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# African savanna animals find home at UW-SP

Exhibition is the first of its kind in Portage County

By Pramela Thiagesan

**News Editor** 

The recently completed African savanna exhibit at the Museum of Natural History at UW-Stevens Point marks the first of its kind in Portage County. The next closest Savanna exhibition is featured at the Milwaukee Historical Museum.

The UW-SP exhibit features an array of African game contributed by local hunters such as Mike Okray and Woody Bishop who hunt in the savanna. Prized trophies such as a lion, hyena, warthog, Nile crocodile and black buffalo are just five of the 17 vertebrates featured in the exhibition.

The African Savanna exhibit has two showcases in the Learning Resources Center of the university. Edward Marks, curator of the Museum of Natural History, spent the past year and a half working on the exhibit.

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A life like lion is part of the African savanna exhibition. (Photo by Rick Ebbers)

# Olmos brings message of diversity to UW-SP

By Andrea Wetzel
Assistant News Editor

Edward James Olmos presented a message of unity in the human race in his "We're All in the Same Gang" talk at the UW-Stevens Point Laird Room on Wednesday.

Olmos sent his message to a full house of over 570 people. He began by speaking about language and how most United States citizens only speak English. To emphasize the point he told jokes that only people who understood Spanish could appreciate

"The future is being able to communicate," said Olmos.

Olmos spoke of knowing and cherishing your roots, and understanding that we are all of the same origin. \* "There's only one race, all the rest is culture," said Olmos.

Throughout the presentation, Olmos challenged ethnocentric views on nationality, religion, education, and other hot issues in today's society. Some of his statements were striking and thought provoking, but he kept the audience comfortable with his relaxed demeanor.

"When meeting him before the lecture, he appeared to be very personable and a great advocate for his beliefs," said Jennifer Hojnacki, Centertainment issue and ideas team member.

"I thought it was an excellent, humorous and engaging presentation that emphasized that we all are in the same race—the human race," said Deirde Snyder, the advisor for Student Alliance for

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# Fair brings volunteer opportunities to students

By Andrea Wetzel
Assistant News Editor

A Tutor Sign-Up and Community Volunteer Fair, organized by Association of Community Tasks (ACT), brought UW-Stevens Point students together with the community. The fair gave students a chance to gather information on tutoring and volunteer positions in the community.

Some education classes require tutoring experience. About 20 schools attending the fair offered tutoring positions to students. Last semester 290 students tutored throughout the community.

"The UW-Stevens Point students make a huge impact on the Stevens Point Area School District," said Heather DeCramer, director of schools for ACT. "Not every community has such a large supply of volunteers," she added.

Some education majors tutor at The Homework Center, a place in The Madison View Family Center that helps children with homework.

"As a college student you can't afford to give back to the community monetarily and The Homework Center provides the opportunity to work with children and have a wonderful time doing it," said Alicia Roth, a coordinator of The Homework Center

"The children have helped me to learn what to expect when I'm working with younger kids as an elementary education major," said Brooke Mesenberg, coordinator of The Homework Center.

Representatives from agencies around the community such as First Home, Head Start, and Big Brothers-Big Sisters Inc. also attended the fair to recruit volunteers.

"Volunteering gives people career experience and helps in their majors," said Michelle Buretta, budget director of ACT.

Last semester ACT helped about 50 students find volunteer opportunities in 15 agencies.

"A lot of people volunteer because they enjoy what they're doing. They just want to help out the community," said ACT Director of Agencies, Andrea Porter.

Head Start, an organization that provides services for poor chil-

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# UW-SP falsely named a key supporter of Arrowhead-Weston power line

Wisconsin Public Service claims it was a mistake

By Pramela Thiagesan News Editor

Wisconsin Public Service Corporation (WPS) listed UW-Stevens Point as a key supporter of its plan to build the 250-mile-long Arrowhead-Weston transmission line, but has sent a letter of retraction to the university for its mistake.

The transmission line, part of the 'Power Up Wisconsin' project, was sponsored by WPS and Minnesota Power Line.

In the letter addressed to UW-SP Chancellor Tom George, WPS explained that it had been "encouraging customers who would benefit from this proposed project to write to the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin (PSCW), the state's utility regulators."

UW-SP was listed as a supporter of the proposed power line through a miscommunication at WPS. The company composed a list of agencies it targeted for support of the power line. However, the communication department at WPS mistook this for a list of agencies that had expressed their support for the plan.

