Possible con game?

by Chris Keller
Co-Editor-in-Chief

UW-Stevens Point's Protective Services has received three reports of an alleged con game occurring on campus. According to John Taylor, Assistant Director of Protective Services, a caller has placed phone calls to students, asking for a few phone numbers, possibly of past UW-SP students.

The caller gave a story about losing his wallet, with the identification, plane tickets, credit cards and large sums of money, about $3,000 to $4,500, Taylor said. The caller then asked the caller to look at a student's lockscreen on the supposed con artist around 11:30 p.m. The caller proceeded to call Schonei, who went to the front desk and took the call.

"He was really calm and nice. He gave me a story about a huge emergency," Schonei said. He didn't sound too upset about the emergency though.

According to the search warrant, Crime Stoppers requested protective services and talked to the caller, trying to keep him on the phone. Schonei said that the caller was asking for a few phone numbers, possibly of old students, and to help the caller get money out of a bank in Appleton. In one instance, a student was asked to give the caller their credit card number.

"The calls were often cut off and he would call back," Taylor said.

Lynn Schonei, the Assistant Director (A.D.) in Hyer Hall, received an alert about the suspicious calls from the A.D. in Baldwin Hall and informed her desk worker proceeding to look for the caller. Around Feb. 14, a desk worker in Hyer received a call from the suspected con artist around 11:30 p.m.

Two tickets for top S.G.A. seat

by Kevin Lahner
News Editor

Two tickets have officially announced their candidacy for the Student Government Association President and Vice President elections this March.

Barthen and Beauchene

The Bill Barthen/Jason Beauchene ticket sites increasing support for technology, the environment, shared governance, stopping tuition increases and stopping the increases in the price of meal plans as their major issues they plan to bring to the table.

"Bill and I have very diverse backgrounds. We didn't run together because we thought the same, we ran together because we both thought we could bring something to the students," Beauchene said.

Barthen, a sophomore Wildlife and German major, running for his first position in S.G.A., plans to bring the issues to the students.

"One of my goals if I am ever in a political position is to do interviews of my constituents," Barthen said.

Synder and Buhrandt

Synder and Buhrandt have thrown their hat into the ring for Student Government Association President and Vice President with a five plank platform.

"Having know personally the past two presidents and seen what they accomplished during their time, I feel that I will be a good follow-up to their leadership styles and abilities," Synder said.

Synder and Buhrandt stress the importance of a budget process that is reflective of where students want their money to go, keeping in line with the environmental nature of the campus, expanding access to computer labs, making sure students are on every committee on campus, and increasing diversity on S.G.A. and the university as a whole.

Synder, an Acting major, is currently the Academic Issues Director for S.G.A. and served as a Senator and Vice President at UW-Superior before transferring to Stevens Point last fall.

Beauchene, a Political Science and Philosophy major, also wants more student representation and involvement.

"One of the most important things to me is shared governance. In the position of Vice President I could get more students involved," Beauchene said.

Turner speaks on Affirmative Action

by Kevin Lahner
News Editor

Andrea Turner, the Executive Director of Multicultural Affairs, spoke on Affirmative Action Monday night in the University Center.

"We are at a turning point in our society and we are polarized by race," Turner said. According to Turner, one important misconception is that of quotas on businesses. "Quotas can only be imposed by a court," Turner said.

"Affirmative Action talks about opening the door...Giving people access," Turner said.

Turner says Affirmative Action is still stuck on the issues of the 60's and needs to be revamped.

"We are at a point where we need to ask hard questions. Who are we? Where are we going?" Turner asked.

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Stolen items detailed on search warrant

by Chris Keller
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The individual suspected of breaking into vehicles parked in Lot Q, on the UW-Stevens Point campus, had in his possession car stereos, speakers, and compact discs according to a search warrant served by the Stevens Point Police Department (SPPD) at his residence.

Police also found various tools, cartridges for a .22 cal. long rifle and a .22 cal. magazine the document said.

According to the search warrant, the suspect had asked if the tipster knew anyone who wanted to buy car stereos the warrant stated. Upon a subsequent visit by the individual, he witnessed 20 to 25 car stereos, a car alarm and tools in the suspect's possession near a "rear attic area" of the house the warrant stated.

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THE POINTER POLL

Do you feel that your cars are safe from getting broken into on University lots?

Matt Mikay  
"Yes, because I place my trust in fellow students."

Kathy Klappoetke  
"Yes, I feel it's safe because its a heap of junk."

Susan Nundorf  
"No, even though my doors are locked they can still get in."

Mark Korpela  
"No because of the recent break-ins."

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The issue is not over yet, however, as the University Planning Committee is set to take up the issue and pass their recommendations on to the chancellor. As it stands, no changes will be taking place and smokers will not be limited to designated areas.

Are you a student, faculty or staff member?

Staff

Faculty

Student

Do you smoke?

