Pointers one goal from history

By Nick Brilowski
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

The road there was anything but easy and the ultimate goal wasn’t achieved, but the Pointer hockey team beat the odds nonetheless.

A long, teacher.

journey both on and off the ice, UW-Stevens Point fell one goal short of the school’s fifth national championship. Middlebury College of Vermont captured an unprecedented fourth consecutive Division III title by outlasting the Pointers 2-1 in the championship game Saturday in Plattsburgh, NY.

“You get in that final game and anything can happen,” Pointer head coach Joe Baldarotta said.

“I thought we did a tremendous job. We felt we were ready to go against a lot of adversity.”

That adversity included a wild trip both to and from Plattsburgh by land, air and sea, delays due to inclement weather, and team members traveling at separate times.

Point was also forced to take on host Plattsburgh State in the semifinals on Friday.

On Saturday, Middlebury jumped out to the early lead when Filip Jirousek beat Pointer goalie Bobby Gorman at 12:57 of the first period in a four-on-four situation.

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No rest for Habitat for Humanity

By Kyle Geltemeyer
NEWS REPORTER

Over spring break, while most students were catching some sun and fun, twenty-four students from the UW-SP chapter of Habitat For Humanity were hard at work in Albany, Georgia.

Arriving on Sunday, the Habitat For Humanity organization helped those in need build homes.

“It was an extraordinary experience,” said Lisa Rothe, Habitat for Human- ity member. “While most students were on the beaches, we were building homes for people in need.”

Americorps helped coordinate the event. A different Americorps member was assigned to show chapter members how to do the work, and then workers were left on their own.

Working in coordination with students from the University of New Hampshire, UW-SP student workers worked on three separate housing projects.

Albany elementary schools and churches fed the workers worked on three separate housing projects.

Despite no monetary award, Albany’s mayor expressed his gratitude to the housing project participants by presenting them the key to the city. During the ceremony, workers were treated to a unique and delicious catfish and cheese grits dinner.

“The locals were very hospitable,” said Kristen Baldarotta said.

“Our critics rate the Academy Award picks

By Mike Kemmeter
SPORTS EDITOR

Many athletes do an excellent job of talking about what they want to accomplish. But more often than not, when the crunch time comes, they don’t come through.

But this definitely wasn’t the case for a quartet on the UW-Stevens Point men’s swimming and diving team.

All season long, Jeremy Francioli, John Stevens, Randy Boelk and Dave Willoughby talked about becoming the first relay team to win a National Championship in UW-SP history.

And last Thursday in St. Louis they made it happen, and did it in record fashion to boot.

The four-man squad became only the third National Champion in school history, capturing the top spot in the 400-yard medley relay.

The team’s time of 3:20.65 was good enough to shatter the NCAA Division III record by nearly a second.

In that record-breaking time, what the four had talked about for months was finally reality.

“I can’t really begin to describe it,” Stevens said. “We’ve talked about it all year.”

“We talked about it a lot and focused together on it,” Francioli said. “And we did it.”

Francioli started the victorious race with 100 yards of the backstroke. The sophomore from Bra-

Eagle Walkers embarked on the 17th annual 200-mile journey from Stevens Point to Eagle Valley during Spring Break. The journey brought them through various landscapes and unique towns of the Badger State. Along for the trek came blizzards, sleet, rain and sun, but none of the adverse conditions stopped any of the 10 walkers. The walkers raised over $2,000, a portion which will be doubled by a state grant and then given to the Nature Conservancy. See first-hand story on page 2. (Photo by Kris Wagner)

Boelk, wins individual title

By Kyle Geltemeyer
SPORTS EDITOR

UW-Stevens Point men’s swimmer Randy Boelk put himself in the school record books Friday, winning the 200-yard backstroke at the NCAA Division III National Championships.

Boelk’s time of 1:48.79 was enough to make the freshman only the third individual National Champion in UW-SP history.

“The last 25 yards, I knew I had enough to get in there before anybody,” Boelk said.
### Freecycle offers free rides

**Group sponsors community bikes**

*By Tracy Marthal*

Assistant News Editor

Could your daily trek to class be improved by a free bike to speed things up?

That's what a few students from Natural Resources 478 wondered, so they came up with the concept of Freecycle.

"We were concerned about air pollution and the needless bikes driving within our small city," said Lesley Hofstede, a student from the group involved in the project for the Environmental Education, Issues and Investigations class.

Hofstede, along with Matt Kaufmann, Liz Vinopal, Daisuke Kawakami, and Nate Harms are in the process of starting a program that allows students to use donated bikes for riding around campus.

"A core element of the class is the student groups choosing a local issue or concern, and envisioning and investigating a possible way to change the issue to better the environment," explained Hofstede.

The program would be similar to the UW-Madison Red Bike program.

"We're trying to develop a bike program that would remind and encourage people to use more environmentally friendly means of transportation," said Hofstede.

The rules of the Freecycle program would be as follows: bicycles would be placed around campus for anyone to use, people ride the bikes at their own risk, the bikes can not be locked up, and of course, Freecycle riders must obey the rules of the road.

"What we need now are people who are willing to donate a bike or two, bike parts or time down the road for repairing bikes," said Hofstede.

The Freecycle program is currently seeking funding from the Student Government Association.

The color for the bikes is not yet set, but Earth Day, April 22 has been set for the program unveiling.

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### Student leaders lobby U.S. Congress

Nationally recognized for postcard campaign

*By Matt Mutz*

March 4 marked the end of Student Government Association's (S.G.A.) "Debt or Debit!" postcard campaign, which had been running since the start of this semester.

The campaign, run by S.G.A. Legislative Issues Director, Colleen McArthy, was conducted to educate UW-SP students about current issues affecting the affordability of higher education and urge them to sign postcards to show their concern to legislators.

S.G.A. collected 2,295 signed postcards from Wisconsin Senators Herb Kohl and Russ Feingold, Representative Dave Obey and President Bill Clinton.

Students leaders pose outside Dave Obey's office in Washington D.C. (Submitted Photo)

Student government sent three delegates to Washington, D.C. March 6th through the 10th to attend the United States Student Association's (U.S.S.A.) 29th annual Grassroots Legislative Conference and to deliver the postcards to our representatives. McArthy led the group, which also consisted of Speaker of the Senate Matthew Mutz, and Senator Michael Roth.

At the U.S.S.A. conference the group was educated on issues of concern to students and attended educational workshops covering a variety of student issues.

These issues ranged from Electronic Organizing to Media Relations and Successful Lobbying.

At a banquet on the final night of the conference, UW-SP student government was recognized by U.S.S.A. for involving more than 25% of the UW-SP population in the postcard campaign.