"As a public institution and a place of higher learning, UW-SP maintains neutrality on this issue," said George.

"There are always two sides to an argument, and in a university set"How are we supposed to trust a corporation with a 250-mile transmission line when they can't even tell the truth on a "key supporters" document?"

- Dana Churness, student

ting, we have a CNR faculty as well as a business faculty, both of which may have different views on this issue. So it is hard for us on a whole to take a stance on either side," added George.

WPS also stated in its retraction letter that it had "to date received 350 copies of project-support letters from legislators, businesses, unions, individuals and governments."

The letter also stated that the company had "double checked our list to make sure, from this point on, we are accurate in our listing."

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# Faculty and students encouraged to attend instructor evaluation forum

By Pramela Thiagesan News Editor

An instructor evaluation forum will be held to give both faculty and students an opportunity to learn and give feedback on how instructor evaluations should be used.

The forum is scheduled for Feb. 10 with panelists consisting of faculty and students.

Faculty senate proposed organizing the forum to provide a platform for discussion and debate on whether instructor evaluations should be posted on public folders.

The history of instructor evaluations on campus and the statistical reliability of the evaluations at UW-Stevens Point are just two issues to be discussed.

The forum should also answer questions on the logistics behind posting the evaluations on public folders, a move that some pro-

fessors protest.

UW-SP is one of the few universities across the nation to utilize public folders for discussion and dissemination of information.

"We are on the top level for public folder use and as far as I am aware, it is very widely used by students," said Jane Dumke, campus postmaster.

The debate on whether public folders should be used arises from protests that public folders violate privacy issues. Other campuses and many UW-System campuses have already posted instructor evaluations on the Internet, but UW-SP is the only one in the system to use public folders instead.

"The Internet is, of course, less private, and all information is out there for anyone to see and use.

"This is understandably a concern for professors and the university," said Jeremy Ames,

academic issues director of Student Government Association.

Ames, who will be the moderator at the forum, added, "Using public folders, in our opinion is a reasonable compromise, but there are some professors who are still opposed to the whole idea."

Bob Beecken, Vice Chancellor for Personnel and Budget, will be on the panel to discuss the history and legal matters surrounding access to evaluations. Other panelists include Andrew Halverson, SGA president, Dave Dumke, AIS, and Robert Rogers, forestry professor.

"I encourage faculty and students to attend the forum because the outcome of the forum and the final decision will affect everyone," said Ames.

The forum will be held in Room 116, at the College of Professional Studies and is open to all students and faculty members.

# UW- Madison will stick to its clothing manufacturers

By Pramela Thiagesan News Editor

Despite obvious student protest, UW-Madison Chancellor Davis Ward of UW-Madison said that the university will stay with a group of schools and apparel makers who make university licensed clothing. UW-Stevens Points Chancellor Tom George is still unsure as to whether UW-SP will follow the footsteps of Madison.

Students from the UW-System and campuses across the nation are protesting the sale of clothing made from sweatshops, citing the inhumane conditions of workers in the factories as a primary factor.

"I have not had the chance to discuss this with Chancellor Ward, so I can't really comment on this issue," said Chancellor George.

He did, however, add that he is interested in what students have to say and has been working closely with the university book store to look into this issue.

"We take this issue very seriously and are trying our best to make the best possible decision," said George.

Student groups on many campuses, including UW-SP, are urging universities to join student-designed workers' rights consortiums to ensure fair labor practices.

Chancellor Ward said that the group that UW-Madison is currently working with is in the process of monitoring factories that make the Badgerwear, but did not rule out the possibility of joining the student group at a later date.

### Olmos: CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1



Olmos draws the crowd in with his annecdotes about cultural views. (Photo by Rick Ebbers)

Latino Studies and Advancement (SALSA).

The most memorable moment of the talk for Jodi Hohenstein was when, "he pulled an African American named Melvin from the audience and depicted him as Jesus in our minds."

She added, "He challenged a lot of stereotypes I have in my mind as well as in other people's. He reminded us of how we should not think."

Olmos is the first American of Latin ancestry to present this type of speech at UW-SP. He is a multi-talented actor, producer, director, and community activist. Last weekend he narrated the Super Bowl half-time show.

