Cable television for residence halls possible

by Bernie Blese
Senior Editor

There is a chance that cable television hookup will be a regular feature of all residence hall rooms. Jones Intericable has agreed to undertake all hookup work necessary, except the initial installment of the wires, which would be done by the university. The plan, which must still be approved by RHA and the Board of Regents in Madison, has been in the making for several years, according to John Jury, head of Student Life. "We're somewhere in the middle of the project," says Jury. "There's been an awful lot of exploratory investigation. We've looked at all the hookup possibilities-like running the cables outside the buildings, which we won't have to do-and it seems financially attractive."

However, at the moment Jury is hoping "just to get cable accepted." If accepted, cable would be included in all residence hall rooms for "under $2 per semester," says Jury. The charge would be included in room rates and all students would pay for cable, regardless of whether they used it or not.

John Jury points out that even those students who do not own a television would get some benefit from cable. "They can also plug their stereos into the system and receive seven or eight more channels, including MTV."

The cable would also come without the standard 26 channel boxes most cable subscribers receive. "Jones Intericable doesn't want the boxes in the rooms," says Jury. Instead, the system would plug directly into students' televisions, and they would be able to choose 12 channels from the 29 offered. HBO and Cinemax would not be available.

SCTV, UWSP's student-run cable-broadcast television station, has also shown interest in residence hall cable hookup, since they would possibly be able to control channel 12 or "crash in on other channels," says Jury. "It would give them a chance to increase their viewing.

Student activism
UWSP joins D.C. protest against U.S. foreign policy

by Karen Rivedal
News Editor

A dozen members of UWSP's own Student Nuclear Information Forum (SNIF) joined approximately 150,000 demonstrators in Washington, D.C. this past weekend to protest United States foreign policy in Central America and South Africa.

According to one SNIF member, the stormy Washington weather that greeted them was "an appropriate symbol of the destruction IN education has been leading the American people."

Specifically, the demonstrators opposed an alleged reduction in the U.S. government's funding of U.S. foreign policy programs.-

Student Incentive Grants could also be included in this proposal. United States Senator Robert Byrd, D-W.V., sponsored the bill, which would provide an additional two billion dollars for education programs, including education, face cuts of up to 23 percent.

According to a United States Student Association (USSA) spokesman, however, this resolution would probably only serve as the starting point for budget debate. "Nobody's going to go for that, but they'll eventually get over to the Chiles proposal from there."

Senator Lawton Chiles, the Senate Budget Committee chairman, advanced this second proposal. It fails to reach the Gramm-Rudman target, but provides about a two billion dollar increase for education spending.

USSA representatives, however, say the educational increases in the Chiles proposal are offset by reductions in campus-based programs. According to USSA, "College Work Study, Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grants, and State Student Incentive Grants could face 25 percent cuts under Chiles' plan."
Welcome to the American dream

It would be nice to end the semester with something light and bright, just for summer. But it’s the end of the year and I’m feeling a bit heavy, definitely unlight, very serious.

Because I can’t see any reason to remain in school anymore. A curious thing has happened - it has all become very meaningless, this whole education deal. This has a little to do with a conversation every senior has at least nine times a day. It goes like this:

“So bud, what are you going to do after graduation?”

Check one:

a. —— “Live with mom and dad.”
b. —— “Work at Hardee’s.”
c. —— “Work at McDonald’s.” d. —— “Work at IGA.” e. —— “I’ve got a job waiting for me with IBM/Nekkoosa Paper/Panasonic at $32,000.”

If you checked this one - have a safe life, buy a BMW, vote for Reagan and welcome to the American Dream.

But it isn’t a good life.

Board of Regents, have a safe life, buy a BMW, vote for Reagan and welcome to the American Nightmare.

Or you could learn a lot in four years, I’ve come to realize.

Far from it. And unfortunately there are a few more truths to deal with. Truth no. 1: There’s an obligation to know and study and finish school.

Yeah. That’s more like it.

And that’s the truth. The truth that, after close to four years, I come to realize.

But hey, I’m not even finished with school yet.

Imagine that, a source of your life, work, being meaningless.

And college? College is a road to the what is now the American dream of work.

Money, money, money, money.

It’s all about dollars. Forget ideals. Forget happiness. Dollars mean happiness; they are the ideal.

We’ve been tricked into believing that. Work is no longer supposed to be good - it is an unhappy reality. Even college reflects this. Classes are no longer meant to be meaningful. Instead they are based on practicality. The idea is that, to join the workforce and become a good, productive citizen, one needs a solid “base” of knowledge. A little history, some sociology, elementary chemistry, and music appreciation.

This is strictly a generalization, but most classes do not reflect any great attempt at meaning.

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Students new market for credit cards

PSSSTTTTT.. How'd you like to own this $600 pair of genuine snakekin boots? Want to know how to buy these "Bruce Wil­lia" shades? Need some quick cash?

Although they're not selling these products, banks and major credit card companies are using similar sales pitches in hopes of turning college students into customers.

While it was once nearly impossible for a student to qualify for a credit card, visit any college union or bookstore these days and you'll see MasterCard, Visa or American Express posters inviting everyone to take home an application. According to one bank official, some 14,000 financial institutions across the country issue credit cards, and many of them are now looking for a younger clientele.

Why are they in such hot pur­suit of students?

"Because these graduates graduate and become real people," says Prof. Noel Capon, director of Columbia U's Center for Research in the Marketing of Fi­nancial Services. "They're attempting to make people loyal
to them early on in their lives and hope they'll hold on to the cards over time."

With the exception of Ameri­can Express, the credit card companies aren't doing the actual soliciting: That's the work of individual banks, credit unions, and savings and loans, says Dan Brigham, a VISA spokesman. The MasterCard and VISA companies electronically link institutions and han­dle settlement and billing guide­lines, he says, "but we don't market to anyone, it's the indi­vidual banks that decide who gets a credit card."

But aren't college students generally considered credit risks? Opinion varies among credit officials. "Not really, we think it's a market with a lot of growth potential," said one Citibank spokesman, who abruptly re­fused further comments. "Col­lege students' credit worthiness, But John Goodwin, vice president of First Federal Sav­ings and Loan in Normal, Ill., doesn't agree. "Students are considered risks because must have an unstable employ­ment.

Ten Commandments of the job search

Special to the Pointer

These are the new rules of ca­reer dynamics in today's differ­ent job environment. Many col­lege seniors from this year's graduating class will have five or six different careers over their lifetimes. Learning to make career transitions begin­ning with the first one must be a professional skill developed by each graduate. Commence­ment is the beginning of self-de­termination and self-manage­ment. Those skills cannot be taught. Fortunately they can be learned.

1. Life is a full contact sport. It has always been a game of who you know. Begin with a list of friends, relatives and acquaintances and ask each who they think you should talk

2. Don't look for a job. Look for information first. Getting these step backwards is the biggest mistake you can make. Face to face research is the best kind. It builds contacts, a database and interview skills (you interview them all) at the same time.

3. Do not lead with a resume. Resumes cause screen out. They should only be used after face to face meetings that de­velop opportunities. Do them one at a time. Say as little as possible.

4. Operate from a written list of questions. How did you find your answer here? What is this in the in­dustry really like? (And always) if you were me who else would you talk with? (Can I use your name as a referral?)

5. Real practice makes per­fect. The more people you con­tact and talk with the better at it you will get. Start with alumn­ni, your roommate's father, a professor's brother, anyone. Discipline yourself to make phone calls and set up meet­ings. Everyone of them will have a skill building and an often unexpected piece of in­formation.

6. Stay away from interviews. You don't want to be an appli­c vast. You don't want to get in the pile to be evaluated and screened out. You want to meet key people, listen to them, let them like you and eventually give them a chance to fit you into their organization.

7. The most powerful words in the language are Thank you. by Becky Frelich

As Graduation Nears

UWSP plans for final ceremony

by Becky Frelich

Staff Writer

Commencement is just two weeks away for approximately 1,000 students here at UWSP. Seventy-five to 80 percent of those graduating will partici­pate in the ceremony on May 17, according to Peggy Szczytko, commencement coor­dinator from University Rela­tions.

