Comprehensive software plan sidetracked

Smart System gets a trial run

by Debbie Kellem
Editor

A plan to eventually require all UWSP students to purchase a package of computer software for use throughout their academic careers has been sidetracked.

The proposal has been sent to Academic Affairs for examination and discussion. Academic Affairs is a standing committee of the Faculty Senate which addresses all academic issues.

If a positive decision on the comprehensive software plan is made, all new freshmen will be required to purchase the software beginning this fall, with opportunities to pay for it in installments during at least four semesters.

A massive purchase of the software would result in a cost of $60 per student. Ordinarily, the same package sells for $85 if purchased individually.

Dan Goulet, acting coordinator of Academic Computing Services, said there is no way package purchase could be made voluntary. "The idea of having it for everyone is to eliminate some of the problems of pirating and copyright; essentially to make our environment legal."

Goulet said the best reason there is a need for a comprehensive software program is the idea of being able to support instruction; for students to be able to use computing as a support activity in all of their classes that need it.

"Comprehensive software provides a vehicle of tying all the instruction together. It makes a more efficient use of the students' time so they don't have to continue to learn a variety of software packages, and it makes it very nice from the instructors' side when they can count on a certain base of knowledge and be able to use that knowledge in the way they provide instruction to the students or require assignments to be done."

"Computing is very important in our society and it's very important on campus," Goulet added. "We're trying to provide a mechanism for the students to be able to leave this campus with important, up-to-date tools in their education so that they can function well after graduation. The whole idea of the comprehensive software environment is that students have that for their entire education here. It's a tool like the library."

The software would have word processing, spreadsheet, database and graphics capabilities so instructional programs could be developed in all academic areas.

250 copies of the Smart System have been purchased by the University for a six-month trial. Goulet says there are other possible candidates, but right now the Smart System looks good.

"Many of the other packages which give us this comprehensive environment emphasize one of the applications to the detriment of another one. They may have a good wordprocessor but a poor database or a poor spreadsheet. The Smart System seems to have a nice marriage of the three packages and that makes it very nice and applicable in all environments," Goulet said.

Goulet said that even in a few years when 9000 students use the same software package, hardware access does not appear to be a problem. Access, like many of our educational activities, will follow demand. You have to look at the whole computing environment on campus. Every place there is a telephone jack on campus is a potential contact point for computing. There is a backbone that has been laid on campus for computing to essentially permeate the environment."
One of the things that has bothered me about journalism lately was brought out in a recent study that showed journalists ranking just ahead of used car dealers in public opinion polls.

It's troubling, only because there are so many newspapers with writers who just want to be liked, or columns that appeal to the simple, mainstream, non-combative side of journalism.

I'd like to start my "stint" as editor trying something different with my writing — I want to deal with issues. I want to offer ridicule and commentary on the news. I see an almost immediate reaction against it. Journalism is a strange field. Its practitioners claim objectivity and strive to provide unbiased news coverage, but in many newspapers with writers who just want to be liked, they wouldn't be journalists, they'd be cocaine-dealing circus clowns.

The press was originally formed to be a watchdog for the world. It grew to become a watchdog of the government. It grew to satirize everything you hold dear, keep in mind what is happening all over the place. The thing that seems to remain constant in the world is that we can't agree on anything.

One is to be accurate. The biggest one is to inform. When you're reading the news, or screaming about some editorial that happens to satirize everything you hold dear, keep in mind what is happening. You scream your views to someone else. They scream theirs back. And it's happening all over the place. The only thing that seems to remain constant in the world is that we can't agree on anything.

Let the used car dealer think he's more popular than someone else. If we have to, let journalists sink to the bottom of USA Today polls for popular professions. It doesn't mean we're doing anything wrong. It just means we're doing our job.

Debbie Kellom
Editor

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Health issues class update
Finally a better understanding?

by Joanne Davis
Special to The Pointer

The Health issues class currently required for students requesting a pap and pelvic examination at the UWSP Health Service is still under opposition by some students on campus.