Yes

No

Do you agree the proposal for a smoke free campus by the year 2000?

Yes

No

Do you agree with the proposal to limit smoking to designated areas?

Yes

No

Campus Beat

Tuesday, February 17th

- A pipe on the exterior of the CPS building was reported blowing steam. A plumber was contacted.
- Suspicion of marijuana use was reported in Hyer Hall. Officers responded and found no one in the room.
- A truck was reported driving up and down the sidewalks near Roach Hall. Officers saw no vehicle on the sidewalk.
- A female solicitor was reported in Hyer Hall. Staff members searched the building twice, but did not locate her.

Monday, February 16th

- A handicapped person was unable to turn their wheelchair around in the elevator near room 003A of the University Center. A employee at the Information Desk assisted the person.
- People reported a male attempting to sell perfume on the second floor of Smith Hall. Officers were unable to locate anyone.
- A female solicitor was reported in Hyer Hall. Staff members searched the building twice, but did not locate her.

Sunday, February 15th

- A person reported the first floor bathroom of Smith flooded. The weekend custodian was contacted.
- A male was reportedly speaking to females with their doors open on the second and third floors of Burroughs Hall. Officer asked him to leave and individual cooperated.

Saturday, February 14th

- Blood was reportedly smeared on the first floor wing hallway of Watson Hall.
- There was a mechanical problem with the volleyball nets in the indoor track of the HEC. Maintenance was made aware.
- A call was received in the Hyer Hall offices in regards to a possible money scam.

Friday, February 13th

- A pipe on the exterior of the CPS building was reported blowing steam. A plumber was contacted.
- A vehicle parked in Lot Q was vandalized.
- A person from the Chancellor's Office reported that sidewalks were very icy.
- The dumpster between Watson Hall and the Penalty Box was reportedly smoking. SPFD was notified.

Thursday, February 12th

- A person was reported stuck in the West/left elevator on the sixth floor of the LRC.

Voice of the Campus

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Protective Services' Tip of the Week

If you wear a bicycle helmet, you are well-dressed and well-protected. Riding a bicycle without a helmet is just plain dumb. Three out of every four bicycle-related deaths and permanently disabling injuries are caused by brain damage. The best defense is safe and skilled handling of the bicycle. However, some accidents are unavoidable and can happen to anyone, for any reason. Your skull can protect your brain from some minor blows on soft surfaces, but the skull alone doesn't give adequate protection when your head hits a hard surface, such as asphalt or concrete. Be smart and wear your helmet when you ride.

For any suggestions or comments, please contact Joyce Blader, Crime Prevention Officer at x4044 or e-mail me at jblader@uwsp.edu
The Dairy Connection: Campus News from around Wisconsin

**Milwaukee-The Leader**
- Various multi-cultural organizations will meet with the Chancellor to discuss creating a new late-night events policy run by students. This was triggered by the 200 people turned away Feb. 7 at a multi-cultural dance.

**Eau Claire- The Spectator**
- H.O.U.S.E. DAY: Students met with potential landlords on campus to try and find off-campus housing. Over 800 students attended the event.

**Superior- The Promethean**
- UW-S goes smoke-free. Smoking will not be permitted on campus nor near air vents. Some residence halls will continue to have smoking lounges.

**Madison- The Badger Herald**
- Demonstrators brought rush-hour traffic in downtown Madison to a halt last Thursday in protest of the United States' standoff with Iraq.
- An estimated 100 members of various student organizations marched into traffic bearing signs and chanting, "No more war!" The activists had been protesting the current tension in the Middle East on Library Mall when the rally turned into a march through downtown, stopping traffic for almost a half-hour.

Although most demonstrators cleared the streets peacefully when the Madison Police Department was called in, police did arrest one man and forcefully removed several others from the traffic area.

- Members of the Civil Rights Defense Coalition carried Valentines to Chancellor David Ward's office last week, claiming their hearts were broken by the UW administration's failure to keep their promises.
- Last year, the coalition proposed a 17-point plan for the administration, detailing ways to "recruit and retain" students of color and other under-represented minority groups on campus.

The CRDC said only three of the 17 points have been fulfilled. Although the chancellor was not present to accept the CRDC's gifts, the vice chancellor of minority affairs said the diversity plan is still in progress and will begin issuing annual diversity updates to multi-cultural organizations at UW.

**Whitewater- Royal Purple**
- On Feb. 21, National Girls and Women in Sports Day will be commemorated in Williams Center at the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater with a ceremony held at half time of the UW-Whitewater/UW-Superior women's basketball game.

The ceremony recognizes elementary and middle school girls that have been selected by their coaches as the leaders in their respective sports.

Community members who contributed time, funding or other support will be recognized and past UW-Whitewater female athletes will be honored also.