Szczytko stated that "It's in to go through the commence­ment program now." A few years ago, participation in the actual ceremony was down to 30 per­cent. "We want to accommo­date those students participat­ing in the program as best as we can," Szczytko said, which

is why four tickets will be given to each graduate participant. Last year, only three tickets were given to each graduate.

University Relations is also better assisting students by offering on-campus accommoda­tions to the families of gradu­ates. These arrangements were made available after University Relations learned about the State Lions Convention taking place in Stevens Point that same weekend.

Szczytko said that only 15 peo­ple reserved housing so far, in the residence halls for that event. However, he felt con­fident that the needs of students were met in that respect.

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Cable in the residence halls, from p. 1

Eighty-one percent of those surveyed wanted cable and 76 percent said they'd pay for it, says Jurby. However, a later survey, conducted during room sign-up, showed less interest, according to Jurby, and RHA will probably have to take the issue back to the students before taking the plan to the regents in Madison. "Assuming that (RHA) do approve," says Jurby, "much still needs to be done, including price estimates and work calendars. I'll be awhile before it's finished. I'm pretty sure most students want cable, though. It's time we brought the halls into the 1980s."

National Budget, from p. 1

Budget increases for education, if at all, are likely to be small because of the emphasis on defense. The people that you meet involves the configuration son said. The proposal will be a $1 trillion national budget of its own, after soundly rejecting Reagan's proposal by a vote of 394-27.

Accordig to the Senate time-line, legislation will be on one of the four resolutions by tomorrow. A compromise budget between the House and Senate will then be worked out.

Pennsylvania Avenue to the Capitol lawn. A SNIF observer describes the scene and its significance to him: "A line of over 100,000 people marched, carrying banners and signs of peace and freedom. This pilgrimage put things into perspective, for it was here that we realized it is our patriotic duty to question questionable acts of our government and maintain a knowledgeable and responsible check on the government's policies."

On May 6, SNIF members will offer a taped audio presentation of the protest to any interested UWSP students or faculty.

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Think about the day when you will receive your coupon book which will mark the first day of the rest of your adult life. You will become another one of us who participate in this monthly ritual of mailing money to some faceless cash drawer number.

Fine. No problem. But watch a minute. What happens if you are unable to make that payment every month? Then what?

"Well, Uncle Sam doesn't need my money..." But we won't go broke if I don't pay," many say. But, he has got other ways of getting your money... So what? I think you had better reconsider. What will happen if you're broke? If you can't make a decent living because you can't find a job that will pay anything..."This may be especially critical for those who left school with a low degree and a large and deep loan debt.

What will happen when the bank calls? Will your payment be? No money? Then the State Guarantee agency will take over your Dee. So what? Still don't have the money."

Well, the bank gets paid by the state and at least someone is happy. But, you can't pay the state any better than you could pay the bank. (What good did that do?) Have no fear, there are always some income tax returns that can be withheld until your debt (still accumulating interest) is paid. That will only take all of your life income tax returns.

Don't forget, you may get to have your name appear on a list with the rest who have poor credit ratings. In fact, if you wanted to return to college to finish your degree or to get additional education, you wouldn't be allowed to receive any financial aid until you had cleared up your defaulted GSL! At least you will be able to look forward to your debt and the interest accumulated therefor. What a waste! That is not a pleasant thought. But, Mom signed on the dotted line. You will be able to pay...or die with it.

Sound pretty morbid? Well it is—if you can't make those monthly payments after your six-month grace period is up. So, think before you sign the dotted line. You are making a commitment—one that you will have to keep. They may even mean that you might not be able to make a Florida vacation over spring break with part of your loan money—you'll have to have to to wait to buy that stereo.

Let's face it. Many students (including me) have thought if GSLs as fun money—have a good time now and pay later. Just watch it. You really have to pay later—with more than just maximum deducted. I know, it has happened to a very good friend of mine.

Name withheld by request

God bless you and good luck

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Fortunately, Portage County has vast numbers of concerned citizens willing to donate their time and energy to make sure that we will never have to experience what "if" it meant mentioned in this letter.

On behalf of the Portage County Chapter of the American Red Cross, I wish to extend the very warmest appreciation and thank you to each of the dedicated volunteers involved in our programs. It is truly a blessing for you, your time for the benefit of others.

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LAYAWAYS
New advisor emphasizes First Amendment freedoms

by Trudy Stewart

"I'm not a censor, that's not a job for me," says William (Pete) Kelley, the communication professor who will take over as advisor to the Pointer when Professor Dan Houlihan retires from the university in June.

On the surface, the differences between the two professors seem to be great. Kelly appears introverted and quiet, and Houlihan, extroverted and ebullient, would likely sound like a complete contrast when it comes to freedom of the press, their philosophies coinciding somewhat.

During the past 20 years, Houlihan has maintained a "hands-off" approach, editorial policy offering critiques of the student newspaper and remaining available for consultation by the staff, but never imposing restrictions on content or tone. Kelley has been more hands-on and careful-speaking, says that he will emphasize having "a peaceful, patient, and just-in-case," or "peaceful-restraint" policy in his relations with the Pointer. "But I don't want to make pronouncements about what I can and will do as advisor. I'm feeding my way along to find out what the job will be."

Kelley is a member of the American Civil Liberties Association and the Wisconsin Intellectual Freedom Coalition, organizations that actively support First Amendment-related principles such as free speech and free press. Concerning problems that might arise at the Pointer, he feels that he would "bestrate long and hard" to question anything until it becomes "a problem that just had to be dealt with."

As he gets deeper into the subject of freedom of the press, Kelley becomes more voluble, less intent on carefully selecting his words. "It's important," he says, "for a student newspaper — any newspaper — not to be in anyone's pocket. In other words, a private newspaper might have to be kept from becoming an advertiser. Newspapers have an ethical responsibility to the public (to present an unbiased report). Independence is awfully important. The Pointer should not be under theegis of any group within the university."

Appearing faintly satyr-like with his full beard and thick, dark eyebrows, Kelley leans back in his desk chair, considers a moment, then continues, "The Pointer is a darned independence. The staff likes a lot of latitude and generally has extremely good judgment," he says. "We ask students to be adults, so it behooves us to treat them like adults, so they act like editors and reporters do when they go to work outside the university. That's a benefit of working in an activity like the Pointer to learn something more than an academic education."

This is not Kelley's first experience as advisor to a university organization, he has also worked with Roger Bullis, chair of the Division of Communications, as advisor to Monitor, a film journal put out by the University Film Society. "He's committed to teaching excellence, always intellectually stimulating, always a great teacher," says Bullis. "His classes tend to be more difficult, yet you give him high marks as a teacher."

With regard to the duties and responsibilities of an advisor as set down by department-policy, Bullis says that there are no specific ones. "The department releases time for professors to advise. In the case of the Pointer, it's a two-credit load relief per semester."

Kelley's qualifications for the appointment include serving as editor on a literary magazine while an undergraduate at the University of Houston, teaching courses in journalism, writing and the First Amendment, and a deep commitment to and belief in freedom of the press.

Leaning back again, Kelley takes his time relighting the stump of a fragrant cigar, and says, "The Pointer is like the extension of a university. It can be (and as much) provides a valuable service to students and faculty by strengthening our teaching of writing on campus while giving students a realistic situation to work in."
The other side of the disk

by Jon Pike
Staff Writer
with Joe Johnson
Technical Adviser

Compact discs are the wave of the future for audio technology. Or so the recording industry would have you believe.

The compact disk is a format for audio recording that almost completely eliminates current mechanical means. Albums are recorded by mechanical means, a hardened piece of carbon etches grooves into a round piece of plastic. The sound is then replayed by roughly the same means: spinning the disk around so that a rock is dragged through a vinyl canyon. In compact disk technology, audio information is broken down digitally and encoded onto a small disk via lasers. To reproduce the sound, a laser decodes the information.