The class or session began as a time-saving measure. By grouping students together for the educational portion of their preventive health exams, the Health Service felt an increase in the number of students seen could adequately be met.

In turn, the students have time to process the given information and make some decisions about contraceptives (i.e., implants) before the actual exam.

Recent meetings have brought few changes regarding these sessions. The way in which exceptions to attending the sessions were handled has been standardised by the Health Service staff. Students wishing not to attend the class for strong personal reasons, prior personal knowledge or coursework (i.e., biology 360, Physical Education 285), now speak directly with staff members regarding the matter. This avoids the possible embarrassment or uneasiness of dealing with it in the waiting room.

During this past Spring semester, the Health Service staff have spent 80 person-hours reviewing and evaluating this issue. Dr. Bill Betler, Director of the Health Service, states that some good aspects have been addressed throughout the controversy. He states there is a much better understanding about the possible gay and lesbian community's position on the health issues sessions.

Student enrollment increase, the main reason for the grouped sessions, has not and probably will not be met with an increase in staff at the Health Center, according to Dr. Betler.

He added, "Our staff is not willing to do these exams without the educational aspect we now offer. The institution and the professionals at the Health Service also face liability issues if quality patient education is not provided."

In view of the controversy generated about the class, a Patient Bill of Rights and Responsibilities has recently been drafted by the Health Service. It includes statements like 'prompt care ... confidentiality ... responsibility to understand your (student's) own health care system ... assume an active role in your (student's) health care.'

The staff hopes to make students more aware of their rights and responsibilities so that the reasoning behind the health issues sessions will be better understood.

Commenting on the Health Services required attendance at these sessions, Dr. Betler cited other pap and physical procedures in the US system. The majority of the schools use the session method or charge extra for these types of examinations. UWSP currently does not charge extra for that service which consists of seven percent of all visits to the Health Service last year.

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SGA gears up for fall.

Many projects in progress

by Lisa Thiel

The Student Government officers are busy, busy, busy this week and getting geared up for the start of the 1984-85 academic year.

Projects in progress include the Student Health Insurance Policy, The SGA Video Project, a Senator Handbook, the Treasurer's Manual, Orientation Recruitment Strategies, Faculty Student Committee meetings and much more.

The bidding process for Student Insurance resulted in an agreement which provides a variety of health insurance at a cost of $264 per year for a single student. A detailed brochure will be received by every registered UWSP student by the third week in August.

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issues still pending are the mandatory health issues class and the comprehensive computer or package proposal by the Academic Computing department. A compromise was reached by the health issues sub-committee. It is being followed by the health center on a trial basis. Effective time will be evaluated as exclusions will be further defined by the University Affairs Committee when it meets in fall.

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The Student Employment Off­ice JLD computerized system was a program recently de­scribed by Helen Van Puyen, manager, and student Jacqueline Riggie to a conference of the Midwest Association of Student Employment Administrators. An overview of the planning, development, and implementa­tion of the automated job loca­tion and development program at UWSP was demonstrated at the 25th anniversary of MASEA, at the University of Illinois, Champaign, Ill.

The program, entitled "Job Location and Development-Com­puterization For the Fu­ture," outlined philosophy and procedures behind the model computerized program current­ly in operation at UWSP. High­lighting the presentation was a demonstration of the way the IBM-PC is used.

The student sits at the key­board and inputs data directly, resulting in an application file as well as two printed copies of the application form, one for office use and the other for the student. This application is then used by the counselor in matching the student to a job. The information recorded to in­sure a proper job match in­cludes desired skills, previous job experience, hours available, transportation and other re­quirements. A brief description summarizing the employers needs is then posted on a closed job board (no employer name or address listed).

The UWSP Student Employ­ment Office has been cited for having devised one of the most comprehensive computerized job matching, accounting, re­cording, as well as promo­tion programs at any campus in this part of the country. The unique idea behind the program is that it has all been done by students. They have written and programmed it, as well as initi­ated it.

