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Proposal limits smoking to designated areas

By Kevin Lahner
NEWS EDITOR

Eight months after its initial passage by the Student Government Association (S.G.A.), the campus smoking resolution is back up for debate, but this time it has a new twist.

Last spring, a resolution passed by S.G.A. proposed to enforce a ban on smoking within 40 feet of all campus buildings with a goal of eventually creating a smoke-free campus.

After S.G.A. approval, the resolution was forwarded to the Environmental Health and Safety Committee, who passed similar legislation that would limit smoking only to designated areas.

According to the resolution, the main entrances and ventilation intake locations of all campus buildings would be designated smoke free; smoking would only be permitted at designated



Smokers may no longer be able puff in areas like the heavily used University Center entrance if a new policy goes into effect. (Photo by Denean Nowakowski).

secondary entrances.

"I think that this is a very good step. Especially considering this is a wellness campus,"

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said Tami Larsen, student member of the Environmental Health and Safety Committee.

Some students feel

their rights are being infringed upon and plan to fight the new proposal.

"I understand the point, but I don't want it to happen," said Matt Mutz, a S.G.A. Senator.

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SGA announces spring elections

By Kevin Lahner
NEWS EDITOR

Applications are now open for Student Government Association President, Vice President and Senator, and can be picked up in the SGA office.

"With the elections for Student Government Association forthcoming, SGA urges students who care about making a difference to place their names on the election ballot. I look forward to working with all the candidates come February," said Brad Rutta, SGA's Communications Director.

Applications are open to any student, and must be returned to the SGA office before campaigning can begin.

Yevgeny Yevtushenko visits campus

An internationally known Russian poet, film director and lecturer will speak and work with students at UW-Stevens Point from today through Sunday.

Yevgeny Yevtushenko will lecture, read poetry, speak to university classes and assist in directing a play.

"He is always generous with his time when he visits us and spends it with students," said Bill Davidson, Associate Professor of Communication.

Davidson and Robert Price, Professor of Foreign Languages, will co-host a poetry recital given by Yevtushenko tonight at 7 p.m. in Michelson Hall.

This is Yevtushenko's third appearance at UW-SP. He was speaker at convocation in 1993.

Yevtushenko's appearance at this series is made possible by an endowment from the Copps Corporation, with the assistance of the UW-SP foundation, the College of Fine Arts and Communication and the College of Letters and Science.

His film, "Stalin's Funeral," will be shown on Friday, January 30th and Saturday, January 31st at 7 and 9 p.m. in room 333 of

the Communication Arts Center.

Yevtushenko wrote, directed and starred with Vanessa Redgrave in the 1989 film.

According to Davidson through images of the trampling of mourners in the funeral procession, the film is a statement of the terror of Stalin that persisted even after his death.

"It is a powerful expression of human emotion," Davidson said.

On Saturday Yevtushenko will coach students who will be performing "If All the Danes were Jews," a Players sponsored production.

His work has a rebellious attitude that won him popularity throughout the world in the early 60's and 70's. He has lectured extensively in Africa, Europe and the U.S., speaking fluently in six languages. He lectured with Alan Ginsberg from New York to San Francisco in the early 1970's.

In August of 1991, when the Russian military attempted to overthrow the government, Yevtushenko spoke from the balcony of Parliament. He read a poem contained in his novel "Don't Die Before You're Dead."

Students question underage drinking policy

Andrew Konicke
NEWS REPORTER

Every weekend underage drinking is a popular social event on the UW-Stevens Point campus.

Jim Reuter
NEWS REPORTER

Even though many of these student will succeed in their illegal escapades, there are always a few that

Jessica Burda
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get caught for their wrongdoing. UW-SP has their own system in place, separate from the police, for han-

dling underage drinking on campus. However, much of the student body believes the system doesn't work.

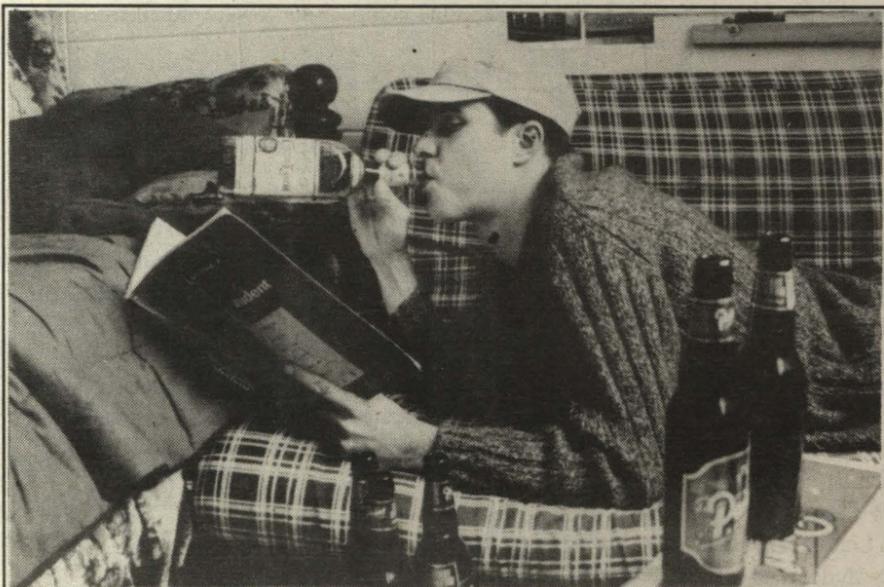
"It's so easy to drink on campus and everyone does it," says Celeste Hoffman, a freshman. "No one seriously worries about getting caught."

Residence Hall students who do get caught for underage drinking face several consequences. These are based on the individual incident and decided by the hall director.

The most typical scenario for the initial underage incident starts with getting caught and being written up by the Community Advisor.

The write-up then enters the student's conduct record, and a meeting with their hall director is scheduled to discuss the occur-

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Underage students are deterred very little by campus drinking policies in the Residence Halls. (Photo by Carrie Reuter)

Photos by Carrie Reuter and Denean Nowakowski

THE POINTER POLL

What do you think of Packer's G.M. Ron Wolf saying, "We turned out to be a one year wonder"?



Maggie Legwin
SPANISH, JUNIOR

"Shows a real lack of support in the team. His statement entails that their last year win was a fluke."



Chad Grube
GEOGRAPHY, SENIOR

"Ship him to Seattle!"



Lance Pfanrer
ECONOMICS, JUNIOR

"Totally uncalled for and inappropriate! If he feels that way about the Packers, he can take the job in Seattle for all I care!"



Marci Leffingwell
ENVIRO ED., JUNIOR

"The Pack is a great team. They made it all the way to the Super Bowl two years in a row and will do it again."

Faculty get taxed

By Tracy Marhal
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Beginning this semester faculty and staff will no longer be able to take advantage of a tax exempt privilege students enjoy when using personal points on campus.

In the budget bill passed last fall, the tax exemption status was removed for all groups on campus except for full-time graduate and undergraduate students.

Governor Thompson also vetoed the clause which ended the tax exemption status of National Football League teams utilizing UW-campuses for spring training beginning this year. Initially, the bill would have taxed pro-football teams.

"Governor Thompson went against legislatures point of view

and vetoed the implementation deadline," said David Miller, Vice President of UW- Madison's University Regulations.

Although this amendment has an effect on many people, the general faculty/staff of UW-Stevens Point did not seem concerned about the change, and some were not even aware.

"Originally the tax exemption was created for faculty and students that lived on campus. As time went by, faculty moved off-campus, but the exemption never caught up," Miller added.

Ed Richmond, Campus Activities Assistant Program Director thinks the change is detrimental to faculty and staff at UW-SP



Faculty members get taxed. (Photo by Carrie Reuter)

"Now that they are taxing points, there is no incentive for faculty to use that service," said Richmond.

Smoke

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Larsen disagrees, "Essentially you have no right to smoke anywhere if you are infringing on other people's rights."

The proposal also calls for the UW-SP campus to be designated smoke free by January 1st of the year 2000.

Stevens Point is following the lead of many UW-System campuses, including UW-Eau Claire, and UW-Madison, which have become smoke free in recent years.

According to the Environmental Health and Safety Committee resolution, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has designated tobacco smoke a class A carcinogen, and causes 3,000 lung cancer deaths per year.

S.G.A. meets at 6:15 p.m. tonight in the Wright Lounge and strongly encourages students to come and voice their opinions on this controversial issue.

UW-SP remembers Thiele

By Matt Mutz
NEWS REPORTER

The UW-Stevens Point mourning flag flew yesterday in memory of David Thiele, who died unexpectedly last Saturday evening.

Thiele, 37, was born and raised in Stevens Point.

He graduated from Stevens Point Area Senior High in 1978, and received his Bachelor's degree in Business Administration from UW-SP in 1982.

Thiele completed his M.B.A. from UW-Oshkosh in December 1996.

"Dan was a good friend and employee. We will all miss him personally, and the university will miss his talents."

Dave Dumke, Director of A.I.S

Thiele served as Assistant Director of Administrative Information Systems(AIS) at UW-SP. He had been working for the university since he was a UW-SP student.

Dave Dumke, Director of A.I.S., said, "Dan was a good friend and employee. We will all miss him personally, and the university will miss his talents."

Thiele enjoyed woodworking and sailing.

Funeral services were held Wednesday morning.

Campus



Beat

Tuesday, January 27th

- A handicapped person got his wheelchair stuck in the elevator of the University Center. The information desk was contacted.

Monday, January 26th

- A fire alarm in Roach Hall was activated. The Stevens Point Fire Department and an electrician were called.

- A theft from a room was reported in Hansen Hall.

Sunday, January 25th

- A fire alarm was pulled on the first floor of Watson Hall. There was no fire.

- An intoxicated person was found in Smith Hall. He was disciplined and released.

- Two individuals with footballs were trying to break things near Debot.

- A resident of Hansen Hall reported a theft from their room.

Saturday, January 24th

- Nothing worth reporting happened today.

Friday, January 23rd

- There was an unlawful entry/attempted theft to a vehicle in Lot Q.

- People found on the hill in Schmeckle after hours.

- An individual locked their keys in their car. Officer assisted individual.

Thursday, January 22nd

- A nonstudent was using computers without authorization in the Learning Resource Center.

- An individual reported unauthorized use of a telephone authorization code.

Wednesday, January 21st

- An individual reported compact discs were stolen from their room.

Protective Services' Tip of the Week

Wisconsin law states a reportable accident is one in which there is over \$1000 damage to any one person's property, if there is injury or death, or if there is over \$200 damage to government property. The jurisdiction in which the accident occurred (local police, county sheriff or the Wisconsin State Patrol) must be notified of a reportable accident as soon as possible. You must also file a Driver's Report of Accident within 10 days with the Division of Motor Vehicles in Madison. If a police agency investigates the accident, you do not have to fill out the accident report, the police will.

For any suggestions or comments, please contact Joyce Blader, Crime Prevention Officer at x4044 or e-mail me at jblader@uwsp.edu

The Latest Scoop

World News

MOSCOW, RUSSIA

• A Russian soldier went on a rampage after sniffing glue on Tuesday. Private Oleg Naumov went on a shooting and ax swinging spree, killing his commander and six others. Naumov is being held in the settlement of Pobedino.

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA

• Royal Canadian Mounted Police report criminal gangs, including the Hell's Angels, are nearly in complete control of Vancouver Port. Reportedly huge amounts of narcotics are passing through the port undetected.

National News

NEWHALL, CALIFORNIA

• A 300 pound black bear dubbed "Yogi Bear" escaped capture from Los Angeles County sheriff's deputies Wednesday, after roaming through several California communities. Officials say he managed to escape by climbing a fence and jumping into a dry stream bed.

MADISON HEIGHTS, CALIFORNIA

• A Michigan company that sells porn over the Internet is not commenting on an anti-spamming lawsuit filed against it by America Online Inc. AOL filed the suit against LCGM Inc. and Web Promo Inc. after allegedly sending thousands of electronic ads to e-mail customers.

OXFORD, OHIO

• Officials at Miami University in Ohio report the FBI has entered the investigation into an attack on a 19 year old student. Officials say two men yelled racial and homophobic remarks as they beat a black student with a baseball bat.

NEW YORK, NEW YORK

• One hundred Domino's delivery cyclists peddled through midtown Manhattan to demonstrate a new pizza delivery bag technology the company is introducing. The new bags are designed to ensure a hot pizza is delivered.

State/Local News

STEVENS POINT

• No agreements were reached between municipal officials and the Tavern League of Wisconsin, over a controversial new state law that increased tavern licenses to \$10,000. The meeting, held at the Stevens Point Holiday Inn and Convention Center, attempted to come up with a compromise between the two sides.

WAUPUN

• The water tastes a little weird in Waupun, and no one seems to know why. Officials are searching for answers to find out why the water has a chlorine taste, and to date no answers have turned up. Test results are expected back this week, from over three dozen water samples.

MADISON

• The Senate Education Committee heard testimony Wednesday on a bill that would prohibit schools from using Native American names and mascots for their sports teams. 21 Wisconsin schools have changed their Native American nickname and logos, but 50 others have not.

MADISON

• Two armed men held up a Madison bank Wednesday morning. Police say they wore ski masks and carried handguns. Two suspects have been taken into custody. The robbers surprised bank employees as they were getting ready to open for business. Police reports indicate the men tied up the employees and took cash from the vault.

Career Services announces CIS job fair

By Kevin Lahner
NEWS EDITOR

Career Services has announced its second annual CIS job fair set for Monday, February 2nd in the Laird Room of the University Center.

CIS majors and minors as well as any other students interested

in learning more about computing careers are welcome.

The fair will feature 33 employers from the local area like Wausau Insurance Company and Consolidated Papers, to the more distant companies from the Milwaukee, Madison and Twin Cities areas.

Lorry Thormsgard Waters, Associate Director of Career Ser-

vices expects approximately 400 students to attend, and all CIS classes will be cancelled for the fair on Monday.

"This gives students a chance to explore their career options," Thormsgard Waters said.

Students are encouraged to dress nicely, bring copies of their resume and be prepared to talk to potential employers.

Voice of the Campus

The Pointer seeks your input on the proposed Smoking Restrictions

In an effort to see how you, the campus, feels about the new proposed smoking restriction, The Pointer has developed a survey to get campus feedback on this issue. Please take a few minutes to respond to the survey via e-mail. We will publish the results in next weeks issue, and you can compare your responses to the opinions of the campus community as a whole.

- 1) Are you a student, faculty or staff member?
- 2) Do you smoke?
- 3) Do you agree with the new proposal to limit smoking on campus to designated areas?
- 4) Do you think the campus should be smoke free by the year 2000?
- 5) Do you think the rights of smokers are infringed by such regulations?
- 6) Is the issue overblown, and being taken too seriously by all parties involved?

E-mail all responses and any other comments on this issues to klahn637@uwsp.edu



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Because, I Said So!

By Chris Keller
CO-EDITOR-IN-CHIEF



Once again the Student Government Association is considering a resolution that will ultimately ban smoking on the grounds of UW-Stevens Point by the year 2000.

The resolution, drafted by the Environmental Health and Safety Committee, lists smoke drawn into buildings from their entrances, the littering of cigarette butts and the lack of a healthy image for a wellness campus as reasons for the ban.

