Campuses may move toward specialization

by Debbie Kellom
Editor

The UW System may move toward specialization, wherein each campus in the state will begin concentrating in certain areas of academics, Dr. Eugene Trani, vice president for Academic Affairs of the UW System, said Tuesday.

Trani said that there is a resolution before the Board of Regents to discuss the concept of specialization. If adopted, each campus will have a "mission" or an area of strength. The specialization plan will go into effect January 1, 1988, if approved.

Trani said the UW System has fallen behind in terms of support levels and that each university "can't be all things to all people."

By this, Trani meant that it is no longer feasible with current budget levels for universities to offer the same majors.

For example, since many universities offer business majors, a task force could be set up to see if a certain program of a particular university should be cut, reduced expansion, or specialized even more, such as at graduate-level areas.

Trani said that after specialization, if it does occur, faculty numbers will remain the same. The student population would reduce, but this would make a "better student-faculty ratio."

Trani said that the aim of specialization isn't just to fill up campuses that don't have high half after 30 days of satisfactory operation. A $300,000 loan from Madison covered the tax-supported, faculty/administration portion of the system. Student Life paid the balance, since residence hall phones make up over two-thirds of the system.

Chancellor Philip Marshall comments on the phone system: "We needed something, so we took advantage of that fact to get the best possible system, including data transmission."

In the midst of these phone negotiations, AT&T and UWSP signed a partnership agreement. On October 17, 1985, both parties pledged a "Plan for Educational Enhancement", in which AT&T expressed commitment "to meet the voice, data, and video needs of the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point."

The contract also promises UWSP access to the latest technological developments, training for UWSP officials in new areas, and a 45% discount AT&T products.

According to Goulet, this marks the beginning of UWSP's function as AT&T saleswoman to the UW system. "It goes back a year ago in October. There have been purchases available for faculty, staff, and students since that time. We have an open contract, an ongoing relationship."

Goulet estimates 500 computer sales in this area so far. This includes the UWSP departmental purchase of 384 faculty desktop computers. One hundred and ten other computers were sold to faculty and students from other UW schools.

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Season's whinings

This week I was going to whine about something important like the contras or Ronald or overpricing At Domino's, but what the hell, it's Christmas.

I'll whine about Christmas.

Christmas just isn't the same anymore, is it? Gosh, everything is so commercial. With decorations going up in March and Santa preferring that great limon taste over bland 7-Up and K-Mart screaming blue light specials on goofy sticks and Rambo dolls, it's just so hard to get into the spirit of the thing. What ever happened to the good old days when everyone sat around a blazing fire and drank eggnog?

Christmas was great when I was a kid, even after I found the tyran Tonka dump truck in Mom and Dad's closet, the one that looked remarkably like the one Santa gave me. Mom said it was for my cousin Ron, who, it had turned out, already had one. I knew better. I was no fool. I always suspected Santa was a fraud. I mean, a rosy-cheeked, fat man in red underwear? Come on. Besides, we got up, opened our feebly few presents, sat around yawning in church for awhile, went home and gorged ourselves on a genetically altered bronto-turkey bred to last well past Easter, then got drunk and played Trivial Pursuit until we despised each other.

How boring.

And isn't all this whining just a little bit ridiculous? Isn't it great that I just did all the whining about Christmas you'll ever need to?

Here's some practical advice:

Stop bitching about how abused Christmas is. Ignore the commercials. As a matter of fact, we should get around to ignoring all commercials. They might even change them. Good Lord, they would be anarchy.

It would be pretty damned wonderful. Now there's a Christmas wish.

But for God's sake, who really cares what they do to Christmas?

Look outside. The snow is pretty mellow, the trees coated and sleeping (ignore for a moment that 600-mile-an-hour wind; after all, that was when Dad spiked the eggnog and Uncle Bernie (yeah, he's a great guy, too) fell on the tree, which lost every needle and fell on the dog, who ran, looking like a giant pine cone with hairy legs, straight for Aunt Pat. Aunt Pat hates dogs. But the rest of that day was just as boring as every other Christmas these last few years.

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Look outside. The snow is pretty mellow, the trees coated and sleeping (ignore for a moment that 600-mile-an-hour wind; after all, this is Stevens Point). Pull up some of that excitement you had as a kid. (Geez, I'm beginning to sound like a Hallmark card.)

And just for a few seconds, sit back, think about this one word. Think hard. Peace. Hey, you can think longer than that.

Try smiling.
$15,000 awarded for UWSP psychology project

Researchers study role of mind control in pain relief

by Karen Rivedal
News Editor

Researchers at UWSP have received $15,000 to study the role of mind control in pain relief. According to lead researcher Dietrich, the grant will be used to investigate the merits of semantic behavior therapy in controlling chronic pain.

Dietrich explained that the grant is being used to study the role of semantic behavior therapy in controlling chronic pain. The therapy is based on the belief that the mind has unique healing and relaxation abilities. When properly tapped, these abilities can serve as a viable alternative to artificial pain-killing drugs.

Sixty patients at the Marshfield Clinic have volunteered for the year-long study, which focuses on the pain experienced by elderly sufferers of arthritis. Psychologist professor Carolin Dietrich is principal investigator of the project. She chose to focus on elderly pain sufferers because, "The elderly suffer the most from chronic pain. Yet when you take a look at the research on pain of any sort, there's really very, very little information on the aged population. That was the major thrust behind our interest in it."

Professor Paul Schwiegler helped develop the idea with Dietrich in the late '70s. Physicians Andrea Dienst and Phiroth Hansetia handle the clinical work at Marshfield.

A preliminary, mind-over-matter study conducted by researchers last summer suggested that self-control taught in semantic behavior therapy improve an individual's ability to tolerate help and reduce chronic pain. It is hoped that the current study will provide further evidence for a strong mind-body link.

The 60 volunteers have been divided into three, 20-patient test groups. The experimental group is receiving the true, semantic behavior therapy. These patients practice stress management training, deep muscle relaxation, and self-directed imagery procedures to cope with pain.

Dr. Hamid Hekmat, a UWSP professor who is credited with the development of semantic behavior therapy, describes the techniques employed. "We relax the patients by having them talk about their experiences in life. Once they're in this pleasant situation, we ask them to report to us what they are imagining. We try to reduce their anxiety, make them calm, and change their attitude about pain."

Volunteers in the second, or placebo, group receive general information and support for their plan. Dietrich explains the purpose of the placebo: "For control reasons, you need that second group. We are using a patient education self-help program with them that was developed at Stanford University. Stanford used a shot-gun approach to find techniques that reduced pain—con- 

cept sense ideas like saving your energy and protecting the joints. However, we expect that the experimental procedure is going to work better."

The third group of 20 receive no therapy or assistance. A control group of this type is traditionally necessary in any psychological test. Researchers stress, though, that everyone in the study will receive the full experimental treatment.