Are you wondering how you can use this service? Interested students check the board daily. After a review of the student application and an interview by the staff, a referral is made. The Blue Card shows the em­ployer that the person was re­ferred through Student Employ­ment and also gives the stu­dents the required information. Some positions require an extensive application search. Students who meet the required skills and job experience are then referred directly to the employer. This is where the new computerization system comes in to play. A major advancement. In Student Em­ployment, it has eliminated many hours of manual search­ing. Now a search can be done in a mere few minutes.

The SEO is a student-run or­ganization which has developed rapidly in many aspects: 1. The office processes about 2,000 ap­plications a year. In 1986 the students earned $330,000 from JLD jobs found through Student Employment. This year's esti­mated earnings will be similar. 2. The Second Annual Student Employment Week will have many events. SEO has also publicized and set up many in­terviews for companies such as UPS, Beatrix Foods etc.

The office consists of three microcomputers which are used extensively. These computers have been gifts to the office. One such gift came as a result of the participation in T.I.E.S. (Total Involvement Educational System) with Student Life. If you are interested in learning about the Student Employment Office's new computerized pro­gram, simply stop at our office, 603 Student Services Center or call 368-2774 for more information.

Get a job! Work with WCC

University News Service

Positions for seven unem­ployed young adults are now available in Beaver County area with the Wisconsin Conser­vation Corps (WCC).

The UWSP College of Natural Resources recently submitted a second proposal to sponsor a WCC crew in a variety of con­servation projects during a year­long period. A proposal for $35,000 was approved at the WCC board meeting in May, and the projects are scheduled to begin on Aug. 4.

The WCC project is the sec­ond year-long project approved for the College of Natural Re­sources. A crew that began last July has been completing pro­jects at the Central Wisconsin Environmental Station near Nekoosa and Schmeeckle Res­erve on the UWSP campus. The next crew will work on projects at the Environmental Station, Schmeeckle Reserve, Fire Science Center in the Town of Florence and on Nature Conserv­ancy land near Coloma. The new crew will continue the con­struction of log cabins at the Environmental Station.

Those interested in applying should contact the local Job Service in Beaver Point. The Wisconsin Conservation Corps is a state agency which in cooperation with sponsors such as the College of Natural Resources, provides work to previously unemployed young people around the state. Corps members are paid the federal minimum wage of $3.35 per hour and can participate in the corps for one year.

A successful year of service qualifies WCC members for a completion bonus in the form of either a $1000 educational schol­arship or cash.

While WCC pays corps mem­ber wages and supervises the crew's daily work through a crew leader, WCC will supply transportation, materials and tools to provide general proj­ect direction. Rick Willis, College of Nat­ural Resources assistant dean said, "I think the WCC provides great opportunities for young people, both to get second job ex­perience under their belts, and to continue their education with the scholarship when they graduate. The pay for a youth is more than if they work. And it's a very very effective program for targeting young corps crew do quality work quickly."
Administrative changes —

Coker leaves UWSP

University News Service

David Coker, a member of the administrative staff of UWSP the past 30 years, left July 11 to become a member of the graduate faculty and assistant vice chancellor for the University of North Carolina in Greensboro.

Coker held the titles of executive assistant to the chancellor and interim assistant chancellor for business affairs at UWSP.

Chancellor Philip Marshall said Coker left to pursue a new direction in his career, which will include teaching education-al administration to doctoral students and also in holding a position with considerable authority dealing with budget, personnel and program matters.

"Dave has been a great asset to this university. I have been impressed with his unique ability to deal with vendors for the development of our computer and telephone communication systems. His contributions have made it possible for this university to do more with less in various activities," Marshall said.

Coker joined the university faculty in 1966 as a member of the psychology faculty and in the dual role as director of the counseling program. In 1981, he was promoted to the position of vice president of student affairs and later served as assistant chancellor for university services. When he became a vice president of the institution, he was believed to have been the youngest person holding that high of a position in higher education in the state.

A native of White Hall, Ill., Coker holds a doctorate from Indiana University. He said his years here have been enjoyable and rewarding. "I leave an outstanding university and community, and I will miss them."