To combat these, the resolution calls for all main building entrances and ventilation intakes to be smoke-free by Jan. 1 of 2000.

The resolution goes on to call for designated smoking areas to be placed near secondary entrances until the ban takes place in 2000.

These two policy changes are probably overdue. While attending Madison Area Technical College some time ago, smokers had

designated areas in which they could smoke, and the policy worked fine.

However, I have a problem with the final proposal which reads, "That UW-SP, and its grounds are designated completely smoke-free by the year Jan. 1, 2000."

Once again, a meaningful proposal has been loaded down with a vague recommendation.

First, this part of the proposal is vague in its content. Does a definition of campus grounds include streets? How about parking lots, sidewalks or recreation areas?

Some students may find the sidewalk in front of Lot Q just fine for a quick smoke-break, but does S.G.A.?

These are just a few questions that need answers before this plan can take effect.

While it's admirable that UW-SP feels it can probably become the first university to have a smoke-free campus, I feel it would be better in this case if we

start small and build up.

Why not see the ban of smoking in entrance ways through for a few years and then work towards a campus free of carbon monoxide.

If this ban has to happen, then let's make sure it will be done right.

After all, the bottom line is people who smoke will smoke, and people who don't smoke

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R.I.P.-Mining Moratorium

By Kevin Lahner
NEWS EDITOR

Last week the State Assembly made one of the most irresponsible decisions to date. In all their wisdom and intellect they decided to pass a mining moratorium bill that does absolutely nothing!

This is just another example of the fact that our State Assembly does not listen to the people of Wisconsin.

In unprecedented numbers sportsmen, environmentalists, Native American tribes, students and even labor unions banded together to support a strong mining moratorium bill.

What is the one thing that banded these people together? A strong commitment to the state's precious natural resources, a

commitment to making sure the community is not destroyed by big corporations and probably most of all, a commitment to the democratic process.

Apparently the State Assembly does not believe in any of these values.

With few exceptions (including our own Representative Bill Murat) it appears that the only thing politicians are listening to these days is the almighty dollar bill.

The State Assembly along with the Governor will continue their irresponsible behavior until the citizens of this state band together and make a statement at the voting booths.

The time has come for students to get off their keysters, get

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Student gives opinion on snow removal

Dear Editors:

After reading the Jan. 22, 1998 cover article of *The Pointer* entitled "Snow Removal Proves Costly," I wondered to myself whether this was an early attempt at the April Fool's edition in order to welcome back students humorously, or if this article was for real. If it was a joke, ignore my remarks.

However, if this article was sincere, maybe I need a few clarifications since I agree that snow removal policies on this campus are ridiculous. First of all, I must take all the shortcuts, because I don't think I've seen all 25 miles of sidewalks that UW-SP Physical Plant Director Rich Riggs claims we have.

In any event, I am even more confused by some of the other comments made by Riggs. He seemed to imply that the five full-time snow removal team members only work during regular hours when four or more inches of snow accumulates.

He then went on to claim that last winter, the five-person team was forced to work for days straight. Maybe it's amnesia from my head hitting the pavement in

the falls I've taken on the treacherous sidewalks, but I can't seem to remember that many heavy days of snow in a row that workers would be forced to work for days on end "averaging only two hours of sleep per day."

Just to clarify, did he mean two hours of sleep total per day or only two hours on-the-job? Anyway, the problem with the

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sidewalks doesn't fall solely on these individuals. It should also be blamed on whoever had the brilliant idea that "unsupervised student workers" would be a good choice to keep sidewalks clean and safe.

More likely than not, anyone lucky enough to get this job (I applied, but was never contacted) realizes that they are getting paid \$7/hr to sit back and watch the

snow fall. I'm sure these students really want to shovel snow but are truly busy with classes all day.

Honestly, these students are either taking well above the average 15-18 credit course load, or they are utilizing all 25 miles of sidewalks walking to and from class, because we all know that college students don't have class straight from 8-5 daily. In my opinion, "unsupervised student workers" probably aren't the best choice if you actually want the job to get done.

In general, the problem is not that we get too much snow and not enough money to move it. The problem is the way the state chooses to employ people for this job. Let's be honest, if I had a group of state workers employed to clear my front porch and sidewalk so that I could get to my mailbox, there just wouldn't be enough time in the day to get it done.

I think all we can do now is wait for spring and warm weather to remove the snow and make the sidewalks a safe place again.... although, I'm not sure the sidewalks are any safer in the spring

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Unsubstantiated rumors float across Washington

Clintonphobia appears to have reached its zenith. President Clinton's enemies believe their unsubstantiated smears alleging sexual misconduct with a White House intern will put an end to his administration and his positive contributions to the improvement of life for ordinary citizens.

It must be emphasized that the claims of Monica Lewinsky respecting her alleged intimacy with President Clinton are unsubstantiated.

If it is true that she has deposed to the effect she has not been sexually involved with the president, why should we believe her if she elects to change her deposition?

Can a person, so volatile and malleable depending upon who is exerting the kind of pressure upon her designed to elicit the desired response, really be considered credible in a matter affecting the incumbency of a sitting President of the United States?

The Clintonphobes of the radical political and religious right are engaged in a witch-hunt

reminiscent of the great Salem witch-hunting hysteria of 1692. Today, a president of our country is being pilloried with the same kind of self-righteous hatred by people who share the theological prejudices of the men of 1692 Salem, Mass.

Those people who are so afflicted with the virus of hatred for President Clinton should remember the admonition of Jesus who said that "he who is without sin should cast the first stone," in reference to the woman caught committing adultery. The problem with them is that they are ready to let loose a fusillade of rocks before they have a true account of what actually happened.

We would indeed be foolish if we allowed the Freudian fantasies of a White House intern to sabotage a president who has presided over the greatest economy America has ever experienced. Bill Clinton deserves better than that.

-William Herziger

Morality's role in U.S. politics under fire

By Nick Katzmarek
CO-EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Last year, and already this year, I have voiced my support for Bill Clinton and his policies, his life and his political agenda.

Mr. Herziger (see left) likens the atmosphere surrounding Mr. Clinton to that of a Salem witch hunt. I wouldn't go so far, but it is interesting to note that Kenneth Starr, the chief investigator into the Clinton "affair" has spent \$40 million in an attempt

to corner Clinton, and has had little to no success so far.

What I wonder about is if this allegation, if not a fabrication, is an attempt to find fire where there is smoke.

The leader of this country has a responsibility to lead with strength, commitment, and a vision for the future. There is no societal proviso that says he is to be a moral leader.

When we look to political leaders and movie stars for our spiritual and moral ideologies, there is something fundamentally

wrong with the moral leadership of this country.

The right-wingers would have us up in arms over this moral transgression.

Perhaps they should look to the pope, who, during his visit, chastised Cuba's lack of material success, blaming it on "limitations to fundamental freedoms." That is religion wielding true political power in a positive way.

Using morality to bash and bring down public figures is an abuse of power and a failure on the part of the religious right.

Danger: a pinch of truth while traveling

By Kris Wagner
MANAGING EDITOR

The world continues to become a closer and closer neighborhood with the advances in technology and a global economy. There's no better way to begin to understand these global relations, than by studying abroad. It's unfortunate when students, who are trying to broaden their horizons studying in a foreign country, become victims of the world's afflictions.

Earlier this month, 13 students traveling in central Guatemala found themselves face to face with armed hijackers. The group, along with three college leaders, were robbed and five women within the group were raped.

The college hosting the trip to Guatemala, St. Mary's College in Maryland, is now finding itself under great criticism for being ignorant of the possible dangers while traveling within the Central American country.

A question quickly arises of how far should colleges censor and re-examine their abroad programs. Last year American students studying in India became victims of a bus accident.

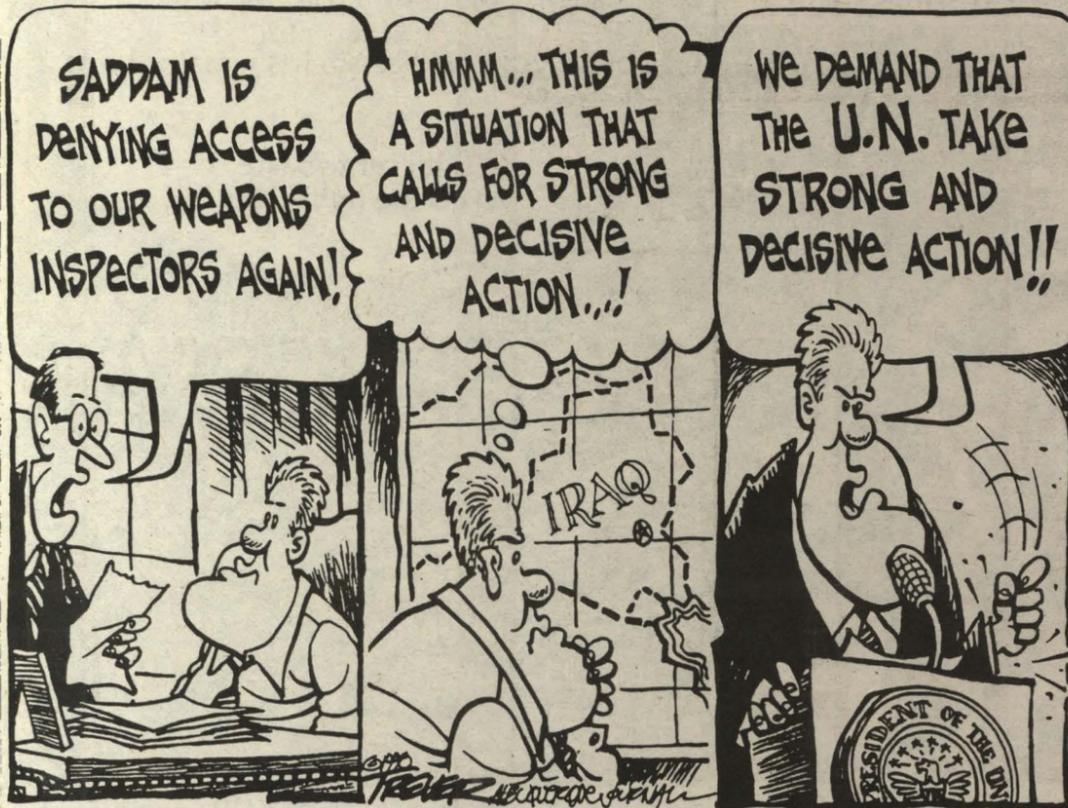
While I was studying in

Sydney last semester a killer was on the loose murdering foreign backpackers in the Kings Cross area of town, so I just avoided that part of the city.

While travelling you get to know or feel, its your responsibility if you're in a wrong area. Nevertheless, incidents are bound to happen with the increasing number of people traveling. The potential dangers — crime and warfare — are as much of a pinch of reality as the beautiful landscapes, different cultures and amazing wildlife are in foreign lands.

It's dangerous to jaunt around L.A. in the middle of the night, likewise many countries have

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El Nino buries central Wisconsin

By Joe Shead
OUTDOORS REPORTER

Talking about the weather is a frequently used way of starting a conversation when nothing else comes to mind, but this past month has produced weather that is actually worthy of discussion.

The month started with a minuscule amount of snow on the ground but an extended flurry of, well, flurries brought us to our current conditions. Once again the

city of Stevens Point is a winter wonderland.

So why the unusual weather? Many people are pointing to El Nino, which may or may not be to blame for our wacky weather. The Wisconsin climatology home page proved an invaluable aid in trying to answer this question.

El Nino, which is Spanish for "the little boy," refers to Christ since it occurs around Christmas. It is a natural phenomenon happening every two to seven years. Normally, the winds in the South-

eastern Pacific Ocean blow from east to west, and cool the surface water of the ocean. But in an El Nino year, the winds are calm and the lack of wind causes water temperatures to remain warm.

As a result, the atmospheric pressure changes. This change in pressure, called "Southern Oscillation," affects weather patterns around the globe.

In North America, for instance, El Nino causes cold temperatures in northern Canada and Alaska and also through the southern portion of the U.S. Warmer than normal temperatures occur in a band stretching from southern Canada south to the mid-latitude states including Wisconsin.

Beginning with the winter of 1957-58, the last eight strong El Nino years have affected snowfall in the Midwest. In most of Michigan as well as parts of Illinois and Minnesota, El Nino winters have resulted in snowfall accumulations 10-20 inches below normal. Wisconsin has not been hit as hard, receiving only 1-10 fewer inches of snowfall.

This information, though, is mostly generalizations for the region. Sometimes the local facts have to speak for themselves.

In Madison, of the last 11 El Nino winters, four have produced above normal snowfall, six produced below normal snowfall, and one year was normal.

SEE SNOWFALL ON PAGE 10



The snow-burdened branches of this spruce tree near campus are a reminder of the heavy snows that have been falling throughout the area. (Photo by Carrie Reuter)

NATURE NEWS AND NOTES

World

Brazil's rainforests still falling

BRAZIL- According to government survey, Brazilian rainforests are being cut at a rate of 7,500 square miles per year. Satellite images show that over 22,000 square miles of forest, an area twice the size of Belgium, fell between 1995 and 1997.

The survey showed that deforestation rates peaked in 1995 when almost half the total destruction occurred. Since then, rates have fallen sharply with a total of 4,888 square miles. However, experts feel the reason rates have slowed is because unusually heavy rains have been falling over the past two years.

The Amazon basin in Brazil contains some of the world's richest biodiversity and many indigenous tribes. In all, the basin covers 1.93 million square miles over nine Brazilian states. Farmers, loggers, and ranchers have already removed 10 percent of the forest.

Nation

"Dead zone" source identified

NEW ORLEANS- A 7,000 square mile area barren of fish and animal life in the Gulf of Mexico is caused by hypoxia, or low-oxygen content, according to the Gulf Restoration Network. A team of scientists commissioned by the White House is currently searching for a solution to the problem.

"If there was a dead zone 6,000 to 7,000 square miles in the middle of Iowa, people would sit up and take notice. This is a problem that needs to be solved."

State

UW-Superior cited for pollution

SUPERIOR- The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency cited UW-Superior for allegedly violating the Clean Air Act. Two university-operated coal-fired boilers exceed state limits for opacity (the amount of light obscured) caused by particulate emissions.

The findings of violations are as of yet preliminary. EPA may issue a compliance order, assess an administrative penalty, or sue the university. The university has 30 days to arrange a meeting to discuss the situation.

Moth quarantine expanding

MADISON- The gypsy moth quarantine scheduled for 11 counties in eastern Wisconsin may be expanded to cover 17 counties according to a plan announced Tuesday by state agriculture officials. Christmas tree farms, lumber mills, and even moving companies must inspect materials before shipment under the regulation.

Campus

Overseas opportunities available

La Suerta and Ometepe Biological Reserves in Costa Rica and Nicaragua invite you to participate in several sessions in their study abroad programs, studying everything from ecology to primate behavior. Programs are offered for winter and summer sessions. Contact La Suerta at <http://www.studyabroad.com/lasuerta> or call (305) 957-6492.