Before returning to Stevens Point, McArthy, Mutz and Roth handed delivered signed postcards to the offices of Kohl, Feingold and Obey.

They met with student leaders from other UW campuses and together they lobbied Representative Obey about funding for higher education, strengthening the impact of the postcards.

Obey, a long-time supporter of higher education, was receptive to the students' views. However, according to Obey, the current Congressional majority seems to be targeting education for spending cuts.

"We need more allies in Congress," Obey said.

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### Campus Beat

*Monday, March 22nd*

- The first floor restroom in Thomson Hall flooded. A custodian was called.

*Friday, March 20th*

- A few suspicious individuals were reportedly looking for something they lost in the snow around the Science Building.

*Monday, March 16th*

- A person was reported climbing into the Sculpture Lab window of the Fine Arts Building. A professor informed the officer that the student had crawled in to turn off a kiln that had been left on.

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### Protective Services' Tip of the Week

Did you know UWS 18.06(29) of the Wisconsin Administrative Code prohibits roller blades/skates and skateboards from use in build-

ings or within 20 feet of doors and entryways? Well, it does!

Furthermore, they ARE NOT allowed on ramps, stairs, curbs, ledges, loading docks, benches and in parking lots. The current fine and forfeitures $141.50 for these violations. Remember: Pedestrians always have the right-of-way.

This tip is contributed by the Crime Prevention Office.

For any suggestions or comments please contact Joyce Blader at x4044 or e-mail at jblader@uwsp.edu
World News

HAMILTON, ONTARIO
Canadian Armed Forces Recruitment Officers made efforts to attract more women into army combat units, yesterday. In 1989, the Canadian Human Rights Commission ruled that women must be fully integrated into combat roles within ten years.

BEIJING
Officials from Red Cross branches in Pyongyang and Seoul met in Beijing for a current round of talks aimed at solving critical food shortage in North Korea. The talks are expected to solve problems associated with distributing 50,000 tons of food aid provided by South Korea.

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National News

CALIFORNIA
A poll released Wednesday by the American Cancer Society found most people in California support the state’s ban on smoking in casinos and bars by nearly a two-to-one ratio. The ban took effect January 1st.

TEXAS
A teenage boy is under arrest after slashing himself and three teachers at his high school Wednesday in North Texas. Rita Aleman, the Princeton, Texas Court Clerk, says one teacher suffered injuries that could have been life threatening, and the boy may have been trying kill himself upon the teachers intervention.

CHICAGO
The first defense witness in the suit against anti-abortion groups by the National Organization for Women said Wednesday he never saw any violence in the many protests she attended. Eva Edl, of South Carolina, says that Operation Rescue leaders had her and other protesters sign pledges not to be violent.

Local/State News

STEVEN'S POINT
Jerome Foods issued a consumer alert to the Steven's Point Cotts corporation for at least one case of even roasted flavored turkey that may be under cooked. Late Monday afternoon they recalled about 9,000 pounds of “The Turkey Store Premium Cooked Turkey Breast Roast,” distributed in the Stevens Point and Madison areas in Wisconsin. Jerome Foods Executive Vice President, Greg Gleichart, said there have been no reports of illness.

WALESAU
Marathon County Circuit Court Judge, Raymond Thums, ordered Kenneth Knippel, the man accused of holding six girls at knife-point in a laundromat and sexually assaulting three of them, to undergo testing to determine if he's mentally competent for trial.

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Willoughby described his initial sight after touching the wall in record time.

Sports

Swim: Relay team breaks national record

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The first thing I saw was my teammates jumping around behind the blocks going crazy,” Willoughby said. “It was great.”

The new items in the budget are data storage for all students and the addition of two workstations for computer team projects. The new data storage program will allow each student storage for personal use on the UW-SP-Net work. Storage is tentatively set at 5 megabytes per student. This space may be used for storing data, eliminating much of the need for floppy disks, or for storing a personal web page. It was originally intended to be a pilot program, but after researching the system, IT decided it could be implemented permanently at a low cost to students. The team workstations will consist of multimedia computers with printers that will be available by reservation for use by two or more individuals.

The Technology Fee, paid by all UW-SP students, is an additional 2% of tuition that may be spent on technology for student use. A committee of seven people, four students and three faculty/staff members, approves the budget, which is proposed by Information Technology (I.T.).

The items funded will improve our service to students - better computers, more printers, file storage for everyone and computerized group study areas,” said Connie Andrews, Student Computer Lab Manager.

This year’s budget includes a majority of the night due to tight officiating in the Nichol won't stray far though, as he will stay on as an assistant coach next season.

Hockey: Gorman’s performance stellar again

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The game ended the Pointer careers of three players, forwards Forrest Gore and Casey Howard, and defensive men Wil Nichol. Nichol won’t stray far though, as he will stay on as an assistant coach next season.

The Pointers ended their national runner-up season with a record of 23-1-1.
Dear Editors:

In the editorial entitled "Hate is everywhere, but not always seen," Chris Keller expresses some pretty profound opinions about homophobia and hate. However, his opinions could not be more unjustified! Israel Haas is an outstanding student, one of the most devoted Christians that I have ever seen and one of the most active students in Student Impact! (a Christian organization on campus) He helped me see the Lord as a close friend and even a pact! (a Christian organization on campus) He

society!

all homosexuals as hellions bent on destroying our society!

short of the glory of God, but even Israel people are offended by the fact that homosexuality is wrong. I pray that they would not single out a person who can make these sins old wounds from the worst of sins. I deeply regret that The Pointer and Chris Keller misinterpreted this message.

I would hope that they would look more open minded at letters and not pick out what they deem right or wrong. I pray that they would not single out a person, with Israel's conviction, whom they do not know, and point the finger at them and say "There is an ignorant hater!" For even the Bible says that those who are without sin may be the first to throw stones (at other sinners).

-Chris Race
Student

I am sick of people like Mr. Haas giving Christians a bad name. In my opinion what Christ taught us is to be accepting, loving, and caring. He didn't teach us to exclude people. People exclude others in order to try to put themselves in a relatively higher position. Exclusion and hate hurts others. Israel, by telling a homosexual teenager they are bad and wrong for their feelings they are excluding those people. Teenage years are confusing enough, in my experience, without zealots passing judgments. Get your nose out of the bible and try practicing what Christ was really teaching us.

The bible is a fine piece of literature and has many truths to be examined and applied to our every day lives. The bible has also, far too often, been an excuse for closed minded people to act like idiots.