Marshall receives pay increase

University News Service

Chancellor Philip Marshall has received the largest percentage pay increase among all raises for chief executive officers of campuses in the UW System.

UW System President Kenneth Shaw reported in a news release that Marshall's salary will be boosted seven percent, to $74,675. All other chancellors received either a full or half percentage less.

However, Marshall's annual wage still will be the lowest among all chancellors.

Last December, the Faculty Senate sponsored an appreciation reception for Marshall attended by about 300 employees of the university as a means of demonstrating that those who report to him valued his leadership. A resolution read by Junta Paul, a Past Senate chair, noted that the chancellor "had provided exemplary campus and system leadership in the struggle for faculty/staff catch-up increases... worked astutely and diligently (for that cause)... provided judicious and continuing support for faculty and staff during the lengthy debate on salary matters... that faculty leaders and administrators at other campuses in the UW System have been grateful for Marshall's role in advancing a new pay plan."

The resolution was in protest to actions by former UW System President Robert O'Neil, with whom Marshall had been at odds for some time over the manner in which catch-up pay would be distributed throughout the system. Marshall objected to the plan of giving larger percentage raises to professors in Madison and Milwaukee than those at the other state campuses.

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Summertime Statistics

University News Service

Summer enrollment at UWSP is down about five percent from last year, according to Registrar David Eckholm.

Since the beginning of classes on June 9, about 2,880 students have signed up, about 125 fewer than at the same time in 1995. Eckholm expects the final count will be about 3,500 compared with the official tally of 3,608 logged last year.

There are fewer re-entering, transfer and new students but more continuing students, the registrar reported.

The all-time high summer enrollment was in 1982 when registrations numbered 3,264.

Though most classes vary in length, the majority are no longer than four weeks. The summer session lasts a total of eight weeks. The last day is August 1.

Just Spinning Her Wheel...

by Debbie Kellen
Editor

I have the right of free speech, my right to stand up and tell anyone who will listen to me what I think is wrong with this world. Conversely, I have the right to stay home and watch Wheel of Fortune and not care what's wrong with the world—after all, there are comforts in being passive.

Why watch the evening news? It's an exercise in depression. Murders, tornadoes, terrorism, shootings, robbery—who needs it? No news is good news, right? I prefer to put my rose-colored glasses on and bury my head in the sand of my own little world. There's a lot of truth in saying that ignorance is bliss—besides, I'm just too busy to think about world problems.

We all know what's going to happen if there's a nuclear war—people are going to explode, their eyeballs are going to melt, their skin is going to look like strawberry poptarts that have been out of the refrigerator a month or so too long. And there's not a thing I can do about it.

Think about this: if everybody were mentally challenged as I am, there would be no more war. Nobody would care enough about anything to fight over it. Reagan and what's-his-name, the big Russian guy, wouldn't have to have summits to discuss disarmament. Star Wars and other depressing things. They could talk about things beneficial to all mankind, about cultural exchanges, like having Wheel of Fortune broadcast in the Soviet Union. (I wonder how the Russians would react to Vanna White?).

Before you write in and tell me that my ignorance is a menace to society, that if I don't get my act together and start caring about what's going on around me, I'm going straight to hell (where I'll have to watch CNN news broadcasts all day long), let me assure you that although I agree there are certain problems to be found in lameness, I thoroughly disagree with the idea that apathy is the way to be.

First of all, why would someone in college prefer to keep herself in the dark? If I wanted to do that, it should be easy to seek out another environment where the conversation will revolve around more trivial matters, than a university.

I would love to not be concerned about world problems—if world problems didn't exist. Unfortunately, they do and they won't go away just because I turn my back on them.

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"Preserving the Past"
Archaeological dig attempts to paint the past

by Dan Dietrich
Features Editor

Imagine Jordan Pond, June 24, 1986 A.D.
A group of Winnebago Indians, in their seasonal journey, have stopped for the summer at Jordan Pond. Members of the community are out hunting, gathering, and fishing.

