This Week

SGA now operating under a new judicial system judiciary void was finally filled ing in making decisions for the system of checks and balances

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Winston Churchill once said, "Democracy is the worst form of government... except every other one." Democracy indeed is in play on campus, and its

horizons are becoming a bit broader.

In order for student government to obtain legitimacy and compete with the demands of students' needs, the in March of this year as funding for the Student Government Association's (SGA) judicial branch was finally approved.

Now complete with executive, legislative and judicial branches, the SGA offers practically everything state government can.

The executive branch functions much the same, overseeing most of the SGA happenings, appointing justices and assistorganization.

The legislative branch focuses on local, state and federal legislation and its effect on university students.

SGA Legislative Issues Director Josh Christensen then will then run grassroots lobby campaigns on their behalf.

The new judicial branch was a necessity, according to SGA Executive Director Ross Cohen.

"Its creation maintains the

within the student government," he said.

The judicial branch of any government can be considered the design for the maintenance of the institution of law and order. Some of the judicial branches' responsibilities include scheduling hearings, reviewing petitions and hearing cases of varying nature.

The judicial branch is made See SGA, page 2

Campus Climate Challenge

University Communications and

Universities are leading the way to reduce global warming pollution, according to a report released today by a coalition of youth environmental organizations and the Apollo Alliance. The report also marked the launch of an ambitious student led effort - the Campus Climate Challenge - to fight global warming at 500 North American universities, including UW-SP.

Universities have always been at the forefront of technological innovation and change in our society," said Maryam Razvi, local campus climate challenge coordinator, "With continued inaction at the federal level, now is the time for our universities to lead this country to a clean energy future."

The report details case studies of over 30 universities in 24 states that have implemented a range of innovative programs ranging from improving the energy efficiency of classrooms, putting solar panels on buildings, constructing on-campus windmills and converting university vehicles to use cleaner fuels. The report also outlines the energy cost savings and global warming pollution reductions these programs have created, details a menu of strategies that other universities can take to create their own global warming reduction plans and lists contact information for university officials responsible for these programs.

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"The strategies outlined in this report are critical in order for universities to reduce their global warming pollution and save money on energy costs," said Maryam "Here at UW-SP, we're committed to taking many of the steps outlined in this report."

The report marked the offi-

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A group of students dressed up as the Channel 4 News Team from the movie Anchorman poses for a picture indowntown Stevens Point last Saturday night.

Students crash into Madison, Mad-town punches back

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Tradition: a time-honored practice or set of such practices.

To many, when this word is spoken or written, people will associate it with holidays, family reunions, or other annual

If one were to mention this word to a few officers of the Madison Police Department, they would probably link it with horses, alcohol, and cans

Halloween came and passed once again this year bringing the usual report from Southern Wisconsin that hundreds of people (most likely students around the Midwest) were arrested and subdued by the non-lethal aerosol suppressant.

There is now talk that Madison may consider closing State Street next year due to the headache Halloween brings to the local law enforcement.

"Every year there's a certain group of people who come hell-bent on starting an altercation of some kind and we can't seem to shake that," Madison Mayor Dave Cieslewicz told the Associated Press. "The only way to end it is to order State Street shut down, every business, for a couple of nights.'

any, vandalism reported in the city over the weekend which is an improvement over last year.

While Stevens Point may not have the same worries as the state's capitol, there always is a chance this city may revert back to its old habits.

When Chief Jeff Morris of the Stevens Point Police Department took over his position in May 2004, he had heard stories of how the campus would hold their homecoming parade over Halloween and subsequent partying and consumption would

For the second consecutive year, Morris has overseen a Halloween weekend come and pass with few disruptions.

"It was a normal weekend for us," Morris said. "There were a few parties, but we didn't have the type of activity Madison

With the threats of possibly shutting down Madison next Even though arrest numbers Halloween, Morris admitted were on par with those of recent concern over the possibility of years, there was much less, if the same activity transferring to the central Wisconsin campus, even if it would be at a much lower level.

> He also said it would be a shame if Madison shut down for Halloween in 2006 since it is only 1 percent (400) of the estimated crowd (at least 40,000) in attendance causing trouble.

"You've got thousands of people in an area (State Street) not designed for it," he said. "Given the situation, I think the outcome is as good as we can

As for the community he oversees, Morris said he would be able to tolerate every Halloween

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up of a Chief Justice Kyle Borkenhagen, a Vice Chief Justice and three Associate Justices. Both the Chief and Vice Chief Justice are paid positions and put in a great deal of work: the job comes with a great deal of paperwork and attending numerous meetings every week, cutting into personal and study time. All justices sit, vote and render and write decisions on cases they hear. Two cases, both involving students, are currently pending.

While criminal matters should be taken to the proper authorities, the judicial branch of the SGA deals with campus disputes between individual groups and campus organizations.

Often times, the disputes deal with grievances of a group's bylaws or rules.

Students with on-campus grievances have the right to file complaints with Clerk of Courts Candice Shaefer, but the statute of limitations for such an action is 40 days, meaning that it must be reported to the clerk within this time period, or it cannot be considered. Just as with the Sixth Amendment, students can expect to have a speedy hearing set within two weeks of filing the complaint.

Keeping with the rules is an important aspect of the job. "The judicial branch makes so many important decisions based on the Student Constitution," said Cohen.

"Every student is a member of the SGA, really," said Kyle Craemer, Speaker of the

He recommends that students become more involved in getting to know their Student Government, the link to which can be found on the 'Campus Life' tab of mypoint.

In 2004, the SGA Senate Body passed a statute that allowed the SGA itself to share certain governing responsibilities with the Student Involvement and Employment Office. This statute lay the groundwork for establishing the judicial branch, which has the power to recognize student organizations and now has the "judicial- review- right" to interpret the constitutions of over 160 on-campus student organizations.

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if it played out like this year.

Halloween activity here, but it was at a level acceptable to the community."

Jennifer Cobb, a senior at UW-SP, said that while State Street wasn't that busy last Friday night, she was briefly assaulted by one of the gargantuan trotter's roaming the crowded walkway.

"One of the horses actually hit me with its nose," she said. "I thought someone hit me and was breathing in my ear, but I turned around and saw a giant horse. That's really scary when you're drunk."

In response to the warning students received to not travel to Madison this year, Cobb said the announcement didn't keep her from coming to the city at all.

"I heard from a lot of dif-"There certainly was ferent people that they said it was supposed to be only for the Madison students," she said. "I think no matter what, people will always go down there. As long as they can keep it under control for the most part and the cops aren't stupid, everyone should be allowed to go."

Senior Severin Guzzonato took part in his third Madison Halloween and said he didn't personally see anyone getting out of control.

"The main reason I choose to go there is to see a good friend that lives down there, but the party isn't too bad either," he said. "(I) just had a grand ole time."

Chances are, most people did as well, minus several hundred.