-Gregory A. Geiser
Student
Events Coming March 26 to April 1

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LIAR LIAR

7:00 PM
9:15 PM
Hating sin not the same as hating the sinner

Dear Editors:

I’ve read over Chris Keller’s article, “Because, I Said So!” a few times now, but there are some things that I don’t quite agree with. The author seems to misunderstand the difference between hating sin and hating the sinner.

According to Israel Haas of discrimination is going too far in my opinion. On the contrary, Israel loves homosexuals, THE PEOPLE, but he cannot agree to homosexuality, THE SIN. Why? Because God clearly says that it is wrong. God also lets us know that we are not to judge others. God will judge all in the end. But, we are supposed to teach our children and we should never judge them. God tells us to preach His word, and to tell them about the love of His son. God is love. But, I agree with Mr. Haas, and I believe that God is also against homosexuality. But God also says that He loves me and that He understands me. So, I don’t think that it is right for people to judge others.

I know Israel personally, and he is anything but hateful. He has been one of the most loving people I know. Maybe you should try talking to him sometime.

-S. Christian Collins

Student

Smoking is a deadly habit

Dear Editors:

I’m sure most smokers know smoking is bad for their health. However, it seems like smokers have the attitude that smoking will never really hurt them.

According to the National Cancer Society, cigarette smoke contains 4,900 chemicals. Many are poisons, and more than 40 of them cause cancer. A smoker’s chances of getting lung cancer is 10 times greater than a nonsmoker. They are twice as likely to have a heart attack. Cigarette smoke is harmful to all.

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Monday: 5:50 taps (6-midnight)
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For more information call 346-2249

What to do?

The resolution, written by Brett Hazard would put an end to soliciting in academic buildings. The resolution goes a step further to include a discussion during freshman orientation the pitfalls and perils of credit card debt.

This resolution deserves everybody’s support, as it might go a long way in warning just a handful of students how easy it is to fall into a life of credit spending.

While the portrait of the strapped-for-cash college students is very much a stereotype, the majority of students are short on money. The pitfalls and perils of credit card debt.

The danger comes when either the “special treat” becomes too frequent, or when they spend more than they make. The resolution has student interests at heart.

Some opposition has been voiced by student organization who have used the credit card solicitors as a fund-raiser. Banning solicitation may dampen income for organizations, while preserving income for students.

All in all, I think the proposal is a good idea, after all, college takes enough of our money and

See Credit on Page 19
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Riding the wings of the season

By Joe Shead

OUTDOORS REPORTER

Maybe you were too busy studying over spring break to notice, but spring is here. With it comes a multitude of migratory bird species.

Of course, not all species have returned; some have yet to arrive, but others never even left the state. Many birds such as mallards, red-tailed hawks and bald eagles remained in the state as long as they could still find food.

Vincent Heig, Professor of Ornithology, talked about two species that have faced extinction but are now making a comeback from the days of marauding harrasers, the red-tailed hawk and the bald eagle.

"I have been following their progress," he said. "They are back and making our environment a better place."

These birds started arriving a few weeks ago, but many more will soon make their way north as the weather turns. Cranes leap into the air and Hard-core bird-watchers will point out that there are many song birds arriving shortly as well as these larger birds. Now is a good time to observe birds, especially waterfowl which are still in their bright breeding plumage.


eagle walkers trek 200 miles back to Wisconsin. (Submitted photo)

Students survive the hike

Eagle walkers trek 200 miles back to Wisconsin. (Submitted photo)

Weekend Escapes: Gov. Dodge State Park

By Lisa Rothe

OUTDOORS REPORTER

Didn’t get enough time away during spring break? Consider spending a relaxing and inexpensive weekend at Governor Dodge State Park in Dodgeville, Wisconsin, the second largest Wisconsin state park with over 5,000 acres. Rich Purin, park superintendent, feels the "size and variety of species of wildlife and terrain" unite as the outstanding qualities of Governor Dodge State Park.

The history is as colorful as the oak-hickory forests in autumn. As a series of four glaciers dredged their way through Wisconsin’s basement of time thousands of years ago, the land surrounding southwestern Wisconsin was untouched. By some geological quirk, "Southwestern Wisconsin was bypassed and encircled by the four glaciers. The area, therefore, stands as an ‘island’ of hills and valleys amid surrounding plains, a geological monument to a time not known to man," finds the state park visitors guide.

Miners took advantage of the vast seams of lead ore that lay near the surface. By the 1820’s, conflicts had arisen between the Europeans and Winnebagos concerning the running of the lead ore mines.

"General Henry Dodge, one of the original white settlers, was instrumental in establishing peace in this area. Dodge was later appointed first territorial governor of Wisconsin," states the state park visitor’s guide.

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As years pass, the land that had once viewed great change is allowed to rest and is slowly metamorphosing into its once natural state.

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ded their way through Wisconsin; the second largest Wisconsin state park.

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The Roads

• 51 South to Hwy 33 West (Portage) to Baraboo.
• 12 South to Hwy 60 (Prairie du Chien) west to Spring Green.
• Hwy 23 South 15-17 miles north of Spring Green.
• Follow brown signs along Hwy 23 to the park.

Students survive the hike

Eagle walkers trek 200 miles back to Wisconsin. (Submitted photo)

"...only taping what hurts..."

Eagle Walker
Tara Hofkens

Story and Photo
By Kris Wagner
MANAGING EDITOR

Editor’s Note: Just to give a little perspective to the story, reminisce back to every daylight hour of your spring break and keep in mind that 10 Eagle Walkers were walking the majority of this time to their final destination Eagle Valley near Glenhaven, Wis.

Just under two weeks ago, I started a journey which can be best described as the most physically challenging — pain included — and mentally stimulating experience of my life. Before embarking on the 200-mile Eagle Walk journey, I had experienced numerous backpacking and hiking trips, so endorsing my signature on the walk-up sheet came with little hesitation.

A few weeks prior to the trip, I went on a practice walk and at first the trek raised a few doubts about the real walk, but like magic the ache dissipated into the piles of the week’s schoolwork. The distance really didn’t sink in until the Monday before D-day when someone asked where exactly the walk started and finished. We went over to the Wisconsin map and I pointed out the city of Glenhaven
The first thought running through my mind during the pre-dawn darkness of that May morning was, "I can't believe I'm doing this!"

After a typical Friday night here at UW-Stevens Point, I had gotten absolutely no sleep, but mysteriously found myself cramming with a couple friends and a guy named Owen.

We were bobbing down some forgotten back-road at just shy of the speed of sound, and made matters worse, as the drive progressed it became increasingly clear that Owen must have had to bribe his driving instructor to get his license. He seemed to enjoy taking every inch of the shoulder on wide turns and sometimes even a little more, all at some ridiculous speed I don't care to remember.