One Indian, tired of fighting the bugs in the woods, has decided to stay in camp. He sits by a fire pit, 30 feet from the waters edge. A slight breeze blows, blowing the mosquitoes back to the woods.

Reaching into a pouch, he draws out a flint, and begins chipping. As he does so, the chipped chips dart into the remnants of the morning's fire. Ashes rise up after being bumped from their cremated rest by the piece of flint. They rise on the heated air, until the air can no longer support their light mass. As they fall, they heat things around it. From dawn to dusk, they are fired and migrated into the larger picture.

"It's like kind of playing Sherlock Holmes," says Cathy Woodruff, a UWSP graduate volunteering her time for the project.

"Bingo!" someone calls from one of the black tables. Eyes look up, expecting for a brief moment to see Sherlock Holmes standing there, but it isn't. Sherlock didn’t sign up. Instead, it is the father from Illinois who was working the table top with his daughter. He holds in his hand a quartz chip as no more than two inches long. Eyes peer, people ponder, bodies move in closer, and then automatic action happens.

One person lightly brushes off the piece. Ms. Woodruff prepares a label and a plastic bag. The piece is put into the bag, and the depth, location, size, and a drawing of the piece is recorded in a thick book that holds the information about the dig.

Closer inspection reveals that the chip has been broken or chipped by the shovel. Expectedly, my eyes turn to Dr. Moore, in anticipation of a speech on carefulness. But there is none. "Oh well, that happens once in a while," repeats Moore free in a relaxed style. Not an uncertain style, but one that seems to represent the general philosophy of the dig. It appears to be a relaxed, realistic tone, one of appreciation and authentic attempts, with the acnowledgment that reality is present and achievable.

Above the dig, each item will again be inspected, and cataloged. All items are then donated to the UWSP Museum of Natural History.

Sponsors for Preserving the Past include the Museum of Natural History, as well as the Sociology Department, UWSP, Sentry, and the Parks Department. Dr. Moore volunteers his time and experience.

"This project is a continu-

In Search Of...
The Sun God

by Dan Dietrich
Features Editor

Watching of watches seldom frequent beaches, those places synonymous with summer. Instead, oiled bodies lie tankin, unblittle the prevalent sunshin in ide enjoyment.

The sun, that great god in the sky that so many lie in praise to, appreciatively bostows tan and healthy-looking bodies to moderate worshippers, burns and blisters to fanatics.

Car speakers proclaim their worth from open trunks, while beverages cool the tanning aficionados' lungs.

It is summertime. Although Central Wisconsin may not be a beach bum's utopia, there are places one can swim.

Bulblt Park just might be the Bayfield County Department of Parks. It has a monopoly on sunsets.

This monopoly, and its size may be the reason for many of its patrons, for it is seldom that one cannot find a relaxing patch of grass.

A drawback of Bulblt is the handy loop that runs through the center of the park. Cars seem to be in such a hurry that something as they travel in a thousand around it. From almost any position in the park, one hears the variety of music being played in the cars, as the car windows seem to hide from view, as if embarrassed at their owner's musical selection.

On the other side of the river, a bit downstream, is Mead Park. Mead echoes Bukol. And as with any echo, it is slightly quicker and more relaxed.

Mead has the riverfront space, as well as a small beach similar to Bukol's. A drawback to Mead, is that when dusk begins, the sun is setting in the trees behind the main view of the park.

Everston is a bit closer to what a beach bum might consider a "true" beach: one where there is at least enough space to lay out when dusk.
Ode to the dip
No longer a "pinch between the cheek and gum"

by Dan Dierich
Features Editor

I used to find relaxed sauity in a tin of Copenhagen. Reality is fine, but at times, large. It considers others, expectations, deadlines, assignments, assignments untamed, money, should've and should not's. It was never excessively pressing, but at times one enjoys something simple, something to focus attention away from the expectations and the continual process of preparing. Enter: inside the left cheek, tight against the gum, a 1/2" by 1/4" pinch of Copenhagen from a #4 tin. Focus now, the mind, almost all thought, onto that simplistic pinch. Pull the cheek tight against the gum. Copenhagened saliva swells and washes the mouth. It gathers near the front of the mouth, just behind the front teeth. Ready now, pressure the mouth. Draw a bottle or can or plastic cup to the lower lip. Slowly release the pressure, release the saliva, and in doing so, release internal pressure.