Obviously there’s a difference. The question is: Does the highly touted disk have any discernable advantage over the LP?

Certainly there is no price advantage. The average CD costs more than the average LP. For instance, a recent CD, British Invasion, of the Rolling Stones, was released in LP format for $8.98, and its companion CD will be $14.98. However, if you scratch a local record salesperson, when Record Kingdom has its Annual-Mega-Wipeout-Steal-Us-Blind Sale, the above-mentioned LP will be discounted most record retailers, but CDs are the advantages of CDs over LPs justify their higher cost?

The recording industry would have you believe that the high gloss cover of the CD is virtually indestructible and won’t scratch like vinyl does. But, you can scratch a CD, and if you scratch the playing surface, it won’t make much difference. However, if you scratch a protected back of a CD, with a gash that would produce a mere “pop” in an album, you might as well throw the CD away, because you can’t read the information between scratches.

But is the CD with its digital sound and non-mechanical means of recording really the wave of the future?

Not necessarily. The Japanese have developed a recording format called Digital Audio Tape (DAT). This tape is in cassette form with recorded digital sound like a CD can, is easily adapt-
The pink flamingo has landed

by Kathleen Golke
Staff Writer

Our national bird isn't so tough after all. It lets us down. No one in their right mind wants to see an eagle anywhere. The only organization I can think of that would be proud to adopt the eagle as a symbol of their success is Population Zero.

Who wants to be reminded of these sad facts? "Not I," said the cat. What can Americans do in light of this embarrassing problem? It's time to put in a petition asking for a different national bird. I ask you to consider the pink flamingo. The pink flamingos should replace the bald eagle as our national bird.

I wonder just how many hundreds of thousands of pink fac-similes are already out there advertising the bald eagle's weakness. America. They symbolize the lighter side of America's pleasure-seeking dream. When I gaze at my plastic pink flamingos, apparitions appear—aparitions of Florida vacations, palm trees and the "think pink" fashion trends of a more innocent age. Like old generals, they never die, they just fade away in the sun.

And like the common bluebird and raven, the pink flamingo has some interesting literary history behind it. Several years ago I had the pleasure of reading a story in Alfred Hitchcock's Mystery Magazine in which the weapon in a case of murderous acumen could not be found. Then it was detected one of the plastic pink flamingos in the back yard was missing one of its sturdy wire legs!

No matter how beautiful and interesting the pink flamingo may be, some of you may believe that, like the eagle, the flamingo is also endangered. None of us are going to let go through that guilt trip again. It is true we are draining and developing the Everglades and other tropical marshlands that make up the pink flamingo's natural habitat. Won't the flamingo, as our bird, cause us to suffer the same pathetic history we endured with the eagle? No! The pink flamingos is much more adaptable to artificially created environments. One need only to look at Queen Eliza-

How to cram for exams.

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to the test admamently stated a preference for CDs and said he could tell the difference, yet, he chose the album. Only one of the subjects could correctly tell the difference and picked the LP (modesty prevents me from disclosing his identity).

The industry is at the point where they can throw just about anything onto a CD and the public will buy it. This last year, Motown's entire back catalogue of classic recordings from the '60s was released on CDs. It was offered as a "two-fer"—two albums per compact disk. What a deal! Two albums on compact disk for the price of one CD! However, it really wasn't CDs that they were selling. These recordings were merely dubbed onto a compact disk from the original albums, and sold as compact disks. Two plain old boxing 'bums' disguised as the new technology and sold at the new technology's prices.

There you have it. People are free to manufacture compact disks and people are free to buy them. However, it should be an informed choice and those who make products should tell the truth. Compact disk consumers aren't being informed and compact disk makers aren't telling the truth.

Pink flamingos are graceful, colorful, hardy, durable, clean, interesting, adaptable, tough, affordable, and undamaged.

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Crossfire Choir
Passport Records

Let me tell you how I first found out about this album. I was on the air when a caller came in on 90 FM's business line. I picked up the phone, 'cause no one else was there. "90 FM, may I help you."

"Yes, is Mark Polzin (our music director) there?"

"No, he's not."

"Well, this is Vic from Passport Records. Who am I speaking to?"

"Oh, my name is Joe, I'm just a D.J. here. Can I take a message?"

"Yeah, tell him I called. Hey, have you checked out The Crossfire Choir album?"

"Uh, No I haven't."

"Well, check it out. It's really good."

Fair enough. At the very least, this album's label believes in them, as is evidenced by their PR guy, Vic. Further evidence is the fact that they got one of the industry's big guns, Steve Lillywhite, to produce the band's debut album.

"Gentlemen Prefer Blondes" at Pacelli

"Gentlemen Prefer Blondes," Pacelli High School's spring theatre production, opens Friday, May 1, at 8 p.m. in the school auditorium.

Performances are also scheduled at 8 p.m. on May 2 and at 7 p.m. on May 3. Admission is $3 for adults, $2 for students and $1 for children.

Written by Anita Loos, the play is a comedy about two young women who travel unchaperoned to Europe in search of adventure and romance.

The play is presented by the Pacelli High School Drama and Lisa Helf, its director.

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Three one-acts plays will be presented consecutively in the Studio Theatre of the Fine Arts Center at 7 p.m. on Wednesday and Thursday, May 6 and 7.

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by Jon R. Pike
Staff Writer

The bit musical, "Little Shop of Horrors," is among three productions on the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point's summer theatre schedule this year.

Directed by Arthur Hopper, it will run May 15-18 and 21-25. In addition, "Godspell," directed by Thomas F. Nevin, will run from July 7-12 and "The Kink," directed by James Moore, will run from July 28-August 4. All of the productions begin at 8 p.m. in the Sentry Theater, except the July 12 staging of "Godspell," which is at 7 p.m.

Season tickets are available at the College of Fine Arts box office. Admission to all three plays is $15 if purchased before May 1. After that date, season tickets will sell for $18. Individual tickets are $5 for the public before May 1 and $7 thereafter; senior citizens admission is $5 and $6; and student admission is $4.

On the opening night of each production, audiences may attend dinner at The Restaurant and the play for $15 per person. Reservations for the dinner theatre are also available through the Fine Arts box office.

Chamber quartet to perform

The Fine Arts Quartet, a chamber ensemble with a 30-year musical tradition, will perform at 8 p.m. Thursday, April 30, in Michelsen Hall, Fine Arts Center.

Founded in Chicago in 1946, the quartet's last founding member, retired in 1982 and since that time, the tradition has been carried on by violinists Ralph Evans and Efim Boico, violist Jerry Horner and cellist Wolfgang Lauffer. The musicians teach at UW-Milwaukee where they are professors and artists-in-residence.

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Students, DNR thwart poaching efforts

by Chris Dorsey
Outdoors Editor

For the last seven decades a quiet war has been brewing on the waters of Wisconsin’s Wolf River. The river has been the battleground for the DNR’s efforts to stop marauding poachers, one of Wisconsin’s most unique resources.

Each spring, schools of lake sturgeon swim up the Wolf to spawn on ancestral beds. It is these spawning fish that attract poachers whose antics are fueled by lucrative dollars to be had on the black market. According to DNR conservation warden Rick Herzfeld, “a single female sturgeon, heavily laden with roe, may bring as much as $300 on the black market.”

The poachers use a variety of weapons, including their own PFD’s. Time honored tools include the deep-pronged spear and trusty galloons. Poachers can quickly jerk a 50 pound sturgeon out of the water and onto the bank by reaching a gaff-hook under the sluggish fish and giving one sharp tug.

Other weapons include mag and jerk lines. Snag lines require a 10-15 foot hook attached to a cable, which is stretched across fish travel lanes. Once brushing against a hook, sturgeon thrash violently becoming impaled on several of the death snags. Similarly, weighted jerk lines are lowered into the river to snare sturgeon. When the poacher senses a passing sturgeon, he simply gives the line a sharp jerk—hence the name.

It is this kind of activity that the DNR, along with natural resource students from UW-River Point, have been guarding against for over 70 years. But the roots of the poaching tradition run deep in some of the small communities found along the river. DNR warden Todd Wipperman/says a certain sub-culture of sturgeon poachers are found along the Wolf River.

