DeBot investigation reveals little

by Chris Kelley
Photo Editor

After a three month investigation, the Portage County Health Department has been unable to connect any of the six students who became ill after eating at DeBot with the food handlers who served them, according to County Health Officer Kirsten Hall.

Four samples that were sent to the state lab in December tested positive for Staphylococcus Aureus, a Staph infection carried normally by most people.

"DeBot investigation reveals little," Hall said. "We take every precaution. We even contemplated using surgical masks, but we thought that would turn people off."

The tests work best if samples are taken within 24 hours, according to Hall.

"We believe with the other sick students that they were just too late," she said.

The organism is common on non-cooked food or food that's been cooked and left at room temperature, according to Richard Crowther, a microbiologist at UWSP.

Staph can cause food poisoning, boils on the skin or even toxic-shock syndrome, but is unpredictable since problems are rare, Crowther said.

"The next step is that the state should hire an engineering firm to handle the detailed engineering on the project," said Paper Science professor Biasca.

The IBM equipment in the reassembly project was a firm supporter of the project.

"On January 19, the building commission approved $917,000 toward the project. It's up to the university to get the rest of it," said Graham.

Approximately 200 students are currently enrolled in the paper science program at UWSP, and the rest of the funding will come from a variety of sources, said Graham.

"You don't have a lot to work with when you get these kind of results," she said.

The items are in the way the food was presented if it was out on a buffet for a couple of hours or if people handled it, according to Crowther.

"You're going to find out who did it if you'd go for nasal swabs from workers," he said.

"It's really a detective process."

UWSP paper science rolls forward

Rolls forward program benefits from industry donations

by Collin Lueck
News Editor

The paper industry is casting an interested eye in the direction of the UWSP Department of Paper Science.

IBM, in an effort to gain exposure to the pulp and paper industry, has donated $180,000 worth of computing equipment and software to enhance operations in the UWSP paper science program.

"The equipment and software has actually been here for six months," said paper science professor, Karyn Biasca.

"IBM was happy with the way we were using it and the agreement on the gift was signed last week," said Biasca.

The IBM equipment includes 32 personal computers and one larger mini-computer.

Under the terms of the contract, IBM will retain ownership of the equipment and be responsible for any necessary repairs for the next three years, after which time the equipment will become property of the university, said Biasca.

A model papermaking machine was donated to the program by the S.D. Warren Company in August, 1992 and will be installed in the Paper Science annex of the Science Building as soon as financial and engineering matters are worked out.

"The ball is in the Department of Administration's court as to when we get the process moving," said Paper Science Department Chair Larry Graham.

"The next step is that the state will hire an engineering firm to handle the detailed engineering on the project," said Graham.

The model paper machine will be a valuable teaching tool because it will allow students hands-on experience in the papermaking process.

"The IBM computers may eventually be interconnected with all of the various functions of that device, according to Professor Biasca.

The cost of transporting the $2 million paper machine to Stevens Point from its previous home in Maine was estimated at $60,000 to $70,000, and the cost of refurbishment and reassembly was estimated at $1.8 million.

At the December, 1993 meeting of the UW System Open arms program benefits from industry donations Board of Regents, funding for the reassembly project was approved.

UW Regent and former UWSP chancellor, Lee Dreyfus was a firm supporter of the project.

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UC Policy Board restructures

BREITLY

by Collin Lueck
News Editor

The University Center Policy Board (UCPB) devoted much of its first meeting of the semester Tuesday to the issue of restructuring the board itself.

Board chairperson, Heather Enneper, has proposed a draft to the board which, it was agreed, will be used as a "worksheet" for a new constitution.

Among other revisions from the current set of bylaws, the new draft calls for the "downsizing" of the board from 25 to 12 members, which, it is hoped, will facilitate a more efficient decision-making process.

This would mean, however, that some student organizations currently represented on the board would lose their seats.

The question of downsizing has not yet been fully resolved. As one representative stated, "it's going to be hard to please everyone."

Enneper's new draft also contains a meeting attendance policy for representatives. The current constitution provides no penalties for absences and representatives frequently miss meetings.

"Every meeting I have to count if we even have a quorum," said Enneper.

Beyond the discussion of their own restructuring, the board also examined the new-familiar smoking policy debate.