Recreational Service programs

Snowshoe mini-course- Take advantage of the opportunity to build your own pair of snowshoes. Sign up by Feb. 3. There is a \$110 fee.

Spring Break- Venture to Arkansas for a week of hiking through the Ozark Mountains. This is the Spring Break adventure you've been waiting for. Register at Recreational Services by Feb. 7.

Ski Trips- Break up the week with a Thursday Night Ski Trip to Rib Mountain on Jan. 29, Feb. 5, Feb. 12, and Feb. 19. There is also a cross-country ski trip planned to Standing Rocks Park on Feb. 14.

Indoor climbing- Practice your rock climbing skills on an indoor rock wall at the Woodson YMCA in Wausau. Beginners are welcome and encouraged. Instructors will be there to help. The deadline is Feb. 13.

To participate in any of the aforementioned activities, call Rec. Services at 346-3848 or stop by their office upstairs in the Allen Center.

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'Shed' some light on next year's hunt

By Matt "Bert" Ward
ASSISTANT OUTDOORS EDITOR

Editor's note- The following is the first in a two part series. Next week learn more about locating shed antlers.

It's once again that time of year to enter the woods in pursuit of the majestic whitetail buck. However, at this time of year blaze orange won't fill the trees, and it doesn't sound as though you're back in "Nam."

You usually will have the woods to yourself, and experience the peacefulness and beauty of nature. It's now time to go "shed" hunting.

The most satisfying thing about "shed" hunting is that a real trophy can be collected without killing that animal, and with your findings you will be even more excited about next falls deer season.

Looking for antlers is also a very inexpensive activity, and is an excellent form of exercise. All you need is a good pair of binoculars, a sharp set of eyes, and some spare time.

The uniqueness of each set of antlers and the elusiveness of its

owner, has perpetuated sportsmen's curiosity for the mature whitetail buck throughout most of this century. Antlers are only found in the Cervidae family, and are unique due to the fact that they're shed every year.

Antler growth is one of the fastest known forms of tissue

while experiencing the hard winter months. I have found that the majority of bucks drop their antlers in March, however many of the larger bucks tend to lose their antlers during late January and most of February.

The operative word here is the "majority", because wild animals do often have tendencies, but are never 100% predictable.

Mature whitetail bucks generally shed their antlers in close proximity to each other because once one side falls off, the buck wants to

rid itself of the imbalance and discomfort the other antler causes.

If a buck doesn't shed his antlers side by side, the first one will have a clean pedicel, and the second will generally have a bone spur attached because the deer forced the unwanted antler off its head.

If you are lucky enough to find two similar antlers and can't determine if they are a matched set, first look at the flower shaped "burrs" at the base of each antler. These are a bucks "fingerprints"

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"The key to finding 'sheds' is determining the food source, which is totally temperature dependent."

-Matt "Bert" Ward

growth, and has been observed growing as much as one-half of an inch per day. Biologists studying the mature whitetail have shown that it can take as much out of a mature whitetail buck to grow a set of antlers as it does for a doe to produce offspring.

As winter begins to come to a close, the larger bucks will "generally" shed their antlers first. The largest bucks usually wear themselves out during the rut more because they're the most active dominant breeders.

They drop their antlers to cast off that extra burden in their lives,



If you know where to look, the fresh shed of a trophy buck may lay awaiting your arrival. (Photo by Matt Ward)

Mitsubishi destroying whale grounds

By Rebecca Farrar
COPY EDITOR

After only recently returning from near extinction, the existence of the gray whale may once again be severely threatened.

This results from a joint venture between Mitsubishi, a Japanese corporation, and the Mexican Ministry of Trade which would create the world's largest salt factory in the last pristine calving lagoon of the gray whale, Laguana San Ignacio.

Laguana San Ignacio is the only remaining undisturbed lagoon nursery located on Mexico's Baja California Coast. Gray whales migrate approximately 4,000 miles from the frigid Alaskan waters to the warm, salty, protective lagoon in order to give birth to their young.

Until now, the waters weren't threatened by development and devoid of urban pollution, obstructions, noise, and other disturbances.

The underlying motivation by the Mitsubishi Corporation and Mexico is surprisingly not, economically based.

In addition, cited incentives include new jobs and many new products derived from materials within the lagoon. These products include PVC plastics, various chemicals and road salt.

Apparently, the "advantages" listed above are important enough

to risk the survival of the gray whale, removed from the endangered species list only four years ago, by disrupting their last pristine nursery.

The plans Mitsubishi and Mexico have which are deemed detrimental on the gray whales include 116 square miles of giant evaporation ponds that will convert lagoon seawater into seven million metric tons of salt per year.

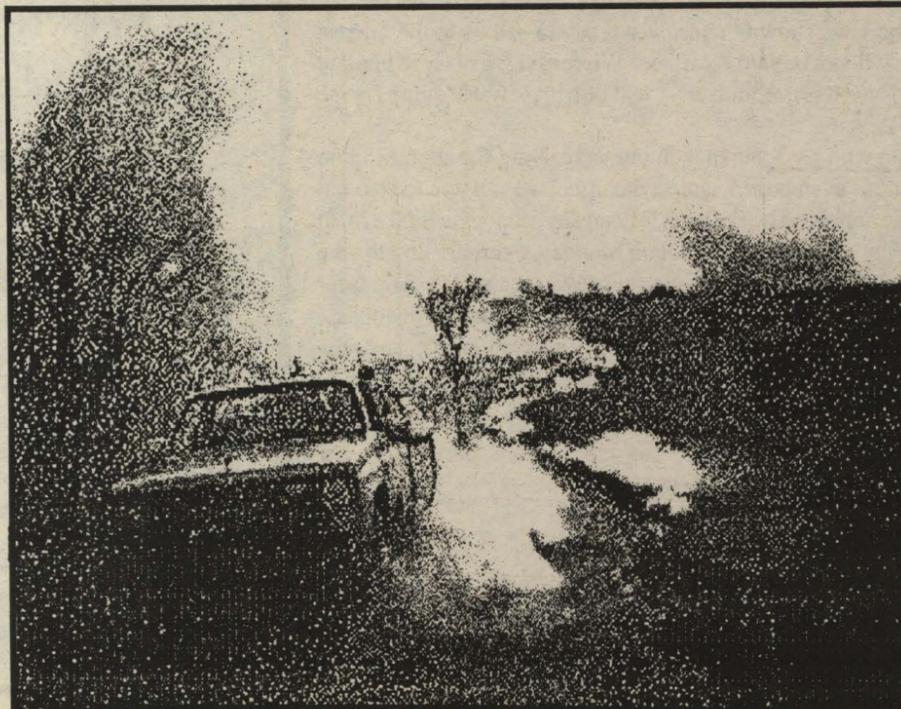
In addition, this industrialization will result in a mile-long concrete pier cutting across the path of the migrating whales, the altering of salinity by pumping 6000 gallons of water out of the lagoon every second, and the presence

of pollution resulting from the docking of giant ships and diesel tankers.

The National Resource Defense Council (NRDC) is very involved in this issue and is currently engaged in an all-out continent wide protest.

Other organizations have joined in this fight including the World Wildlife Federation (WWF) among others.

If you are interested in learning more about this issue or becoming more involved, information is available on the internet at <http://www.nrdc.org>. Take the time to inform yourself on this issue and act now before it is too late.



CLUB CNR

- Alliance For A Sustainable Earth.....Wednesday 7:30 p.m.
U.C. Mitchell or Blue Room
- American Water Resource Assoc.....Tuesday 5 p.m.
CNR 252
- Aquatic/ Marine Biology Assoc.....Wednesday, Feb. 4th
5:30 p.m. CNR 400
- Environmental Council.....Tuesday 8 p.m.
U.C. Garland or Mitchell Rm.
- Environmental Educators.....Tuesday Feb. 11 6 p.m.
& Naturalists Association CNR 354
- Fire Crew.....Thursday 6 p.m.
CNR 170
- Fisheries Society.....Wednesday 5 p.m.
CNR 255
- Pointer Herpetology Society.....Monday 8 p.m.
CNR 457
- Society of American Foresters.....Thursday 5 p.m.
CNR 170
- Soil and Water Cons. Society.....Tuesday 5 p.m.
(1st and 3rd week of month) CNR 262
- Student Society of Arboriculture.....Wednesday Feb. 4th
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CNR 120
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CNR 372
- Women in Natural Resources.....Tuesday 12 p.m.
CNR 372

ATTENTION!!

Any student interested in becoming a wildland firefighter the time is now to take the instructional course. It will be offered on March 6, 7, 8, and will cost \$50.00. If you have any questions call the fire crew office at 346-2897.

Buck sheds

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and are usually of similar size and shape. Next compare the beading and grooving of the antler while you move up the main beam from the burr of the antler. This will be very similar. Most bucks will also have the same rubbing patterns on each antler and this is usually a dead giveaway.

You can also compare tine length and mass of each beam, which is generally quite similar. It has been documented that after some mature bucks shed their antlers they have actually bled to death, because clotting didn't occur immediately after the antler was cast off.

This can explain why many of the largest known deer only have left their sheds to notify us of their existence, and have now disappeared off the face of the earth. An example of this is a Buffalo County whitetail known as "Garth" whose rack was said to resemble the huge, wide hat worn by Garth Brooks.

This deer was well documented and filmed on several occasions. A couple of springs ago a gentleman located both of his shed antlers, and then later found the bucks body. The burrs on the antlers fit "like a glove" into their respective places on the skull, and so ended the legend of "Garth."

Snowfall

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Stevens Point receives an average of 12 inches of snow in December and nine more in January each year.

December apparently fell way short, with almost no snow on the ground. However, snowfalls have rebounded dramatically in January.

Our weather has been unusual this winter and perhaps El Nino does have something to do with it, but keep in mind that this is Wisconsin where you can never trust the weather. Especially if it's in the hands of a "little boy."

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Lake Michigan's trout reproductive trouble continues

By Patrick Schmalz
CNR GRADUATE STUDENT

Lake Michigan once supported the largest lake trout fishery in the world. It produced more lake trout per surface area and sustained higher annual yields than any of the other Great Lakes.

However, lake trout were driven to extinction by years of over-exploitation, habitat degradation, and predation by sea lamprey. Chemical control of sea lamprey paved the way for lake trout restoration, and in 1965, 2 million hatchery-reared lake trout were stocked back into Lake Michigan.

The ultimate goal was to establish self-sustaining populations. Restoration has been successful in building localized stocks of adult lake trout that have spawned, produced viable eggs, and even hatched wild progeny.

However, self-sustaining populations have failed to develop. The virtual reproductive failure of hatchery-reared adult lake trout combined with high exploitation, and organic contaminant pollution are theories for restoration failure.

The Lake Michigan Mass Balance Plan was designed in 1994

to track the fate of organic contaminant pollution in Lake Michigan.

The plan assumes that the contaminant burden of lake trout in a given area is attributed to the bioaccumulation of contaminants in the prey eaten in that area.

The plan established three Biota Boxes, based on a maximum travel distance of 50 miles for lake trout within which to sample all levels of the food web for contaminant concentrations.

The objectives of this study are to: quantify home ranges for lake trout in the Sturgeon Bay biota box, determine seasonal movement patterns, and quantify carrying capacity of home range.

Since 1983, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources and United States Fish and Wildlife Service have tagged nearly 70,000 lake trout in the Sturgeon Bay area and over 9,000 fish have been recaptured and tags returned. Tag returns are reported to the nearest 10 x 10-minute latitude-longitude fishery management grid.

The returns will be standardized by the number of fish examined in each grid in sport, commercial, and assessment fisheries.

Standardized tag returns will be mapped using GIS technology.

ENVIROPINION

Activists "outraged" by Assembly's amendment

A travesty of justice was committed against the people of Wisconsin when the Mining Moratorium Bill was gutted by Republican power plays this past week. According to Ben Manski of Midwest Headwaters Earth First, "State Representatives in the State Capitol have by and large terminated any legitimate claim to their titles, and literally shafted the people of Wisconsin. Only a minority of the politicians under the dome can claim any immunity from responsibility for the violence done to democracy this past week."

For every person who has ever had a anti-mine bumper sticker on the back of their car, stuck, a anti-mine sign in their front yard, or spoken out in any other way against the corporate attacks on Northern Wisconsin through the Crandon and other mines, now is the time to act.

This past weekend student activists from across the state gathered in Stevens Point for the first annual "WISCONSIN STUDENTS UNITE!" conference. Out of this conference came a call for a state-wide "Day of Outrage."

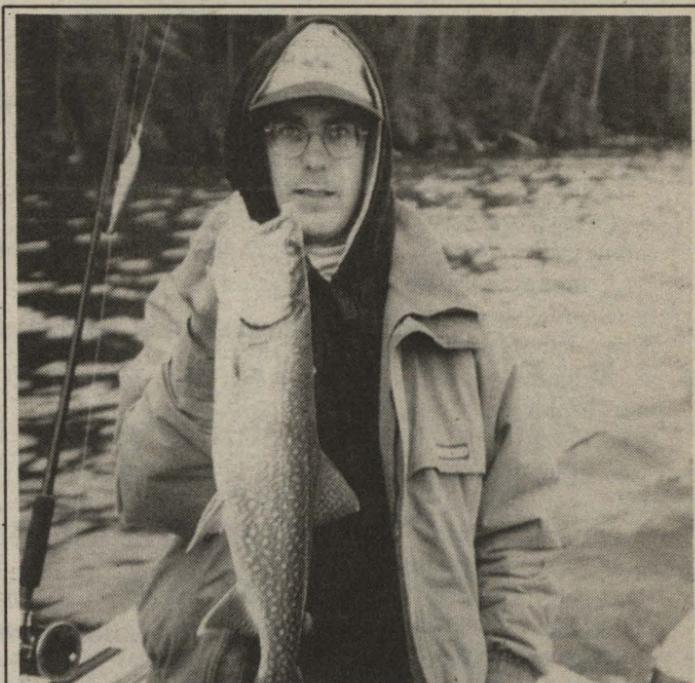
The people of Wisconsin have been betrayed by their own elected officials who have shown themselves ready to sell us to the highest bidder. We will not be sold. Northern Wisconsin is a place to hunt, to fish, and to live. It is not, and never will be a toxic waste dump for the likes of Rio Algom.

Everyone who has ever spoken out against the Crandon Mine in any way, or has even hoped against the mine, we call you to step out of your classrooms and workplaces for one day. Join us at 9:00 a.m. in the West Wing of the State Capitol on Monday, February 2nd to take over the Capitol and to take back Northern Wisconsin. The fight is far from over, but we will stop Rio Algom from raping our Northwoods.

Car-pools will be leaving for Madison Sunday afternoon and possibly Monday morning. Please call Amy at 3424612 or Jeff at 342-3679 for more details.

Amy S. Mondloch
POWR representative
Wisconsin River Greens Representative

Editor's note- We are accepting written statements about environmental issues and opinions again this semester. Contact us at *The Pointer* office (104 CAC) or on e-mail at csens806@uwsp.edu.



UW-Stevens Point graduate student Pat Schmalz hoists a Lake Trout from Lake Michigan. (Submitted photo)

Spatial distribution of tag returns will be used to determine movement patterns, home ranges, and geographic distribution of lake trout caught, tagged, and released in the Sturgeon Bay area.