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**Wisconsin federal lawmakers are encouraging U.S. Agriculture Officials not to claim a proposal establishing minimum milk prices. 90% of Wisconsin-produced milk is used in cheese production and not covered by the minimum price proposal.**

**Simms - A three room chemistry addition to Stevens Point Senior High School will be the subject of an April 7th referendum. The first question will ask voters to approve a $965,000 for a three room lab/storage area. The second seeks approval for exceeding the revenue cap by $47,000 for purposes coinciding with the operation of the addition.**

**Stevens POINT**
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**National News**

**Washington, D.C.**
- The director of an American Congressional Task Force said on Sunday that Iraq has smuggled deadly weapons programs to sympathetic Arab countries for safe keeping, along with up to 400 missiles that could deliver germ or chemical agents. An advisor to President Saddam Hussein denied the report.

**Tulare, CA.**
- A Navy helicopter crashed Wednesday in California's Sequoia National Forest. A China Lake Weapons Station spokesman said the base, 70 miles north of the base. The number of people who were on board and survived is undetermined.

**Washington, D.C.**
- President Clinton is launching a campaign to give uninsured children access to Medicaid or to a new state-based health insurance program. South Carolina, and Colorado, are the first states in the program.

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**Local/State News**

**Mosinee**
- A State Appeals Court ruled that Mosinee's "Indian" logo and nickname do not discriminate against Native Americans. The school has used the name and logo since the 1920's.

**Wisconsin**
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**Chatham, Canada**
- A ten year old Ontario boy was found dead, hanging from a coat hook in a school wash room. Myles Neuts was apparently strangled by his leather necklace while playing a game of tag.

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**Chatham, Canada**
- Chatham's House of Commons voted in favor of using "all necessary means" to resolve the crisis with Iraq over U.N. weapons inspections.

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**Mosinee**
- Chinese Premier Minister, Li Pang, says China supports Russia's efforts to reach a peaceful solution to the crisis in Iraq and hinted at Beijing's displeasure with the U.S.'s forceful approach.

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Over the past few weeks, the smoking issue has been debated within these pages. The common argument among smokers has been, "I don't want my rights infringed upon."

The most frequent argument among nonsmokers has been, "I don't want to breathe in smoke!" The one thing I have preached in numerous editorials over the past year: courtesy!

Smokers, it's a given that people who don't smoke, do so for a reason - they can't stand the health risk associated with cigarettes.

Nonsmokers, people who smoke outside of buildings also do so for a reason. Maybe we are.

On Wednesday, Harry Carey, one of the best broadcasters in the business, gave up the fight. My heart isn't sure what to think.

Carey was one of the most alive people that I have ever had the pleasure to listen to on the radio or television. And the trips that I took to Wrigley Field and listened to the old man sing "Take Me Out to the Ballgame" are among the finest memories that I have.

Yes, he was old, and perhaps overstayed his term in the booth. But the looks that I could give my friends when Caray would proclaim such goodies as "Two on, nobody on!" would make the hideous pronunciations and sometimes blatan mistakes that he made all the more tolerable.

And his legendary youthful exploits are memories that those who were lucky enough to actually know him will cherish as well.

Thanks a million, Harry. I have two wishes for you - I hope that wherever you are, they have baseball. And I'm sure that God, or whoever, has a case of Budweiser waiting on ice for you to enjoy.

However, I also agree the nonsmokers should not have to endanger their health due to a habit that isn't of their choosing. Before we pass laws and policies that are impossible to enforce, lets try to remember the Golden Rule we all learned in kindergarten: do unto others as you've had done to you.

This may work, or it may not. My point is nearly every aspect of our life is regulated at this point. Do our smoke breaks need to be also?

"I don't think so!"

-Editor's note: Whether you agree or disagree, comment and/or criticism is accepted at pointer@uwsp.edu.
There are currently 10 positions available for the 1998-99 school year. Stop down at the Cp! office to pick up an application February 9th-27th! Questions? Call Travis at x2412.
Health issues at stake
Student supports smoking ban

Dear Editors:

It is the responsibility of the UW-Stevens Point students, faculty, employees, and visitors to accept the proposed campus wide smoking policy. Accept the policy because it is the right thing to do for the health and wellness benefit of all UW-SP students, faculty, employees and visitors. This policy's foundation is a win-win situation.

The present smoking policy, which allows smokers to stand 40 feet from a building, does not work. Everywhere you look on campus smokers do not stand 40 feet from the doors. No, they stand in the open doorway when they smoke. I accept that individuals will make the choice to smoke or chew tobacco. I, however, do not have to accept that I have to walk into an alternative route around their smoking and alcohol abuse. Non-smokers experience a health threat in the current smoking policy on campus. The American Heart Association's Council on Cardiopulmonary and Critical Care has concluded that "environmental tobacco smoke is a major preventable cause of cardiovascular disease and death." Heart disease caused by passive smoking is the third leading preventable cause of death in the United States, ranking behind active smoking and alcohol abuse. Non-smokers living with a smoker show a 30 percent increased risk of inchoinic heart disease or myocardial infarction.

