNSO went in front of the finance committee and was denied funding. On protest to the entire Senate body, this organization was badgered for over two hours before the final affirmation of zero dollars was passed. There was no justification for why there was to be no funding. UNSO was finally told to come up for funding next year.

My sole concern is that student and organizational needs aren't being supported. Organizations like UNSO may soon become a thing of the past thanks to the quality of work being done by your elected officials.

-Bruce Poquette  
Student

## A friend is remembered

In Loving Memory

Dear Bruce:

I still think of us, laughing in class, meeting in the morning to study. I still think of us, talking of your family and my problems that now seem so insignificant. You took time out to help me through the times I never thought I'd make it through. Be it in school or in life, you were always there for me.

I'll always remember how you talked of your family and how much you loved them and how you loved to watch your children grow and learn everyday. I can still see your face lighting up when you talked about them. You were always so happy in your life and so close to graduation and moving on to what you had worked so hard for all these years. Yet something took you away from us.

How can I go on from day to day without your encouraging words and happy face? They say you don't know what you have until it's gone, but I knew long ago what a wonderful friend you were.

With all my heart and all that is in me, I will miss you every-day!

-Your dear friend

## Pro-choice decision to be commemorated

Dear Editors:

Pro-choice supporters will gather on Jan. 18 to commemorate the anniversary of the Supreme Court decision that legalized abortion. The gathering will take place at the Portage County Courthouse at 1 p.m. Details of the rally will be posted around campus when plans are finalized.

I know there are many pro-choice supporters on campus. Jan. 18 is the day many will be returning to campus after the holiday break, so mark your calendars now. Show your support for reproductive rights by attending this rally.

-Mary Jo Pfankuch  
Gen. Wis. Pro-Choice Coalition

## Congrats on your graduation Mike!



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-Mike Marasch  
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R 22	Comedy Sportz	8:00 PM	Encore
F 23	Mad Trucker Gone Mad with Probers	8:00 PM	Encore
Sa 24	Special Events TBA		
T 27	Self Defense Mini-course	7:30 PM	TBA
W 28	<i>Airforce One/ Face Off</i>	7/9:15 PM	Encore
R 29	Peter Mulvey	8:00 PM	Encore
F 30	Travel & Leasure TBA		
Sa 31	<i>Shine</i> with live pianist	7:00 PM	Encore

More info coming from Beyond 3000 and STV!



## Student finds ROTC story to be incomplete

Dear Editors:

First of all I would like to point out that I am very disappointed in the article written about the ROTC trip to Madison.

The ROTC program is more than taking trips to Madison and going to the Sports Pub. The author left out some very important information. The program went to the Veteran's War Museum, the Monona Terrace and to the 147th Battalion General's office. The

program is definitely more than a six-year period that one has to give to the National Guard.

Another point I would like to make is that your photographer had no camera and it took the editor three weeks to write an article about the trip.

Don't get me wrong, I am not biased in any way. I am not involved in the ROTC program yet, but I am in the National Guard. I simply got the impression that the program was some

slack-assed thing that students were stuck in for six years and it's not.

The ROTC program deals with teamwork and leadership skills. The students are in the program because they want to, not because they have to. It partly deals with defending our country and belonging to the best thing, our U.S. Government.

-Mandy Johnson  
Student

## Where are the comics?

Dear Editors:

This letter is to Mike Patterson and anyone else with suggestions regarding *The Pointer's* comics page. Write in and let *The Pointer's* editors know which comics you want to see.

*The Pointer* carried "Calvin and Hobbes" until it was canceled, so I'm pretty sure they can get something decent. A few years ago, out of seven comic strips on the comic spread, "Tight Corner" was the only strip not produced by students. Anything is possible, but you, as readers, have to get the ball rolling.

If you'd like to see how cool the comic pages were a few years ago, spend an afternoon up in the Archives, located on the fifth floor of the LRC, leafing through back issues of *The Pointer*. Some issues from 1994 and 1995 will blow you away.

Find out how it used to be, then write the editors and tell them how it should be now. Don't deny yourselves some amusement!

-Becky Grutzik  
President, Comic Arts Society

**Arts & Review Ed.'s Note:** I am the one responsible for the comics we print here. The student comics featured in 1994-95 are no longer around because students graduated and others just stopped submitting work. With each semester, our content changes and improves. Next semester look for a new student comic called "Tazja & Teller" by Elizabeth Trzebiatowski. And don't forget about "Dave Davis" which has been in print since 1994 and "Tonja Steele" by Joey Hetzel. Students do good work here still!

## Co-Editor defends story's timing and angle

By Nick Katzmarek  
CO-EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

I want to make one thing perfectly clear. I, in no way, intended to portray ROTC as a "slack-ass program." After the trip that I took with that group of people, I have nothing but respect for all of the members involved. I also discovered a new respect for the government

and the sacrifices that people make both in defense of and in service of that idea. I definitely did not mean to disparage anyone involved.

As to the somewhat side-handed comment about the amount of time that it took for the article to be run, apparently Ms. Johnson has no concept of what newspaper writing is about. There are space and time

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## Live everyday like there's no tomorrow

By Chris Keller  
CO-EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

On the preceding page, a letter was printed by a friend of someone who passed away recently. While reading this letter, I was reminded of something that I have tried to live by for a while now; a motto, if you will.

That motto is "Live life without regret." In my opinion, the worst thing a person can do is walk around with a cloud of things hanging overhead, haunting them.

This unpredictable thing we call life can give an immense array of gifts at any time, but unfortunately, life can take those gifts just as fast.

The simple fact that we walk through life day after day, with-

out a clue as to what will happen, is something that may never dawn on people. But soon we come to realize that no one knows when it will be the last time they see a loved one or hug a dear friend.

All we can do is cherish every moment we spend with that person and hold those memories close and dear to our hearts.

There is a song by Mike And The Mechanics that illustrates my point to a tee. The song is called *The Living Years*, and the last verse is --

*I wasn't there that morning  
When my father passed away  
I didn't get to tell him  
All the things I had to say  
But I think I caught his spirit  
Later that same year*

*I'm sure I heard his echo In my  
baby's new born tears  
I just wish I could have told him/  
In the living years  
Say it loud, say it clear  
You can listen as well as you  
hear*

*It's too late when we die  
To admit we don't see eye to eye*

With that said, if there is one present I can give to all of you this holiday season, it is the following.

1. Make sure the people you care about know it. 2. Don't let one moment you spend with them slip away. 3. And finally, always, always, live your life in a way so that one day, when you're old, you cannot look back and say, "I wish I had done that!"

### WWSP-Stevens Point presents the Saturday specialty show line-up



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## Don't let the cold shut your 'out' doors

By Joe Shead  
OUTDOORS REPORTER

It may seem premature for an article of this nature, but by the end of winter break, many students will be crawling up the walls looking for something to do.

The possibilities are endless. Activities such as snowmobiling, sledding, snowshoeing, skating, and skiing can all be experienced at this time of year. Other things such as hockey, broomball, ice-bowling and the like will also keep the winter blues away.

For sportsmen and women, the cold months can bring endless opportunity. Ice-fishing is always popular and should be excellent for the next few weeks.

Hunting opportunities also exist if you're willing to try something different.

The late bow season will give hunters another shot at putting venison on the table. Hunting with snow underfoot can be a thrilling experience because it allows hunters to see farther and follow blood trails easier. Bagging a buck after the gun hunt can be very rewarding.

If bow hunting isn't your cup of hot chocolate, the Canada goose season is open in the Northern Exterior Zone until Dec. 28 and in the Southern Exterior Zone until Jan. 4, unless the quota is met before then, in which case, the DNR would announce an early closure.

Squirrel, grouse, rabbit, pheasant and partridge seasons

also remain open, but be sure to check the hunting regulations as seasons differ by species as well as region.

Once again, snowfall can make for exciting hunts. Squirrels will be easier to see against a white background and rabbit hunting just wouldn't be the same without that fluffy white stuff on the ground.

Snow also aids the pheasant hunter who doesn't have the benefit of a dog because no matter how hard they try, pheasants have yet to figure out how to walk through snow without leaving their tracks behind.

Perhaps grouse hunting more than any other type of hunting becomes best with the arrival of the snow. When the snow becomes deep enough, grouse will dive into it head first and spend the night insulated from the cold. Having a grouse burst from the snow beneath your feet is nothing short of breathtaking.

Raccoon hunting is another winter sport that has exploded in popularity in recent years.

Whether it's the sound of hounds baying at a treed coon or the price of a coon hide, many diehard coon hunters will take to the woods every night to enjoy their passion.

Finally, for the ultimate challenge, winter hunters can try to match wits with a fox or coyote.

These predators provide the ultimate in sporting challenge and outwitting one of these sly canines can seem nothing short of miraculous. It can be cold but it sure beats Battleship.

Although some people moan and groan over the cold and snow, if they're crazy enough, people can find ways to enjoy the outdoors any time of the year.

## Fresh Tracks

Bryon Thompson  
GUEST COLUMNIST

I heard my first wild turkey gobble when I was 18 years old. The sound intrigued me. I wanted to learn more about the bird; I wanted to learn more about turkey hunting. So I became involved with the *National Wild Turkey Federation*.

Since then, I have given turkey hunting seminars, worked for a wild turkey game call company, placed sixth in the state turkey calling competition, and shot and called in my fair share of turkeys.

In many ways, this scenario pertains to our lives. As I write this piece, I am a few days away from graduation. I will graduate with high honors, but so what. Did I learn that much from the classes themselves? Sure, I learned some. But I gained much more experience by getting involved.

I wrote for *The Pointer* for three years. I wrote a column for a national magazine. I co-compiled an outdoor book of essays written by the students here at UW-SP. I was a biology peer advisor for two semesters. I worked for the turkey call company and became an active member in the National Wild Turkey Federation.

