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New state budget allocates \$90 million for UW System

By Ethan J. Meyer
NEWS EDITOR

Governor Tommy Thompson signed the long-awaited state budget on Wednesday, Oct. 27, committing \$90 million to the UW-system, the largest share it has seen in 10 years.

The budget, which is passed every two years, allocated \$75 million for the original request, plus an additional \$15 million for the Pay Plan. The Pay Plan has been instituted to bring UW faculty higher pay and better long-term security in their jobs by bringing their salaries close to the national average for the first time in eight years. This allows the UW System to more ably compete for the new faculty as more people retire every year.

"We hope to see an increase in diversity, beyond women to people of color," said SGA Legislative Issues Director, Michael Roth, when asked how UW-Stevens Point students may experience a difference as a result of the extra provisions for faculty.

"We [SGA] are very pleased overall with the budget. We have some minor disagreements, such as only \$1 million was set aside for Plan 2008, but it is good overall," said Roth.

Plan 2008 Diversity Initiative exists to promote educational quality through racial and ethnic

diversity. It includes programs for the benefit of minority and disadvantaged students.

A tuition freeze has also come into effect as a result of a \$28 million funding increase. The freeze will keep tuition for the 2000-01 school year at the same rate as the 1999-00 year for resident undergraduates.

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Bacterial disease preys on college residents Students three times more likely to be exposed

By Jill Lutz
NEWS REPORTER

A study by the Center for Disease Control (CDC) which was published in *The Journal of the American Medical Society*, found that incidents of the Meningococcal Meningitis bacterial infection are three times higher among college students living on campus than for any other population.

Meningitis is an inflammation of the lining surrounding the brain and spinal cord. One form of bacterial meningitis, meningococcal, has recently gained the interest of the medical world.

This bacterial infection has been on the rise in university environments. The infection causes very serious illness, even death if not treated promptly.

According to researchers at the CDC, whose findings were recently published in the aforementioned journal, this disease strikes roughly 2,600 Americans per year. Approximately 13 percent of these cases lead to death, equaling more than 300 deaths annually.

The bacteria that cause the meningococcal infection are not as contagious as the common cold or flu. This disease is contracted through direct exposure, as the bacteria can not live outside of the body for more than a few minutes.

Meningococcal meningitis is particularly dangerous for two reasons. Primarily, it is relatively rare. Approximately 5 to 10 percent of the general population carry the bacteria in the nose and throat without becoming ill. During an epidemic, the carrier rate may increase to rates as high as 95 percent, with less than one percent of the population contracting the disease.

Secondly, the infection is dangerous in that it is deceptive. The symptoms of meningococcal meningitis may first appear to be those of the typical flu; fever over 101 degrees Fahrenheit, a severe and sudden headache, and neck and back stiffness. Mental changes such as agitation, confusion and coma and a rash of tiny red and purple-black spots may accompany these symptoms.

The infection can progress to severe meningococcal disease in a very short time.

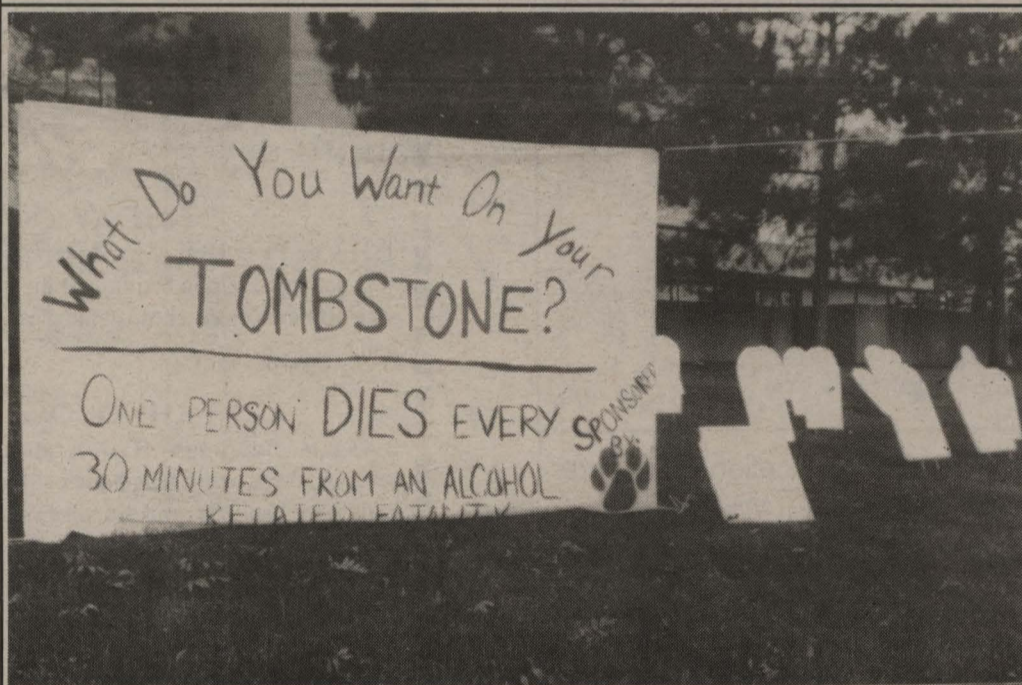
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Alcohol Awareness Week brought both fun activities and sobering advice to the students of UW-SP

(Photo by
Nathan T. Wallin)

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New bill links alcohol with public nuisance

By Pramela Thiagesan
NEWS EDITOR

Students who distribute, sell or manufacture alcoholic beverages out of their house could be evicted from their place of residence, if a bill under consider-

ation at the state legislature passes.

If passed, this bill will enable landlords and law enforcement agencies to terminate tenancy under claims that these gatherings cause a public nuisance.

The bill states that all gatherings where alcohol is distributed or sold shall require a license or permit. The bill, however, does not state conditions that would enable interested parties to get the permit.

Should the police visit a gathering where alcohol is served without a permit, tenants will have to vacate the premises within five days.

If passed, this bill will affect more than just students.

"The entire community will be affected by this bill should it get

passed," said Kristin Langyel, SGA communications director.

"It is not just a simple case of something that affects underage drinking; any social gathering where alcohol is present will be affected," added Langyel.

Legislative Director of SGA, Michael Roth also voices concerns on the implications of this bill, should it be passed. "This bill could hinder the social aspect of our community to a certain extent because an impromptu party outside of normal business hours would stand little chance of getting a permit, in accordance to the proposed law," said Roth.

The bill was written by Representative Underheim and is now under consideration at the housing committee. According to Roth,

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Computer theft foiled Recovery worth over \$9,000

By Ethan J. Meyer
NEWS EDITOR

Campus Security thwarted the efforts of three student burglars as they attempted to pack \$9,254 worth of computer equipment into their car, which was parked in Lot D.

The individuals were discovered by a student security patrol at approximately 9:30 p.m. on Monday night. The security patrol reported what they saw to officers at Protective Services who moved to apprehend the individuals at the scene.

The new computers were removed from a storage area in room 026 in the basement of the Learning Resources Center. Among the equipment recovered from the thieves were four new Gateway processors, a monitor and a keyboard.

As both Chief Burling and Assistant Director Taylor were at a meeting Protective Services was unable to comment on the incident.



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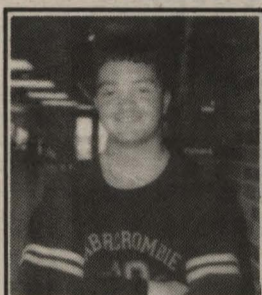
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What was your worst Halloween Costume?



Reid Anderson
GEN. RES. MANG.

"I had to be a tackling dummy one time."



PSYCHOLOGY, SENIOR

"Last year, I dressed up as a hooters girl."



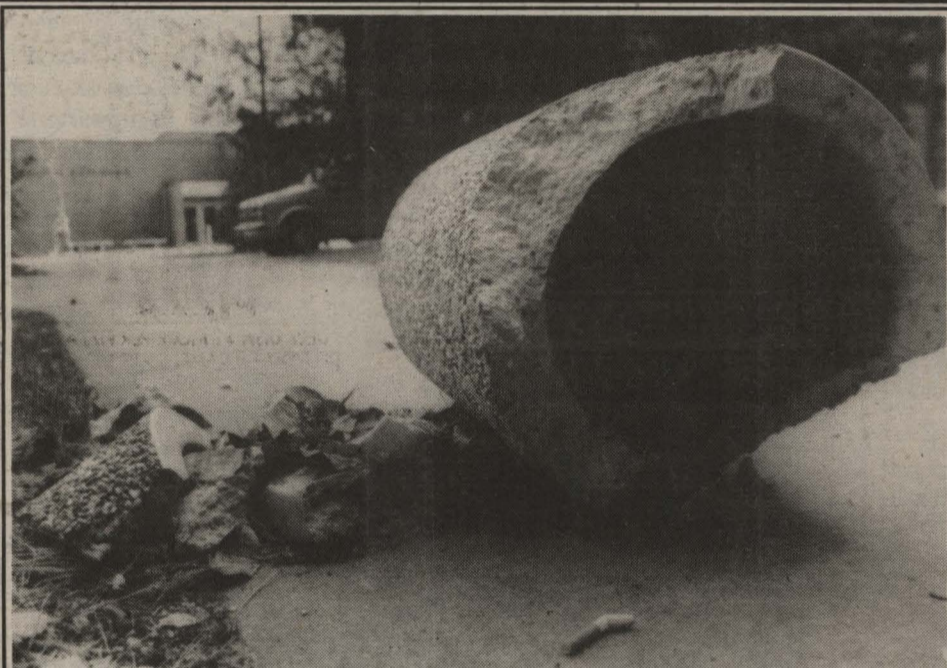
Craig Anderson
BIOLOGY, SENIOR

"I was the amazing octopus' magician."



Heather Scheunemann
ELEMENTARY ED., JUNIOR

"When I was a present, I wore a big box and it was hard to sit down."



A vandalized cement ashtray outside the Communication Arts Center. See Campus Beat for details. (Photo by Nathan T. Wallin)

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UWSP Campus



WEDNESDAY, OCT. 20

11:16 a.m. Neale Hall Resident reported that a down comforter had been taken from a dryer located in the basement laundry room of Neale Hall. The student placed the comforter in the dryer at approximately 9:50 a.m.

THURSDAY, OCT. 21

5:12 a.m. Knutzen Hall Student reported the vandalism of her car parked in the Knutzen circle. The windshield-wipers were bent into a "L" shape. After a brief check of the area, campus security personnel found an additional four vehicles with damaged wiper blades.

THURSDAY, OCT. 21

11:14 a.m. Lot P A student notified campus security of damage done to her vehicle.

THURSDAY, OCT. 21

4:00 p.m. Watson Hall A student reported that while walking out of a room in Watson Hall, a hacky sack flew by the right side of his head.

FRIDAY, OCT. 22

1:21 a.m. Pray Hall A resident reported that an exterior door was damaged. Upon arriving at the scene, the protective Service officer noticed a hole in the glass of the south door by Pray hall.

FRIDAY, OCT. 22

3:43 p.m. Burroughs Hall A student reported that she had received three prank telephone calls at her room. The first two calls were hang-ups and the third was music playing.

SATURDAY, OCT. 23

6:21 p.m. Communication Arts Center The officer on duty, while patrolling the grounds, noticed that two cement ashtrays located at the northeast entrance and the southeast entrance were broken.

SUNDAY, OCT. 24

2:47 p.m. Lot G Campus security received a report of a hit-and-run in Lot G.

MONDAY, OCT. 25

12:35 a.m. University Center A maintenance worker reported that the women's Kotex/tampon dispenser had been broken into in the women's bathroom near the LaFollette Lounge.

MONDAY, OCT. 25

11:33 p.m. Learning Resources Center Two Student Patrol members reported to the officer on duty that three individuals were attempting to place four computers into a car in Lot D at the northeast entrance of the College of Natural Resources.

Editor's Note :

The contents of Campus Beat is taken from the logs taken from the Protective Services Office. All reports are actual events and are reprinted as entered in the logs.

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Meningitis facts:

Risk factors and ways to avoid them

The increase of infection among campus living environments may be the result of the following factors:

- * *The overcrowded living spaces in residence life may aid in harboring the infectious bacteria*
- * *Active and passive smoking*
- * *Excessive alcohol consumption*
- * *Kissing, sharing eating utensils, sharing cigarittes, and drinking from the same glass*

Some ways to reduce risks of contracting the infectious disease include:

- * *Eating a balanced diet*
- * *Getting adequate sleep*
- * *Exercising regularly*
- * *Avoiding excesss stress*
- * *Avoid upper respiratory infection and inhalation of smoke*

Free Autocare workshop for UW-SP students

UW-Stevens Point students can attend a basic maintenance workshop for free with a UW-SP I.D.

The workshop is open to the public as well and those who participate will have the opportunity to learn more about the modern automobile engine.



"What's Up in the Hood?" auto maintenance workshops are scheduled for Nov. 2 and Nov 9. The sessions will be from 7-9 p.m. at UW-SP's Maintenance and Material Building garage located off Maria Drive.

Sponsored by Centertainment Productions, the workshop will demonstrate the importance of general car care and internal workings of an automobile's mechanical systems.

The sessions are \$10 for non-students or students without an I.D. card.