Results of last semester's smoking survey have been tabulated. The Encore, the Concourse and the LaFollette Lounge are the areas of the UC most preferred to remain smoking.

Many people commented on the survey that they would like to see a no smoking policy in the UC. Nearly half of those surveyed had listed no preference whatsoever regarding the smoking policy.

The survey results are being turned over to Helen Godfrey at Student Development for further consideration.

Budget recommendations for UC renovation were proposed by Chairperson Enneper.

The board examined items that could be deleted from the current 1994-95 budget and which items should be given priority.

Clearing the way

Jim Tharman shovels the winter slop away from the UC entrance Wednesday. If Jimmy the groundhog was right, the snow should be gone soon.

Photo by Chris Kelley

Prof takes teaching high-tech

A UWSP professor's use of a computer in his statistics lectures is being acclaimed as an example of how learning capability can be enhanced by a variety of presentation sources.

Representatives from the Center for Information and Communication Sciences at Ball State University in Indiana have identified William Kirby's course at UWSP as containing among the best practices in the nation in distance learning.

Kirby's work was acknowledged in a paper by the Ball State researchers, which was presented at a recent conference on educational technology in Orlando, Fla.

Kirby has taped a semester-long course for public television in which he is seen seated at his Macintosh personal computer with a small marker board by his side.

During his lectures on statistics, he creates traditional statistical "hieroglyphics" on the marker board.

He then supplements the traditional material by demonstrating it on the Macintosh the distribution, analytic tools and simplicity of the underlying math.

The Math State prof's paper contends that "by zeroing in on the screen, Kirby has a powerful capability to present the material in very suggestive ways, giving both a general feel for the material and a comprehensive exploration into the workings of statistics. Such computer-driven display can bring directly by projection systems into the classroom."

The statistics course by Kirby has appeared every semester on Wisconsin Public Television since the spring of 1990.

In addition, he has lectured for the first course UWSP has offered via satellite to a 23-state region.

He also has taught several courses for teachers on a micro-wave system from the Professional Studies Building to locations in several north central Wisconsin cities.

SGA Update

April 5th is election day. To get involved in the registration process, which will take place in early March, contact SGA at 346-4036.

A legislative hot line is available to all UWSP students Monday-Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. By dialing 1-800-362-9472 students can speak to legislators, find out the district or ward in which they live, or present their view on legislative issues.

The 1994/95 Athletic Budget will be discussed on Thursday, Feb. 3 at the SGA Senate Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in the Wright Lounge in the UC. All students are welcome to attend.

Get involved with SGA. Administrative assistant, Secretary, and At Large Committee positions are now open. All applications are available in the SGA office located in the lower level of the UC. For any other information contact Christine at 346-4036.

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CRIME LOG

Incidents gathered from Protective Services Information.

Harassment - Sat. Jan. 29 - Female student reported receiving obscene phone calls.

Sun., Jan. 30 - Female student filed a complaint that two individuals have been calling her and leaving inappropriate messages on her answering machine. One of the individuals has also been following her, the complaint stated.

Vandalism - Sun., Jan. 30 - Student reported that the passenger side of his car had been smashed while parked in Lot Q.

- Driver's window found smashed out of a car parked in Lot X.

 Attempted Theft - Fri., Jan. 28 - Male student caught trying to steal flashing barricade beacon on Isadore St. by Debot. He was also undergaged and drinking.

- Two female students caught trying to steal same barricade beacon a half hour after first incident.

Assembly Bill 259 which would lower Wisconsin's drinking age to 19 has successfully been advanced from the Committee on Exise and Fees to the Joint Finance Committee by a vote of 5-3; last Thursday.

Students who wish to vote on this bill can do so by calling 346-4036 or through the SGA voting booth which will be located in the UC next week.

The Tavern League of Wisconsin will also be sponsoring a rally on March 15 at the state capitol in support of this bill.

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Rude actions of few impress their mess on all

by Lisa Herman
Features Editor

Attention hall residents: It's called a trash can, a toilet, a recycling bin, a chew cup. Find 'em and use 'em!

I had the pleasure of working as a student custodian over break.

I say this half sarcastically because I worked with great people and made a little cash, but the cleaning I expected to do was nothing compared to what I (we) encountered.