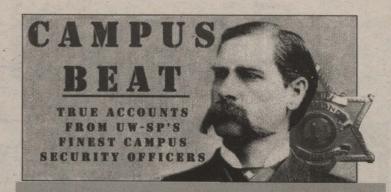
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implement similar programs at 500 North American universities. UW-SP is one of over 90 college campuses in 30 states that have joined the Campus Climate Challenge, and organizers expect hundreds more to sign up by the end of the year.

In the last few years students have led numerous efforts to reduce their universities' impacts on global warming and for good reason: there are 20 million people on more than 4,000 campuses in the United States and Canada. Universities themselves can provide an important market

cial launch of the Campus "tipping point" for renew-Climate Challenge, an ambi- able energy technology - if tious student led effort to every campus used 100 percent renewable energy, it's estimated that it would nearly quadruple the current renewable energy demand in the United States.

"Focusing on universities to reduce global warming pollution makes a lot of sense," said Stacy, "Universities are large enough to have an impact on our overall energy consumption, small enough to implement bold and aggressive programs, and house millions of students who will ultimately need to lead our country's efforts to shift to a clean energy future."



CCC Building October 27, 2005 10:15 p.m. Type: INTOXICATION

Report of two male individuals near CCC traveling north on Isadore St. carrying a third male individual who appeared to be extremely intoxicated and barely able to walk without support. Caller stated he overheard the two males trying to get the third male to puke.

Steiner Hall October 30, 2005 1:18 a.m. Type: INTOXICATION

Female individual found passed out in the second floor kitchen. CA tried to wake her up with no response. Subject had shallow breathing, most likely alcohol-related.

Pray/Sims Hall October 30, 2005 1:19 a.m. Type: THEFT

A male individual was seen taking a sign from Taco Bell on Division St. Subject was found heading back to his dorm and was cited for underage drinking. The stolen Taco Bell poster was brought back to Protective Services.

Pray-Sims Hall October 31, 2005 2:31 p.m.

Type: THEFT

Report of a stolen bike from rack by Pray-Sims Hall.

DeBot

October 31, 2005 9 p.m.

Type: VANDALISM

Report of people in the trenches outside DeBot. A person was found disposing of a printer into the trench outside DeBot, individual was stopped.

Pray-Sims Hall October 31, 2005 10:46 p.m. Type: ATTEMPTED VANDALISM

Complaint of a group of girls wearing bunny ears having thrown a bottle at the Pray-Sims Hall Directors' apartment window.



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Letters & Opinion

Your College Survival Guide

Pat "peripeteia" Rothfuss WITH HELP FROM: THE MISSION COFFEE HOUSE. Now, WITH ANAGNORISIS!

Pat,

I'd just like to thank you for brightening my day each week with your column. It's the first thing I read when I pick up the paper (My Friday was just not complete a couple weeks ago when you went missing. ^_~) Plus, the pictures are downright awesome. Props to whoever draws them. ^_^

Believe it or not I've kept every Pointer for the entire year I've been here, just so I can go back and read the highly amusing College Survival Guides. So I was quite delighted to hear that they are being published. ^_^ I will gladly pay any money to support the Survival Guide cause.... as long as its not over \$20. ^_~ Okay, maybe \$30. Maybe.

Jenny Adkins

Glad that you're looking forward to the anthology, Jenny. õ_õ BJ, the guy that draws the pictures, has done over a hundred brand-new illustrations specifically for the upcoming book, making it roughly 350% sexier. o_o You will find the price of the book extremely reasonable. 0_0 You are compelled to purchase copies as gifts for your friends and family. *_*

You will also build a tiny shrine to Pat Rothfuss in your dorm room. O_O There you will make offerings of snack cakes, Internet pornography, and sweet, sweet, methadone to appease him. O_O Continue reading the column with slavish devotion and await further orders. O_O

Hey Pat

For a couple years now I've waited for something to go really wrong in my life so I could ask for your advice. I've even tried

to screw up my life in amusing ways just so I could have an excuse to write you.

For example, last year I suggested to my girlfriend that we bring another girl into bed with us. I thought she'd be offended and I'd have to write to you for advice on how to patch things up with her. But my girlfriend went for it. If anything, our relationship is better now that I know what a little kinkprincess she is. The down side was that

I didn't have anything to write you about.

Last semester I tried to sabotage my academic career by cutting my study time in half so you could help me get back on track academically. But my grades didn't really get any worse. So I bought an Xbox and started to play Halo 2 obsessively, studying less and missing some classes. Imagine my disappointment when my grades stayed at their current B-ish level. So I started to drink and experiment with a few drugs I'd always been curious about, but scared to try. My consciousness expanded. I saw God. I felt connected with all life on the planet and established a spiritual rapport with my fellow human beings. My grades stayed good. Curses.

To make a long story short. All my attempts to ruin my life have failed, and I still have no "desperate mewling pleas for advice" to send you. But today I saw something that I finally thought was worthy of your attention.

Walking across the sundial today, I saw a lawn gnome on top of the CNR building. Right above the mural. It was funny as hell. Later on when I was going for lunch, I saw one on the roof of the



UC. After that I started looking around for them. I've seen four so far.

But when I talked to other people, nobody had noticed them. That's why I'm writing to you, so you can give people the heads-up before some administrator gets a bug up their ass and decides to ruin one of the funnier things I've seen on this campus in years.

Ben Smith

P.S. Do I still get free coffee, even though I didn't ask a question?

Well Ben, when I got your e-mail, I didn't believe you. I'd walked past the CNR twice and hadn't noticed anything out of the ordinary. So I walked over there and damn. There it is. Big old gnome. I can't believe I missed that. I'm sorry for not believing you.

Do you get free coffee? You cheeky bastard. No. You don't get any coffee.

Why not? Because according to my scorecard you've already been rak-

ing in perks as a result of reading my column. So far the tally looks like this: a 3-way, a better relationship, an Xbox, more free time, and a sense of cosmic unity.

You know what I got when I tried the same shit as you? I got a pissed off girlfriend, academic probation, and the munchies. That's it. Hell, I don't even have an Xbox, you shitbird.

But... well... damn. The gnomes are pretty cool, and I wouldn't have noticed them if not for you. So yeah, I suppose you've earned your \$10

gift certificate to the Mission Coffee House. Use it wisely.

If anyone else wants free coffee, I could use help finding the fourth gnome Ben mentioned. I've only found three so far. E-mail me a photo or description of where the gnome is, and if you're the first, you'll score some coffee.

Also, whoever put the gnomes up: I salute you. If you let me know who you are, I'll hook you up with 50 bucks worth of free coffee, because you made my day. This is the coolest prank I've seen in all my years in Point. It's some-

thing I wish I would have done.

For you geologists out there, this Friday the Mission Coffee House is bringing in some rock and metal. Starting at 8 p.m. you'll have the Brainerds, Repeated Trauma, 715, and PreyonHope. Rock not your thing? Well then on Saturday you've got an Indi show with the Response, Nolo Contendere, and Redwire.

As always, the Mission's shows are open to all ages.

Open yourself to public ridicule by sending Pat Rothfuss an e-mail at proth@wsunix.wsu.edu. If he uses your letter, you'll get free stuff at the Mission.

Pointer Poll

by Mae Wernicke

The world doesn't have enough time portals...