Pre-registration is required by Fri., Oct. 29 at Campus Activities in the lower level of the University Center.



HAPPY HALLOWEEN

TO ALL OUR READERS!

FROM ALL OF US AT

THE POINTER

Young named state Professor of the Year



Young

The Carnegie Foundation has named Charles Young, a UW-Stevens Point associate professor of music, the 1999-2000 Wisconsin Professor of the Year for the Advancement of Teaching and the Council for Advancement and Support of Education (CASE).

The Carnegie Foundation is recognizing professors in 44 states and the District of Columbia, Guam, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands for their extraordinary dedication to teaching, commitment to students and innovative teaching methods.

"Professor Young is an innovator in the use of technology for his outstanding accomplishments in higher education," said UW-SP Chancellor Tom George.

A composer and saxophonist, Young recently received his fifth consecutive award from the

American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP). He was chosen as a Wisconsin Teaching Fellow for the 1997-98 academic year by the UW System and last summer he was sponsored by the National Park Service as the first composer-in-residence for Pictured Rocks National Lakeshore. In May he and two fellow music faculty members performed a recital of original works in Magdeburg, Germany, with members of the University of Magdeburg music faculty.

"This award affirms the revolutionary work that Professor Young does for the undergraduate curriculum in music theory," said Provost and Vice Chancellor Bill Meyer. His incorporation of technology into instruction has been embraced by his colleagues and appreciated by his students.

"The lives of tomorrow's leaders and scholars are being shaped every day in our undergraduate classrooms and laboratories,"

- Lee S. Shulman, Carnegie Foundation President

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Knutsen Hall contributes to local community

Eco-hall educates grade-schoolers

Thanks to a \$1,069 grant from the Wisconsin Environmental Education Board, residents of UW-SP's Knutsen Hall, the Eco-hall, have been spending Saturday mornings working with local second and third graders.

On Saturdays during October, students from Bannach, Madison and Washington Elementary schools have been learning about the environment. The participants gather at Knutsen Hall for two hours of activities and discussion of environmental issues including recycling, water conservation, proper camping techniques, wildlife habitats and endangered species.

According to Joe Totman, Knutsen Hall director, this idea came from the bottom up as student residents expressed a strong interest in making a positive impact on area children.

"Our goal was to share some of our knowledge with young people. So far it has been a very positive experience for all involved. We may want to look into doing this program again next year," Totman said.

Parents bring their children to the hall for each two-hour session. On Oct. 30 the children will hold an environmental fair beginning at 10 a.m. at Knutsen. The event allows the students to show the community what they have learned in the five weeks.

Affirmative action workshop aims to dispel myths

By Jeffery Hiller
NEWS REPORTER

UW-Stevens Point joined forces with colleges across the nation last week to commemorate Affirmative Action.

United States Student Association (USSA) declared October 20 and 21 the National Days of Action on Affirmative Action.

Efforts to roll back affirmative action state-by-state have intensified in the past year and states in the Midwest and east coast became prime targets.

States such as Michigan, Nebraska, Colorado and Florida have experienced the brunt of these roll-backs.

The purpose of the Days of Action is to educate students on affirmative action in order for them to make informed decisions and to wage strong campaigns to educate legislators, the media and the general population on the benefits of affirmative action programs.

National case studies and research indicate that there is broad support for affirmative action programs on a national level.

Despite this, there is still opposition by anti-affirmative action groups nationwide to change or abolish affirmative action programs and policies. Affirmative action increases the resource base for applicants who are qualified and not just for gender or race, or to meet a quota. Studies show that academic standards have actually risen during the time affirmative action has been instituted.

UW provided an information booth in the UC concourse, as well as a presentation on Wed. Oct. 20.

Approximately 30 students attended the presentation, sponsored by SGA. The educational experience was hosted by Dr. Nancy Bayne who attempted to dispel myths about Affirmative Action.

Myth
Affirmative action allows unqualified people to gain admission, rather than judging people on their merits.

Fact
Affirmative action considers only qualified individuals, and takes into consideration a broad range of a person's academic as well as non-academic merits.

Alcohol Awareness Week provides many activities for students

By Melissa Schymanski
NEWS REPORTER

UW-Stevens Point accompanied 3,000 colleges around the country in celebrating Alcohol Awareness Week last week.

Activities around campus included a program called "Beer...Who? What? Where?" to test student knowledge of drinking, Casino Night, Karaoke in the Encor, and another program called "DWT??, Drunk While Triking??" that tested students' skills driving a trike after they had been drinking, also allowed students to get involved in Alcohol Awareness Week.

The residence halls also sponsored activities last week including "PAWS Pub" in Thomson Hall and two "Controlled Drunk" programs in Thomson and Neale Halls. Two other halls, Smith and Steiner, held parties in their basements. There was also an information booth in the UC Concourse all week.

The Alcohol Education Office, Hot SHOTS Peer Educators, PAWS (Promoting Awareness With Students), Lifestyle Assistants, the Residence Hall Association, and Centertainment Productions organized and sponsored the activities.



Symbolic headstones portray potent message to would-be drunk drivers

(Photo by Nathan T. Wallin)

Technology Bytes

Tips for avoiding online rip-offs

WASHINGTON (AP)—More and more people are shopping on the Internet, and with the holiday season approaching, the nation's largest lawyers' organization is offering advice on how to avoid online rip-offs.

People need to develop instincts for shopping online similar to the instinct that "tells you you shouldn't buy a diamond ring from a roadside vendor," said Thomas Vartanian, chairman of the American Bar Association's cyberspace law committee.

The ABA on Monday unveiled a new Web site — www.safeshopping.org — that outlines ways consumers can try to minimize their chances of running into trouble on the Internet.

"We want to encourage people to shop online but do so in an informed manner," said Walter Effross, chairman of an ABA panel on electronic commerce and an American University law professor.

"If you don't feel right about buying a specific product online or from a particular Web site ... then maybe you shouldn't."

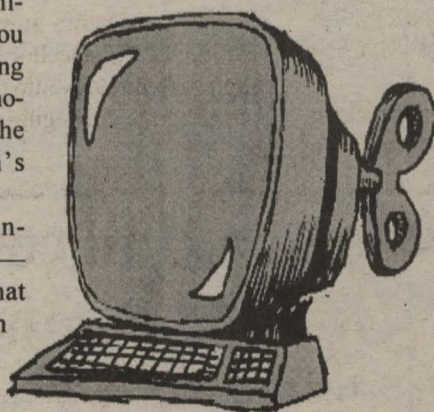
Among the Web site's suggestions:

~ Look for symbols indicating the Web site uses security technology to protect purchasers' credit card numbers.

~ Pay by credit card instead of a debit card or check. Using a credit

card provides more legal protection if a dispute arises.

~ Read the Web site's privacy policy to find out what information the seller is gathering from you, whether it sells the information to other companies, and how consumers can opt out of such.



information-sharing.

People might not want to deal with a Web site that lists no privacy policy, the ABA site suggested.

~ Check the "feedback" areas of online auction sites, where customers discuss their experiences with sellers.

~ Read the warranty before buying an item and check for limits on the company's liability if something goes wrong with the item.

~ Make a printout of the Web page, the item being purchased, the warranty and any messages between the buyer and seller. If the date doesn't appear on the printouts, add it in writing.

"This holiday season, many consumers will go on the Net for the first time for shopping," said Gail Hillebrand of Consumers Union.

Online shoppers are expected to spend about \$9 billion on gifts during the coming holiday season, according to the market research company Harris Interactive of Rochester, N.Y. The company said about one-third of all people with Internet access are expected to buy something online this season, compared with about 8 percent last year.

In addition to security of credit card numbers, Vartanian said people need to be alert for "identity theft," in which someone uses another person's identity for a variety of transactions, such as taking out a loan.

"We can put a cop on every computer and we still will not eliminate fraud in cyberspace," Vartanian said.

Hillebrand of Consumers Union said the vast majority of complaints about online transactions have been over items bought through Internet auctions.

The National Consumers League has announced its own educational campaign to help people stay out of trouble while shopping over the Internet.

A survey conducted for the group indicated that most people

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you can still win

the "search the centers couch giveaway" is now in effect.

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how to win:
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Portage Co. United Way seeks support

The United Way touches the lives of many Portage County children, elderly and disabled through the services of agencies such as the Family Crisis Center, Department of Aging, and community industries. This year, United Way officials have set a fund-raising goal of \$1.425 million, a 5.1 percent increase over last year, based on identified needs of the community.

I want to thank the faculty and staff who contributed to the United Way last year, and I strongly encourage you to participate again in this important fund drive. I hope that more colleagues

will join you and me in supporting this worthy cause. Even relatively modest amounts provide critically needed services. For example, 50 cents per week helps Mid-State Epilepsy provide support and education to four people with epilepsy. And, one dollar per week will shelter a homeless person at the Salvation Army for five days. The United Way's low overhead cost (15 percent) assures that virtually all we give benefits someone less fortunate.

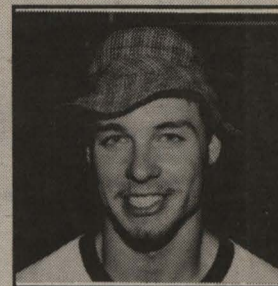
We are asking Provost Meyer and the deans to assume responsibility for encouraging college participation in the United Way

campaign, and Assistant Chancellors Greg Diemer and Helen Godfrey to support participation from Business Affairs and Student Affairs. In addition, Carol Bolton of Safety and Loss Control and Carrie Siem at Conference and Reservations, have kindly agreed to serve as co-chairs for our campus campaign.

UW-Stevens Point is indeed fortunate to be located in a supportive community like Stevens Point.

-Tom George
1999 Portage County
Campaign Chair

OUTTA SHEAD'S HEAD



Deciding on a new month's resolution

Did you ever notice that when you're stumped, sometimes things just come to you out of the blue?

The other day I was wondering how I was going to discipline myself to do something I knew I should do, but really didn't want to. Then today, in one of her crazy, I've-had-too-many-Mountain-Dew mindsets, my significant other came up with an idea. She didn't know it at the time because I hadn't told her what I was contemplating, but her crazy idea proved to be just the ticket.

Her suggestion wasn't a bad one. "Instead of waiting until New Year's to make a resolution, why not come up with a resolution on the first of every month? That way, instead of waiting a whole year to start over after you break your resolution, you only have to wait a month."

I'll admit it sounded a little weird, but then again, she'd won a free Mountain Dew after she told me she was only going to have one that day. It figures.

So this whole new month's thing is exactly what I need right now. My new month's resolution (and I'm printing it right here so I and everyone else knows) is to push myself beyond what I think I can do in every physical activity I embark on. There have been days when I knew I could have pushed myself harder but didn't when nausea set in. But puking isn't so bad. Just ask my Mountain Dew friend about that.

So I've made my new month's resolution for November, what's yours? I know it sounds dumb, but if the simple process of making a resolution can motivate you to stick to something, I think it's worthwhile. Happy Nov. 1.

Time for British to stay out of Ireland

The other day, while addressing a group of people gathered for the dedication of a new United States embassy building in Ottawa, President Clinton made the following asinine comment about the Irish in reference to the now virtually defunct Good Friday Agreement: "...they're like a couple of drunks..."

As if the President's invocation of denigrating racial stereotypes were not enough—in his invincible ignorance, he referred to "600 years of religious fights" as if religion were the basis for the conflict for BOTH parties to the conflict.

The truth of the matter is that only ONE side is fighting a religious crusade. That side is represented by David Trimble and the Ku Klux Klan anti-Catholic bigotry represented by the Orange

Order that are responsible for making certain that the Good Friday agreement will not be implemented.

Trimble and his ilk wish to make sure—in the words of Sir James Craig, the rump state's first prime minister, that there will only be "a Protestant Parliament for a Protestant people."

Instead of indulging in ignorant bigoted racial epithets, which only serve the interests of the British imperialists and their sectarian toadies, President Clinton should tell the Brits that their imperial lease on Ireland's north is over and that it is time to return the northern six counties to the people of Ireland!

-Robert E. Nordlander

Deja vu happening in East Timor

The United States is portrayed in the media as an innocent bystander in the recent elections in East Timor, in which close to 80 percent of the people voted for independence from Indonesia. This portrayal is not accurate.

President Ford and Secretary of State Henry Kissinger were in Jakarta the day before the Indonesian invasion of East Timor, Dec. 7, 1975, and gave a green light to the invasion. U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations, Daniel Patrick Moynihan, blocked implementation of all U.N. resolutions against the in-

vasion. U.S. military aid and training of Indonesian soldiers increased following the invasion. The fighter jets and helicopter gunships, which bombed and strafed East Timorese fleeing to the mountains, came from the United States. The United States has trained the Indonesian special forces, the Kopassus, in counterinsurgency techniques.

At the height of the atrocities in 1978, when an estimated 200,000 East Timorese had been killed out of a total population of 600,000, coverage of this genocide in the U.S. media dropped

to zero. This fact is from a study by noted MIT professor and political activist Noam Chomsky. Now, over 20 years later, when Indonesian death squads are again rampaging through East Timor, another media whitewash of the U.S. role is in progress.

All that would be required to end these terrible atrocities in East Timor would be a stern lecture by the paymaster, the United States. The IMF certainly got its austerity program implemented in Indonesia. Call your representatives and President Clinton!