Watch as air-bubbled spit slowly slips and meanders down to the bottom of the bottle. A loose tobacco particle wanders the interior cavity of the mouth. Catch it, and place it between the front teeth. Gently squeeze. Taste a minute drop of tobacco juice. Pleasure, Pinched reality, Reduced reality. And as with any habit that one devotes three years of daily practice to, one can easily become a master. Success is imminent, an infallible act. Consistent, predictable success. If a day wasn't perfect, a test not just so, a refused proposal, whatever, there was a simplistic escape. "Don't worry there son," I imagined it to say. "Open me up. Lift not my innards, and place them inside your mouth. Squeeze me. Pinch me. Taste me. Let my fluids lubricate the most sensory organ on your body-your tongue." But for the past week, I have abandoned that escape. Why? Fear. Too many visions of cancer cells danced in my head; visions of an enlarged and enlarging cheek; visions of this cell ball growing inside my mouth, and never having anyone else taste to dance with in a wet disco to continue chewing. Or maybe it was the visions of somewhere-in-the-neck cancer, and what I would do without a neck. Maybe it was consistently waking up at 4:30 in the morning with a mouthful of saliva, thinking that it was Copenhagened, and reaching for the spittoon by the alarm clock. I would spit, and then realize it was simply my run-of-the-mill saliva. Life now is lived primarily in preparation for something. Classes, work, etc. are attempts to contribute and move still closer to the desirable. And in my attempt to make sense of those desires, I would dream of the future. But one recurring dream predominated. In that dream, I am 30 or so, living in my cabin, driving the Fiat or MG, sailing, writing, etc. It would all begin to come together. The strive-for's and wished-for's would be exposing themselves in reality. But then, enter into the dream's world: oral cancer.

"The most aggressive form of cancer," I once read. Ah, the minds uncanny ability to remember things like that, and throw it forth for contemplation once in a while. I'll be dancing in a wet disco to continue chewing. But then, enter into the dream's world: oral cancer.

The charitable donations he collected on his ill-fated transcontinental bike tour in Canada will be presented to the Nebraska Steiner Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Fred Leagren made the announcement during Wednesday afternoon session in the Old Main Building. Leagren said he had been made aware of the fund's existence and decided to ask faculty and students to support the fund.

In the past three years, the fund has raised $10,000. Donations are due by Sept. 20.

University News Service
Give this host a try
Kellom nominates Torpy

by Debbie Kellom

Editor's Note:

All good things must come to an end. That old saying rings true nearly every time and it certainly has rung true again. Recently, Gene Siskel and Roger Ebert announced that they would not renew their contracts and would not be returning for another season of "At the Movies."

Both wanted more money than they were being offered, as naturally they botched and are heading to Disney Domestic TV and a new show tentatively titled "Siskel and Ebert and the Movies."

Catty, isn't it?

They will have "At the Movies" in August.

Although Tribune Entertainment, the producers of "At the Movies," have already indicated they will seek new hosts, the new show will have a tough time making the public forget Gene and Roger.

So Tribune Entertainment will have a tough time finding two similarly talented and (believe it or not) charismatic hosts as replacements.

However, I've got a solution to everyone's problems. I know who should host the new show. Ed Torpy. Poetin movie critic.

That's right, Ed Torpy should be the new host of "At the Movies."

Laugh if you will, but Ed would make the perfect host. He is witty, talented, and known plenty about movies. Ed would be an ideal host.

And let me say, you may be saying that the show needs two hosts, but you are wrong. I am positive the show would be even more interesting if Ed was the host alone.

For example, instead of having to listen to Roger and Gene argue with each other, you could listen to Ed argue with himself. He's got a lot of practice in this and the oddity of it all would certainly bring in the viewers.