The temporal distribution will be examined to determine if and when lake trout return to the Sturgeon Bay area.

The information gathered will be useful in determining proper

size for refuges. Movement patterns will indicate if lake trout in Lake Michigan move away from and then back to the Sturgeon Bay area during spawning season.

Native lake trout populations in Lake Superior display such a homing mechanism. Relationships between population density and home range size may aid in understanding proper stocking densities.

Current Events FISHING UPDATE

YOUR BEST BET Eau Pleine River

As long as you have mayflies for bait, plenty of BIG perch are waiting to be caught.

LOCAL OPTIONS Wisconsin River

Try your luck on the back waters near Rusty's where a 27 inch walleye was recently caught.

McDill Pond

Crappies and perch are active.

WORTH A LITTLE TRIP

Lake Tomahawk-Oneida County

Hook in to giant walleye and perch at around 4 or 5 p.m. when they have been most active.

Mason Lake-Juneau County

Fat, hungry bluegills are hanging out around the stumps.

TIPS OF THE WEEK

Try using a "noodle" on your hook when nothing else seems to be working. "Marmoska Russian" and "Purist" jigs are working best. The top colors are moon or orange glow, gold, and black.

Information provided by Renee Vollert at
Northern Bait and Tackle
1500 Maria Drive

Drink

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rence and outcome. The outcome regularly includes a probationary period and attendance at a meeting of the LIVE program.

The LIVE program, run by Alcohol Awareness director Julie Zsido, discusses issues about alcohol such as consequences, value clarification and self-assessments.

The interactive programming concerns a typical night of drinking, what occurs during these nights, and later, setting personal goals for the people who attend.

"The LIVE program teaches responsible drinking before the age of 21," Zsido said.

Nonetheless, many students say the LIVE program is ineffective.

"It's boring, useless, and wouldn't help a soul," said Andrew Schnake, a junior and past participant of the program.

Other students voiced similar concerns about the effectiveness of the LIVE program.

I don't think it does much good because 90 percent of them (student participants) go out the next night, in my experience," said Caroline Conrad, a Communication major.

Some believe the inadequacy of the program stems from the university itself. UW-SP has set up the regulations concerning underage drinking largely without the police. Police involvement only occurs if there are acts of violence, illegal narcotics, persons who refuse to identify themselves, or incidents that the campus cannot handle.

The university therefore doesn't seem to follow the regulations dealing with underage drinking that the state has mandated.

"Underage drinking is not a criminal offense, it's not the same as a misdemeanor or felony," said Sergeant Ron Voelker of the Stevens Point Police Department, in reaction to the university policy.

Education would seem to be the stance of the university on this issue. At a time where many students living on campus begin to taste their first bit of freedom, the university preaches education to the underage student body about life and preparation for the "real world."

"(It is) an educational experience. It is more educational to talk to people who have been caught drinking one on one."

For students who step off-campus and indulge in underage drinking, the reality of their actions become painfully obvious if caught. Drinking tickets in Wisconsin begin at \$209.

The university should consider a tougher approach to drinking education. More effective actions, such as community service, would benefit the student and the university as a whole. These policies could maintain the educational aspects of the university, without police involvement and deter underage drinking at UW-SP.

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I'm no expert, but...

Reader questions dating scene

Dear Samantha,

I heard from my friend that *The Pointer's* Features section was accepting letters for an advice column. Since I have a problem and I don't want to talk to my friends about it, I thought I would give it a try.

I don't know what to do. First I want to say, I thought I had given up on guys. Here is my reason for doing this: I went out with a guy for a very long time and he broke my heart. Not in just the normal "I care about you" way, but in the "I'm not sure that I'll ever care about someone the same way again" way.

Awhile after (that happened three years ago) I met a very nice guy and thought he would be a keeper, but once again I was wrong. I am tired of putting forth the effort in a relationship when I am doomed to be hurt in the end.

But here is my problem. Recently, I met a really nice guy who makes me laugh. He's asked me to go out "on a date" with him and twice I've said no. Should I take a break from the dating scene or should I give him a chance?

Sincerely,
All out of love

Dear All out of love,

Your problem isn't an uncommon one. I know a lot of people, male and female, who have given it their all in a relationship or two and just drained themselves. It's natural to be more apprehensive about relationships after you experience a breakup.

To give up on guys all together would be cutting yourself short. It sounds like you haven't started a relationship in awhile and in my opinion, that is the best part. There's spontaneity and discovery.

The reason your other relationships didn't work out can either be attributed to the fact that you lost that feeling of newness, or your boyfriends weren't ready for a serious relationship.

My advice to you is go "on a date" with this guy. He doesn't necessarily have to be the one, but you deserve to have a beginning with someone. It seems like you have had enough time to get over your former relationships, so give it a chance.

Hope I could help,
Samantha

Editor's Note:

"I'm no expert, but..." is a new column appearing periodically in the Features section of *The Pointer*. All advice forwarded in this column is not given by a professional. If you have any questions for Samantha please e-mail pointer@uwsp.edu. All letters are subject to editing.

Restaurant Review: The Wooden Chair

By Jason R. Renkens
ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

A wooden sign sits on the sidewalk marking the location of The Wooden Chair along Stevens Point's Main Street.

As I walked through the door and stepped onto the hard wood floor, I noticed the bookshelves used as dividers, the fireplace behind the register, and the brick walls. And yes, the chairs were all made of wood.

The Wooden Chair Restaurant is open from 7 a.m. to 2 p.m., seven days a week for breakfast and lunch.

Items on the menu range from \$.95 for drinks and toast to only \$5.95 for eggs benedict and chef salads.

My friend and I went in the morning so we ordered from the breakfast menu. I ordered the Huevos Rancheros Omelette which was filled with chili, green onions and cheese.

My friend ordered Maria's Omelette, filled with tomato, mushrooms and cheese.

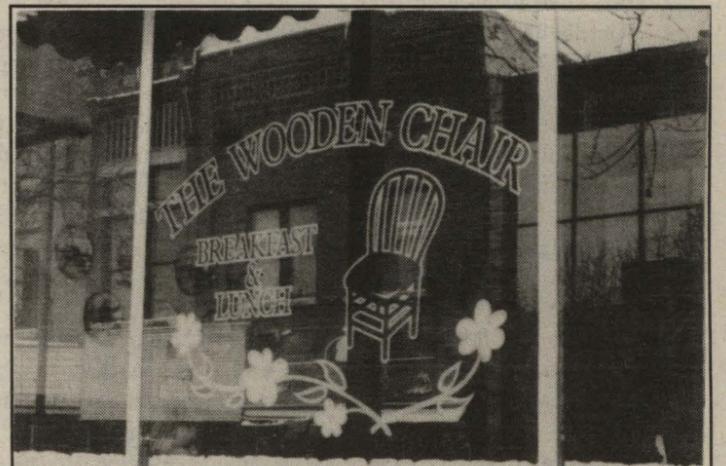
All of the omelettes include a choice of two slices of home-baked toast or one slice of toast and fresh fruit. I opted for the fruit.

It only took a few minutes for our food to arrive and when it did, my jaw dropped to the table. My omelette filled half of my plate, was at least three inches high and overflowing with ingredients.

The toast was an inch thick and the canteloupe, honeydew melon, and grapes were visibly fresh.

I've never had chili for breakfast before so I was shocked when I couldn't put my fork down. I finished the entire omelette in five minutes flat. The toast, which I spread with homemade strawberry preserves, was delicious. The fruit tasted as good as it looked.

This was my first time at The Wooden Chair but with an atmosphere comfortable enough to study in, service better than your grandma's, and delicious food, I can guarantee that it won't be my last.



The Wooden Chair is a great place to eat at a reasonable price. (Photo by Carrie Reuter)

Feature Organization: NRHH

By Erin Schneider
FEATURES REPORTER

Too often kind words and selfless acts are taken for granted, confined to the closet of the fast-paced student world. Fortunately, the student appreciation police, National Residence Hall Honorary (NRHH), sets out to recognize those that go above and beyond their residence hall call of duty.

A nationally renowned organization, NRHH has established

its niche at UW-Stevens Point for roughly five years. Matt Sherrell, president of NRHH, makes sure all runs smoothly during the pioneer years. This proves to be no easy task.

"We recognize those that go above and beyond," explained Sherrell. "We try to say 'thank you' to anyone who commits an outstanding act, or just anyone who's being a good person toward others."

Each hall nominates a person (people) during their meetings and

in return, those performing good deeds are sent positive recognition notes or are the featured person "of the month" on the hall bulletin boards.

NRHH representatives comprise the top one percent of those living in the residence halls.

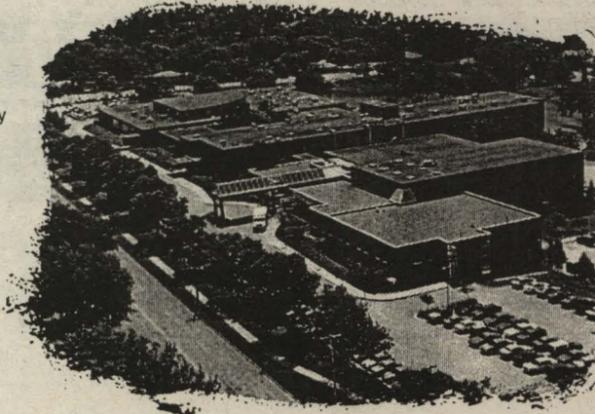
Currently, the organization is undergoing a few changes. If one has a 2.5 minimum grade point average and has spent two semesters in the residence halls,

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- Stir cheese and milk into the puree.
- Toss spaghetti with butter, then with green sauce.

Editor's Note:

Look for "Cresta's Mexican Chicken and Rice" recipe in next week's issue of *The Pointer*. And as always, send your recipes to *The Pointer*, room 104 CAC or e-mail tzawl584@uwsp.edu

Is it unreasonable to hold the president to higher standards?

By Tara Zawlocki
FEATURES EDITOR

First, let me say that I am sick of hearing about President Clinton's personal life. I don't care that he smoked marijuana years ago or that he allegedly had some extramarital affairs.

I feel he has a right to his personal life as long as it doesn't interfere with his ability to govern our country. I'm not saying I approve of his alleged actions, in fact I don't. But I don't feel the country is gaining anything from digging up damaging information on him.

Should we, as citizens of this wonderful country, hold the president to higher standards than we would hold to ourselves?

I don't think so, yet the president is a public figure. He chose to go into politics

and to be in the spotlight. So obviously he will be scrutinized by many.

While this is true, I am beginning to wonder where do we draw the line? I do think we, as citizens, should know what Clinton is doing politically for our country.



I don't feel there is a need to know about the alleged sexual harassment and affairs. If any other citizen of this country was accused of these things, I doubt it would make front page news. We don't need to know everything about his private life from years ago.

Some may say he's an elected official, therefore, he should be leading our country to excellence and his actions could prevent him from effectively doing so.

Personally, I would rather have the president occupied with thoughts of politics rather than the current legal battle he's in. His job is, after all, to lead the country and as president I want him to do a good job.

By Jason R. Renkens
ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

Should the president be held to higher standards than the average citizen?

Bill Clinton has chosen to be where he is. His position as the President of the United States of America makes him a public figure.

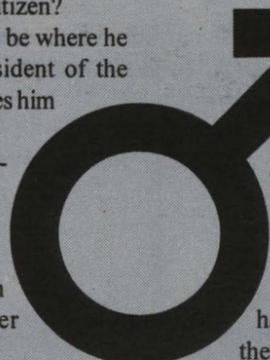
According to the law, public figures surrender almost all claims to privacy. As long as they report the truth about a public figure, the media can print or broadcast whatever they want.

So my answer to the above question would be yes, with the condition that Clinton doesn't suffer any greater punishment, if indicted, than the "average" citizen.

Reporting what people are interested in and what they want to hear is the media's job. Without reporting what the public, or

at least a good portion of the public, wants to hear about, the media would have no patronage and in turn, serve no purpose besides documenting things and events that people don't even care about.

Obviously, there are people interested in and wanting to hear about the personal life of Bill Clinton. Hence, the media is doing their job.



Bill Clinton knew he was surrendering some of his rights to privacy when he began his political career. He, therefore, has no right to complain about the situation he is in.

The media is not accusing him of anything, they are simply reporting that someone else is accusing him of wrong doing.

For those people who are sick of hearing about Clinton's personal life, realize that a large number of people must not be. They have just as much of a right to receive the news as you do to turn off your TV.

WORD OF MOUTH



CONCERT

Centertainment Productions is sponsoring Peter Mulvey, an acoustic guitarist from Milwaukee, Thursday, Jan. 29 at 8 p.m. in the Encore of the University Center.

Cost is \$2 with ID and \$3.50 without.

MOVIE

Centertainment Productions' Center Stage and Centers Cinema present the critically acclaimed drama *Shine* with live piano.

Three UW-Stevens Point students will play popular classical piano one hour prior to the showing on Saturday, Jan. 31 at 7 p.m. in the Encore.

Cost is \$2 with ID and \$3.50 without.

POET, FILM DIRECTOR AND LECTURER

Yevgeny Yevtushenko will speak and work with students at UW-SP from Thursday through Sunday, Jan. 29 to Feb. 1.

All events, except the play on Saturday, are open to the public without charge. Tickets for the play are \$3 for students and \$4 for the public and are available at the Arts and Athletics Ticket Office, Quandt Gym. Call 346-4100 or 1-800-838-3378 for more information.

GHOSTS OF MISSISSIPPI

The University Center's Value Cinema is presenting the movie *Ghosts of Mississippi*, Wednesday, Feb. 4 at 7 p.m. and 9:15 in the Encore.

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Now available in Alumni Relations, 208 Main: UMOs Scholarship applications for Hispanic incoming freshmen due Feb. 27; Agricultural Education Scholarship applications due Feb. 27, for member (or child) of Foremost Farms USA; Jones Foundation Scholarship for undergrads from Grant, Iowa, or LaFayette Counties due March 1.

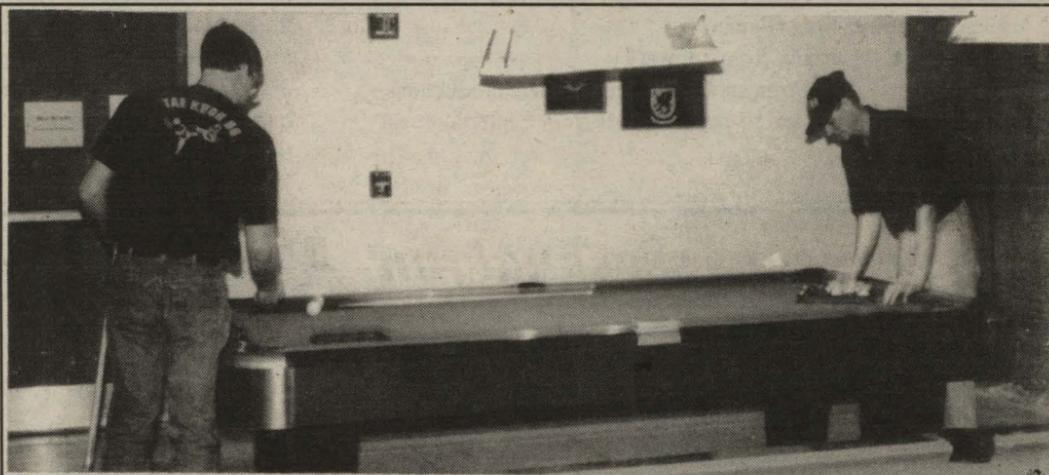
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COLLEGE DAYS FOR KIDS

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Students take a break between classes



The Basement Brewhaus offers students a place to get away from the stresses of their day. (Photo by Carrie Reuter)

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Criteria:

1. Quick service/promptness.
2. Knowledge of drinks--not having to look drinks up all the time.
3. Cleanliness of bar.
4. Years of experience.
5. Quality of drinks.
6. Serving etiquette.
7. Aura/going above and beyond the duties of bartending.
8. Conversational skills.
9. Responsibility--carding customers whose age is questionable.
10. Other attributes you feel should be considered.