"Everybody who comes into contact with the study gets the full treatment at no cost, just at different points in time," Dietrich said. "After we collect the data from them, they will have the full treatment."

At the end of the study, scheduled for late summer, all of the patients will be assessed for final medical condition and pain threshold. Volunteers will communicate their pain condition by self-reports administered by psychologists and a mild electrical stimulation test monitored by trained neurologists at the Marshfield Clinic. Dietrich assures the public that their research methods have been fully approved by the proper review boards.

According to Dietrich, 94% of the $15,000 grant will be used to pay student therapists who administer the treatments for their work and transportation. The other 10% is for supplies.

Researchers wish to maintain the privacy of the personal and psychological test. "In hypnosis, there is the element of the subconscious, and of the therapist being in control," explains Dietrich. "In our therapy, the person is always in control. They know the goals. They learn to do the techniques themselves. Semantic behavior therapy is skills training and conscious client cent f.

Messing recognized for minority student work

by Lisa Strack
Staff Writer

The "Outstanding Program Award" was recently presented to the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point by the Wisconsin Association of Education Opportunity Program Personnel. UWSP received the award for its efforts to serve minority and disadvantaged students.

In addition, John Messing, professor of mathematics, was honored with the "Pioneer Award" for his efforts to establish a service for the cause of educational opportunities.

Messing, as well as UWSP, have been "pioneers" in providing equal educational opportunities. The plan is designed to help students gain skills and motivation for success in education beyond high school. Although Messing was director of the Upward Bound Program as well as director of Programs Recognized Individually for Education through Education (PRIDE), he still felt enough work was needed to further disadvantaged students—his scholarship program was one way to help disadvantaged minority students by providing them with counseling, tutoring, advising, and financial services.

"We in the business call it a full-service support service," Messing said.

Close to two years ago, Messing resigned as director of the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point and became a full-time math professor. He is still, however, very interested in the development of Education Opportunity Programs for disadvantaged students.

Jim Vance, Director of the Educational Opportunity Program, explained that at its annual meeting the program was held recently at the Stevens Point Holiday Inn, the UWSP Association of Education Opportunity Program Personnel wanted to recognize the pioneer leaders it had and bring them together. For 18 years, they've left the association. "It's important for our new members to remember that those who have made such great sacrifices for our efforts over the years," he concluded.
The project to remove hazardous waste from all university campuses has begun. A November 20 memo from Don Gerhard of UW System Administration outlines the requirements that each campus must meet to be included in the waste removal program.

According to the memo, the UW System has done several things to help each university meet regulatory obligations. Thus far, the System has conducted audits, collected hazardous waste, provided contracts for safety equipment, and made project coordination/safety training available to all institutions.

The next step in the project is for the universities through their compliance to memo requirements. Required information was compiled and mailed to Mike Schmidt, hazardous substance officer for the UW System, no later than December 12. A waste pick-up schedule for each campus will follow.

Who's Who recipients chosen

by Sharon Halley
Staff Writer

Fifty-eight students will be presented with Who's Who in American Colleges Awards this February. Twenty-five of these awards were given this year.

The certificate number is issued for the purpose of maintaining a permanent record of hazardous waste storage and chemicals. The number will be used until the permanent record is transferred to another location.

The memo also notes that the possession of a hazardous waste permit is required for each campus.

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New regulations have been issued for every campus to prepare a "Contingency Plan and Emergency Procedures." The document must be specific to the hazardous waste, and one copy of each must be kept on the campus.

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In addition, UW System officials have submitted plans for a permanent hazardous waste storage area in the basement of the Science Building. When the Waste Management schedule becomes operational, the campus will be picked up every 90 days from this point. The spot was chosen because of its relative isolation, elevated access, and water-resistant characteristics.

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Christmas at UWSP

by Gene Cisewski

'Twas the night before Christmas and all through the hall,
Not a creature was stirring, not even William Paul.
I was back from Bruiser's after many a nightcap
And had just settled in, for a long winter's nap.
When all of a sudden there arose such a clatter,
I got up from the floor to see what was the matter.
I approached my doorway at barely a crawl,
Opened it up, and peered down the hall,
And what to my foggy eyes should appear,
But Bernie Bleske, Lisa Thiel and a case of Point beer.
They were laughing and joking, a seeming quite merry.
This vision was indeed very scary!
The curiosity was getting the better of me,
So I slinked down the hall to see what I could see.
They descended the floor, stair by stair,
Then entered the lounge with nary a care.
Beyond the lounge doors was a loud and happy party.
How could I have been so tardy?
This had to be a dream, based on what I was to find,
But as to my presence, the partiers were blind.
The first couple I spotted startled me with a bang:
Doe Sepsenwol and Wresch computing together on a Wang.
And over a chessboard while sharing the holiday glee
Were W. Paul and Mark Murphy.
Jon Pike was telling everyone he wasn't full of baloney
While passing out reprints of his interview with Guccione.
Meanwhile, the whole gang from WWSP
Were sharing a beer with reps from AT&T.
When Food Service Director Jerry Wilson spoke,
He announced the Comer Market's new 40 cent Coke.
And Senator John Daniels was looking quite cool
As he lounged at the side of his new pool.
And at his side in the middle of this all
Was News Editor Karen Rivedal.
All of this sweetness was terribly odd,
If I didn't wake soon I'd need the porcelain god.
Then with a recollection I was belted:
On Christmas Eve, even Scrooge's frozen heart melted.
All together their voices rose at midnight,
"Merry Christmas to all and to all a goodnight."

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Guess who’s coming to dinner?

To the Editor:

In past articles of the Pointer, there have been inaccurate statements made about Student Government’s SOURCE Committee and specifically the Leadership Escape Dinners. The inference was made that SOURCE was used to call CLA. SOURCE is the committee of SG A which recognizes, reviews, and serves as a resource for all 120 student organizations. When CLA disbanded last past summer, the already existing SOURCE was entrusted with the added responsibility of continuing the leadership dinners.

For 1985-86, CLA budgeted $2,000 for these functions. The Pointer incorrectly stated that SOURCE spent $2,000 for the first Escape Dinner. With 100 organizational leaders in attendance, the first Escape Dinner cost $720, including transportation. In the past, only annually funded organizations were budgeted for these dinners. SOURCE felt that all organizational leaders should be given equal opportunity.

The purpose of the Escape dinners is to recognize and reorganize their leaders for their contributions to the university. Student Government feels that student leaders, especially the majority that are volunteers, deserve recognition for their efforts. SOURCE wants them to know that their contributions are recognized and appreciated.

The first Escape Dinner was a grand success, making this event for our limited budget, 105 students far exceeded the estimated attendance, which was based upon past attendance of CLA dinners. We were excited to see that the first dinner was a huge success, yet we realized we would have to find alternative funding for future dinners. Therefore, we decided to encourage contributions to $5/person for the December 2nd Escape Dinner. Your personal contribution is typically constrained by both academic and financial burdens, an impressive number of 11 people attended the Escape. The final SGA contribution for this dinner was $335, including transportation.