And Ed's arguments would be so much more interesting because he could personally attack himself with such lines as: "You want to see Psycho III? Why, that's the dumbest thing you've ever done since you read [insert [insert [insert]."

It would definitely be the show of the century. All of the fun, glamour and excitement that television provides, and Ed as the host.

The show would be such a big hit that Ed would go on "The Tonight Show" and "Late Night With David Letterman" and argue about the movies with himself. He would be on the covers of TIME, Newsweek, the Pizzazz, and more importantly, People.

There would be no lies printed about Ed, because you know if you read it in People it's got to be true.

I'm asking my friends at Tribune Entertainment to accept Ed Torpy as a worthy candidate for the new show. He's loyal, hard-working, and would never quit the show over a little thing like money.

Ed Torpy would become the star of the 90's.

"There is only one route to success, and that is the route of persistent effort, honest representation, and unassuming good faith. Ha ha ha ha ha ha ha ha ha ha ha ha! Whoa! Ha ha ha ha!"

—Robert Vaso

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At the movies

Back to School a great summer comedy

by Ed Torpy

Movie Critic

Back to School has summer comedy written all over it. Mr. Summer Movie, Harold Ramis, was not only one of its executive producers, but he also co-wrote the screenplay. Ramis has been involved with such movies as National Lampoon's Animal House, Stripes, Caddyshack and Ghostbusters. Besides Back to School, he also has Club Paradise and Arnold and Dangerous (due out in August) to his credit this summer.

But the main driving force behind Back to School is Rodney Dangerfield. Not only is Dangerfield the star, he also co-wrote the story.

Dangerfield plays a self-made millionaire married to a bitchy, money-hungry woman played by Adrienne Barbeau. His wife is only concerned about spending money and dressing her friends. After a party, they decide to get a divorce. While talking about his marriage, Dangerfield says, "When she said 'I do', I should have said "with whom?"

How that his marriage is breaking up, Dangerfield decides to visit his son at college. When he gets there, he finds that his son is not in the fraternity, not on the diving team, and is getting bad grades. To help his son, Dangerfield decides to enrol in college.

Believability is not one of Back to School's greater assets, but after all, this is only a summer comedy. One of the reasons that Back to School works is that it uses the Establishment as the butt of most of its jokes. The Establishment has been one of the most popular targets in comedies ever since the Keystone Cops made a joke out of law enforcement.

In this movie, the target of most jokes is the entire college establishment which includes the administrators, teachers and fraternities.

The film's strongest asset is Dangerfield's performance. It is obvious Rodney had himself in mind as the lead actor when he co-wrote the screenplay. Almost every single joke is delivered by Dangerfield; it's as though every character is there to play straight-man to him. But this is precisely why the movie is so funny. Dangerfield is one of the best at delivering one-liners and come-backs. The movie is designed to pack in as many jokes as possible, and the vast majority of them are very funny. Anyone who likes stand-up comedians would love this movi

Back to School is one of the best summer comedies in years. But it's important to keep in mind that the stars of summer comedies, like Rodney Dangerfield, are not actors, they are comedians. And the people who make summer comedies, like Harold Ramis, are not film-makers, they are entertainers.

As Ramis once said, "I sometimes find myself apologizing for not being a 'real' filmmaker because I've come at this from show business and entertain­ment." Back to School is a great summer comedy, but it's only a better-than-average film.

Movie reviewed courtesy of Essanes Regers Cinema

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Pike plays Crazy 8's

Hello, and welcome to Album Spot-25, a brief look at what's new in the world of rock n' roll. I'm your host, Jon R. Pike, and together we'll uncover the newest and most exciting released and artists. But enough chatter, let the fun begin:

It's hard to believe that this is not a major label release. This hand's got guitars, it's got keyboards, it's got drums and it's got horns. They're all expertly arranged and set to an infectious beat. This goodman's rock n' roll music is paired off against nervously sung, quirky vocals and lyrics about some surreal suburban landscape. It's sort of like watching the cast of Monty Python perform an episode of Leave It To Beaver, with a reggae soundtrack. Sounds like fun! You bet it is!