This past April, Olmos started a nationwide multimedia project celebrating Latino culture called, "Americanos: Latino Life in the United States." Olmos is the United States ambassador for UNICEF. Olmos is probably best

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1:27 a.m. Roach Hall

A girl was found in the second floor bathroom passed out. An officer removed the individual.

SATURDAY, JAN. 29

1:36 a.m. Hansen Hall

A 911 call/hang up was made from a student's room. No one opened the door when officials tried to contact the student.

SUNDAY, JAN. 30

12:10 a.m. Circle near Hansen Hall
Individuals turned over a car and continued to
jump on it.

SUNDAY, JAN. 30

1:10 a.m. Circle near Hansen Hall
A student reported vandalism to his car.

MONDAY, JAN. 31

12:09 a.m. Baldwin Hall Vandalism of private property.

MONDAY, JAN. 31

6:56 p.m. Watson Hall
False fire alarm on second floor.

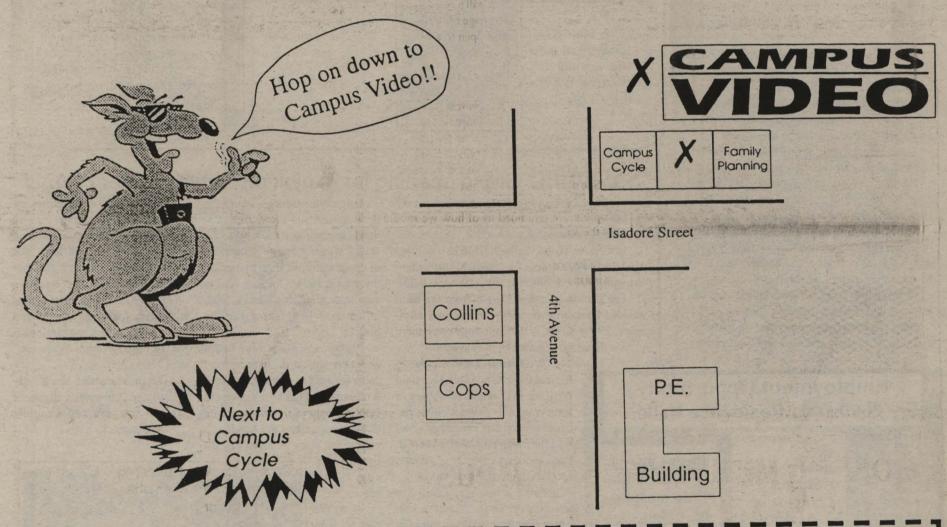
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### Snow removal keeps Stevens Point pedestrians safe

By Andrea Wetzel Assistant News Editor

Snow falls make Stevens Point winter walkways difficult to trudge through on and off campus.

"Safety is our highest priority," said Grounds Supervisor, Chris Brindley, "but, we're limited with the equipment we have and the size of our staff."

"The sidewalks on campus were really slushy and gross when we came back from break," said UW-Stevens Point student Sara Hayes.

Students who are in wheelchairs or have other mobility problems have a more difficult time getting around in winter.

"If a student with a disability has a problem getting around on campus they just have to call us and it will be taken care of," said Pam Backer, accommodation specialist in the Disability Ser-

"There are pretty high standards here," said Brindley. "We have the cleanest sidewalks in the surrounding area," he added.

The City of Stevens Point requires residents to remove snow and ice within 24 hours of the snowfall. If residents fail to clean their walkways, they may be charged to have a private contractor remove the snow for them.

"Snow removal is very important for the safety of others and just for common courtesy," said Traffic Coordinator, Sgt. Ron Carlson.

"Everyone should do their part to help out. I know I would feel bad if someone fell because I didn't shovel in front of my house," said UW-SP education major Lucy Neff.

When snow is not removed from sidewalks it forces walkers and joggers to use the road.

This creates a dangerous situation when vehicles have to share the road with pedestrians.

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### WAS YOUR FAVORITÉ SUPER BOWL COMMERCIAL?



**Dustin Reeson** 

the crying dog

where he runs into

BIOLOGY, SR.

**Greg Groszczyk** COMMUNICATION, JR.

The Blockbuster one with mike Ditka and the "Run away bride."



Pam Flateau

ELEMENTARY ED., SR.

"The Tropicana one where the old lady was running and jumping through the city."