The SOURCE Committee would like to offer two more Escape Dinners next semester. February 26th we have scheduled a new event for all organizational leaders. Expect your invitations to this “free” Escape early next semester. The final dinner will be an annual banquet, known as the SOURCE dinner.

SOURCE is looking into corporate sponsorship for that event. As you can see, SG A is trying to reward organizations and leaders in ways that will keep costs to students at a minimum. We appreciate any comments or suggestions to improve our services to you. Please give us your feedback (positive or negative) on these dinners as well as SOURCE in general.

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Bernie Beiske
Senior Editor

A put on the back

To the Editor:

At the recent dinner hosted by the SOURCE Committee of Student Government, the International Club was honored to receive the Organizational Merit Award. We at the International Club would like to thank the SOURCE committee for the honor and for putting up such a superb dinner. We also thank the members of the committee for their dedication in helping our organizations meet their goals.

The award we received is just one reason for the members to feel proud that they belong to the International Club. We are an organization that is directed by a mission. Every event we organize is compared to this mission. The event must seek to promote and encourage an exchange of culture, provide opportunities for friendship and understanding, and it must seek to meet the social interests of the members.

We believe that this clear sense of direction provided by our mission has made us one of the finest organizations on campus. It is in dinners like this “free” Escape early next semester. The final dinner will be an annual banquet, known as the SOURCE dinner.

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Another John Burke?

To the Editor:

In reply to Kurt Helker’s article entitled: Why was it Miller Time anyway? He ends his article with the following: “It is my opinion that those who are proponents of getting cold turkey while on dates mustly be fans of awkward silence.”

First of all, I would like to say that I feel Mr. Helker is another John Burke IV. He is playing along the same lines as Mr. Burke and his article which was printed in the fall semester of the 1985-86 school year. Hopefully, Mr. Helker will follow Mr. Burke and print a retraction.

I, along with others, really can’t understand how you can let such a negative article be printed without covering both sides. We “fans of awkward silence” are not awkward at all. And our not drinking is not a copout.

I have quit drinking for close to a month and a half and have never felt more better or more confident in my entire life. I was not forced to quit drinking. I did it on my own. And what is more, the consequences of non-drinkers are a lot better than you think. First, there are no trips to the porcelain god. Second, it makes you feel better and more sure of yourself. And third, it saves a lot of money. When I quit, my family and friends backed me up 100 percent.

Maybe you need to find some new friends Mr. Helker and you should also try not drinking for a while. Don’t be afraid to go to the Counseling Center for help if you can’t do it on your own. It’s a great place, it helps great people who are willing to help and listen.

You have a right to an opinion, just as much as I do. I don’t feel a paper is a good place to print it. Maybe you should write a book, where people would have to buy it. Then we’ll see who really goes along with you. It’s easy to agree when it’s free.

In closing, I would like to say that I do not condemn drinkers. I still go to bars and other social events, but I don’t find the need to drink alcohol. There always pop, water and juice. Try it, you might like it. And don’t condemn people without having all the facts.

Thank you.

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**Religion in America: A Brief Overview**

*by Gary Alexander*

Special to the Pointer

Contemporary American religious life is characterized by an emphasis on personal piety, colorful religious personalities, and controversy between conservative and liberal believers. Approximately 80 percent of Americans claim Christianity as their religion of choice, some two percent are Jewish, another four percent adhere to other traditions, while about six percent claim no religious affiliation at all.

The most recent Gallup Poll reports that 85 percent of Americans consider the Bible God's word. How many can name the four Gospels, and only four in 10 are aware that Christianity to cultural dominance in the United States: (1) the Mormon community in and around Utah; (2) the domination of the Southern Baptist Convention in the South; (3) a Lutheran preponderance in the upper Midwest; (4) a Methodist presence ranging from Pennsylvania to Colorado; and (5) the Roman Catholic Church, America's "largest single church population" (Religion In America, Harper & Row, 1979, p.85).

Within the context of these "nations" and alongside the return to prominence of evangelical Christianity, recent years have seen the emergence of what Marty terms an "ethnic tribalism," i.e., the concern of persons of Black, American Indian, Chicano, and other backgrounds to express their respective religious experiences within the American context. The traditions of Anglo-Saxon, Puritan America do not readily apply to these ethnic orientations.

Further, a heat of new religious options, many of them non-western, rose from the tensions of the 1960's. Groups like the International Society for Krishna Consciousness (Hare Krishnas), the Transcendental Meditation movement and numerous others have furthered an encounter with non-western religions that will not disappear.

While it may not be readily apparent, one of the most significant aspects of religion in the United States today is this encounter of Christianity, not simply with the small and more unique "cults," but with the world's other major religious traditions, namely Judaism, Islam, Hinduism and Buddhism.

This encounter will seriously influence the future of American and world religion, despite the current turn to conservatism. Pirrallo, in fact, can be singled out as the most distinctive characteristic of contemporary American religion. It is important to note that this term has only recently been applied to religion in this country, and has been necessitated by the presence of hundreds of competing religious groups and the freedom of citizens to acknowledge no religion at all. Pirrallo simply means that all participants in the American religious experience participate as equal partners.

Although it is difficult to predict the future, it is almost certainly the case that pluralism will remain a part of the American religious scene. While this discussion has dealt primarily with the Christian majority, the United States is unlikely to have the status of a specifically "Christian nation," as that phrase is used in the rhetoric of politicians and religious leaders. It is most likely that all of the participants in the American religious scene will continue to focus on issues related to theology and history, and to recognize the right of different religious orientations to function within the fabric of a just and civil society.

Opinion

*Can we be redeemed?*

by Bernie Bleske

Senior Editor

It is a dire world we live in, one badly in need of salvation. Now there's a magic word: Salvation is redemption, to preserve from destruction, to save.

Think of the horrors we live next to. We are still in the shadow of Hitler's attempted genocide. Even today, in places we try to ignore, thousands die for no discernable reason other than that they have no food. Think about that—think, just for a moment, about how much food we have, how it could help. Most horrible of all, we are apparently powerless. Even when we send food to the Ethiopians, it somehow is diverted to others. We believe not in human power, but in God. A little faith and prayer will save us. A little faith and prayer will save us.

The atheist cannot argue with that. He can only shrug. Who can fight it? Conveniently, God can redeem us.

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Regardless of God's existence, we're in a lot of trouble. Look at it in this way—we're all fighting a fight against sheer evil. The Soviet Union is a concise war (the Cuban missile crisis) and hatred and distrust and fighting with godlike powers of annihilation who are fiercely convinced that each will eventually win—and that destruction is better than losing. Add to that over a hundred smaller nations equally convinced of their superiority. Some of them are in the process of killing.