As I dug my white knuckled fingers into the seat, my thoughts turned from my internal feelings of uncertainty to, "We are all going to die!"

The reason behind all of this was last year's Lake Winnebago Sturgeon Watch Program. My friends and I were among the many volunteers that protect sturgeon during their spawning season on the Wolf River. Every year, volunteers are posted in different areas along the river and maintain a twenty-four hour watch over the lake sturgeon until the spawning season ends. The spawning season usually takes place during a five to seven day period between April 18th and May 5th. However, it is difficult to count on when the sturgeon will actually be in the spawning areas, as my group found out last season.

During our shift at the Shawano dam, we saw only two sturgeon. Group member Aaron McCullough, veteran Sturgeon Watcher, has seen both extremes.

"Some years, I've seen sturgeon literally lined up along the shore-line, but last year they just weren't there."

The program is needed because of the vulnerable nature of the sturgeon during the spawning season. When the water warms to the right temperature the females ascend from their deep-water staging areas and begin to spawn in shallow water right off the rocky shoreline.

During this time the sturgeon, preoccupied with spawning, are fairly inattentive to what is going on around them making them an easy target for poachers.

Spring turkey season approaching

By Mike Toubi
OUTDOORS REPORTER

As warm air currents blow in with the southerly winds, many sportsmen began to catch a fever.

"Can you really swim with the dolphins?" I asked, thinking of the cruise brochures we saw earlier. He smiled, nodded, then tried to describe the best place to wade out for a chance to do it. Cruise ships circle the island most of the day and used to feed the porpoises as they passed. They can't anymore (by law), but the dolphins kept the habit and still playfully follow their waves.

"Here's what you all should do," said the driver. "Take some fish and wrap it up in something so the boat driver doesn't see what you're carrying. Then when the dolphins show up, throw a couple their way."

"Before long, they'll smell the fish and swim towards you looking for more. Just be careful because they can get a little rough. If one bumps you accidentally, he could easily crack your ribs."

"Oh yeah, and watch out for the sharks. Most of them are small, but I watched a guy pull an eight foot hammerhead from the pier. No one's ever been attacked, but be careful. They're out there," he said.

He dropped us off at the wrong end of the park, but eventually we found the shuttle boat. It was a lot like a CNR bus -- loud with smoke rolling out its motor. Walls of plastic sheeting didn't keep us dry and made it hard to see the brilliant blues of the sun-brightened water. But, like the buses, it was functional and we got where we wanted to go.

You'll never see whiter sand or greener palms than those on Shell Island. The beach, rippled like a sand bar, rose into great dunes, twisted and carved by hands of the wind. Vegetation sprang up behind every slope or wherever else the winds were calm.

Just as winds more than anything else shaped the island, winds more than anything shaped the day. After a week of clouds, the sun was finally alone in the sky but wind whipped away all its warmth. Four-foot white caps crashed against a rip-rapp of jagged boulders along the shoreline where the dolphins appeared. Three of them arched slowly between the waves, right on schedule after a cruise ship passed. Their dorsals looked black in the sun as they surfaced over and over 50 yards away. I wanted to swim out there, it was a once-a-lifetime temptation, but that was just it -- I wanted to live even more. If the shark stories weren't enough to keep us dry, watching from shore, the strength of the waves were.

I wandered off for a while over the dunes and around cactus and brush. Deer tracks about the size as those in Wisconsin snaked their way through the island sand. I wanted to jump one to see how different they looked but never caught up to any. I climbed another dune and noticed a patch of deep blue shining beneath tall palms swaying in the wind. But then, just as I started towards it, I heard a friend yelling my name.

"THE BOAT'S LEAVING!" he screamed. So I left. It was enough of a break for the day. That night, the last of the break in Florida, was one of the best of the week.
A shed season that never was

By Matt "Bert" Ward
ASSISTANT OUTDOORS EDITOR

We have once again reached that point in time when the buds start opening and the forest starts replenishing the foliage it lost five months ago. This is also the time when the shed antlers dropped over the previous months start disappearing due to rodents and the maturing underbrush in the woods.

By contrast, I found two sheds on Saturday that would score approximately 170 B&C points if both sides were symmetrical. A freshly dropped shed lies acknowledging the presence of the whitetails that elude us each fall. (Photo by Matt Ward)

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five months ago.
Due to the unusually warm Spring the bucks made a very quick transition from their winter "bachelor groups," when they usually shed their antlers, to their obscure summer hideouts.

I jumped a bachelor group of bucks in a thick bedding area around mid-February that contained three bucks. All were mature bucks and my initial thoughts were that it would be another good Spring for sheds.

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Spring Break then arrived, and after looking for two days straight and coming up empty handed, I was questioning what my fascination with this activity was.

Up to that point in time I had walked over forty hours and had found two antlers, pretty pathetic when comparing it to my previous shed season when I was averaging an antler approximately every 4.5 hours.

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Luck happened to be on my side that day, and I was fortunate enough to find one of my largest sheds. It was half of a ten-pointer that would score approximately 170 B&C points if both sides are symmetrical.

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Judges vote bartender as the best mix

By Kris Wagner
MANAGING EDITOR

Mixing a good drink might be a bartender's best kept secret, but the results of a recent contest spotlight a person who combines quality service and personable qualities into the duties of a bartender, creating the perfect mix.

Behind the bar, the recently nominated "Best Bartender in Stevens Point" mixes the ingredients of an ever-famous Rusty Bloody Mary. As the bartender shakes spices into the drink he recites a new joke, then adds the final touch to the drink—a pickle and jalepeno. Chuckling at the joke, the smiling customer takes a swig of his Point Bock. At the bartender's ability to approach strangers (conversational skills), promptness, serving etiquette, and a few other qualities they felt tap the necessities for a good bartender.

Ten years, four at Rusty's, have allowed Broecker to feel at home behind the bar. "A joke is always a good way to break the ice," the nominated "Best Bartender in Stevens Point" said.

Renowned journalist to speak on radio and print

By Lisa Rothe
FEATURES REPORTER

There are 502 million radios across the nation. Think back. When was the last time you tuned into your favorite station? Chances are it was fairly recent. The Awards Committee consisting of Communication Professors: Bill Deering, Pete Kelley, Leslie Midkiff DeBauche, and Mark Tolstedt have discovered, this is a reality for participants in the Big Brothers Big Sisters program.