What should there be more of in the world?



Busara Melrose, Sr. Urban Forestry
"I definitely want
more monsters."



Rebekah Eske, Jr. Theater Design Tech
"More permed mullets
and big trucks."



Justin Ehrhardt, Sr. Health Promotion

"Time."



Pooh Bear, Jr. Interpersonal
Organization
"Sex and beer."



Susan Kieliszewski, Jr. Arts
Management
"There should be more
understanding people in the
world."



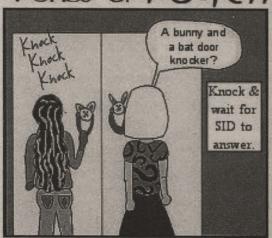
Christopher DeChantal, Sr. Watershed Administration

"Puppies, rainbows, alligators, doctors, long walks on the beach, hugs...not drugs, hippopotamuses, scantily-clad girls, sunsets, bare feet, sex and beer, and cheesy broccoli soup."

("sex & beer"

Venus di PSYCHO

by Jen Miller









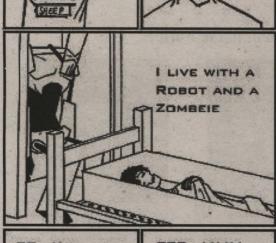
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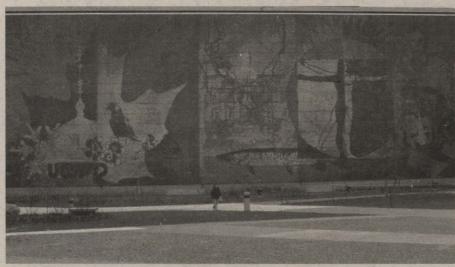


Photo by Mae Wernicke

The CNR's south wall mural depicts scenes from Wisconsin life.

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When students walk across the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point campus, they come across a variety of different sculptures and statues, but the most prominent feature to appear on the campus graces the façade of the College of Natural Resources: a mosaic mural.

The black and white

mural spans the entire south side of the three-story CNR building with five panels of two-square-inch tiles; 50 feet high by 150 feet wide. Each of the 286,200 tiles depicts a scene from Wisconsin life; but, together they create a bigger

Almost every student at UW-SP has seen the mural, but few know the story behind it.

In 1975, Chancellor Lee S. Dreyfus came up with the idea dedication to Old Main, then threatened for demo-Dreyfus wanted the mural depict the cupola of the historical building, and other scenes from Wisconsin. He then contacted Richard Schneider, a fulltime professor in the art depart-

Schneider drew out the design

then hired a company called Control Data Corp., to scan the images into a computer. The overall scene was then broken up into thousands of smaller tiles. At the time, no one had personal computers or scanners; Control Data Corp. agreed to take on the unusual project and waived the \$25,000 fee.

Along with the donation from Control Data Corp., over \$120,000 was raised and

for the mural as a donated from community members, as well as hundreds of volunteers to help with the entire production of the mural. Schneider said students came as time permitted, and some people helped for only 30 or 40 minutes, "just so they could get a piece of the action."

State officials were skeptical as to the outcome of the mural, and didn't allow production until all of the money was raised, with no state funds provided.

After work began, Schneider ran into problems. More money was needed than had been expected, and he had to change the way the mural was going to be held in place, after he discovered that the original method wouldn't withstand changes in weather. He decided to use more than 100 steel channels with screws. These channels hold the tiles in place to this day.

Schneider became a professor of the campus in 1962, being only the fourth member of the art department at what was then known as Wisconsin State College.

"I had originally come to teach art education classes. I also taught painting, lettering, ceramics, and even Indian crafts classes," Schneider said:

Schneider is still active in the art community today leading ceramics workshops in Stevens Point as well as running a seasonal pottery shop in Minocqua, Wis. Most recently, he and his wife, Myrna, have supported the expansion of the Fine Arts Center with a \$25,000 donation.

Being a resident of Stevens Point, Schneider has many opportunities to pass by the mural, but he still enjoys the complexity of such a project. "(Subtle features) are true of many art forms; you don't want the viewer to absorb everything immediately. If you can come back and find something you didn't see before - then it's doing its job."

Overheard at Perkins By Hilary Bulger

You call your coach Chuckey Chuck Coachy Coachy? Why don't you just call him Gummy

You look like a solar system right now.

My sister just got her tongue pierced. The younger one. She's 18. She's a virgin.

So I walk in a bar and I see my dad bumping up on my friend.

I swear to god I could slam your face into that Egg McMuffin.

I don't want a bunk twinkle

STV's "Roomies" enters fourth season

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The "Roomies" game show on STV recently entered its fourth - and, conceivably, final - season at UW-SP Oct.

The show, which asks, "How well do you know your roommate?", is the only game show to air on STV in the past five years.

Each episode pits three sets of roommates against each other in competition for

Host Adam Williams started the series his freshman year with hopes of generating interest in STV.

"I wanted people outside STV and the Communication department to get involved," said Williams.

To some extent, he's suc-Some members, such as "Roomies" Assistant Director Melissa Hubbard, started out as contestants on the show.

"Roomies is an excellent example of what STV is all about," said Ashley Wellens,

co-producer of "Roomies." "Students, no matter how experienced, are able produce a show, work the equipment, and be on television. It's really a great experience and a lot of fun at the same time!"

Like last semester, four episodes have been scheduled, although a fifth episode remains possible if enough people show interest. So far, the show has had difficulties recruiting contestants.

"Every week it's a challenge," Williams said.

With only two more shows scheduled for the semester, "Roomies" is still searching for possible contestants.

Each winning contestant can look forward to two free haircuts from Changes Hair Design and two gift certificates to El Mezcal Mexican restaurant.

The show is taped Wednesdays at 9 a.m. in the studio in the Communication Arts building. For more info, contact Adam Williams at 347-5041 or awill725@uwsp.edu.

Month of fasting draws to close

Azliza Asri

POINTLIFE REPORTER

For many, the month of Ramadan came and passed just like any other month of the year. To a small group of Muslim students, faculty and staff at UW-SP, Ramadan held a warm feeling of rejoicing and hope that have brought us closer in our faith of Islam. During this month, too, fasting from dawn to dusk is carried out with greatest humility and devotion to Allah.

Ramadan teaches us, through fasting, to be grateful for what we have. Rachelle Fawcett, an American who became a Muslim a few years ago finds that fasting helps her well being.

"Fasting is required for an entire month as one of the main components of Islam. I don't have to feel bad about skipping lunch when I am too busy. In the beginning of Ramadan, sometimes it's just hard to remember that I am fasting, but after a week or so [fasting] is normal. And then, eating during daylight feels wrong."

After a month of fasting, the month of Syawal dawns on us. This year, Eid falls on Nov. 3. It is the month when Muslims rejoice with family and friends to celebrate overcoming all the challenges of fasting or any other challenges that we might be faced with.

The celebration of Eid is such a wonderful occasion as it brings together family

members who have left home either to pursue work or study overseas.