Most terrifying of all, none of it really appears to be stopping. God has done little, if anything. In fact, the idea of God, and many of the notions which accompany it, have done much to encourage the national and ideological differences which divide and threaten to destroy us.

Very often the ideas behind God pull us away from each other. We believe not in humanity but God. Not in saving ourselves but in God doing it for us.

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Opinion

Religion: The opiate of the people?

by Brenda Bergens
Special to the Pointer

You may be surprised to know that as a Christian and a member of Campus Crusade for Christ I do not quarrel with Karl Marx's statement that "religion is the opiate of the people." I never try to defend religion.

Religion has spawned wars. Many so-called religious people have been characterized by selfishness, prejudice, pride, and even tolerance to slavery. Muddy details of religion such as these cannot be avoided when one considers what religion is: people looking for God.

But there is one faith that is not merely one more religion. This faith, Christianity, is forever linked with the person of Jesus Christ.

Does this faith have a place in our lives today? You bet your eternal life it does. History, philosophy, theology, centers of learning and even the sciences are being studied today to discover what they have to say about Jesus Christ. The records of the Early Church are being reexamined for their testimony to Him. Archaeologists are digging to discover new evidence.

Some say that Jesus is a myth, that He never really existed in history. Others say that He was merely a man, that there was nothing supernatural about His birth, and that His resurrection was a hallucination. Some say that it doesn't matter what one thinks about Christ; it doesn't affect man or a great truth. I believe these assumptions simply are not true.

Why insist on the uniqueness of Christ in today's society? What did Christ bring into the world that had not appeared before in other religions? The Christian answer is that He is God Himself. This is the eternal fact of Christian faith.

Christ is the embodiment of the Gospel, the son of God. No religion can boast this eternal fact. He makes the highest claims with no sense of pride, ambition or vanity, but with the simplicity and authority of self- evident truth.

Christ represents Himself as having "come from God." He declares Himself to be "the light of the world," "the way, the truth, and the life," and "the resurrection and the life." He promises eternal life to everyone who believes in Him as the Son of God.

When in view of His approaching death, and under a noble and holy God, He was challenged by a religious leader: "Are you the Christ, the Son of God?" He answered in the affirmative.

Such overwhelming testimony leaves us with the conviction that Jesus was not just a good man or a prophet, but the Son of God, divine as well as human, revealing in His life and teaching the Christian faith.

Jesus made clear who He was and His impact on the world. In His own lifetime He asked His disciples: "Whom do men say that I the Son of man am?" Peter replied with His historic affirmation: "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God" (Matt. 16:13-16). This is the unbreakable spine of faith.

In this age of all religion, every man's faith rests.

The evil fruits of religion

by Andy Grzadzielewski
Special to the Pointer

In every society and throughout human history, religion has played a major role in shaping the actions of its adherents. Especially today it would be difficult to name more than a few countries in which religion is unimportant to the majority of its inhabitants.

The role of religion in the development of the Western world along with the growth of Christian and Islamic fundamentalism are examples that demonstrate that religion has been, and continues to be, a force in our world.

The question is: What effect has religion had? Has its influence produced a better world? Or has it caused more damage than good?

There can be little doubt that religion has sometimes been a force for good. To say the less would be unfair. But unless one is incredibly naive, or hopelessly ill-informed, it must be admitted that religion has in many of the world's evils. Any religion's positive accomplishments have been buried by an avalanche of unspeakable horrors; any good it caused was soon overwhelmed by the evil fruits of that religion.

The facts and details may not be savory, but if we want to examine the question honestly, we must consider them.

Religion has long moved people to oppress and subjugate their fellow man. Many Eastern religions developed class systems, which sentenced millions to be outcasts and destitute. One such class system, the one in India, has continued into the 20th century!

Religion has inspired people to hate one another simply because of a difference in belief. The situations in Ireland, Israel and Lebanon are a few examples of this madness.

Many religions, ancient and modern, have fostered and condoned racism. Instead of preventing it, religion has bred it! Perhaps the most blatant example is the case of the society "Christian" slaveholders in the American South using the Bible to defend slavery! It was religion which tolerated racism, and it was religion which claimed that God authorized it! Pure, unadulterated evil. And we have religion, in part, to thank for it.

Religion, sad to say, must also be blamed for much of the world's brutality, and many of its holocausts. Men torture and kill one another for many reasons, but religion has always been at the top of the list. The ancient Aztecs performed a hideous ceremony in honor of their fire-god. They bound human victims hand and foot, and tossed them into a slow fire on top of white-hot coals. When they were horribly burned and blistered, and near the point of death, the priests would fish them out of the fire.

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Cabo Frio to perform at JazzFest

by Jen R. Pike
Staff Writer

On December 13 at 8:00 p.m., Cabo Frio will be performing in The Encore in the University Center as part of 90 FM's JazzFest weekend.

Cabo Frio hails from New York City, where they have had considerable success. The five-member band has three albums to their credit, including "Right On the Money," and "Just Having Fun," for MCA.

The name Cabo Frio is Portuguese. It means "Cold Cape." The name refers to a beach in Rio De Janeiro that is frequented by Europeans. The band has met several people who have been there, and because of their name, has had offers to play there.

Cabo Frio's music combines many diverse influences. Their rhythms are culled from Latin music. Other influences include funk, rock, rhythm and blues and jazz. According to bass player George Sessum, "We like our music to make people dance. Any good music makes you want to move."

The band has been together since 1979. The original band, founded by guitarist Glen Cummins and drummer Curtis Kinney, was originally a straight forward guitar jazz band. In September, they added Kenny Blake on saxophone. Blake has recorded for himself and with other artists including Ben Sidran.

As performing artists, Cabo Frio has had to deal with the discrepancies between playing live and playing for recording sessions. According to bass player Sessum, "Live, we have another side. We hit a lot harder and we are more aggressive. We're able to get out of the controlled environment of the recording studio and get immediate feedback from our audience. What we're trying to achieve is to sound as good on record as we do live. We've done some stuff live that is just dead on record. When you can make a song you do live sound as good on record, you've achieved something special."

So what does the future hold for Cabo Frio? Right now, they're recording an album in New York. "We just keep getting better," said Sessum. "We like to build on our past accomplishments."
Final’s anxiety?

by Frank Bosler
Staff Writer

So, here we are near the last week of the semester. Finals loom around the corner like the Grinch who stole Christmas. How are you doing? Got everything under control?

Everyone has their own routine for finals, or they soon develop one. Whether it’s cramming all night with No Dhit and a cold shower in the morning, or jogging until exhaustion and sleeping on the semester’s notes, we all have our way of dealing with this time of year.

What? You say the shoe doesn’t fit? You’re not the least bit nervous about finals? Then stop reading this article. For the rest, keep reading.