There are over 20 volunteers of all ages present at an informational meeting. Participants, followed by McKinley or Cherek began the meeting with two video clips. Despite the crowded room, the meeting went well. Participants were greeted by McKinley or Caseworker Dawn Cherek and given an application. The second consisted of a Big Sister and her "Little" singing to greet the new participants. "We were only expecting a few people to grab a copy, but people wanted more," saidwoman who conducted the meeting.

Imagine wanting a friend so badly that you would wait over three years to get one. Sounds far fetched? Unfortunately, as many volunteers have discovered, this is a reality for participants in the Big Brothers Big Sisters program. Ten years, four at Rusty's, they had already found and that path would lead them to the final destination. They were given a ticket to turn in at the end of the contest that would be worth a certain number of points.

Oliva was fearful teams would steal the stones to throw off others so stones were never actually used. At one time a Trivia Stone was brought to the final destination but, as anticipated, it was stolen and is now rumored to be at the bottom of a swamp west of town.

90FM's Trivia looms near

By Christina Bando
Copy Editor

The first Trivia contest was held in November of 1969. The questions were written by players, and read over the air for the other teams to answer. The contest was 16 hours long, with each hour containing five questions worth a specific point value. Sixteen teams participated in the first contest, approximately 70 people.

The contest changed in 1970 when 90FM staffers took over the task of question writing. It continued to grow in popularity from then on, and in 1974, Trivia became a 56 hour contest. It was shortened to 54 hours the next year (each hour now containing eight questions) and has remained at that length ever since.

The Running Question was introduced in 1973. The staff writers at that time wanted to find a way to work all the great trivia around the town of Stevens Point into the contest. They came up with a type of scavenger hunt worth about 150 points. It requires representatives from each team to meet at the designated area, pick up the question sheet, and, on foot, collect the answers to questions such as: "How many inches high is the letter 'B' on the Superior Beaz's sign?" Teams are allowed 45 minutes to complete the questions and ran them back to the pickup point. The teams usually carry ladders and measuring tools with them and sometimes end up running up to a mile. Skateboards and roller skates are strictly prohibited.

In 1979 Jim Oliva, owner of a local computer store and former school teacher, took over writing the contest. He dreamed up questions in 1980 as a way to incorporate still more of Stevens Point's abundance of trivia into the contest. The idea was that clues would be given over the air that would lead teams to a specific place in town where they wouldn't be able to go until they had correctly identified the clue.

When the final clue had been given, teams could drive by the stones they had already found and that path would lead them to the final destination. There, they were given a ticket to turn in at the end of the contest that would be worth a certain number of points.

Imagine her surprise when McKinley and Cherek began the meeting with two video clips. Despite the crowded room, the meeting went well. Participants were greeted by McKinley or Caseworker Dawn Cherek and given an application. The ten page application made up of the Little. Kids who sign up for the program wait anywhere from 2-4 years for a Big, and volunteers are needed. Interested individuals should call 341-0661.

Big Brothers Big Sisters reach to campus

The video clips were followed by a question answer session, describing the program.

According to McKinley, the Littles usually fall into three categories: high, medium and low need. The higher the category, the more dysfunctional the home life of the Little. After completing the application, the process takes about two months and consists of a personal interview, police and reference checks, and a home interview.

"McKinley and Cherek provided insight as to what the program all about," said Jason Frey, a communication major and meeting participant. "They conveyed a lot of information in a short amount of time." Kids who sign up for the program wait anywhere from 2-4 years for a Big, and volunteers are needed. Interested individuals should call 341-0661.

Cooking Corner

Patrice's Italian Chicken

2 boneless, skinless chicken breasts
2 cups fat free Italian salad dressing
1/4 cup mozzarella cheese

Place chicken breasts in pan and pour Italian dressing over the chicken.
Cook chicken 20-30 minutes at 350 degrees.
Check periodically, flipping the chicken halfway through cooking time.
Sprinkle mozzarella cheese on chicken.
Cook until cheese is slightly melted.
Serve warm.

Try adding a dash of garlic powder for more taste.
Multiply or divide the ingredients according to the number of chicken breasts.

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**Restaurant review: Blueberry Muffin**

By Jason R. Renkens
ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

A glass of water seems such a simple entity. If a restaurant can’t provide one, how then can it expect to provide food which is edible? Which portion of the menu ranged from grilled cheese to tenderloin ordered was cut diagonally. It arrived it had cheese and was grilled but lacked the lettuce and tomato which is named for. Our third ordered chicken salad on a croissant. The sandwich would have been done more justice if it had been called onion salad on a croissant.

Once the waitress, a different woman than had previously served us, brought out lettuce and a tomato slice and my friend picked the onion out of her sandwich the food was fine. In fact, the food was quite good and the fries were exceptional but when you are busy complaining about poor service you are missing the beauty often needed to be found below the surface. The facade of the restaurant conjures images of fried green tomatoes, homefries, and sweaty cooks in white tank tops.

Entering the restaurant is like walking out of your just-tornado-blown-house into munchkin land. It is clean, well-lit, and very comfortable.

The "munchkin land" inside of The Blueberry Muffin restaurant failed to compensate for sub par service. (Photo by Carrie Reuter)

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The 70th Academy Awards are officially over. The check marks on the thousands of Academy ballots were once again more political than truthful. Voters went for big productions and well-known names in the major categories. We believe the better performances in a lot of categories were overlooked for one reason or another. Here's our assessment of how the ceremony should have turned out:

**BEST PICTURE**

**NK:** The establishment of *Titanic* as he year's best in the mind of the public without a doubt led to its naming as Best Picture. In my mind, the best film of the year was *Good Will Hunting*. But rarely does the Academy agree with me, and that leads to some frustration when I watch the awards. For once I'd like to see an apolitical choice in this category.

**MB:** The Academy's pick of *Titanic* was both predictable and unfortunate. After last year's independent film domination, I guess a Hollywood big-budget blockbuster was in the cards for the Academy. *Good Will Hunting* was a much better movie and for once a film didn't tie up all of its ends before the credits. *LA Confidential* started great but ended a little weak. The Full Monty was good—but never great. *Good As It Gets* didn't quite fit its title. A down year for great films, *Good Will Hunting* was the best.

**SCREENPLAY (ADAPTED)**

**NK:** *Wag the Dog*, a critically acclaimed movie that really didn't get the attention that it deserved from the public and the Academy, deserves this one. *LA Confidential* may have been a great movie, but the dialogue in *Wag the Dog* works so well in its mission as a movie that it deserved recognition as the best adapted screenplay this year. However, Basinger may have given *LA Confidential* a boost, and so it got the nod.