Puke, snout, chew, urine, moldy food and lint-o' gum were the substances we sponged and scraped off of, not bathrooms, but surfaces most of the residents walk on and lean against in every hall, on every floor, on every wing.

My impression? You're all a bunch of inconsiderate, immature slobs.

I have some questions: when you're walking along does gum just fall out of your face without you realizing it, or do you just refuse to take a second to bend down and pick it up or discard it in the proper receptacle? When you have to clear your nasal passages, wouldn't it be easier to just use a hankie than public property, other residents and yourself—make an impression.

Whatever happened to the idea of an adolescent. Within one year, he has gone from America's most loved to America's most hated because someone, somewhere will never receive the chance because someone, somewhere will be waiting to destroy them.

I believe that you can not have a healthy society without the presence of people that are able to influence and gain the respect of its population. Just watch what we do to our President over the next couple of months and I think you'll understand what I mean.

Society destroys our role models

by Richard Wald vogel

There is something seriously wrong with our society and the way that we treat our role models. We are continually setting people on top of pedestals only to later knock them off.

At last year's Super Bowl, Michael Jackson performed during the half-time show. There was the King of Pop in all his glory performing before millions of people world-wide. The man's face was everywhere. You couldn't turn on your T.V. without sooner or later seeing him in an advertisement or watching a interview with him.

He was the pride of America. Within one year, he has gone from America's most loved to America's most hated because some kid's parents found a way to get part of Michael's money. Whatever happened to the idea of being innocent until proven guilty.

I may not be a Michael Jackson fan, but his case makes me wonder how someone can go from the top to the bottom so quickly and have the entire world laughing at him the whole way down.

Unfortunately, Michael Jackson is not the only victim of this trend. Our society doesn't even like a purple dinosaur who teaches kids to love one another, yet it embraces two juvenile delinquents who do nothing but watch rock videos and sniff paint thinner.

What really scares me is that there are probably many people out there who would make excellent role models for our children but will never receive the chance because someone, somewhere will be waiting to destroy them.
Students and faculty mentors are encouraged to participate in a celebration of undergraduate research and creativity during this spring semester. Funds are available through the Graduate School Office to support the preparation of posters displaying undergraduate research as well as to provide modest support for other activities which showcase and encourage undergraduate research and creativity in four broad discipline areas - Arts, Humanities, Sciences, and Professional Programs.

Guidelines and application forms for student participation and financial support are available in the Graduate School Office in room 118 Main. Deadline for applications for financial support is February 15, 1994.

PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS

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**Pro-life persecution**

Dear Editor,

Even though Mr. Brunner doesn't directly come off as a pro-choicer in his editorial last week, I would like to address a few of his points.

First, I consider myself to be a Christian, and with this I am a pro-life. What I would like to say, even though you didn’t directly state it, is that all pro- lifers are not violent, as a matter of fact most are not.

Yes, it is true that there has been some shouting at doctors in front of abortion clinics. However, please remember that this also occurs on the pro-choice side.

When he stated that pro- lifers are pouring guns into angry protest, I believe his trying to make it sound like all pro- lifers are doing this. As far as I've heard this has happened twice, not every time, as he tried to state.

Christians do not advocate the use of violence at all. So I take that point to be offensive.

He had no just reason to pass on this lie onto UWSP students, unless he had proof to back up his allegations.

Now, I know that there are a few students that don’t believe in God, but most do, and I would really appreciate it if this school paper would stop trying to pass on it’s own political point of view.

The only reason that this law passed, is not because there are so many violent acts committed, but because it’s another way to persecute Christians.

Please remember that God loves everyone, even pro-choicers. Just remember that.

God Bless,

Mark Morse
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### Grad student fishes for toxins

by Chris Kelley

"The bags are only three or four years old," said Bill DeVita, a graduate student at UWSP. "There’s lots of research that needs to be done."

DeVita has researched the lipid bags for the past two years on a project to test the water in Lincoln Creek in downtown Milwaukee.

"We’re looking at contaminants that are bioconcentratable and are dissolved in the water."

-Bill DeVita

"The bags are as rural streams," he said.

"We didn’t expect these levels of PAH’s,” he said. "If you compare these levels to PCB levels in a fish, I would consider these levels quite high."