Now before everybody thinks that I believe this group is going to change the course of rock n' roll with its absolutely flawless LPs, there are two disclaimers that must be considered before this review causes everyone to spend their hard earned bucks on this slab of vinyl.

First of all, its production values are a tad ambivalent. This band can't seem to decide if they're going to go the whole hog with slick production or go with a more raw, raunchier feel. Instead of choosing between these two courses, this band seems content to lie low and hope nobody notices.

And second, some of the rhythmic lines are kind of too obviously, some white guy's idea of reggae. Both of these deficiencies make the album a little hard to sit down and listen to, but, on the other hand, this is a party album you're not supposed to sit down and listen to albums like this, are you?

So, dim the lights, turn on the stereo and get ready to party down with the Crazy 8's. Throw this baby on the platter and just see if that isn't the case, O.K.?
Riverfront Rendezvous activities include a dunk tank with Mayor Michael Haberman, a watermelon seed-spitting contest and water recreations, to name a few. Photos by Paul Becker.

Beaches cont.

in sand and feel its comfortable support. Bouncing beach balls from younger youngsters do abound once in a while, but it depends on the day.

a person has ample room, with possibly the greatest variety of opportunities, with tables and relaxation spots placed throughout the park.

The best beach in the area though, might be Sunset Lake. Humbly placed, there is a quaint, sufficient, and all around good nature about it.

The beach is larger than any of the others, and beach balls, although certainly existing at times, do not abound.

And the lake? Ah, the lake: "Big enough to serve you, and yet small enough to care," someone once said. Sunset Lake fits snuggly into that description.

On one of the days I was there, there was a small sailboat zig-zagging out in the middle of the lake, two teenagers were out in one of those paddle wheel boats propelled by bicycling legs, and everyone on the beach had access to the water's edge when things got a bit warm. There was even a man next to us, a triathlete who saw it that he should swim across the lake.

Sunset Lake looks plenty wide, possibly one mile at a guess. It met his needs.

There is a certain calmness about Sunset Lake that doesn't seem to surround the other places. It's a quiet, unifying feeling, almost like an environmental personality if that is possible.

A drawback to Sunset Lake is its location. A long walk, one should plan on two to three days worth of food. It is 25 miles east of Stevens Point. A car might be better.

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Steiner and Booth had begun their transcontinental Canadian bike trip in St. John's, Newfoundland, and intended to raise $50,000 for the UWSP scholarship fund. They had completed about 1,500 miles of the 5,500-mile itinerary when an 18-year-old man struck and killed Steiner with his car on June 22nd near Winnipeg, Manitoba.

Steiner, 47, had a 23-year association with UWSP. He enrolled for classes here in 1963 and shortly thereafter also became a part-time manager in what was then known as the Student Union. After graduation in 1965, he was appointed to the faculty to serve as recreation manager. He later served as assistant director of University Centers, then in several different administrative positions in the Student Life Division. During the past four years, he held the title of executive director of student life administration and assistant to the assistant chancellor for business affairs.

He had been active as a faculty advisor to several present and past organizations including Sigma Tau Gamma social fraternity with which he had an involvement throughout his career here, the Off-Campus Student Association, Russian Club, Freewheelers Bicycle Club and the Student Government Association. He was the incumbent director of the North Central Region for Sigma Tau Gamma and in 1984 was cited as the recipient of the national award to the outstanding advisor of the year. In faculty government, he was a senator and member and chair of several committees.

He also was a two-time winner of the UWSP Campus Leaders award as an advocate for student organizations. Steiner participated in national organizations for college union, housing, auxiliary service and business personnel and held offices in several of them.

Born in Park Falls on July 12, 1938, he was graduated from high school there with the class of 1956. He attended St. Norbert College in West De Pere for two years and then served as the assistant to the purchasing director of a Chicago firm until he entered the U.S. Army. After a two-year stint in uniform, he enrolled at UWSP and received his degree in mathematics. He did graduate study at the University of Iowa.
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