-Gary Sudborough

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Vote 'yes' at Nov. 2 school referendum

As a parent, grandparent and a member of the Stevens Point Parent, Teacher and Student Association, I would like to urge community residents to vote yes to the upcoming school referendum questions. These questions, if approved, will result in equitable, quality facilities and programs that will serve our students for years to come.

I did not come to the conclusion to support the referendum questions without doing a lot of research. As part of the elementary school study committee, I toured our schools to see firsthand what our schools need. We talked with teachers, students, principals, administrators, parents and area residents; we observed instruction and analyzed growth and development within the school dis-

trict and we listened to what people had to say about previous referendum questions.

At the secondary level, teachers met with planning experts to review needs and determine what, if any, changes were needed from the original needs identified several years ago.

The result of this work is the two referendum questions voters will decide on this Nov. 2. They are financially sound proposals that will serve our students well. Yes, it will result in a school tax increase, but spending money on education is an investment in the future—our children's and our grandchildren's future. It's an investment we should support.

-Judy Pflugrad

Vote 'yes' twice Nov. 2

Stevens Point voters face a Nov. 2 referendum asking if we should direct \$54 million toward improving our local schools. On the face of it, this figure sounds like a heck of a lot, but the average voter may not realize this amount is a mere fraction of what is spent in a single day by the Pentagon during so-called "peacetime."

And the voter who balks at allocating an extra \$3 million for the annual maintenance of 14 local schools may not realize how easily Clinton spent a cool \$3 billion during 78 days of bombing

Yugoslavia into the Dark Ages.

It is time to take a stand for investing in education, and the UW-Stevens Point community can make its voice heard by joining me at the polls on Tuesday. Vote "yes" on both referendum questions.

If you are unsure about where to vote, call the City Clerk's office at 346-1569 or contact your SGA Senator. And if you forgot to register, just bring proof of address and one other form of I.D. along to the place where you vote.

-Linda C. Smith

Pope Pius XII critics wrong

John Cornwell's book "Hitler's Pope: The Secret History of Pius XII" faults the Holy Father for not choosing the glory of martyrdom during World War II by speaking out boldly against Nazi crimes against the Jewish people.

It must be remembered that leaders of any organization feel themselves responsible for the survival of the institution. That is their top priority.

We must not forget that 1,400 priests were allowed to die at Dachau and that of the six million citizens of Poland who died, three million of them were Roman Catholics. They, too, among the impossible options the Vicar of Christ had, were obliged to die in order that the Catholic Church might survive as a continuous evangelist as the savior of souls.

Zionist organizations were just as willing as the Holy Father to sacrifice individuals for what was perceived as "the greater good." Please note the following statement made by David Ben-Gurion, the first prime minister of Israel, in 1938 shortly after Kristalnacht. He opposed British willingness to accept 10,000 Jewish children:

"Were I to know that all German-Jewish children could be rescued by transferring them to England and only half by transfer to Palestine, I would opt for the latter, because our concern is not only for the personal interest of these children, but the historic interest of the Jewish people." (WASHINGTON REPORT ON MIDDLE EAST AFFAIRS, December 1998).

John Cornwell and Jewish critics of Pope Pius XII have no business lecturing him on morality, especially when one of the revered Jewish leaders turned out to be equally callous to the cries of a suffering humanity.

-William Gartland

Respect gay and lesbian community

On Oct. 11, students across that state of Wisconsin joined efforts to celebrate "National Coming Out Day." The purpose of this day is to raise awareness and promote support of the LGBT community. While students walked around campus seeing chalk signs, posters, speakers, and events of the day, hopefully everyone took a minute to understand their own personal attitudes towards homosexuality.

Unfortunately for some individuals, previous feelings of anger or hate must be addressed. Yet for many members and allies of the LGBT community, this is a day to be proud, a day of acceptance, and a time to celebrate the magnitude of diversity within our University.

LGBT organizations are often

scrutinized for their efforts to raise awareness on campus, through accusations of chalking under darkness because they are "ashamed," or voicing their pride as a means to "recruit" others into their lifestyle. These are a few of the many reasons that awareness is needed.

Gays and allies should have no reason to be ashamed. For many people, the process of "coming out" is a difficult period of personal growth, when feelings of rejection, suppression, and confusion must be worked out. Gays do not recruit. Allies and members of the LGBT community understand that being gay is not a choice. Rather, being gay is who they are. Students who do not accept the gay community may need additional information

about "being gay," to eliminate negative attitudes and ensure a respectful environment for everyone.

In addition to the awareness led by student organizations, United Council of UW students has started a LGBT Network to continue these efforts. During the General Assembly on Oct. 15, representatives from all the UW campuses joined together to create action plans for students and allies of the gay community. The reason for this is simple; everyone deserves a chance to be heard. Under-represented demographics must unite efforts to assure respect for everyone, and respect begins in an institutional environment which incorporates diversified viewpoints.

-Ryann C. Nelson

Odd Couple review was inappropriate

I was appalled by the ignorance displayed by Kelvin Chen last week in his article, "A Couple of Oddities."

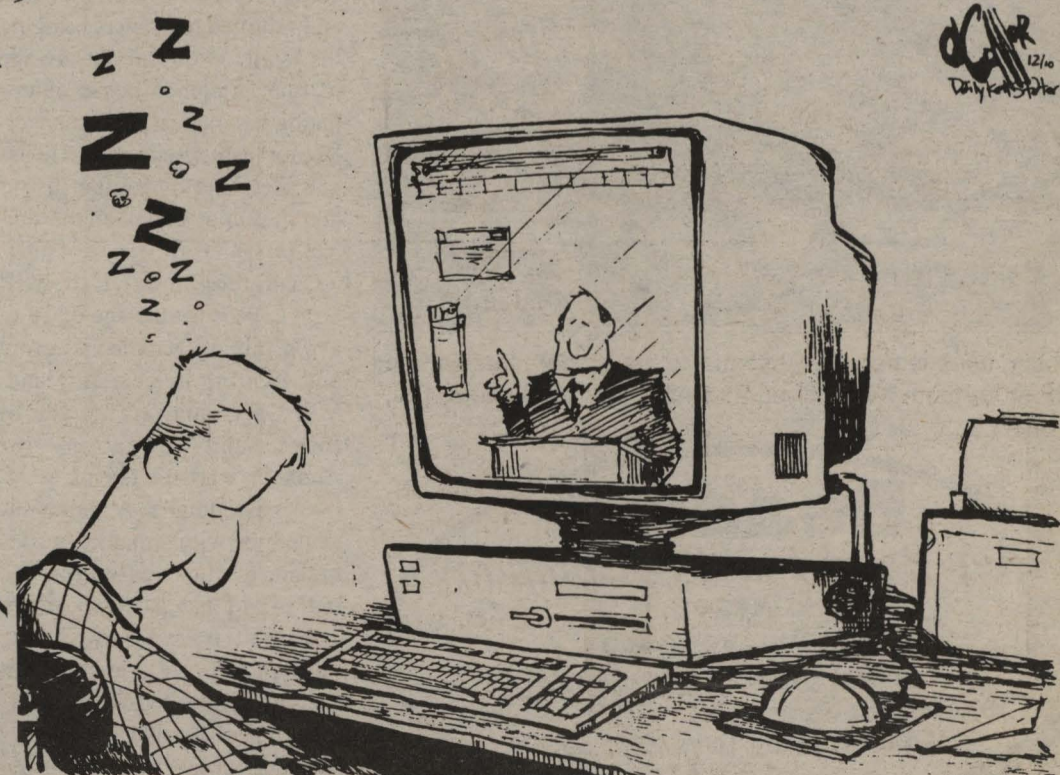
First of all, an article by Amy Shaw that ran Oct. 7 already reviewed the show, *The Odd Couple*, before the show opened. Mr. Chen's article ran the week-

end after the show closed. I don't understand why Mr. Chen reviewed a show that already closed. His criticism was irrelevant to readers.

Secondly, when Mr. Chen admonishes a performer for their costume choice, he shows his obvious ignorance of theatre be-

cause collegiate performers have no input into costume choice; it is done by a costume designer. His insipid criticism of this play was uncalled for, irrelevant and ultimately only embarrassing to himself.

-Maureen Purcell



Have a happy and fun
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THE ELECTRONIC CLASSROOM

Gill's Grumblings



Right now, Wisconsin's white-tail deer herd numbers somewhere in the neighborhood of over a million and a half animals. Statewide, farmers suffer untold thousands of dollars worth of crop damage, native plant communities are chewed down to their roots and around 40,000 motorists report colliding with deer every year. But despite all of this, many hunters still cling to the tradition of shooting only bucks.

You don't have to be a wildlife major to see the problem with this. Does, not bucks, make more deer; more deer that make more deer and so on. Without putting too fine a point on the issue, no matter how many bucks are harvested during the hunting season, some lonely buck will find a way to get the job done.

More does equal more deer. Period. And with deer populations booming, this "buck only" philosophy is something hunters and deer alike cannot afford to continue.

It is neither natural nor healthy to harvest such a slanted ratio of bucks to does. Not only is it costing farmers, plant communities, and drivers, but it is ultimately endangering the deer herd itself.

In case you haven't noticed, the past three winters have been winters in name alone. Snowfall has been light, temperatures have been mild and what little cold weather we have had has come and gone just as quickly. The fact is, sooner or later a serious winter will come along. When things do actually get rough, there won't be enough food and shelter to go around for a grossly overpopulated deer herd. Chances are, populations will crash, deer will starve and forests will be nothing but a bunch of overbrowsed twigs.

However, biology and wildlife management issues aren't the only problems with the deeply entrenched hunter's taboo on does. I'd like to know what's so much better about shooting a buck than a doe. The pursuit is what you should be out there for anyway. Personally, I've killed as many bucks as does and my heart thumps just as hard when I see a fat doe coming into range as it does when I see a buck.

And besides, when all is said and done, venison is venison. It doesn't matter if it is a monster 12-pointer or a 100-pound doe. Venison you killed, butchered and cooked yourself is better than any store-bought beef money can buy.

After all, a Boone and Crockett rack doesn't taste too good anyway.



Hunting does is not only essential to the proper management of deer herds, but is fulfilling as well. (Submitted photo)

Hound-hunting farm country raccoons

By Andy Chikowski
OUTDOORS REPORTER

The pleasures of raccoon hunting have once again arrived for the houndsman. With high raccoon numbers across the state, hounds and hunters should have no problem finding a scent to run. Raccoon season opened Oct. 16 and runs through Jan. 31.

A dependable hound is the most important part of successful raccoon hunting. The hound does the hard tracking work while the hunter follows.

Raccoons are distributed throughout Wisconsin and are highly concentrated around agricultural areas. These bandits feed on corn, berries, acorns, crayfish, frogs, and a variety of other things they can get their paws on.

Raccoon hunting is done with hounds; Walkers, Plotts,

Redbones and Blueticks being the more popular breeds. Hunting without a good dog takes both the sport and chances of seeing a raccoon out of the picture.

I started coon hunting when I was 11 and won a young Walker hound I named Shad Rap. We're going on our eleventh year chasing coons together and he's the best hound and friend any young man could want. Shad Rap loves to run raccoons; right behind him is a happy owner listening and watching his dog work.

So how does one really hunt those raccoons? First of all, once you arrive at the spot, you let the

dog out and it goes out and finds a track to run. Hounds will run as far it takes to find a raccoon.

You won't know where your dog is until it barks once it's on a track. Once the dog finds a scent trail, it will follow the trail until the raccoon climbs a tree. Most raccoons will climb the first tree they see, but others will run up to a mile. A good hound will find the right tree, no matter what it takes.

Once the raccoon climbs a tree the dog's barking will change. My hound will bark louder and faster once he has treed a coon.

That's music to my ears, and my clue to get to him and see what he has treed. When you arrive at the tree, a light is used to find the raccoon in the tree for a good shot. Some coons will escape by climbing into a hollow den tree or by heading for water to confuse the dog.

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The product of a successful night of coon hunting with hounds. (Photo by Andy Chikowski)

John James Audubon; nature's artist

By Lisa Rothe
ASSISTANT OUTDOORS EDITOR

Naturalist, artist, John James Audubon's legacy and passion burns bright almost 150 years after his death.

Born in San Domingo, Haiti to a plantation owner and a French Creole servant, Audubon's mother died shortly after giving birth. Audubon's father, in addition to running the plantation, was a French Naval Captain as well. He remarried and returned to France, bringing his family with him. At the age of four, Audubon began culminating his interest for birds, collecting feathers and eggs. He began sketching birds after his father gave him a book on the subject.

Audubon moved to Mill Grove, Penn. at the age of 18 to avoid joining Napoleon's army and fighting against England. Mill Grove marked the age of focus and direction for Audubon's artistic talents.

An avid hunter, Audubon invented the wire armature, a contraption that holds a freshly killed bird in a lifelike, action position. The result: trademark Audubon, realistic life-size drawings that ornithologists used as an information base for their research.

Audubon gathered together

numerous life-sized drawings for his book *The Birds of America*.

Unfortunately, publishers within the United States refused to publish it because of its size. Audubon had no choice but to leave for London to seek out a company that would publish his masterpiece.

He was successful, selling enough copies of his book to keep the presses running. Audubon even convinced King George to purchase a subscription.