These activities have helped shape my life and my resume. I sincerely hope I have helped them as well.

As I ponder my next step and weigh my options, I hope that you all will think about getting involved. Get involved with the Wildlife Society, AWRA, *The Pointer*, PRSSA or some kind of organization.

These experiences are what employers are looking for. They do not want someone working for them that graduated with a 4.0 GPA but has had no experience. Such responsibilities teach you how to budget your time, and can teach you real-world experiences that seem only theory in a classroom.

Getting involved pertains much more than just getting the attention of future employers. Once you are out of school, you should continue staying involved. Our resources demand it. *Ducks Unlimited*, *Whitetails Unlimited*, *Pheasants Forever*, *Trout Unlimited*, and the *National Wild Turkey Federation* all work extremely hard in preserving our nation's resources.

Hopefully with your help my grandkids will be able to experience a flock of northern ducks decoying into their set up.

Maybe they'll be able to sit high on an oak ridge and witness the sight of a majestic white-tailed buck slip silently past. Or hear the cackle of a rooster getting up in front of their bird dog.

With luck, they'll feel the fighting tug of a brown trout pulling against their fly rod.

And hopefully I'll feel the same intense adrenaline surge I did five years ago when that spring gobbler rattled off his annual mating call.

## Twelve Days of Christmas in the Cold

On the first day of Christmas my true love gave to me a  
treestand in an oak tree.

On the second day of Christmas my true love gave to me  
two turtle necks.

On the third day of Christmas my true love gave to me  
three fishing rods.

On the fourth day of Christmas my true love gave to me  
four turkey calls.

On the fifth day of Christmas my true love gave to me  
five golden labs.

On the sixth day of Christmas my true love gave to me  
six hounds a baying.

On the seventh day of Christmas my true love gave to me  
seven slugs for shooting.

On the eighth day of Christmas my true love gave to me  
eight reels for casting.

On the ninth day of Christmas my true love gave to me  
nine pounds of walleye.

On the tenth day of Christmas my true love gave to me  
ten trout a leaping.

On the eleventh day of Christmas my true love gave to me  
eleven pikes a fighting.

On the twelfth day of Christmas my true love gave to me  
twelve ruffed grouse drumming.



"Mark Twain once said, 'Write about what you know.' And, so I have and I've enjoyed it. Thank you all for reading. Now I could go for an ice-cold Leinenkugel's."

- Bryon Thompson, Asst. Outdoors Editor

## Community Supported Agriculture

By Lisa Rothe  
OUTDOORS REPORTER

With the interest in natural foods growing 25 percent per year, Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) is growing and expanding to meet consumers needs.

According to Mark Anderson, founder, manager, and owner of Sunny Sky Farm in Amherst Junction, "CSA is an agreement to share the responsibility for their food production by contracting with a 'personal' farmer for their fresh produce needs during the growing season."

In 1986, two CSA groups on the East Coast of the United States were established. Wisconsin is the largest supporter of CSA in America with 56 farms. Nationwide CSA boasts over 550 farms.

Anderson, in his third year of farming at Sunny Sky Farm, sees many advantages to this new wave of farming.

The most obvious is the constant variety of fresh produce. At

members are taught about individual vegetables, their preparation and storage and the importance of seasonal eating. In essence people are being reeducated about food and small scale farming," said Anderson.

At Sunny Sky Farm shareholders get a pamphlet with preparation tips and farm information with their bushel of produce for the week.

CSA offers an outlet for those that appreciate the natural, earth-friendly gifts that life has to offer. "CSA

can be nothing short of a life altering experience ... a whole new world opens ... to understand the bigger picture of where the food comes from..."

The next time you're in a grocery store consider this fact about industrialized food preparation, "A [conventional] farmer must

**"CSA is an agreement to share the responsibility for their food production by contracting with a 'personal' farmer."**

-Mark Anderson, farm owner

Sunny Sky Farm the growing season begins in March and ends in late October.

For twenty-one weeks beginning in June the share holder is given a half bushel waxed box every week with an average of ten pounds of produce, herbs, ornamentals, or flowers.

Anderson sees another advantage of CSA---education. "Farm

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## 'Tis the season for a different deer

By **Charlie Sensenbrenner**  
OUTDOORS EDITOR

Once upon a time, a fat old man in the coldest place in the world opted to take on a new job. He needed help and reindeer were the perfect choice.

Reindeer live comfortably where the trees don't grow and snow never melts, further north than any hoofed animal but musk-ox.

Both hemispheres have reindeer called by different names.

European and Asian reindeer are the same species as caribou in North America.

Early Lapps or Finns called them **reindeer** which means "animal that pastures" because it was the only pasturing animal they knew.

They are built for life on the tundra. Razor sharp and widely splayed hooves act as shovels and snowshoes to dig down to reindeer lichen, their favorite food, and travel over snow.

Their coat's are thick and warm. Hollow outer hairs hold

air for extra insulation and make them capable swimmers.

Few animals can match a reindeer's combination of strength and endurance.

They cover huge distances at an incredible pace (100 miles per day) during seasonal migrations. A working deer can pull nearly 500 pounds over 40 miles of snow in a day.

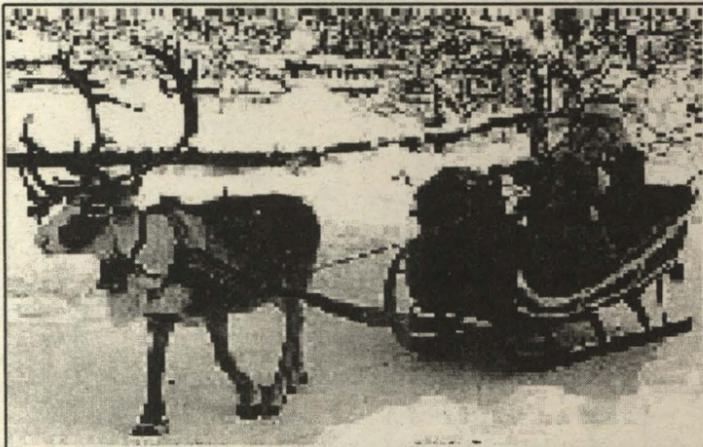
Reindeer were domesticated in northern Europe near the first Christmas almost 2,000 years ago and entire cultures sprang up around them.

Norwegian Lapps, or Sammi as they call themselves, are among the last nomadic tribes in the world to follow herds as they move through the seasons.

They depend on the deer for transportation, meat, milk, tools, and clothing. Nothing goes to waste, even the lungs are used as food for their dogs.

Eventually the rest of the world caught on and today reindeer farming is big business. As free-ranging livestock, they require little care. They feed themselves, stay grouped in herds and

SEE RUDOLPH ON PAGE 13



Santa isn't the only person in the world to use reindeer. Their adaptations to cold and agreeable nature make them valuable animals. (Internet image)

## Beware of risks when fishing on thin ice

Following simple precautions can make a trip safe

By **Matt "Bert" Ward**  
OUTDOORS REPORTER

As this year's ice fishing season gets under way, certain precautionary measures should be taken so it doesn't become your last. Numerous drownings occur annually due to peoples' inability to be alert to the daily changes that occur in the ice.

When choosing a lake to fish in the early season, one

should stick to smaller, shallower bodies of water that are wind protected. Shallower lakes feature a greater surface cooling area to volume ratio, and consequently freeze more quickly. These lakes generally freeze at a uniform rate and in a random pattern.

Larger and more irregularly shaped bodies of water freeze last due to wind disturbances and the smaller surface cooling area to volume ratio.

These lakes do not freeze

at a uniform rate or in a random pattern because of the large fluctuations in depth.

When venturing out onto the ice in the early season, there are several things to be very cautious of. Snow has high insulative properties, which impede the thickening process of ice. Stay away from areas that have snow on them at this time.

North sides of lakes on larger bodies of water take longer to freeze because of the direct sunlight they receive. If you choose to fish a larger body of water at this time, stay to the shallower bays on the southern most side of the lake.

Rocky areas retain heat longer than areas with smaller aggregate, and also take longer to freeze. Look at the shoreline in an area you wish to fish, and that will generally tell you what kind of substrate lies below.

Dock areas may contain pipes underground that are discharging warmer water from a nearby house, which would cause the ice to be relatively thin. Also, docks conduct heat, which causes the ice to be unsafe around them.

Avoid areas which contain inflowing and out-flowing water due to the fact that the ice will be thinner here throughout the winter months because of currents. Channels between lakes also may contain moving water, and seldom freeze quickly.

Fish impoundments with

SEE SAFTEY ON PAGE 13

## Nature News & Notes

### State

#### 1997 gun hunt safest on record

Wisconsin recorded its safest gun hunt ever in 1997. Only 10 shooting accidents occurred and only one was fatal, according to the Department of Natural Resources. Of all the accidents, five were self-inflicted accidents, and four of the accidents occurred between members of the same party. The DNR was pleased since there were over 650,000 hunters in the field for the nine-day season.

### Campus

#### Professor returns from Mexico

Robert Miller, Professor of Forestry, taught a week-long course on urban forestry at Chapingo Autonomous University in Texcoco, Mexico. Miller taught the class from Nov. 10-14. He taught students from Mexico, Chile, Dominican Republic and Argentina. Miller stated that urban forestry has become important to Latin America and the Caribbean.

#### Snowshoe festival at Treehaven

Treehaven, a UW-SP field station in Tomahawk, will hold a winter activities rendezvous on Jan. 30-Feb. 1. The weekend will feature ethnic foods and outdoor activities such as snowshoeing. On Saturday, Dave Daniels, a snowshoe racer who plans to compete in the Badger State Games next week, will put on a snowshoe presentation. The retreat costs \$115 for adults and \$65 per child age six to 13. Contact June or Anne at (715) 453-4106.