It is also a time to seek forgiveness from the elders for all the mistakes that might have been made against each other. Children tend to have the most fun in the celebration of Eid as they will receive a little gift in the form of money.

Azra Velagic, an international student from Bosnia-Herzegovina shares her feelings on Ramadan & Eid: "It is totally different from home. First, the food we prepared is different.

'[Back home] there are more places to pray with family and friends. You can hear the prayer (azan) from the mosques; also, we have more meetings and activities during Ramadan. You also feel more comfortable that there are a lot of people around you who are fasting and feeling the same way as you do."

Emir Cvijetic, another student from Bosnia-Herzegovina relates his family's customs on the morning of Eid: "Celebrating Eid here - I miss my family the most. Usually in the morning, we will perform the Eid prayer together at the mosque. Then, we'll pay a visit to our family's graves and say a prayer for them. After that, we'll visit our relatives and enjoy the wonderful foods prepared. In Bosnia, we say, in our language, Bajran Muvarecula, which means, "Happy Eid," or "Joyous Eid."



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"Roomies" host Adam Williams asks contestants, "How well do you know your roommate?'

Science, Health & Tech.

Explore yoga, relieve stress Research Corner

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Any Packer fan has seen Gilbert Brown or the late Reggie White sucking on an oxygen mask on the sidelines. Anyone who has attended a track meet has witnessed a cross-country runner pass out from exhaustion or waver on the sidelines wheezing. The problem, according to Beth Hall, lies in the breathing. When athletes hold their breath, the oxygen in the blood isn't distributed to the muscles evenly. When this happens, injuries are much more common because the muscles in the body are tense. The breathing techniques taught in yoga often help.

Freshman Chris Bair recognizes the benefits of yoga. The technique she learns comwhile playing Trench, a type and controlled breathing.

of dodge ball, and indoor soccer. She also enjoys the things she's learned. "Yoga's really fun," she said.

But even non-athletic students can benefit from what yoga has to offer. The semester is half-over, and soon most students will be surrounded by 6 feet of snow, and cabin fever will be sure to follow. The symptoms that accompany the stress of winter blues and stringent studying can often include sleeplessness, nervousness, irritability, muscle tension and poor concentration. Yoga can help relieve

"Many people have the idea that yoga is a 'girly' sport," said Beth Ford from Centertainment. "It's just not true. You really work hard, you sweat."

Yoga is a combination pliments her performance of calisthenics, meditation

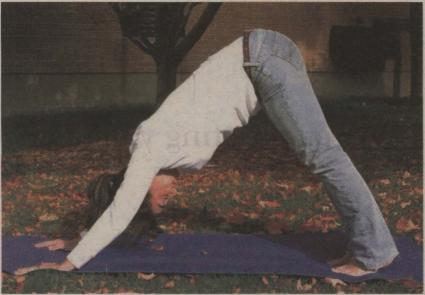
The word yoga is Sanskrit for union, and the practice derives from a 5,000-year-old Hindu tradition. The Indian high Hindu priests who developed the basics of this way of life were known as "yogis" and lived a very disciplined and minimalist lifestyle. These yogi communities still exist and to this day the individuals exhibit profound health, flexibility, strength and endurance, and live in balance with their environment.

Hall said that yoga practice can help students balance their own lives. "It helps stress levels; it lowers your blood pressure. A vital part of what's missing in most sports training is the breathing technique. You learn that here.'

The purpose of yoga is to create a balance of mind, body and spirit. Though the concept of contemporary Western Yoga has little to do with one's

religion, it does deal with one's spiritual-

Maureen Houlihan, a member of the National Teacher's Yoga Alliance, regularly teaches yoga classes at the Allen Center. These classes are open to everyone. Students are offered a discount of \$20 per session. Classes start Nov. 28, and will be held in the Cardio Center. For more information call 346-4711.



Maggie Hanson doing a yoga pose.

Stay alive during a Stevens Point winter

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Ah, can you feel it? Another Wisconsin winter waits just around the corner, gathering energy as the jet stream migrates southward to unleash a torrent of polar weather directly upon Stevens Point.

Those who have lived here awhile have learned to cope with the brutal winters. But for those who are new to the area or aren't familiar with the quirks of a Wisconsin winter, there's technology and info out there to help make it to another spring day.

Nov. 7-11 is officially Wisconsin's Winter Awareness Week. Prior to the onslaught of our early Wisconsin winters we can step back and assess what the future may hold, thanks in part to efforts from the National Weather Service (NWS) and Wisconsin Emergency Management (WEM).

Each year, for what seems like an eternity, central Wisconsin is nailed with weather that runs the gamut from freezing rain to I'm-socold-I'd-rather-be-dead temperatures. And let's not forget the snow that makes it so easy for cars to slide into ditches.

Indeed, getting around in your car is one of the biggest challenges of winter. According to WEM, an average of 78 people are killed and about 7,100 are injured each winter in weather related automobile accidents in Wisconsin.

What can you do? The obvious thing to do is check the weather before you leave. Modern technology makes it simple to hop on the Web, type in your zip code at a weather site and get information about the weather specific to your town.

NWS also maintains a system of warnings and watches about storms in the area. Local TV and radio stations will break into programming to announce these advisories.

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (DOT) maintains a service that allows people to find out about specific road conditions. Go to their Web site at http://www.dot. wisconsin.gov or call 1-800-ROADWIS to get the latest information about the drivability of the roads.

It's also a good idea to winterize your car before winter sets in. "First, get an oil change," said Gary Kawleski, a mechanic at Gary's Service Center, 2810 Stanley St., Stevens Point. "And check the battery, the charging system, antifreeze, and wiper blades."

Gary's has a special for winterizing the car where they inspect all of the above items, sans the oil change, for one preset price.

Kawleski added that it's also a good idea to check that all belts and hoses are in good condition, and that tires have

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Brian Wahl, graduate student in urban forestry

What research are you doing?

Are trees P'ing in our surface water? Basically, my project deals with phosphorous (P). We know that phosphorous is a major contributor of pollution in our surface waters. When we go swimming in the summer in slimy green lakes, that's due to phosphorous. When it enters into the system the algae goes crazy. A lot of the causes for it are from point source pollution, which comes from places like wastewater treatment plants. We've gotten that type of pollution down quite low. But according to the research out there, even if we eliminate all our point source pollution, we still won't get rid of all the phosphorous, at least not down to the level where we're not causing our waters to turn green.

So that brings us to non-point sources of pollution, which are basically unidentified or scattered sources of phosphorous pollution. We believe that there's a lot of phosphorous coming from fertilizers. Well, might the phosphorous even be coming from trees? I'm basically looking at trees in the urban residential environment, and I'm trying to quantify the amount of phosphorous that is coming off of these trees during a rain event.

I did it here in the city of Stevens Point. The majority of my funding came from Global Environmental Management (GEM) program. It is a local study that has global implications. Hopefully this can work as a model for other people across the world.

What did you find?