**MB:** *LA Confidential* was a close second for me in this category. It was a lock at the Oscars and got away with a negative Hollywood story. Something about *Wag the Dog* makes it stand out, however. Pairing Dustin Hoffman's confident director with Robert DeNiro and Anne Heche's desperate Washington aides made for a great story. The most comical part of the film was watching strategists Dennis Leary and Willie Nelson try to help the phony war support.

**SCREENPLAY (ORIGINAl)**

**NK:** This was one of two awards that I firmly agree with. *Good Will Hunting* was a fantastically written movie that deserves all of the kudos it has gotten. Matt Damon and Ben Affleck are two of the hottest characters were likable, but they were all flawed. And most importantly the film was written to appeal to everyone who could legally see it. Whether you're seventeen or seventy, there was something about the film you could relate to.

**BEST ACTOR**

**NK:** Hmm... this one is tough. My guess is that, however, to go to Peter Fonda for *Ulee's Gold*. This wasn't a really great movie, but Fonda's performance made it an enjoyable one, and I was blown away by his passion and ability to portray this complex man. That, however, was Nicholson's strength in *As Good as It Gets*, and he may have won the award based in part on his potent off-screen personality. DeNiro, also, in *The Apostle*, was stellar, but he just didn't really have what it takes to put him over the top. Fonda deserved the award, but I must say I'm happy for Nicholson. And hey, they were both in *Easy Rider*, so I can't really put either one down.

**MB:** Before all of the film award hoopla, Boogie Nights was receiving its attention for Burt Reynolds' acting and Mark Wahlberg's unravelling. But when I watched it, Julianne Moore seemed to take the attention away from the rest of the cast with her subtle acting performance. It's too bad the Academy overlooked her, likely due to the film's subject matter.

**BEST SUPPORTING ACTOR**

**NK:** The second of the picks by the Academy that I agree with here, Williams turned what may be considered the performance of his career. He was passionate, articulate, and funny, all in the perfect balance. Deserved and well-appreciated. Kodi to the Academy for not going with the only real sympathy pick—Burt Reynolds.

**MB:** It is common for Academy voters to sympathize with a nominee who has sustained a long, reputable career but has failed to receive an Oscar. John Wayne (True Grit-1969), Paul Newman (The Color of Money-1985) and Al Pacino (Scent of a Woman-1993) are perfect examples. Both Robin Williams and Burt Reynolds could be considered sympathy candidates, but Williams' award was a legitimate victory. Nominated on three prior occasions, Williams turned in a good performance in *Good Will Hunting* as the other three Academy shutouts (his best work went without a nomination for *Awakenings*).

**BEST SUPPORTING ACTRESS**

**NK:** *As Good As It Gets*, *Good Will Hunting*, and *Titanic* were great movies but in my opinion-*Ulee's Gold*, directed by Burt Reynolds got the snub. Jack Nicholson stood out in a Best Actor field including three of the profession's all-time greats. Peter Fonda was great in *Ulee's Gold*, but I didn't feel his performance was as polished as Nicholson's. It's rare for Nicholson to receive a role that challenges his genius these days and when he gets one, he delivers.

**MB:** As before, Jack Nicholson was the clear winner in this category. His performance in *As Good As It Gets* was stellar, but he just didn't have what it takes to put him over the top. Fonda deserved the award, but I must say I'm happy for Nicholson. And hey, they were both in *Easy Rider*, so I can't really put either one down.

**BEST ACTRESS**

We decided that, because we saw so few of the nominated roles, any second guessing of the Academy here would be a tad hypocritical. Mike and Nick both agree that Hunt performance was good, and wish that Stevens Point was a little larger so we could get some more of the smaller films.
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Milwaukee’s success depends on pitching

By Mike Kemmeter

Next week, the Milwaukee Brewers will start another era of baseball in the Brew City, returning to the town’s roots of National League baseball.

The Brewers are leaving the American League Central with the big-spending Cleveland Indians and Chicago White Sox for the thriller NL Central. With that brings a new hope of contention for Milwaukee fans, who haven’t sniffed the postseason since 1982.

But for the Brewers to have any chance at a division title or a wild card berth, the team’s pitching staff will have to come through.

Cal Eldred (13-15, 4.99 ERA in 1997), Scott Karl (10-13, 4.47 ERA), Jose Mercedes (7-10, 3.79), Jeff Juden (11-6), and Paul Wagner (0-0, 3.94) will have to weather the storm in the rotation until the All-Star Break. Jeff D’Amico returns from shoulder surgery.

Eldred is finally returning to his pre-surgery form and will have to carry the load as the staff’s ace. In Karl’s case, Manager Phil Garner hopes the lefy can continue his hot streak at the end of 1997, where he won eight of his last 11 decisions after a 2-10 start.

Mercedes, Juden and Wagner are all question marks, which isn’t what any team wants from the bottom half of the rotation. But if the trio can pitch well enough to keep the Brewers in the game, Milwaukee’s offense should balance out.

Hopefully, even if the pitching struggles a bit, a good Brewers’ offense should balance things out.

The offseason addition of Marquis Grissom from Cleveland gives Milwaukee its best centerfielder since Robin Yount retired before the 1994 season. Grissom will add speed to the lineup and should return to his old National League form.

Grissom’s arrival is coupled by the return of first baseman John Jaha, who had a breakout 1996 season before going down with a shoulder injury in 1997. If Jaha can produce something close to his 30 HR, 100 RBI campaign of two years ago, the cleanup spot will have some added spark.

Combine those two with All-Star third baseman Jeff Cirillo and 1997 surprise Jeremy Burnitz (27 HR, 85 RBI) and the Brewers have a pretty strong lineup that can produce runs in the National League.

And that doesn’t even count David Nilsson, who must play leftfield in the absence of the AL’s designated hitter. Nilsson will be on the shelf until May because of knee surgery, but if he can stay healthy the rest of the year, Milwaukee will love to have his bat.

But no matter how many runs the Brewers’ offense scores, the team’s pitchers have to do the job. Otherwise it will be another year of no baseball in mid-October.

Second day effort not enough for track

By Mike Kemmeter

A trio of All-American finishes on the final day of the NCAA Division III Track and Field Indoor Championships helped pull UW-Stevens Point into a five-way tie for 11th place.

But it was the team’s first day showing that kept the Pointers from finishing on a National Title.

“We were disappointed,” UW-SP men’s track and field coach Rick Witt said. “Some didn’t perform well under the pressure very well. And they’ll be better off to say that.

Going into the meet, Witt wanted his athletes to focus on the team aspect more than in the past, which he said added to the pressure.

“I think we learned a lot. Last year, when we finished fourth (at Outdoors), everything kind of fell together,” Witt said. “They put a little added pressure on themselves. It’s something they have to learn for themselves.”