Lipid bags have proven to be a more effective research tool than conventional water sampling methods because they accumulate toxins just like a fish.

Each bag samples the water continuously over a course of about a month.

"It’s like comparing a photograph to a four hour movie," DeVita said.

"We have the ability to look at contaminants that occur peri­odically, like storm water run-off, which carries a load of PAH’s, pesticides, possibly illegal dumping."

DeVita said people are taking a more serious look not only at the lipid bags, but at the high levels of PAH’s as a result of his research.

He has had requests for data from many sources including DuPont, Texaco, the Environmental Protection Agency and the U.S. Geological Survey.

"The DNR is looking at these things for a project on the St. Croix River," Devita said.

"I was really encouraged by the amount of interest this paper generated."

DeVita has been working on his master’s degree in natural resources on a part-time basis since 1988.

### Option presented for sustained use

"We’re all familiar with the population explosion that is occurring in much of the world, especially in certain developing countries, but we often don’t realize the implications of unbridled population growth on the environment," explain Dan Venberg, a UWSP graduate student.

Rising population increases demands on land and water for crops, wood for houses and cooking and on other resources.

Current use trends will compromise availability for future generations. Economic hardship, starvation, wind and water erosion, desertification and other environmental degradation may result.

"Sometimes the situation seems hopeless," says Venberg.

"But I’m convinced that this demand for natural resources can be met if people carefully plan for their continued, sustained use.

It is here that tree species such as Faidherbia albida come in.

"It is my goal to make a contribution towards sustainable land use by incorporating Faidherbia albida into agricultural and forestry development work," explain Venberg.

Faidherbia albida is a leguminous tree having beneficial qualities for agriculture, forestry and soil conservation.

The tree grows very tall, develops extensive roots. Soil surface temperature is reduced.

The ribbon of plastic is actually an artificial fish designed to mimic the accumulations of toxins in natural fish.

-Photo by Chris Kelley

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The tree grows very tall, develops extensive roots. Soil surface temperature is reduced.

In the rainy season, the lack of canopy allows growth to compete for nutrients.

When other plants are dying up, branches of the Faidherbia albida can be cut to provide nutritious feed for livestock.

Venberg has a degree in biology and wildlife management from UWSP and a minor in international resource management.

He plans to spend the next two years in West Africa, working with tree species such as Faidherbia albida.
Tuning in on UWSP deer

Al Guggisberg and Tim Catton use telemetry equipment to pinpoint deer fitted with radio collars in Schmeeckle Reserve.

by Chris Kelley

Hunters in Schmeeckle Reserve are bagging their deer. Armed not with shotguns or bows and arrows, but with headsets and oversized radio antennas, wildlife students at UWSP use telemetry to monitor Schmeeckle's deer herd.

"We're currently working on winter movements and habitat use," said Tim Catton, Deer Project co-leader. The deer are trapped with a net and fitted with a radio collar that transmits a continuous beep. Their location can be determined with telemetry, homing in on the signal using a receiver and a directional antenna.

Ground Hog's Day examined by Jennifer Paust

The United States holds a popular tradition on February 2. On that day, the legendary ground hog, or woodchuck, emerges from a den after a long winter sleep.

If a shadow is present, it is regarded as an omen representing six more weeks of winter weather and the ground hog returns to the hole.

If the day is cloudy and proves to be shadowless, the ground hog takes it as a sign of coming Spring and stays above ground. The tradition stems from similar beliefs associated with Candlemas, held Feb. 2, in England. According to an old English song:

If Candlemas be fair and bright, come, Winter, with another flight. If Candlemas bring clouds and rain, go, Winter, and come not again.

A computer program solves the calculations and plots the location on a computer map of Schmeeckle Reserve.

"You can locate a deer without ever seeing it or disturbing it," Catton said. "The down side? The batteries in the transmitters last only about three years. If the deer stops transmitting it is out of the study unless it can be recaptured."

"One deer with a collar is a resident deer that's been here for almost five years," said Catton. Not surprising, the number one cause of death for deer in Schmeeckle is caused by collisions with cars. Four out of six deer trapped have been hit by cars, according to Catton. Hunting or poaching is suspected in one death.