I'm really hesitant to say anything until I process the numbers. The interesting thing about phosphorous is when it hits the soil it tends to bond with the soil and gets held there. Most of the time we see a lot of contribution of phosphorous to our surface waters when there's erosion occurring and a lot of soil moving. The thought from other experiments is that when the leaves interact with water the phosphorous gets leached out of them and into the ground.

Trees are definitely a source of phosphorous. But, are trees a major contributor? No. The question is, if we add up all the trees in an area, and we factor out the fact that there's soil and the phosphorous gets stuck there, then what do we see?

What's next for you and this research?

I'm done collecting data. The next step for this research is to figure out the canopy coverage in Stevens Point. An undergrad here is working on that right now. He's taking my numbers and applying them to the canopy coverage in Stevens Point and extrapolating that out to see what the effect might be. Our ultimate goal is to provide information that will help land managers develop strategies to reduce and improve the quality of urban runoff.

I've been asked, should we cut down trees to prevent this type of non-point source pollution? Soil particles in runoff, from erosion, cause more phosphorous to enter our surface waters than other non-point sources of pollution combined. Trees help to stabilize soil and reduce erosion (not to mention the many other benefits we get from trees including reducing air pollution, shading, aesthetics, carbon sequestration etc.), so removing trees is certainly not the answer. Some things we can do are keep leaves out of the street gutters and off of hard surfaces, and provide large mulched areas around trees to promote tree health and reduce runoff.

Outdoors

Putting those CNR skills to use

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After spending long hours behind the books, many of us wonder when we are going to be able to put this good knowledge to use. Don't fret, there are various opportuni-

available. One such occasion took place this past weekend at the Leopold Reserve.

The Student Society Arboriculture (SSA) members, Adam Alves, Brian Wahl, Jarod Faas, Matt Picard, Phil Prahaska, Glen Wills and advisor, Les Werner ventured just outside of Baraboo to the Leopold Reserve to enhance their book skills to actual activities.

Alves, pruning coordinator of SSA, along with Werner and Kevin Mcaleese, a specialist of Sand County, organized this trip in an effort to strengthen the connection between UW-SP and Sand County. Until this past weekend, the connection was primarily advisor based, and

Alves was looking to encourage more student involve-

"This opportunity was a chance for students to not only see what Leopold had to offer, but also to take positive action in eco-restoration," Alves said.



Photo by Jarod Faas

The Student Society of Arboriculture members relaxing around the Wisconsin River.

For three summers, Alves was employed at the Leopold Reserve as an intern, becoming well acquainted with Mcaleese. Through this relationship, Alves was able to connect with Steven Swenson, an employee at the Leopold Reserve, who helped coordinate this excursion.



Throughout the weekend, the group engaged in various trail maintenance methods, such as buckthorn and brush control and hazardous tree reduction for the onsite manager, 80-year-old Frank Terbilox.

Alves said that everyone

on the trip felt great with what they were able to be a part of and from what they learned in this experience.

"In the past, SSA has focused more on climbing," Alves said. "This trip was meant to expand into a more multi-facet connection."

SSAcontributes to other pruning activities involving campus maintenance, upkeep to the Boston School Forest and most recently, Dutch Elm

reduction. However, Leopold is an extended step in combining with other organizations.

Eventually, SSA would like to lead other organizations including Fire Crew, Society of American Foresters (SAF) and Ecosystem Restoration Club to join in future Leopold visits. This grouping of talents is likely to occur for the next Leopold visit.

"At times these CNR organizations end up working against each other in their given specialty. Leopold is a way to bring everyone together for Wisconsin eco-restoration," Alves said. "What better place than the Foundation of Modern Conservation?"

Alves, an urban forestry major, prospected to graduate in May is looking for employment in commercial arboriculture or ecosystem restoration, in either field, experiences like Leopold are great additions for the future.

Campus Calendar of Outdoor Events

11/3 - Working the Land of Central Wisconsin (Schmeekle Reserve Visitors Center 346-4992 or Schmeekle@uwsp.edu)

Discover the lives of early Wisconsin settlers and their survival of Wisconsin's harsh

11/5 - Plants On the Move

(Schmeekle Reserve Visitors Center)

See how plants travel using other beings.

11/6 - Walking on Thin Soil (Schmeekle Reserve Visitors Center) 3:30 p.m.

Learn about wetland soils.

11/8 - Interested in NRES 490 Winterim? (CNR Rm 170) Noon

> Attend guest lecture with Doug Moore: Creating Professional Reports & Visual Aids

11/9 - Peace Corps Informational Meeting (U.C. Rm 205) 5 to 6 p.m.

Nature Photography

(Outdoor EdVentures)

Learn basic functions of a camera and simple techniques. Bring your own camera if you own one.

Contact: Outdoor EdVentures 346-3848

Bear proofing your camp

Scott Butterfield/Stephanie Davy OUTDOOR REPORTER & OUTDOOR EDITOR

Bears have an incredible sense of smell and can easily track your food if you're out backpacking or camping. To prevent this from 15-20ff happening, it is wise to learn how to hang a bear bag, a waterproof bag to put your food, dishes and even toothpaste in, and minimize all human odors.

First, don't leave any bit of food or wrappers in your tent! Bears will smell your trail mix and tear into your tent during the night. Then find a tree located at least 200 feet from your tent.

Second, get some rope - about 50 feet. The bag will hang off of a tree branch about 10-15 feet off

the ground and 5-7 feet away from the trunk - be sure you have enough rope.

Next, tie something heavy, perhaps a boot or rock, to the other end of the rope. Then move the rope in a pendulum-like swing and heave it up and over your chosen branch. Allow the heavy object to come back to the ground and replace it with your food bag. Now pull the rope until your bear bag is in position (about 10-15 feet) above the ground and tie the long end to the trunk of the tree.

If you follow all these steps correctly, your food supply and all your campers will be safe from any menacing bears.



Photo by U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

Sketch by Steph Davy



Josh Spice OUTDOOR EDVENTURES MANAGER AND TRIP LEADER

When sitting around the campfire at night, wondering what the weather is going to be like the next day, take a look at how the smoke is acting. If the smoke rises straight up from the fire, you'll have clear skies for the next 24 hours. However, if the smoke remains stagnant around the campfire area or rises very slowly, expect precipitation in the near future. There's only one catch - it only works in calm conditions or out of the wind! Stop in Outdoor EdVentures to learn more about this trick, along with many other tips and techniques to improve your outdoor experiences.



Missed chances doom Pointers

Rob Clint SPORTS REPORTER

The UW-SP Football team continued its lackluster season against UW-Eau Claire last Saturday. The Pointers continued to have problems offensively as they dropped their sixth game of the year to the Blugolds with a final score of 17-3. The Pointers had seven opportunities inside the opposing 40-yard line and could only come away with three points on the day. The loss drops the Pointers record to 1-4 in the conference and 2-6 overall. UW-EC raises its record to 4-1 (5-3).

The Pointer offense got the ball first. On their second play, Brett Borchart threw an interception. Unfortunately, this would be just the beginning for a frightful day offensively for the Pointers. Borchart would go on to throw five interceptions on the day.