The poachers, says Wipperman, have a possessive feeling toward the fish, which is the ancestry that’s been handed them as part of their family history. In fact, explains Wipperman, many violators arrested today are sons of past violators. In the past, during depressed economic times, sturgeon were poached mainly for private consumption. Recent poaching, however, has become a right of passage for poachers. This tradition has kept conservation agents busy guarding the banks of the Wolf to ensure the survival of this unique fish.

Sturgeon are prized mainly for their precious roe which serve as the high priced delicacy, caviar. Along with the roe, the texture of sturgeon meat has a special appeal to many people and, subsequently, commands top dollar on the black market.

Penetrating the ring of black market sellers is difficult because Herzfeld says most illegally sold sturgeon are vended via word of mouth to buyers who have the trust of poachers through past sales. Sturgeon sellers are very cautious about approaching new buyers, says Herzfeld, and undercover agents seldom succeed in making arrests. Although jail sentences are rarely levied for sturgeon poaching, says Wipperman, a $200 fine has created some anxiety amongst the poaching fraternity. “In stake-out operations,” says Wipperman, “potential sturgeon poachers have been overheard expressing their fear of being caught and having to pay the whopping fine.”

Some illegal operators have boasted that they could “produce” a ton of sturgeon in only a couple of days during the run. These poachers have been named the Wolf River Pirates and seem to even take pride in their poaching efforts.

They carry out their routines at night under the cloak of darkness. The Pirates board rafts and small boats and head to the river banks of the Wolf where they inspect mag lines and nets by propelling themselves silently through the darkness using long poles.

Because of increased arrests, however, poachers have experienced higher levels of anxiety for fear that a warrant may be waiting almonte the next bend. This anxiety creates a palpable sense of uneasiness for wardens. When surprised by a warden, poachers have acted nervously, attacking and beating wardens until they escape.

Word of such confrontations has been echoed for decades on the Wolf, and serves as another reminder of its ancient history.

It’s a scar that has been slow to heal.

Canoe race draws thousands to Coon Creek

Ten years ago, University of Wisconsin-La Crosse student Mike Kinziger organized a canoe race for a class project in the tiny southwestern Wisconsin village of Coon Valley. A total of 119 competitors traveled the six-mile stretch of Coon Creek, a small stream that ranges from 20 to 30 feet wide with a depth one to six feet. About 200 people came to cheer on the canoe racers.

Last year, 1,500 competitors paddled their way down Coon Creek and more than 6,500 came to the park to watch and listen to music. This year’s race is expected to be even bigger.

“The event grows every year because it has turned into sort of an alumni event,” says Kinziger, who now teaches in the university’s recreation and parks management department. “People come to see an old roommate, an old paddling partner.”

The 10th annual Coon Creek Canoe Race and Festival is planned for May 9 and 10 at Veteran’s Park in Coon Valley, located about 15 miles southeast of La Crosse. This year, the race is being organized by students in the UW-L Recreation Major’s Club.

Kinziger has remained involved in the planning of the annual event, first as an instructor of a recreation planning class, and now as the adviser to the Recreation Major’s Club. During that time, the race has experienced change. In recent years, it has been attracting more non-canoeists who come to not only watch the race, but also to enjoy music and refreshments.

“It started out as a canoe race, but the majority of people don’t paddle anymore,” says Kinziger. “They just come and enjoy the day.”

This year, spectators can listen to four bands that will offer rock, country rock, bluegrass, traditional and contemporary music. Bands scheduled to appear from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday include Blind Baby Olin and the Workbenches, The Arms and Northern Hospitality. Sunday’s entertainment from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. will include Blind Baby and Rode Hard and Poi Up Wet.

The race begins Saturday at 8 a.m. and will continue until 2 p.m. Awards will be given to competitors who beat the established time in their category. Participants who complete the course in one hour and 40 minutes or less will receive a T-shirt.

Division for Saturday’s race include men 18-24, women 18-24, and co-ed. p. 14
Schmeekle to host outdoor fair

A community fair at which there will be programs and activities for people of all ages to celebrate their roots to the land is scheduled Saturday, May 2, at the Schmeekle Reserve Visitor Center in Stevens Point.

The event will open at 10:30 a.m. and continue until 4 p.m. on North Point Drive, across from SentryWorld Golf Course.

There will be live music, folk dancing, demonstrations, food and refreshment stands, games, and tours of the Schmeekle Reserve (an area set aside for nature) and re-enactments of early residents who tamed the Central Wisconsin area.

Admission at the gate will be $2 for adults. Children under 12 will be admitted without charge.

Ron Zimmerman, director of the reserve, said the event will be a first of its kind at the reserve and, if successful, is likely to be repeated as a means of developing community support for and interest in the nature area and its programs.

Schmeekle Reserve was established about 10 years ago by the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point. It contains trails for jogging and walking and has European-style fitness stations that members of the public are encouraged to use. The area is a haven for wildlife and an outdoor laboratory for students and faculty, particularly those in the College of Natural Resources and Department of Biology. The staff conducts nature programs there throughout the year for the public.

Schedule of special events of the fair - 10:30 to 11:15 a.m., Broken String Band (folk music and square dancing); 11:15 to 11:45 a.m., slide show on nature interpretation and walk through the reserve led by the Surveyor; 11:30 a.m. to noon, demonstration of the muzzle loading rifle and other skills of early traders by the Marshfield Havernants;

Noon to 12:15 p.m., live demonstration of falconry; 12:15 to 1 p.m., Broken String Band; 1 to 1:15 p.m., UWSP International Folk Dancers; 1:15 to 1:30 p.m., falconry demonstration; 1:30 to 1:45 p.m., UWSP National Folk Dancers; 1:45 to 2:15 p.m., buffalo chip tossing contest in divisions for local celebrities, adults and children; 2 to 2:30 p.m., slide show on nature interpretation and tour of the reserve led by Surveyor; 2:30 to 2:45 p.m., muzzle loading demonstration; 2:45 to 3:30, Broken String Band.

Throughout the day, the booths will feature displays of prairie plants and medicinal herbs and teas, sales outlets for buffalo burgers, soft drinks and homemade ice cream. There will be a non-alcohol saloon for adults and storytelling for children and demonstrations of spinning and weaving, creation of Indian crafts, maple syruping, quilting, butter churning and shell ing and logrolling.

A world champion lumberjack show comprised of several northern Wisconsin professional lumberjacks will demonstrate log chopping and rolling, as throwing and bucksawing throughout the day.

Staff and student assistants at the reserve will be dressed in costumes typical of those worn by local residents in the mid 1800s. They will represent loggers, saloon keepers, prairie women, medicine salesmen, a local sheriff, minstrels and a bucket brigade.

World champion lumberjacks featured

The century-old skills of old-time lumberjacks will be featured in head-to-head competition at Scheer’s Lumberjack Show of Champions.

Burly lumberjacks, clad in woolen pants, plaid shirts and brightly colored suspenders, match their skills in chopping, crosscut sawing, tall tree climbing, axe throwing and logrolling as well as modern-day power sawing.

These lumberjack skills were perfected by lumberjacks over a hundred years ago in the forests of North America. To pass idle time away, lumberjacks would challenge each other to tests of skills in an "Olympics of the Forest," just as you will see at Scheer’s Lumberjack Show of Champions.

Featuring the famous Scheer family of lumberjacks and other World Class competitors, Scheer’s Lumberjack Show has been seen at fairs, festivals and sport shows throughout North America and Australia. The Scheers have also been featured on ABC Wide World of Sports, ABC Superstars and CBS Challenge of the Sexes.

The show is one of the most popular family attractions in North America offering the audience a rare opportunity to take a walk in the past into logging camp of 1900.
MADISON, WI — Wisconsinites who want to preserve the state's native plant and animal communities will find good news in the Department of Natural Resources Bureau of Endangered Resources (BER) 1986 annual report.