Some deer are lost from the project when they roam off the reserve. "Hunters returned one collar from Junction City," Catton said. Research began in 1987 as a graduate project to monitor herd movements and deer mortality in a suburban setting. The continuing project has included 35 deer and studies the effects of deer numbers on the vegetation and habitat in the reserve.

"There's not a lot of literature on deer in urban areas," Catton said. "The original records were field notes."
String quartet to visit UWSP

The Colorado String Quartet, which plays "with breathtaking polish and panache," according to the St. Louis Post Dispatch, will perform at 8 p.m., Monday, February 7 at UWSP. Violinists Deborah Redding and Julie Rosenfeld, cellist Diane Chaplin and violist Francesca Martin Silos make up the remarkable group, members of which "should perform any piece their protean talents inspire them to study; the result will be only the best performances, difficult to match in musical integrity and talent," says The Washington Post.

The ensemble was formed in 1976, and seven years later received two of chamber music's highest honors within a ten-day period—the Naumburg Chamber Music Award and first prize at the Banff International String Competition. Since then, it has been acclaimed on four continents as one of the great quartets of all time, performing nearly 100 concerts a year emphasizing contemporary American music.

The Performing Arts Series is sponsored by the College of Fine Arts and Communication and supported by UWSP's Student Government Association, the Wisconsin Arts Board and the National Endowment for the Arts.

Sponsored by the Performing Arts Series, tickets are available from the Arts and Athletics Ticket Office, located in the Quandt Gym lobby, (715) 346-4100. Prices are $12 for the public, $9 for senior citizens and $5.50 for students or children.

Historian speaks

"Innocent White Women, Savage Red Men: Stereotypes and the Making of the American Identity" is the title of a public lecture taking place tonight. The guest speaker is historian Carroll Smith-Rosenberg from the University of Pennsylvania.

She will present at Michelson Concert Hall in the Fine Arts Center at 7:30, reception following.

Smith-Rosenberg is a professor in the Department of History, the Department of Psychology and the Department of Comparative Literature.

Her lecture is part of the Distinguished Lecture Series in the Humanities sponsored by the College of Fine Arts and Communication and the College of Letters and Science.

Also, on the morning of Friday, February 4, students and the public have the opportunity to attend classroom lectures at Collins Classroom Center. At 9 a.m. in room 207, Professor Henry Sparapani will lecture on the "Origins of the Novel." At 10 a.m. in room 212, Professor Theresa Kaminski will lecture on "Late 19th Century Female Sexuality."

There will be a Dutch Treat Luncheon at Pagliacci's in the University Center at 11:30 a.m. Contact Professor Sarah Kent from the Department of History if you plan to attend the classroom lectures or luncheon.
An editorial... by Todd Heinrich

Let me put it to you that one frozen winter you wake up slightly late for class. You rush to shower and bundle up in your warm woolen. You gobble down a cold pop tart as you run out the door, forgetting your books. You back in, search for your backpack, and remember that you forgot to feed your fish. Who cares? It’s only a fish.

Well... perhaps, as usual, you feel dedicated to your pet this morning. So you grab the flake you fed him to much. It’s not ironic, someone can own a pet for entertainment, he’s dead. It’s not because he had no thoughts of swimming out of the shell backwards—the way he came? Did you ever consider that such “furniture” might be dangerous? Well, who cares? It’s only a fish. People catch them and eat them all the time. As you walk to class, somehow not caring whether you’re on time or not, you actually find yourself thinking about what a good little fish he was.

A fellow classmate of your stumbles past, automatically greeting, “Hi! How are you?” and moves on. He doesn’t care that your fish is dead.

Who cares? As you continue toward class, you’re reminded of a story a farmwoman once told you about her chickens.

It seems that a group of hens were pecking violently at a lone worm in its mouth. The farmwoman felt sorry for the bird, and shoed the other chickens away. She tried to get rid of the worm. She pulled and pulled, and the worm kept coming. It suddenly occurred to her that this was not a worm, but the chicken’s own intestine.

Gathering up courage, determined to do her best for the chicken, she tried to get rid of the worm. She pulled and pulled, and the worm kept coming. It suddenly occurred to her that this was not a worm, but the chicken’s own intestine.