Please accept the newly proposed campus smoking ban. Do it for our health as individuals, and because it is the right thing to do.

-Shannon E. Landon
Health Promotion/Protection Community Advisor

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The new, moral, presidential candidate

By Nick Katzmarek
Co-Editor-in-Chief

I have an idea. Instead of electing a president that will take a stand on issues like the dangers that a country like Iraq presents and how we can work our way out of the economic sludge that we sank into during the eighties and early nineties, let's elect a president that can dictate some morality into all of us.

It's evident that all we really care about is who he slept with or didn't sleep with anyway. So, in the spirit of religious tyranny, we'll just go ahead and have our morality spoon-fed to us. And if the president runs up a budget deficit in the $300 billion dollar range, well, who cares? At least we can all sleep soundly knowing that he (or she) isn't sleeping with one of his (or her) interns.

And let's make sure that we elect someone that will keep us all right where we belong: in our armchairs, keeping tabs on important things like sex and drugs. Our new president will doubtless make sure that s/he does nothing good at all, because when a person applies themselves to their job, making sure that America is a better place to live for everyone, then we can safely ignore the political scene, and focus on their personal life.

Republicans are crying "impeach!" with strident voices, but the American public is voicing another sentiment, granting Clinton some of the highest approval ratings in recent history. This in and of itself should force us to realize that things are going pretty well, regardless. However, the media, and some citizens, seem to be infatuated with the private life of this person, instead of focusing on the fact that he's doing one hell of a job on the issues that make a difference in your lives.

Clinton has vowed to expand education, balance the budget, and is handling the Iraq situation with typical tact and aplomb. However, he can't talk about it to the media. All the questions deal with sex, sex, sex... Perhaps we're adopting a little of the old British blue blood mentality—sex is bad, bad, bad, and it's probably because we're not getting enough of it.

So we'll just pull the plug on politics-elect leaders in morality so we can march into the twenty-first century snug in our cocoon of correctness. In God we trust, right?

And a president that follows those ten commandments to the letter will obviously be a better leader than Clinton. Reagan never had an affair, did he? I don't know. I can't remember. Oh well. He probably can't either.

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Sturgeon spears’ hit new numbers

By Ryan Gilligan
OUTDOORS REPORTER

To most people, Feb. 14 meant a chance to buy ridiculously priced roses or feel blue about love gone wrong, but to thou­sands of Wisconsin sportsmen the day had an entirely different meaning. Along with Valentine’s Day, Saturday marked the rekindling of a 67-year-old Wisconsin tradition, the Lake Winnebago sturgeon spearing season.

According to spearmen, the season is off to a fantastic start. Over 1,300 sturgeon have been speared since opening day already surpassing last year’s total of 1,290 fish.

“The water clarity has been great which has helped a lot of guys out so far,” said sophomore Spearers Andy Chikowski and Jeremy Carlson hold a 50 inch, 35 pound lake sturgeon taken this season. (Submitted photo)

Anchorage-Red pepper spray may be more of an attractant than deterrent for Alaskan brown bears according to a study by the U.S. Geological Survey. Researcher Tom Smith observed bears overwintering in Wausau.

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Anyway, in case there are any souls out there who have yet to give ice fishing a try, here are some prehistoric fishing terms .

Ice fishing; sport of wonders

By Joe Shead
OUTDOORS REPORTER

A long time ago, before even my parents were born, some prehistoric hunter/gatherer saw a fish swimming in a lake. His bow was in the shop getting some newfangled equipment put on it so he couldn’t shoot the fish with his bow, but he still thought a fish dinner sounded good. He found a bone, fashioned it in the shape of a hook and tied it to a vine. He baited it with a worm and caught the fish. News of this new technique spread. People heralded fishing as the greatest thing since verbal communication. The angler was born.

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With the help of our current environmental leaders in the United States...How far did you have any clear-cut national lead­ers. The leaders of yester­day have long since passed by the torch passed on to theirplace.

To the people who care.

Rachel Carson and Aldo Leopold wrote incredible books that changed the way society as a whole viewed our world. Can you name a modern day equivalent? With all due respect to our Vice President Earth in the Bal­loon, just doesn’t bring to mind a connection with the wilderness that Leopold’s A Sand County Al­manac does to nearly everyone who reads it.

Who is today’s John Muir? I don’t know of anyone who could convince President Clinton to come out to the National Park and experience the wild­erness, as Muir once did with Teddy Roosevelt. I don’t know of any­one who speaks of the pristine wild places as Muir once did.

The environmental move­ment of today is a splintered movement of discontent. No na­tional leaders have arisen to unite the people who care.

