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Point scores upset of the ages, downs Wash U

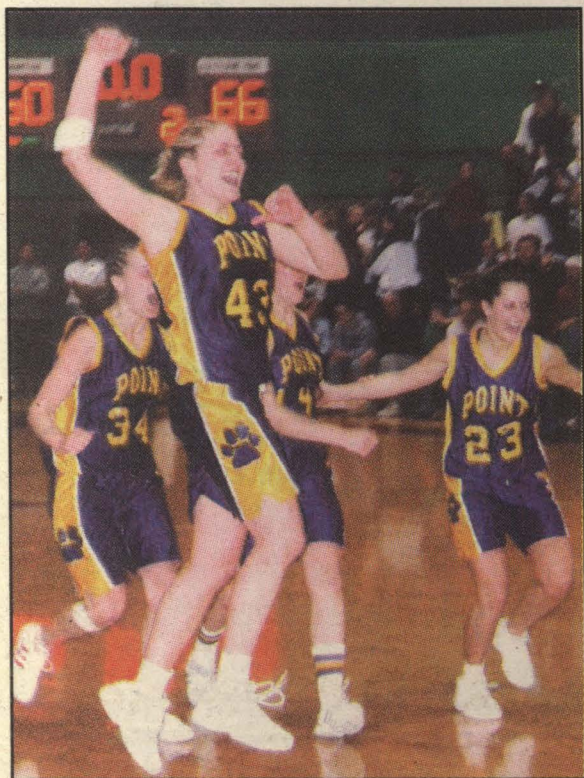


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Women's basketball team defeats number one ranked Wash U

By Dan Mirman
SPORTS EDITOR

All the pre-game signs pointed to a Washington University victory over the UW-Stevens Point women's basketball team on Saturday afternoon.

The Washington Bears had won 70 straight home games, had the longest current win streak (38) of any NCAA team regardless of division, were ranked number 1 in the nation and had won the previous four national titles.

Then a strange thing happened. UWSP was the team that made clutch shot after clutch shot to turn back the Bears every time it looked like they were poised to go on a run, and defeated the previously undefeated Bears 66-60.

"They have so much tradition and to win four straight championships is unheard of," said Head Coach Shirley

Egner. "Part of me is sorry to see it come to an end for them, but a whole lot more of me is just excited for what our team accomplished tonight. I mean, we just ended a 70-game win streak in that gym."

Defense has been the trademark for this Pointer team the entire season, so it was not surprising that defense was what won this basketball game. With UWSP up two and under a minute left, the Pointers had two crucial stops. After the first stop, Tara Schmitt went to the line and hit two clutch free throws to stretch the lead to four. Then after the final stop, the ball was tapped to a wide open Andrea Kraemer who made a breakaway lay-up to put an exclamation point on the game.

"We knew it was gonna be hard, but we fought, and we just tried to send a positive message all week long," said Egner. "We have got such great depth and it showed tonight. Groshek didn't have as many points, but Carry Boehning had the game of her life. She just put us on her match and carried us

tonight."

Boehning led UWSP in scoring with 18 points and in rebounds with nine. She was also perfect from the charity stripe, knocking down all eight of her free throws. Andrea Kraemer was the only other Pointer to reach double figures, as she scored 13 while grabbing seven rebounds. Kraemer's biggest contribution came on the defensive end where she limited the Bears' leading scorer Laura Crowley to just five points.

Freshman Hallie Hutchens was the player that kept Washington close to UWSP for most of the game. She finished with a game high 19 points and 16 rebounds. Kristi Eller also had a solid game for the Bears with 11 points and five assists.

After an evenly fought start from both teams, the Pointers went on a 13-1 run to go up by 11 at the end of the first half. The run was keyed by two three-pointers from senior Amie Schultz.

"We all believed we were going to

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Kyoto Now launches energy awareness

By Amy Zepnick
NEWS EDITOR

Flamingos and banners masqueraded the UW-Stevens Point campus Mar. 6 to kick off the Kyoto Now! Campaign in agreement with the Kyoto Protocol. Students branching from the Environmental Council organized this campaign to inform people about global warming and to promote renewable energy.

"We want to make a positive change on campus as well as in the community," student Mark Valentine said. "We are hoping to draw more students in and

make them aware of the global problems and how they can help. We use pink flamingos to represent global warming. With the temperature changing, Wisconsin could have a tropical climate."

According to the Cornell University website, The Kyoto Protocol is an international framework to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in an attempt to diminish global climate change. In 1997, representatives from 142 countries met in Kyoto, Japan to confer and sign the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), now known as the

Kyoto Protocol.

The Protocol, in its latest form, requires developed nations to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to 7% below 1990 levels between the years 2008-2012. Reductions in emissions can be made through three methods: by using alternative, renewable energy, through conservation efforts and reduction of energy or through emission sequestration.

In March 2001, President Bush rejected the Kyoto Protocol and has cut funding to renewable energy research. He said in June that he has chosen to focus on emission storage and sequestration claiming, "technology offers great promise to reduce emissions, especially carbon capture."

The Kyoto Now! Campaign asks schools to commit to reducing greenhouse emissions as in the Kyoto Protocol. Universities involved include Cornell, University of Pennsylvania, Harvard, Ithaca College and Yale.

"We want UWSP to reduce emissions," said student Lauren McGrath. "We want to send a proclamation to Capitol Hill for

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Thompson visits SP

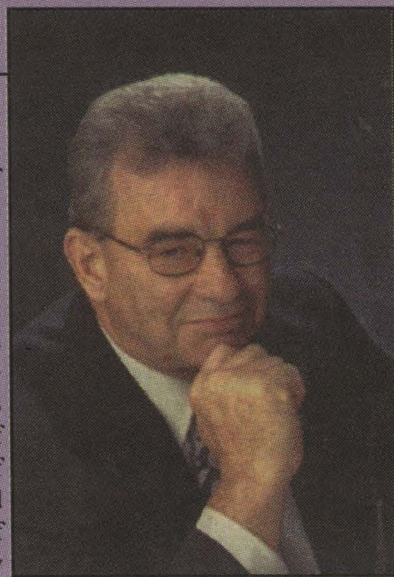
By Amy Zepnick
NEWS EDITOR

With governor elections approaching, candidates are traveling Wisconsin in search of supporters. Ed Thompson, who is running for governor next fall, visited Stevens Point on Mar. 4 to push his libertarian campaign.

Thompson grew up in Elroy, Wis. and excelled in football and basketball during his high school career. After a brief period at the University of Wisconsin, Thompson enlisted in the U.S. Navy. Stepping out of his brother, Tommy Thompson's, shadow, he is the current mayor in Tomah, Wis. where he also owns Mr. Ed's Tee Pee Supper Club.

As a libertarian, Thompson sees less government and more freedom as the key to his campaign.

"Lots of things need to change," said Thompson. "I want to reform social issues such as gambling and decriminalizing of pot. I believe the drug war is a failure. I'm sick of rich drug lords and drive-bys. This is not power for me. It's power for the people."



Thompson

According to his website, Thompson's platform also includes slashing Wisconsin tax bills, giving more access to the government and making private schools an option for low income families. He wants to crack down on pollution and "take the politicians out of your private medical choices."

Coming from small-town Tomah, Thompson believes this will help him in a governor role.

"Because I'm a mayor, I already know how government

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Photo by L. Zancanaro

Students and flamingos campaign against global warming.

Luncheon addresses diversity

By Carol Seavey
NEWS REPORTER

Approximately one hundred people attended the Chancellor's luncheon last Thursday.

Issues discussed included the budget, diversity, professor evaluations, registration, parking and housing.

One issue that produced a variety of reactions from students and faculty was diversity. Shannon Cloud, Director of Native American Services and AIRO Adviser, voiced concerns about academic freedom, sensitivity on part of the faculty and what they are teaching in reference to diversity groups, including outdated materials.

"The whole message of diversity itself argues for diverse viewpoints. If someone has to step in and say, this is current or not current, inappropriate or inappropriate, sensitive or insensitive, it seems to be making a judgment that diversity values are against," said Professor

Chris Sadler, vice chair of the Faculty Senate. "And so, I think we need to make our voices heard in terms of the things we're concerned about, but to say we can come in and select textbooks or material or influence teaching would harm the values of the university," he said.

Currently, professors are allowed to choose their own teaching materials without having them approved by anyone.

Jody Davies, a member of AIRO said, "What happens if they are not teaching the right thing? We need some sensitivity here and a format that we can follow where we can bring it up to the professor in a formatted way where things are discussed.

"It is an instructor's obligation to do the best they can to teach the subject they are teaching and we pay them to do that. If they are not doing it, what's the point of having the course?"

Therefore, I think we should think about forming a procedure of going through with someone higher up and having some discussion and open dialogue with these instructors who are stepping on people's feet."

There is currently no format for dealing with outdated or insensitive material used in classes. The problem is how the university can have some control about what is being taught, while still respecting professors and giving them freedom in their teaching?

"We don't want to have academic thought police that tell us what is right and what is wrong to teach in the classroom. I think it's the right of the students to bring it to everyone's attention. I think it's good training for the non-academic world," said Sadler.

People generally agreed that it would be best to go to the professor first.

However, that may be

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Roach Hall

Friday, March 1 12:21 a.m.

Officials were dispatched regarding a complaint of arson.

Lot E

Friday, March 1 10:58 a.m.

A vehicle was reportedly struck by another car while parked in the lot.

Thomson Hall

Sunday, March 3 2:07 a.m.

Officials reported a fire extinguisher was missing from the fourth floor, T-section.

Lot X

Monday, March 4 1:06 p.m.

The Parking Office reported that a vehicle struck a meter post.

DeBot Center

Tuesday, March 5 5:02 p.m.

A student reported that an unknown person slashed the tires on his 10-speed bike while it was parked at the loading dock area.

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Changing Lives

Downtown buildings may be slapped with color

**Murals may splash new
life to downtown with help
of art students**

By Geoff Fyfe
NEWS REPORTER

UW-Stevens Point art students may have a chance to take part in an art project that is currently under consideration.

According to John Jury, Student Life Executive Director, the project, which would involve painting the sides of businesses downtown, was heard several weeks ago and is currently under consideration.

"The idea has miles to go," Jury said.

The general idea is to paint murals and other works of art on the sides of any business that would allow it. It would provide an opportunity for local artists to display their creative sides for the area to see and would improve the look of the downtown area.

In order for the project to go ahead, the downtown businesses must first decide if any of the owners would be interested in it. After that, there would have to be an okay from the historical society in town, as well an establishment of some guidelines for the process.

"It could improve the look of some

areas of downtown," Jury said. "It could also create some fun and give artists an opportunity to work on a different kind of canvas."

UWSP art students have expressed interest in the project, but as of yet, no names have been provided. Those who are interested are waiting until the project gets the go ahead, which has not yet happened.

The project is still only in the developmental stage and has a long way to go. More information will be coming as soon as the downtown businesses make their decisions.

As of now, no decision has been made by any of the prospective businesses. The art department remains in limbo until the project gets the green light.

"Nothing to my knowledge has been decided," Jury said.

Debate is expected to continue for at least another week.

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* House buying may aid parking dilemma

By Mollie Mlodzik
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

The selling and removal of a house near campus may lead to a partial solution to UWSP's parking problems.

Currently, the university owns a 1,124 square foot house and 50 square foot garage located at 2011 Portage Court.

The university is hoping to sell the ranch-style home to a buyer who would move the house off of the lot. Once moved, UWSP would hold the property located near Lot R until it could be paved for parking space.

"Originally we offered it (the house) to Habitat for Humanity and Community Action Program, but they weren't interested, due to their already busy schedules," said Carl Rasmussen, facilities manager for UWSP. "Now it's for sale to the general public, and anyone can submit a bid."

According to Rasmussen, UWSP owns two other houses on Portage Court and has a total of 20 parcels of land in the area.

In the future, UWSP may use these parcels for parking areas. One option includes expanding lot R another 18 parking spaces. Located across from the University Center, Lot R has faculty parking and metered parking.

Rasmussen said that once the house has been bought and

moved the parcel will be held "until we can consolidate other parcels. It will be filled in and landscaped until we can use it."

The campus is looking at other non-university owned properties in the area to buy and use for possible parking expansion.

Rasmussen said, "We have an obligation to pay market value to these homeowners when they are ready to sell."