Prizes:

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4. 1998 second semester all-concerts pass from Centertainment Productions.

More Prizes:

5. Dinner for two from Hibachi Joe's.
6. Miscellaneous other prizes (featured in future issues of *The Pointer*).
7. Two movie passes to any movie at Campus Cinema from Marcus Theatres.
8. Two passes to The Festival of Beers from the Stevens Point Brewery.

Rules:

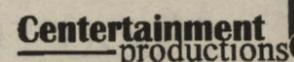
1. You can't nominate yourself.
2. *The Pointer* staff is excluded from nominating or being nominated.
3. Nominations must be received by noon on Feb. 27.
4. The winner will be announced in the March 12 issue of *The Pointer*.
5. The bartender must be at least 21 to win.

Our job:

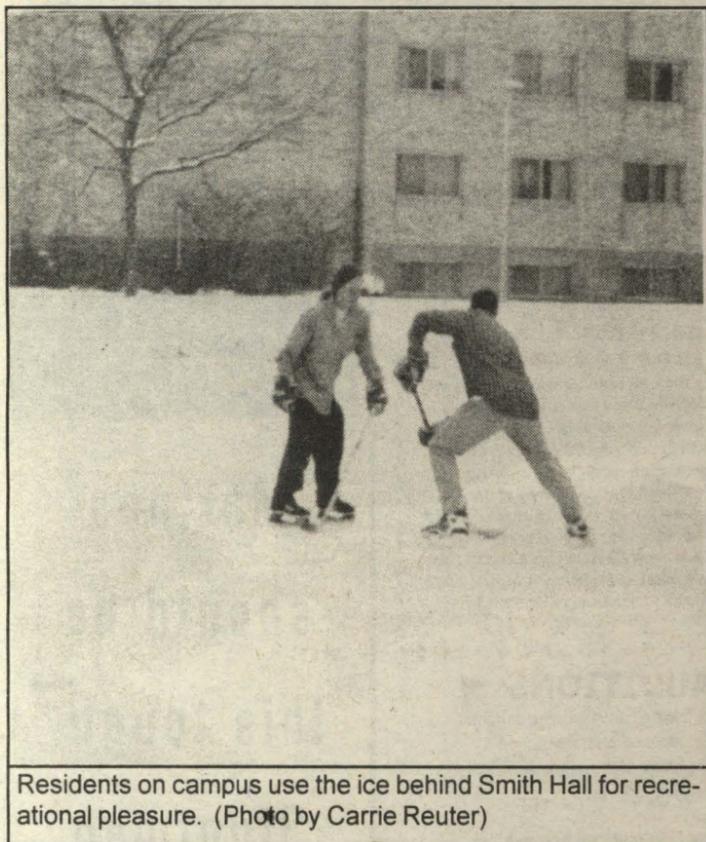
1. A panel of judges made up of three females and three males from *The Pointer* staff will visit the nominated bartenders at their place of work and judge their performance for themselves.
2. The results of the written nomination and first hand judging at the bartender's place of work will be considered and a winner will be selected.
3. *The Pointer* will then award the listed prizes to the winning bartender and a follow up article will appear in the Features section.



Hibachi Joe's
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Winter means seasonal fun



Residents on campus use the ice behind Smith Hall for recreational pleasure. (Photo by Carrie Reuter)

Protect yourself from campus theft

By Christine Tatum
COLLEGE PRESS SERVICES

With laundry spinning in the dryer and dinner in the oven upstairs, one student at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill bounced between floors to make sure both chores got done.

Someone had taken her clothes--several weeks' worth given that she hadn't done the wash in a while--by the time she went to retrieve them.

She wound up getting some of her belongings back when she spotted her jeans--perpetrator at-

tached-- walking around campus.

Theft is still the most common crime on campus. Police working for colleges nationwide logged 102,081 incidents of theft in 1996, according to Security On Campus, Inc., an organization that encourages students to guard against crime.

More students complained about sticky fingers than alcohol and drug violations, car theft and sexual offenses.

"People are too trusting," Lt. Angela Carmon, a university police officer commented. "We're talking about a crime of opportunity. Don't give people the op-

portunity to take your things, and they won't."

There are many ways to guard against theft, experts say. Among them:

--View everyone as a potential suspect, including classmates, instructors and roommates.

--Discuss safety and the measures you're taking to protect yourself with those living with and around you.

--If you don't need it, or it is of great sentimental value, don't take it to school.

--Put an easily identifiable mark on your valuables.

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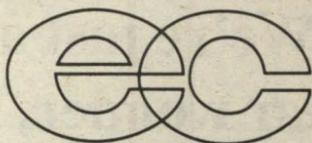


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Pointers escape in double OT again Depth key in another down to the wire WIAC clash

By Nick Brilowski
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Very few things in life are guaranteed.

Taxes. The sun rising in the east. A battle to the finish when the UW-Eau Claire and UW-Stevens Point men's basketball teams play.

For the second time in a week and a half, the Pointers were pushed to double overtime in the Quandt Fieldhouse.

And for the second time, UW-SP's conditioning and bench proved superior.

Wednesday night, the Bluegolds went the way of UW-Stout, as the Pointers escaped with the 84-76 victory.

Point almost didn't make it to the extra session, but Jay Bennett hit a rebound jumper from the left elbow with 7.7 seconds left in regulation.

After Eau Claire had advanced the ball to the front court, Kurt Hoerman intercepted the lob attempt and missed just short on a 35-footer at the buzzer.

In the first OT, the Pointers were able to come back from a four



Practicing earlier this week, the Pointers prepared for their thrilling battle with UW-Eau Claire. (Photo by Denean Nowakowski)

point deficit to take a two point lead at 66-64 on Brant Bailey's three-point play.

Jon Wallenfels' layup with 4.3 seconds remaining got the Bluegolds into double overtime.

The Pointers took a quick five point lead in the second OT, all by Bailey, and never looked back.

Russ Austin led Point with 19 points while Dan Denniston added 18 points and six assists.

Wallenfels paced Eau Claire with 21 points and 12 rebounds.

UW-SP was able to capture the win despite shooting just 41 percent from the floor.

Pointer coach Jack Bennett, a former assistant at Eau Claire, substituted freely in an attempt to keep fresh bodies on the floor.

"We know we have to substi-

SEE BASKETBALL ON PAGE 22

Point fights back for split

By Mike Kemmeter
SPORTS EDITOR

Traveling for a key NCHA series at UW-River Falls wasn't the best situation for a team carrying a four game losing streak.

But instead of lying down to the No. 2 ranked team in the NCAA Division III West Region poll, UW-Stevens Point battled back and came away with a series split against the Falcons.

The Pointers dropped the opening game of the weekend series Friday night, 4-2, but picked up a road win Saturday with a 4-1 victory.

UW-SP fell behind early Friday night, trailing 3-1 after the opening period and never got back to even the rest of the way.

The power play hurt the Pointers again, as River Falls beat Tony Bergeron and the penalty kill unit three times. Two of those came in the first period.

Marco Capizzano knotted things up at 1-1 for UW-SP just over four minutes into the opening period off an assist from Paul Cartier. But then the Falcons answered back with two goals for its 3-1 cushion.

The Pointers would put themselves back within a goal, 3-2, when the power play worked for UW-SP. Kevin Fricke's shot beat goalie Brady Alstead off assists from Ben Gorewich and Mikhail Salienco.

In the decisive third period, the power play struck again for the Falcons, as Cort Lundeen scored his second of the night to give River Falls an insurance goal and a 4-2 advantage.

But the Pointers sought revenge Saturday, using their own power play unit and the strong goaltending of Bobby Gorman to snap a five game losing streak in a 4-1 win.

The Pointers got a power play goal from Ben Gorewich five minutes left in the opening period, putting the Pointers ahead 1-0.

River Falls tied things up at 1-1 early in the second, but Fricke teamed with Salienco and Gorewich to regain the lead, 2-1. UW-SP then scored two more goals, from Gore and an empty netter from Gorewich to grab a series split.

The Pointers, now 13-7-0 overall (10-6-0 in the NCHA), have the weekend off before facing UW-Eau Claire at home Feb. 7-8.

Baseball fourth in nation

After finishing sixth in its first-ever trip to the NCAA Division III World Series, one preseason poll ranked the UW-Stevens Point baseball team fourth in the nation.

The *Collegiate Baseball Pre-Season Top 30 Poll* put the Pointers, who finished 31-13 in 1997, behind #1 Wooster College (OH), the runner-up in the World Series.

Another Wisconsin school, Carthage College, was picked #2, followed by North Carolina Wesleyan (#3). Bridgewater State (Mass.) rounded out the top five.

"This ranking says a lot about 1997," UW-SP baseball coach Scott Pritchard. "But this is a new year. We have something to prove with a new group of players."

"We can't rest on what we did last year. We have to improve," Pritchard said. A trio of Pointers also received individual recognition from *Collegiate Baseball*.

Right handed pitcher Chris Simonsen, first baseman Chris Berndt, and third baseman Scott Mueller were all mentioned as players to watch in Division III.

- Collegiate Baseball Preseason Top 30 Poll**
1. Wooster (OH)
 2. Carthage (WI)
 3. N. Carolina Wesleyan
 4. UW-SP
 5. Bridgewater State
 6. Ohio Wesleyan
 7. UW-Oshkosh
 8. Methodist (NC)
 9. California Lutheran
 10. William Paterson (NJ)

Swimmers fourth, sixth at Point Invite

By Mike Finnel
SPORTS REPORTER

The UW-Stevens Point men's and women's swimming and diving teams held their eighth annual Get to the Point Swimming and Diving Invitational last weekend. The men placed third while the women swam to a sixth place finish.

"I felt we had a real solid meet," UW-SP swimming coach Al Boelk said. "We are swimming really tired right now, we don't want to back off training quite yet as we want to get better for the conference meet and nationals."

"Half of the women swam their

personal best as we are training harder than we did last year," Boelk said.

Top finishers for the Pointers were a first place finish by Randy Boelk in the 400 IM with a time of 4:15.11. Dave Willoughby, Randy Boelk, and J. Francioli swept the top three spots respectively in the 100 fly. Meanwhile Becca

Wuphoff placed third in the 200 back with a time of 2:14.46.

"Our main goal this season is to have everyone get their lifetime best times and then all of our other goals will fall into place," Boelk said. "I hope the women will finish in the top four while our men's team tries to take the conference title."



The UW-SP men's swimming team captured third place at their Get to the Point Invite. (Photo by Carrie Reuter)

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Quote of the Week

“We're just a one-year wonder, a fart in the wind.”

-Green Bay Packers' general manager Ron Wolf after his team lost to the Denver Broncos 31-24 in Super Bowl XXXII.

-Milwaukee Journal-Sentinel

Young UW-SP squad wins WIAC Duals

By Mike Beacom
SPORTS REPORTER

The word off-season will make any successful program cringe when used as an adjective to describe the season's outlook.

After a six year run that brought home six top ten finishes at the national tournament and five conference titles, a young Pointer wrestling squad heard the whispers of terms like

'down year' and 'rebuilding' during a rocky first half. But talk is cheap, especially when it comes from outside the practice room.

The Pointers headed into Saturday's Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference tournament 1-2 in prior conference action, but more importantly with a new confidence brought on by four straight impressive dual performances.

When the team left UW-Platteville's Williams Fieldhouse, talk of the Pointers having an off-season had transformed into talk of a possible fourth straight conference title.

Point won the WIAC dual title,

defeating River Falls 57-0, Eau Claire 46-0 and early season favorite La Crosse 19-16.

"Our guys have a lot of pride and they didn't want to be the group that had a down year," said Pointer head coach Marty Loy.

Against conference rival La Crosse in the dual finale, Point needed every name on the lineup to pull out the win.

Loy credits 118 pounder Corey Bauer for the spark needed

pounder Mike Carlson pulled out a 4-0 match over Dusty Veenendahl.

Point's upper weight classes minimized La Crosse team scoring against a strong group of Eagle wrestlers, leaving the match's outcome up to the teams' heavyweights.

Number one ranked Perry Miller quickly made do of La Crosse's Jason Larson, knotting a pin and the match at the 1:11 mark.

"This is one of the few times in an individual sport where it was a full team effort," said Loy. "It was our attitude that mattered."

Loy attributes much of his team's recent success to a

tough schedule early on and the experience gained from it.

"We wrestled against some very tough competition in the beginning of the year and it helped us and our confidence," said Loy.

"(After the WIAC duals) we have had some of our best practices these last few days. Success is one of those things that is like a snowball rolling downhill."

"Success is one of those things that is like a snowball running downhill."
UW-SP wrestling coach Marty Loy.

against the Eagles.

"Corey wrestled intense in his match. He didn't win but he outthusted his opponent," said Loy. "He was the first guy on the mat for us and he set the tone that carried throughout the lineup."

Stevens Point claimed the next four weights to take a 13-3 match lead.

Ross Buchinger scored a major decision at 142 pounds and 150

Miller sets UW-SP's career victories record

By Mike Beacom
SPORTS REPORTER

Already the program's career pins leader and holder of one of two UW-Stevens Point NCAA Division III titles, heavyweight Perry Miller added another achievement to his stat sheet last Saturday.

Miller won his 122nd match to become Point's winningest wrestler with a :34 pin over Eau Claire's John Chaya at the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference duals at UW-Platteville.

"It was one of my goals to (break the record)," said Miller, a senior from Brillion.

Entering the season, Perry needed 24 wins to pass the seven Pointers in front of him on the career wins list. Tom Weix (1987-92) held the record prior to Miller.

Miller is not too concerned with the accomplishment right now as he is more concerned with finishing the year strongly and



Miller

Perry Miller's assault on the UW-SP career wins record

1. Perry Miller	123
2. Tom Weix	121
3. Jere Hamel	117
4. Dave Carlson	116
5. Travis Ebner	112
6. Colin Green	109
7. Dennis Giaimo	99
8. Bret Stamper	97

*Records kept since 1961

going for a second straight national title.