Young people of today can only look up to those who are leaders in their neighborhood or community. If those are not available, they have no leaders at all.

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Ice removal leaves the land feeling salty

By Matt "Bert" Ward
Assistant Outdoors Editor

As signs of spring begin to appear and the temperatures begin to rise, one thinks little about the winter months behind us. However, a growing concern among many naturalists in northern latitudes is the effects caused by salt to our roads and sidewalks. Over 14 million tons of salt are spread on our nation's highways and interstates each year. These efforts to make our roads safer start to become more apparent as the snow melts and the grass sprouts. This is a natural process of evolution that helps our sidewalks and parking lots.

The sole purpose of this application process is to reduce auto accidents and avoid visible injuries and fatalities. This is a logical purpose for using salt; however, science should provide a better alternative.

Numerous ecological consequences resulting from salt applications have made it a concern for many individuals. Examples of this are altered soil chemistry, denuded surface and ground water, and the negative effects on vegetation which beautify our lives. Sodium chloride also causes mass corrosion of automobiles, caused by the current salt de-icing practices. Although the glass portion of the product is free, due to recycling practices, "Trac Deicer" averages $700 per ton currently compared to $30 per ton for conventional road salt.

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Up to 45% of the road salt spread over Stevens Point eventually ends up in the Wisconsin River. (Photo by Dan Anderson)

45% of the salt flows off on the surface into area streams, rivers or lakes. The remaining portion is absorbed into the soil where it enters shallow aquifers and has the potential to cause sodium and chloride concentrations in well waters to exceed "safe" levels.

The vegetation covering landscape is also adversely affected. Salt spray cast by vehicles onto the roadside trees and shrubs causes abnormal fall colors, needle tip burn and browning that start on the outer edge of a leaf and progresses toward its middle vein. Bud death and disfigurement are also caused by excessive applications of salt.

Michigan Technological University is researching a product called "Trac Deicer" that has the potential of replacing road salt. It combines crushed glass and calcium magnesium acetate, and has proven to be one-fifth less corrosive on steel. The product also adheres to road surfaces better and works for longer than salt.

This has serious implications due to the rising costs of road repair and maintenance of automobiles, caused by the current salt de-icing practices. Although the glass portion of the product is free, due to recycling practices, "Trac Deicer" averages $700 per ton currently compared to $30 per ton for conventional road salt.

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The Roads

Once flowed where the spring fed, 40 to 50 foot-deep lake now sits. The glacier's random casts in the landscape left behind breathtaking views. "It's the scenic beauty that draws people to Devil's Lake. The 500 foot bluffs and the lake. The quality of the beauty compares to a National Park," finds Carol, park secretary accountant at Devil's Lake.

Winter camping is available with 10-15 open sites. Winter rates for a Wisconsin resident are $8 a night per site. Nonresidents pay $10 a night, per site. Reservations aren't accepted in winter, however, with spring break approaching, the sites may fill faster than normal.

Bill Schmidt, maintenance mechanic at Devil's Lake, is responsible for trail maintenance among other things. The 16 miles of cross-country ski trails are all groomed, "We have more hills and hardwoods than average. Basically, the terrain ranges from flat to hilly, and open to wooded," said Schmidt.

The only fee required is park admission. A naturalist is on site year-round. During winter months, it's by appointment only. However, according to Carol, he will do a group orientation for students if time allows.

Feel free to contact any staff member at Devil's Lake State Park at (608)356-8301. Don't miss next week's feature on Mirror Lake State Park.
USA hockey doesn’t live up to the hype

By Nick Brilowski
ASST. SPORTS EDITOR

First, let me begin by saluting the U.S. women’s hockey team. This was a team that showed what can be accomplished through determination and teamwork, something that can’t exactly be said about their male counterparts.

In what will go down as one of the more memorable disappointments in Olympic history, the team came in as one of the pre-tournament favorites and went home with nothing.

Quite an accomplishment in a field of only eight teams.

What was being dubbed as the “Dream” tournament, turned into a nightmare.

In fact, they’ll be printing up those “We beat Belarus” bumper stickers like they did in 1980 when the Miracle on Ice defeated the Russians.

In the fact, U.S. men haven’t even brought home a medal since.

The men won the home invite by racking up 159.5 points, while the host Titans finished a distant second. With 127 points, they placed fifth.

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Point wins fourth straight

By Mike Fintel
Sports Reporter

Anytime you go on a long road trip, some kind of fatigue sets in. The UW-Stevens Point women's basketball team made a four hour trek to UW-Superior, and came away with their fourth straight win with a 60-54 victory.

"This was a huge win for us on the road, if we can win two of our last three games, we'll finish on the road," said Ott, who scored 19 of her game high 25 points in the second half, including going 5-6 on three-balls.

"We did a better job screening for Ott, she moved better without the ball and got better looks at the basket," said Egner.