#### Prof shares forestry with world

Hans Schabel, a UW-SP Professor of Forestry, gave a presentation to the 11th World Forestry Congress in Antalya, Turkey. Schabel spoke on the Menominee Indian Tribe's traditional style of forest management. He co-wrote a paper on the subject with the Menominee Chief Forester Marshal Pecore. He presented the information as a model to follow for sustainable, permanent and biologically rich forests. He spoke to over 5,000 participants from around the globe. The management technique aims at taking the long-term environmental, recreational and economic effects into account in forest management.

## OUTDOOR POINTERS



Nick Katzmarek, *Pointer* Co-Editor-in-Chief, takes a break outside of an old mine shaft last summer during a hiking trip to Isle Royle, Mich. (Submitted photo)  
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## Big Pointers game deserves larger audience

By Mike Kimmeter  
SPORTS EDITOR

The games don't get much bigger for the UW-Stevens Point men's basketball team than Saturday's battle with UW-Platteville at the Quandt Fieldhouse.

The Pioneers will be out for revenge in what will probably be the toughest home game of this young season, since the Pointers ended Platteville's season last year.

An upstart UW-SP team entered Platteville's Williams Fieldhouse and shocked the Pioneers in the second round of the NCAA Division III Tournament, thwarting the West Region No. 1 seed's hopes for a National Championship.

Now the dust has cleared after the Dave Grzesk reverse layup and Mike Paynter free throw that sewed up the 46-43 upset victory, Platteville's third loss in 75 games at Williams Fieldhouse. And Saturday, the Pioneers are looking to pay back the Pointers for their gutwrenching defeat.

There would be no better way to greet Platteville than with a capacity crowd at the Quandt.

Sure, finals start next Monday and it seems everyone needs to study and cram for the three, four, or five huge tests wrapped into a week. But there's no better time to take a break for a couple hours than Saturday night at 7 p.m.

Several schools in the UW-System, like UW-Whitewater, pack student sections with over 1,000 students for home games. Coach Jack Bennett has said he can't even get up and walk in front of his team's bench at Whitewater without the student section chanting "Sit down Jack."

However, the Pointers are lucky if they get 400 students. And worse yet, student attendance is not high enough to designate a "Student Section" in the Quandt.

It's extremely disappointing to attend a game like last night's against Edgewood College and see maybe 200 students, not counting the pep band.

And it's not like students have the excuse that the Pointers aren't winning.

This is a team who is off to a 7-0 start, the school's best since 1992-93. It was only last year when UW-SP received its first NCAA Division III Tournament bid and raced to the Elite Eight, coming just 1.3 seconds away from the Final Four.

There's no reason the Quandt Fieldhouse shouldn't have standing room only crowds every game, especially Saturday when UW-Platteville comes looking for revenge.

## Pointers off to best start since 92-93

### Wins over Edgewood, River Falls run record to 7-0

By Nick Brilowski  
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

One of two things could have happened to the Pointer men's basketball team as they headed into their game Wednesday night against Edgewood College.

Either UW-SP could wallow in the loss of leading rebounder Derek Westrum to a broken jaw, or they could search for revenge from last year's loss to the Eagles.

The Pointers chose the latter.

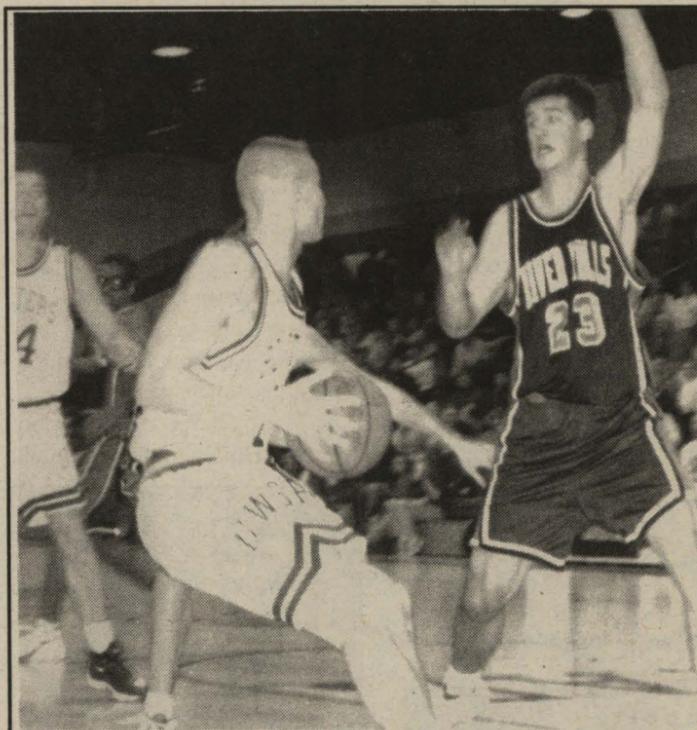
Sophomore Brant Bailey and freshman Joe Zuiker stepped up their play to offset the loss of Westrum en route to the 67-51 victory.

Bailey scored 16 points and pulled down six rebounds and Zuiker added 11 points and six boards to maintain a strong inside presence.

Point used an impressive first half to rush out to a 35-22 halftime lead behind nine each from Dave Grzesk and Dan Denniston.

Edgewood cut the lead to six, 51-45, with 6:31 left, but was able to get no closer.

The Pointers were masterful handling the ball, dishing out 18



Dave Grzesk drives to the basket Saturday in UW-SP's WIAC opener against UW-River Falls. (Photo by Nick Brilowski)

assists while committing only six turnovers.

Westrum, who suffered the injury diving for a loose ball in practice on Tuesday, is expected to miss four to six weeks.

"Derek is absolutely one of the hardest workers I've ever known,"

UW-Stevens Point coach Jack Bennett said.

"We'll just do our best. That's what team's about. We're not going to rush him back."

Bennett didn't rule out the

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## UW-SP serves Falcons sweet revenge

By Mike Kimmeter  
SPORTS EDITOR

The UW-Stevens Point women's basketball team didn't face an ideal situation in their conference opener Saturday at UW-River Falls.

Not only did the Pointers face the Falcons team who knocked them from postseason contention the last two years, but because of injuries, UW-SP had serious questions at the point guard position.

After starter Sara Olejniczak went down Tuesday with a forehead gash which required stitches and backup Renee Knier suffered a knee contusion Wednesday, the Pointers looked to freshman Brooke Van Dyke to fill the starting role in the WIAC opener.

And Van Dyke, normally a shooting guard, along with Kate Dunning and Knier helped UW-SP control the tempo of the game and the Pointers went on to steal a game on the road, 56-53.

"In between Brooke, Renee, and Kate, they handled the point guard position and did an excellent job," UW-SP women's basketball coach Shirley Egner said.

"We were very, very fortunate to have those three players step up and do what was asked of them. They didn't try to do anything more than what we wanted them to do."

With the victory, the Pointers were able to avenge the past season losses to the Falcons, and break their four game losing streak at River Falls.

"It was a huge win for us," Egner said. "We knew we had to go over there and take care of business, and we did."

A key to UW-SP's victory was its ability to control the tempo of the game, which didn't allow the Falcons to use their fast-paced offense and full-court press.

SEE WOMEN'S BB ON PAGE 18

## Swimmers 2nd, 4th at Wheaton Invite

By Nick Brilowski  
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

For the first time this season, the Pointers' head swimming coach Al Boelk finally got to see his teams at full strength.

After training through all of the team's meets so far, Boelk rested his teams for the Wheaton Invite and UW-Stevens Point came away with impressive showings.

Point's men finished second behind only Division I UW-Milwaukee, while the women came home with a fourth place finish.

In all, the Pointers qualified fifteen individuals for nationals.

Leading the way for the men was the 200 medley relay team, and freshman Randy Boelk captured

both the 100 and 200 backstroke freestyle and qualifying in the 200 backstroke.

Boelk's effort of 50.01 seconds in the 100 back would have set the national record (50.1) if the race was at the National Championships.

Becca Uphoff led the way for the women, winning the 200

"The whole team stepped up and had a great meet," Al Boelk said.

"All the hard work finally paid off. At least 50 percent swam lifetime bests, probably about 75 percent."

## Hockey club gets weekend sweep

The UW-Stevens Point women's hockey club continued its surprising season, sweeping three weekend games to up its record to 6-1 on the year.

Point got home wins Friday against Waupaca 3-2, and then shut-out Merrill 6-0 at the K.B. Willett Arena. Then to complete the weekend three game sweep, Point traveled to Madison and defeated the Lightning 2-1.

After the club didn't win a game last season, player Tracy Hebert said the team's experience along with new players is the key behind the team's great start.

"We know what to expect. It's great to leave the rink feeling good about yourself," Hebert said.

## Fall athletes receive awards

### Football

Football Gazette West Region All-American  
First Team Defense

Clint Kriewaldt - Linebacker

Second Team Defense

Joel Hornby - Defensive Line

GTE Academic All-American First Team

Joel Hornby - Defensive Line

4.0 Grade Point Average - Biology Major

### Soccer

NSCAA/UMBRO Central Region All-American  
Second Team

Shannon Balke, Kim Cwik

WIAC All-Conference First Team

Kim Cwik

Second Team

Shannon Balke, Jenny Davis, Michelle Mauel, Jesse Wickesburg

### Cross Country

NCAA Division III All-Region

Chad Christensen, Josh Metcalf, Jason Enke, Dan Schwamberger,

Justin Ratiike, Matt Hayes, Mike Peck

All-Conference Team

Chad Christensen, Josh Metcalf, Jason Enke, Dan Schwamberger,

Matt Hayes, Mike Peck

# Pointer Profile

## Grzesk adding offense to strong defensive repertoire

By Mike Kemmeter  
SPORTS EDITOR

Already known around the conference for his tenacious defense, UW-Stevens Point guard Dave Grzesk is complementing it with a scoring punch.