The report shows that the bureau secured a additional 842 acres in 1986 for the state's natural areas system, bringing the system's total acreage to 31,000. The new acreage was located throughout the state. Twenty acres were donated, and 822 acres were purchased with private donations and match grants from state funds. Four hundred and thirty acres were dedicated.

The Wisconsin Natural Areas System conserves the remaining tracts of high quality natural land which represent the Wisconsin landscape before the state was settled. Natural areas sites, now numbered 531, are located throughout the state, and contain all types of biotic communities and other significant natural features.

The purpose of the system is to select the most important sites and natural features for education, research, and to secure long-term protection of the state's genetic diversity for the benefit of future generations.

The system has been taking shape since 1951 when Wisconsin conservationists fostered the first state natural areas preservation program in the United States. Today the system is administered by BER's Natural Areas Section.

A 1986 survey revealed that more than 45,000 individuals visited 96 state natural areas on classroom tours. Thirty-nine research projects — two involving acid rain — are underway on state natural areas.

Following are some 1986 purchases and dedications:

* Pickeral Lake Fen in Walworth County: 12 acres; this fen-dwelling fen originates from alkaline seeps and springs at the base of a glacial kame. The fen is floristically diverse and includes a large population of fen-honed rush.
* Rush Creek in Crawford County: 68 acres; this natural area north of Ferryville contains a series of dry lime prairies on steep Mississippi River bluffs. There are also takeout aires of high quality upland and floodplain types. Red-shouldered and cooper's hawks, both on the state threatened list, nest on the area.

For more information about natural energy and the environment, write Wisconsin Public Service Corporate Communications P.O. 19001, Madison, WI 53707-9001 or call (414) 433-1630.

-- Bill Smith

**AFRICAN DISCOVERIES?**

NUCLEAR WASTE STORED TWO BILLION YEARS

In 1972 French scientists working in tropical Africa discovered a site where nuclear waste has been safely contained for an estimated two billion years. Remarkably, the naturally created waste did not make the region's ground water undrinkable. Instead, natural processes helped the waste — thousands of pounds of it — in the rocks where the waste was buried.

Where did this ancient nuclear waste come from? It was created below ground when uranium ore body began operating just like the core of a modern nuclear reactor. The ore was water-soaked and hot. Even with these harsh conditions, the rocks worked — they held the waste at that site.

Plutonium-239, a radioactive substance with a 25,000-year half-life, did not budle. 

Some other radioactive chemicals of the "fission product" class did migrate, but less than 300 feet through the rocks. Natural processes halted movement, allowing scientists today to study the remnants of ancient geological "disposal".

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**ENDANGERED RESOURCES BUREAU releases report**

Nature writers wanted for next year. Call X2249.

**Outdoor Notes**

**Artists featured**

Wildlife artists Sharon Anderson and Sam Timm will be featured at the grand opening of the Willow Creek Gallery and Press on May 9 located at 105 Wausaua St. in Wautoma, Wis. The gallery will be open from 9 a.m. until 7 p.m.

Willow Creek is a well-known national publisher of sporting art and books.

**Outdoor fair**

**UWSP News Service Release**

Experience your "Roots in the Land," during a historic event at Schmeeckle Reserve in Stevens Point, Saturday, May 5, 10-10 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Tap your feet to the live music of the Broken String Band as International Folk Dancers dash out performances center stage.

Taste the flavor of the past in our hot bison burgers, beef brisket, and rabbit delight. Help the Surley Surveys lay out Wisconsin's first survey line. Watch as the Marshfield Hibernants demonstrate the muzzle loading rifle and other skills of the early traders. Take a walk with a famous naturalist.

For competitive folks, watch out for the bystanders as you participate in central Wisconsin's first annual buffalo chip toss. Wander through the past with loggers and settlers, pioneers and Native Americans as they demonstrate:

* Beadwork and quilting, fire building and muzzle loading, spinning and weaving, maple syruping and butter churning.

Kindle your pioneer spirit at the first annual "Roots to the Land Fair," a celebration and more.

For more information, call the Schmeeckle Reserve (715) 346-4992. Admission: Adults $2.00; children under 12 free.

**Nature walks**

**Nature activities at area elementary schools include:**


**Nature walks coming up in May with school themes include:**

**May 1:** p.m. 

- Kennedy Elementary

**Grades 3 & 4, 88 students**

**Theme:** Food chains, natural identification

**Teacher:** Sue Hall

**May 4:** 1:30 p.m.

- Plover/Whiting Elementary

**Grade 3, 28 students**

**Theme:** Spring plants, plant communities

**Teacher:** Anne Raithel

**May 6:** 12:45-3:30 p.m.

- Kennedy Elementary

**Grades 1 & 2, 90/94 students**

**Schmeeckle Reserve**

**Theme:** Plants and animals of spring

**Teacher:** Sandra Newby

**May 8:** 12:45-2:15 p.m.

- McDill Elementary

**Grade 3, 9 students**

**Schmeeckle Reserve**

**Theme:** Spring plants and animal life, food chain

**Teacher:** Joan Gils

The desire to teach is only instilled by the enthusiasm to learn — even if you don't have experience or an intense knowledge of natural resources, come join us! Contact Natural History Walk Chairperson Jim Burns at 346-0768 if interested in finding out more about the walks.
Outdoor Report

Fire remains a threat to northern forests

There should be a lot to enjoy in Wisconsin's great outdoors this weekend. Spring has arrived and with it reports of ruffed grouse drumming, trout running and waterfowl returning to lakes and streams. Anglers also report some good fishing statewide. Dry conditions remain in many areas of northern Wisconsin, making the danger of fire a continued threat. So, enjoy the outdoors, but please use extreme caution to prevent fires.

In the northwestern, woodcock, ruffed grouse and sharptails have begun their spring courtship rituals and deer are frequently along roads and field edges. Wood ticks and bear are biting at night, but are encouraged to keep their distance.

In the north, in Richland County, turkey hunters are looking for likely spots to hunt and call birds. There was considerable fishing activity throughout the southern counties with varied success. Most notably, the Fox and Grand Rivers in Marathon County are producing good catches of walleyes and northern, and anglers are landing some large crappies from the Grand River as well. Nice catches of northerns were reported from Buffalo Lake. Bullhead activity is good on Lazy and Lost Lakes in Dodge County, on Lake Yellowstone in Lafayette County, and in the Bayfield Bottoms of the Mississippi in Grant County.

In the southeast, suckers and smelt are running in Sheboygan and Ozaukee counties and along the southern counties, Wisconsin River anglers are catching some nice browns and cohos. In Milwaukee, Racine and Kenosha County waters, fishing pressure and success were very low.

In the Lake Michigan District, fishing pressure was heavy in the Green Bay area but anglers' success was limited to smaller perch and some crappies and walleyes. Many smelters reported large catches at Whitefish Bay, Baileys Harbor and Lily Bay. Smelt are also running in Manitowoc County and at Red Arrow Park in Marinette. Anglers landed some nice perch — eight to 12 inches at the government pier and the coal docks in Marinette, and up to 15 inches at the Oconto breakwater. White bass fishing is excellent on both the Wolf and Peshtigo Rivers in Winnebago County.

Fire danger in the Antigo area remains extremely hazardous. Monday night's rain amounted to only a fraction of the moisture required to minimize fire danger. As of the week of April 28, all burning permits have been canceled. The ban is likely to remain in effect until the woods and marshes receive a considerable amount of moisture. Panfish are in the shallows and there have been some reports of spawning crappies. Walleyes are being caught on the Wisconsin River near Tomahawk and Wausau.

Sand flies are quite thick in the morning and wood ticks are out. Mayflower blossoms are nearly gone.

It's a marvelous time to be outdoors. Many people took advantage of the weather at the weekend to visit parks. Nice lake sites are available and self-registration is in effect. Very few bugs are out, however, some wood ticks are starting to show up. Panfish are beginning to spawn. The rivers

Area Outdoor Action

Last issue next week

Canoe, from p. 11

34, mixed couples 18-24, men 22-34, women 20-34, and couples 25-34. Sunday's divisions are men 25 and over, women 20 and over, mixed couples 25 and over, boys 14-17, girls 14-17, adult and touring. Participants will be supplied with canoes both days. Competitors may choose their own canoes on Sunday only.