The Pointers’ first day struggles included some tough breaks as UW-SP saw its chances for gold disappear.

Point’s pair of pole vaulters, Jesse Maynard and Lyle Eiden, didn’t have their best days for different reasons.

Maynard finished seventh with a vault of 15 feet-5 inches, but if not for early misses, he could have placed as high as fifth. Four vaulters, including Maynard, tied with 15-5.

Eiden, who is battling a pulled quadriceps muscle, had trouble gaining speed on his approach, leading to a tenth place finish (15-1).

“Lyle was not 100 percent by any means. He hurt that quad and couldn’t run,” Witt said.

The Pointers also lost potential points when Eric Miller (400 meter run), Matt Hayes (800 m run), and the 1600 m relay team didn’t make it out of preliminaries.

Hockey crushes host Plattsburgh State to advance to championship game

By Nick Brilowski

The Pointer hockey team didn’t have a whole lot of factors in their favor heading into their semifinal match-up Friday night.

First, UW-SP Point East had to travel by land, air and sea to get to Plattsburgh, NY and not even all of the team was together.

Secondly, the fourth-seeded Pointers had to face Plattsburgh State on their home ice.

So much for adversity.

UW-SP didn’t let any of the potential excuses get in its way though, as they cruised into the championship game with an 8-2 drubbing of the Cardinals.

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Consecutive goals cut the Point lead to 3-2 before UW-SP came up with two huge goals by players and coaches and get autographs from each of the team members.

Baldarotta found solace in the evening and encouraged everyone to look to the future.

"This is a part of the healing process. There's a light at the end of the tunnel and this team is an upcoming train."

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Swimmers fifth with five at Nationals

By Mike Kemmeter

Kenyon College continued its dominance at the Division III level, running away with the title, scoring 726 points. UC-San Diego took home the runner-up trophy with 395 points while Denison finished a close third with 393.5. UW-SP’s finish topped last year’s previous-best seventh place overall.

"It’s unprecedented for a team of five guys to go into a National meet and finish fifth," UW-SP assistant swimming and diving coach Jesse Moen.

"We went into the meet thinking we’d finish sixth or seventh," Moen said. "We never thought we’d get more points than last year."

The Pointers were able to top their 1997 performance thanks to two of them, the 100 backstroke and the 200 backstroke. The quartet finished second with a time of 1:36.79.

"The Pointers also received a trio of third place finishes in individual events," Moen said. "Francioli was responsible for two of them, the 100 backstroke (51.35) and the 200 backstroke (2:12.05) as well."

UW-SP softball opens season in Hawaii

By Mike Kemmeter

In order to compete well against tough competition, the more experience a team has against good teams, the better. And on the UW-Stevens Point softball team’s Spring Break trip to Hawaii, the Pointers faced some of the best squads they will see all season.

During their entire time in Hawaii, the Pointers only played against Division II competition in the Kona Softball Classic. UW-SP finished the tournament with a 2-5 record, losing to Northwest Missouri State in the Consolation Championship.

"Record wise, I don’t think it indicated the type of trip that we had," UW-SP softball coach Dean Shuda said.

"We played well defensively, and didn’t make any bonehead plays. The biggest thing we didn’t do was get key hits with people on base." The Pointers were able to hang with the Division II teams, as five of the tournament games were decided by two runs or less. Those teams also had 25 to 30 games under their belts.

"Our first game was our first time outside," Shuda said. "When you step outside on dirt, it’s different." Seeing the team in its first real game action, Shuda said he really didn’t see anything he wasn’t expecting.

"To be honest, we’re a pretty set ballclub. We have a good nucleus of players," Shuda said.

"We’ve been practicing since Jan. 19, so I know the team pretty well and they know me. There weren’t any real surprises or anything."

Quote of the Week

"It’s like chicken-fighting with a woman. His game is all this flopping-type thing. He weighs only 185 pounds, so you have to be careful, don’t touch him, or it’s a foul."

-Chicago Bulls’ Michael Jordan, on guarding Reggie Miller of the Indiana Pacers.

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Scoring

First Period

Middlebury - Joskewitz (Seidoff and Barsett assist), 12:57.

Second Period

Middlebury - Bobrow (Goldman and Leblanc assist), power play, 11:59.

UWSP - Biehle (Larsen and Johnson assist), 17:00.

Shots on goal: Middlebury: 45, UW-SP: 23.

Goalie saves: Middlebury: Bourbeau 21, Parson 1; UW-SP: Gorman 43.

UWSP-Plattsburgh State

NCAA Division III Semifinal

Plattsburgh, New York

March 20, 1998

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Scoring

First Period

UWSP - Masson (Howard and Capizzi assist), 1:22.

UWSP - Salenko (Nichol and Tomczak assist), power play, 14:59.

Second Period

UWSP - Masson (Howard and Capizzi assist), 2:01.

PSU - Sieradzki (Burger and Deslauriers assist), 7:18.

UWSP - Slobodnik (Tomczak and Salenko assist), 18:32.

UWSP - Capizzi (Brown and Drayna assist), 19:36.

UWSP - Gore (Fricker assist), shorthanded, 19:39.

UWSP - Gore (unassisted), shorthanded, 17:21.

UWSP - Boehm (Brown assist), 19:02.

Shots on goal: PSU: 33, UW-SP: 24.

Goalie saves: PSU: Erbland 21, O'Neil 4; UW-SP: Gorman 22.

**Softball**

UWSP-at Kona Softball Classic

March 16-21, 1998

UWSP-Northwestern Missouri

Consolation Championship

UWSP 0 1 0 1 0 2 5 1

Missouri 0 0 0 0 1 4 6 1

Ripken: 1.

Bower: Emshall: 2.

UW-SP - Hawai'i

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LP: Blaha.

UWSP-BYU-Hawaii

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UWSP-Princeton

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Trivia

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The contest was legitimized when the station began requiring preregistration. Trivia has increased in teams and players every year and the total number of players this year is expected to exceed 12,000.

Players come from as far away as Washington, Oregon, Texas, Spain and Germany to play.

90FM’s Trivia contest is listed in Chase’s calendar of annual events as the largest of its kind and has media attention from USA Today, Voice of America Radio Network, Chicago Tribune and Minneapolis Star Tribune as well as the Associated Press.

90FM’s annual Trivia contest will begin at 6 p.m. on Friday, April 17 and run constantly for 54 hours.

Bartender

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Broecker, a 1996 UW-SP Aquatic Toxicology graduate, said, "The nominated best bartender commented that a bartender has to "give good service above and beyond because there is no mandatory tip like a waiter or waitress gets."