Currently, this is being looked at as a long-term plan, with no set dates for when paving or any work will be done.

A family built the house in 1961 and owned it until July of 2000 when the university purchased it. Until December, a UWSP faculty member resided there.

According to Rasmussen, the staff has high hopes for the house and this option. Rasmussen said the house is in good condition and the university thought that selling it and moving

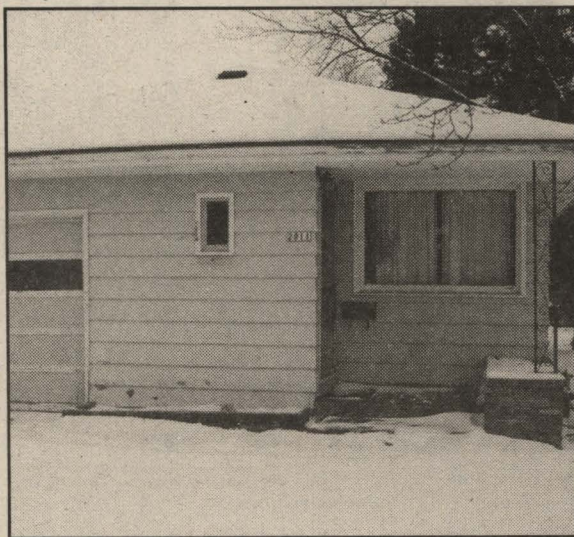


Photo by L. Zancanaro

Portage Court house up for bid.

it off the lot would be a better idea than renting to students, because it would open up space for parking.

"The house is a nice style and size and it will fit right into the composition of any neighborhood," said Rasmussen. "It would be pretty easy to move as well."

Bids for the house are due by 2 p.m. March 22 to Campus Surplus, located at 601 Division Street.

Prospective buyers can contact Larry Hutchinson, Campus Surplus Properties Manager at 346-4474 to arrange for inspection of the home or to request copies of the sellers condition report or the environmental audit.

Kyoto Now!

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the country to sign into the Kyoto Protocol."

Supporters can sign a petition pledging to encourage UWSP to reduce greenhouse gases, to support an energy plan, to encourage the use of more green space on campus, to cut down on his/her own fossil-fuel dependence, to continue action on Kyoto Now! and to encourage others to take the pledge.

Valentine offered ways the campus can help.

"We can concentrate on what light energy we use," he said. "We are trying to get the campus to use all recycled paper. Also, it's important to recycle. I have a soda can. I can walk two steps and throw it in the trash or ten more steps and throw it in the recycle bin. People have to care more."

Valentine also urged reusing. The banners for the Kyoto Now! Campaign are donated sheets from the Stevens Point Holiday Inn—not paper.

"We hope to make the banners, backpack patches and many

other things that promote the Kyoto Now! Campaign," he said.

In the coming weeks, the Kyoto Now! Campaigners will attend the Presidential Student Government Association debates and press their views during Earth Week.

"This campaign will go on until all of us graduate,"

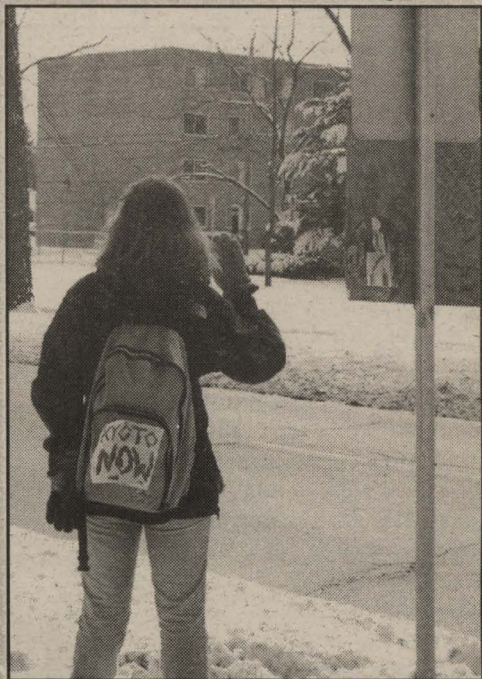


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Valentine said. "We want things to change to make it safe for our kids and our kids' kids."

For more information on Kyoto Now! or involvement, email kyoto_now@hotmail.com

UWSP student works for U.S. Agency in Bosnia

Sahovic works for U.S. Agency for International Development in his homeland



Sahovic

UW-Stevens Point and the community have provided a second home for Tarik Sahovic, a senior business and economics major from Bosnia. However, for the past two summers, Tarik has been able to travel home to see family and friends while earning a salary as a summer intern with the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID).

Last summer, Tarik worked for USAID's Business Development Program in Sarajevo. As a junior lending associate at USAID, he worked to help review business loans in support of the post-war reconstruction and revitalization. Language skills are critical and Tarik is

fluent in English, Bosnian, Serbian and Croatian. In addition, he has an understanding of banking, lending and financial operations in Bosnia.

"My internship with USAID has given me an international perspective on how governments and the private sector can work together toward economic development in war-torn economies, including my homeland of Bosnia," said Sahovic. "Once I achieve my academic goals, I can then turn my attention to my country's growing economic needs and try to be a player in helping Bosnia's economy grow and prosper."

By the time Sahovic was 15, the conflict had begun in Bosnia and many of the other republics within the former Yugoslavia. Like many Bosnians, he and his family saw the damage up close as a grenade struck his parents' home. After high school, he secured a job as a translator with USAID, helping to secure loans for Bosnian enterprises. He was later pro-

moted to a field associate who monitored loans. By good fortune or happenstance, Sahovic's USAID supervisor turned out to be a native of Wisconsin. He urged Tarik to consider a UW System campus such as UWSP. Four years later, Tarik is about to earn a degree from UWSP in business and economics.

As a senior, Sahovic is concentrating on his classes and waiting for warmer weather to play soccer. He is a member of the International Club with a 3.93 grade point average in business studies.

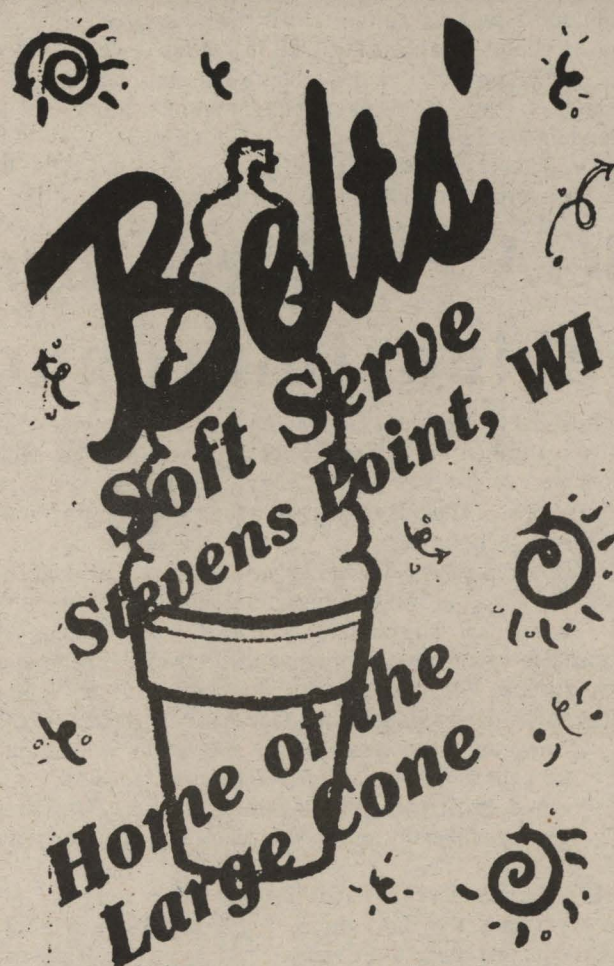
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Words of Wisdom From the Editor

Scott McCallum is a "dumb son of a bitch."

By Josh Goller
EDITOR IN CHIEF

There seems to be a recent trend in the political arena of government leaders sticking their collective foot in their mouth with the cameras rolling. During the 2000 presidential election, John McCain was busted when he curtly pushed a reporter aside, while George W. Bush's comment to then running mate Dick Cheney, that a particular *NY Times* reporter was a "major league asshole" was also caught on tape.

Recently, our own "beloved" governor made a fool of himself by calling a Rhinelander reporter a "dumb son of a bitch" immediately following a via satellite interview from Washington D.C. Apparently, McCallum thought that by taking out his earpiece, visual and audio transmission is instantly cut off but he soon realized his err the hard way as the comment was broadcast on several Wisconsin news programs and also received print coverage nationwide.

Of course, McCallum instantly issued an apology and passed it off as a temporary lapse in judgment on his part. He also felt that it was imperative to mention that he thought that "the camera went dead" before he insulted the reporter's intelligence. I don't know about you, but I don't find it very reassuring that our governor only feels the need to apologize because he got caught. Wisconsin Democrats have called his recent decision making (and, of course, this recent faux pas) "immature," and I have to agree. Insulting the intelligence of a reporter, simply because you don't like the line of questioning can be considered nothing more than immature.

Not surprisingly, the questions that our esteemed governor refused to answer (and then insulted the reporter for) dealt with state budget cuts, specifically cutting state contributions to local governments. Scotty seems to have a knack for driving up the prices of university tuition by cutting funds and now he's putting small town services such as public libraries (the issue in the question that McCallum got steamed about) into serious peril. Of course, our prison system got an increase in funding, but I guess putting people behind bars is more important than educating them.

The worst part about this entire fiasco is that

the reporter McCallum insulted was from Rhinelander, so he already had two strikes against him. First, and most obviously, he works for the news station in Rhinelander, the Siberia of news reporting in Wisconsin. Second, that reporter has to explain to people every day what the hell a "Hodag" is. He doesn't need any beef from our state's top leader on top of all that.

McCallum's public relations people retorted that "he's only human," but as a government leader, he should have developed a little more tact and maturity than that. Granted there hasn't always been television to permanently record these kinds of slip-ups, but leaders of yesteryear would never get away with such flagrant disrespect for their citizens.

Take for instance, one of our lesser-known founding fathers Patrick Henry. His rousing speech at the First Continental Congress set the stage for the American Revolution but would have lost some flavor had he really said "Give me liberty or give me death ... or whores. Liberty, death or whores." He may have been thinking it, but he kept his mind focused.

John F. Kennedy's words about our country will live in the hearts of Americans forever but would have really lost their luster had he proclaimed, "Ask not what your country can do for you, ask what Marilyn Monroe can do to me." You know he was thinking it, but he held his tongue now didn't he.

John Paul Jones didn't say "I've not yet begun to fight, bi-atch" and Nathan Hale didn't utter "I only regret I have but one motherf***ing life to give for my country."

American pride would have been significantly damaged had Neil Armstrong babbled, "I'm first ... I'm first! In your face Aldrin" upon stepping foot on the moon. And sure, General McArthur would have been a bit more popular had he told the Filipinos "I shall return ... with a keg of Natty Ice," but that would have ruined the prestige of the situation.

It's a sad day in Wisconsin when our current governor makes me long for the days of Tommy Thompson stumbling over words like a drunken buffoon (remember his nearly incoherent speech after the Packers won the Super Bowl). McCallum 2002, baby!

SGA President throws support behind Julius and Johannes

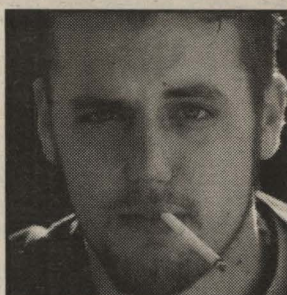
It is that time of the year again to consider who you want as next year's student government president and vice president. This is probably the most important decision that we as students make each year, an encourage everyone to take an active role in this year's process by going to the polls next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. We have a long standing tradition of excellence in student leadership at Point, and it is my belief that two of this year's candidates for president and vice president embody the best of what past and present Student Government's have worked so hard to accomplish.

I fully support Kaitlyn Julius and Bethany Johannes in their quest to become the next SGA president and vice president. The platform is chock full of ambitious yet attainable goals. I believe their desire to get more students more directly involved with the gubernatorial elections this fall would be a huge benefit for the students of UWSP. I am very impressed with their commitment to forging better two-student relationships. They recognize the fact that only through teamwork and collaboration can we as a student body achieve our full potential as servants to our campus and community.