The Pointer defense was not going to make it easy for the Blugolds though. They kept UW-EC from capitalizing on many of the turnovers and had one of their best games of the year. They The Pointers' offense lines up during a 17-3 loss. allowed only one field

goal in the first half and that drive started deep in Pointer territory after a Borchart interception. The Pointer defense held the Blugold running game to a measly 45 yards on 13 attempts in the first half. They also had an interception, a sack and a blocked field goal



in the first half. Late in the first half, the Pointers' Peter Prusinski blocked a UW-EC field goal attempt to finish the half. The Pointer defense stymied the Blugolds all day allowing only 333 yards of

The second half started out nearly identical to the first. The Pointers received the ball first and on the second play from scrimmage, Borchart threw his third intercep-

The Blugolds' Brad Alexejun returned the interception for a touchdown. The extra point made the score 10-0 early in the third quarter.

The Pointers were not dead though. vet After receiv-

ing the kickoff, the Pointers drove down to the UW-EC 4-yard line. Borchart would complete two big passes of 26 and 25 yards to Jacob Dickert and Adam Spoehr before throwing his fourth interception of the day to UW-EC's Derek Sikora in the end zone. Dickert led the Pointers in receiving with six catches for 125 yards.

The Blugolds would use the opportunity to drive the ball back down the field in

18 plays, burning over seven minutes in the process. Joe Gast finished the drive with a 1-yard run. The extra point put UW-EC up 17-0. After being contained in the first half, Gast would finish the day with 36 carries for 137 yards rushing.

Late in the fourth quarter, The Pointers would avoid the shutout. After getting good field position at the Blugolds 47 after a punt, Borchart would hook up for 35 yards with Jake VanDerGeest to put them in field goal position. A few plays later and Dan Heldmann would kick a 22yard field goal to avoid the shutout and make the final score 17-3. Borchart would finish the day 19 of 34 for 274 yards and five interceptions.

The Pointers look to get back on track next week when they travel to face the 0-5 (1-7) UW-Platteville Pioneers.

Swimmers compete in threesome

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The swimming and diving team is back in action for the UW-SP Pointers.

After winning their first two meets uncontested, the Pointer men and women headed to a three-team event against St. Cloud and Northern Michigan.

The Pointer men, however, just had a dual match against St. Cloud and won in their closest meet yet 142-101.

The women Pointers swimmingly beat Northern Michigan 165-70, but had contrary results against St. Cloud, losing 139.5-77.5.

"We are right where we need to be at this time of the season," said Pointer Head Coach Al Boelk. "We still need a lot of training, but I am very happy with how we are swimming after the training we've

For the men, Alex Anderson, Tyler Eloranta and John Gross all had two individual victories apiece. Anderson claimed the 100yard breaststroke and the 200-yard individual medley. Eloranta won in the 50-yard and 500-yard freestyles. Gross took the freestyles of 100 yards and 200-yards. Matt Grunwald

was victorious in the 100-yard butterfly.

Garth Newport and Kyle Hartl teamed with Eloranta and Gross to win the 200yard freestyle relay. Newport and Hartl also joined up with Anderson and Willie Clapp to claim the 200-yard medley

Diving was mainly controlled by St. Cloud. However, Jack Riley was able to capture a second and third place in the one and three meter events, respectively.

The women had a tougher meet claiming only two victories. Jennie Roskopf won the 100-yard breaststroke as the only individual title. Jerica Crook, Kelsey Crunstedt, Beth Bard and Catlin Hake teamed to win the 200-yard freestyle

Hake along with Abby Strobel, Lindsey Googins and the 200-yard medley team of Roskopf, Crunstedt, Meghan Walsh and Elizabeth Herder all combined to give the Pointers a total of eight runner-ups as

"In the pool, we had lots of great swims," Boelk said. "[The team] is coming together nicelv."

This Saturday the team heads to UW-La Crosse for the WIAC relays.



Jessica Westland competes in last week's

Photo by Holly Sandbo

Pointers close season with victories

Melissa Dyszelski SPORTS REPORTER

offense.

The UW-Stevens Point women's volleyball team concluded the season with two victories on Oct. 29 against Lawrence University and Lakeland College in the weekend tournament held in Oshkosh.

The Pointers defeated Lakeland College 30-23, 30-25 and 30-16 to place fifth of eight teams in the tournament. Toni Johnson led the team in assists with 16, while Shelly Maus tallied 11 kills and Meghan Geis and Gina Guell each had nine.

UW-SP also defeated Lawrence 30-26, 30-18 and 30-13. Toni Johnson had 23 assists, and Lori Marten made 13 digs.

On Oct. 28, which marked the beginning of the tournament, the women lost to St. Scholastica in four games 25-30, 27-30, 30-27 and 23-30. The Pointers put forth an outstanding effort as Marten led the back row in digs, with 21, senior Johnson led in assists with 35, and Guell had 13 kills.

UW-SP also lost to tournament contender UW-La Crosse in three games 19-30, 18-30 and 25-30. Callie Kunde had 10 digs, and Guell had eight attacks.

In the final conference match of the season, the Pointers lost in four games 28-30, 30-28, 12-30 and 22-30 against UW-Platteville. Senior Kate Banser led in attacks with 13, Johnson finished with 33 assists and Marten tallied 15 digs.

Women Runners take second in WIAC Championship; Men fifth

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The Pointer cross-country team met the rest of their conference in Superior last weekend to partake in the WIAC championships.

The women's team headed into the event looking for a repeat of their 2004 championship. However, they fell just short, finishing second to UW-La Crosse.

Teresa Stanley led the Pointers and was second overall in the meet for the women. Teammate Jenna Mitchler was also able to grab a top spot at

To Stanley, a senior, the second place finish was no disappointment. "Four out of our top seven girls from last year graduated, so our team was very different from last year's," she said. "I am very Nechuta finished 12th overproud of many of my teammates' finishes at the WIAC conference meet.

Stanley ran with a time race. of 21:57.96 and finished 17 seconds behind her winning ever, finished fifth out of nine UW-L opponent.

The Pointer women had three others finish in the top 20. Ashleigh Potuznik at 13, Hanna Dieringer at 18 and Tami Scott placed 19.

"We are going through a time where our team is, for the most part, pretty young," said senior Mitchler. "We have a lot of strength to look forward to in future years. Our team came into the conference meet ranked third, and we finished second so we were all very happy."

ners as well as No. 21. Travis

all with a time of 25:52.95. Dominick Meyer was 14th and Josh Kujawn was 21st in the

The team overall, howand, for only the second time since 1980, they didn't place in the top four.

On Nov.12, both men and women teams will be participating in the NCAA Division III Midwest Regional.

"We will need to be in the top five spots at regionals to advance, and we should be there if we all run to our potential," said Mitchler. "It will be a flat course, so many people will be looking to run some fast times."

"Our team is still national-Meanwhile, the men's ly ranked, so we look forward team had two top 20 run- to the national meet as well," she said.