With the losses of All-Conference center and leading scorer Mike Paynter, and sixth man Jim Danielson, Coach Jack Bennett



Grzesk

asked the junior guard to be more conscious of his scoring this season.

And Grzesk has responded thus far, averaging 10 points in his last five games and helping the Pointers to a 7-0 start, it's best since 1992-93.

Grzesk even led the Pointers' balanced scoring attack Saturday against UW-River Falls, scoring 12 points in the WIAC opener.

"We knew with the absence of Mike and Jim we had to get more balance," UW-SP coach Jack Bennett said. "David has a good jump shot and has enough athleticism to get points in the lane."

But even though he's picked up his scoring a bit from his 5.9 average a game last season, Grzesk still strives on his defense.

The 6-5, 190-pounder is often asked to guard the opponent's top scoring threat and had to face some of the best players in Division III during last season's run to the Elite Eight of the NCAA Tournament.

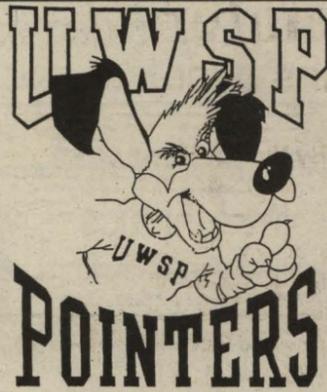
"I guess I've always liked playing defense," Grzesk said.

"If I'm guarding the team's best player, I just want to make things as difficult as possible for him."

"I always have a hand in their face and try to make them do something they're not used to doing."

And with the team's overall strong defense, Grzesk said he knows his teammates are there to help.

"The nice thing is we teach



team defense," Grzesk said. "If you screw up, you know they're going to be there to recover."

Grzesk is just what Bennett looks for in a player for his ball control, defensive minded system.

"When I think of a consistent, blue collar player, (I think of David)," Bennett said.

"The way he goes about it symbolizes the way we want to play as a team."

"He really takes (his defense) to heart, using great footwork, stance, and position."

"He constantly anticipates what's going to happen instead of waiting for what's going to happen."

Put Grzesk's strong defense together with some added offense, and Bennett likes what he sees.

"He's probably our most complete player right now," Bennett said.

# Miller, Carlson capture titles at Wisconsin Open

By Mike Beacom  
SPORTS REPORTER

Senior Perry Miller's mat time didn't last too long Saturday at the Wisconsin Open.

The Pointers No. 1 ranked heavyweight did away with all of his opponents in just over six minutes time, adding four more pins to his Pointer career record total and earning the tournament's outstanding wrestler and pinner's awards.

UW-Stevens Point's other senior Mike Carlson also took first at the UW-Parkside hosted tournament. The 150-pounder from Maple Grove, Minn. defeated Loras' Cary Wieland 5-4 in the championship match to claim his first tournament title as a Pointer.

"I think (Mike) took a step up

in his approach and his confidence," UW-SP head coach Marty Loy said.

Junior national qualifiers Jaime Hegland and Ross Buchinger each finished second at 134 and 142 pounds respectively.

Buchinger, who wrestled two weight classes lower last season, battled UW-La Crosse's nationally ranked Chad Veenendahl to a tight match.

"We wondered how he would handle the weight jump and he's doing a remarkable job," Loy said.

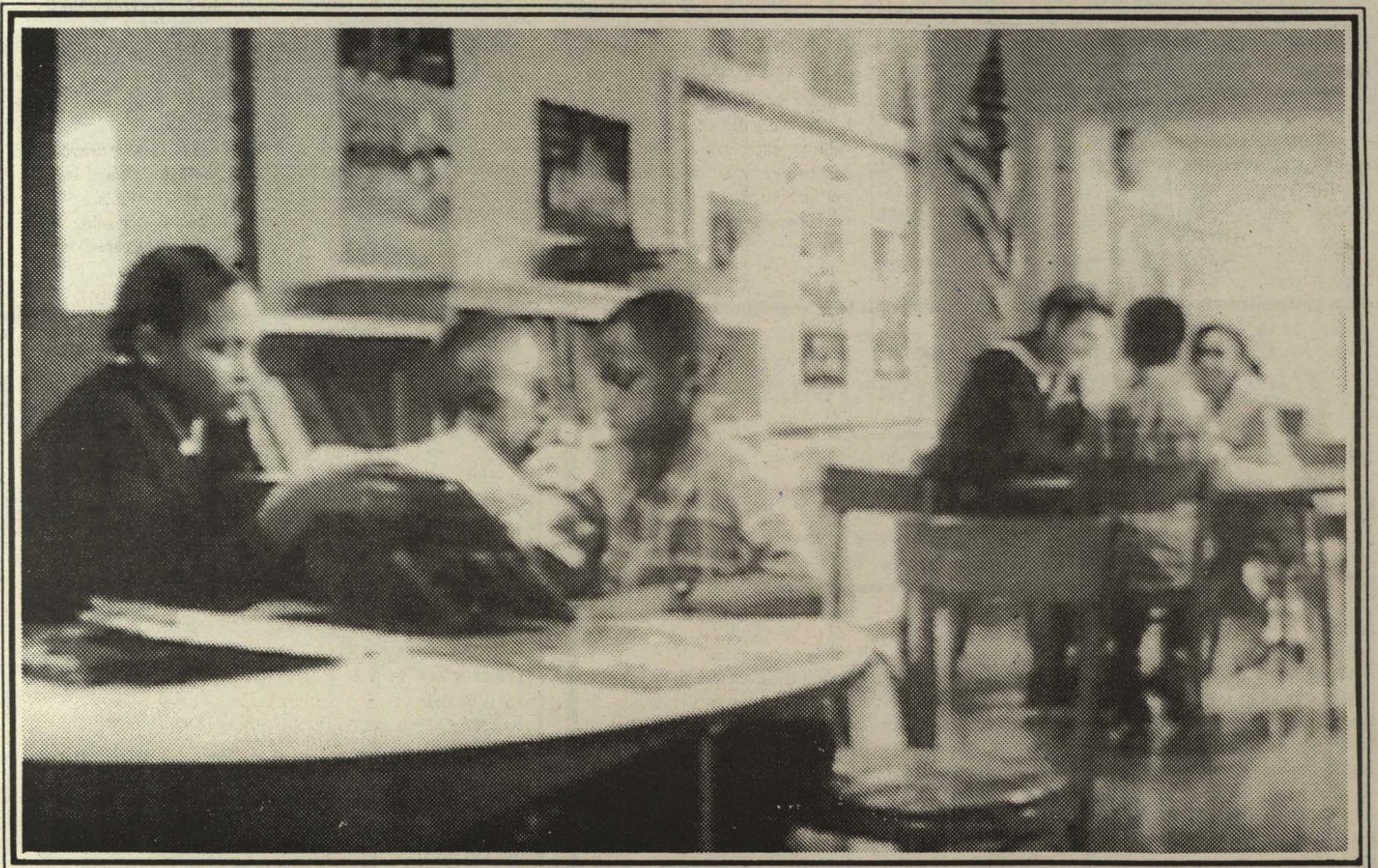
Four other Pointers placed: Tyler Roethle (4th, 126); Corey Bauer (5th, 118); Wes Kapping (5th, 167); and Tim Prosen (6th, 177).

"I thought Wes Kapping did a nice job," Loy said. "He listens and he learns and that is starting to show on the mat."

### Quote of the Week

"Let's see if I got this straight. After Elvis Grbac has a bad game, San Francisco Mayor Willie Brown calls the quarterback 'an embarrassment to humankind.' But after Latrell Sprewell assaults and threatens to kill P.J. Carlesimo, Brown says, 'We shouldn't rush to judge the player.'"

-Randy Harvey of the Los Angeles Times.



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## The Pointer Scorecard

### Men's Basketball

UW-SP - EDGEWOOD COLLEGE  
December 10, 1997

Edgewood	22	29	-	51
UW-SP	35	32	-	67

**Edgewood**

Player	FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Points
33 Lanphear	7-11	1-1	16
54 Ford	4-6	0-0	8
55 Donner	2-8	3-6	7
12 Zurfluh	2-7	1-1	6
15 Whitsell	1-6	0-0	3
00 Williams	2-5	3-3	7
5 Nethery	0-4	2-2	2
11 Verhelst	1-1	0-0	2
21 Heiman	0-1	0-0	0

**UW-SP**

Player	FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Points
10 Grzesk	4-7	1-1	9
33 Bailey	6-10	4-5	16
32 Zuiker	4-8	3-5	11
22 Austin	1-5	1-3	3
24 Denniston	6-14	0-1	14
12 Vosters	0-0	2-2	2
14 Hoerman	0-2	0-0	0
20 Bennett	2-5	0-0	5
34 Vander Velden	0-0	1-2	1
40 Frank	1-2	0-0	2
45 Wreath	0-0	0-2	0
50 Blessington	1-1	0-0	2
52 Hornseth	1-1	0-0	2

**3-pt Shooting:** Edgewood 3-15 (Lanphear 1-3, Donner 0-1, Zurfluh 1-2, Whitsell 1-6, Nethery 0-3); UW-SP 4-13 (Austin 1-3, Denniston 2-7, Bennett 1-3). **Rebounding:** Edgewood 34 (Ford 7); UW-SP 31 (Bailey 6, Zuiker 6). **Assists:** Edgewood 12 (Donner 4); UW-SP 18 (Denniston 6). **Blocks:** Edgewood 1; UW-SP 3. **Turnovers:** Edgewood 14 (Zurfluh 4); UW-SP 6 (Bailey 2). **Fouls:** Edgewood 18; UW-SP 16. **Fouled out:** Donner.