Let’s put this in perspective: no one has ever died from taking finals. (Well, except for Spencer Saucebrain that is. Back in the ’60s old Spencer freaked out and ate his exam book thinking it was a plate of Mac ’n Cheese.)

Research has proven that we not only retain more, but we perform better when we’re relaxed. There’s that magical word again: relaxation. Few words conjure up such a mixture of emotions. We know what that word means, but getting there is another story.

Let’s get to the proven methods.

Breath deeply. Focus on your breathing; take long slow inhales, hold it for a few seconds, exhale slowly. Tense your muscles and let them go heavy. This is where the progressive relaxation techniques you’ve learned come in handy.

Imagine things, all sorts of good things. Imagine passing the test, enjoying the test, sitting on a beach, having a superior intellect, whatever.

Or get a good back rub. Have your shoulders, neck and scalp massaged. It will increase the enriched blood flow to your brain and relieve excess tension that you may be carrying.

Now if you don’t have a favorite "massage partner," there are other options. Next week, on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Lifestyle Assistants will be giving free 10 minute backrubs in the concourse. On Saturday, they will also be in the Science Building lobby.

If a massage or imagery doesn’t work for you, then stop by the Counseling and Human Development Center in Delzell Hall. They have handouts on test anxiety and can provide information on stress management.

Until next semester, be well.

Some say “no nukes”
Others say “know nukes”

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"Saturday Night Live"

Back on the track of comedy

by Andrew Bucheger
Staff Writer

"Saturday Night Live" is on the right track to becoming the quality show it once was. From the first shows of this season, it is clear that this isn't the same show that was almost cancelled last year.

This season's great improvement can be directly credited to two sources - the cast and the writing. This year's cast includes newcomers Victoria Jackson, Jan Hooks, Dana Carvey, and Phil Hartman. Back from last season are John Lovitz, Nora Dunn, and Dennis Miller. This cast is a closer knit group than last year's which had second banana actors like Randy Quaid, to teen movie stars like Anthony Michael Hall.

The writing has also improved. The cast seems more confident because they don't have such insipid material to perform. A big reason for this improvement comes in the change of producers. Last year, the comedy team of Franken and Davis took a stab at producing the show. The results: nearly all the writing had to be approved by them.

This year Franken and Davis are out, and the show's creator, Lorne Michaels, is the producer.

Bright spots this year come from both new cast members and last years veterans. John Lovitz's liar character, Tommy Vitz, and Phil Hartman's writing had to be improved. "Weekend Update" is at its funniest when Miller makes mistakes and has to improvise his way out, or when he purposely tries to goad others into breaking character on the air. The other strong point of the news comes from writer A. Whitney Brown's "The Big Picture." Brown does a great job of showing us what's wrong in the world in an off-beat fashion.

Two other improvements are the hosts and musical guests. This year's hosts have a strong comic background. (Sam Kinison, Roseanne Arquette, and Robin Williams).

Musically the show has brought in Run D.M.C., Ric Ocasek, and Lou Reed who gave an inspirational performance. Also look for a great band this year on "Saturday Night Live."

The band has cut down to be a cross between the large bands of early "Saturday Night Live" shows and Paul Schaffer's band on "Late Night with David Letterman." The band has a strong leader in Buster Poindexter (David Johansen of the infamous New York Dolls).

"Saturday Night Live" is funny again. This year's show isn't on the level of the glory years of Dan Ackroyd and Bill Murray, or even the Joe Piscopo and Eddie Murphy years. But it is a good source for live comedy and good music.

Opiate of the people
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and the grief are mine alone."
Thoreau, great literary genius, said, "Most men live lives of quiet desperation." Ralph Barton, one of the top cartoonists of the nation, left this note pinned to his pillow before he took his life: "I have had few difficulties, many friends, great successes; I have gone from wife to wife, and from house to house, visited great countries of the world, but I am fed up with inverting devices to fill up 24 hours of the day."

Pascal, French physicist and philosopher, put it this way: "There is a God-shaped vacuum in the heart of every man which only God can fill through His Son, Jesus Christ."

No religion, philosophy or great leader will ever be able to fill man and society's vacuum or purpose. Life's greatest tragedy would be to assume that any of them could. Jesus Christ, on the other hand, can. You can bet your eternal life on it.
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Cravens honored at SAF banquet

by Bob Crane
Staff Reporter

Chief of the U.S. Forest Service, Max Peterson, was at UWSP this past Friday, December 5, to speak to the Student Society of American Foresters at their annual fall banquet. Peterson came to Point primarily to honor Professor Jay Cravens, a longtime colleague who will be retiring from the College of Natural Resources this year.

Upon arrival at the Central Wisconsin Airport, Peterson was hit by a barrage of reporters concerning the upcoming biyear forest management plans for the Nicolet and Chequamegon National Forests in Northern Wisconsin. More specifically, reporters were interested in his response to the controversy between the present environmental plan which Governor Earl's proposal and the heavy logging interests of Governor-elect Tommy Thompson.

Peterson said that controversy over forest plans is common and hoped that under the theory of multiple use, an agreement can be reached. He said that he will announce his decision within a month.

In speaking to UWSP students, Peterson said that the forestry program is the most well-known program throughout the U.S. since it is the "most active and the noisiest." He also commented on four admirable qualities which he felt Point students possessed: "capability, confidence, enthusiasm, and tenacity."

Peterson also had semi-encouraging words for future graduates seeking employment with the Forest Service. He attributed three factors to a more favorable job market in the next few years. First of all, a world economic recovery should provide an improved climate for graduates. Secondly, an extremely low enrollment in most forestry schools should decrease competition for most jobs. He also commented that after six years of cutting back on the number of employees, the U.S. Forest Service is finally starting to stabilize its level of employment, which should mean an increase in available jobs within the next few years.

Peterson advised students to differentiate themselves from other forestry students through either course work, such as obtaining an additional degree, or active involvement in professional organizations such as SAF.

The primary function for his recent visit to Wisconsin, however, was to honor Jay Cravens, a former deputy chief of the Forest Service. Peterson and Cravens started their association in the Southwest region of the U.S., over 25 years ago when Cravens was supervisor of the Coccinino National Forest.

When Cravens retired from the Forest Service 10 years ago, Peterson said this was a great loss for the U.S. Forest Service, but has proved to be a tremendous gain for this university.

Peterson felt that Cravens' strongest assets were in planning and people. He believes that natural resource professionals will benefit from Cravens' expert planning far into the next century. He did, however, admit to one fault in Cravens, in that he could never get an objective evaluation for anyone in Cravens' region. Cravens had such a positive regard for all of his employees and never had a bad thing to say about anyone.

Peterson also commented on how fortunate we were to keep Cravens here for 10 years since the Forest Service could never keep him in one location for more than a couple of years. Cravens had a habit of initiating very important projects and then moving on to another location to start another important project. Cravens even carried this quality into his retirement by making a comfortable job in the United States to help protect the forest resources of Southeast Asia during the Vietnam War.