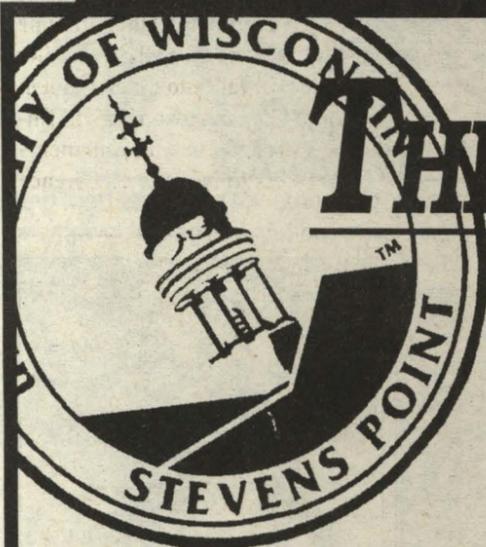
"It probably won't set in until the season's over," added Miller.

Miller also holds the Pointer record for most pins in a season. If Perry should score a fall against the Warhawks tomorrow night it would not only be his 80th career pin, but it would total 22 for this season, enough to break his own record.

"He sets the standard of excellence higher for others," said Pointer coach Marty Loy.

Loy also applauds Miller's character during his five years at UW-SP along with his athletic talents.

"There are great wrestlers and great people and that would be the category that Perry's in," said Loy.



THE WEEK IN POINT!

THURSDAY, JANUARY 29

Humanities Forum: "Reel Patriotism: The Movies and WWI", 4-5PM (334 CCC)

Distinguished Lecture Series in the Arts & Humanities Lecturer: YEVGENY YEVTUSHENKO, NY Univ., "Poet, Essayist, Novelist, Film Dir.", 7PM (MH-FAB)

CP!-Alt. Sounds Presents: PETER MULVEY CONCERT, 8PM (Encore-UC)

TREMORS Dance Club, 9PM (AC)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 30

Basement Brewhaus QUIT-N-TIME Series w/RAGTIME

BARBERSHOP QUARTET, 3-5PM (Basement Brewhaus-UC)

Swimming/Diving: UW-LaCrosse, 6PM (H)

Wrestling, UW-Whitewater, 7PM (H)

TREMORS Dance Club, 9PM (AC)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 31

Men's & Women's Indoor Track, Pointer Relays (H)

Swimming/Diving: UW-River Falls, 1PM (T)

Wom. BB, UW-River Falls, 3PM (H)

Wom. Hockey, Waupaca, 3-4:30PM (T)

BB, UW-River Falls, 7PM (T)

CP!-Centers Cinema Presents: SHINE, 7PM (Encore-UC)

CP!-Center Stage Presents: ANNA WEINER (Shine-Piano Player), 7PM (Laird Rm.-UC)

TREMORS Dance Club, 9PM (AC)

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 1

Planetarium Series: LIGHT YEARS FROM ANDROMEDA, 2PM (Sci. Bldg.)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2

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Planetarium Series: SKIES OF WINTER, 8PM (Sci. Bldg.)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3

Performing Arts Series: PLAZA SUITE Theatre Performance, 7:30 PM (Sentry)

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4

CP!-Center Stage Spotlight Series w/PAUL SCHROUD, 12-1PM (Encore-UC)

BB, UW-LaCrosse, 7PM (H)

Basement Brewhaus JAZZ QUARTET, 7-10PM (Basement-UC)

CP!-Centers Cinema Presents: GHOSTS OF MISSISSIPPI, 7PM (Encore-UC)

Wom. BB, UW-LaCrosse, 7PM (T)

Wrestling, UW-Parkside, 7PM (Kenosha)

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Super Bowl tickets a hot commodity on the day of the big game

By Mike Kemmeter
SPORTS EDITOR

It's tough enough to get tickets to see the Green Bay Packers play at Lambeau Field, but imagine having to track down tickets for the Super Bowl.

That's the chore that faced *The Pointer's* Assistant Sports Editor Nick Brilowski and I in our hopes to attend the world's largest sporting event.

We both booked our plane tickets the day after Green Bay's NFC Championship win over the San Francisco 49ers, and then the quest began for the treasured tickets to Qualcomm Stadium.

Two offers fell through during the first week including two tickets for \$800 apiece.

After calling ticket brokers and finding out seats were starting at \$1,350, I was pretty disappointed both didn't work out.

Neither of us heard anything new in the days leading to our departure last Thursday, so I knew

we had to take our chances down there.

I thought with all the stuff going on in San Diego, how bad would it be if we had to watch the game elsewhere?

When we arrived in the Southern California city, talk was one ticket would bring in about \$2,000.

That price was way over our range, but we figured we had nothing to lose trying to find a ticket at the stadium

on game day.

When we arrived at Qualcomm three hours before kickoff, I couldn't believe the amount of people in the same situation Nick

and I were in.

It seemed everywhere I looked there was either a Packers or Broncos fan that also wanted to buy

We both walked around for about two hours with our "Need 1 Ticket" signs, and I got about three offers but all of them were out of line.

The worst was a pair on the 50-yard line for \$7,500. There was no way I was going to pay \$3,750 for one football game: it would pay for over one year of tuition.

And this guy who was selling pretzels outside the stadium even offered to give me his shirt and ID for \$500.

He said with that, I could walk around and watch the game from wherever I wanted, but I didn't trust him.

After two hours, we started to lose confidence and waited by the stadium's Will Call window, hoping someone would sell us any extra seats.

That's where we heard the Packers had just turned in extra seats. Since the Will Call line was so long, I decided to walk to an Information tent to find out what would happen with those tickets.

Moments later my luck suddenly changed.

On my way over, a guy turned to me and asked "Do you want face?." Shocked, I said "What?!"

Again, he asked "Do you want to pay face value?." After hearing offers no lower than \$2,000, I was so surprised and happy that I paid him \$350.

So with a lot of luck, there I was, watching one of the best Super Bowls in history from my first level end zone seat.

Nick would eventually get in too, but not until the second quarter.

It's just too bad the Packers weren't as lucky as we were.



Hitting the party scene in San Diego

By Nick Brilowski
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

If there's one event that can bring out a party, it's the Super Bowl.

One thing is for sure, San Diego didn't disappoint in their effort.

The hot spot for party-goers throughout the weekend was the Gaslamp Quarter in San Diego's downtown district.

Friday night, Sports Editor Mike Kemmeter and I made the trek to the hottest party scene and were amazed by the turnout.

An approximately two-mile long stretch was blocked off from traffic in order for the crowds to maneuver about and work their way from bar to bar.

We found the street to be absolutely packed with people out to have a good time.

People talk about what an adventure it was to move around Bourbon Street in New Orleans last January, but it's hard to imagine that the scene was any more remarkable than this one.

Miller Lite sponsored a jam-packed beer garden that featured such musical acts as Sister Hazel and the Violent Femmes.

It was reported though that the crowd there got so rowdy, including climbing the chain-linked fences and damaging property, that the authorities were forced to clear the area.

Bars lined the streets but nearly everyone we saw was filled to capacity.

Fans who wanted to be closer to some of their NFL heroes were able to make their way to the Players Party at Embarcadero Park.

It was there that we were able to meet former Heisman trophy winner Eddie George and Arizona

quarterback Jake Plummer.

Outside of the party we were able to meet up with Packer players Gilbert Brown and Santana Dotson, as well as ESPN's Chris Mortenson.

Saturday featured the MTV Rock n' Jock flag football game at the NFL Experience outside Qualcomm Stadium.

The game featured NFL stars such as Warrick Dunn and celebrities like Jerry O'Connell of *Scream 2*.

Saturday night, Packer fans flocked to Golden Hall for Green Bay Bash '98, which included live music sponsored by America's Pack and the Favre family.

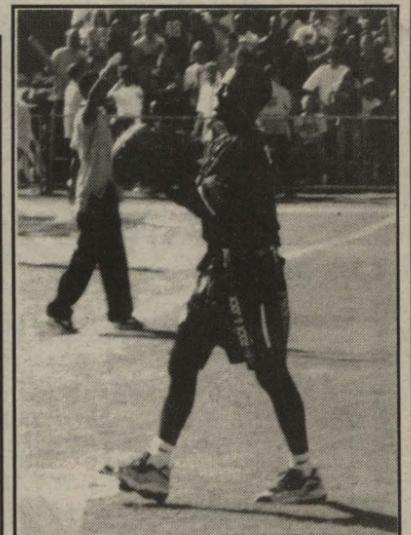
Governor Tommy Thompson even made an appearance to show support for his home team.

San Diego can be commended for the party that they threw throughout the weekend with something for everyone to do.

MTV's own Super Bowl



Tampa Bay Buccaneers' quarterback Trent Dilfer (top) grabs a drink. MTV's Carmen Electra (bottom left) gets a downmarker ready.



For the second year, MTV played its flag football celebrity game. MTV VJ and actor Bill Bellamy warms up (top right), and New York Jets receiver Keyshawn Johnson converses on the sideline (bottom right). (Photos by Nick Brilowski)



Assistant Sports Editor Nick Brilowski (left) and Sports Editor Mike Kemmeter (right) with the famous Chicken in San Diego's Gaslamp Quarter.

The Pointer Scorecard

Men's Basketball

UW-SP - UW-EAU CLAIRE

January 28, 1998

Double Overtime

UW-Eau Claire	28	27	11	10	--	76
UW-SP	28	27	11	18	--	84

UW-Eau Claire

Player	FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Points
32 Mellenthin	4-11	7-9	15
34 Anderson	0-1	0-0	0
42 Wallenfelsz	7-11	7-10	21
12 Fermanich	1-4	2-2	4
22 Fisher	6-14	0-4	16
20 Suhr	0-1	0-0	0
24 Johnson	0-0	0-0	0
50 Cartensen	5-7	3-4	15
52 Schneeberger	0-2	0-0	0
54 Jacobson	1-1	3-4	5

UW-SP

Player	FG-FGA	FT-FTA	Points
10 Grzesk	2-4	7-8	12
44 Westrum	3-7	0-0	6
32 Zuiker	4-11	0-0	8
22 Austin	7-20	1-4	19
24 Denniston	4-11	9-12	18
14 Hoerman	0-0	0-0	0
20 Bennett	1-3	0-0	2
33 Bailey	4-7	2-2	10
40 Frank	2-2	2-2	7
50 Blessington	1-3	0-2	2
52 Hornseth	0-0	0-0	0

3-point shooting: UW-EC 6-16, UW-SP 7-20;
Rebounds: UW-EC 41, UW-SP 39; Assists:
UW-EC 17, UW-SP 21; Blocks: UW-EC 3, UW-
SP 5; Steals: UW-EC 3, UW-SP 10; Turnovers:
UW-EC 18, UW-SP 9; Fouls: UW-EC 23, UW-
SP 25; Fouled out: Fermanich, Westrum, Zuiker.

WIAC STANDINGS (AS OF JAN. 27)

	WIAC	Overall
1. UW-Platteville	7-0	15-0
2. UW-Oshkosh	5-2	13-2
3. UW-SP	4-3	12-4
4. UW-Eau Claire	4-3	12-4
5. UW-River Falls	4-3	11-5
6. UW-Whitewater	4-3	10-5
7. UW-Stout	2-5	8-8
8. UW-Superior	2-6	8-8
9. UW-La Crosse	0-7	6-10

NCAA DIVISION III RANKINGS MIDWEST REGION

1. Nebraska Wesleyan	15-0
2. UW-Platteville	15-0
3. Gustavus Adolphus	14-1
4. Pomona-Pitzer Colleges	13-2
5. Augsburg College	14-1
6. UW-Oshkosh	13-2

Special Recognition: UW-SP (12-4), Buena Vista College (12-3), Carleton College (13-2), Simpson College (11-2)

The Week Ahead...

UW-Stevens Point Athletics

Men's Basketball: At UW-River Falls, Saturday 7 p.m.;

UW-La Crosse, Wednesday 7 p.m.

Women's Basketball: UW-River Falls, Saturday 3 p.m.;

At UW-La Crosse, Wednesday 7 p.m.

Swimming and Diving: UW-La Crosse, Friday 6 p.m.; At UW-River Falls, Saturday

Wrestling: UW-Whitewater, Friday 7 p.m.; At UW-Parkside, Wednesday 7 p.m.

Women's Basketball

WIAC STANDINGS (AS OF JAN. 27)

	WIAC	Overall
1. UW-Oshkosh	7-0	15-1
2. UW-Eau Claire	6-1	15-1
3. UW-Stout	5-2	11-4
4. UW-SP	4-3	9-7
5. UW-Whitewater	4-3	8-8
6. UW-River Falls	3-4	9-7
7. UW-Platteville	2-5	7-9
8. UW-La Crosse	1-6	5-11
9. UW-Superior	0-8	2-12

Hockey

UW-SP AT UW-RIVER FALLS

January 23, 1998

UW-SP	1	1	0	--	2
UW-River Falls	3	0	1	--	4

Scoring

First Period

UW-RF - Bernard (Coakley and Matzke assist), power play, 3:09.

UW-SP - Capizzano (Cartier assist), 4:24.

UW-RF - Lundeen (Cullen assist), power play, 5:23.

UW-RF - Burke (Kamar and Schager assist), 11:56.

Second Period

UW-SP - Fricke (Gorewich and Salienko assist), power play, 11:51.

Third Period

UW-RF - Lundeen (Schager and Anderson assist), power play, 11:44.

Shots on Goal - UW-SP: 24; UW-RF: 34.

Goalie Saves - UW-SP: Bergeron 30, UW-RF: Alstead 22.

UW-SP AT UW-RIVER FALLS

January 24, 1998

UW-SP	1	2	1	--	4
UW-River Falls	0	1	0	--	1

Scoring

First Period

UW-SP - Gorewich (Brown and Salienko assist), power play, 15:07.

Second Period

UW-RF - Coakley (Anderson and Schager assist), power play, 1:03.

UW-SP - Fricke (Salienko and Gorewich assist), power play, 4:41.

UW-SP - Gore (Gorewich assist), 10:11.

Third Period

UW-SP - Gorewich (Fricke assist), empty net, 19:34.

Shots on Goal - UW-SP: 30; UW-RF: 25.

Goalie Saves - UW-SP: Gorman 24, UW-RF: Alstead 26.