Tonight, feel the force of PUSH. This local band’s emotional lyrics and powerful re-frains can be heard in the Encore music Thursday, February 3 at 8 p.m.

"PUSH is a band that takes local music to another level. Owen Sartori’s song writing is professional and powerful. Together, the musical talent of these four students create a sound like no other. This is a local band that deserves great attention," said Bryan Uteh, local music director of 90FM.

"This local band is comprised of four UWSP students; Nate Kilan—drums, Owen Sartori—lead vocals and guitar, Gina Jacquot—bass and bass vocals and Pat Connaughty—guitar and back vocals; all who share the common goal of making music.

"Breathe", their 13 song debut CD, was written, recorded, produced, mixed and engineered by themselves right here in Stevens Point.

This album has received lots of play on 90FM, with songs like "Don’t Know, Nevermind," “The Way I Feel” and “Mandolin.” PUSH has also been asked to record a special song for a benefit album for Camp Heartland, a camp for children with the AIDS virus.

Their emotional lyrics and recognition of today’s problems have earned them the respect of many, including the producer of this benefit album.

Soul food tops the menu

The fifth annual Soul Food Dinner is set to take place on the UWSP Campus Sunday, February 20.

The Black Student Union is sponsoring this food extravaganza, which will be held in the Wooden Spoon Restaurant of the University Center between 2 to 5 p.m.

Traditional African American cuisine will top the menu being served.

The dinner is free and open to the public with donation being accepted at the door. All proceeds will benefit the Black Student Union at UWSP.

If you have any questions feel free to contact John Holmes, Senior Outreach Specialist at 346-3744, Monday-Friday between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

What should you expect to see at the show tonight? “As many new tunes as old ones,” said the band. PUSH is a band that will be around for a long time to come, so catch them now as they’re coming into recognition.

Remember, it’s Thursday, February 3 at 8 p.m. in the Encore. This is a GIFT brought to you by UAB Concerts, so it’s FREE w/ a UWSP and $1 without.
Tickets to country

by Chris Kelley
Photo Editor

One of the leading groups in country music, the Oak Ridge Boys, will perform Sunday, March 13 in Quandt Fieldhouse at UWSP.

Ticket sales for the concert are steady in the first week, according to Greg Dickreger, Assistant Director for Campus Activities.

"They have a strong following in central Wisconsin," Dickreger said. "They've played to very large crowds."

Last spring, UWSP hosted contemporary country artists Vince Gill and Mary Chapin Carpenter. Tickets for that show sold out within seven hours.

"Traditional country artists like the Oak Ridge Boys build the audience for more contemporary country," he said.

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that attracted many deer before the golf course was built, according to Catton. "They ate everything," he said. "There was lots of loss of habitat."

The deer population in Schmeeckle has stabilized at about 20 since Sentry stopped feeding program four years ago, but it may take another five years for the reserve to recover fully, according to Catton.

"Sentry has been really cooperative," he said. "They let us have access to their property and give us access to their information." "It's not like the area has been destinated but it has been altered," he said. "There is good oak and maple growth but it will take awhile for them to reach maturity."

Since their first gold record in 1977, the Oak Ridge Boys have won every major country music award and released three greatest hits collections including such hits as "Elvira" and "Bobbie Sue."

The concert is part of their "Playin' with the Boys" tour of 100 U.S. cities.

The $19.50 reserve seat tickets are available at the University Center Information Desk and North Side IGA in Stevens Point, Grae's IGA in Plover, West Grand Foods in Wisconsin Rapids, and Wausau Quality Foods and Karn's IGA in Marshfield.

The Oak Ridge Boys concert is the first concert at Quandt Fieldhouse in 1994.

"We're working on a rock band for this semester yet," Dickreger said.

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animal, the farmwoman snipped off what length she'd pulled out. She sprayed the end with medical goop, and put it back down the chicken's throat. The hen lived, but not very long.

This "vital" creature's only purpose was to lay eggs. But his farmwoman identified emotionally with a small, unhappily bird, in what was an impossible rescue.

Isn't it strange that just because of their presence, we consider animals people too? You consider animals people too? You realize there was nothing you could have done for your fish, really. You weren't going to push him back through the shell.

You recall the time before the incident, and remember how his face seemed to express such peace of mind.