"I try to figure out what the customer is interested in," he added.

As a bartender, Broecker has a few memorable experiences, but one memory sticks out the most. A few years ago, Lance worked a New Year’s Eve with a new bartender until close. Since the annual Polar Bear Festival started the next morning the two of them slept in Lance’s car that night.

He mentioned other common annual events that are a good time at the backwater saloon like the Arctic Fest. "I like the atmosphere out here [Rusty’s]," Broecker said.

So what is the secret to a good drink? "If you ask the customers they’ll say the more booze the better," Broecker said.

Muffin

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and missed orders, who have time to enjoy their food. Upon completion of the sandwiches it was decided that it would be an injustice if we left the restaurant without trying the very item on the menu that the Blueberry Muffin is named for.

The larger than life muffin comes with Promise and butter and can be warmed up upon request. Ours was heated and looked scrumptious. When we attempted to divide it between the three of us it crumbled like the Berlin Wall in 1990.

The muffin had a corn bread taste and was above average as far as homemade pastries go but I wouldn’t go so far as to name my restaurant after it.

Perhaps my visit to the Blueberry Muffin was a freak occurrence and who am I to question the muffin that the Milwaukee Journal deemed the best in the state in 1993 but one thing is for sure, I will definitely not become a patron of the little diner down on Highway 66.

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19 Earn a voice
20 No less than
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60 Jacket or collar
61 Container
62 Barcelona

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2 Landed
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8 Building addition
9 Prairie wolf
10 Resolved
11 Weather word
12 Before, past
13 Chance upon
14 One of the Caesars
15 Jason's wife
16 Tell a tale
17 Indian currency
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46 Aid in crime
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51 Pick up an option
52 Bearing
53 Approximately
54 A change in its orbit path?
55 Appraise rays
56 Movie star
57 Arrest
58 Soaks up the rays
59 Indian currency
60 Jacket or collar
61 Containers
62 Barcelona gate
Right foot, left foot, right foot... CONTINUED FROM PAGE 10

Besides the landscapes many people will be etched into my mind, including Fiddler Bob at Monroe Center who played a few tunes for us and Dick Collins who invited us into his home for freshly made donuts.

Walking in this intensity can place a burden on a few body parts. A few comments stick in my mind. Imagine a bit of yelling followed by "my right knee isn’t working." Twelve blisters "Does anybody want water?"

"I can't feel my right foot..."

Of course us Eagle Walkers have some remedies of the aches and pains, involving a different kind of pain. After walking all day blood pools into the feet and a quick cold-ice bath. The art of making is simple. Either gather snow or ice and add to a container filled with cold water. Next, just add swollen feet and ten minutes later, after numerous amounts of pain feet come out a pretty red color.

The final day made the whole trip worth all the pain along the way disappear. During the last couple miles of our journey around 10 eagles, immature and mature, soared over our heads. Later that day the Eagle Valley Nature Preserve recorded over 100 eagles migrating overhead.

Someone once told me if you seen an eagle cross your path you knew that you’re on the right track. I can’t imagine what they would say about the numbers of eagles we saw. Although some called us "crazy," this walk has brought many great people together for a cause that future generations will cherish—the preservation of the land.

By Nora McVittie

Matthew Sweet's sweetest

The Jayhawks

Sound of Lies

By Kyle Geltemeyer

Having loved Matthew Sweet's albums "Girlfriend" and "Altered Beast," I can't help but find myself disappointed by his last two solo efforts. "Blue Sky on Mars," Sweet's latest CD, is an admirable piece of work, like his previous album, but I expected more from him.

"Blue Sky on Mars," Sweet's latest CD, is a solid album. It starts with Beach Boys inspired "Nothing Lasts" on the album's second song, "Back to You," is among the best on the album. It starts with Beach Boys sounding keyboards compliments of producer Brendan O'Brien. Sweet plays a solid, subtle guitar on it as well.

"Where You Get Love" seems like a tribute to the work of Chet Trick lead guitarist Rick Nielsen. Sweet, as is his custom, mixes in his own voice as harmony for a listeners-friendly effect. "Hollow" leaves an echo-like impression on the listener. "Behind the Smile" sounds like it could have been an outtake from his "Altered Beast" album. Beautiful lyrics complement the mellow alternative grooves.

My personal favorite, "Until You Break," similarly seems to me that it would have fit nicely on the "Girlfriend" album. It's a beautiful song about a man waiting for the woman he loves. I'm reminded of the song "Nothing Lasts" on "Girlfriend" when I listen to it.

I still believe "Blue Sky on Mars" is a solid album, just not what I expected out of Matthew Sweet. Sweet was swept into the airwaves with his very Revolver-era Beatlesque album "Girlfriend" in 1991. It received a bit of critical attention and moderate airplay, mostly on college radio stations. The alternative follow-up, "Altered Beast," solidified his own creative relevance to modern music. I guess this is why I'm mildly disappointed in his last two albums. I expected bigger things from him.
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Swimming
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(1:50.99). The sophomore won National Title in the 200 backstroke as a freshman last season. Stevens captured UW-SP's other third place finish, garnering All-American status in the 200 breaststroke (2:04.27).

To round out their scoring, Point snatched one fourth, two fifths and one ninth place finish.

The 400 freestyle relay of Boelk, Stevens, Willoughby and Francioli grabbed fourth place in 3:55.20.

Fifths went to Boelk in the 200 individual medley (1:53.26) and the 200 freestyle relay of Willoughby, Stevens, Boelk and Hanson (1:24.05).

And Willoughby's time of 20.95 seconds in the 50 freestyle gave him a ninth place finish, only 1.01 second away from first.

"All of our guys swam really, really good," Moen said. "I was really impressed with how everybody did."

UW-SP first-year head coach Al Boelk and Moen have a lot to be proud of this year.

The Jone representative of the Pointer women's team, Megan Lundahl, finished sixth in her flight of the shot put (41.41) and failed to qualify for the finals.

Both Pointer teams have the weekend off before hitting the outdoor track at Luther College April 4.

Track
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killed a success rate of 23%. Top zones of 1997 included Zone 3 (1,639 birds), Zone 7 (1,042 birds), Zone 22 (1,154 birds), and Zone 23 (1,661 birds).

The success of turkey hunters has obviously improved with the increase in the turkey population and the range they now cover. To compensate for the expansion of the turkeys' range, the DNR has established two new zones, which may open in 1999.

Zone 40 covers most of Chippewa and parts of Rusk, Taylor and Clark counties. Zone 41 covers Langlade County as well as parts of Lincoln, Marathon, Oneida, Forest, Menominee, and Oconto counties.

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