I also believe that Julius and Johannes are ready to go to bat for students when it comes to fighting tuition increases. They both have worked extremely hard on keeping tuition levels affordable for students this year at the university and state levels, and I have every confidence that they will continue to do so next year.

I am certain that Julius and Johannes are the right fit for these two important positions next year. They have experience, they have drive, they have passion and, most importantly, they are ready to go to work for students and make a difference on this campus. They have clearly demonstrated that they do indeed have the best interests of all UWSP students in mind. My endorsement of these two candidates does not reflect the official position of student government, but as a person who has experience in a position like this, I have a good idea of what it takes to succeed at these positions. I believe that Julius and Johannes have what it takes, and it is my privilege to support them wholeheartedly in this year's campaign.

Aaron M. Koepke
Student Body President



Prohibition is not a mistake that should be repeated

Who is Andrew Bushard? I have heard this student's name a lot quite recently. It is usually in connection with the statements he makes through the Pointer. He seems to be a very vocal person but all he ever talks about is bringing back prohibition! Where is this guy from? He says that taverns have contributed to the downfall of morality, health, intellectual culture and spiritual life. Hello, Jesus turned water into wine. Taverns and alcohol have existed since people kept keeping track. When exactly did this downfall occur? Was it yesterday? Two years ago? 1492? I don't know.

An issue has been made by some people about alcohol content in *The Pointer*. Their arguments have been noted but mostly overlooked. I would guess many students here don't agree with the prohibitionist stance, but yet you wouldn't know it by reading the letters to the editor. So far no one has been willing to stand up for alcohol and our right to it. Prohibition was once a reality in this country, and we all know what happened. Prohibition started much like this, that's why we should stop it before it starts.

This Friday, March 8 and this Saturday, March 9 a "Sleep out for the Prohibition of Alcohol" will be held on Main Street downtown. I propose that this weekend we have a "Night Out for Alcohol" and see who gets more people to show up.

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Germany study abroad provides valuable life experiences

Where do I start when writing about everything our group has done our first three weeks in Germany? I know we've been here for barely a week, but believe me we have covered a lot of ground. Berlin, Potsdam and now Magdeburg. It doesn't sound like a lot when you put it into a list, but it certainly felt like a lot to take in.

First things first, let's talk about our weather. I won't say that it's gorgeous here, but it sure beats 11 inches of snow! For all of you nature lovers in Wisconsin there are crocuses out all over the grass (not just the green part either, the actual bud) and they sell blooming flowers at the Alter Markt, which is a really cool place to look at an buy stuff because all the vendors have booths set up outside. The river that runs through Magdeburg, the Elbe, is splendid! There is a path that winds along it with lots of benches and parks in the area. Sunday morning is a great day to go down there and enjoy it (a lot isn't open here Sunday). Not far from the river is a string of very old churches including the Magdeburger Dom, Johanniskirche and Das Kloster Unser Lieben Frauen. Most of these buildings I have listed aren't used as churches anymore. The Dom is a Protestant cathedral (it has mass once or twice every year), the Johanniskirche is used as a type of museum and concert hall, which you have to go in if you're ever here because the view from the tower is awesome and the Kloster, or monastery, is used as a museum and a concert hall. These buildings are great because they will interest the history buff with their information and the architect buff (we have one on the trip) with their design.

Living here is an entirely new experience for a lot of us. Many of us have been to Europe/Germany before, but I think each time you go it's different! I don't want to complain, but for those of you living in the dorms you need to come experience our Wohnung (living arrangement), and then you will have nothing to complain about. Like every place there are good and bad things about it. The public transportation is the coolest thing I think we have ever experienced transportation-wise. Our public transportation system needs to borrow some ideas from the German one. Trains, buses, trams can literally take you anywhere in Germany. That in itself is impressive, but all of these forms of transportation are clean (inside the vehicle and for the environment), convenient and relatively fast. They also save you the headache you would get from driving in Germany! I was also very impressed with their

variety of places to shop. In Magdeburg alone there are at least two malls and in Berlin we visited the mother of all department stores - the KaDeWe. This department store has eight very large floors of just about everything. Our one tour book says that if the KaDeWe doesn't have it, it probably doesn't exist (Lonely Planet's Berlin Book, 2000) and I believe it!

The other thing that I really enjoy is the all the culture and history that surrounds every place we have been. Here in Magdeburg there are statues commemorating this person or that event, and as a history major I find it pretty cool. It is also just so awesome to finally be able to put faces and places with the names I have studied in my history classes and that all of us have studied in our German classes. A lot of people think history is boring, but it isn't when you can experience it. For example when we were in Berlin we visited the Gedenkstätte Deutsche Widerstand (Memorial for German Resistance Groups) we were standing in the actual offices of former Nazi officers. I think a lot of us thought that was a bit creepy! A nicer example would be the Neues Palais (New Palace) in Potsdam. This was where guests of the Royal German Family, the Hohenzollerns, stayed. Friedrich the Great also lived in a separate wing of this palace. Just to know that we were walking somewhere that more than one king or queen walked was just beyond words. I also believe that we, in the US, could learn a lot about protecting our history from the Germans. They are rebuilding and have rebuilt buildings that were destroyed during WWII and the Soviet reign. We would never spend the money on something like that. History is very important to the German culture, sometimes to a point of excess, but I think they mean well.

To close we are having a lot of fun here and have finally settled in. Sure, we miss some things about home (not the snow, but definitely free public bathrooms and our friends), but it's all worth it in the end. I know it's repetitive, but I'm going to say it anyway: To all of you who are stuck at home GO ABROAD!!!! No matter where you go you will have fun! Until next time that's all from Germany! (Next month: A German View of the American War on Terrorism.)

Tschüss!
Katie Kreuser

Time to pull the plug on Arrowhead-Weston Line

Wisconsin Public Service Corporation (WPS) a utility based in Green Bay, continues to pursue its attempt to inflict a gigantic 345,000 volt transmission line across the Northern Wisconsin landscape. The project bulldozes over 4,000 acres through homesteads and forests from a substation near Wausau north to a substation near Duluth, MN. After inflicting its devastating corridor on Wisconsin, the line is slated to bring in electricity from two dubious sources.

One is Manitoba Hydro. The Final Environmental Impact Statement notes that "in Manitoba, construction and operation of massive dams and creation of large reservoirs for purposes of using hydropower to generate electricity have flooded and made inaccessible thousands of square miles of northern forest, lakes, rivers and muskegs that are the native lands and social fabric of the Cree Nation." In a fashion that has become endemic to large corporations, WPS has ignored the ethical wrongdoing their project will perpetuate in causing further adverse impacts in both the environmental and the human rights arena in Manitoba.

The second major source is an array of western coal-fired plants. Coal-fired plants are not only one of the greatest sources of pollution in the nation but one of the greatest topics of misinformation spread by utilities. The stock line parroted by many in the utility field and even the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin is that "Coal-fired electricity is cheap." The fact is that when you take a realistic look at coal-fired plants, they are anything but "cheap." Among the key findings in a study commissioned by the Clean Air Task Force:

- Fine particle pollution from U.S. power plants cuts short the lives of over 30,000 people each year.
- In more polluted areas, fine particle pollution can shave several years off its victims' lives.
- Hundreds of thousands of Americans suffer from asthma attacks, cardiac problems and upper and lower respiratory problems associated with fine particles from power plants.

- The elderly, children, and those with respiratory disease are most severely impacted by fine particle pollution from power plants.
- Power plants outstrip all other polluters as the largest source of sulfates - the major component of fine particle pollution - in the US.

The true costs of coal-fired generation are never mentioned by the utilities. Mercury contamination is poisoning the nation's waterways; in the state of Wisconsin 60% of the lakes have been affected. Respiratory problems and the associated medical costs are increasing as a result of coal-fired generation. Acid rain resulting from coal-fired pollutants is threatening our lakes and forests. And now WPS is duping consumers and ratepayers into actually paying for bringing more of these problems down upon themselves; not a bad scheme.

A new efficient gas-fired plant will produce more than the nominal 600MW of electricity the Arrowhead-Weston line will bring in. It would be seven times cleaner than even the so-called "clean coal" technology, and it would only take up less than 40 acres of land versus the over 4,000 acres for the line. A clean gas-fired plant located in Wisconsin would be far more reliable than a storm prone extension cord dependent on sources over a 1,000 miles away. It would be an economic asset to Wisconsin, not the Western Fuels Association or Manitoba Hydro.

The debacle of the Enron Energy Corporation occurred because not enough people said, "No" to bad policies and bad reasoning. The Bush administration claims we can solve unintended pregnancies by just saying "No." Perhaps we can stop bad energy policy by just saying "No" to bad energy policies.

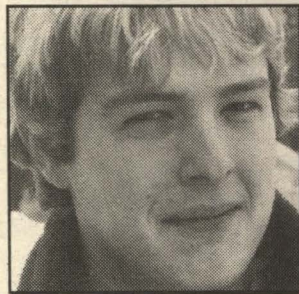
Threatening landowners with legal action if they don't give up their land is not the way to build a reputation as a responsible corporation. Corporate ethics dictate that the Wisconsin Public Service Corporation needs to clean up its act, and it can start by pulling the plug on the Arrowhead-Weston transmission line project.

Richard R. Wentzel, Chair
WI River Country Group, Sierra Club

Pointer Poll

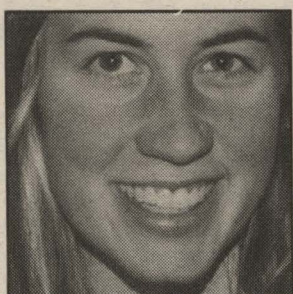
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What is your favorite thing to do in cold weather?



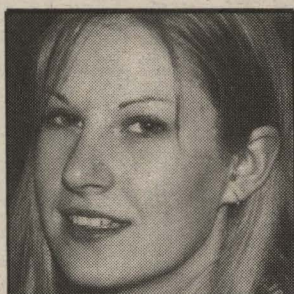
J.P. Roney, Jr. Vocal Music

"Wrap up in a bearskin rug with Bob Saget and listen to Barry Manilow (I'm straight)."



Lisa Anne Miller, Jr. History

Go indoor swimming.



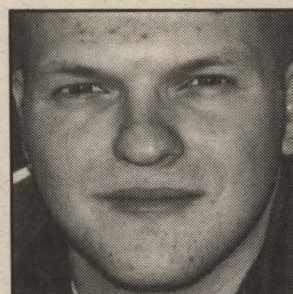
Robin Osowicz, Soph. Comm.

Dig a hole in Lake Joanis and go skinny dipping.



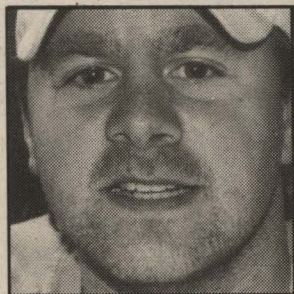
Cat Svetnicka, Jr. Spanish & Comm.

Cuddling and drinking hot chocolate.



Arthur Rebeschke, Sr. Biology

You mean other then the obvious.



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Make naked snow angels.

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pornography POINT OF VIEW

Does PORN belong in a COED living arrangement?

By Dillon M. Leaky
FEATURES CONTRIBUTOR

Of the three basic emotions unique to humankind (faith, hope and love), love is time and again considered the greatest. The ultimate manifestation of this emotion called love is the physical act of love-making. It is a beautiful and miraculous event which, when enacted properly, can lead not only to corporeal gratification, but spiritual enlightenment. That some people choose to capture this wondrous spectacle on film and in periodical form is a blessing to us all. The result is the field of pornography, an entire industry devoted to the propagation of love in its many forms. But in today's day and age, due largely to certain close-minded parties, pornography's meaning and intent have become grossly distorted.

The Oxford English Dictionary defines pornography as "obscene writings, drawings or photographs, esp. those having little or no artistic merit." But is it really fair to rule something out on the sole basis of its being poorly re-created? Such close-mindedness obscures the word's true meaning. Perhaps we would be better off to consult the original derivations of the word pornography. The root "por-" comes from the ancient Latin word Porifera, meaning "an animal phylum

Yes. Porn is the essence of all good things.

comprising the sponges." Clearly, there is more to pornography than the skeptics would have us believe.