**UW-SP - UW-RIVER FALLS**

December 6, 1997

UW-RF	33	26	-	59
UW-SP	32	34	-	66

**UW-RF**

Player	FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Points
4 Been	3-5	0-0	9

### The Week Ahead...

#### UW-Stevens Point Athletics

Men's Basketball: UW-Platteville, Saturday 7 p.m.;  
Winona State, Monday 7 p.m.

Women's Basketball: At Ripon College, Saturday 2 p.m.

Hockey: At UW-Superior, Friday and Saturday 7 p.m.



23 Beeler	2-4	2-2	6
40 Ptacek	3-4	2-3	8
5 Fisher	1-3	1-2	3
10 Meschke	7-18	2-5	17
3 Coss	2-3	0-0	5
12 Bauschelt	1-5	4-6	6
41 Werner	1-1	3-5	5

**UW-SP**

Player	FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Points
10 Grzesk	5-10	2-3	12
44 Westrum	3-7	2-3	8
32 Zuiker	4-7	3-4	11
22 Austin	3-7	0-0	9
24 Denniston	2-7	4-4	8
14 Hoerman	0-0	0-0	0
20 Bennett	3-4	2-2	10
33 Bailey	3-4	2-2	8
40 Frank	0-0	0-0	0
50 Blessington	0-0	0-0	0
52 Hornseth	0-1	0-0	0

**3-pt Shooting:** UW-RF 5-12 (Been 3-4, Beeler 0-2, Meschke 1-4, Coss 1-2); UW-SP 5-9 (Austin 3-4, Denniston 0-2, Bennett 2-3). **Rebounding:** UW-RF 22 (Ptacek 6, Meschke 6); UW-SP 36 (Westrum 9, Zuiker 9). **Assists:** UW-RF 12 (Fisher 5); UW-SP 13 (Grzesk 5). **Fouls:** UW-RF 18; UW-SP 20.

**WIAC Standings (As of Dec. 9)**

	WIAC	Overall
1. UW-SP	1-0	6-0
2. UW-Platteville	1-0	3-0
3. UW-Superior	1-0	6-1
4. UW-Whitewater	1-0	4-1
5. UW-Oshkosh	0-0	5-0
6. UW-River Falls	0-1	5-2
7. UW-Stout	0-1	4-2
8. UW-Eau Claire	0-1	3-2
9. UW-La Crosse	0-1	3-4

### Women's Basketball

**UW-SP AT UW-RIVER FALLS**

December 6, 1997

UW-SP	32	34	-	56
UW-RF	30	23	-	53

**UW-SP**

Player	FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Points
25 Crum	2-6	3-4	7
45 Bergman	7-15	8-12	22
33 Groshek	2-2	0-0	4
13 Knier	0-1	2-2	2
23 Ott	4-16	2-6	13
15 Van Dyke	1-2	0-0	2
35 Trzebiatowski	1-5	2-2	4
41 Dunning	0-1	2-2	2
43 Konrardy	0-1	0-0	0

**UW-RF**

Player	FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Points
4 Huppert	0-0	0-0	0
10 Pawlik	0-1	1-2	1
20 Olson	3-11	3-5	10
23 Sieburg	1-3	0-0	2
24 Gefeke	2-7	0-1	4
25 Rambow	0-7	2-2	2
30 Bisek	0-0	0-0	0
31 V. Schley	3-5	3-5	9
33 B. Schley	1-8	2-2	5
34 Johnson	6-6	4-5	16
35 Sticha	0-0	0-0	0
43 Sell	2-4	0-0	4

**3-pt. Shooting:** UW-SP 3-10 (Crum 0-1, Ott 3-9); UW-RF 2-12 (Olson 1-5, Gefeke 0-3, Rambow 0-1, B. Schley 1-3). **Rebounding:** UW-SP 39 (Crum 10); UW-RF 31 (Rambow 5, V. Schley 5, B. Schley 5). **Assists:** UW-SP 12 (Crum 7); UW-RF 15 (V. Schley 4). **Fouls:** UW-SP 19; UW-RF 20.

**WIAC Standings (As of Dec. 9)**

	WIAC	Overall
1. UW-SP	1-0	3-4
2. UW-Eau Claire	1-0	7-0
3. UW-Stout	1-0	5-0
4. UW-La Crosse	1-0	1-5
5. UW-Oshkosh	0-0	4-1
6. UW-River Falls	0-1	4-3
7. UW-Whitewater	0-1	3-3
8. UW-Superior	0-1	2-3
9. UW-Platteville	0-1	2-3

### Hockey

**NCHA Standings**

	W	L	T	Points
1. St. Norbert	8	0	0	16
2. UW-SP	6	2	0	12
2. UW-River Falls	6	2	0	12
2. UW-Superior	6	2	0	12
5. Bemidji State	4	2	0	8
6. UW-Eau Claire	3	5	0	6
7. St. Scholastica	1	7	0	2
8. Lake Forest	0	6	0	0
8. UW-Stout	0	8	0	0
9. UW-Stout	0	6	0	0

**NCAA DIVISION III**

**WEST REGION POLL**

1. St. Norbert (4)	40
2. UW-Superior	36
3. UW-SP	32
4. St. John's (Minn.)	26

### Wrestling

**WISCONSIN OPEN**

December 6, 1997

**UW-SP Placemen**

**First Place**

150 - Mike Carlson (UW-SP) def. Wieland (Loras) 5-4; HWT - Perry Miller (UW-SP) pinned Gress (UNAT) 3:16.

**Second Place**

134 - Jaime Hegland; 142 - Ross Buchinger.

**Fourth Place**

126 - Tyler Roethle

**Fifth Place**

118 - Corey Bauer; 167 - Wes Kapping

**Sixth Place**

177 - Tim Prosen

## SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

### BOB BLESSINGTON - BASKETBALL



Blessington

**UW-SP Career Highlights**

- Started six of 25 games in 1994-95 after transferring from UWC-Waukesha.
- Played in 21 games of 1995-96 season before redshirting in 1996-97

**Hometown:** New Berlin, Wisconsin

**Major:** Elementary Education and Special Education

**Most Memorable Moment:** Our team's trip to Hawaii my first year. And also even though I redshirted last year, being part of the team that went to the Elite Eight of the NCAA Tournament.

**Most Embarrassing Moment:** We were playing at UW-Superior my first season and I got elbowed between the eyes. The cut puffed up and it looked like I had a third eye.

**Who was your idol growing up?:** Vince Lombardi, even though I wasn't around when he was a coach. A lot of it was from hearing old Packer stories. I was curious about Vince and the whole team and how he got his players to play as a team.

**What do you plan to do after you graduate?:** I'm going to get into teaching, probably in the Milwaukee area. I'd also like to get into coaching.

**Biggest achievement in sports?:** Winning the Conference and Regional Championships my senior year in high school. It was our first championship in many years and the year before we had a young team with a below .500 record.

**What will you remember most about playing basketball at UW-SP?:** The tradition and the friendships I developed. It's an honor to play here.



## On top of their game

### Intramural Top Teams - Block #2

**Men's Basketball Top 10**

- |                   |                 |
|-------------------|-----------------|
| 1. The Lizards    | 6. Gunners      |
| 2. OFF 3          | 7. The Cuts     |
| 3. Shooting Stars | 8. Rob's Rebels |
| 4. No Fat         | 9. Big Shooters |
| 5. Team Turtle    | 10. IBA         |

**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
- Barca FC
- Vibes
- AC Milan

**Co-ed V-ball Top 5**

- Danger Zone
- D's Destroyers
- Spiked Punch
- 2 Short
- I Don't Know

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

- Xibalba
- Caucasian Persuasion

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

- Garden Peas
- Friction
- Sarah's Slammers

Standings are for Week #5  
11/23-12/4/97

## Basketball

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possibility of a medical redshirt for Westrum if he were to miss over six weeks.

The Pointers will put their undefeated record on the line on Saturday night at home against Platteville beginning at 7 p.m.

### UW-River Falls at UW-SP

The WIAC opener for the Pointers was anything but easy Saturday night.

River Falls gave Point all they could handle before the hosts escaped with the 66-59 victory.

Trailing by twelve in the second half, Jay Bennett and Brant Bailey led the comeback charge for the Pointers.

"Those two had very special games," Jack Bennett said.

"Brant, he's quick and athletic. (Jay) doesn't make a lot of mistakes. He's not explosive, but he's sure."

Despite the loss of all-conference center Matt Chitwood, River Falls displayed a balanced attack.

"I think they're better this year. They're quicker and more athletic," Bennett added.

"We knew this was going to be a real test."

Dave Grzesk led the Pointers with 12 points. Joe Zuiker added 11 and Jay Bennett 10 off the bench.

## Rudolph

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don't require shelter. Their meat is leaner than beef and supposedly better tasting than venison.

In some areas they may have gotten too popular. Domestic deer in Sweden are so numerous that the tundra can't support them without additional feeding.

There are reindeer farms in America but the Christmas spirit has lifted them to almost untouchable status. It could be tough to take a bite of Rudolph. So instead they're often used for Christmas promotions. Some people even buy them for pets.

In the next few weeks, take a closer look at the reindeer you come across. They may not be able to fly, but they are remarkable animals nonetheless.

## Community

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produce and sell 104 pounds of corn to buy a 25 ounce package of frosted flakes."

CSA not only implements earth friendly farming practices, but as a consumer you get what the land has wholly and naturally provided.

This is part of the reason why Anderson sees CSA as "wave of the future for small scale farming."

## Safety

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caution. Winter drawdowns often occur for hydroelectric power generation, causing the ice to buckle and become treacherous.