Returning to the states, Audubon undertook the enormous task of cataloging the animals of North America. Enlisting the help of Lutheran minister, Dr. John Bachman, the pair produced almost 200 plates, their labors accounting for *The Vivaporous Quadrapeds of North America*.

While exploring the Florida Keys between the years of 1831 and 1832, Audubon worked to create a comprehensive guide to birds in the southern United States. The result was *Ornithological Biography*.

Passing away in 1851 before the creation of the National Audubon Society in 1905, Audubon's love for his feathered muses lives today within the organization's mission: "to conserve and restore natural ecosystems, focusing on birds and other wildlife for the benefit of humanity and the earth's biological diversity."

John James Audubon State Park, located south of the Ohio River in western Kentucky, dedicated to the artistic ornithologist, preserves the natural ecosystem to harbor a symbiotic relationship with the birds and other wildlife within its boundaries.

Audubon's legacy is unending. He has left behind the purest pieces of his unrequited love for nature and the animals within.



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Zone-T hunt begins Thursday Turtle-Flambeau offers accessible wilderness

Deer hunters have an opportunity to bring home some additional venison and help wildlife managers regain control of extremely high deer populations in northeastern Wisconsin during the antlerless Zone-T hunt Oct. 28-31.

The hunt will take place in deer management units 51A, 62B, 63A, 65B, 66, 67B, 80A, and state park unit 80C. Hunter access to unit 80C is limited to hunters who successfully applied for this unit prior to July 20. Antlerless permits for Zone-T units are free and available until Dec. 31.

"It's time for deer hunters to take on the role of deer managers," said Tom Bahti, regional wildlife manager for the Department of Natural Resources.

"Hunting is our primary tool for managing deer populations and without a significant antlerless harvest to reduce populations, we'll certainly see larger herds next season. All kinds of scenarios crop up when populations get this high, more deer crossing roads, more deer-caused damage to crops and forests, and more deer wandering into urban areas."

Larry Konopacki, assistant deer and bear ecologist for the Department of Natural Resources explained, "Our wildlife biologists have determined that whitetail deer populations in these management units are significantly above population goals and that the traditional deer hunting season framework would not be expected to reduce populations to within 20 percent of the established goals."

Both Bahti and Konopacki stress that although there is public land in Zone-T units, most acres are in private ownership.

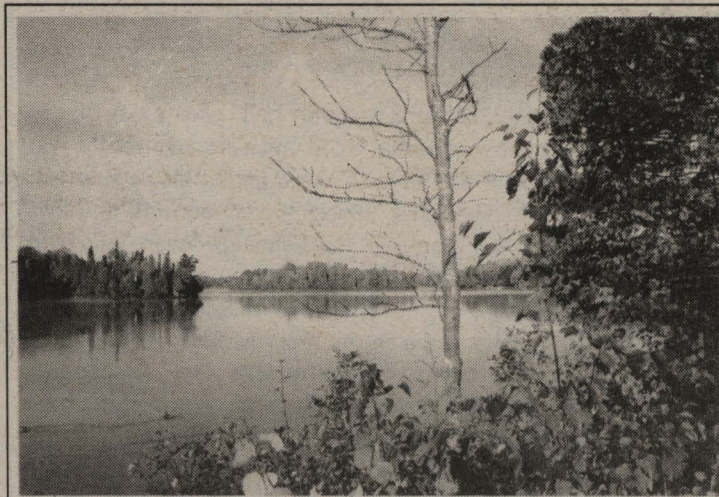
"I can't say enough," said Bahti, "about how important it is that hunters work with landowners to get access to the deer on private lands. Early contact, respect for landowner rights and property, offers of help with annual chores, whatever it takes to gain access is necessary if we're going to manage deer populations within our prescribed limits."

By Jessica Groshek
OUTDOORS REPORTER

John Muir's words, "going to the mountains is going home," can be related to the revitalizing effects of nature on the human soul. Nature enthusiasts easily identify with the significance of a special location in the wild. One such location is the Turtle-Flambeau Scenic Waters Area of Price County. Offering unrefined wilderness, the flowage is a place of solace.

Initially created by the Chippewa and Flambeau Improvement Company in 1926, the flowage resulted from the damming of the Flambeau and Turtle Rivers. The state took ownership of the flowage in 1990 and gave management responsibilities to the Department of Natural Resources. Today, the wilderness area is comprised of 23,000 acres, 114 miles of shoreline and 195 islands.

With remote camping localities only accessible by water, the



The Turtle-Flambeau Scenic Waters Area features over 114 picturesque miles of wilderness shoreline such as this. (Submitted photo)

Turtle-Flambeau is ideal for people wishing to take canoe trips.

Of the 60 campsites available, 40 are considered rustic, 17 are family sites, two are group sites and one is handicap-friendly. All of the sites feature a pit toilet and an enclosed fire ring. There is no fee for use of the sites and all

refuse must be packed out. Land around the flowage varies from rolling hills to level terrain. Aspen, white birch and northern hardwoods are abundant in the shoreline forest. Old growth hemlock and pine also provide ideal nesting conditions for eagles and osprey.

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Wildlife Society hosts Crane Count Group hopes to estimate crane population

By Amy Slogoski
OUTDOORS REPORTER

Every fall, the Student Chapter of The Wildlife Society at Stevens Point coordinates the Sandhill Crane Count for sites within Adams, Green Lake, Marathon, Marquette, Outagamie, Portage, Shawano, Waupaca and Waushara counties.

The Wildlife Society is holding this year's count on Saturday, Oct. 30 and needs volunteers to help count cranes. The data collected will be sent to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service who keep track of the yearly information for the upper Midwest. They use the information to evaluate crane populations.

The cranes are now getting ready to migrate to Florida and will pass through the Mississippi and Atlantic Flyways on their way south.

Representatives of the states and provinces within the flyways and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service make up what are known as the Flyway Councils. These councils use such research to submit proposals to state governments on the current issue regarding the establishment of a hunting policy for Sandhill cranes in Wisconsin.

Approval or disapproval of the crane hunt will take several years because a crane management plan must be created that

evaluates the impacts and harvest levels for a hunt, and covers the trends, population status, and objectives for the Midwest Sandhill cranes. Hence, it is im-

portant that volunteers cover all of the sites in each county to help the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service make an accurate estimate on the crane population.

Sandhill cranes are beautiful birds that congregate in large groups for the annual fall migration. Their flight calls can be heard over long distances. Cranes may fly 300 miles in a day at an altitude of less than 5,000 feet.

If you want to be a part of this year's count or are interested in the program, please attend the informational meeting on Thursday, Oct. 28 at 7 p.m. in room 361 in the College of Natural Resources.

If you cannot attend the meeting and are still interested in participating, please call 346-2016 and leave a message for Kelly Rueckheim or Amy Slogoski.



Sandhill Cranes like this will be monitored on their migration through Wisconsin. (Submitted photo)

Two Trumpeter Swans shot

Waterfowl hunters shot two trumpeter swans over the weekend in Vilas County, prompting state wildlife officials to issue another statewide warning to hunters to be on the lookout for these endangered birds in Wisconsin.

State conservation wardens are investigating the shooting, which took place Saturday, Oct. 16, on Rice Creek near Island Lake between Boulder Junction and Manitowish Waters. Both swans were old enough to breed—between two and three years old—and had completely white feathers, according to Sumner Matteson, an avian ecologist with the Department of Natural Resources who coordinates the recovery program.

One of the swans was a male that was hatched from eggs that Matteson and other biologists collected in Alaska in 1997 and had been raised in a decoy-rearing program near Mercer. That swan wore a yellow identification collar around its neck. The other swan was an un-collared

female of unknown origin.

The shooters fled the area after they were yelled at by other hunters in the area, who then reported the shooting to officials.

"This is really an unconscionable shooting," Matteson said. "These were fully grown, completely white swans. They look nothing like Canada geese, which are significantly smaller than trumpeter swans and the markings are very different."

"These two had apparently established a pair bond and there was a very high likelihood that they would have nested when they returned to Wisconsin next spring," Matteson said.

If identified, the hunters responsible for shooting the swans face up to \$5,000 in fines and a three year loss in hunting privileges.

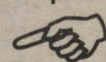
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Wanderings

By Lisa Rothe
ASSISTANT OUTDOORS EDITOR

It's around this time of year when my bed becomes an appendage, when I convince myself that I, too, must store fat for the winter, when I attempt to fool myself into thinking that winter isn't around the corner. I look back to spring, summer, fall oh how I took advantage of every moment the sun shone, of every wild berry freshly covered with dew. Wasn't I up at dawn greeting the sunrise every morning and running into the path of the sunset every night?

Now the trees can't laugh in the breeze with me because the wind is biting cold and they have no mittens, they've shed their chlorophyll-filled sheaths. I won't wake to the sound of the robin pulling worms, calling out his victory. Instead I'll burrow further beneath my blankets, shielding myself from the wind whipping my windows.

I'll have to buy frozen vegetables instead of fresh from the farmer's market. No more snapping of the green beans, succulent garden tomatoes or herbs, freshly cut from the yard.

Mother Nature is forcing me into an iceberg of a void, abandoning me, laughing, conspiring against me as she dons the cloak of unforgiving Old Man Winter.

Yet, wouldn't you agree that humans are blessed with a selective memory? Conjure up in your mind this past winter. Simulate walking to class against the wind, in a blizzard, wind chill 50 degrees below zero. What does it feel like? Cold, miserable? Those are relative definitions for a season that was almost *nine* months ago.

As summer winds down, didn't you find yourself pulling on a sweatshirt when it was only 65 degrees outside? Blasphemy. We react to our surroundings, acquiring new sets of tolerable weather conditions. Like wine, memories deepen with age, becoming even sweeter, better than when we living them.

That's my point, whether I've arrived at it successfully or not. Did I live my three other seasons to the fullest, enjoying my time within nature's realm? Of course I did, I emphatically convince myself. Those are the memories that I will carry with me to warm my soul when the rest of my body is left frozen by Father Winter's icy breath.

Whitetail deer rut heating up

By Ryan Gilligan
OUTDOORS EDITOR

With November fast-approaching, shortening days and cooler weather already upon us, the whitetail rut is once again nearing its peak.

The decrease in daylight length has increased hormone levels in whitetail bucks, causing them to undergo a series of physical and behavioral changes.

Along with the hardening of antlers, which occurred as long as two months ago, bucks' necks will swell and their various glands will go into overdrive, producing a variety of scents designed to advertise sexual availability, as well as intimidate other males in the area.

Aside from the physical changes induced by the rut are many behavioral changes. During this time, males have long since bro-

ken away from the bachelor groups they belonged to during the summer months. Instead of this social, non-aggressive lifestyle, bucks tend to become loners and territorial. For the next several weeks, male whitetails will devote all of their efforts to establishing dominance over surrounding bucks, staking out territories and pursuing does.

A sure sign of this period is the establishment of networks of scrapes and rubs within buck-inhabited areas. Working these signposts takes up a great deal of a buck's time and effort during the peak of the rut.

Because of increased hormone levels and the need to es-

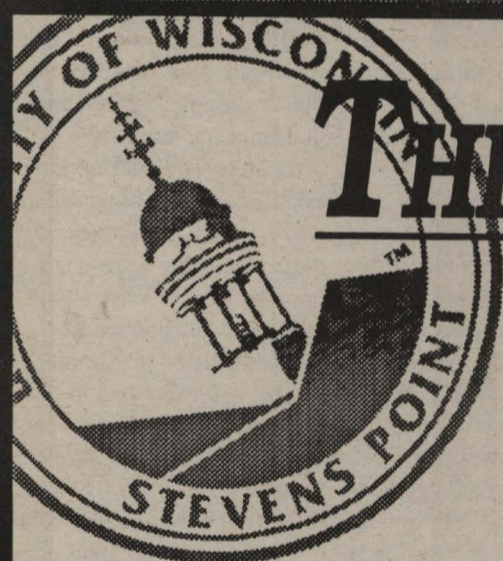
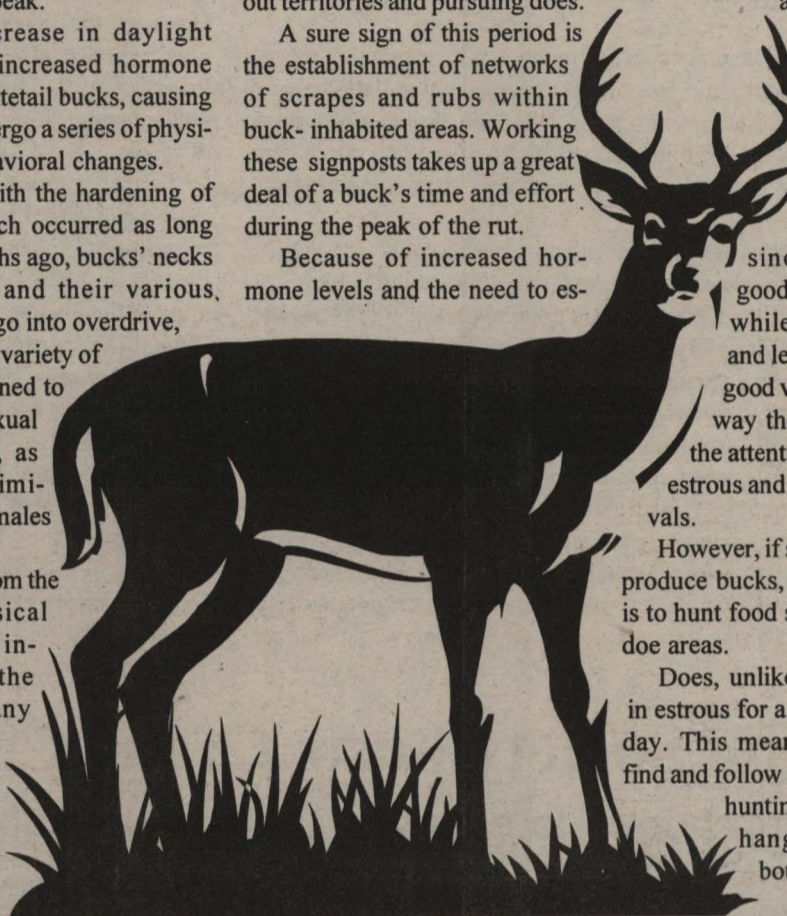
tablish their sexual readiness, bucks that would normally only be active at night or in the very early or late moments of shooting hours, tend to be active throughout the day, giving hunters an ideal opportunity to harvest a mature whitetail.