**Chad O'Neil** UNDECIDED, SOPH.



**Photos** by Rick **Ebbers** 

### "The Budweiser 'They were all bunk." commercial with

# the truck."

Savanna: Grand opening for exhibition scheduled for Feb. 26

"The exhibition is not just about showing off the big kills, I wanted it to convey the diversity of the savanna ecosystem and habitat," said Marks.

In working on the exhibition, Marks combines a patchwork of art, science, research, and writing to making the exhibition as authentic as possible.

The exhibition shows details from the hand painted backdrop showing the savanna landscape, to the Kopje, a volcanic rock considered to be a distinctive feature of the savanna.

"We tried to keep as close to the real thing as possible, we could not bring in the exact shrubbery of the savanna to the exhibition because of customs regulations, but we found many plants right here in Portage County which could pass for the real thing," said Marks.

Marks, however, admits to touching up the shrubs with paint, something he also did to the sand on the floor of the exhibition.

Mark Okray, a Stevens Point local, offered some of his African savanna trophies when he noticed that the museum lacked a display of these animals. His contribution marked the genesis of the project in 1995.

"I was glad to offer the animals to the museum so everyone could enjoy the display. Besides, my wife told me she would leave me if I didn't get rid of them," said Okray, a hunting consultant.

The museum, however, did not have enough storage space for the animals, but collaboration among library officials, the dean of the College of Letters and Science, and university officials made a section of the study area in the Library available for the project.

"Chancellor George really set the wheels in motion when I brought the idea up to him," said

Chancellor George, who calls the museum and the African Savanna exhibition, "a service to the state," was not the only member of upper administration to support the project. Helen Godfrey, former vice chancellor for student affairs, is a major benefactor for the project.

"When she [Godfrey] heard about the project she immediately came forward to support it. I think it is because of her keen interest in catering to the children who come to the museum and she saw it as a way to get more children to visit

the univer sity," said Marks.

"I never saw a lion that close except for today," said Aspen Duffin, age five, who was visiting the museum with his kindergarten class.

"I thought it was real for a minute," added Steve Lepal, also

age five. Children are not the only people who benefit from the museum. Many classes at UW-SP also require students to visit the museum. Biology, Anthropology, and art classes are just some classes that require students to visit the museum.

In addition to the African Savanna exhibit, the museum also boasts of exhibitions featuring other habitats, such as that of the tropical rainforest, and also has an extensive bird egg collection.

"One of our best acquisitions is the very rare passenger pigeon egg cluster, and a mounted passenger pigeon which is extinct," said Marks.

The museum also has a fully articulated Allosaurus dinosaur skeletal structure and a mobile Tyrannosaurus Rex jaw.



This mounted Hyena was donated by an area resident. (Photo by Rick Ebbers)

museum since 1973 and has never been to Africa. He based his exhibition on photos, books, and expert opinions of various faculty on campus and research.

His will be working on an exhibition portraying Menominee Clan and Native American exhibit.

Marks has been working at the

### **Employment Opportunity** 2000-2001 Residence Halls

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# LETTERS & OPINION

### CNR philosophy not practiced at UW-SP

UW-Stevens Point is respected nationally for its emphasis on natural resources and concern for the environment. Sadly, the outcome is not what it appears. Having attended UW-SP for three semesters, I can no longer accept the total disregard for the environment, both locally and globally. From the trash that sits untouched in OUR nature reserve to the primitive ways the facilities are heated, UW-SP as a whole is a burden to the ecosystem

Every day, more and more litter is being discarded throughout our campus. This complete disrespect for the earth is not only committed by those who litter, but also from those that just leave it there. Laziness and ignorance are two qualities that our campus exploits daily. Whether it be the natural resource majors that flick their cigarette butts on the ground or the ecology professors that simply walk by mounds of trash, everyone is at fault for the conditions at hand.

Our community as a whole needs to realize that our environment is being raped every day by this ignorance. The earth does not belong to us; we belong to the earth. We can no longer tolerate these demanding ideals that are ever-present at UW-SP. The student body needs to do more than only talk about saving the environment because it is not influencing the present. We need to start educating by example; pick up litter to and from class, inform the ignorant that littering is simply laziness, and think both globally and locally. Hopefully the year 2000 will be a cleansing period for our environment.