Fire met ice as Pointers fall in season opener

Robert Lucas SPORTS REPORTER

The UW-SP men's hockey team opened their season last Friday night at Willett Arena and dropped a tough game to the seventh ranked team in the country, the UW-Superior Yellowjackets. The young Pointers played tough in a game filled with intensity but could not stick with the more talented Yellowjacket team, falling 5-3 in the affair which did not count against league standings.

The game started off quickly as the Yellowjackets' Mike Bickley scored just 13 seconds into the game. However, Stevens Point countered quickly with a goal by freshman Taylor Guay 31 seconds later. Pointers' freshman goalie Marcus Paulson kept the score 1-1 in the first period after impressively stoning Superior on a breakaway opportunity midway through the period. The game calmed down after some initial heavy checks and intense hitting, giving way to a solid, well played match up.

It must have seemed like déjà vu for the Pointers in the second period as the Yellowjackets scored again early. Myles Palliser scored a minute and eight seconds into the period, putting the Pointers down 2-1. UW-SP had a chance to tie it up again 37 seconds later, but Baron Bradley made a tremendous save on a free breakaway for the Pointers. However, Stevens Point wouldn't let

another great opportunity pass them by. With 9:37 left in the period, the Pointers had another breakaway and after Bradley turned away a shot by freshman Russel Law, senior Mark Peters cleaned up the garbage and knocked in a goal, making the game 2-2 going into the deciding period.

The Yellowjackets started the third period like they had started the other two, scoring a quick goal and putting the Pointers in a hole that this time they would not be fortunate enough to climb out of. Colin Guiguet's shot went top shelf on Paulson just a minute and 22 seconds into the period, putting the Yellowjackets up for good. Six minutes later, the Yellowjackets gave themselves some breathing room as a hard slapshot from the blue line by Aaron Berman once again knifed through Points' defenses. Rob Turville scored for UW-S with 6:30 left to put the game completely out of reach.

Frustration for the Pointers boiled over quickly thereafter as a fight broke out on the ice and a player from each team was ejected, along with numerous penalties given out to players on both teams. The Pointers' final goal was scored on a power play by freshman Shane Foster, the ninth power play for the Pointers, making the score 5-3.

UW-SP plays home again this Saturday against St. Mary's at 7:30 p.m.

Falcons outlast Pointers in WIAC quarterfinals

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The women's soccer team closed out their season Tuesday with an overtime loss to UW-River Falls in the conference quarterfinals. The game was scoreless through regulation and the first overtime, as the Pointers outshot the Falcons, but failed to capitalize. River Falls snapped the tie for the win in the 108th minute of the game, with less than two minutes remaining in the second overtime.

Point controlled the majority of play and had outshot Falls 18-8. Amanda Prawat had two quality opportunities late in the game, but did not bury either. The Falcons turned it on the second overtime, taking half of their shots of the game, ultimately claiming victory.

The loss marks only the second time in conference history that the Pointers have lost a conference playoff game. The Pointers have played in all 13 championship games and still boast an impressive 34-2 overall tournament record. The Pointers also own bragging rights to the second longest streak of national tournament appearances for Division III with eight straight showings.

The Pointers end their season with a record of 8-7-2 and though they are undoubtedly disappointed about the final outcome, they return their top five leading scorers. They do lose the leadership of their five seniors, who will be missed next season.

Senior Ali Havlik said, "The high point of this year

was senior day. We played well and it was such a special day. Also, just having the opportunity to play with all the girls on my team. They are absolutely amazing people on and off the field, and I wouldn't trade them for anything in the world."

Katie Waterman (7) attacks the ball in a 1-0 OT loss to UW-River Falls.

Senior on the Spot

Katie O'Leary-Soccer

Career Highlights:

- Played in 20 of team's 22 games and made 17 starts on defense in 2004.
- Started all 22 matches as one of team's top defenders in 2003.
 - Played on national championship club team and was a three-time all-conference performer and team captain in high school.

Major - Clinical lab science and biology Hometown - Crystal Lake, Ill.

Do you have any nicknames? - The girls on the team just call me "O" or O-face. Sometimes they call me big boobs.......I don't know why.

What are your plans after graduation? - I'll probably work in a hospital or clinic laboratory for a

few years and then apply for a physician's assistant program. What has helped you to become an accomplished soccer player? - I have been fortunate enough to have had fantastic coaches and teammates to challenge and motivate me. Also, my parents sacrificed a lot of time for me to be able to have all the opportunities that I have had in the past.

What is your favorite Pointer sports memory? - Beating Trinity down in Texas freshman year and ending their home winning streak.

What is your most embarrassing moment? - I let a girl that I was marking score a game-winning goal in overtime sophomore year that ended a winning national record that our program had earned. I felt so awful!

What CD is currently in your stereo? - Eric Clapton Unplugged What DVD is currently in your DVD player? - Batman Begins

What will you remember most about UW-SP? - I will remember my teammates and all the fun and crazy times we had on and off the field.

What are the three biggest influences in your life? - My family, friends and my boyfriend.

Who needs professional or college foot ball? Just follow the Friday night lights

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After watching the Green Bay Packers continue down the road to drafting Reggie Bush as they fell to Cincinnati on Sunday, I was able to reflect on the high school playoff game I attended the day before.

My hometown team - the Menasha High School Bluejays - took on the Ashwaubenon High School Jaguars in WIAA Division II - Level 2 playoff action.

Calder Stadium Menasha was filled to capacity almost an hour before the game began. The 1 p.m. kickoff was more exciting than any opening whistle in a Packers game this year.

Despite the fact that the Fox Valley Association champion Bluejays were unable to overcome a late Jaguars touchdown drive and a 23-19 deficit, the game had me on the edge of my seat and the quality of football was top

The whole weekend of professional, collegiate and high school football games got me thinking about one question: Which form of the sport is more interesting and intriguing?

I think the least interesting form of football is the college brand. Other than the traditions and rivalries, nothing else seems to keep the casual sports fan's attention. Players leave after two, three or four years of playing for a school and head to

> the pros. The fact that athletes in college yearn for more in the pros makes the sport seem less appealing and more like the "minor leagues."

A step up from college football in terms of appeal is the professional ranks. With the emergence of fantasy football, even non-football fans can get into the NFL and its players. Some bad apples spoil the whole bunch, however, and arrogant icons in the NFL beg for more money or playing time. This takes away from the player/fan relationship and makes pro athletes seem to crave attention and

That leaves high school football as the most intriguing form of the sport. People who attended the high school in their hometown can come back to games many years later and still feel connected.

In the case of last Saturday's playoff game, despite the fact that I attended a different school other than Menasha High, I felt the emotions of excitement when the Bluejays did well and agony when the team endured defeat. The hometown connection makes high school football more captivating than the others.

Each variation of the game of football has its selling points. I routinely watch the Packers, Wisconsin Badgers and other professional and college football teams play. But none of the aforementioned teams provide the unity and togetherness that high school football creates.

Land of the Dead on DVD

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Downtown Pittsburgh just ain't what it used to be now that the dead have taken over the world.

George Romero fans will squeal with delight at this latest--and probably last--entry in his Living Dead series.