Hunting rub and scrape lines adjacent to bedding areas is ideal at this time in the

rut. Typically, dominant rutting bucks will cruise ridgelines and field edges in search of does, since they have a good view of the area, while receptive does and lesser bucks have a good view of them. That way they can both gain the attention of any does in estrous and intimidate any rivals.

However, if such places do not produce bucks, a wise technique is to hunt food sources and usual doe areas.

Does, unlike bucks, are only in estrous for a period of about a day. This means bucks have to find and follow does and if you're hunting the places does hang out, you're bound to find rutting males.



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Career Serv. Prog.: Job Search Tips, 3:30-4:30 PM (134 Old Main)

Centertainment Prod.-Center Stage Presents: An Evening of Theatre & Dance- DEPARTED BLISS Inspired by Writings of Edgar Allen Poe, 8PM (Laird Rm.-UC)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29

Wom. Soccer, WIAC Final Four Teams (H)

Wom. Volleyball, UW-Oshkosh Tournament (T)

Student Affairs Div. Coffee/Session w/John Jury, "Involvement Theory", 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (Heritage Rm.-UC)

POINTER PERSPECTIVE, 10AM (Laird Rm.-UC)

Centertainment Prod.-Centers Cinema Presents: THE SHINING, 7PM (Allen Center Upper)

Centertainment Prod.-Center Stage Presents: An Evening of Theatre & Dance- DEPARTED BLISS Inspired by Writings of Edgar Allen Poe, 8PM (Laird Rm.-UC)

Centertainment Prod.-Center Stage Performance Series MODERN DANCE SHOW, 8:00 PM - 10:00 PM (Laird Rm.-UC)

Centertainment Prod.-Alt. Sounds Presents: PANGAEA, 8:00 PM - 10:30 PM (Encore-UC)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30

Football, UW-Platteville, 2PM (T)

Wom. Cross-Country, WIAC Championships (H)

Wom. Soccer, WIAC Conference Finals (H)

Wom. Volleyball, UW-Oshkosh Tournament (T)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31

Planetarium Series: MORE THAN MEETS THE EYE, 2&3PM (Planetarium-Sci. Bldg.)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1

Career Serv. Prog.: Career Assessments: Which One Is Right For You?, 4:00 PM - 4:30 PM (134 Old Main)

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Planetarium Series: NIGHT TIME SKY, 8PM (Planetarium-Sci. Bldg.)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2

Career Serv. Prog.: Resume & Cover Letter Tips, 3:30-4:30PM (135 Old Main)

Centertainment Prod.-Issues & Ideas AUTO MAINTENANCE MINICOURSE, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (Auto Service Area-M&M Bldg.)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3

Career Serv. Prog.: Technical Resumes, 3-5PM (122 CNR)

Schmeeckle Reserve Prog.: Aliens Among Us (Alien Plants and Animals Like the Dandelion & Starling), 7:00 PM - 7:45 PM (Visitor Center)

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Thoughts from the Dawg House...



Ramblings on recent tragic events

By Jes
SPORTS EDITOR

Late Monday morning, before returning to campus for a hellish week of midterms and writing for *The Pointer*, my roommates and I were sitting around talking about the weekend's events (or lack thereof), when a news special cut into Rod Roddy's announcement of "Joe Schmoe, Come on Down" during *The Price is Right*.

Reports of a plane flying across the country with unconscious passengers suddenly brought us all back to reality and the details of the eerie, and eventually deadly, plane trip ran chills up my spine.

I found out the details later that afternoon at our *Pointer* staff meeting and learned that golf pro Payne Stewart had been one of the passengers.

Now, I'm not an avid golf fan. I can drive a couple of hundred yards thanks to my older brother, but couldn't tell you the specific difference between a wood and an iron.

However, I knew who Payne Stewart was and also of his many accomplishments, like being part of this year's American Ryder Cup Championship team.

Later that night, the tragedy came back into mind as I studied (yeah, I *actually* opened a book) for a test. The chapter I was skimming through was concerned with how Americans often regard media personalities as much a part of our lives as our friends and family.

For instance, there probably isn't a person on this campus who doesn't remember when Magic Johnson announced he was HIV positive or O.J.'s ride in the infamous white Bronco.

And I would bet that most of you know more about celebrities, sports and beyond, than just major news events. You know names, numbers, stats, favorite colors, songs, food, beer, and piles of other meaningless facts. I know I do.

So what does this have to do with Payne Stewart and the plane crash?

Just simply that when I heard who had died, I and other people around me, reacted in the same manner that we would have for some acquaintance on campus.

Not to downplay Stewart's accomplishments in any way, but can you imagine if it had been Michael Jordan on that plane? How would we all have reacted then?

I can imagine many of my male and female friends alike mourning the loss of #23. Personally, I already miss Charles Barkley's trashy mouth and he's not even gone yet.

So now I've reached a fork in the road, of my column that is. Do I make commentaries on how we are all obsessed with celebrities or how precious life is, so you should never take a single moment for granted?

No, I don't think I'll do either of those, but rather just admit this week's column is merely full of ramblings. Nothing more, nothing less.

Soccer moves on in WIAC tourney

Point opens play with shutout of UW-Platteville

By Jessica Burda
SPORTS EDITOR

The Pointer soccer team opened up the semifinals of the WIAC tournament by closing down the visiting UW-Platteville Pioneers 7-0 Wednesday.

Marie Muvic earned another hat trick to lead the Pointers who outshot Platteville 33-2. UW-Stevens Point goalie Briana Hyslop collected the pair of saves to guarantee another Point shutout.

Wednesday's victory over Platteville brings fourth seed UW-Eau Claire to Stevens Point Friday for the final four round of the tournament, while second seed UW-River Falls will play third seed UW-La Crosse.

The championship game will be held Saturday at 1 p.m. in the Pointer Soccer Bowl.

Heading into the tournament,



Marie Muvic traps the ball during the Pointers' shutout of UW-Platteville Wednesday. (Photo by Sara Vander Grinten)

UW-SP earned its first 3-0 shutout over Platteville Sunday in the last regular season matchup.

Mickey Jacob had an unas-

sisted first half goal to give the Pointers a 1-0 halftime lead before

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Volleyball heads for postseason play

By Michelle Tesmer
SPORTS REPORTER

Entering a critical game against UW-Oshkosh last week, the UW-Stevens Point volleyball team played one of its most exciting matches of the year.

Unfortunately, it didn't quite go its way.

After allowing Oshkosh to take the opening game, the Pointers entered a hot streak of their own. They jumped out to a 9-2 lead in the second game and went on to win 15-6.

With a 6-6 tie in the third game, the Pointers again took control to win 15-8. Then the magic stopped with Oshkosh winning the final two games 15-4 and 15-11.

Courtney Herremann had 16 kills and Erin Carney had 36 assists and 11 digs. Sarah Kuhl chipped in

12 kills. It was the final home game for Carney and Kuhl, the only seniors on the team.

Coach Kelly Geiger couldn't find fault with how the team played.

"I think everyone realized we played well. To lose after playing well is not the same [as losing after playing bad]. We played our best."

The North Central College Tourney over the weekend didn't go the Pointers' way either. They went 1-3 with the lone win coming against Dominican University.

With the regular season coming to an end, the Pointers are set with the 8th place seed going into the WIAC tournament on Tuesday. There they will face conference leader UW-River Falls.

"My goal is to play the best that we can play. It's a possibility that we will play our best game and River Falls will play their worst," said Geiger.

Club Sports and Schedules

Women's Hockey

UW-SP def. Wisconsin Rapids 7-2 (Game 1) and 4-1 (Game 2), Friday, Oct. 22.

Up Next: Home vs. Wausau, Friday 5 p.m. and Home vs. Madison "A," Saturday 2 p.m.

Games at K.B. Willett Arena.

Men's Soccer

Regional Tournament

UW-Stout def. UW-SP 1-0

UW-SP def. N. Dakota St. 3-2

UW-SP tied U. of Minn. 2-2

UW-SP def. UW-La Crosse 2-0 to place third overall.

Up Next: National Tournament in Phoenix, Ariz., Nov. 18-21.

Counting the days until varsity status...



A Pointer women's hockey player levels her Wisconsin Rapids opponent during one of Friday's doubleheader victories. (Photo by Nathan T. Wallin)

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Football can't get past La Crosse

By Nick Brilowski
SPORTS EDITOR

If a person were to look at just the statistics from Saturday's UW-Stevens Point football game at UW-La Crosse, one would probably assume that the Pointers had little trouble outplaying the Eagles.

Besides, UW-SP gained 160 more yards of offense, had 13 more first downs, ran 26 more plays and had nearly a ten-minute advantage in the time of possession.

But that's why they say that stats are for losers.

La Crosse (4-3, 4-1) took advantage of the breaks they got and the Pointers didn't as the Eagles continued their dominance over UW-SP in La Crosse, winning their Homecoming game, 21-14.

Point hasn't defeated the Eagles on their home turf since 1962.

UW-SP opened the game with a 62-yard kickoff return by Chad Valentyne to the UW-L 35-yard line. Point advanced to the Eagles' 14 but on fourth down, Jason Steuck's field goal attempt was blocked and La Crosse advanced the ball to the Pointer 32.

Although the Eagles didn't score, the missed opportunity

cost UW-SP a chance for the early lead.

"Having the field goal blocked was very disappointing," Pointer coach John Miech said. "It was the first time it happened to us all year."

La Crosse took a 7-0 lead when Joe Rivard ripped off a 25-yard touchdown run, capping a nine-play, 72-yard drive with 3:51 left in the first quarter.

On the ensuing drive, Point looked to answer, but Dave Berghuis' pass was intercepted at the La Crosse goal line by Brian Portilia.

The next time the Pointers got the ball, Berghuis was picked off again, this time by Jon Davis, who returned the ball 43 yards to the Point five-yard line.

Two plays later, Rivard found the end zone again, this time from seven yards making UW-L's lead 14-0.

UW-SP cut the lead in half with 2:39 to go in the second when Berghuis found Larry Aschebrook with an eight-yard pass.

With the wind at their back in the third quarter, the Pointers looked to tie the game as Dillon Maney pinned the Eagles deep in their own territory at the three-

yard line.

Unfortunately for UW-SP, La Crosse embarked on an impressive 17-play, 96-yard scoring drive, which took 6:49 off the clock and culminated with Rivard's third score of the day, this time from a yard out.

"We tried to use field position to get back in the game," Miech stated. "That drive ended up being the story line for that game."

The Pointers were never able to fully recover and could only manage a Berghuis to Wally Schmitt 23-yard scoring strike with 40 seconds left in the game.

Despite the loss, Miech said that the season is far from over and the Pointers have to focus on winning their next two WIAC contests.

"It's one football game," he remarked. "It was their Homecoming. We did the best we could. We're still in position to reach the goals we set at the beginning of the year. The first one we set was to win a WIAC championship."

"Our kids played a good football game, but [La Crosse] just played better."

UW-SP, now 6-1 overall and 4-1 in the WIAC, looks to rebound when it travels to UW-Platteville Saturday to take on the surprising Pioneers.

Kickoff is slated for 2 p.m.

Pointers outrace Titans in final dual of season

By Jessica Burda
SPORTS EDITOR

Younger members of the UW-Stevens Point cross country teams proved they too can run with the big dogs. Or rather with the Titans, in the case of Friday's dual against UW-Oskosh at the Wisconsin River Country Club.

Resting their top runners in preparation for this weekend's much-awaited WIAC Championship meet, the Pointer men won the dual, outdistancing the Titans and winning 16-42.

Back after missing some competition time, Senior Dan Schwamberger won the meet in 25:02, followed by teammate Mike Heidke who placed second with 25:36.

Rounding out the victorious pack, Ryan Enke placed third in 25:40, Casey Cook was fourth at 25:44 and Adam Frieheofer finished sixth in 25:58.

In the women's meet, another strong Pointer pack finished together at the line, but could not take the win as the Titans placed first, narrowly defeating the Pointers by three points overall.

Carol Neumann led Point finishing second overall in 20:17, while Amanda Miller placed fifth for UW-SP in 20:30.