-John Baeten

### Student appreciates diversity awareness

Friday night in the Wooden Spoon something great and far too uncommon took place. Many cultures came together and celebrated as one. We came together not only to celebrate our diversity, but also to create a unity among us. In this, the twenty-first century, this kind of event should not even have to take place. The dinner was the culmination of a week-long education effort in the UC concourse. The dinner presented us a chance to taste many different cultural dishes and meet many new people. It was very well-attended and

extremely well-organized. Joe Shefchik, a co-organizer, expressed his satisfaction with the attendance and enthusiasm of the gathering. "I'm excited to see this high of a level of student involvement, particularly in the area of diversity," Shefchik said. As the goal of unity is not yet attained, we can be glad that there are organizations and individuals out there to aid us in achieving it, a thank you is due to all who helped make this week possible.

-Anthony O'Connell

### God's presence in government

I am compelled to respond to a recent letter to the editor entitled "God's presence desperately needed in today's political system". I felt the article was extremely distorted, however, I shall thank the writer, Joseph E. Vallely for caring about something. Caring is a wonderful antidote to apathy, even if the writer is in dire need of change of perspective.

Mr. Vallely clamors about how we need a more godly government. I cringe at the thought. The religious right, as well organized and vigilant as they are, have a tight grip over our nation's policy. Also, I as an atheist, fear a godly government. A more secular government will be our nation's liberation.

To any doubters that Christianity is the dominant paradigm, I will ask you to examine your coins. I don't know about you, but my coins do not say "In atheism we trust." Or even the euphemistic "In free thought we trust." No way, it says "In God we trust." Still in some regressive areas people are required to take Bible oaths. I abjure Christianity and am appalled at any attempts of it to take over the government, and even worse is a warped worldview telling us our government is atheistic.

The fact of the matter is, every president in modern times has pledged allegiance to Judeo Christian values. Every last one of them. It is political suicide to renounce religion. How many outspoken atheists hold high office? You'd be lucky to find even one. Contrary to popular belief, our government is NOT a bastion for atheism. If our politicians are atheistic, where are they? Luckily, gutsy politicians like Jesse Ventura will take a stand against organized religion. My kudos to him.

Furthermore, moral degeneration is a very dynamic problem, and it involves far more than having Jesus in our hearts. Economic conditions, social policy, the media and drug use all come into play. It is sickeningly simplistic to blame it all on one of the world's easiest scapegoats, atheism.

A large part of the moral degeneration which is going on is due to our tenacious allegiance to life negating dogmas like Christianity. I am all for affirming life whether it be the fetuses, the animals, or us. Christianity dethrones our potential and psychologically annihilates our souls. Christianity is perhaps our biggest oppressor. It is the ultimate form of injustice, and any leaders who abide by these pernicious creeds, are doomed to be tyrants, because there is no bigger tyrant than the fundamentalist Christian God. The evidence is out there. More wars have been fought over religion than anything else. There have been 1 million wars fought by atheists against agnostics. Yeah, whatever.

If our humanity is to flourish we need to absolve ourselves of all crutches, whether they be religion, drugs or television. I have a romantic vision, I demand no less than prosperity! Sadly, our society needs the quick fix of Christianity, television, alcohol and drugs. Religion, drugs; and tele-

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# OUTTA SHEAD'S HEAD



### Profs, don't bother me, I'm just hibernating

Every year on Feb. 2, the world watches in awe as a ground-hog, you know, the only furry, four-legged creature in the world that isn't cute, predicts the weather. A groundhog! The only thing worse than the idea of a groundhog predicting the weather is the thought that people actually anticipate his prediction as if it would be accurate.

Now I've got nothing against the little rodent. In fact, I feel sorry for him. The poor thing just wants to get some sleep. That's how I feel. I want some sleep, too, but I fear my little groundhog friend and I are too similar. I know how it feels to try to sleep while the people downstairs party all night long. But that experience pales mightily compared to the groundhog's. Just try sleeping when 10,000 people are shouting your name and then some old guy in a top hat reaches down your hole and disturbs you from your slumber, just so that you can "predict the weather," which is something you don't even want to do anyway. Heck, I'd run back into my hole, shadow or no shadow.

So that's the scenario. Year after year, people come back to the groundhog, looking for his prediction. It doesn't matter if he's wrong; people will be back next year, ardently awaiting the prediction.

That sounds good to me. You see, it's not that I'm being lazy in class. I'm just hibernating. Then, one time this semester, I will awake from my stupor, utter something truly great, and return to my state of near-hibernation.