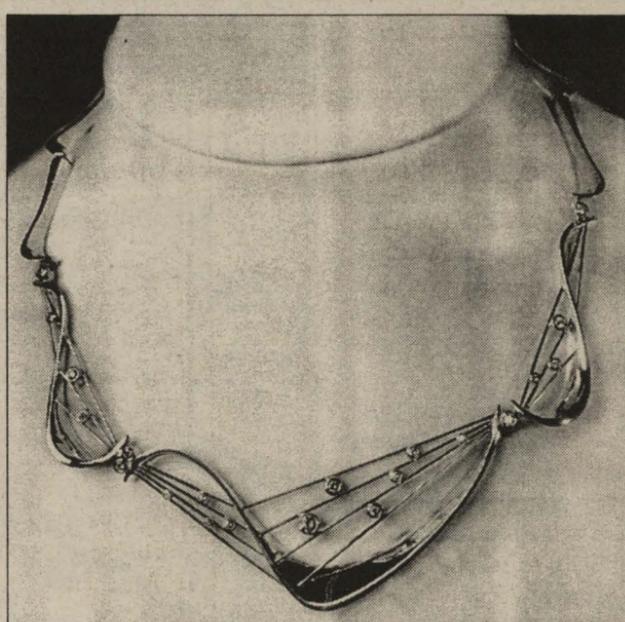
Expansion cracks form when the night temperatures drop below freezing causing ice to contract, and the day temperatures become relatively warm causing the ice to expand. This creates pressure ridges that rupture.

Take a long handled chisel along to test the ice in front of you before walking anywhere. Springs in lakes might surprise you, which can cause the ice to be extremely thin.

For the novice ice fisherman, four inches of ice is essential. Ice is not always uniform in thickness due to the reasons I have previously discussed, so don't test your luck. Always respect the ice, and be very cautious for implications that it may be unsafe.

Never assume any ice is safe. Be cautious at all times and always dress warmly, because if you die of hypothermia your just as dead as if you fell through and drowned.

Hopefully I haven't discouraged anyone from ice fishing, because it can be a very fun and rewarding experience to break up the monotony of winter.



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## Much to be gained at Schmeeckle

By Nick Katzmarek  
CO-EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Are you still looking for that unique present for that one person who's impossible to buy for?

Or maybe you're waiting until school is over to do the dreaded Christmas shopping?

Well, you just may be in luck. Many students at UW-Stevens Point know of Schmeeckle Reserve, but some may not know that there is an excellent opportunity to find gifts for that hard to please person.

Pierce Wasmund, junior at UW-SP, said "I've been to Schmeeckle many times, but I've never even been inside the visitor's center."

In the process of finding that gift, you can help support the reserve by donating money towards its upkeep.

Visiting the reserve need not just be for buying gifts either. Visits to the reserve can just be for a relaxing walk on the snow covered trails, which can take on a ghostly appearance in the early hours of the morning.

Or, you can drop by the visitor's center and check out developments on the Conservation Hall of Fame. Slated to open on Earth Day 1998, this basically stu-



Just a few things that you can pick up at The Browse Shop in the reserve's Visitor's Center.. (Photo by Carrie Reuter)

dent run project has some interesting Wisconsin history and exhibits already.

One such exhibit that will immediately catch the eye is a gigantic timber wolf, posed in a hunting position.

According to Charlie Sensenbrenner, the Outdoors editor at *The Pointer*, the wolf, when ready, will be activated by a visitor tripping a laser, upon which

the wolf will wag its tail, accompanied by a narrative.

There are also maps of the trails and an attendant that can help you get on your journey into a preserved land that harkens back to the days when civilization was a little less intrusive.

If you're still on the lookout for a gift, or just want a walk, take a chance on the Schmeeckle Reserve Visitor's Center.

## Williams' winning style

By Erin Schneider  
FEATURES REPORTER

Subtleties can make a big difference concerning one's overall impression or atmosphere toward a person or even a store.

In Meg Williams' case, the alteration of the University Store's logo, in which she proposed and designed, had a lasting impression on the nationally accredited magazine, *Dynamic Graphic*.

Williams, a senior graphic design student from Port Washington, works as a graphic design intern at the University Store.

Williams recently took on the task of creating a new logo that would reflect the philosophy and atmosphere of the University Store.

"We want to convey friendly service, quality, and a variety of products in order to give customers a better feel for what we can offer students, faculty, and community," Williams said.

As a result, after seven preliminary logos, three oblong elliptical designs were published in *Dynamic Graphic* magazine. Along with the article, *Dynamic Graphic* included a designer tip

provided by Williams showing how to create elliptical swashes similar to those on the winning logo.

Williams hopes her newfound fame will help in landing her a job after graduation.

"Graphic design is a growing, competitive field," Williams explained. "I'd like to move to a metropolitan city such as Minneapolis or Chicago where there's the best market for graphic designers and see what they have to offer."

Before Williams pursues her career goals as a logo or perhaps package designer, she hopes to study in London and travel around Europe.

"I'd like to see what they're [European designers] doing with design compared to the United States," Williams commented.

In addition to work and school Williams enjoys taking long walks for inspiration.

"Keep your eyes open to what's going on around you and be inspired by the world surrounding you," Williams advised.

Currently you can find Williams working on a collaborative project at the University Store as a "freebie" lure for students. Whatever you can catch her doing, she is sure to make a lasting impression on UW-SP's campus.



Williams

## Feature Organization: Trippers

The official travel and adventure club of UW-SP

By Jason R. Renkens  
ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

Members of Trippers, an organization on the UW-Stevens Point campus, camped out in the Sun Dial on Sunday night.

"We just thought that it would be fun and a good opportunity to do some winter camping," said John Burris, a member of the executive board for Trippers.

Trippers, one of the oldest clubs on campus, aims to provide students with an opportunity to travel and see new things.

When the club was created it was geared towards outdoor recreation.

"We've now changed (the club) to meet the interest of people today," Burris said. "We are now the official travel and adventure club of UW-SP."

The club provides outdoor activities ranging from canoeing to sight-seeing. The highlight of first semester is a trip to the Porcupine Mountains. The climax of second semester is a trip for spring break.

The group's activities are not limited to the outdoors. "Trippers is very involved on campus," said Burris.

Members of the organization went roller-skating earlier this semester and are currently involved in a holiday basket project.

Source Committee elected Trippers the best club with between 50 and 100 members last year. The organization currently has over 250 members on its e-mailing list.

In order to fund the activities for the year, Trippers holds a number of fund-raisers. They range from the sale of chili and subs to that of T-shirts and patches.

Meetings are held at the discretion of the executive board. To get on the mailing list simply e-mail John Burris or Richard Anderson.

## Cooking Corner

### Tracy's Carmel Corn

24 cups of popped popcorn      1 stick of butter  
1 cup brown sugar                      1 teaspoon baking soda  
1/2 cup light or dark corn syrup      1 teaspoon vanilla

- Melt butter in saucepan.
- Add brown sugar and corn syrup. Boil 1 minute (stir constantly).
- Remove from heat.
- Stir in baking soda and vanilla.
- Pour over popcorn and stir.
- Bake at 250 degrees in a glass baking pan and stir every 15 minutes.
- Remove from oven.
- Cool and break into pieces.

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

## 'Twas the Night before Finals



It was the night before finals, when all through the halls,  
The hours were dead, yet alive as the malls;  
Off campus students did much of the same,  
Their time in the halls already came.

Studying had ruined their last seven days,  
All for the sake of getting good grades;  
They drank coffee and soda, any source of caffeine,  
As long as the Sand Man didn't enter the scene.

The lack of sleep and the overload of stress,  
Left most of the students in somewhat of a mess;  
They had so little time and so much to do,  
Their first final was at 45 minutes past two.

Sleep crept up like some debilitating disease,  
Without a chance to fight it, they were getting some Z's;  
They dreamed of a time when their schedules were clear,  
Holiday Break was so very near.

They finally awoke at a half past one,  
Well rested and refreshed but nothing was done;  
They had good intentions, put up a good fight,  
But crammed as always, for time was always tight.

By Jason R. Renkens



## Q&A with Chancellor Tom

### What advice do you have for graduating seniors this semester?

You have just received one of the finest educations in the world. Grow and develop to your fullest potential and make UW-Stevens Point proud, as I know you will!

### What do you want to accomplish over Christmas break?

This will be a great time to tie up loose ends from the fall semester and make plans for the spring semester in regard to the University. In addition, I will use my spare time to make progress on writing a graduate-level textbook.

### What do you want for Christmas?

A small cuckoo clock to hang in the Chancellor's office. A reliable source has indicated that Santa might deliver on this.

### What is your favorite part of Christmas?

I like the whole package-- the spiritual aspect, the increased joy and goodwill displayed, the parties and the holiday itself.

## Food Review: Southpoint Restaurant

By **Carrie Reuter**  
PHOTO EDITOR

There is no place like a down home, good cookin', diner. That is exactly what you will get when you visit the Southpoint Restaurant.

The diner, which I like to call it, has anything you could possibly imagine, from breakfast to seafood. Southpoint's food is reasonably priced. The least expensive item on the menu is an English muffin for \$.65 all the way to a U.S.D.A choice steak for \$7.45.

This visit to the diner I decided to order the patty melt, which is a hamburger on toasted rye bread with Swiss cheese, sauteed mushrooms, lettuce and tomato. Of course this comes with fries--mountains of fries. The burger was perfectly done to my specifications, and was incredibly large. One of the diner's specialties is a lot of hot, good food, fast.