April Raykowski was sixth in 20:49, Sarah Mack earned an eighth place finish at 20:55 and Nelli Atkinson came in at 21:18 to take ninth overall in the Pointers last home conference dual.

Saturday, the Pointers' host the WIAC cross country championships at the Wisconsin River Country Club. The women run at 11 a.m. and the men race at noon.

Quote of the Week

“This team was angry. This was a character win just like last week was a character loss.”

-Leroy Butler following the Packers' 31-3 defeat of the San Diego Chargers Sunday.
-Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

Two of UW-SP's finest



A pair of UW-SP men's basketball players practice in preparation for the Pointer season opener against St. Michael's (KY) Nov. 19. (Photo by Sara Vander Grinten)

Happy Halloween!

Pointer tennis takes fifth at conference tournament Byrne earns WIAC Scholar Award

The UW-Stevens Point tennis team earned a repeat of last year's fifth place finish at the WIAC Championship meet this past weekend. Traveling south to Madison for the conference meet, the Pointers played their last meet of 1999 and capped off an improved season.

"We were very pleased with play in the opening round," Head Coach Nancy Page said. "Our expectations are always optimistic, but I think we played as well as we could, considering our opponents. We exceeded our point totals from 1998."

Powerhouse UW-Eau Claire ran away with the championship, while UW-Whitewater finished on the heels of the Blugolds. The Pointers remained close to UW-La Crosse and UW-Oshkosh throughout the meet. The Eagles slipped ahead in the end to take third with 39, the Titans placed fourth with 35 while the Pointers, finishing ahead of UW-River Falls and UW-Stout, clinched fifth for the second straight year with 33 points overall.

Senior Tammy Byrne and teammate Aimee Streb led the Pointers placing third in each of their respective singles flights, while Heather Janssen placed fourth in the No. 4 singles flight.

Jennifer Oelke and Jen Derse both won the consolation titles in their given flights. Point's Anne Renken wrapped up the singles competition finishing sixth overall at No. 1 singles.

Renken joined doubles partner Janssen to take the consolation title in No. 1 doubles, but UW-SP's other doubles teams jumped ahead of opening competition to claim fourth place in both the No. 2 and No. 3 doubles flights.

The Pointers placed fifth overall in the WIAC and Byrne garnered UW-SP's second WIAC Scholar Athlete Award for the fall sports season.

"Tammy certainly deserves the award. She has a 3.98 GPA and has done very well in her four years of competitive tennis," Page said.

"She could have student taught this semester, but chose to play tennis her final season," Page continued. "We are very glad she did. She has been a solid contributor to the team and we will definitely miss her."

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The Pointer Scorecard

Football

UW-SP - UW-LA CROSSE SUMMARY LA CROSSE, WI October 23, 1999

UW-SP	0	7	0	7	-	14
UW-L	7	7	7	0	-	21

Team Statistics

	UW-SP	UW-L
First Downs	23	10
Net Yards Rushing	98	92
Net Yards Passing	262	108
Total Net Yards	360	200
Fumbles-Lost	2-0	1-0
Penalties-Yards	5-40	7-53
Sacks-Yards	2-15	4-26
Interceptions-Yards	3-6	2-68
Time of Possession	34:51	25:09
Punts (No.-Avg.)	6-26.2	5-36.4

Scoring

First Quarter

UW-L - Rivard 25 yd run (Ramirez kick), 3:51.

Second Quarter

UW-L - Rivard 7 yd run (Ramirez kick), 10:18.
UW-SP - Aschebrook 8 yd pass from Berghuis (Steuck kick), 2:39.

Third Quarter

UW-L - Rivard 1 yd run (Ramirez kick), 1:02.

Fourth Quarter

UW-SP - Schmitt 23 yd pass from Berghuis (Steuck kick), 0:40.

Rushing: UW-SP: Schmitt 15-47, Gast 10-45, Goodman 8-20, Berghuis 7-(-14). UW-L: Rivard 16-57, Arn 14-56, Baranczyk 1-3, Team 2-(-4), Boraas 3-(-20).

Passing: UW-SP: Berghuis 20-46-2, 262 yds. UW-L: Boraas 10-24-3, 108 yds.

Receiving: UW-SP: Valentyne 6-115, Aschebrook 5-78, Schmitt 4-45, Gast 3-12,

The Week Ahead... UW-Stevens Point Athletics

Football: At UW-Platteville, Saturday 2 p.m.

Soccer: WIAC Tournament Semifinals, Friday 11 a.m.; WIAC Tournament Finals, Saturday 1 p.m.

Ice Hockey: St. Norbert College, Friday 7:30 p.m.; At St. Norbert College, Saturday 7:05 p.m.

Volleyball: At UW-Oshkosh Invitational, Friday and Saturday; WIAC Quarterfinals at Higher Seed, Tuesday 7 p.m.

Cross Country: WIAC Championships, Saturday 11a.m. (Women) and 12 p.m. (Men) at the Wisconsin River Country Club.

Swimming and Diving: UW-Eau Claire, Saturday 1 p.m.

All Home Games in Bold

Nolan 2-12. UW-L: Wagner 3-39, Antony 2-15, Schmitz 2-9, Rivard 1-18, Arn 1-14, Kostrewa 1-13.

Women's Soccer

WIAC TOURNAMENT SEMIFINALS UW-SP - UW-PLATTEVILLE STEVENS POINT, WI OCTOBER 27, 1999

UW-Platteville	0	0	-	0
UW-SP	2	5	-	7

Scoring

First Half:

UW-SP - Wadel (Davis, Muhvic), 6:04.
UW-SP - Davis (Camps), 13:54.

Second Half:

UW-SP - Muhvic (Davis), 55:44,
UW-SP - Wadel (Muhvic), 63:22.
UW-SP - Muhvic (Davis), 79:44.
UW-SP - Muhvic (Maas), 81:18.
UW-SP - Jacob (Camps), 89:11.

UW-SP - UW-PLATTEVILLE STEVENS POINT, WI OCTOBER 24, 1999

UW-Platteville	0	0	-	0
UW-SP	1	2	-	3

Scoring

First Half:

UW-SP - Jacob, 38:00.

Second Half:

UW-SP - Davis (Jacob), 65:00.
UW-SP - Mauel, 71:06.

Shots on Goal: UW-SP - 28, UW-P - 0.

Goal Saves: UW-SP - 0 (Hyslop); UW-P - 26 (Shuman).

UW-SP - WHEATON COLLEGE WHEATON, IL OCTOBER 23, 1999

UW-SP	0	1	-	1
Wheaton College	0	2	-	2

Scoring

Second Half:

UW-SP - Muhvic, 55:00.
WC - Mouw (Peck), 70:00.
WC - Mouw (Wiersma), 72:00.

Shots on Goal: UW-SP - 22, WC - 19.

Goal Saves: UW-SP - 3 (Rabinovitz); WC - 8 (Brown).

Tennis

1999 WIAC CHAMPIONSHIPS MADISON, WI OCTOBER 23-24, 1999

Final Tournament Team Standings:

1. UW-Eau Claire	70
2. UW-Whitewater	49
3. UW-La Crosse	39
4. UW-Oshkosh	35
5. UW-SP	33
6. UW-River Falls	23
7. UW-Stout	12

UW-SP Final Tournament Places

Singles:

No. 1: Anne Renken (6th)
No. 2: Tammy Byrne (3rd)
No. 3: Jennifer Oelke (5th)
No. 4: Heather Janssen (4th)
No. 5: Jen Derse (5th)
No. 6: Aimee Strebis (3rd)

Doubles:

No. 1: Heather Janssen/Anne Renken (5th)
No. 2: Tammy Byrne/Jennifer Oelke (4th)
No. 3: Laura Henn/Jen Derse (4th)

Final Season Team Standings:

1. UW-Eau Claire	21
2. UW-Whitewater	18
3. UW-La Crosse	15
4. UW-Oshkosh	12
5. UW-SP	9
6. UW-River Falls	6
7. UW-Stout	3

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT RYAN AULENBACHER - FOOTBALL



UW-SP Career Highlights

- Best passing efficiency in one game (.929, vs. UW-RF, 10-9-99)
- Two-time WIAC offensive player of the week
- Threw for career high 423 yards vs. Oshkosh (10-31-98)

Aulenbacher

Hometown: Hartford, Wisconsin

Major: Business Administration and Economics

Most Memorable Moment: Breaking my collarbone. That was a great feeling. I saw my season ending like those moments when your life flashes before your eyes.

Who was your idol growing up?: Joe Montana. He might not have been the fastest or strongest, but he won games and won the Super Bowl. And I've always looked up to my dad.

What do you plan to do after you graduate?: Be a porn star and be a good one, but if that doesn't work, I'll hang around college until someone tells me to leave.

Biggest achievement in sports: Last year we beat La Crosse and we won the conference championship.

Favorite aspect of football: The competition and just hanging out with the guys.

Most Embarrassing Moment: Every Saturday night.

What will you remember most about playing football at UW-SP?: All of the friends I've met. Winning the conference championship was great and playing all four years. But if I ever get a ring for someone, I know a couple of those guys will be standing up there with me.

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Gravitrons: Tom Vandermeuse, David Taylor, Kevin Willis, Ben Donatelle, Kanyun Rokicki, Kari Lee, Brian Dossie, Scott Cattellino, Nathan Miller and Sam Williams

Tennis

Singles: Brett Walsh
Doubles: Touger Lee and Matt Haines

Racquetball

Nathan White

Soccer

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assisting on Jennifer Davis' second half score for a 2-0 lead. Michelle Mauel added an unassisted goal to finish the scoring.

Sunday's win completed the Pointers eighth straight undefeated WIAC regular season with an overall record of 55-0-2.

UW-SP entered Sunday's game after a tough 2-1 loss to Wheaton College in Illinois Saturday.

Muhvic scored Point's only goal after a free kick from midfield courtesy of Margaret Donka ten minutes into the second half.

"We played our hearts out," Head Coach Sheila Miech said of the team, who outshot the Crusaders 22-19. "Wheaton was a tough game."

The loss will affect UW-SP's seeding for the national tournament, but the Pointers will not know any future games until after Sunday.

Flambeau

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nesting conditions for eagles and osprey.

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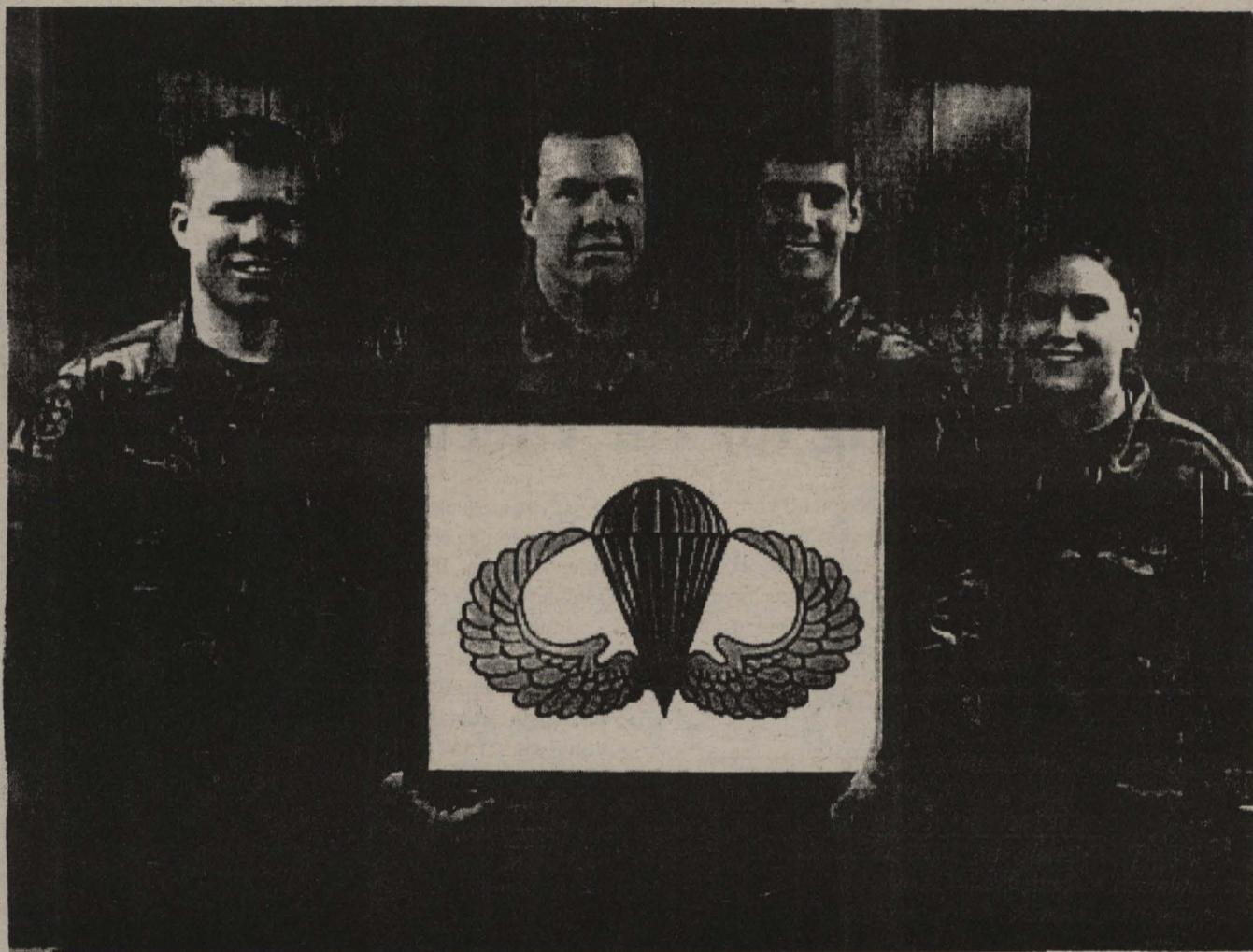
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• Dar Williams

Internationally known singer Dar Williams brings her folky sound to UW-SP on Nov. 20 at 8 p.m. in the UC Laird Room. Williams has been featured on the Lillith Fair in the past two years.