So profs, rather than write me off as disinterested, know that I'm listening, and prepare for my moment of greatness.

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### St. Olaf Choir performs in Plover during 2000 East Coast Tour

By Annie Scheffen FEATURES EDITOR

Last Friday night, Jan. 28, the St. Olaf Choir performed at the St. Bronislava Catholic Church in Plover.

by Directed Anton Armstrong, who has served as music director of the choir since 1990, the choir is internationally acclaimed. It has made 11 tours to Europe and Asia and, in 1988, was one of only five choirs in the world invited to participate in the

South Korea.

In 1993, the ensemble completed a 21-day concert tour of Norway and Denmark. A 1997 tour sent it to New Zealand and Australia.

The choir is currently in the middle of its 2000 East Coast Tour which spans from Colorado to Carnegie Hall in New York City in 20 performances.

"The traveling is tiresome, but well worth it," said Martha Nelson, an alto in the choir. "We have worked very hard, and are

Seoul Olympic Arts Festival in ready to perform. So far, so

And good they were. The volume that rose from this 75-voice choir was phenomenal. With 23 selections in the program, the choir performed pieces in Latin, German, Russian and Hebrew without sheet music.

"We had a Russian instructor come to one of our rehearsals to us the correct pronounciation of each word in the Russian piece," said Nelson. "We perfected it with a lot of practice."

Professor of Russian at UW-

Stevens Point, Robert Price was one of the satisfied audience members.

"The Russian song, along with all the others were excellent," Price said. "They deserved the standing ovation they recieved at the end."

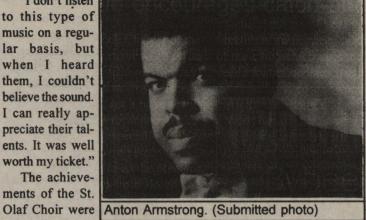
Jeff Mace, a student here at UW-SP, also commented on the

"I don't listen to this type of music on a regular basis, but when I heard them, I couldn't believe the sound. I can really appreciate their talents. It was well worth my ticket."

The achievements of the St. recognized in

1999 when the choir received the Wittenberg Award for distinguished service to church and society. This presentation represented the first time that a group was honored with the Wittenberg

Sponsored by the Luther Institute of Washington, D.C., the Wittenberg Award was presented to the St. Olaf Choir, conductor Anton Armstrong and conductor emeritus Kenneth Jennings. The St. Olaf Choir was selected for the prestigious award because of its contributions to Lutheran Church music, the focus of the 1999 Wittenberg Awards.



The choir is on tour until Feb. 14, with its final concert back in Northfield, Minn. at the Boe Memorial Chapel on the St. Olaf College campus. If you missed it while it was on tour, it will be doing two showcase St. Olaf concerts. The first is on March 4 at Orchestra Hall in Chicago Ill.. The second is on March 12 in Orchestra Hall in Minneapolis, Minnesota. For tickets to the Chicago show, call 507-646-3179. For the Minneapolis concert, call 612-371-5656, or call toll-free at 1-800-292-4141. Both concerts will start at 8 p.m. and the seats will fill up fast.



Anton Armstrong conducts the St. Olaf Choir. (Submitted photo.)

### School "Pointers" From the Lifestyle Assistants Early detection is key

Every year 6,000 Americans die in residential fires. Most of these deaths are not from heat or flames but from inhaling smoke and toxic fumes. Most fatal home fires occur between the 8 at night and 8 in the morning. Having smoke detectors in your house can buy you time when getting out fast

According to the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA), minimum protection requires a smoke detector outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home, including the basement. On floors without bedrooms, detectors should be installed in or near living areas such as dens, living rooms or family rooms. Because smoke rises you should mount your detector high on a wall 4 to 12 inches from the ceiling. A ceiling-mounted detector should be at least 4 inches from the nearest wall. In rooms with pitched ceilings, mount the detector at or near the ceiling's highest point.

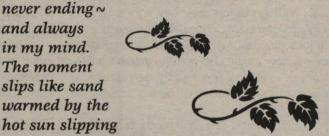
The following are reminders for smoke detector maintenance. Test your smoke detector at least once a month, either by releasing smoke into the chamber or by pressing the test button. Replace weak or worn out batteries at once. Never borrow smoke detector batteries for other uses! Keep extra batteries on hand, and change the batteries at least twice a year. A great time to do this is when you change the time on your clocks. Dust and vacuum smoke detectors at least twice a year. Make sure smoke detectors are working when you return home after an extended absence. These few minutes of detector maintenance could save your life!