Cravens' concern for people and willingness to help out were among Peterson's strongest praises. He concluded his speech by presenting Cravens with a certificate for outstanding contributions to forestry.

Dean Trainer of the College of Natural Resources also had many nice things to say about Cravens. He commented on what a fantastic instructor Cravens is and his commitment to his students. Trainer also commented on Cravens' ability to obtain good jobs for his students in a limited job market.

Robert Engberg, chairman of the Forestry Department, commented on how Cravens helped UWSP long before he became a faculty member here. Cravens helped UWSP to obtain its field station at Clam Lake in 1963. He also initiated a cooperative education program which is a leading method for the U.S. Forest Service to employ students.

In February of 1976, Cravens requested to come here because he was tired of Washington. This, of course, was like a dream come true for the Forestry Department. In the 10 years since he's been here, Cravens has been instrumental in the instruction and advising of nearly 6,000 students.

At the conclusion of the banquet, Tom Moore, president of SAF, presented Peterson with a roughed grouse painting in appreciation for his appearance. Moore also represented 18 years of grateful students in presenting Cravens with a handmade oak, schoolhouse clock.

Early indications reveal successful deer hunt

by Jason Sackow
Staff Reporter

Deer hunters this year were helped by cooperative weather, resulting in a larger than expected harvest. The 1986 Wisconsin gun-deer season yielded approximately 250,000 deer. This meant that out of approximately 660,000 hunters, 38 percent were successful, according to preliminary harvest figures.

Out of this number, an estimated 250,000 were bucks, while the rest were comprised of antlerless deer. The 1986 harvest is down from last year's harvest of 274,302 animals.

The number is down from last year's record for two reasons. First, the number of antlerless deer permits were down. In 1985, approximately 381,000 permits were issued. This year about 230,000 permits were issued. The difference of 50,000 permits played a great part in the size of the total harvest.

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Naturally, some areas did better than others, but if you look at the case in unit 51 which registered 3,543 deer. However, unit 56 brought in the largest number of bucks, totaling 3,864. As far as trophy bucks go, the largest percentage of these were shot in the heavy soil areas. These are areas that are rich in calcium and phosphorous, which reportedly has a significant effect on the buck's rack size. These areas mainly include the Mississippi River Valley and parts of the heavier timbered areas up North. In the northern counties of the Badger State, deer are typically larger due to the lack of hunter densities. Deer commonly average a long life span which allows them to live long enough to contribute to the next generation of deer.

Know who shot that deer?

by Bob Crane

Know why someone purchased a hunting license for their wife and children this season as an excuse to shoot an extra deer? Well they may be in big trouble soon. The Department of Natural Resources says that this problem has escalated to the point that although there are more male hunters, women are showing a higher harvest success ratio, since men generally fill their wives tags first.

This fall, the DNR has been cracking down on those offenders and hopes to discourage this practice by next fall. DNR wardens are conducting interviews with successful women hunters to determine if those women actually shot their own deer or if their husbands were the actual successful hunters. These interviews include strength tests to determine if these women are capable of drawing a bow or even loading a gun.

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by Jacque Riggle
Staff Reporter

This year marked a milestone for me—I went deer hunting for the first time. It’s an experience I won’t soon forget. Being a woman, I had always been curious about what exactly went on during the highly heralded deer hunt.

Opening morning my father had the coffee brewing and the radio tuned-in. This wouldn’t have been too bad except it was 4:30 a.m. I began to stir and by the time I had awakened, I fully understood why he wanted me to go to bed at 10 p.m.—instead of 2 a.m. Despite the lack of sleep, I felt pretty bright-eyed and understood why he wanted me to pass the time.

Though I didn’t see many deer, there were enough busy squirrels and crows to keep my attention. The weather also cooperated as temps were rising and by noon it was 38 degrees.

At noon, I went down to our car and ate a sandwich and warmed my feet. Fortunately, my brother had brought along an extra pair of dry socks.

That night I ventured out with all my friends. We sat around and talked about the day’s hunt. It was enjoyable for me because I could relate to what all the guys were saying about their day of hunting. I felt like I was sleeping and the few lights in the area were sure to be noticeable scent. I double-checked bushy-tailed putting on my four blaze orange coat and hat. My dad quickly reminded me not to put on any perfume or any noticeable scent. I double-checked the fact that deer have a keen sense of smell and would catch my scent before coming into shooting range.

I kept thinking how all the men in my life said that hunting was fun, rewarding and exciting. I’m not sure if my problem was that I had too many expectations or that the men were lying to me. Soon it was 4:15 p.m. and almost time to leave the woods.

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I then began to feel a bit guilty, so I got up and decided to walk around to see if I could kick up a deer. Though I continually looked in my binoculars, all I saw throughout the day was a man relieving himself by a tree.

MADISON, WI — The Heritage Hill Guild of Green Bay today received the 1986 Wisconsin State Park and Recreation Outstanding Citizen Contribution Award for organizations at the Natural Resources Board meeting in Madison.

Marge Kriedeman, President of the Guild, accepted the plaque and award resolution that Governor Freeman accepted from Natural Resources Board Chairman, John Lawton, Department of Natural Resources Secretary, C.C. Besadny, and Dave Weizenicker, Director of the Bureau of Parks and Recreation.

The Guild was recognized for its volunteer services and work at Heritage Hill State Park in Green Bay. The Guild coordinates and promotes an active volunteer program in the park. Volunteers act as interpreters and laborers. Special events and programs are sponsored by the Guild. The Guild also assists in fund raising efforts, publishes the park newspaper, and participates in local community events such as parades and art fairs. The Guild also sponsors the annual natural history research and appreciation through the history study club. Since 1980, nearly 100,000 hours of work by volunteers have been recorded at the park.

Weizenicker said that Wisconsin is fortunate to have many volunteer groups, organizations and private citizens contributing to the Wisconsin parks program.

“These volunteer efforts allow state parks to provide services and facilities that would otherwise be impossible to provide because of budget limitations," he said. He noted that volunteers and financial contributors have been active in almost every phase of parks operations and are becoming more important to the parks program in terms of continuing the present level of service to the public.

“There is a need for volunteers with a variety of interests and skills in the parks system," Weizenicker emphasized, "and persons interested in volunteering their services or providing financial support should contact the property manager at the park where they are interested in helping."
to grow to a larger size. And the thought of the gun-deer season is usually enough to make any hunter willing to search for them. The northwestern part of Wisconsin did especially well compared to previous years. There were over 30,000 deer harvested in this region. This may seem insignificant to some at first, but considering it is the first time since 1959 (when there was a 16-day season) this is exceptional. Again, the main reason for this is probably due to the better weather conditions.