Unfortunately, the negative stigma prevail. So in order to discuss the topic in a more objective manner, I will heretofore refer to pornography as the Industry of Love (IOL).

IOL can be broken down into three main conduits: film, literature and exotic dance clubs. For years, forerunners in the literature of love, such as *Playboy*, *Hustler* and *Penthouse* have distributed a panacea of rich images and sophisticated language interwoven to create a canvass of higher understanding. Films go one step further, bringing that understanding to life on-screen through the magic of motion pictures. Gentlemen's clubs simply provide one with the opportunity to join in the magic firsthand. No one is forced to participate in the joy-making against their will, and the end result is pleasure for all involved. Sound too good to

be true? Well, it is true.

IOL can also boost self-esteem. After completing a survey in the April 2002 edition of *Playboy* magazine, a UWSP student recently learned that he was only 2 points away from being a "sex god." Now, just think how that must have boosted his self-confidence (coincidentally, that same student has since started a shelter for homeless children.).

A recent Nielsen study has indicated that 95% of all humans enjoy being subjected to pornographic images on a continual basis. Keep in mind these are international averages; the figures for Americans are closer to 98%. In other words, for every 10 people you meet, only two-tenths of one person actually has a problem with IOL. That's not even a forearm.

Still there are those who would look down their nose at the love-makers. Fortunately, pioneers in the field of IOL are forever coming up with innovative ways to disperse love to the masses. Avant-garde television programs such as Howard Stern and the Man Show tell us that it's okay to be ourselves. After all, it's impossible to love someone else until you learn to love yourself first.

It stands to reason that the IOL is a vital part of society as we know it. Take love away, and you're left with hate. So join in the fight against hate. We may not win, but if even one life is changed, then we've done our part.

By Sister Leora Watts
FEATURES CONTRIBUTOR

Black Tuesday. That's right - last Tuesday, a black envelope arrived on our doorstep addressed only to me. I innocently opened my mail, uncovering the April 2002 issue of *Playboy* magazine. Upon sight of the magazine, I immediately felt ill, as if small, slimy bugs were crawling around my fingers. I dropped the magazine before the little bugs could reach my elbows and sprinted upstairs to grill my male housemates for answers.

I had thought it was pretty funny when I'd received a letter several weeks ago offering me a subscription to *Playboy* for a special introductory price of \$14.95. I was able to laugh it off by deciding that a credit card company must have sold my name to Hugh Hefner, but must have forgotten to bury the offer and return envelope deep in the garbage can. One of my housemates admitted that he'd written the check for the subscription after the others had chipped in a few dollars apiece, but unfortunately, it had slipped his mind to change the name under which the pornography was to be sent.

As I am outnumbered, 4 males to one female, Satan's Bible has found its place on my coffee table. As the centerpiece of the room, it has now taken the place of all meaningful conversation that was previously held in our living room. Instead of discussing politics or the degradation of the environment with my housemates, I can now hear only grumbling about their scores on the "Are You a Sex God?" test, because of course, they "only read *Playboy* for the articles."

Thus begins my argument: pornography directly causes social dysfunction, discouraging intimacy between actual human beings.

NO! Porn is the spawn of Satan!

Spending time in a relationship with a naked person in a magazine leaves less time in one's schedule to attempt to forge a relationship with someone that can think and feel - a person who actually exists.

Lust is a dangerous thing. It is part of human existence, but regardless, we must all conquer temptation through responsible exercise of freedom. Every person is the owner of his or her free acts, and so we all must be strong-willed enough to resist gazing at the Devil's pictures in



filthy, mind-rotting magazines in order to benefit all of society.

The display of human bodies in mass media for commercial profit destroys public morals and besmirches the dignity of human beings. The industry is not one of

love, but rather the lack thereof. Pornography has celebrated sex and has pushed it away from its true purposes of solidifying bonds of love and generously giving birth to new life. It promotes brute selfishness, which may result in gender-related crimes and disregard for the sensitivities of others. Although pornography's wrath has been cast down upon my house for only a short while, its effects are already clear. The guys have actually stopped cooking, cleaning and doing laundry and homework altogether. It has been observed that the possession of revolting literature has caused notable intellectual deficiencies and weaknesses of will among my cohabitants. It is essential that we counteract the media's attempts to heighten desires for sexual pleasure and corrupt even the most studious of college students. The only way to prevent our nation from slipping into the grasp of evil is to join with me and be porn-free.

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Believe it or not, "Eileen and Scott tie the knot"

By Barrett Steenrod
FEATURES EDITOR

Unbeknownst to most students, there is life off campus. Stevens Point consists of more than the university. There is a whole world of opportunities outside of the bar and house party scene.

One such recreational opportunity occurs this weekend with the opening of the community play, "Eileen and Scott Tie the Knot." Written and directed by Steve Senski, this production is one interpretation of what happens when a central Wisconsin Irish and Polish family come together during a wedding.

This family-friendly play features a host of local celebrities that move to contemporary music in traditional, and not-so traditional fashion. The lines of some of the characters drive home the humor in a contemporary type of national commentary all the while preserving the familiar local references that the audience will be

sure to appreciate.

The play features a cast of 44 with a dozen of the cast members being UWSP students. Some of the other cast members include the local sheriff, assistant district attorney and a member or two of the local medical profession. Even a UWSP professor has found time to get involved and learn some lines. By the time the stage is set and lights dim for the opening scene, students and community members will have spent nearly eight weeks in preparation.

All proceeds from the production benefit the Community Foundation of Portage County and the Community Grants Fund. Tickets are selling fast and have been known to sell out in previous productions.

To order tickets or for more information, call 715-346-4100.



Amie Woolweber, senior, plays Eileen Dunn in the comedy with a cast of 44.

Photo by P. Larson

UWSP choirs UWSP to have a gay ol' time

presenting "Americana"

"Americana," a combined concert by several choirs directed by Associate Professor of Music Lucinda Thayer, will be held presented at 7:30 p.m. on Sat., Mar. 9, and at 3 p.m. on Sun., Mar. 10, here at UWSP.

Thayer says the concert will feature music by American composers, music that uses American poetry and arrangements of folk music, songs from the Shaker tradition and songs from Southern harmony.

The Women's Choir, accompanied by pianist Ann Applegate of the Wausau Conservatory, will sing "Simple Gifts," "At the River" and "Long Time Ago," adapted by Aaron Copland, "I Thank You God" by Gwyneth Walker and "Fair Warning" by Shirley W. McRae.

The Choral Union, accompanied by pianist Mary Ellen Mitchell of Mitchell Piano Works, will sing "Modern Music" by William Billings, pieces from "Frostiana" by Randall Thompson, and "Hark, I Hear the Harps Eternal," arranged by Alice Parker.

A combined men's choir will perform "Brothers, Sing On" by Edward Grieg, and "Lord, Listen to Your Children" by Ken Medema, arranged by Jack Schrader, with pianist Craig LaPoint of Oshkosh.

The Concert Choir will sing "Down by the Riverside," arranged by John Rutter, with pianist Mitchell, "Heart Not So Heavy as Mine" by Elliott Carter, "There Was a Naughty Boy" from "A Nation of Cowslips" by Dominick Argento, "Twelfth Night" by Samuel Barber and "Shenandoah," arranged by James Erb.

Admission to each performance is \$5 for adults, \$3 for senior citizens, \$2 for students and free to UWSP students with valid IDs. Proceeds will benefit the music department scholarship fund.

Tickets may be purchased at the Arts and Athletics Ticket Office or by calling 346-4100. Tickets also will be available at the door if the performance is not sold out in advance.

From New York to San Francisco ... and now to UWSP comes comedian Sabrina Matthews on Thursday, March 14, at 8 p.m.

Matthews has appeared on Comedy Central many times and has performed at comedy festivals, including the internationally renowned Montreal Comedy Festival. Born and raised in upstate New York, she now resides in San Francisco.

Her beginning in stand up comedy came early in the 1990s when she performed at a talent night at a children's summer camp where she worked. A friend convinced her to perform at Josie's Juice Joint and Cabaret in San Francisco, a club that has begun many gay comics' careers. But Matthews wanted to share her comedy beyond the gay clubs of San

Francisco.

"All you have to do in a straight club is be funny," said Matthews [Sacramento Bee, 6/13/96]. "Sometimes you have to overcome a little animosity or hesitancy, but I'm pretty charming."

Since that time, she has taken her act around the country, including to many college campuses. Her live CD "Now What Was I Saying?" was recorded at Cobb's Comedy Club in San Francisco.

Admission to the show at the Encore is \$4 for the public and free to UWSP students with IDs.

The performance is sponsored by Centertainment Productions.



Sabrina Matthews Photo.

Matthews is coming all the way from Calif. to get some laughs.

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The Pointer through time... this week from 1943

By Laura Daugherty
ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

This week's Pointer Through Time goes back to 1943 and really does a good job of reflecting the World War II era. The majority of the articles are regarding military issues involving students.

Almost every article relates to the war in some way or another. The front page headline reads "Navy Gives Schedule for Calling College Reservists to Duty." This

more about war bonds. There are several cartoon advertisements to try and convince students to purchase these war bonds while one ad has a picture of a boxer and says "Help Uncle Sam Win the World's Title! Invest 10% of your Income in War Bonds." Apparently they were really trying to get students to invest their money, but since when have college students ever had that kind of money just lying around?

offered except for a very short article that basically mentions the lack of sports news due to the army training in the gym. It is quite obvious from reading this edition of

Teachers College.

At this point in time, the Pointer had expanded to eight full size pages of newsprint. Subscription price was listed as \$2.00 per year.

Again, a special thanks goes out to the University Archives (fifth floor LRC) for their continuing help in rooting around in the past.

Interesting Facts about the 1940s:

- Population of the U.S. was 132,122,000.
- Unemployed Americans in 1940 - 8,120,000.
- National Debt \$43 billion.
- Average Salary \$1,299.
- Teacher's salary \$1,441.
- Minimum Wage \$.43 per hour.
- 55% of US homes had indoor plumbing.
- Antarctica was named a continent.
- Life expectancy 68.2 for a female, 60.8 for a male.
- Japanese bomb Pearl Harbor December 7, 1941.
- America atom bombs Hiroshima on August 6, 1945.
- World War II changed the order of world power with the United States and the USSR becoming super powers while Britain, the rest of Europe and Japan take a backseat in global affairs.

article talks about the calling of college naval reserves to active duty, which was announced the week preceding this issue of the Pointer. Also on the front page is an obituary for Joseph V. Collins, professor of mathematics at UWSP. You may recognize this name from the Collins Classroom Center here on campus.

Also included is an article about how men and women of the armed services, who had their educations interrupted, will have the opportunity to take a test to determine if they are eligible for college credit and/or graduation. A "War Bond Quiz" can be found on the second page. The section offers a question and answer format for readers to find

A fairly lengthy write-up about the importance of giving blood and plasma wants that "in the first world war more than seven percent of the wounded died of their wounds."

As for sports, there really isn't much

Notice the actual Pointer breed of dog within the title. This paper featured a full two page spread of the military's presence in the Nelson Hall Barracks.

Poli-Sci. group set to represent

By Laura Daugherty
ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

Seventeen students from the political science department are planning to head to New York over spring break for a United Nations Student Organization conference in New York City. All of the UWSP students attending the conference are also in Professor Jianwei Wang's Poli-Sci 387 class.

Students from all over the US and around the world will be in attendance. The class prepares throughout the semester for this event. Each university group is designated a country to research and represent and will debate various topics at the conference. The group from UWSP is assigned to Guinea and Vietnam.

When asked how he hoped to benefit from attending, senior Political Science major Matt Tennesen commented, "By attending this conference I hope to increase my understanding of the role of the United Nations and global politics as well as increase my understanding of other cultures."

Senior Scott Specht said that he is looking forward to the conference "to see the interaction of college students and how they take on the roles of different countries and also to learn about other nations through foreign policy at a college student's communication level."

The conference will be held at the Grand Hyatt in New York City and runs from March 26-30.

The Pointer that World War II had a profound impact on student and campus life at the Central Wisconsin State

becoming super powers while Britain, the rest of Europe and Japan take a backseat in global affairs.

The Health and Wellness Spot

Dear Health Advocate,

I'm getting ready for a spring break trip to Panama Beach, Florida, and I am a little concerned because I'll just be with my girlfriends. We tend to enjoy a few drinks and party until early morning, but I really want us to be safe. Any suggestions?