Terri Chun jumped in with 15 points and 6 rebounds while Christina Bergman was tough on the boards once again with 12 rebounds.

"Christina worked real hard on defense and did a great job on the boards, a sign of a good leader," remarked Egner.

UW-Stevens Point is now in a position to play the role of spoiler as they play their last two games at home against UW-Eau Claire and UW-Stout next Wednesday and Saturday. Those two teams are two of the top three teams in the conference.

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"Ott, who started from the second half, has been tough on the boards, a sign of a good leader," remarked Egner.

But this time, the pain worsened and Ott discovered last Friday she has a stress fracture in her lower leg.

"It started in early November and it really started to hurt in December," Ott said. "I thought it was shin splints like last year."

"It wasn't really that hard to keep playing. I love the game and I don't want to stop playing."
The Week Ahead...

UW-Stevens Point Athletics

Men's Basketball: At UW-Eau Claire, Wednesday 7 p.m.
Women's Basketball: At UW-Eau Claire, Wednesday 7 p.m.
Hockey: Lake Forest College, Friday and Saturday 7:30 p.m. (NCHA Playoff)
Swimming and Diving: At WIAC Championships in Whitewater, Thursday-Saturday
Track and Field: Pointer Invite, Saturday 11 a.m.
Wrestling: At WIAC Championships in Eau Claire, Saturday 9 a.m.

The Pointer Scorecard

Women's Basketball

UW-SP at UW-Superior
February 14, 1998

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Scoring

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3. UW-SP - 10:55

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Second Period

Scoring

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2. UW-SP - 3:05
3. UW-SP - 7:25
4. UW-SP - 10:51

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Hockey

UW-SP - Lake Forest College
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Scoring

1st Period

1. Lake Forest - 2:01
2. UW-SP - 4:01

Second Period

Scoring

1. Lake Forest - 18:40
2. UW-SP - 18:49

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Third Period

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1. Lake Forest - 1:28
2. UW-SP - 4:01

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On top of their game

Intramural Top Teams - Block #3

Men's Basketball Top 10
1. OFF 4
2. TAPPY
3. "Dinocuff"
4. Lush's
5. Run N' Gun
6. Rob's Rebels
7. Berkowki
8. The Sugar Hill Gang
9. Who Cares
10. The Shooters

Women's Basketball Top 2
1. Co-ed V-ball Top 5
2. Posedier's Helpers

Soccer Top 5
1. The Wall
2. Barca FC
3. Lynn's

Water Polo Top 2
1. Ella's Orange Dang
2. The Sugar Hill Gang

Men's V-ball Top 2
1. "Dinocuff"
2. Warpgigs

Women's V-ball Top 3
1. Friction
2. Hot Blooded

Standing are/or Week #2 (2/13/98)

Teams are ranked by the Intramurals office.
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FEATURES

By Tara Zawlocki
FEATURES EDITOR

Catfish, jambalaya, laughter and thoughts on diversity were all components of a Soul Food evening and Black History Month. UW-Stevens Point's annual Soul Food dinner was held last Sunday in the Laird Room of the University Center.

Students, faculty, staff and members of the community sat around tables to listen to poetry readings and a speech given by Dr. Bertice Berry.

Berry, comedian, talk show host and author, was the keynote speaker for the evening and provided the audience with laughter and new concepts of diversity.

According to Berry, who earned a Doctorate in Sociology, "there is a need for experiencing diversity in order to have a personal evolution."

Berry urged the audience to go and find out about someone they didn't already know.

"Go talk to different people, find out and know what they're all about...the difference should bring us together, we need to recognize the need for us to be different," said Berry.

Bill Green of the Multicultural Resource Center said, "the Soul Food dinner was a success. The community came to enjoy a pro-found speaker."

"The speaker was the best thing we've ever done for this event," said Damon McDuffy, Treasurer of the Black Student Union.

"It was an everlasting memory of diversity coming together," said UW-SP freshman Davida Smith, who also read poetry at the night's event.

At this week's Soul Food dinner, participants got the chance to enjoy good food and good company. (Photo by Carrie Reuter)

Winter blues strike again

By Tara Zawlocki
FEATURES EDITOR

So it's the middle of February, it's freezing cold one day, sunny the next and you are sick of being stuck inside. Instead of mooping around, think of new things to do. Just because the sun isn't shining doesn't mean you can't have a nice winter day. Stick in a rut and want to try something different? Try some of these ideas to overcome your winter blues.

• GOSKING!
Break out some cross country skis and ski in the Green Circle or try down-hill skiing at Rib Mountain. Tuesdays and Thursdays are two for one at Rib, so bring a friend.

• TRY BOWLING.
At a small cost you can have an evening of fun even if you aren't an expert bowler.