Surprisingly enough, with the increase in hunters in the woods, the hunter mortality rate was lower than average. (The following data does not include heart attacks because, in a study done in correlation with the American Heart Association, the percentage of deaths would be about the same whether the victims were in or out of the field.) Besides the three shooting related deaths, the 1986 season involved 31 accidents. As of last year, Wisconsin averaged 6.1 deaths per season, and 48 reported accidents. Out of the three who died, two accidents were truly a part of it all. I was truly a part of it all. I wound up staying out until 1:30 a.m.

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I spent a few more futile days chasing deer, but the only deer I really got close to were on the tops of vehicles heading south. It wasn't all for naught, though, as creosote oils, penta-chloro-phenol and copper chromium arsenate. When rail ties or treated wood are burned in small heating units, a number of hazardous substances and known carcinogens may be emitted into the air, creating a potential health concern.

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Evils, from p. 9

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When is the Right Time to Call Home Before the Holidays?

a) When another hour of cramming for the stats exam isn't going to help anyway.

b) When that Xmas Club money is almost gone, and you haven't even started buying presents.

c) When you just keep thinking about unwinding after finals with the whole family together again.

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enrollments. However, according to a Milwaukee Sentinel article, UW System officials say that specialization would be a way of shifting students from campuses with overcrowding to those that are less crowded. In effect, a student would have to go to a certain university to get a degree in a particular major—whether they liked the campus and location or not. Under specialization, duplication of majors would be eliminated. In all probability, majors that are considered strong at UWSP, such as CNR or education, would be improved. Majors that aren’t considered to be strong would be likely not to receive funding above current levels, therefore, allowing campuses that are strong in those areas to receive a greater portion of the budget.

Who’s Who recipients, from p. 4

Harenda, Michael Hein, Allison Heller, Denise Hubbard, Michael Jameson, Paul Jankowski, Cynthia Johnson, Mui-Sin Koh, Michael Kluske, Keith Kula, Carmen LaChapelle, Keneith Laas, Connie Maza, Mark Murphy, David Nawina, Gail Pacelli, Stephanie Pierce, Jeffrey Pill, Luther Raelch, Jeff Rothermel, Hope Reetz, Lisa Reetz, Kirk Strong, Lisa Thiel, Carla Thurber, Lori Trummer, Carol Van Grimswaen, Janet Weinheimer, Wendy Weisendanger, Michael Werdee, Russell Wilks, Lim Chee Yi and Laura Zipperer.

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Christman sets national mark

STEVENS POINT - Mike Christman (5-11, 191), senior All-American running back from UW-Stevens Point, has eclipsed two NCAA III national records. The fleet-footed back hauled in 174 passes during his four years as a Pointer. The mark broke Tim Howery's record of 134 which stood since 1981. Ironically, Howery also played in the State University Conference for UW-Superior.

The second national standard was for most yards gained receiving by a running back, 2,346. This total bettered former Pointer Rod Mayer's record of 1,490 yards. In addition, Christman is currently 10th all-time in career receptions (all players). Bill Stromberg of Johns Hopkins is the leader with 328 catches for 3,376 yards and 39 touchdowns.
Pointers continue mastery over opponents

by Scott Heelskamp
Staff Writer

There are not many teams that can defeat the Pointer men's basketball squad in the Quandt Fieldhouse, and Northern Michigan was no exception. The Quandt Fieldhouse has been a lion's den for opposing teams the last two years, with the Pointers having compiled a 27-2 record at home.

The Pointers knocked off the Division II Wildcats, who had been averaging 105 points per contest, 64-54.

NMU held a slim lead throughout the first half until a three-point shot by guard Craig Hawley at the 2:58 mark of the half brought Point within four at 22-23. Two free throws by Todd Christianson closed the margin to two points.

Hawley, while leaping out of bounds, converted an overthrown pass into an assist for Darien Brown, knotting the score at 32. The Pointers exploded to outscore the Wildcats 39-23 lead at intermission.

The Pointers tenacious defense refused to let the Titans back in the game during the second half. UWSP's biggest lead of the game came off a Christianson basket to stretch the margin to 11 with 10:38 to play.

Still, the Titans went on to win two more baskets with 10 seconds remaining, but the Pointers held on to win 75-67.

In the final victory margin.

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Christianson making a name for himself

by Karen Kalinski
Sports Info. Assistant

It only takes two letters to sum up the player in Todd Christianson...Tough and Confident.

Christianson, who has worn the purple and gold of UW-Stevens Point's much-heralded men's basketball team for two years, has made tremendous strides since last season and the coaching staff is well aware of his progress.

"In the early part of the season so far, Todd has really played a key role in our team's success," said assistant coach Randy Handel. "Not only has he

leadership in practice and helps get our players pumped up for practices as well as games.

"I really think he symbolizes our team as a whole. We're not blessed with great quickness. We have to come out every night and work our butts off. That's the way Todd practices and plays and that's the way our team has to approach each
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We have to use our head out there.

"I'm a basketball player, not a basketball
to help keep them loose and break the tension," he said. "I like to joke around with the players before the game and help them relax. I try to make a mistake.

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Well aware of his strong points and weaknesses, Christianson knows what he needs to improve upon that aspect also."

"I wish I was a better passer and ballhandler. I'm average in these areas right now. Playing the small forward position and only being 6-2, it's kind of hard to get rebounds, but that's what I'm required to do. I'd like to improve upon that aspect also."

A 1984 graduate of Wauau East High School, Christianson is happy with his college choice.

"The atmosphere is fantastic, especially if you're a basketball player" he said. "That's because basketball is widely followed and it gets great support from the community. The program wouldn't be where it is to-day if it wasn't for the people of Stevens Point and everyone who backs the team."

"The difference from other schools is in recruiting players who fit the Pointer image. The ones who want to play defense, I'm happy I made the choice to come here and play. My first two years have been excellent and exciting and I hope the next two years will be the same.

"I like the people, players, coaches and community. I really like it here and if you're content in a place, then you'll be successful in school or on the court."

Christianson's early shooting show has definitely given the 'Dawgs' something to bark about.

Swimmers successful at Madison Invitational

by Karen Kalinski
Sports Info. Assistant

The UW-Stevens Point men's swimming and diving team made a name for itself at the Madison Invitational over the weekend.

Although no team scores were kept, the Pointers would have taken second place, which pleased UWSP head coach Lynn "Red" Blair.

"We had some outstanding swims this past weekend along with great diving scores," he said.

Of the 32 events, several UWSP swimmers fared quite well. Ken Brumbaugh earned second place finishes. He concluded the meet with a third place in the 100 backstroke (57.61), a fifth in the 200 freestyle (1:46.19), a sixth in the 100 free (-50.00) and a ninth in the 500 free (5:56.78).

Other impressive finishes for UWSP were swam by: Kevin Parham who placed seventh in the 100 free (.50.03) and ninth in the 500 free (.56.00). Steve Nold who grabbed third in the 200 breaststroke (2:18.61) and 200 breaststroke (2:13.50).