Sincerely,
Safe Spring Breaker

Dear Safe Spring Breaker,

First of all, I commend you for your concern and for planning ahead! There are many things you can do to have a safe spring break. The following are some tips that you can use to help keep you and your friends safe in any environment.

Never, EVER take a drink from someone unless you are with him or her when it is bought. Prevent any chance of drugs such as Rohypnol or GHB, also known as the date rape drug. These drugs are becoming more and more available to prospective offenders at inexpensive prices. Ignorance is NOT bliss.

Set up your standards before going out. If you aren't into one night stands, decide that before hand, and stick to it.

Adopt the buddy system. Have a group of people that you stay with, and never leave anyone behind.

Be alert! Walk with confidence and purpose. Be aware of your surrounding - know who's out there and what's going on.

Trust your instincts. If a situation or place makes you feel uncomfortable or uneasy, leave!

Avoid walking or jogging alone, especially at night. Stay in well-traveled, well-lighted areas.

Don't accept a ride from someone you have just met, perhaps at a club or beach party - no matter how pleasant he or she may seem.

Lastly, ditch the attitude that "It won't happen to me!"

For more tips as well as free samples and information, stop by and meet the Health Advocate at her "Safe Spring Break" booth in the UC on Monday, March 18th between noon and 1 p.m., or you can e-mail her like usual at kbuch680@uwsp.edu.



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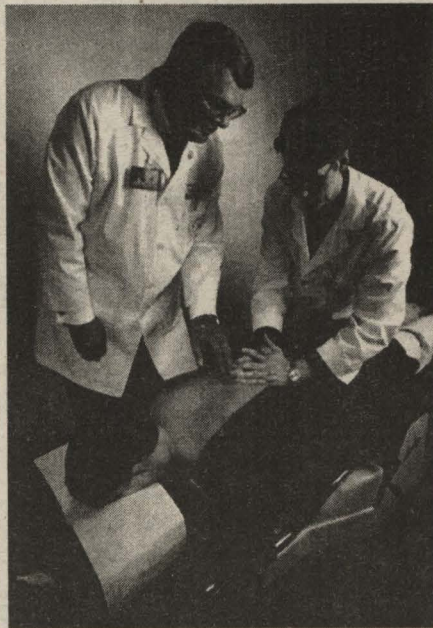
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Dead and Gone

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Fourteen hours since I've been free
What is freedom in the end
If it's hurting you and me?
Well I need to go back
To that cell I called my home
Yeah it may have been confining
But it opened up my soul.
Take me back
To that place
Take me there
And stare at my cold and barren face
And I know
I was wrong
And I feel so dead and gone
So take me back
To that place
Take me there
I need to fill that empty space
Fourteen hours since I've lied
Fourteen minutes until I grin
Thinking how could I do it
I let the devil back me in
Well I need to think about
My problems and my greed
Yeah it may have taught me good
But now I can not sleep
And I know I was wrong
And I feel
So dead and gone
Dead and gone
by Zack Holder

Long Live the Fighters

Laughing boys make a mockery of
war
with sticks for guns and skirmish
against an invisible enemy.

The sounds of 4-square balls
against sidewalks
to the rhymes like marching songs.

Smiling children hang by their knees
from iron bars traversing rickety
bridges
over abysses so great
one can hear the echoes of Hell

Secret tree forts deep in the woods
where the Good Sentries watch
and the Enemy cannot enter.
by Kenneth Musante

Used and Abused

So many women in this world
Have been used then cast aside,
And I feel they've been hurled
Into thoughts of suicide.
I wish I could stop it,
Before it ever happened.
Because the fear that has hit
Makes the trusting thoughts end.
She hates her vulnerability.
She feels so unworthy
Of the possibility
Of love.

It doesn't matter what's taken place.

It's the reaction that counts.
Will you continue this rat race
Or let the evil make you bounce.
by Scott Vanderwarf

destination

walking above the damp path
on my way to...

to a place i can't say where
to a place i intimately know

I, almost lazily, walk by

The holding oak leaves whose fading
orange is as excited by the hint of
spring behind the
breeze as me
Over the disappearing frost that
meets my toes stopped with decision

to take a path

White with cold rain and radiant
branches that are so much deeper
than brown

to choose a path

Beneath the ground
through a poorly lit hall
vacant and structured

Will my choice define the destina
tion?
the difference appears when i sepa

rate it from the path
by Christopher Klingbeil

December 11th

The first
The coldest
The fastest surprise...

Excitement
Disappointment
Discouragement in its rise...

The Past
The Future
And this moment combined...

Return from Heaven
Wrapped in white hell
This chilling continuous grind...
by Rachel Ann Zentner

Space filler late at night
of pages long and space white
to edit newspaper i thought would be
of highest delight
but no.
with hours long and the drumbeat of
seconds long passed...
i often wish that what i wished was
something i neither knew nor know
by Tareeb Domeets

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Yan White caps season on top rope

By Craig Mandli
SPORTS EDITOR

UWSP's Yan White has fulfilled the expectations that his coach put on him from the beginning of the season. White won four straight matches and posted a pin in the championship match to capture the NCAA Division III wrestling championship at 197 pounds late Saturday in Wilkes-Barre, Pa, a win that Coach Johnny Johnson predicted that White had a great chance for.

The sophomore pinned Upper Iowa's Cliff Thompson in 4:51 in the championship match to become the third wrestler in UW-Stevens Point history to win a national title. White joins two-time winner Perry Miller, who was the heavyweight champion in 1997 and 1998, and Bob Berceau, who won at 134 pounds in 1989.

White, who was seeded fourth in the weight class, completed his season with a 24-4 overall record. His finish led the Pointers to a 12th place team finish, which is their highest since finishing ninth in 1998.



White

Also for the Pointers, talented freshman Cody Koenig won his opening match at 165 pounds with a 14-12 victory over fourth-seeded James Henderson of College of New Jersey. However, Koenig lost his next two matches to end the year with a 20-9 record.

Junior team leader Mark Burger from Merrill lost to the third and sixth-seeded heavyweight wrestlers in his only two matches. Burger ended his season 15-10.

White opened with an 11-0 shellacking of Bart George of Simpson (Iowa) University, and then pinned Rich Gildner of College of New Jersey in

2:26 in the quarterfinals. White then pulled out a 3-2 victory over top rival Kevin Rasmussen of Augsburg (Minn.) College in the semifinals to reach the championship match. White is the sixth wrestler in Pointer history to wrestle in a national championship match, and his 24-4 record is the eighth best single-season record in school history.

Augsburg won the team title, edging Upper Iowa and Wartburg (Iowa) by six points.

Track teams show depth at WIAC championships

Lundahl takes lone title for Pointer track

By Craig Mandli
SPORTS EDITOR

With nearly a foot of snow hitting the Stevens Point area within the last week, the last thing that most people are thinking about is track. Unless, that is, you are a member of the UWSP indoor track team. Track and field was in the forefront of their minds as the teams competed in the WIAC indoor championships at the University of Whitewater.

Senior Megan Lundahl was UWSP's lone individual champion, but the Pointer track teams showed their depth with third place performances in both the men's and women's competitions. UW-La Crosse won both titles.

Lundahl had a throw of 52 feet, 4.5 inches to win the weight throw title. Second place finishers for the women's team were junior Jenny Todd, who had a jump of



Photo submitted by Rick Witt

Pointer sophomore Jesse Bauman competes in the 800 meter run on Saturday at the WIAC championships.

17 feet, 11 inches in the long jump, senior Jody Butkowski, who had a time of 26.54 seconds in the 200 meters, sophomore Megan Craig, who posted a time of 4:45.14 in the 1500 meters and senior Becky Lebak, who finished the 3000 meters in 10:17.86. The distance medley relay team was second in 12:12.33.

On the men's side, freshman Noah Eschenbach was the top men's performer with a

throw of 59 feet, seven inches to finish second in the weight throw. The men had third place efforts from freshmen Aaron Carley in the long jump at 23 feet, 4.75 inches and Mark LaLonde in the 5000 meters at 14:50.57, along with sophomore Jesse Bauman in the 800 meters at 1:55.61.

The Pointer track and field teams compete in the NCAA championships this weekend in Ada, Ohio.

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Who was your idol growing up? - Anne Shirley from the book *Anne of Green Gables*.

What are your plans after graduation? - I have a one year internship, and then I am looking toward clinical nutrition.

Do you plan on running competitively after graduation? - Maybe one or two road races, and I may try some marathons.

What is your favorite aspect of track & field? - The feeling of being in a race when you feel great and everything is going right, and the pride you feel afterwards when you know you couldn't have raced any harder.

Most embarrassing moment - At cross country conference I was telling a fellow racer how happy I was that LaCrosse ended Oshkosh's 15 year winning streak thinking the girl was from LaCrosse, but she was from Oshkosh.

If you could be anyone for a day, who would you choose? - Natalie Merchant, she is my very favorite singer.

If you were going to be stranded on a desert island and could choose only three things to bring with you, what would you choose?

1. A really long book
2. Sandals (the sand gets really hot)
3. Plenty of food

What will you remember most about running at UWSP? - Realizing that I can push myself far beyond I would have ever thought possible.

Pointer Preview: Women prepare for Sweet 16

By Dan Mirman

SPORTS EDITOR

The UWSP women's basketball team will be taking on their second straight opponent from St. Louis, Mis. this Friday when they face the Webster University Gorloks.

The big difference is that this time the Pointers will be playing host all weekend long as they will host a four team sectional with the winner advancing to the final four in Terre Haute, Ind. next weekend.

Head Coach Shirley Egner believes that the right to host was earned by their major upset of top seeded Washington University last Saturday.

"That has got to be the reason. Being a four seed and then beating a one seed is very impressive, and I think the committee rewarded us for what we did," said Egner. "I think it's a positive for us [being at home]. If we had to travel we would have left on Wednesday to head out of town, but now we get to stay in our own beds and play in front of our home crowd."

The first semi-final game will match up Pacific Lutheran (Wash.) against Chapman (Calif.) at 5 p.m. on Friday, and then the UWSP-Webster game will follow at 7.

Webster comes into the contest red hot, riding an 18-game winning streak. They are 25-2 for the season, including a perfect conference mark of 14-0.

The Gorloks earned their berth into the round of 16 with a victory over Lakeland College last Saturday night 48-33. The first half was a defensive battle that saw both teams struggle to score as Webster led by a single point 14-13 at the break.

The score was surprising as Webster plays a very up-tempo game, averaging almost 80 points of offense per game.

"Truthfully, it really doesn't matter one way or another what style of team that we are playing," said Egner. "With our depth and versatility, we are able to counter any lineup on the floor."

Webster is led by three-time St. Louis Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SLIAC) Player of the Year Halley Spann. Spann, a

senior, led the SLIAC in scoring, averaging 18.3 points a game.

UWSP made it to the sweet sixteen by upsetting the number one ranked Washington University Bears 66-60. The Pointers dealt the 4-time defending national champion Bears their first playoff loss since 1997. The upset was keyed by a fantastic game from Carry Boehning who had 18 points and 9 rebounds.

The Pointers are led by WIAC Player of the Year and national player of the year finalist Kari Groshek. Groshek, a senior center, is averaging 15.1 points a game to lead UWSP.

Egner believes that the key to her team's playoff run has been a challenging regular season schedule.

"I think that we have one of the toughest conferences in the country and that has helped us a lot," said Egner. "Before it was Oshkosh and Eau Claire, and now it's our turn to make a run deep into the tournament."

The only team that UWSP and Webster have both played is Washington. The Gorloks lost a close game to the Bears on January 3rd by a score 81-76.

The other semi-final matches a perennial contender against a squad that is making their first ever Sweet 16 appearance.

Pacific Lutheran is in the tournament for the third time in four seasons, including their second sectional in that span. They advanced with a 60-54 victory over St. Benedict and are led by Jessica Iserman, who leads the team in points and rebounds with 12.5 and 9.2 a game entering the tournament.

Chapman, on the other hand, won their first ever NCAA tournament this year and then followed that up with an 87-74 victory over Carleton (Minn.) to make it to Stevens Point. They are led by Sophomore Melody Bongiorno who is averaging 14.1 points a contest.

The winners of Friday night's semi-final games will then meet on Saturday night at 7 p.m. The winner of that game will advance to the final four, which will be held in Terre Haute, Ind. next weekend.