NCHA STANDINGS

	W	L	T	Points
1. St. Norbert	16	2	0	32
2. Bemidji State	11	3	0	22
3. UW-Superior	11	5	0	22
4. UW-River Falls	10	3	1	21
5. UW-SP	10	6	0	20
6. UW-Eau Claire	4	10	0	8
7. Lake Forest	3	10	1	7
8. UW-Stout	1	13	0	2
9. St. Scholastica	1	15	0	2

NCAA DIVISION III POLL

WEST REGION

1. St. Norbert	40
2. UW-River Falls	36
3. St. Thomas (Minn.)	32
4. St. John's (Minn.)	28
5. UW-SP	24
6. UW-Superior	20
7. St. Mary's (Minn.)	16
8. Gustavus Adolphus (Minn.)	12
9. Augsburg (Minn.)	8
10. Concordia-Moorhead (Minn.)	2
10. UW-Eau Claire	2

Swimming

GET TO THE POINT INVITE AT UW-SP

January 23-24, 1998

Men's Standings

1. South Dakota	991
2. St. Olaf	764.5

3. UW-SP	670
4. UW-La Crosse	492
5. St. Cloud State	370.5
6. Mankato State	340
7. UW-Whitewater	146
8. UW-Platteville	23
9. Lawrence	18

Women's Standings

1. South Dakota	864
2. St. Olaf	647.5
3. St. Cloud State	647
4. UW-La Crosse	566
5. Mankato State	526
6. UW-SP	389
7. Moorhead State	102
8. Lawrence	47.5
9. UW-Whitewater	45

Wrestling

UW-SP AT WIAC DUALS

January 24, 1998

Round One UW-SP 57, UW-River Falls 0
118 - Bauer (UW-SP) won by forfeit; 126 - Zdanczewicz (UW-SP) won by forfeit; 134 - Hegland (UW-SP) won by forfeit; 142 - Buchinger (UW-SP) tech. fall Perkins; 150 - Carlson (UW-SP) won by forfeit; 158 - Weix (UW-SP) won by forfeit; 167 - Kapping (UW-SP) won by forfeit; 177 - Prosen (UW-SP) def. Lambrecht (UW-RF) 14-4; 190 - Kureck (UW-SP) won by forfeit; Hwt. - Miller (UW-SP) pinned Demulling (UW-RF) 4:02.

Round Three UW-SP 46, UW-Eau Claire 0
118 - Bauer (UW-SP) def. Carrero (UW-EC) 15-5; 126 - Zdanczewicz (UW-SP) pinned Franko (UW-EC) 4:27; 134 - Hegland (UW-SP) def. Goodman (UW-EC) 11-3; 142 - Buchinger (UW-SP) def. Franklin (UW-EC) 19-2; 150 - Carlson (UW-SP) pinned Buchloz (UW-EC) 4:27; 158 - Weix (UW-SP) def. Berg (UW-EC) 9-0; 167 - Kapping (UW-SP) def. Soldner (UW-EC) 20-4; 177 - Prosen (UW-SP) def. Janke (UW-EC) 13-9; 190 - Kureck (UW-SP) def. Sterken (UW-EC) 7-4; Hwt. - Miller (UW-SP) pinned Chaya (UW-EC) :34.

Round Four

UW-SP 19, UW-La Crosse 16

118 - Peloquin (UW-L) def. Bauer (UW-SP) 8-3; 126 - Zdanczewicz (UW-SP) def. Habec (UW-L) 9-7 (OT); 134 - Hegland (UW-SP) def. Anderson (UW-EC) 6-2; 142 - Buchinger (UW-SP) def. Carlson (UW-L) 18-5; 150 - Carlson (UW-SP) def. Veenendall (UW-L) 4-0; 158 - Vandervest (UW-L) def. Weix (UW-SP) 5-2; 167 - Cardenas (UW-L) def. Kapping (UW-SP) 18-6; 177 - Guderski (UW-L) def. Prosen (UW-SP) 4-0; 190 - Miller (UW-L) def. Kureck (UW-SP) 5-1; Hwt. - Miller (UW-SP) pinned Larson (UW-L) 1:11.

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

SUSAN DEYOUNG - TRACK & FIELD



DeYoung

UW-SP Career Highlights

--Placed in the hurdles (5th) and the high jump (6th) at the outdoor conference meet in 1997

--Four year contributor to the UW-SP women's track team

Hometown: Delafield, Wisconsin

Major: Communication

Most Memorable Moment: My freshman year, I took second at Conference in the high jump. Here I am, a little freshmen on the team and I didn't expect it.

Who was your idol growing up?: I don't really have one, but I had a good friend, Brett, who was like a second dad to me. He's a marketing man for PPG and he's kind of the one that inspired me to get into public relations and the business world.

What do you plan to do after you graduate?: I want to go to Milwaukee and hopefully work in the advertising, creative department.

Biggest achievement in sports?: Last year, I placed in both the hurdles and the high jump at the outdoor conference meet.

Favorite aspect of track and field: The thrill of the race, the anticipation. I still get nervous.

What will you remember most about participating in Track and Field at UW-SP?: How the team is like a family. I'll remember the good friends that I made through it.



On top of their game

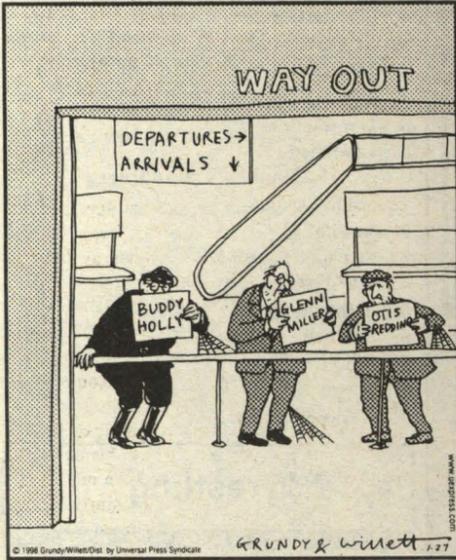
Intramural Champions - Block #2

Men's Basketball	Co-ed Volleyball	Soccer
Rob's Rebels	I Don't Know	Vibes
Chris Gustafson	Brad Campbell	Susan Ernev
Doug Mortenson	Jennifer Tierney	Brian Goudreau
Zak Alwin	Jeff Cegielski	Mike Wilz
Chris Krenz	Tami Trinoskey	John Claus
Matt Zillman	Tom Carroll	Jamie Ferschinger
Jon Zipperer	December Wells	Besty Co
Mike Fimmel	Men's Volleyball	Mike Lleven
Wes Dutter	Caucasian Persuasion	Chris Chojurowski
Kurt Richardt	Mark Bartels	Paul Fix
Rob Stealy	Nate Lahm	Bryon Crites
Women's Basketball	Casey Olson	Angie Arkin
Freedom	Chad Wisneski	Floor Hockey
Jeana Magyar	Craig Buchinger	S.B.S.L.S.
Kristin Hendron	Women's Volleyball	Eric Sternberg
Becca Farrar	Friction	Dave Bender
Stephanie Egner	Mandy Jost	Brian Schlitt
Jackie DeJarlais	Tara Anderson	Jason Lynch
Sheila Kuffel	Dee Fenske	Mike Sacotte
Shari Magyar	Lauri Wendt	Kim Grubba
Jodie Duffe	Julie DeArmond	Laura Deselm
Sheila Weiler		Kristen Severson
		Patrick Dunlap

Block #3 rankings appear next week.

Tight Corner

By Grundy & Willett



TONJA STEELE

By Joey Hetzel



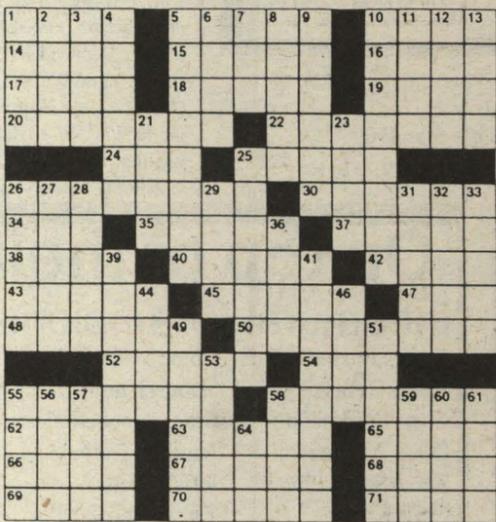
STICK WORLD



"It's so pristine, so pure, so untouched by humankind. It could really use a Starbucks."

THE Crossword

- ACROSS**
- 1 Date tree
 - 5 Stared open-mouthed
 - 10 Rapid
 - 14 Opera solo
 - 15 Shade of green
 - 16 Arabian ruler
 - 17 Sign of sorrow
 - 18 Locations
 - 19 Make over
 - 20 Crop
 - 22 Matured
 - 24 Greek letter
 - 25 Drinking tube
 - 26 Nation's representative
 - 30 Chooses
 - 34 City in Oklahoma
 - 35 India's neighbor
 - 37 Sailing ship
 - 38 Lease
 - 40 Kindled again
 - 42 Stringed instrument
 - 43 Lowest point
 - 45 Preserves
 - 47 Coop
 - 48 Scheduled
 - 50 Most amiable
 - 52 Small pies
 - 54 Payable now
 - 55 Unexpected winner
 - 58 Telephone exchange
 - 62 Crowning glory
 - 63 Exclude
 - 65 Grow weary
 - 66 Raison d'
 - 67 Canadian birds
 - 68 First garden
 - 69 Legal paper
 - 70 Hemmed
 - 71 Repose
- DOWN**
- 1 Lane
 - 2 Neighborhood
 - 3 Fibber
 - 4 Fabulous thing
 - 5 Very sheer
 - 6 Landed
 - 7 Hole
 - 8 Turn inside out
 - 9 Yearn for
 - 10 Goodbye
 - 11 Final word
 - 12 Faction
 - 13 Walked upon
 - 21 English school
 - 23 Chums
 - 25 German prison camps
 - 26 Mends
 - 27 Perfect image
 - 28 Bearlike mammal
 - 29 Mimics
 - 31 Car style
 - 32 Carries
 - 33 Used up
 - 36 Kind of TV
 - 39 Laughed nervously
 - 41 Offered formally
 - 44 Use a scythe
 - 46 Knock out
 - 49 Hollow out
 - 51 Epistle
 - 53 Cornered
 - 55 Throw off
 - 56 Tardy
 - 57 Old name of Ireland
 - 58 Court procedure
 - 59 Go by car
 - 60 God of war
 - 61 Fasting season
 - 64 Plead



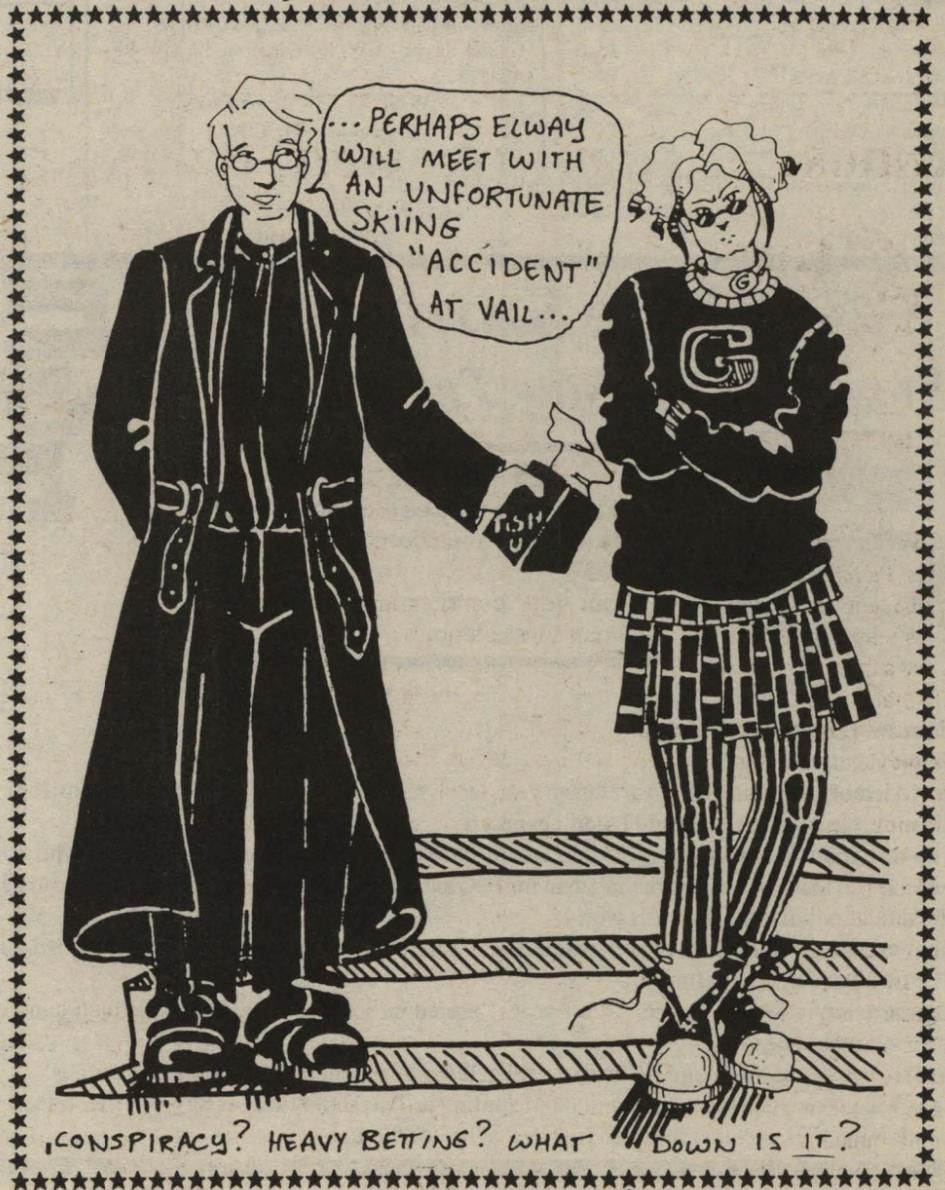
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FOR ANSWERS SEE CLASSIFIEDS

TAZJA & ELLER

By Bentoni And Ewittski



Dave Davis By Valentina Kaquatosh

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

Panel 1: I CAN'T BELIEVE THIS! IT'S LIKE THE SPICEGIRLS MARRYING THE VILLAGE PEOPLE! Uh...
Panel 2: THERESA AND RHIANNON ARE MADE FOR EACH OTHER, BUT IS THEIR ENGAGEMENT TRULY SINCERE OR JUST ANOTHER WAY TO FURTHER ANNOY US? I MEAN, THERESA'S MY EX AND RHIANNON IS —
Panel 3: BUT DON'T YOU WONDER? I WANT TO KNOW WHAT THEY'RE REALLY UP TO! GREAT.
Panel 4: THIS MUST MEAN WE'RE GOING TO THEIR PARTY? OF COURSE. I HATE YOU.
Panel 5: STEVE AND DAVE ARRIVE... OH, YOU GUYS MADE IT! COME ON IN... UM...
Panel 6: YES IT IS! STEVE, BE POLITE. IT'S NOT THAT BAD...
Panel 7: ON SECOND THOUGHT, I THINK I LEFT SOMETHING BURNING IN MY OVEN AND...
Panel 8: THIS ISN'T FAIR, DAVE! I DIDN'T WANT TO COME HERE...
Panel 9: ONCE INSIDE, DAVE PANICS... DAVE? WHAT'S WRONG? OH, DEAR GODS!!
Panel 10: WHY, HELLO THERE. NICE OF YOU FREAKS TO DROP BY TO CONGRADULATE MY COUSIN — TRACEY?
Panel 11: WELL, DON'T JUST STAND THERE GAWKING...
Panel 12: RHIANNON ON HER ENGAGEMENT. I'VE MISSED YOU BOTH SO MUCH! TELL ME HOW MUCH YOU'VE MISSED ME.