My patty melt was great. I was fully satisfied after eating, although I was upset because I

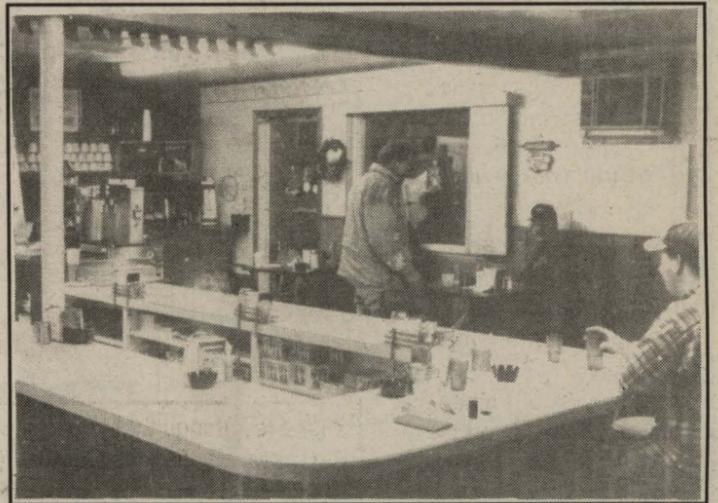
didn't save room for the many flavors of fresh homemade pie. They offer cranberry, apple, blueberry, cherry and pecan pies. They even have one of those pie displays that spin around from the 1950's, so you can look and see which one looks the tastiest.

The hospitality is very friendly, and I'm sure they remember a familiar face. Your coffee or soda will never be empty if you

eat here. The best part about the atmosphere is the counter you can sit at; it is so comfortable.

The Southpoint restaurant is located on Division Street across from Copps grocery store.

It is open 24 hours, which is convenient. Anytime you have a weird craving or just need a piece of pie and some coffee, Southpoint will be open. Once again, you won't be disappointed.



The Southpoint Restaurant is a fine place to get a bite to eat or just a cup of coffee. (Photo by Carrie Reuter)

## Battle of the Sexes wish list: Great sex or perfect grades?

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

Grades and sex don't exactly seem like they have a lot in common unless one happens to be causing the other to suffer.

For this reason, the question of whether someone should choose the greatest sex of their lives anytime they want it or a free (as in no studying) 4.0 raises an interesting question.

If I were to choose, I would have to pick the free 4.0. Now before you assume that I am just a sluggish procrastinator who wants success without working for it, let me explain myself.

The path to "perfect sex" or the best sex in your life can be and should be as pleasurable as the final goal. Much of the gratification obtained comes from the many successes and failures along the way.

If you chose to have the greatest sex in your life anytime you wanted it how exactly are you going to know that it is in fact that great? Without a history of both good and bad sexual encounters, you will have no point of reference to compare it to.

Now to defend the other aspect of my view: the free 4.0.

Without much thought you might say that getting a free 4.0 is like ordering a bachelor's degree out of the back of a magazine.

The truth can be found by looking at some synonyms for educate: train, instruct, develop, cultivate, discipline, and form.

Nowhere in *Roget's Thesaurus* under educate does it say anything about getting good grades, or any grades for that matter.

So anyone who truly values an education will admit that grades really don't matter. Eliminating the enormous stress of getting good grades by choosing the free 4.0 will foster an atmosphere where getting an education, in the true sense of the word, can be focused on.

Our society has become too wrapped up in the end result whether it be great sex or perfect grades.

Choosing a free 4.0 ensures that the means to the end in both cases are as emphatic as the end itself.

By **Michelle Ristau**  
COPY EDITOR

Here's the question, would you rather have a 4.0, or great sex whenever you wanted it? Hmm...great sex. Now don't get me wrong, I am not a mindless sex fiend, I would just like to earn my grades rather than be given a blanket 4.0.

Have you ever known a person who received an A in a class, even though they didn't deserve it? Doesn't that bother you? Sure, it would be nice to engage in life's simple pleasures without having the burden of studying for a test; but what does this achieve?

I don't agree with notion that if a person were given a 4.0 average they would work to their highest potential. Maybe at first one would study and read for the sake of knowledge, but after awhile the extracurricular activities of night life would be calling.

As for great sex, let me say this: You know when you have it! Given this opportunity I would be able to have great sex with my boyfriend anytime I wanted.

Nowhere in the question does it say that in order to have great sex you have to sleep with many people. I would take great sex with my boyfriend any day.

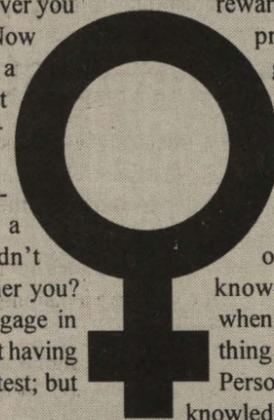
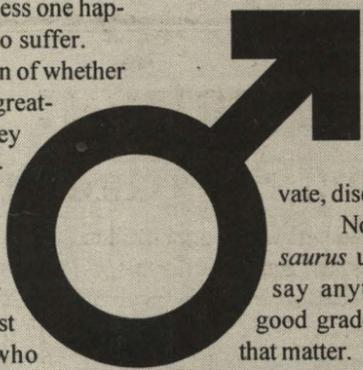
I enjoy learning, but I also enjoy being rewarded for my hard work. I feel proud when I receive a good grade on a test after studying.

If instead, I simply glanced through my notes and the text book, then received an A, I wouldn't give a damn. I think we should give a damn about our grades. Is our thirst for knowledge going to be enhanced when someone gives you A's on anything and everything you produce?

Personally, my continued quest for knowledge comes from my accomplishments and my desire to learn more. Great sex is great sex, and that means you could make that moment whatever you desired it to be.

I am not putting too much meaning on sex and less on education. In fact, it is the other way around. In Webster's Dictionary, a diploma is a writing conferring honor or privilege.

A person doesn't deserve this honor without hard work and dedication.



## Student graduating at 75

One of the UW-Stevens Point's prospective mid-year graduates is a 75-year-old aspiring artist who believes "if someone paints it, it's art."

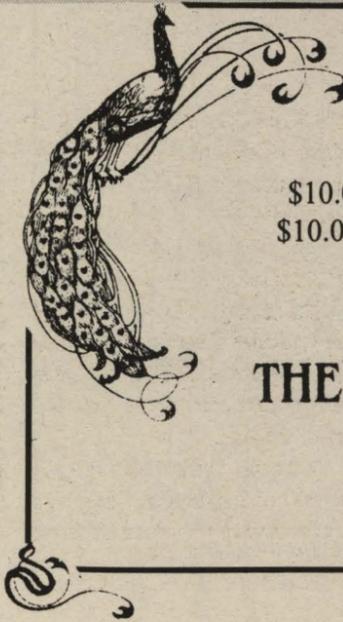


Kuehl

Raymond C. Kuehl's broad definition of art germinated during his 39 year career in testing laboratories at Consolidated Pa-

pers of Wisconsin Rapids. When he began college at UW-SP in 1985, he chose art and design as his major because, as he laments, "When I went to school the first time, they didn't believe in art."

He describes his own work as "narratives done with images." His paintings have been shown at the Wisconsin Rapids library and his oil on canvas painting, "The Man Who Planted Trees," won the University Bookstore Award at the annual juried student art show.



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What ever happened to your old hammock-  
The one you tied between the two oaks at Gladstone Bay?  
All around us, a spattering of white campers, awnings raised.  
Afternoon bursts invading, our shelter a blazen canopy.

Pattern on pattern. Shadow leaves falling on cris-crossed rope turning your white T-shirt to a reflection.

My head resting there catches the sun through the holes.

Bright blue bathing suit flowers melt into your side.

My own arms folded beneath my breasts rise and fall in time with your even breaths, blowing the stray tendrils of my wild hair past my cheek; tickling like little spider's legs.  
Sun tanned toes, barely touching, peek back at me.  
The whisper of your thumb on my arm pulling me towards sleep.

Strawberry seeds from our lunch of berries and grapes still in our teeth, water lingering in my nostrils from your tackle on the beach.  
The heavy scent of the full moon coming on mingled with the ghosts of last night's fires- you were so afraid to let your gypsy dance.

Music floating up from beneath our swaying bodies, voices rise to join it:  
**The landslide will bring you down,** reminding me of late night duets; sing ing me to sleep over telephone lines.  
And you think I am asleep when your kiss brushes the top of my head so quietly afraid of waking me.

I can still feel white strands sinking into pink flesh.  
The creak of the trees as we swayed back and forth, my metronome in winter night, Waking me to scenes of your eyes above me.  
Laughing beneath dusty summer moon.

-SHELLIE CORCORAN

We here at The Pointer wish you a very merry winter break... and when you come back, we will still be here!

The Pointer Staff 1997

## TONJA STEELE By Joey Hetzel



ALL I WANT FOR CHRISTMAS IS YOUR TWO FRONT TEETH...

www.uwsp.edu/stuorg/pointer/sections/tsteele.htm

## SLOW WAVE

by Anonymous and Jesse Reklaw

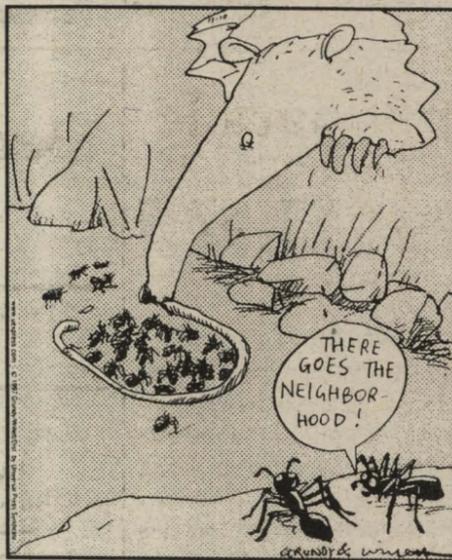


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## Tight Corner

By Grundy & Willett



"Move over! This is a job for your accountant!"