### Deb's Poetry Corner

The water runs like the soft hands of the endless clock, never ending ~ and always in my mind. The moment slips like sand warmed by the

through smooth fingers. It is lost forever, I want to fly away.



### A 'Dark Side' of Oz

By Ryan Lins Assistant Features Editor

The third roar of the MGM Lion lures Pink Floyd fans to the Dark Side this Friday evening. Floyd's band members have historically denied any connection that their album "Dark Side of the Moon" was planned to correlate to the events in the Wizard of Oz. But, then again, Andy Kaufman also denied being Tony Clifton with the same vigor.

"I read about the correlation in the paper. A couple of my friends have done it before, and I thought it would be different for students than a regular Friday night movie," said Special Events Coordinator for RHA, Stephanie Van Pay.

Fans of both "The Wizard of Oz" and Pink Floyd will be sent back through time as the 1970's joins the 1930's in this classic modge of movie and music.

"Dark Side of the Moon," released in 1973, features such revered singles as: "Time, Money" and "Us and Them." It has since sold over 12 million copies worldwide.

This technicolor conglomeration plays this Friday, Feb. 4 in the Upper Allen Center at 9 p.m. There will be free Pepsi and Papa John's Pizza in case the munchies make a tactical strike on

The Wizard of Oz/Dark Side of the Moon runs through two 45- minute shows, and is free to UW-Stevens Point students. There is a small charge for non-students. This event is sponsored by Centertainment Productions and the Resident Hall Association.

# Word of Mouth



·Gaelic Storm to perform at Point

The "Titanic" band will perform on Feb. 5 in the Laird Room of the University Center. The show is at 8 p.m. and tickets are available at the Arts and Athletic Ticket Office. Tickets are \$7 with a student I.D. and \$9 without. At the door they are \$9 and \$11. For more information, call Centertainment at (715) 346-2412.

·Pink Floyd meets Oz

On Friday, Feb. 4, "The Wizard of Oz" will be shown with Pink Floyd's album "Dark Side of the Moon." The show will start at 9 p.m. in the Upper Allen Center. It's free with a valid UW-SP student I.D. and \$2 without.

90FM newsroom training session

If you are interested in reading for 90FM, come to a training session on Friday, Feb. 4 at 3 p.m. If you have any questions, e-mail the news director at mthia480@uwsp.edu.

·Yoga-Zen drawing workshop at Treehaven

A two-day relaxation retreat that combines yoga, zen and drawing will be held at the Treehaven environmental station in Tomahawk on Feb. 25-26. To register for this retreat or for more information, contact Treehaven at (715) 453-4106.

·Snowshoe furniture-weaving workshop at Treehaven

Treehaven, the snowshoe center of the Northwoods, is offering a one-day snowshoe furniture weaving workshop on Saturday, Feb. 19. Treehaven, a University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point field station in Tomahawk, has held these weaving classes for over 11 years. For information and registration, call (715) 453-4106 or write to Treehaven, W2540 Pickerel Creek Ave., Tomahawk, WI 54487-9112.

·Planetarium features "The Voyager Encounters"

The program, "The Voyager Encounters," will be shown Sundays at 2 and 3 p.m. from Feb. 6 to March 19. There is no admission charge for the hour-long presentations that are designed for a general audience. The planetarium is located on the second floor of the Science Building on the corner of Reserve Street and Fourth Avenue. Groups of 15 or more are asked to schedule special showings by calling (715) 346-2139.

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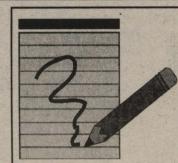
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# In the Ring:

Comm 101:Worthwhile or Worthless?

By Ryan Lins

Assistant Features Editor

I don't know what year you took Comm. 101. I took Comm. 101 at the height of the Backstreet Boys' popularity back in 1998. And without a doubt Comm. 101 is the biggest waste of time I have ever had the pleasure of taking. It is an excuse for brain degeneration, and tomfoolery in the academic world.

Why is Comm. 101 stupid? Good question folks, I will outline in proper form here for you. First of all, text costs; for \$50 you too can have a book you never read. It's like Madonna's coffee table book, except without the breasts.