• TOUR POINT BREWERY.
Pay $2 for a tour of the Stevens Point Brewery. Call ahead to see what time the tours are. This is a great one because you don't have to be 21 to go. At the end of the tour those 21 and older can taste a sampling of some Point beer. Those under 21 can drink juice or soda. Snacks are provided and at the end of the tour everyone receives a bank made from a Point beer can.

• VOLUNTEER YOUR TIME.
Volunteer your time at local organizations like the Y.M.C.A. or Big Brothers/Big Sisters.

• ATTEND A SPORTING EVENT.
Show your Pointer sports teams some support. There are a wide variety of sports to choose from and most are at a low cost.

• TO A CONCERT OR PLAY.
Centertainment sponsors many concerts and comedians and most are under $4 with a student ID. Try to see a musical or play in the Fine Arts building like the upcoming "Brigadoon."

There are many things to do in the winter and the above are only a few. Read a book, rent a movie or get outside and exercise. You'll be amazed at the amount of things you can come up with when you give it some thought.

Brigadoon unveiled in Jenkins Theatre

By Jason R. Renkens
ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

The upcoming production of the musical "Brigadoon" marks the last play that Professor Robert Baruch will direct as a member of the UW-Stevens Point faculty.

Baruch, who retires this spring after 30 years at UW-SP, claims he has been waiting to direct the Lerner and Loewe musical ever since he stage managed for its production at the University of Colorado 38 years ago while pursuing his master's degree.

"Brigadoon" is "a good old fashioned musical with dance, songs, terrific music and an entertaining plot," Baruch said.

The musical tells the story of two hunters who encounter a magical village in Scotland which exists for only one day every 50 years.

The hunters grow to befriend and love the villagers and the conflict is presented when they learn that no resident of Brigadoon can leave or the village will disappear forever.

Baruch describes the show as "charming, appealing and romantic."

"Brigadoon," the winner of the New York Drama Critics Award as the Best Musical of 1947, is directed musically by Roger Nelson of the theatre faculty and choreographed by James Moore of the dance faculty.

The scenic and costume designers are Steven Sherwin and Susan Sherwin respectively. Gary Olsen is both the lighting designer and the technical di-rector.

The leading roles of Tommy and Fiona are played by Taggart Johnston and Kara Ernst. Michael Snyder is Jeff and Claire Arena is Meg. Students with other major roles include Aaron Foelske, Kathryn Kinyon and Luke Gibson.

The instrumentalists for the show will be provided by an 11-piece student orchestra, which includes a string section, under the direction of Nelson. Lorraine McGinnis, a bagpiper from Madison, joins the cast as a performer.

The musical numbers include "Heather on the Hill," "From This Day On," "Came to Me," and "Being in Love."

"Brigadoon" is showing at 8 p.m. on Feb. 20, 7:30 p.m. on Feb. 21 and 25-28, and 2 p.m. on Feb. 22. A reception will follow the Feb. 21 performance of the show in the balcony area outside the theatre to honor Baruch.

Tickets for all performances can be purchased through the Arts and Athletics Ticket Office. The cost for students is $8 with an ID and $12.50 without.

Cooking Corner

Terri's Chicken Casserole

3-4 pounds chicken
package of egg noodles
can cream of chicken soup
can cream of mushroom soup

• Bake chicken for one hour at 350 degrees.
• Cut up chicken and boil water in large kettle.
• Boil noodles and add frozen vegetables a few minutes before chicken is cooked.
• Put noodles with vegetables into large casserole dish and add all three cans of creamed soups, cold.

Editor's Note

Look for "Chris' Old Fashioned Lasagna" recipe in next week's issue of The Pointer. And as always, send your recipes to The Pointer, room 104 CAC or e-mail tzaw584@uwsp.edu.
Arctic Fest: Rugged rugby players rough each other up at Rusty's

By Chris Keller
Co-Editor-at-Large

Cool moves and cold players came to Rusty's Backwater Saloon last weekend, as rugby players from around the state and Illinois converged in Stevens Point for Arctic Fest.

The annual event celebrated its 21st year and 3rd year at Rusty's. The 1998 edition drew 16 men's teams and four women's teams. Most of the UW-System schools were represented by their respective club teams.

For the first 18 years of the festival, it was held on the UW-Stevens Point campus. However, three years ago the university severed all ties with the event.

The tournament was moved to Rusty's when the Point Rugby Alumni Association assumed sponsorship.

According to Scott "Rusty" Fischer, owner of Rusty's, the idea to move Arctic Fest was made in passing.

"I was talking to Mike Williams, the Rugby Club's faculty advisor, and I kind of mentioned it to him and it came to be," Fischer said. "I've been very pleased. It's been good from both ends."

Fischer said he was worried about the "dangers" of holding the rugby tournament, but after three years, there has yet to be a problem.

"They said, 'You're going to be sorry,' but nothing has happened," Fischer said. "The players have been a great group, they party hard, but nothing has been damaged."