## THE Crossword

- ACROSS
- 1 Tormentor
  - 5 Golf gadgets
  - 9 Tennis' Arthur
  - 13 State strongly
  - 14 Celestial body
  - 15 Repast
  - 16 Long car, for short
  - 17 Nimble
  - 18 Sculler's equipment
  - 19 Purveyor of wordly goods?
  - 22 Agreeable answer
  - 23 Research building
  - 24 — milk
  - 28 Nepal's capital
  - 33 Good-bye, Juan
  - 34 Hiding place
  - 35 Hockey's Bobby
  - 36 Mah jongg piece
  - 37 Malicious
  - 38 Kermit, e.g.
  - 39 A Gabor
  - 40 Meanders
  - 41 — of absence
  - 42 Asserts
  - 44 Joined together
  - 45 Shapely letter
  - 46 Family member
  - 47 Rubble rouser?
  - 54 Formal order
  - 55 Urchin
  - 56 Sleuth Wolfe
  - 58 Choir voice
  - 59 Escape by deceit
  - 60 Abel's brother
  - 61 Performer
  - 62 Dry
  - 63 — vera

- DOWN
- 1 Chum
  - 2 Nasty
  - 3 Trucking rig
  - 4 Certain gait
  - 5 Ancient garments
  - 6 Moslem prince
  - 7 Squirming
  - 8 Sneaky
  - 9 One-celled animal
  - 10 Connerly

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- 11 Red deer
- 12 Overhead railways
- 14 Showed concern
- 20 Hurricane centers
- 21 Sports contest
- 24 Married
- 25 Take — (throw a fight)
- 26 Fragrant flower
- 27 Sock end
- 28 Jackson and Mulgrew
- 29 Play sections
- 30 Defense system
- 31 Motored
- 32 Coaxed
- 34 Bear lair
- 37 Prom flowers
- 38 Bog
- 40 Unpleasant outbreak
- 41 Protracted
- 43 Public reader

FOR ANSWERS SEE CLASSIFIEDS

- 44 Pat or Daniel
- 46 Playground fixture
- 47 Singer Guthrie
- 48 Ceremony
- 49 Roof edge
- 50 General Bradley
- 51 Move slowly
- 52 Circus performer
- 53 Singing group
- 54 Hunk
- 57 Undivided



## DAVE DAVIS in: "Blame it on the Mistletoe: A Victorian Yuletide Dream"

By Valentina Kaquatosh



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

Next Semester: "The Great Rite" begins!

## Warm Snow

it was warm for two days  
til the snowy owls came  
with flurries beneath their wings

it was warm enough to allow  
spiderlings to hatch and decorate  
cedars and balsams with sticky tinsel

gossamers warm enough to dangle  
snowflakes by, snow packed warm enough  
to allow a nursery spider to cross the road

warm snow melting down ravines  
uncovering streams, uncovering road  
killed foxes or dogs, warm coats shed

for a raven to feast, stayed only by  
a bald eagle that arises at our approach  
warm brown and white feathers unfolding

grasping and heaping, freezing  
grew flurries beneath its warm wings  
kept in check by the raven's hearty croak

By Matt Welter  
POINTER POET



## This movie rains on Grisham's parade



By Chris Keller  
Co-EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

John Grisham has made a living off of his books about law. As a former lawyer, who better than Grisham to write about the profession everyone loves to hate.

In his latest book turned movie, **The Rainmaker**, Grisham uses the formula already seen in **The Firm** and **A Time To Kill**.

The story follows a lawyer out of school who is young and naive.

Played by Matt Damon, Rudy Baylor is a lawyer who's ideals are all but unheard of in the real world of the courtroom.

Baylor stumbles upon a family who has been denied an insurance claim, even though they are in good standing.

Jon Voight plays the opposing lawyer, who in all of his high-

gloss lawyering, tries to swindle the system and Baylor.

In a side plot, Baylor befriends the wife of an abusive husband. In one bright spot of the movie, Claire Danes, as the battered wife, turns in a worthy performance in this role.

With a star-studded cast, that includes Danny DeVito and Danny Glover as Judge Kippler, I felt the movie would satisfy as **A Time To Kill** did, with its courtroom scenes and dialogue. However, I was disappointed.

The only real interest I had in the movie was not whether or not Baylor would win the case, but what would become of the elderly lady who rented a back room to him, in exchange for drafting a will.

**The Rainmaker** lacked interaction between the principal characters and featured an unconvincing Glover as the Honorable Judge Kippler.

Rating:



### Rentals

Lord of the Rings  
(1978, 133 min.)

I hope that anyone who harbors any feelings that I don't appreciate animation will appreciate the fact that I am recommending this movie.

I hadn't seen this one in years and suddenly on Tuesday I was possessed by the fantasy demon and snatched it off of the shelves.

There is perhaps not a better movie of its type that can hold my attention better than this fascinating rendition of J.R.R. Tolkien's classic tale of innocence vs. evil.

Interestingly enough, the movie was produced by Saul Zaentz, something I hadn't known before. Of course, I think the last time I had watched it was when I was all of six. I heartily recommend this film to those interested in the genre; the animation, while not great, is intoxicatingly rich and the story will fill you with wonder.

Next week- Akira?

-Nick Katzmarek

## Sleaze, soul, and psychosis It's a Zen Christmas

"Trouble Shake/Change Gonna Come"  
Zen Guerrilla



By Mike Cade  
ENTERTAINMENT REPORTER

Dust off those turntables, everybody, 'cuz this ain't no CD review.

Nope, this is the latest seven-inch from Alternative Tentacles', very own Zen Guerrilla, a band that's ultra-difficult to describe with the printed word.

Go see their stage show and you'll know what I mean. A maniacal grin will fill your face while watching lead singer Marcus, who sports a weird-ass Afro and goofy shades, which perfectly complement his psychotic, echo-drenched vocals and COMMANDING stage presence.

Just in time for Christmas is his new band's single. And it's hotter than Georgia asphalt, baby.

Yep, "Trouble Shake" would put hair on the chest of any **Tigerbeat** cover boy. Equally intriguing is its flip side, a cover of Sam Cook's "Change Gonna Come."

Zen's the type of band, though, that can do a Cook tune without bastardizing soul music. And that's no easy maneuver. Plus they add just enough filth to "Change" that the most belligerent Pachinko fan might shed a tear.

But would you expect anything less from a quartet that can effortlessly mimic "The Trooper" by Iron Maiden?

Keep on the lookout for Zen's forthcoming album **Positronic Ray Gun**, due in February, right when the deep-freeze death grip of Wisconsin winter is in full bloom. How apropos.

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**Kmart**

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"I think that it just fizzled out over time and now we are going to have to struggle to get it back on-line," said SGA Senator Brett Hazard.

Hazard and other members of the group contend that they will continue, and the opportunity hasn't been lost.

"We will get (the project) back on-line," said Hazard.

To many, students missed a grand opportunity to address student concerns of discrimination in the community.

"Things in the committee took a wrong turn when it became more important to keep a good image for the university than to deal with the problem at hand," said graduate student Amy Mondloch.

While students have stalled and divided, Kmart has weathered the storm and is experiencing a successful Christmas shopping season.

**SGA**

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Synder disagrees and says most students make a valid effort.

If the policy is implemented, the course evaluation results are to be printed in next years timetable.

**Women's BB**

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"We figured if we kept the game in the 50's to low 60's, we'd have a chance of winning. And we did just that," Egner said.

Christina Bergman led UW-SP for the second straight game, scoring 22 points on 7-15 shooting. She poured in a career-high 26 points last Wednesday in a 70-68 loss at Lawrence University.

"She's done a great job the last couple of games and is capable of getting a double-double every time she walks on the floor," Egner said.

The Pointers, who broke a three game losing streak with the road victory, improved to 3-4 on the year.

UW-SP closes out a five game road trip Saturday in a non-conference battle with Ripon College.

**ROTC**

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issues that are at stake, and it's important for everyone to realize that when an article takes three weeks to be run it doesn't reflect on either the reporter or the importance of the story.

I will freely admit that there were a few things that I left out. But at the same time my intent was to portray the organization in a light that would interest students; people who do not really have a clear concept of the organization. I feel that I achieved that in my article.

My impression of the ROTC organization is very positive. And when I use the word "give" to refer to the service that a participant offers, I mean that they are making an ultimate sacrifice- giving their time in service of something that they love.

Once again, I hope the main intent of my article was understood by the people who read it. I meant no disparagement towards an organization that I greatly respect, and hope that none was gleaned from the article.

-B.J. Hiorns

**Review**

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*Beauty and the Beast* was the best and last animated Disney film we saw that had solid characters—and only time will tell between *Beauty and the Beast* and *Anastasia* which is the heartier film.

Look, Fox's *Anastasia* isn't perfect. History buffs will cringe when the good folks of St. Petersburg dance and sing after they find Anastasia may still be alive. Anya herself has so many Meg Ryanisms it gets distracting. And every so often we're surprised to learn that Rasputin is still after her. Almost forgot about him. Oh yeah, and the cute animal sidekicks (bleh). It may even be a little slow in spots for our attention-deficient next generation.

But the focus of *Anastasia* isn't about historical accuracy. Let's be honest, when has Disney ever been hampered by nagging details like historical or literary accuracy? *Anastasia* is about a lost young woman finding her family, about two young folks falling in love even though it conflicts with their original plans and about our heroine giving the evil guy a flying tackle. For all of Disney's supposed "liberated" and self-sufficient female leads, they still need their prince charming to save the day.

This kind of movie is not your cup of tea anymore. Well, I'm sorry you lost your sense of wonder, Nick. But next time you review a movie, try watching it first instead of dismissing it outright.

Cartoons aren't just for kids—rent *Akira* or *Ghost in the Shell* sometime. Animation is a complex and time consuming art form. When something as breathtaking as *Anastasia* comes out, I feel sorry for the people who can't appreciate it.

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