Freshman Nino Pisciotta qualified for nationals in the 200 butterfly with a time of 2:02.33. He also grabbed fourth in the 400 individual medley in 4:33.25.

HEY PRSSA MEMBERS!

There will be a brief meeting followed by free pizza and beverages on Thursday, December 11th at 4:30 at DJ's Pub.

All members should attend and new members are welcome.
Lady Pointers edge rivals in W.W.I.A.C. action

by Karen Kulinski
Sports Info. Assistant

Free throws in the late going preserved two wins for the UW-Stevens Point women's basketball team during the past week.

The Lady Pointers tallied a pair of victories when they hosted UW-Oshkosh on Friday night, 78-68, and also at UW-Platteville on Monday night, 82-53.

UWSP is 3-4 on the season and 3-4 in the Wisconsin Women's Intercollegiate Athletic Conference. UW-O fell to 1-2 overall while UW-P is 2-3 overall and 9-2 in the WIAC.

Happy with the win over the Titans, UWSP head coach Linda Stevens pointed out the areas of needed improvement. "We did not play and execute well and were fortunate to come out on top," said Wunder. "Give credit to Oshkosh's defense or just our poor execution on offense. We definitely need to work on our free throw shooting, although we did hit the front end of a few clutch bonus situations. "It seemed like we never got into sync. We didn't play our style of basketball and that may be partly due to our fouls. The help of the defense wasn't where it should have been."

Donna Pivonka hit a 16-foot jumper from the middle with 1:26 left to give UWSP its biggest lead of the half, 31-22. Oshkosh came back with three points in the last minute and a half to cut the Pointer lead to 31-23 at halftime.

UWSP, connecting on five of eight charity tosses in the last minute, committed a foul with one second remaining that sent Patty Lesyloeg of Oshkosh to the line in the bonus situation. Lesyloeg sank her first throw which cut the Pointer lead to two, 70-68. She then banked her second shot off the backboard in hopes of getting the rebound, but a last-second shot attempt failed.

"It was encouraging to see key turnovers and free throws when the game got close," said Wunder. "When we had to, we did execute well."

Sonja Sorenson dominated the scoring column for the Pointers with 25 points while teammate Karla Miller followed with 19, Karen Jirschele tossed in 21 points for the Titans and Kirsch-enswitz added 18.

Sorenson, also the top rebounder in the game, hauled in 18 of UWSP's 49 boards. Miller pulled in seven, Oshkosh record-ed 44 rebounds and leading the way was Kirsch-enswitz with 11 and Jirschele with seven.

"I thought Sonja did a real good job on the boards," said Wunder. "Sonja and Karla both worked well and made things happen inside."

The Pointers sank 25 of 66 shots from the floor (38 percent) and 30 of 31 from the charity stripe (97 percent) while UW-O connected on 28 of 64 shots from the field (44 percent) and 18 of 26 from the line (70 percent).

At UW-P on Monday night, the Pointers faltered a bit in the second half, but held on to early lead to preserve the win.

"I'm looking for grit to grind out the win." The Lady Pointers jumped out to a 13-point first half advantage, 38-25, but allowed the Pioneers to close the gap in the second half by being outscored, 32-21. UWSP tossed in clutch free throws in the late going to preserve the win.

Miller captured high-game scoring honors with 20 points while behind was teammate Sonja Sorenson who scored 13. Pacing the Pioneers were three players in double figures—Micky Miller with 13, Finnegan, 12, and Pam Soman, 10.

UWSP connected on 35 percent of its floor shots (22-63) and 72 percent from the charity stripe (15-21) while UW-P tossed in 31 of 67 shots from the field (46 percent) and 10 of 14 from the line (71 percent). The Pointers also won the rebound battle, 49-45. Miller hauled in 16 and Sorenson 10 for UWSP while Soman pulled in 13 for UW-P.

The Lady Pointers hosted Lakeland College on Wednesday.

Swimmers, cont.

Northern Michigan is a fast-breaking team and we're not able to slow down the tempo and make it a half court game," said Eck.

CONGRATULATIONS to Susan Wollmer, winner of Bike Give Away . . . .
**POINTER PROGRAM**

**UWSP 40th Anniversary Event**

Jazz descends upon Central Wisconsin once again, Dec. 12, 13, and 14, 9:00 PM. The annual Jazz Fest continues for four hours of uninterrupted jazz beginning at 6 PM. Friday and running until 12 midnight Sunday.

Friday, at 8 p.m., the UWSP Dixieland Combo and Cold Shet, a fantastic UWSP rhythm and blues band, will play in the Encore. Admission is Free.

Jazz album giveaways will also be included on all three nights. All concerts will be broadcast live on 90.9FM. UWSP’s Jazz Ensembles I, II, and III have planned a special jazz concert tonight in Sentry Theatre at 7:30 p.m. Presented by the Music Dept.

Pimlischel, Disney’s full-length animated fairy tale with a handsome French theme, will be shown Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 13 and 14 at 1 and 3 p.m. in the Wisconsin Room, UC. Admission is only $1.50 with ID, $2.25 without. Yes, it’s another Campus Activities DJ Dance you don’t want to miss, tonight in the Encore at 8 p.m. Better than a bar, better than a movie, better than bowling. Just plain good.

Saturday, Cabaret Frie, from Rochester New York, will play in the Encore at 8 p.m. Admission is only $2 with UWSP ID.

And finally, Sunday at 8 p.m., it’s Big Band Night with the Zenithes and Jazz Exploration II, Free in the Encore.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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** overcoming heavy deadlines, the History Department is creating a new section of History 212, section 15, U.S. History to be offered on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays beginning Saturday, 10:30-11:00 in 116 COP 3-4.

**To register for the class,** if you have already registered for the second semester, call the History Department, 2334, to place your name on a preliminary class list, then go through the drop/add process. If you have not yet registered for second semester, then follow the regular procedure during January registration.

The University Child Learning and Care Center is now accepting applications for registration for semester II. Interested students/faculty/staff parents may register for their 4-year-old children.

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Laura

Mary, Sara, Chris, Teri, Shar- on, Mary, and Cathy - You guys are SCARY! Merry Xmas! Love ya, Skid

To Neale Hall Staff, Thanks for a great semester. Have a Merry Christmas! I’ll miss ya! Love, Kayra

To Corporal Klein and Mr. Bob Reed. Have a super Xmas Christmas! Thanks for making this semester so great! Lyv ya, Kay

We are all Paper Science seniors. One of us drinks too much, one of us has too long an ear and the other is always late. Who are we?

To the women of ISE Roach and all my male friends from Hydra, I’m gonna miss you next semester. You guys are great! Thanks for all the fun times and great memories, I had a LARGE TIME!! I wish I could take you guys with, but I don’t think you’ll all fit in my suitcase! Love you always, Roo

P.S. Merry X-Mas & Happy New Year

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