Tickets go on sale Nov. 1 and are available at the Arts and Athletics Ticket Office. Cost is \$7 in advance, \$8 at the door with UW-SP I.D. Without UW-SP I.D. cost is \$8 in advance, \$9 at the door.

• Win Free Tickets to Bill Cosby

Signup for your chance to win front row tickets to the Bill Cosby performance in the "Bill Cosby Contest."

On Wednesday, November 3, at 12:15 p.m. 12 UW-SP students will compete in the encore in a three-part contest. The contest includes impressions, fun facts, and a pudding eating contest.

Two lucky winners will walk home with a pair of front row tickets to the show on Nov. 6. All contestants must preregister at Debot, or the UC Concourse prior to the contest. Call 346-2412 for more information.

Dark Star resurrects the Laird Room

By Steven Schoemer
Managing Editor

Dark Star Orchestra, a Grateful Dead cover band, played the Laird Room of the University Center Wednesday night.

Dark Star Orchestra has made its name from recreating actual Grateful Dead concerts in their entirety.

They kicked off the show with *Cold Rain and Snow*, and the crowd went crazy as soon as John Kadlecik chimed in on vocals, sounding exactly like Jerry Garcia.

Shawn Retherford, a UW-Stevens Point senior said, "I thought Jerry was dead, but I guess not. Long live their music."

Originating in Chicago, Dark Star formed two years ago. All members of the band came from different Grateful Dead cover bands.

According to bassist Michael Hazdra, Dark Star's crowd has literally doubled for each of its first four performances.

The scene for Dark Star concerts is usually set in larger cities

including Milwaukee, San Francisco and Oakland.

When asked what she thought about the show, Becky Jean Kania, a UW-SP senior said, "This is why I love this school. It was nice that they came to us instead of us having to go to them."

Wednesday night's show was a recreation of The Grateful Dead at The Civic Center in San Francisco on Dec. 27, 1983. Dark Star

added its own special double encore of *St. Stephen* and led straight into *Not Fade Away*.

Hazdra said, "I have no problem coming back here. It was a really great crowd. They were very responsive to us."

Dark Star will be performing again Thursday at the Barrymore Theatre in Madison at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$10.50 in advance, \$12.50 at the door.



Lead guitarist John Kadlecik. (Photo by Sara Vander-Grinten.)



In the Ring: Who should spring for the check?

By Annie Scheffen
FEATURES EDITOR

First, I would like to thank all of you who voted for me this week. Only one person voted for Ryan, and if you want to know the truth, he voted for himself. It's pretty sad, I know, but he didn't have any votes, so he had to make himself feel better.

Okay, now for this week's topic. Who should pay for the date.

Now, I for one grew up in a semi-traditional family with a grandpa who laid down ground rules for any guy who entered the house with the intent to date me, or any of my sisters.

"He should come to the door and pick you up, and not honk the car horn from the driveway," he would preach. "He should hold the door, help you into your coat, and pay for dinner. Otherwise, he has no business asking you out."

I guess I agree to an extent. Whoever does the asking, should do the paying. Come on ladies, we are in an age where we can ask the young man out. (Or old, depending.) If we do the asking, we should do the paying, and vice versa. I don't think that's what my grandfather meant, but oh, well.

Before Ryan gets his meaty little hands on the column, I

should let you all know the final score for this week was four to one, in favor of me. Thanks, all! Now, more of you have to start voting so we can make our battle more zealous!

By Ryan Lins
ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

I have to concede...that I won the debate last week! You can listen to Annie blather about this or that, but the cold hard fact remains; victory is mine.

This week I have once again been forced into the indentured servitude known as "Into the Ring."

In this issue we will debate exactly who should pay while on a date.

I sincerely believe that if women want to be viewed in an equal light to their male counterparts (dates) that they should start forking out some of their pocket change once in a while.

I know the trendy Buckle, and Fashion Bug might make for expensive bedfellows ladies, but you would hardly ever hear a guy say: "golly honey I can't afford to pay for the date, I had to go buy duck waders at Fleet Farm last week."

If you are lucky, this response will get you a peck on the cheek after the date. If not, have fun sleeping on the couch.

In the past I've noticed a certain type of person, the *Pennypincherous womanous* has reemerged from the decay of the equal rights movement of the 1970s.

This disturbing trend both amuses and frightens me. We live in a day in which everyone should be on equal footing. If you want to digress back to Victorian times, fine, it's your call.

Like Annie, I agree that men should act like gentlemen to women they want to court. I was taught to open doors, and offer to take women's coats on a date.

I don't mean to imply that woman should bear more of the burden on a date.

A general rule *should be* that whoever asks the other party out should foot the bill. But conventional dating techniques still present the same cash flow problems. Guys are usually the ones who ask on a date. Sure, women do too, it's just not as often. I guess that leaves us back to square one.

Who won the battle?

E-mail us at asche404@uwsp.edu or call us at 346-2249 with your vote on whether or not you agree with Annie or Ryan. We will print the results next week.



School "Pointers" From the Lifestyle Assistants

By Stephanie Wavrunek
UW-SP LIFESTYLE ASSISTANT

Creating positive self-talk patterns

Have you ever taken the time to give others compliments? It may have been "Good playing in the game last night" or "you look nice today." While many compliment others, few take time to compliment themselves. Do you compliment yourself?

Self-talk patterns play a huge part in daily life. Self-talk shapes self-image and self-image shapes destiny. Research has shown that approximately 87 percent of the things people say to themselves are negative. Put-down, negative self-talk can make people unhappy, discouraged, and even create a roadblock which prevents them from getting what they want.

Self-talk can be defined as those internally directed thoughts, feelings, and evaluations based on a "perceived" self-image. Many people hold incorrect beliefs about themselves that limit them from reaching their true potential. Beliefs may originate from the programming received from the outer world. These beliefs may have come from parents, teachers, friends and strangers. It becomes easy to reinforce these beliefs, whether they are true or not, because this behavior is reinforced culturally. Consider this: it takes about 20 positive statements to counteract even just one negative personal statement. After a couple of negative statements, there is a tendency to use them over and over again. An internal heckler is created after repeating the false negatives over and over.

People need to talk to themselves positively, as they do their friends and family. Positive self-talk creates a strong self-image. For example, instead of saying "I can't do this!" change it to "I'm getting better at this." Positive self-talk, or affirmations, need to be stated in positive language and present tense. Although the affirmations may sound (and feel) a little stiff and unnatural, they work.

Spend some time each day reading positive self-talk statements out loud. Keep a journal to reinforce positive self-talk by writing it down. Write self-talk phrases on cards and put them where they will be seen often. Changing your self-talk patterns may be difficult at first, but with the help of the ideas presented, results will take place much faster.



Pointers on the go: James R. Baumgart

By Annie Scheffen
FEATURES EDITOR

A pointer alumni who graduated in 1973 will be representing Wisconsin as a State Senator.

James R. Baumgart was elected to the State Senate and

took office earlier this year as the new State Senator for the 9th Senate District. Baumgart will be affiliated with portions of Sheboygan, Manitowoc and Calumet Counties in Wisconsin.

Baumgart, who received his Bachelor of Science degree in Wildlife Management, has pur-

sued his interest in wildlife issues and as a result, is an outdoors columnist in addition to his legislative duties.

"As stewards for this and future generations, we must use the land wisely," Baumgart says.

As a State Senator, Baumgart serves on numerous committees including Agriculture, Environmental Resources and Campaign Finance Reform. Baumgart is also involved in insurance, tourism, and transportation around Wisconsin, and chairs the Senate Labor Committee, an important and impressive achievement for a first-term Senator.

Prior to his election to the Senate, Baumgart served four terms in the State Assembly where he also served on committees dealing with natural resources, tourism, recreation and labor issues.

Baumgart is a graduate of North High School in Sheboygan, is married and has one daughter.

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State Senator James R. Baumgart. (Submitted photo.)

ROTC travels to Washington, D.C.

By Erin Yotko
FEATURES REPORTER

Six cadets and two instructors from UW-Stevens Point's ROTC traveled to the nation's capital to participate in one of the Army's most prestigious athletic events, the Army Ten-Miler.

The annual race, which follows a course through downtown Washington D.C., draws both active-duty Army personnel and ROTC cadets from military bases and universities throughout the United States.

This year alone, nearly 12,000 runners crossed the finish line, among whom were Maj. Eric Killen, Sgt. Kim Cowen and cadets Josh Carlisle, Jared Nagel, Fred Okon, Geoff Gorsuch and Chester Zdanczewicz of UW-SP.

"We actually got our request for air transport approved and were able to fly out instead of making a 20-hour drive," ex-

plained Killen. "We were low on the Army's priority list, but decided this trip was worth a shot, and it all worked out. It's unusual to get support for this sort of thing at all."

Not only were the instructors and cadets able to participate, but they placed in the top half of their fellow competitors. Out of the 56 ROTC teams taking part in the race, the UW-SP group finished in 23rd place.

Cadet Jared Nagel, a junior at UW-SP, was the 800th runner to cross the finish line, with a time of 68 minutes, 20 minutes behind the winner of the race.

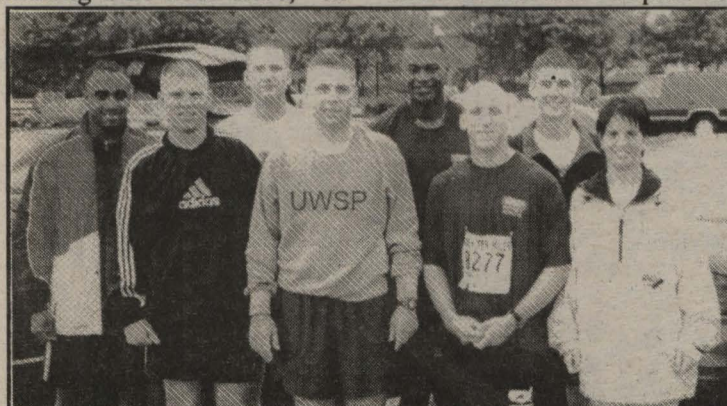
"It was great to finish as high as I did, out of the thousands of people running there," said Nagel. "I never ran 10 miles before."

After completing the race, the cadets and instructors spent the next day touring the monuments and museums that comprise the

greater part of the city. Especially important to them were the military memorials, dedicated to the men and women who served in past wars, including Vietnam and Korea.

"That part of the trip was really educational, to see the sights and get insight into how the military has progressed," said Carlisle. "It was great to see all of the memorials; to see what soldiers have done before."

The team departed from Andrews Air Force base and arrived back in Wisconsin on Oct. 11.



ROTC members who ran the ten-miler. (Submitted photo.)

Deb's Poetry Corner

If I ever saw the light of
an iridescent moon
catch the golden fleck in
your shimmering eyes;
all sight would fade
from these eyes. Until
that day, the moon
sits lazily in the dark
blue sky catching
nothing but clouds
filled with fireflies that
dance on soft pillows
illuminated by its own
ray of light. Only to

be lost in a world of
white and becoming a
fantasy.



Student band Pangaea to play Encore

When Dawn Schlund found out that "Haze," the band that was scheduled to play Halloween weekend, was canceling only a month before the show, she worried about what could be done. The remedy exceeded her expectations.

"Once I found Pangaea, it took all the pressure off," said Schlund, Alternative Sounds Coordinator for Centertainment Productions.

Although the band formed only recently, Pangaea has achieved great success. Within the past few months, they have showcased at a variety of local venues including the Mission Coffeehouse and last year's International Dinner.

Bruce Medhurst, rhythm guitar player for the band, said that playing the International Dinner was their first showcase at UW-Stevens Point and it led to some great opportunities for them. After playing the campus dinner, they were asked to perform at the "Shawano Old World Folk Festival" this summer.

Medhurst says that the band is extremely excited to be on campus once again.

"I don't think I even talked to everyone else, I just said we'll take it," he said.

Schlund feels the same way. "I love having local bands showcased," said Schlund. "I think it's really important to display the talent we have among our students."

Actually, all of the members of Pangaea are current UW-SP students or Alumni. Members include: Mike Fichtinger, alumnist Vinnie Miresse, Bruce Medhurst and Amy Grosnek.

Their creative blend of ethnic sounds from around the world with a taste of jazz and blues creates an innovative sound that's a bit unique. The most interesting feature is that the band incorporates unusual instruments such as a didjeridu and indigenous percussion to create a 'jammin,' folksy sound all of its own.

Pangaea performs this Friday, Oct. 29 at 8 p.m. in the UC Encore. The show is free with a UW-SP ID and \$2 without.