Saturday's race has been so popular that pre-registration is required. Sunday's competitors may register that day at the park, but are encouraged to pre-register. The entry fee is $15. The registration deadline for pre-registration is Friday, May 1.

For more information, write to Coon Creek Canoe Race, 302 Witte Hall, UW-La Crosse, La Crosse, Wisconsin 54601, or call Kinzig at (608) 785-8399.
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Sports Information Department

Senior Arnie Schraeder clicked the fastest 5000 meter and mile times ever by a Division III runner at the Drake Relays held in Des Moines, Iowa this past weekend.

Schraeder, a Port Edwards native, placed second in the 5000 meters in 13:57.4, edged narrowly by former SPASH standout Keith Hanson of Marquette University.

Head coach Rick Witt called Schraeder's performance a remarkable feat.

"Arnie was simply fantastic. He finished one second behind one of the top three runners in the United States," he said. "Arnie's time was the fastest ever clocked by an NCAA III runner, and yet he was disappointed that he did not do better — that is why he is so tough."

"He definitely proved that he is one of the top collegiate runners as the third place finisher was over 300 yards behind."

As if this wasn't enough, Schraeder came back to clock an outstanding 4:01.3 mile in the Distance Medley Relay. His times anchored Tim Olson's 3:45 in the 3/4 mile, Mickey McCoy's 52.8 in the 1/4 mile and Steve Allison's 1:52.4 in the 1/2 mile.

"The second place turned in by the distance medley was the second best finish by a WSUC school," commented Witt. "All four runners ran super and could have been even faster had McCoy not been knocked down."

" Olson kept us in the race with a 3:05 3/4 mile and McCoy ran a fine leg after finding himself in the infiel at the start of his leg," he added. "Allison moved us from next to last (17th place to 12th) with his effort."

"Schraeder then put the 30,000 fans in the stands in an uproar as he ran his first 400 in 50.9," said Witt. "He really electrified the crowd when he moved us from 12th to second place. His 800 time was 1:37 and he finished the mile in 4:01.4."

"I truly believe that had he not been tired from the 5000 on Friday that he could have gone under 4:00," exclaimed Witt. "That is world class."

Other Pointer relays also did well. The 4x100 relay of Har Wolfram, Tim Janke, Randy Gleason and Pete Larsen finished fifth in their heat in 43.8.

The sprint medley finished third in their heat and 10th overall in 3:29.6. Wolfram (22.4), Janke (22.5), Derrick Bass (51.1) and Steve Allison (1:52.4) combined for the top 10 finish.

"The sprint medley relay ran very well and we were the top NCAA III team in the race," commented Witt. "We had to make a change at the last minute and put Janke in place of Larsen who had a slight leg problem."

"Bass was at first knocked off the track at the exchange and that cost us about 1/2 seconds. Allison ran a super 800 and showed he is ready for some great 400's in the next couple of weeks."

The 4x800 relay of Steve Wellmer (1:58), Curt Lepak (1:57), Tim Olson (1:59) and Allison (1:54) placed 12th in 7:53 while the 4x400 relay of Brad Houriet (56.8), Ted Blanco (51.0), McCoy (50.4) and Gleason (1:51.9) finished third in their heat in 3:23.

"Both the 4x800 and the 4x400 relays were disappointed with the results and I know that they would like the opportunity to run the best series of triple jumps as all were 6'" which Witt indicated is "a sign of great things."

Witt summarized the two-day event.

"On Friday I generally felt that we did not run as well as we were capable of. We were a little awed with the competition which they introduced as world record holders or Olympic champions," said Witt. "Once we found ourselves staying re-laxed and concentrating on what was important for us we did very well."

The women also had some fine performances but failed to place in any of the events.

The sprint medley of Becky Sherwood, Cheri Schopper, Car­lene Wilkinson and Carrie Enger was clocked at 1:52.83. The same group finished the 4x100 in 51.17.

The 4x400 relay of Schopper, Barb Kruene, Maureen Seidl and Enger crossed the tape in 4:01.7.

The relay's performed mediocre," said head coach Len Hill. "We had some great performances which were offset by some average performances."

"The times were fast but not as fast as they should be in a meet of this calibur."


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SPORTS
Sandra thrones crowd at Drake

Former UW-Stevens Point All-American Terry Porter, now a guard with the Portland Trail Blazers, was recently named the team's Most Improved Player. Porter received his award at the recent Meister Brau/Blazer Boosters MVP Banquet. Porter was selected for the award by the votes of Trail Blazer fans throughout the season. Earlier this year, Porter's No. 30 was retired during ceremonies at a Portland men's basketball game. He is in his second year with Portland.

Lost crucial points hurt netters

by Karen Kulinski Sports Editor

Unpredictable is the best word to describe the recent play of the Pointer men's tennis team.

The Pointers have been shutting out opponents or getting beat in the same manner.

Last Friday, in a rare home outing, Point whitewashed Platteville, 9-0. All of the singles matches were decided in two sets with Bryan Zowin, Gary Polston, Doug Greenberg and Peter Benedict only relinquishing one game. Other singles winners were Bill Diehl and Stew Stone.

The doubles teams didn't let up and also won every match in two sets. One match that stood out pleased Point coach Dave Droste. "Benedict-Stone played well at No. 3 to beat the No. 3 and 3 singles players," he said. "Overall, we played very good tennis."

Once a long time foe and still a long time foe. The Pointers, who have been unable to beat Eau Claire in the past, fell once again, 5-4.

The Pointers only won two singles and one double over," said Witt in — but lost a close match at No. 3. Point's Polston won the 7-5 in a hard breaker, 7-4, only to lose the next set, 6-2. In the opening set, Polston lost the tie breaker this time as the point score went to 9-7.
Doubles victories went to Diehl-Zowin and Polston-Greenberg. At No. 3 doubles, Benedict-Stone played a three-setter which included two tie breakers. The Point duo won the first set, 7-4, but lost the next two, 8-2 and 7-6.

Droste commented on the importance of winning crucial points. Had Point won the two tie-breaker matches, the Pointers would have turned the match around and won, 6-3.

“Our biggest weakness continues to be our lack of ability to pull out the big crucial points,” said Droste. “We lost two three setters in this match in which both of them we had match points in the tie breaker in the third set and didn’t pull off the win.”

In another match at Oshkosh, the Pointers turned the tables on their opponent and won the close match, 5-4, with La Crosse being the victim.

Point won three singles matches—Polston, Greenberg and Benedict and captured two of three doubles matches to steal the win. Doubles winners were Diehl-Zowin (7-6, 8-3) and Polston Greenberg (6-1, 6-3).

“Our No. 1 and 2 doubles teams again played very good tennis to pull this match out after we were tied 3-3 after singles,” said Droste.

Droste named Polston as Pointer Player of the Week.

When the Pointers enter the WIAA non-conference tournament this Friday and Saturday, Point hopes to improve upon last year’s fourth place showing. The meet in Madison begins at 8 a.m. on both days.

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**Pointers baseball**

**Crush Platteville lose to Titans**

by Andy Goehle

Staff Writer

The UW-Stevens Point men’s baseball team was on the road this past weekend playing double headers against UW-Platteville and UW-Oshkosh.

Last Friday in Platteville, the Pointers banged out 26 hits and scored 26 runs enroute to a doubleheader sweep of the Pioneers. Point won the first game 14-3, and shut out Platteville 12-0, in game two.

In the opener, UWSP exploded for eight unanswered runs in the second inning to put the game away early. Dan Dan­toin, Mike Reuchel, Chris Ko­nle and Greg Dantoin all had a big game at the plate. Dan Dan­toin went four-for-four with three runs scored while Kohnle was three-for-four with a home run and five RBIs and Mike Sorge added a home run to the Pointer offensive show. The Pioneers stranded nine men on base.