Next Week: Dave's Ex-Lover from Hell is back in Trouble in Stiletto Heels

The Princess' Crown

By Sarah Oppenheim

Rilla lightly caressed the shiny satin strands of ribbon, watching their peacock colors slide through her fingers. This was her favorite; deep burgundy petals surrounded by a wreath of green leaves. She set the crown lightly upon her straight black hair, intently watching the wine, navy, forest, and cream streamers as they floated around her shoulders. Reflected in the small shard the shopkeeper used as a mirror was a Renaissance princess, not a wide-eyed Mexican child.

Over her shoulder, she saw that *el padre* was watching her again. Pretending not to notice his intense gaze, she put away the circlet, smiling wistfully, and moved away through the booths of the fair. It wasn't that she was afraid of the tall blond father, she told her slightly shaking hands; she didn't think he even knew he was staring. There was a sadness to him. Softly she murmured a prayer for the stranger.

He rested a thin hand on the corner of a bench and closed tear-filled blue eyes, willing away the painful memories washing over his heart. The little dark-eyed waif moved away in the crowd; even her walk was the same.

The young priest had been called to the barrios of Mexico right from his suburban Illinois seminary. It seemed a natural step: his fluency in Spanish, and his eagerness to save the poor and repressed with the light of God.

Not more than twelve years old, Maria had been the first of the village to accept him. "Escuchame Padre Karns!" She would gleefully shout, as commanded he would listen to whatever story with which she regaled him.

He watched as she grew; time made her beautiful, and her village made her sad. A too thin elfin damsel, she slipped into his heart. They were playmates when she was a child. He was her make-believe older brother when her real ones were too busy whistling at girls and supporting the family to pay her the attention she thought she was due. With no school available for the youngest daughters of poor families, he became her teacher. Maria had her family's traditional views and values, but the curiosity was her own. She had endless questions about things beyond her little world; hows and whys fell off her tongue

for hours. For the first time in his church-centered life he felt needed and loved as something other than God's anointed representative on Earth.

At fifteen, Maria married for teenage love and tradition, giving herself completely to her husband and children. At barely eighteen, her third birth took both her and her newborn daughter to be with God in Heaven.

He picked up the pieces of his heart and moved back to the States. Settling in a prosaic overfed town he helped average people with their average problems feel closer to God. Still, sometimes when he closed his eyes, Maria danced and spun before him. Her gaze made him ashamed of how he had run away, but he lacked the courage to return to her village and her people.

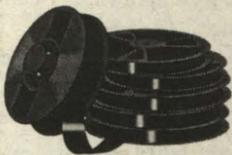
Wandering through the crowd at the fair helped him to ease his pain; he allowed himself to become one of them; only his white collar marked him as different from the Colorado natives and imported fair-goers. Then he saw the angel. She was his Maria come to life. Same too wise eyes and too thin body. He followed her without knowing why until she reached the stand selling hair ornaments.

He wanted to be the hand of God reaching to his chosen and raising her high. He ached for her to be loved and adored as the princess she could be. Helpless, he bowed his head. When he lifted his eyes they were idea-blessed.

The sun was an hour further in the fading sky when Rilla once more approached the cart of feathers, flowers and ribbons. Once more, she told herself, just one more time she would try on the crown and pretend to be beautiful in the mirror shard. Her heart fluttered as she drew near, and involuntary her eyes misted over; it wasn't there. She took a deep breath and tugged lightly at the older woman's sleeve, but even under the shopkeeper's kindly gaze Rilla could not find her voice. She was afraid to hear the words that would tell her that her little dream-game was over.

The woman looked puzzled for a moment; then, she smiled and handed Rilla a white gift box. Without a word, she turned back to her customers. Rilla backed away slowly and sat down hard on a bench. She opened the box and lifted out the crown of leaves and roses. A note fluttered onto her lap. "For the little princess. Padre Karns."

Almost As Good as it Gets, but not quite



By Mike Beacom
ADVERTISING REP

Comedies are rarely nominated for Best Picture come Oscar time. The Academy is a sucker for epic dramas with a strong cast of actors and a mixture of emotion.

The latest comedy from director James L. Brooks, *As Good as it Gets* may not win Best Picture come March, but it's sure to receive multiple nominations and more than likely walk away with a few Golden Boys.

In the film, Jack Nicholson (who worked with Brooks in 1983's Best Picture winner *Terms of Endearment*) plays a successful New York author who has an obsessive compulsive disorder and can't help but voice his racist and cold opinions.

Helen Hunt plays the restaurant waitress assigned to

Nicholson's table each day. Hunt is a single parent struggling to get by and rarely has time for herself due to her seriously ill son.

The film's other major star is Greg Kinnear, a homosexual artist who is forced to live down the hallway from Nicholson.

When problems arise in Kinnear's and Hunt's lives, Nicholson is forced to come to the aid of each of them in order to serve his own needs.

Both are hesitantly touched by Nicholson's gestures, but quickly come to find he's as heartless and self-centered as they originally thought.

Filled with humor, *As Good as it Gets* also has a human nature layer that places it with some of the year's best films.

Nicholson's performance is one of his best in years and should earn a nomination. Hunt's performance was also strong, but not nomination worthy.

Rating:



Rentals

The Prophecy
(1995, 97 min.)

I just saw this one for the first time a few days ago, and I have to tell you, I was apprehensive at first, as I would expect you'll be if you go and check this film out.

But after a while, I found myself engrossed in the plot of this religious natured film.

The film pits the archangel Gabriel against God, in a surprising twist. And surprisingly enough (perhaps offensively to some- aren't movies great?) the devil joins in the fray- I'll let you see what side he chooses.

Written and directed by Gregory Widen, who makes a good effort in a movie destined not to go mainstream.

Oh yeah- add Christopher Walken into the mix (Gabriel) and Elias Koteas (yes, the guy from *Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles*) as a priest-cop, and you've got yourself a good cast working on a well-written movie.

-Nick Katzmarek

Pixies don't die They just sail away...

The Pixies
Death to the Pixies

By Mike Cade
ENTERTAINMENT REPORTER

The Pixies, in their short lifespan, were one of the best bands to walk the face of the earth. *Death to the Pixies* is a double CD collection that attempts to highlight the band's brief period of existence (1987-1991).

Combining a strange blend of punk rock energy, flamenco music and surf-rock, The Pixies changed the face of popular music. Want proof?

Sugar openly admitted to ripping off The Pixies. How cool is that? Sugar's Bob Mould was, of course, the frontman for Husker Du, the legendary Minneapolis trio that paved the way for The Pixies.

Bands like Veruca Salt got their fifteen minutes of fame by ripping off The Pixies' Kim Deal, and a young Kurt Cobain once dreamed

of playing in a Pixies cover band before he started a little known group called Nirvana. Incidentally, Mr. Cobain also openly admitted to ripping off The Pixies' "U-Mass" while writing "Smells Like Teen Spirit."

For me, *Death* is a timely release 'cuz my Pixies collection is in rough shape. My *Doolittle* CD is scratched to hell, my *Trompe le Monde* tape is wearing out and somebody stole my *Surfer Rosa* record.

Nit-pickers and longtime fans will certainly bitch about the lack of rarities and B-sides on this collection, but if you are new to The Pixies, *Death* makes a pretty solid starter kit.

In essence, perhaps The Pixies' greatness can be summed up in a very succinct way: they're one of the reasons I'm half-deaf in my left ear. Now *that's* what I call having a profound effect on someone's life.

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Basketball

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tute that way throughout the game," said Bennett who cited the play of Hoerman, Bailey, Bob Blessington, Jay Bennett.

"We're getting production from each of those guys off the bench."

Despite the poor shooting performance, Bennett was pleased his team is finding ways to win.

"I don't know how we did it and sometimes it's just good fortune," Bennett said. "I think our conditioning and substitution pattern won the game tonight."

The win raised the Pointers' record to 13-4 overall and 5-3 in the WIAC. Eau Claire fell to 12-5 and 4-4 respectively.

UW-SP travels to River Falls for a game on Saturday beginning at 7 p.m.

Abroad

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similar places. Universities offering abroad programs must take responsibility for their programs, but unfortunate cases like the ones mentioned above are inevitably going to happen out of the university's control. The international programs' intent, obviously, isn't to place the student at risk.

Students as well as all travelers must be aware of the dangers they're putting themselves in even if travels deem an unbelievable experience.

Ignorance just isn't the right answer. If shocking stories continue to hit the headlines about abroad students many future students may opt to stay home, in the end missing out on an immeasurable experience.

Smoking

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won't. Let's give nonsmokers the consideration they deserve by first banning smoking near building entrances and then work towards phasing out this habit.

Why? Because I said so!

Speaking of consideration, another situation that is out-of-control is the manner in which people have to line up for subs in The Pointer Express.

Here's a suggestion: how about leaving an aisle in the middle of the line for people to get through the hallway. That way, everybody else won't have to push through.

-Editor's note: Whether you agree or disagree, comment and/or criticism is accepted at ckell569@uwsp.edu.

Snow

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when our hard-working state employees feel the need to drive their vehicles on the sidewalks rather than parking in the street and walking up to buildings like normal people.

I guess I'd rather worry about slipping and falling than being mowed down on the way to class by a campus vehicle.

*-Jason Enke
Student*

Mine

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educated on issues and vote for those "radical" representatives that actually listen to their constituents.

The state of Wisconsin and this campus has a long history of environmental activism. Lets make sure that we as students continue to make history, and not just read about it.

NRHH

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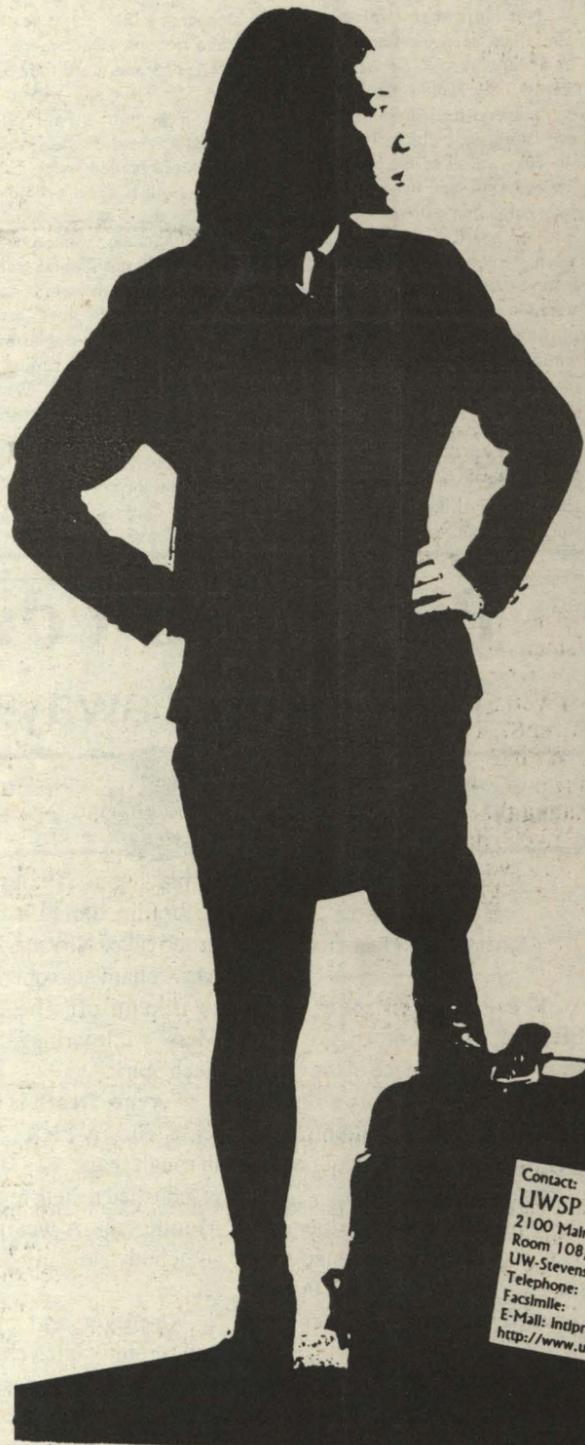
then one may be able to apply for admittance into the organization instead of being nominated by a current member.

"NRHH is a very prestigious organization," stated Sherrell, "one that looks good on a resume, and once a member always an honorary member even while living off campus."

In addition to year round recognition, NRHH offers scholarship opportunities, student and staff member of the month awards, coordinates numerous homecoming events and works with community organizations such as the Salvation Army. Furthermore, NRHH presents a volunteer of the year award, delegate of the year award, and the cornerstone award at their spring reception.

"It's [NRHH] come a long way, but there's still a long way to go," added Sherrell. "We're constantly thinking of ideas for motivation and would like to offer more of the year awards."

"NRHH is definitely a necessity; if we don't recognize people, nobody will," concluded Sherrell.



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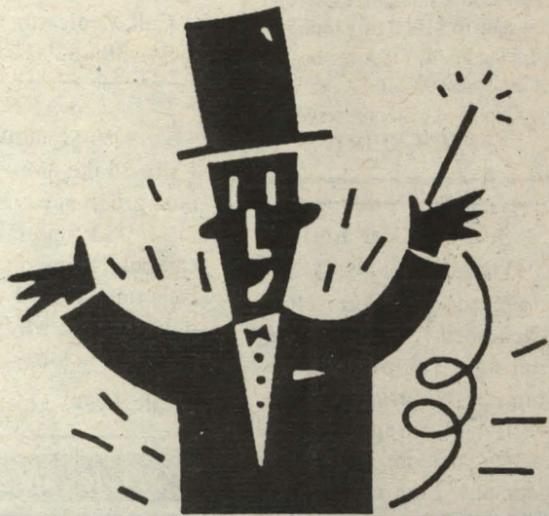
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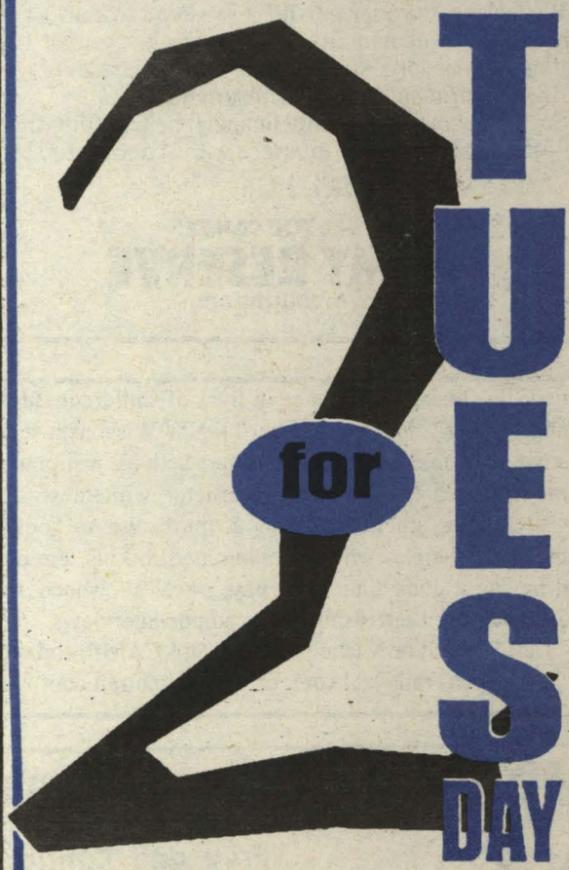
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