Photo contributed by Sister Rosella
Carry Boehning battles with Jennifer Rudis for a loose ball in Saturday's upset of the Washington Bears.



Egner

Groshek named WIAC player of the year

Senior center Kari Groshek, a Rosholt native and Rosholt High graduate has also been named the WIAC Player of the Year, the first time a UW-Stevens Point player has ever earned the honor.

The Pointers posted their best overall and league records since 1986-87 and finished second in the WIAC this season with a 14-2 record.

Groshek ranked third in the WIAC with a 15.1 points per game average and a .556 field goal percentage. She also leads the Pointers in rebounding and blocks, averaging 5.8 and 1.4 per game, respectively.

Groshek is also one of 10 finalists for the Jostens Division III Player of the Year award.



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The Sports Guy's Opinion: Women's hockey team gets screwed

By Dan Mirman
SPORTS EDITOR

There is getting screwed and then there's getting SCREWED. Getting screwed is when your girlfriend dumps you for your best friend. Getting SCREWED is when your hockey team goes 26-1, is ranked number two in the nation, wins the conference tournament and then is told that they didn't make the national tournament.

The latter is exactly what happened to the UW-Stevens Point women's hockey this Sunday when they were denied a bid to the first ever NCAA division III frozen four.

Now I was wondering how something like this could happen, so I did a little digging. Only one at large berth is given out to independents or teams that cannot receive an automatic bid.

The one at large bid went to Elmira College in New York over UWSP. The only problem is that for the criteria given to select the at large team the Pointers clearly should have been selected over Elmira. Here is the criteria from the official NCAA handbook.

1. Winning percentage, head to head results and results against common opponents.
2. Strength of schedule as determined by opponents winning percentage.
3. Results against teams already in the tournament.

For the first criteria UWSP has a slight edge over Elmira with a better winning percentage, 26-1 to 24-1-1. They have not played head to

head this year and they have no common opponents so the second half of the first criteria doesn't matter.

As far as strength of schedule is concerned, UWSP also have a huge edge in victories over ranked opponents, 11-4, including avenging their lone loss to Superior by beating the Yellow jackets twice on the road. Part of the reason the record for UW-River Falls is not as good as some of the other ranked teams is because Point has given them five of their losses.

Heading into the final criteria the Pointers are slightly ahead of Elmira, but here is the clincher. UWSP has beaten two of the teams that made the tournament Gustavus Adolphus and St. Mary's, compared to Elmira which has defeated none of the teams that are in the tournament.

After scratching my head for many hours I finally figured out just how Elmira, which remember is in New York City, beat out UWSP for a postseason berth. First one needs to understand that women's hockey is just starting to grow as D-III college sport and is looking for all the press it can get.

Then one must understand that whoever received that berth into the first ever frozen four would get the number one seed (that's another column), and would then host the event.

Well let me see, I'm not the

brightest kid, but if you wanted to get all the coverage and attention you can for a first ever Division III national championship then where would you rather have it. On one hand there is the lovely town of Stevens Point, Wisconsin. Here you will find the Point beer factory and zero T.V. stations. Or it could be hosted by a city on the east coast where all media outlets are ready and willing to come out and give the event some exposure.

The least that the selection committee could have done would be to at least explain to the entire UWSP women's hockey team their reasoning for ending their season prematurely. They could send them a nice formal letter saying how they selected Elmira not solely because they are from New York, but they also have a nicer facility to host the event and it will go well with their bias in favor of east coast teams. What a nice message to a team that in just their second year as a varsity sport, put together the best record in the country.

So hey, maybe next year UWSP will have an undefeated season and get snubbed again. Then the committee can maybe make some more criteria to keep them out, like giving extra points to wins against non-Midwest teams.

Whatever the excuse may be, isn't it refreshing to know that the decision will not be based on the teams performance on the ice, but where their school is located.

The Man's Take: The solution to sports downtime

By Craig Mandli
SPORTS EDITOR

I HATE this time of year. Football is over. Baseball is just beginning. Basketball is in the "Who Cares" stage. Heck, there aren't even any meaningful college sports (save this weekend's women's basketball games) worth attending. This is what I refer to as "sports downtime."

What am I to do? Well, over the years I've compiled a list of things that can be made into past-times this time of year.

1. **Rediscover your relationship with your significant other.** I actually tried this the weekend after the Super Bowl. Unfortunately, after about two minutes in Bath & Body Works, I went clinically insane. Not good times, bad times.
2. **Become engrossed in sports-themed video games.** All I have is two words for this: Madden 2002! Enough said. (If you have trouble finding video games on a student's budget, there is a great place in Plover on Post Road. Trust me, it's worth the drive.)
3. **Get a job!** There are tons of part-time jobs out there for those of you willing to work. Don't like responsibility? Yeah, me neither! Play ya in a game of Madden!
4. **Do your homework and study.** Remember that? I'm sure most of you haven't done that since the end of December. The library is under construction, but is still open. That's L-I-B-R-A-R-Y, you know, the place with all the books. It's where all the skaters hang out.
5. **Sleep.** Personally one of my favorites. Once down to about three hours of sleep a night this fall, I have raised my numbers to nearly ten hours a night. I've got this thing down to a science.
6. **Read a book.** I personally just completed War and Peace, and am psyched about The Grapes of Wrath. If you believe what you just read, you should probably be committed.
7. **Pick up the latest fad addiction.** Weather it be gambling, ecstasy or biting you nails, addictions are a great way to pass hours of time.
8. **Go outside.** For all you couch-huggers out there, that's where you are when you open your door and walk through it. I wouldn't suggest doing this when drunk, stoned or naked.
9. **Eat uncontrollably.** This is how many of us put on that "freshman 15", or in my case, the "freshman 30." Don't worry, though. Many hours of video games are sure to burn off that excess weight.
10. **Get totally shit-faced on Friday night, sleep through the whole weekend and wake up in time for your 3:00 class on Monday.** Actually, this seems to be a long-standing tradition in Point. It makes time just fly by, and you have no regrets, right?

With these sure-fire time-wasters, you can't go wrong. Who says there is nothing to do in Point? GO POINTERS!



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Friday March 8th

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HOOK ON PISCES ~ 9 PM

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1. MADHOPS
2. GAMECOCKS
3. SLAMIN SALMON
4. YAUTZEE

TRENCH

1. CARRIER KILLERS
2. MOSTLY MERRILITES
3. YOU THROW LIKE A GIRL
4. ROCKSTARS

MEN'S BASKETBALL D II

1. MIDGETS FOR SALE
2. 1428
3. FISHIN' 4 TOO
4. ROSCO GOSCO

D2 VOLLEYBALL

1. TENJEWERRYMUD
2. WYATT ST. BALLERS
3. RABID SHREWS
4. B-TEAM

FLOOR HOCKEY

1. TEAM TKE
2. NORTH STARS
3. LETS FIGHT

SOCCER

1. DIRTY DOZEN
2. GOT A SISTER
3. CASH MONEY

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

1. ALABAMA SLAMMERS
2. HOPPIN' HOOTERS
3. CRAZY GIRLS
4. T-BONE PLAYAS

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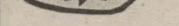
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ALS Prez speaks

By Steve Seamandel
OUTDOORS EDITOR

President of the Aldo Leopold Society Dr. Tom Overholt spoke to a classroom full of students and faculty members on Wednesday afternoon.

The title of the presentation was "Some That Go Are Gone: Reflections on Retirement and the State of the World." Overholt spoke mainly about the Audoban Society and the three activities that he has engaged in since his retirement.

The first was obviously that he's become a member of the Audoban Society. He spoke in detail about how the Audoban Society is running various programs dealing with educating the youth in terms of our environment, how we benefit from it and how we need to preserve it. He also explained the somewhat mysterious birdhouses that are on the backs of road signs on Hwy. 39. Overholt said that the Audoban Society made the Kestrel Nest Boxes and that the DNR assisted them in putting them on the signs. The boxes have aided in the study and banding of Kestrels.

The second engagement since retirement was working with the North Central Conservance Trust (NCCT). The main goal here was to preserve lands by using Conservation Easements, which ensures protection of the land in which the owner agrees not to alter the condition

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March is National Dandelion Month

By Leigh Ann Ruddy
ASSISTANT OUTDOORS EDITOR

The white stuff on the ground really doesn't make us think spring, but it's right around the corner. Pretty soon lawns and fields will be blanketed with yellow instead of white. It's that prolific little "weed" we all love to hate. But did you know that the dandelion is an excellent source of Vitamins A and C? Leaves of the dandelion can be used as greens to make delicious salads, teas and soups.



It may be hard to celebrate National Dandelion Month in Wisconsin but we can certainly enjoy the positive things dandelions offer us.

Instead of "poppin' mama's head off," use the blossoms for this outstanding recipe:

Dandelion Wine

- " 1 qt dandelion blossoms
- " 1 gallon of hot water
- " 3 ½ lbs. Sugar
- " 2 lemons, cut up
- " 2 oranges, cut up

1. Pour hot water over dandelion blossoms in large container.
2. Let stand for 24 hours.
3. Strain in a jelly bag or cheese cloth.
4. Heat juice again and add sugar, lemons and oranges.
5. Reheat, then put juice into a stone jar.
6. Let ferment at least a month.
7. Skim top of liquid everyday for 6 to 7 weeks.
8. Bottle.

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Milwaukee Sports Show begins this weekend

By Steve Seamandel
OUTDOORS EDITOR

Although it doesn't feel much like spring right now, one sign of the seasonal change, for me, has always been the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel Sports Show at the Midwest Express Center.

This year marks the 62nd anniversary of the sports show, which features vendors, booths, seminars and many hands-on activities.

There's something for every outdoors enthusiast including fishing, hunting, camping, conservation, archery, trout fishing, wildlife art, fishing boat dealers and family travel.

Kids' education and environmental awareness is one area that has been receiving increased

attention this year. Not only is there a trout pond for young and old anglers to test their skills, there is a kids' conservation stage and activity area fully devoted to children and increasing their environmental awareness.

However, you don't have to be young to enjoy most of the attractions at the Journal Sentinel Sports Show. Every time I've attended it, I left wanting the ice on the lakes to melt more than ever.

The Sports Show begins Friday, March 8 at 2 p.m. and runs through Sunday, March 17. Hours are 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. on weekdays, 10 a.m. to 9 a.m. on Saturdays and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sundays. Tickets are \$8 for adults.

Outdoor skills workshop offered for women this spring

The Becoming an Outdoors-Woman (BOW) program is offering a Beyond BOW Spring Workshop from April 19 to April 21 at the Wisconsin Lions Camp in Rosholt. This annual workshop offers participants the opportunity to learn outdoor skills in a safe, comfortable atmosphere while having fun. BOW workshops may also be taken for college credit.

Participants choose one of four tracks for the weekend-long workshop: turkey hunting, pan fishing, woods wise and prairie chicken-conservation and courtship. Turkey hunting participants will have the opportunity for an early-morning hike to listen for

and call turkeys. Pan fishing participants will learn how to fish for bluegills, crappie, perch and other fish using fly rods and spinning rods. Everyone should know basic outdoor skills like wilderness first aid, survival and map and compass skills. Woods wise teaches all of these skills and more, in an easy-to-understand and fun format.

The newest Beyond BOW track is prairie chicken-conservation and courtship. Participants will have the opportunity to view prairie chickens on their booming grounds and watch this bird's spectacular courtship dance. This track is perfect for photographers, bird watchers

and wildlife enthusiasts. Viewers have said, "I couldn't take my eyes off this amazing little bird. I am so glad I had the opportunity to watch this rare creature."

Registration for the workshop is on a first come, first serve basis. The registration fee for the workshop is \$200, which includes all food, lodging, instruction and equipment use. Call the Wisconsin BOW office at (715) 346-4151 or toll free at 1-877-BOWOMAN to request information about the workshop or prairie chicken viewing. Visit the BOW Web site at www.uwsp.edu/cnr/bow/wihome.

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Environmental Council to pick up after recycling program

By Leigh Ann Ruddy
ASSISTANT OUTDOORS EDITOR

UW-Stevens Point's Environmental Council plans to collect containerboard for off-campus students since recycling of such material is unavailable in Stevens Point as well as Portage County.

"Recycling Services offered to work with us to have a mass collection for other campus people," says Carolyn Seramur of the Environmental Council.