A cappella group sells out Sentry Theatre

By Jason R. Renkens
Assistant Features Editor

Ladysmith Black Mambazo, the world renowned South African cappella group, performed at the Sentry Theatre Tuesday night for a sold out crowd.

Students, faculty and community members watched and listened as the group filled the aisles and stage with traditional Zulu dance and sang of peace, brotherhood, and unity.

"(The concert) was so harmonious and just plain beautiful," said Shawnta Salabert, a junior at UW-Stevens Point. "It was a very powerful experience."

Ladysmith Black Mambazo formed 30 years ago after the group's founder, Joseph Shabalala, had a dream about the harmonies he wanted to create. Joseph, two of his brothers and two of his cousins make up half of the ten member group.

Paul Simon aided in the tremendous success that Mambazo has experienced. After hearing a recording, Simon added the group to his "Graceland" album.

Their first U.S. release, "Shaka Zulu," won a Grammy Award in 1987 and since, Mambazo has appeared on the albums of numerous American artists and on commercials for 7-Up and Lifesavers.

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Tight Corner
By Grundy & Willett

Chance meeting after 12 years of separation.

THE Crossword

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5 Movie award
10 Memorable periods
11 Streetcar
14 Like some weather
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17 Destroy completely
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37 Do road work
38 Top card
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59 Hotels
60 Rind
61 Rulers
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For Answers see Classifieds

Tazia & Teller
By Bentoni And Ewittski

Lesson #1 in Tazia Lovecraft's "Creative Ways to Throw People Off Their Guard By Yelling Something Other Than "Look Out Behind You!"

Lesson #1: Fads*

Don't use outdated fads like Cabbage Patch Kids, Pet Rocks, or Michael Jackson Gloves.*

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Historical Fact: Hordes of hysterical parents yelling for rumors of helicopter dropped cabbage patch kids in the 80's are a direct cause of today's "El Nino."

2-19-98
When I watch a movie, there are many things that can catch my interest. The most important being character interaction and dialogue. That is why Quentin Tarantino is a genius. His movies bring out true-to-life dialogue. It is believable between all the characters. Let's face it, that knocks off drug stores. Matt Dillon gives a solid performance as the leader of the gang that knocks off drug stores. When one of the crew (Heather Graham of recent films Swingin' and Boogie Nights) dies from a drug overdose, Dillon cleans up his act and battles his drug dependency.

This is one of the first movies from Gus Van Sant (Good Will Hunting). Also starring: Kelly Lynch and James Remar.

By Chris Keller
Co-Editor-in-Chief

Stay away from these two

Ween and Ben Folds no good

By Keith Harrison
COLLEGE PRESS SERVICES

Oh, it’ll be a hot time at the Magic: The Gathering session tonight.

Having a new disc from the alterna-dweeb in Ween and Ben Folds lends a record store at the same time must be some sadistic rock 'n' roll answer to “Revenge of the Nerds.” It’s almost enough to make a person long for a new Pantera disc. Almost, but not quite.

The Ween disc could be the most aggressively unlistenable disc in the past ten years—and that includes those hellish shards of white noise intentionally conjured up by the Skin Graft Posse. The only possible explanation for geek rock this cloying, this relentlessly tuneless, is that Ween, in fact, does not exist, and that “Molleusk” is in actuality the latest parody project from the Spinal Tap crew.

The Ben Folds disc stands as proof that some segment of every generation apparently clamors for an utterly obvious piano man in the mold of Billy Joel or Elton John; to double his appeal, Folds adds geek-pride vocals in the manner of Todd Rundgren.

Normally, discs this lousy serve at least one purpose: if you’ve got a really annoying roommate, you can always pretend that this is absolutely your favorite record, and proceed to play it nonstop until said roomie inadvertently send the poor soul into spasms of delight, and he or she turns your humble abode into the campus hotspot for Dungeons and Dragons.

By Mike Beacom
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Arctic Fest
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“You couldn’t ask for a better
group of people,” he said.
For Tommy Lemke, a UW-
Stevens Point student, it was his
fifth Arctic Fest as a player. The
team he was a part of, made up of
some UW-SP rugby club mem-
bers, took second place in the tourn-
ament.

Lemke has participated in the
event both on campus, and now
off-campus, but he has always
seen an interest from spectators.

“When (Arctic Fest) was on
campus, we had a lot of people
stopping by,” Lemke said. “Now
they have to make more of an ef-
fort, but the turnout has always
been great.

“We only gave up eight
points in four games,” he said.

“They gave an incredible
amount of heart.”

Chad Messner, a student and
first-year rugby player, experi-
enced Arctic Fest for the first time.

“Since I never attended it be-
fore, it was new and I thought it
was cool, something different for
college kids,” Messner said.

“They had a band and it was a
cool atmosphere. I think a lot of
people don’t know we have a
rugby team and it’s a good way to
see what goes on.”

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