The pitching duel of Tom Karst and Jeff Spetz kept the Pioneer batters at bay in game one. Karst notched his fourth win of the season against two defenses while fanning two batters and walking four. Spetz also picked up a pair of strikeouts in his relief role.

In the nightcap, Scott Pompe pitched his first complete game of the season in shutting out the Pioneers. Pompe allowed four bases on balls and fanned seven.

Offensively in game two, the Pointers scored 12 runs on 10 hits. Leading the Pointing hitting attack were Dan and Greg Dan­toin. Both brothers were two­for-three. Paul Spetz added his fourth home run of the year and Scott Pompe, Karst and Spitz­ er.

Last Saturday in Oshkosh, the Pointer bats were as cold as the weather. The Titans took a pair of games from UWSP winning 3-1 and 8-1.

In the opener, Darin Levereau pitched his fourth complete game while suffering his only defeat of the season. He allowed three runs on seven base hits, walked two and fanned three Titans batters.

The Pointer offense managed just one run on three base hits and stranded five men on base. Greg Dantoin scored the lone run on an RBI single by Spetz. "Darin Levereau pitched another nice ball game. We were just unable to get some runs for him," said Handel.

In the nightcap, Speth suffered only his second loss of the season, with pitching relief from Spetz and Tom Hensley.

The Pointer bats again were silent, managing one run on six hits. C’N Dantanlia and Speth were both two-for-three with a double. Mike Reuchel added his eighth home run of the season.

Coach Handel summarized the Oshkosh doubleheader, "We were unable to come up with the big hit all day long. We had a number of opportunities, but we were just unable to capitalize."

The Pointers resume action today, traveling to Madison for a 2 p.m. non-conference game against the Wisconsin Badgers. UWSP returns home for their fi­nal two games on Friday, May 1, against UW-Platteville and on Saturday, May 2, hosting UW-Whitewater. Saturday will be Dominuses Pizza Day. Both games are scheduled to start at 1 p.m. at Bukolt Park.

The Pointers are now 15-12 overall and 3-4 in the WSBU southern division.
Volleyball club 3rd at conference

by Karen Kulinski
Sports Editor

Steven's Point volleyball had only three victories throughout the season. At the conference meet this past weekend, the team didn't let their record get in the way. The Pointers tied their first two matches with the next set dropping before the final match of the tournament to finish in third place. The only team participating in the pool play tourney and the top four teams from pool play advanced to the play-offs. Stevens Point was seeded last going into the tournament with a 3-11 mark. All matches were the best two-out-of-three games.

UWSP faced Carlson, MN in the first round, won the first game 15-10 but lost the second, 13-15. In two lopsided matches against UW-Stout, the Pointers lost the first game 4-16 but came back to win 15-6. Playing the role of the underdog in the third match, Point averaged two earlier losses to St. Thomas, MN and won both games, 15-9 and 15-5.

The Pointers kept their hot streak going and swept two games from Luther, Iowa 15-12 and 15-7 before losing their first match to St. Olaf, MN 13-15 and 6-15. Point finished pool play with an impressive second place standing.

"St. Olaf was a very experienced team," said club president Mark Thuerman. "They have three members of the Norwegian National team, including standard setter Veada Voss."

The top Pointer was Dave Woodford who had 123 kill spikes for the tourney, a .428 percent attack accuracy. Dave Cleary had 19 solo blocks and 35 assist blocks throughout the day with a match-high 17 total blocks against second-seeded Carleton. Dale Olson and Dan Lesniki tied for top serving honors as each had no errors.

"Our tournament play was a tremendous improvement over season play," said Thuerman. "We went from last place to a tie for third place and split our match against eventual tournament champion Carleton. We beat them in team points, 38-35. "Tom Koch did an excellent job wandering the area and picking up everything on defense. Everyone knew their roles, played them to their abilities and thus we got amazing productivity as shown by the results."

Woodford was named to the first team all-conference for his efforts as a middle hitter while Thuerman made the second team as a setter.

Point's final overall record was 5-12/2.

Golfers turn in few good rounds

by Karen Kulinski
Sports Editor

Lots of experience but few good rounds. That's what the Pointer men's golf team picked up this past weekend.

Last Friday, Point finished third out of seven teams at Lawsonia Links in Green Lake. Oshkosh won the invitational with a score of 410 while Eau Claire was second at 412, followed by Stevens Point 418, Stout 419, Platteville 431, Marquette 435 and Green Bay 485.

Although the playing conditions were fantastic, the Pointers didn't perform that well. Jamie Keller and Joe Starke each shot 99s while Greg Majka and Mickey Gilbert tallied 98s. Kurt Rebholz added an 86. Mike Friederich's 89 was not counted in the team total.

"Our team did not play that well," said Point Coach Pete Kaussan, "but Jamie and Joe placed in the top 11. The pin placements were very difficult."

Perfect conditions Sunday and extremely windy conditions Monday took its toll on the Pointers at the Madison Invitational.

Point finished the meet in seventh place out of nine teams with a score of 391. Michigan State won the meet with a 293.

Rebholz topped the Pointer squad with a 241 on three rounds of 78-83-78. Majka chipped in with a 247 (84-81-82) while Gilbert scored rounds of 84-82-47 for a 252.

"There were big scores turned in on the second day due to the very tough conditions," said Kaussan. "It was a good experience for our players but we did not shoot well."

The Pointers will host the Pointer Open at the Stevens Point Country Club on May 1.
Lieut. Gov. McCallum chats

by Keith Uhlig

Staff Writer

Lieutenant Governor Scott McCallum visited UWSP last Friday to deliver a speech to the Student Government Association.

In a talk cut short due to time constraints, McCallum said he got his start in student politics. "I probably learned more about governing from student politics than anything else," said McCallum.

McCallum also said there are more social issues that student government can get involved in, such as day care and maternity leave.

McCallum then addressed the rising cost of education. He felt one of the major cost factors for students is the class system, and the fact that the system is set up so the average time it takes to obtain five years. "What we really are trying to do is structure the class system, to make four years the average time."

The state will also push for greater use of the two-year campuses, according to McCallum. "We want to tie in the two-year campuses with the four-year campuses," he said. This would make it easier for a student to attend the two-year schools and then make the transition to a four-year facility.

Addressing the problem of college graduates leaving Wisconsin for jobs out of state, McCallum said, "People go where the jobs are," and the key to keeping graduates in state is to create more jobs here.

One area that would make it easier for a student to attend a four-year facility is the Student Government Association meeting held at UWSP last Friday and Saturday.

UWSP's delegation was one of several UW student governments present at last weekend's United Council of Student Government's meeting held at UWSP last Friday and Saturday.

According to Capon, credit card companies often require a parent to co-sign the application form. "That would eliminate the bank's risk, but now there's pressure on the parents if the bills don't get paid."

Students who have credit cards should avoid over extending themselves, says Capon, because a bad credit rating may never be remedied. "The cards are a convenience; people should use this feature and avoid building up big balances."

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Computer registration

by Paul Lehman

Staff Writer

UWSP is close to a final decision in the purchase of SIS (Student Information System), a computer and software package. The SIS system would be used to automate areas such as registrations and admissions.

The system is not an added "trill," according to a university spokesperson, but part of a larger plan to get off of the aging Burroughs mainframe computer the university is currently using. According to Colin Andrews of Colleens, the existing system costs thousands of dollars to maintain. Once SIS is in place it will save the university money previously used to run Burroughs.

The cost of the system, which cannot be disclosed because a contract has not yet been signed with the contractor, would come out of monies already set aside from previous budgets just for this purpose. There would be no hikes in student fees to pay for the system.
English prof returns from Africa

University News Service

As Julie Dietche endured recurring intestinal "bugs" and fevers brought on by unanitary conditions in her city, she wondered what had possessed her, a woman in her late 40s, to trade the comforts of being a valued faculty member at UWSP for a Peace Corps assignment in West Africa. Her misery loved company in each of her recoveries. Whenever she trudged to an infirmary for medication while wondering if she was too old for the job, there were always other American volunteers, most of them her age, dealing with the same health problems.