On April 17 and 18 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. off-campus students can drop off their containerboard in the concourse of the UC.

Containerboard is classified as any cardboard material that isn't corrugated. Cereal boxes, soda and beer containers and certain types of food packaging are exam-

ples of containerboard.

The city of Stevens Point under the power of Portage County Solid Waste facilities is unable to collect containerboard for recycling.

"Portage County facility just doesn't have a market for it," says Dawn Klish, Stevens Point City Garage, "Anything we collect is based on what the county allows us to bring."

Portage County Solid Waste claims fibers used for containerboard make it difficult for their equipment to recycle the material. They also claim the adhesive used in the packaging contaminates machines. Machines would have to be cleaned after every recycling process if containerboard were to be recycled.

Recycling Services on campus recycles containerboard by selling campus containerboard waste to Stora Enso North American Paper Company. Stora Enso recycles campus containerboard for their production use.

"We collect the containerboard and bail it ourselves for Stora Enso," says



Photo by L. Zancanaro

Never fear! Recycle your collection of pizza boxes at the UC on April 17 and 18.

Sharon Simonis, Recycling Services.

Environmental Council urges off-campus students to start collecting their containerboard now so none goes to waste.

Environmental Council asks students to keep containerboard free of food scraps. Bag or box all containerboard together, do not bundle it.

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Don't put that ice fishing gear away just yet

By Mark Wojtalewicz
OUTDOORS REPORTER

A trip to Fleet Farm the other day to buy new line for my jig pole had me pondering what the heck is wrong with this state. There I was, the last week of February, standing in the middle of a sports isle that used to be stocked with ice fishing equipment as recently as three weeks before, only to be surrounded by this year's newest models of bait casters and Buchertails. Did I mention it was February, and I was north of the 45th parallel, and that I drove on the lake the day before?

I tried Wal-Mart with similar results, so I decided to retire my favorite jig pole until next year. But this avid ice fisherman does not give up that easily. I simply borrowed a friend's fishing pole.

Most fishermen hang up the auger for the year when pike, bass and walleye season closes. But not this fisherman, I know that Wisconsin waters can still yield a tasty meal of fish. Just think small. Smaller fish and much smaller bait. I have to. After all, I still have a shack on the ice.

The most useful tips for switching to small fish are all about the line. Granted on some days the guy fishing with ten pound test can catch as many bluegills and sunfish as the guy using one or two pound test, but so can a guy with an ice scoop on these days. I mean what I say when I say ice scoop, my brother and I did it, I know where I could do it again, too.

Back to lines though. The thinner the line the limper it is, causing it to be more sensitive for light bite gills and sunnies. To go with a light line you need a sensitive rod to feel the fish. If you're like me, you don't like to use light action rods. You like the old wooden dowel strength rods of yesteryear and you can get away with a spring bobber

at the end of the pole. But it takes practice and you don't feel the bite, you see it.

To go with light line you have to reduce your jig size. Late season ice fishing means finicky and spooked fish, so you have to scale down your bait choices. The smallest hooks you can find, sizes 12, 14 and 16, work much better on late ice. Tip the end of these jigs with either small wax worms, spikes or goldenrods.

Now, I know if you're reading this article you're thinking that it sounds just like every other article that you have ever read about ice fishing. But here is where it changes. I'm going to tell you where to fish, if you don't mind the drive. I enjoy fishing Partridge Lake near Conover (north of Eagle River). This is a morning lake, though. Stay off the square the night before, as you'd better be set up by six in the morning. Palmer Lake (far bay) northeast of Partridge has a reputation for yielding very respectable crappies, often better than a twelve inch average on any given day. Use mayflies and tiny crappie minnows.

Bogbrook Lake near Lilly Wisconsin is quite a story. Eight years ago, this lake yielded such large bluegills that only 35 of them fit into a bucket. Bogbrook is somewhat fished out compared to old standards but still yields hand sized gills. Near Waupaca, Partridge Crop has been producing some decent sunnies and crappies as of the last month.

When venturing out onto late season ice, always be careful. Go with another person if possible, and let others know where you are going. Take ice picks and a rope with you. Preparing to be safe is what makes you safe on ice, failure to do so is just plain stupidity. Good luck fishing.

Lunch

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difficult for students to do.

"A student is not on equal footing when they are talking to a professor," said Davies, "So, we need to be able to go to somebody else and create a format where things can be looked at."

"Our students have an awful lot of knowledge that would enrich the courses; they just need the opportunity to express themselves," said Director of Equity and Affirmative Action, Portia Hamlar. "I've stressed that in the faculty; that would really increase the dimension in our diversity. So it's important to remain open-minded on the part of the students and faculty," she said.

Chancellor George suggested that Academic Affairs and Faculty Affairs create a subcommittee to address the issue.

Another concern was the lack of diversity in students and faculty. There are currently 18 tenured minority professors and a total of 40 faculty and staff who are minorities. When listing new jobs at UWSP there are four required places that must be advertised in for minority recruitment.

"We are trying to increase sensitivity to minorities as they go through the search and screen process," said Hamlar. "It's going to take a little time, but we have to see the pool increase before we can see an increase in the actual number of minority professors on campus," she said.

People are also concerned about recruitment of more Native American students. Recruiters have found that it is best to send Native American recruiters to encourage Native Americans to come to UWSP. They already have 10 more students recruited than at this time last year. About 45-55 new freshmen are recruited every year and that increases a little every year.

Another topic was the budget and where cuts are being made in response to the deficit. The deficiency for UWSP will probably be 1.5 million a year.

"We're going to do every-

thing in our power to make sure that we continue with our instructional program and disrupt the campus as little as possible," said Chancellor George.

Every college is going to have some areas reduced to defer costs.

"What students are going to find is that they won't be able to get into that course they need to graduate in a certain number of years. We are doing what we can to make sure people get the classes they need, but class size will have to increase to accommodate that," said Chancellor George.

People are also concerned about the amount of energy UWSP uses and how that energy use can be reduced. Assistant Chancellor Greg Deimer explained that there have been efforts to reduce energy use like the installment of lights that automatically shut off.

"If we could spread out the academic day into a greater number of hours and I know that would impact students and faculty, that would reduce our peak load for electrical power generation and spread it out over a longer period of time. It would also solve some other problems like congestion around campus from 10 am-2 pm every day," said Deimer.

On a lighter note, within the next year UWSP students will be able to register for classes online. No longer will students have to run around campus seeking professors and advisors to sign registration forms.

"We are very close to moving into web registration, if not next fall, probably next spring," said Executive Director of Student Development, Jon Jury, "Every student will have a pin number and their faculty advisor will have it, too. The student will not be able to register without contacting their student advisor and force that contact".

Student and faculty representatives of campus organizations attended the luncheon. A board that included Chancellor Thomas George as well as 10 other faculty members answered their questions.

Thompson

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works," he said. "This is a tremendous benefit because I understand problems of both small and large. Overall, people are the power and the power is in the big cities as well as the small towns."

Being Tommy Thompson's brother, Ed Thompson said people were, at first, hesitant to hear

his campaign.

"Some people liked me, some didn't," he said. "I developed a lot of new friends. The name recognition helps because people will listen to me. This makes me farther ahead than any other third party."

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or state of it. Overholt also spoke about the severity of species depletion. As a whole, Overholt summarized, "Not all is well in the natural world."

The third engagement since Overholt's retirement was what he called "state of mind." To achieve this state of mind requires inspiration and vision. Overholt claimed to attain this state of mind through Aldo

Leopold's book *Sand County Almanac*.

Perhaps the most interesting aspect of the discussion came from the audience questions. Many thoughts concerning the proposed Hwy. 10 bypass were raised. Overholt did the best he could to answer the questions and concerns, but it's obvious that this will be a hot topic in the next months to come.

Upset

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do what we had to do and win the game," said Schultz. "We knew that we would have to play the full 40 minutes and if we kept playing together it would work out."

After the run put UWSP on top, it would not relinquish the lead for the rest of the game. The Bears closed it to two a couple times, but Point immediately pushed the lead back up with a jumper from Schultz and later with a three point play by freshman Amanda Nechuta.

UWSP now moves on to the round of 16 in the NCAA Division III women's basketball tournament. It will host four team sectional this weekend with the first semi-final to be played at 5 p.m at and Point will play Webster University (St. Louis, Mo) at 7 p.m. on Friday. Then the two winners will meet on Saturday with winner moving on to the final four.

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Movie Review

A Beautiful Mind is a beautiful thing

A Beautiful Mind

Starring: Russell Crowe and Jennifer Connelly

By Colleen Courtney

ARTS & REVIEW CONTRIBUTOR



A Beautiful Mind is the life story of mathematician

John Nash and his lifetime battle with schizophrenia. Nash won the Nobel Prize in 1994 and continues to work in the Princeton University library today. The movie has met critics' applause, although some consider the movie to be an inaccurate portrait of a schizophrenic personality. But *A Beautiful Mind*, with a brilliantly written script, paints an intimate portrait of Nash's life.

A Beautiful Mind opens at Princeton University, where a young John Nash (Russell Crowe) has earned one of two Carnegie scholarships to study mathematics. Instead of going to class, he performs calculations on the window panes of his room, unsuccessfully pursues ideas for his thesis and unwinds with his roommate, Charles.

Out one night, Nash and four friends see a blonde with her four friends. Nash observes that his friends can only win her if they first court her friends. He inspires, "When on a team, you must not only do what is best for yourself, but what's best for yourself and what's best for the rest of the team." Using this theory, Nash publishes the Nash equilibrium, a game theory equation. After school, he occasionally breaks code at the Pentagon and is offered a job teaching at Princeton, where he

meets his future wife, Alicia (Jennifer Connelly). The movie ultimately turns upside-down when Nash is offered a job breaking the Russians' code in American magazines.

Before I saw the movie, I was convinced Crowe had to be miscast. How hard is it, after all, to be a convincing Gladiator? And the media speculation of back-to-back Oscars for Crowe is unnerving. But Crowe showed a wide range of acting talent, portraying Nash as an intelligent student, a schizophrenic wreck and a shy charmer with the ladies. The movie so aptly makes you see things from Nash's point of view that you are disappointed to find out you are only seeing schizophrenic ideas. It is doubtful that simply seeing a woman could create a infamous theory, but the audience is swept up with it. Connelly portrays Alicia wonderfully and the audience is sympathetic for her when she takes care of Nash for most of his life.

The movie isn't for the lightweight viewer, though. Literary references to George Orwell's *1984* and author D.H. Lawrence only scratch the surface. The hard part of the story is following Nash. Since most people will never attempt equations that cannot be solved, the mathematical parts of the movie are hard to follow. It is only stressed that Nash's theories go on to revolutionize worldwide economic theory forever. My boyfriend fortunately had studied the theories in math class, so when we got home, he pulled out his notes and explained it to me. It is important to remember Nash's theory makes "every member on the team benefit."

As I sat looking at the binder notes, I had to laugh at our response to the movie. It has been said that if a movie makes an audience think, it has achieved its purpose. Not many movies can boast that today. But *A Beautiful Mind* stretches its actors and its audience to infinite limits and shows us a great man who got the best of schizophrenia.



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The Pipe Circus-Witz

End-9:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 9

Stephanie Rearick and Andy

Ewen-Mission Coffee

House-8:30 p.m.

Jr. G & The Hellhounds-The

Keg-9:30 p.m.

The Dangers and

Headpump-Witz End

9:30 p.m.

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Prime Time

Nielsen Ratings for Feb. 25 - March 2

Ranked by homes viewed

1. *Friends*-NBC-18.3 million

2. *CSI*-CBS-18.1 million

3. *ER*-NBC-17.2 million

4. *Everybody Loves*

Raymond-CBS-14.8 million

5. *Leap of Faith*-NBC-14.7 million

6. *Survivor: Marquesas*-CBS-13.7 million

7. *Law & Order*-NBC-13 million

8. *Will & Grace*-NBC-12.8 million

9. *44th Annual Grammy Awards*-CBS-12.5 million

Letters From the Edge of the World

Gonads and Graduate School

By Pat "Bermuda Triangle" Rothfuss

BRIDGING THE GENDER GAP

Dear Pat,

I am about to graduate and face the so-called real world for the first time. Since I know you are an eternal student, what have been some of the benefits to choosing this life-style? I too have been thinking of graduate school but can not decide if doing so would be best right after graduating from UWSP, or would it be best to wait until after experiencing some of the real world. Also, what seem to be the negatives to the perpetual student lifestyle? Lastly, are there more clowns at the graduate level or at the undergraduate level?