All attendees are invited to wear a costume, bring candles and their best jack-o-lanterns to get the weekend rolling. Medhurst even mentioned that the band will be dressed up for the Halloween Ball.

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Edgar Allen Poe haunts campus for Halloween

By Amy Shaw
THEATRE CRITIC

Just in time for Halloween, a darkly comedic theatrical review based on the writings of Edgar Allen Poe opens this Thursday.

"Departed Bliss: An Evening of Theatre and Dance" is a grouping of short stories and poems that have been adapted into short plays and movements set to music directed by Jon Barsness, Ellen Margolis and Pamela Luedtke. These pieces are wildly imaginative, frighteningly fun and a definite must see for anyone who admires the work of Poe.

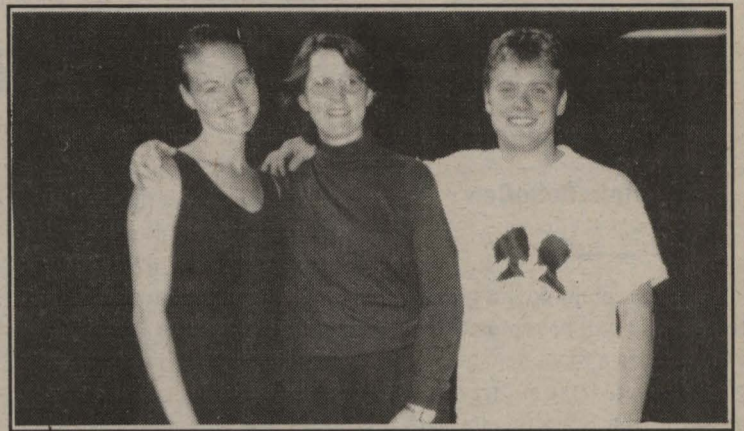
The opening play is an adaptation of Poe's, "The System of Dr. Tarr and Professor Fether." In this play we meet Monsieur Maillard, the superintendent of an asylum in France, played by Chris Moore, and some of his most colorful inmates. A dinner meeting with a curious layman turns into pandemonium as the patients, who are on the new "system," get overly excited and go into frenzied, manic episodes. Actors of note in this play are Beth Davis, as the girl who thinks she's a rooster and John Blick, as a smiling, story telling neurotic. Jon Barsness, a junior theatre major, has done a fine job of adapting and directing this short

play. It is a superb example of a classic Poe story that uses a narrator to slowly unfold the chilling details of the story.

Another horrific and well-directed short play on the bill is Ellen Margolis's adaptation of Poe's short story "Berenice." This play is about a man named Aegis, played by Donnie Nuefuss, who is obsessed with his cousin Berenice's teeth. Berenice, who is played by Kate Wehrley, is a character afflicted with bouts of sleeping sickness and epilepsy, who becomes a member of the undead toward the end of the play. The actors in this piece use sounds, vocal levels and props to magnify the terror and the humor of this piece. Ellen Margolis is an assistant professor of theatre here at UW-Stevens Point and is a creative tour de force within the department.

And finally, Pamela Luedtke, a dance instructor at Turning Point Dance Academy in Point, adds her tremendous interpretative choreography to three of Edgar Allen Poe's poems, the most famous being "The Raven."

In "The Raven," two men share the voice of the narrator as they explore the inevitable scratching and tapping at the



The three directors of Departed Bliss. (Photo by Amy Shaw.)

chamber door. Luedtke's choreography adds a deep physical tension to a poem known for its frustrated images, which enhances the darkness and despair felt in the piece. Donnie Newfuss and Micah Rademacher perform the jerky, abrupt movements with jarring intensity as they recite the familiar text with an immense depth of emotion. Kim Seis plays appropriate music to accompany this piece.

"Alone" and "The Bells," showcase Pamela Luedtke's dance. In "The Bells," Luedtke begins with fluid movements corresponding to the melodic chiming of the bells, but as the piece continues, we see and hear the beautiful turn into the beastly.

The bells build to a fevered pitch, as the dance movements become grotesque and the dancer gets whipped into paranoid agitation. Karen Horowitz, the vocal coach for the musical theatre department, plays the bells and piano and adds a ghostly vocal track that elevates the horror of this piece, while Katie McGlynn also recites the poem with a mix of poetics and panic.

The show runs Oct. 28-29 at 8 p.m. in the Melvin Laird Room at the University Center. Tickets are sold at the door. The show is free with a valid UW-Stevens Point I.D., or \$2 for the general public. For more information, you can call Centertainment at 346-2412.



Cast members at a dress rehearsal. (Photo by Amy Shaw.)

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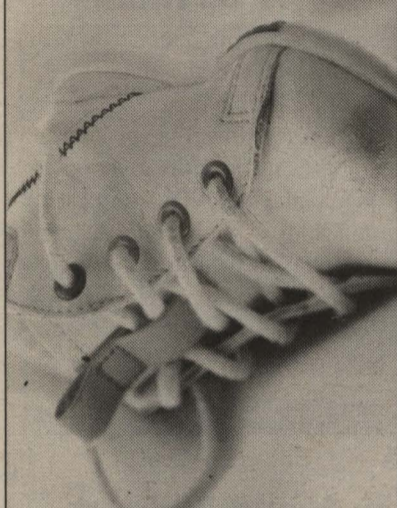
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Budget:

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"The tuition freeze is good because families can better prepare for the costs of school," commented Roth.

The tuition freeze will be affective in the next year however, Gov. Thompson line-item-vetoed a correlation between tuition increase and financial-aid.

Andy Halverson, SGA President said of the budget, "The UW-system when examining this budget will experience the best fiscal support it has seen in 10 years. A lot of the UW-system's advancement can be attributed to Senator Chuck Chvala and his Higher Education Initiative."

The new budget also includes a provision giving \$4.8 million for funding to increase student access to the UW-system by 1,000 people.

New faculty will now gain health benefits from their first day of hire, as opposed to the six-month waiting period that was previously required.

Disease:

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The American College of Health Association has recommended that college students consider vaccination against the potentially fatal disease. At UW-SP's Health Services in Delzell Hall, the vaccination shot is offered to students at a cost of \$62 per dose, by appointment

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Raccoons

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Where are good spots to run raccoons? Farmland with woods and fencerows are great spots to find them. Cornfields are major feeding areas for raccoons and most farmers don't care for coon damage in the corn. River bottoms are also dependable spots to find raccoons.

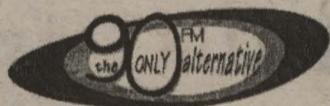
Many farmers have problems with the high numbers of raccoons, so harvesting them is very important. Also, when numbers get too high diseases will take over.

What is done with a raccoon once it has been harvested? Coon hides are sold to fur buyers. Most hides will be used for hats and coats in the United States, Canada and Russia. This year the market is low for raccoon. Coon meat is also edible.

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- How To Get More Stuff -

By Pat "Mad Asterisk" Rothfuss
WHO WANTS FOOTNOTES? YOU WANT FOOTNOTES.

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So you want them to give you things. The best way to accomplish this is by the judicious use of "love." "Love" is a tool you use to keep your parents from spending all their money on themselves before they die.

But how can you trick them into loving you? Simple, the letter home. Writing one isn't as easy as you might think. Here's what you should tell them....

- 1) You "love" them.*
- 2) You miss your younger sibling.**

* Do not include quotation marks.
** If you don't have a sibling, you miss the family pet. If you don't have a pet, you miss your local pastor/priest. If your family is agnostic, you miss the tree you used to climb in your backyard.

*** If this isn't the case, mention you're doing well in one of your classes. ****

**** If you're not doing well in any of your classes, mention a test you did well

3) You've caught a bit of a cold, but it's no big deal. Nyquil's more expensive than you would have guessed.

4) You're doing well in your classes.***

Then, instead of a letter, send a card home, but don't buy one. Remember what we're trying to achieve. Spending money on *them* is quite contrary to your purpose.

Draw one instead. Remember, parental "love" is money in your pocket, so put a little effort into it. The text should read:

Sorry this isn't a Hallmark, but money's a little tight right now. Just wanted to say I love you.

PS. Give Joey***** a hug for me.

Not only will this pluck the heartstrings, but you can bet that mom will stick it on the fridge. That makes it a daily reminder of their darling baby who's off working so hard at college, but who still remembers to drop a line.

Right now I can tell you're thinking to yourself, "Wow! I've never seen a seven-asterisk footnote before!" *****

***** Insert the name of your brother, sister, pet, priest, or tree.

***** Well here it is. You'll never see one again either, because most columnists are chincy-ass bastards, unwilling to go the extra mile for their readers. But I am. That's why, I'm giving "Dekki" and that deranged guy that wrote the letter last week their "I am not Pat Rothfuss" T-shirts. Stop by in early November to pick them up guys. God bless.



Fig 1:

THE LETTER HOME.

If you're too lazy to write a whole letter, wait until Mom or Dad's birthday, or their anniversary, or groundhog's day. (Anything will do.)

in. At least you didn't fail like so many of the other kids did. Use the quote "It cost me some sleep, but those extra couple hours of studying really paid off."*****

***** If things aren't going well in any of your classes, mention a kid on your floor that you thought had dropped out, but what really happened was that he failed all his midterms and tried to kill himself. Now they have him tied to a bed in the mental ward at Saint Michael's.

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"Now son, let me get this straight, you wrecked the car, your girlfriend is pregnant, and you're failing geometry. Well, good luck son, you're a man now."



"First, we fell asleep, then we ran outta gas. Don't you believe me Mom?"

Adam By THE JERK-O-LANTERN



An Offering of Peace

By Kelvin Chen

After a decade of silence, Eurythmics as a duo, are back to appease their demented fans with a peace offering in the form of an album entitled *Peace*. From the moment *Peace* blared on the speakers, it sounded as if the British duo never said good-bye to all their fans. Back are their signature sounds of rock guitar blending with synthesizers that dominated the 80's new wave movement in music. What is even more unforgettable is the voice of Annie Lennox with her distinctive haunting quality that sends chills through one's heart. *Peace* is basically Eurythmics' cry to the problems of the world today. From the song titles, one can easily guess the lyrical direction. Titles like *I Saved the World Today*, *Power to the Meek*, *Peace is Just a Word*... all

sends out the familiar images of desire and despair that Eurythmics was associated with 10 years ago.

The first American single released is *Seventeen Again*. *Seventeen* is a bitter reflection on life's experiences. Words like "Innocence will teach you/ What it feels like to be used... Sweet dreams are made of anything/ That gets you in the scene" are a mockery of Eurythmics' first US hit- *Sweet Dreams* way back in the early 80's. The first European single released was *I Saved the World Today*. The song traces the denial attitude most people hold with regards to world issues, and Eurythmics' stand on the issues.

Musically, *Peace* offers a more mature sound to the listener. The album also appears to be

the product of Dave Stewart's experimentation with various musical sounds and instruments over the decade. At some points these experimental sounds sounded excessive and they can be done without.

The chilling majesty of Annie Lennox's voice sounds as spine-tingling as ever. Her soaring vocals ripple out effortlessly, sending the message of bitterness, cynicism and pain to the ears listening. Although more subtle than usual, she can still make one's heart bleed with that voice of hers, confirming her status as the doyenne of despair.

On a personal note, one cannot help but feel that *Peace* is somewhat a drag down on Lennox's part. She has already successfully launched herself as a solo artiste, and *Peace* at

times constrain to Lennox's musical talent. Eurythmics' success is during the 80s and that is probably where it should be best remembered. The 90's sound comes across at some points like a rehash from the decade of excesses, offering nothing dynamic.

Peace is probably a testament to how far Eurythmics has come. After 10 years, both Annie Lennox and Dave Stewart have successfully established themselves in their solo careers. Despite the fact that both confessed that this album is probably their best work to date, much remains to be seen if their music will be embraced by a new generation. *Peace* is currently out in stores.

Bytes:

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who shopped online were pleased with the result, but one in five reported problems including products being misrepresented, products not being delivered, and unauthorized charges.

The survey showed only 10 percent of consumers were concerned that a seller might be fraudulent, although the consumers league said that actually was a bigger danger than credit card number theft.

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the bill still has many gray areas that could cause many problems.

"There is no clear stipulation of what numbers would constitute a gathering."

Roth also voiced his concern at section four of the bill which assumes the association of criminal gangs and drugs with the presence of alcohol at the location of the gathering. "Just because a group of people get together for a couple of beers doesn't mean that they are part of a gang," he said.

This issue will be discussed at a SGA Senate meeting on Thursday, Oct. 28 at the Senate meeting.

"My hope is that we will cause enough of an uproar that this does not even pass committee," said Roth.

The Senate meeting will be held at the Wright Lounge at 6:15 p.m. and students and community members are encouraged to attend to voice their concerns and provide input.

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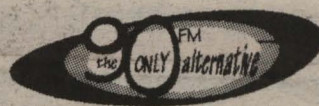
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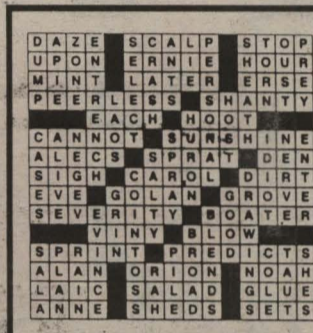
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