For those new to the genre, a quick recap: A strange virus has plagued mankind, causing all unburied human corpses to return to life. The zombies rise only to feed on the living, and anyone who is bitten turns into a flesh-munching monster as well.

It takes three years from the first reports of zombies for the world to fall into a postapocalyptic nightmare. The dead far outnumber the living, and survivors have fled to once-large cities, turned into outposts that are heavily barricaded and guarded by an army.

Our hero, Riley (Simon Baker), commands a squad of quasi-soldiers whose only job is to leave the walls of Pittsburgh and search surrounding towns for food and supplies. Riley's secondin-command, Cholo (John Leguizamo) spends most of his time kissing the ass of the city's main financer, Kaufman (Dennis Hopper). Cholo is hoping for a fancy apartment in the city's only civilized refuge, a snooty high-rise condo complex with the last vestiges of humanity--including orange juice and a shopping mall.

When Cholo's remuneration does not come as expected he plans to attack the city with their only military vehicle--a huge reinforced, fully loaded and heavily armed tank called "Dead Reckoning."

Kaufman hires Riley to retrieve Dead Reckoning before Cholo can blow up the city's reinforced walls, keeping the zombies at bay. Riley takes along his mentallychallenged friend (Robert Joy) who is full of hilarious quips and never missed a shot, and a hooker with military training (Asia Argento).

Meanwhile, a disturbing development: the zombies from the town Riley and his squad raided the night before are becoming...smarter. The master zombie, "Big Daddy" communicates with the others through a series of grunts and screams, and together they decide to head towards the big city and take on the big bad humans. The zombies work together, even showing camaraderie, so much so that zombie suffrage doesn't seem far off.

The makeup effects for this movie are spectacular. The dead are creepier looking than ever, the gorging scenes more frequent and meatier than before. Put this on your list of movies not to watch while eating pizza. Two highly notable guest appearances to point out: Tom Savini reprises his character as a biker from 1979's original *Dawn of the*



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Dead, this time coming back as a zombie biker. Simon Pegg (Shaun of the Dead) makes a much shorter appearance. If you sneeze, you'll miss him. If you don't sneeze, you'll miss him. The makeup is so effective he's barely recognizable. The showdown is short and sweet, with lots of blood and little needless discussion of emotion and humanity.

Those of you who like your zombies proactive will be pleased. Zombies now swim, use jackhammers and pump gas. The door has again been left wide open for yet another sequel, though Romero is getting a bit old. The ending is consistent with the other Romero movies; there's no resolution, some of the good guys die, dead people are still wandering around everywhere, and we are left to wonder about mankind's future, which, as always, is left hanging.

Terror on the Fox scares up a crowd

A haunted house with thrills and chills

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You've got some friends together, it's near Halloween, so what do you do? Pile into a car and drive to a haunted house! My friends and I decided to travel to Terror on the Fox, located in Green Bay.

Terror on the Fox is a collaboration between Bad Boys Scenic Design, The Green Bay Preble Optimists and The National Railroad Museum.

When we arrived, the parking area wasn't marked very clearly; there was just a sign like you might see outside a restaurant with one of those blinking arrows. And after pulling into the parking area, it was hard to tell there was even a haunted house in the area, because everything was so unassuming. But parking was free, definitely a plus.

We rode an old passenger train, reminiscent of the L train of Chicago, to get from the parking area to the actual haunted house. The train was part of the experience, since it was pumped full of smoke, with strobe lights flashing and actors jumping out at the passengers. One girl did an impromptu head-banging session to the heavy metal playing over speakers on the train.

The ride was fairly short, but it was something to set Terror on the Fox apart from the rest of the haunted houses I've been to. Of course, the train brought us to the actual line, which rapidly became long. Just like in the train, costumed actors roamed among the crowd, and sporadic growls and screams were common sounds.

The outside of the house featured lots of lights, two big strobes and two large video screens. Unfortunately, the bigger screen, offset from the house a little, played occasional commercials (a real mood-killer), but I suppose they have to have sponsors as much as anything else these days.

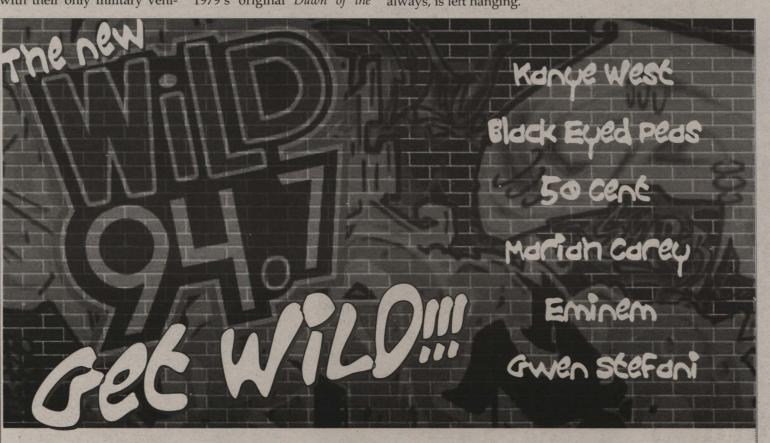
In the front of the line we were divided into groups of around 10 people, and then it was time to experience Terror on the Fox.

It was dark inside the actual house, sometimes too dark, and most of the scares came from actors or animatronics popping out of the darkness. The house became more and more dark, until we reached a room that was completely black. After standing around in darkness for a few seconds, black lights came on to reveal a huge slowly inflating clown, and actors dressed as creepy clowns.

This was probably the best executed part of the house, since we could actually see the extent of the set design, plus clowns are always good for a scare. After the dreaded "clown room," we were faced with a huge spinning cylinder like those you would see in a funhouse. There was a walkway down the middle, and when we stepped onto the walkway, the spinning of the cylinder created the illusion that we were walking at an angle.

Maybe it was the long drive, or the wait in line, but Terror on the Fox was over too quick for my liking, just when the creepiness was setting in. Overall, though, the presentation of the house and the design of it made up for most of the letdowns.

I would recommend it if you're in the area, but it was a long drive for the amount of time we actually spent in the house. If you really feel the need for one last scare before the turkeys and pilgrims take over your subconscious, Terror on the Fox will be open this Friday and Saturday, and you can visit their Web site (www. terroronthefox.com) for more information.



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Winter weather can also be hazardous outside your front door.

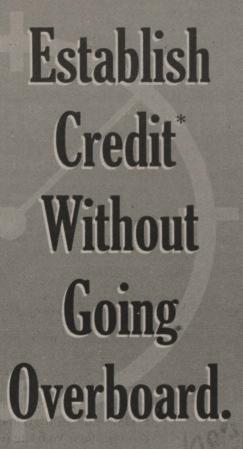
According to a fact sheet provided by WEM, "A wind chill of 20 degrees below zero could cause frostbite in 15 minutes or less."

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If you experience symptoms related to overexposure to cold weather, you should seek medical attention immediately.

The lowest recorded temperature in Stevens Point is 48 below. The highest recorded daily snowfall total in Wisconsin is 26 inches.

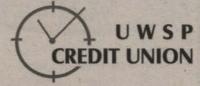
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