Ms. Dietche spent one year as a language trainer with Senegalese English teachers in 11 schools in St. Louis, Senegal, and one year as a teacher of American literature at the University of Ouagadougou in Burkina Faso (formerly Upper Volta).

Her bouts with the illnesses that are common among volunteers in that part of the world were frequent and, as a result interfered with many of her travel plans. Nonetheless, she was able to assemble numerous pieces of native art, clothing, photographs and miscellaneous items from all parts of the two countries.

Ms. Dietche, who returned to campus last summer is one of very few UWSP faculty members ever to join the Peace Corps. The decision to become a volunteer was a new wrinkle in her lifelong wanderlust. From 1980 to 1981, she independently made arrangements to serve on the faculty of the Shandong University Institute of Modern American literature in northeastern China.

"But I've wanted to go to Africa all my life, simply for the excitement and adventure," she recalled. So in 1984, her only son grown, she put her furniture in storage and went in search of jungles and wild animals, neither were to be found in the areas she served.

"All we had was sand desert," she explained, and heat that at times was intolerable - about 115 degrees. Severe thirst is a persistent problem there.

It was the people of Senegal and Burkina Faso that became "the most positive part of my two years," Ms. Dietche continued. She was particularly taken with the residents of Burkina Faso who, despite living in the world's fifth poorest country, are "full of vitality and pride, energetic and inspiring."

She enjoyed their music and their love of it and was amused by the fact that "everyone rides motor bikes in streets full of potholes. It was absolute chaos."

Burkina Faso's leader, Capt. Thomas Sankara is pro-Libyan, and when the US bombed Libya last year, the Americans in Burkina Faso were advised to keep a "low profile," according to Ms. Dietche. Since then, Sankara has announced that effective this summer, his country would end its 20-year involvement of hosting Peace Corps volunteers.

Ms. Dietche says her time in Africa gave her an opportunity to develop a "whole new appreciation for the size and variety of the continent." It also made her optimistic for the continent's future, though her protests that progress will be a struggle as the people deal with so many different languages, powers and artificial boundaries. "I loved the experience and I'd do it again. Of course I came home broke," she added.

But she didn't come home empty handed. Items she collected include bronze figures in varying sizes, many made in a "lost wax process" resulting in only one of a kind. There are hand-carved wood masks, hand-carved dolls (some covered with leather), various articles of clothing, and fabric with designs and messages that carry propaganda messages from the government, beaded bracelets very similar to the kind made by American Indians, combs, and wall hangings. Ms. Dietche, originally from Greenwich, Conn., has a B.A. from Vassar College, an M.A. from New York University and a Ph.D. from the University of North Carolina. She came to UWSP in 1976.

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Sisterhood is Global
2nd Annual Open House

The Women's Resource Center is celebrating its second annual Sisterhood is Global open house on May 2nd, 1997. There will be live music and information booths on the lawn of Old Main at UWSP from 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m. Also interested videos on pornography, feminization of poverty and sexual assault will be shown at the Women's Resource Center during the open house.

The entertainers include Betsy Godwin (folk singer), Shane Totten (folk singer), Jaxx combo, Cassandra McGraw (singer), Beth Ludeman (singer). Dove Tail's Women speak poetry troupe presenting two poems Stuuning Harvest and Chilean Women.

Informational booths will also be set up for literature on peace education, SAVS, and many other organizations. The WRC is holding a book sale and will be providing refreshments for the day with an international flavor. The Open House will be fun and exciting please join us!!!!

The Susun Murphy Pitowsky Award will be awarded for the best piece of student ceramics produced this year. The competition is open to all UWSP full-time undergraduate students. Stop in at Art Dept. for information and entry blanks.

Everyone is invited to the Spanish Club's final meeting of the year. There will be a guest speaker on Mexican slides from our neighboring country and come with lots of questions. New officers have been selected; meet them and hear their ideas for next year. The meeting will be held in the Garland Room in the University Center, April 30 from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. See you Thursday. Hasta Viermes.

UWSP Apple User Group presents Dr. William Wreacz, speaking on "Writing and Computers," Tues., May 5, 7 p.m. IMC (3rd Floor library). All are invited to attend. Also: club elections for next year. C'mon down.

Ne: I'm looking forward to a great year next year. Let's keep our guys close this summer. Love ya, Neen

Linda: You are the cutest. We really got lucky to have you as a roommate. We will miss you. Love you, Neen

P.W: Hey don'tcha know hey? You deserve the best kiddo, so go for it! Let's have fun these next few weeks ok! Love, Fish

To my runner who is always going, in time, and safe. I'm really looking forward to baking my book with you at Rock Dam. I can't wait until Saturday. Love JW

Dear Lynn: I just want you to know how much I care about you, and how much I'm looking forward to showing you. I am yours, Kevin

To the new KSK: Thanks for taking the time to think about what's important and for realizing that sometimes the little things are just as special. I love you, Bunsy

Gals of AFB Board: We did that in town in style: getting our kicks from elevator rides, eating clams at Happy Hour and Dancing till? Glad we learned about BC glasses. How hilarious. Memories for the Record.

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Eric Clapton: Live in Concert (6:30 p.m.)

AIDS Survival Kit (5:30 p.m.)

AIDS Dilemma (6 p.m.)

SATURDAY:

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BERNIE BLESKE

Senior Editor

A popular topic in education classes was (and most certainly still is) teachers. In every ed. class I've had the subject has come up. This teacher didn't care, that one didn't know the material, this one couldn't communicate it. We continually bitched about aspects that we, as soon-to-be teachers, would make sure we did not have.

But we were, I think, missing something — something big about the whole field of teaching. It has to do with both good teachers and bad teachers as well as education itself.

I think without a doubt that the majority of my teachers in high school were not terribly good, perhaps mediocre is a better word, certainly only a select few stand out in my mind.

The rest are a foggy and dull history of boring and tedious tests. The few that were good, really good, were good for very personal reasons — they had an individual charm or care or feeling that the others did not, and could not, have. I think it's hard to say what made them good teachers because somewhere along the line they thought about what bad teachers did. They were just good.

We all wanted, though, to be good teachers. We wanted to stand out, to influence our students, to make them see and learn and care about it. But I think, without a doubt, that most of my teachers also had wanted to be that way. And for some reason most of them were not.

So right there we were lying to ourselves. We thought that by catching the bad we could be good. Certainly we would become better by catching the bad — but GOOD comes from somewhere else, I'm convinced of that.

Most of us would join the ranks of those mediocre teachers we barely remembered and feared being like.

Right there we were lying to ourselves.

Ideally, we also had hope in who we would teach. It would be exciting to meet prospective teachers to say that they believe their students will love the material, but in the very least they expect to make their students interested in the material.

This is another big topic in education classes: making the stuff interesting. In many ways we planned elaborate games. Often the assumption was that students would instinctively dislike what we taught, so we had to trick them into learning the material. This makes sense: we've learned in our past that most of what we are taught is boring — or perhaps more importantly, meaningless.

So how do we change that? It would be unrealistic to assume that our students would share our enthusiasm for what we taught. And all those teachers we had before, most of them also wanted and tried to make the material interesting. Again, though, the quality was not in those teacher's games — it was in their teaching, in whatever they had that made them good.

We thought to be good through games, and that too was a lie.

It seemed to me, as I was taking those classes, that something was wrong in our desires to teach.

It is a strange group of answers one gets if they ask a group of prospective teachers just why they want to teach. Many say they like kids — which is okay. Still others write what they study, the material, and teaching is an easy if not the only way to make a living on it (like history and English). A great many simply shrug, saying, "is there nothing else?" These are also people with major that fit well in the "real

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Dinner at Debot

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16” one item pizza and 4 cokes $7.99
Expires 5-17-87
1 Coupon per pizza

STOMACH STUFFER
12” pepperoni, thick crust, extra cheese and 2 cokes $5.99
Expires 5-17-87
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FREE THICK CRUST
With any pizza
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