He almost seemed fond of living in your room. True, he didn't ask to be brought home in a plastic bag and dumped into a bowl.

But then again, he probably never would have existed at all if there hadn't been a strong market for pet fish in a college town.

The best you can do for his funeral is throw him into the river, where he can be free of plastic walls.

You think to yourself that we buy fish as an ornament and never would have existed at all if there hadn't been a strong market for pet fish in a college town.

You realize, of course, that you're already planning a trip to the pet shop this afternoon. How human.
Hockey team splits with Yellowjackets 2-1, 4-6

by Lincoln Brunner

Sports Editor

It's a frustrating duel with Fate when you pull yourself out of a rut just to find another a mile down the road.

Despite a dominating 5-1-1 record in their last seven outings, the Pointer hockey team found the fluftall thay hoped to avoid by splitting a weekend road pair with UW-Superior Friday and Saturday. After their 2-1 victory Friday night, the Pointers reached 29-21, the last five minutes of the last half.
The Pointers took a silver-esque 16-15 lead into the last match of the day—the heavyweight match between the Eagles’ Kevin Coburn and Suchocki. The Coburn/Suchocki duel unfortunately ended up as Rood/Carlson II as Coburn slipped from Suchocki’s grip with five seconds to go in the double-overtime.

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Women's basketball team rides rollercoaster season

by Brett Christopherson of the Pointer

It's been a roller-coaster ride for the UWSP women's basketball team this season, and last week proved no different as the Pointers upset UW-Eau Claire 74-68 on Wednesday at Berg Gym, before being spanked on Saturday by UW-Whitewater 51-48 at the Williams Center in Whitewater.

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Swim team cruises after rough waters on the road

by Julie Trower

The UWSP men’s and women’s swimming and diving teams had a busy schedule last week as they traveled to Madison Friday to face UW Green Bay, Milwaukee and Madison. Madison greeted the teams with tough competition.

In the men’s competition, UW-Madison took first place in every event except the one and three meter diving and the 50M freestyle, which were dominated by Milwaukee.

The women’s team also felt the pressure as the Badger team as the Badgers took first in every event except the 50M freestyle and the 100M freestyle, which were salvaged by UW-Green Bay.

Madison captured the meet easily with 505 points, followed by Green Bay’s 469, Milwaukee’s 336 and Point’s 314.
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“You can’t get any momentum those between now and the playoffs,” are willing to not make the same mistakes that have been hurting us all year.” The team travels to Pennsylvania today to take in a weekend pair against Mercyhurst College in Pennsylvania.

Buckets continued from page 12 team is needed to stay on top of the conference. “We don’t smash people on the boards, we don’t draw many offensive fouls,” Parker commented. “We need a smash mentally if we are going to get something done.” The Pointers stand 10-4 overall and 4-4 in the Conference prior to last night’s game against Oshkosh.

Coaster continued from page 13 cally a carbon copy off the first, as each team continued to struggle while the lead went back and forth. Stevens Point then took the lead as Grudzinski connected on a lay-up and drew a foul. She hit the free throw and the Pointers found themselves up 48-46 with 2:10 remaining. Whitewater came right back, though, and tied the game with 1:46 remaining. The Pointers couldn’t connect on a lay-up and Whitewater took a time-out to set up for the final shot. Stevens Point came out of the time-out and matched up well, but the Warhawk’s Wendy Weyh won the game on a last-second hook shot from three-point range to ice the game 51-48.

“We had a chance to go ahead with 19 seconds remaining, but missed the lay-up,” Egner said. “We set up our defense and actually tipped the ball—and the Whitewater kid picked it up, threw it in, and banked it off the glass. It didn’t even hit the rim. “You hate to lose a game like that. You like to see a team win on proper execution.”

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Allan (4:00.85), while McMillan cleaned up in the 200M breaststroke with a time of 2:41.03.

In the men’s competition, UWSP jumped out to an early 7-0 lead as the Pointer’s 400M medley relay “A” and “B” teams swept with times of 3:50.98 and 3:56.94, respectively.

The Pointers also swept the 200M backstroke and 400M freestyle relay to take the meet 59-35.

“We had a good win in River Falls. We like to win. I was very pleased with the team,” Blair said.

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