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Radunzel

For the good of everyone concerned, I'm going to avoid some aspects of your letter. The topic of clowns is right out. Doctor's orders. Trust me.

Also, you don't want to get me started on graduate school. As my father used to say, "If there's one thing worse than a clown, it's a naked clown, and if there's one thing worse than a naked clown, it's grad school."

Well, shit. You got me started, so I guess I'll just try and keep things short. Here's the problem with trying to describe grad school.

Imagine you have a pretty good day. You talk with your friends. You go to class. You have a smoothie. Everything pretty normal and pretty good. Now, let's say about halfway through your day, someone runs up and kicks you right in the nuts. BAM. A good, solid kick right

in the sack.

Those of you, like Elizabeth, who are members of the memberless gender, which is to say that you are somewhat nut-challenged, will have to adapt my little analogy to make it work. First, imagine a triangle formed with your hip bone, your belly button and your ... um ... You-Know-What. (For decency's sake, I will henceforth in this column refer to the You-Know-What as "Disneyland.")

Got your triangle? Now imagine someone running up to you and punching you right in the middle of this triangle. POW. A good hard one, right in the ovary. (For those of you who have led sheltered lives the sensation is said to be like a combination between a toothache and bad cramps.) Both male and female gonads react to this treatment the same way: hideous, nauseating pain.

Ok, are we all on the same page? Good.

Back to the story: friends, class, smoothie and, at some point, crippling gonad pain. When you get home your roommate asks you, "How was your day?"

What are you going to say? "Pretty good, I had a smoothie?" No. You're going to say, "My day sucked. Someone kicked me in the nuts."

That's what grad school is like: pretty good, except when you're getting kicked in the nuts. Friendly colleagues, valuable experience, broadening horizons, severe testicular trauma.

Unfortunately, in grad school it isn't some random pedestrian doing the kicking. The whole graduate education system seems to be one giant, soul-crushing, nut-kicking machine. What's even worse, is that if you ever make it through, then you get to try for tenure, which is like a bigger machine that kicks harder, and you have to

turn the crank yourself.

But after all that, you get tenure. The pot of gold at the end of the rainbow. Then, and only then, do you get what every academic seems to want more than anything: a kevlar codpiece and a pair of steel-toed dress shoes.

If you're looking for a second opinion on grad school, I can give you that, too. One of my professors once told me: "I always saw grad school as someone putting a big bucket of shit in front of you, and you had to eat it. You could eat it fast or eat it slow, but you had to eat all of it. And when you were finished, you had to say, 'Boy, that was real good. Can I have some more?'"

Damn. I used too much space talking about grad school, so I don't have much left to discuss the pros and cons of the perpetual student lifestyle. Here they are in a nutshell.

Eternal Student Minuses: Few opportunities for fat cash. You'll get older while other students stay young. Your peer group will be more likely to make literary references and/or puns. Strong likelihood that your significant other will graduate and/or leave you.

Eternal Student Pluses: Endlessly deferred student loans. Federal grant money once you hit age 24. Constant opportunities to meet new people and make friends. Intelligent peer group (generally). Better parties. Slightly improved chances for deviant sexual activity.

Pat Rothfuss wants letters to mock. Appease him; send mail to proth@wsunix.wsu.edu.

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All About the Benjamins

Saturday, March 9

The Laramie Project

Sunday, March 10

White Boy

Friday, March 15

Ice Age

Mark of the Astro-Zombies

Greasewood Flat

An Enraged New World

Resident Evil

Showtime

Saturday, March 16

Heterosapiens

Friday, March 22

Blade II

E.T. The Extra-Terrestrial

Stolen Summer

Friday, March 29

Panic Room

Death to Smoochy

Clockstoppers

Abandon

The Rookie

Van Wilder: Party Liaison

Sunday, April 1

Haggard

Monday, April 2

Hale Bopp

Thursday, April 5

High Crimes

The First \$20 Million

Amadeus

Big Trouble

Friday, April 6

Badger

Sunday, April 8

Dangerman

Upcoming DVD Releases

Tuesday, March 12

Zoolander

Heist

Joy Ride

Sexy Beast

George Washington

Metropolis

The Monkey's Mask

The Wash

Conspiracy

Othello

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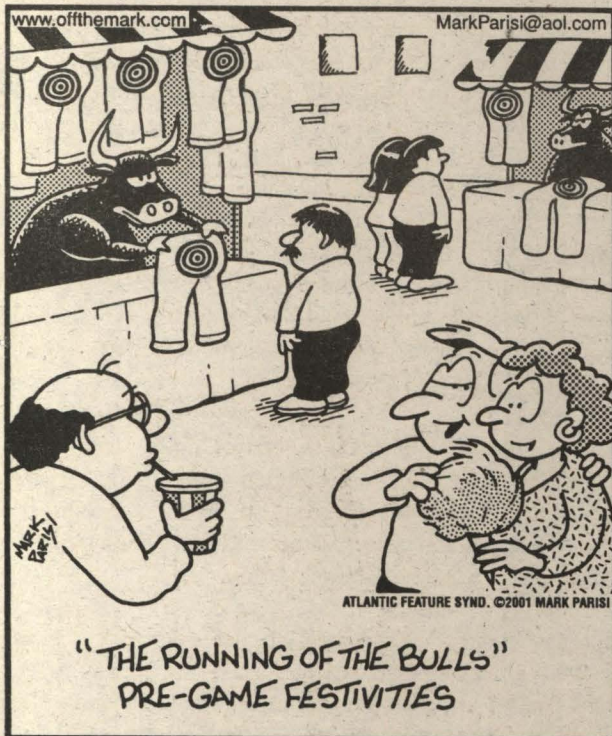
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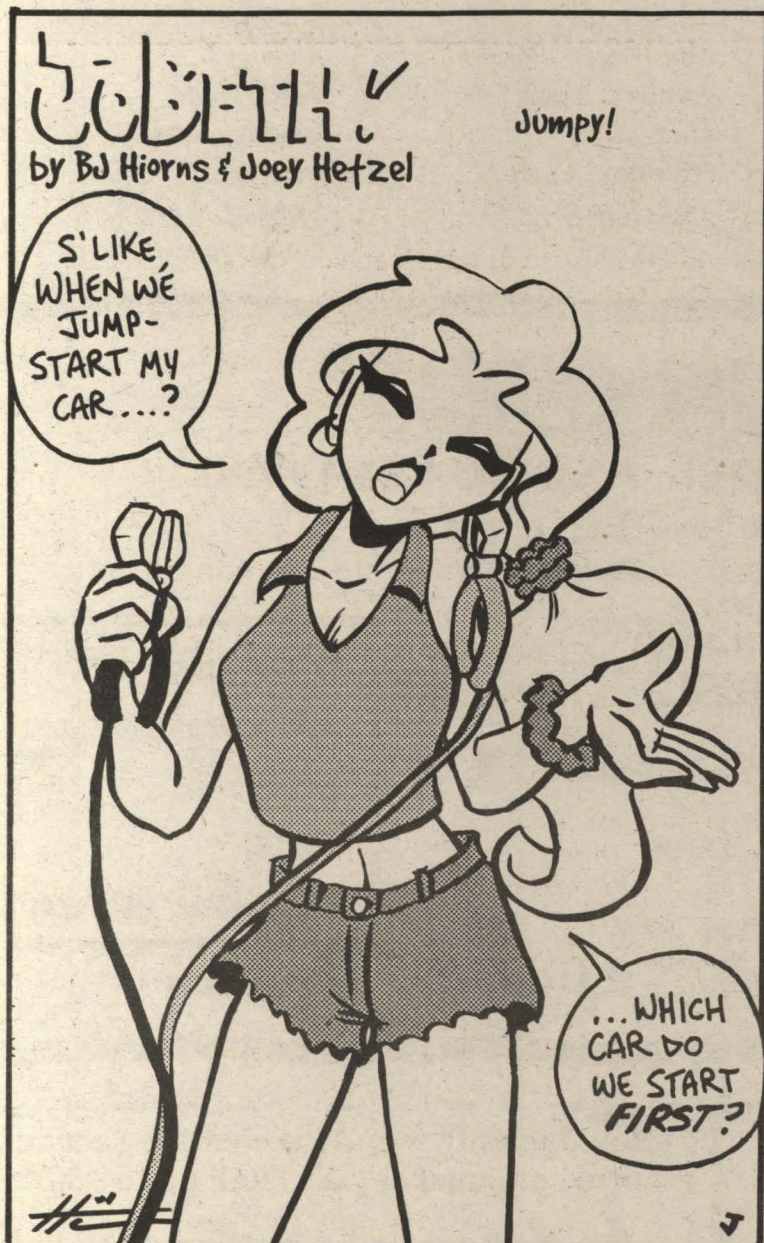


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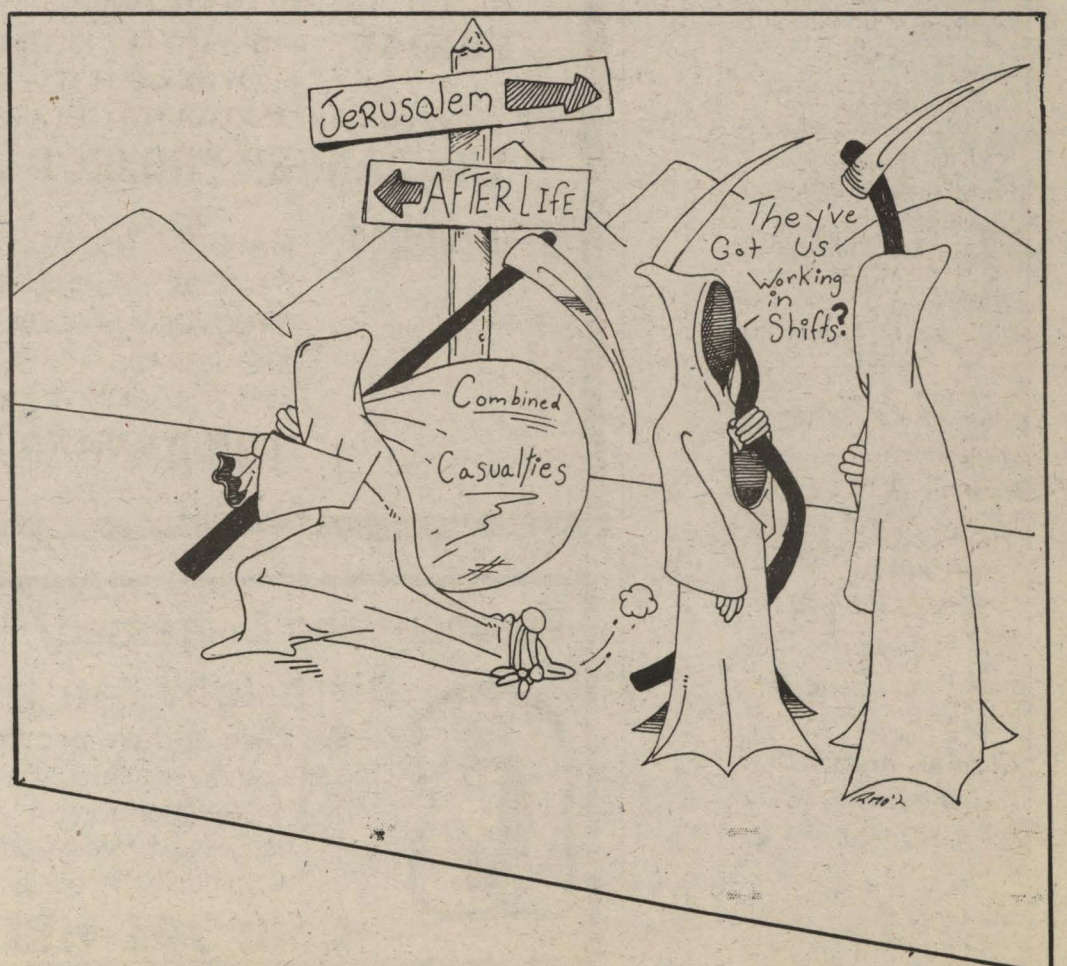
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