I don't need the fifty dollars for books anyway. The children of poor third world countries like Uganda can wait for my help.

Secondly, have you sat through a semester of Comm. 101 lectures? If you have, you may get the "I just wasted carbon dioxide" award for sitting through the lecture series. If you actually learned something in lecture you get a "Britney Spears" jailbait decal for you Tommy Hilfiger vest.

My speeches covered the gamut from why the "Nature Boy" Ric Flair was a great man, to drinking at Buffy's. I would really like to commend the communication staff for a job well done.

By Annie Scheffen FEATURES EDITOR

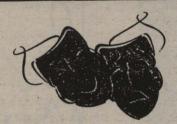
Like Lins, I too sat through Comm. 101. The difference is that it was the very first class I ever took here at UW-Stevens Point.

That was four years ago, and mine was a Comm. 101 class for Communication majors. I got a real prof, not a teachers assistant, and I never had to purchase a book.

In class we did a number of speeches, ranging from introductive, story telling, debates, informative and demonstrative. We also had a project during the semester where we were supposed to make a video about where things were on campus. This project I found to be a little strange. We were all freshman at the time. Like we knew where

For the most part, the class wasn't bad. Lins, as usual, put it off until the last minute. Maybe this ruined it for him, or maybe the class has changed so much that I don't know what I'm talking about. Either way, everybody that goes to this university has to take Comm. 101. You can either complain about it with Lins, or you can just take it, get it over with, and pass your \$50 book down to the next poor soul. Or you could charge them \$60 and make some money.

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### FEATURES

### Texas, Florida top Pointer spring break destinations list

By Julie Pomeroy Features Reporter

The Association for Community Tasks (ACT) will be heading to San Antonio, Texas for spring break. An annual tradition that's gone on for years will be continued this year by volunteering at various sites every day from Habitat for Humanity to helping underprivileged children at food kitchens. Kara Hoglund, ACT Coordinator of Alternative Spring Break and Hunger Cleanup describes it as "an ideal trip

to travel and have an opportunity to make a difference in other people's lives who are less fortunate than ourselves." The application process just finished and nine UW-Stevens Point students will be driving towards the Lone Star State.

Centertainment Productions is also offering trips to Texas and Florida. Both locations at South Padre Island include condominium stays at Gulf Point and Fun City. Gulf Point costs \$379 with UW-SP bus transportation and \$269 without. Fun City can

accommodate up to 200 people, with six in each condo. The cost is \$309 with UW-SP bus transportation and \$199 without it. Centertainment's Travel & Leisure Coordinator, Shane Roethle comments, "I wouldn't miss Texas peak week for anything-all the colleges and universities of Texas have spring break at this time It'll be a blast."

Panama City, Fla. is the other Centertainment destination. Roethle adds, 'Rolling Stone' just rated Florida's Days Inn Beach one of the best beaches to go to for spring break." Accommodations are with Days-Ramada Hotel and the cost is \$339 with UW-SP bus transportation or \$239 with own transportation. Both destinations still have spots available. Students can sign up at the UC-Information desk. Trip signup requires a \$50 deposit.

While recreational spring breaks will be happening, the College of Natural Resources will head to Mexico again this year for a combination of a learning and sight-seeing experiences. Professor James Cook will lead the trip. The trip is looking for a few more participants; those interested should contact Professor Cook or International Programs.



UW-SP students in Mazatlan, Mexico. (Submitted photo)

# Big band featured at jazz festival

The Music Department at UW-Stevens Point will feature the Twin Cities All Star Big Band at Jazz Festival 2000 on Friday, Feb. 4.

The UW-SP Jazz Ensemble will open the program at 7:30 p.m. at Michelsen Hall in the Fine Arts Center. Tickets are \$10 and a limited number are available at the Arts and Athletics Ticket Office in Quandt Gym, (715) 346-4100 or 1-800-838-3378.

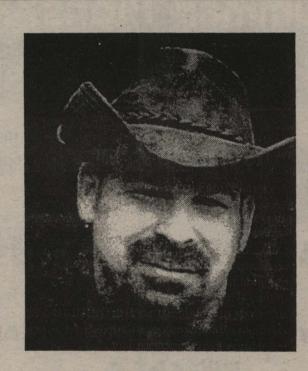
Trumpeter Bernie Edstrom directs the big band from Minneapolis-St.Paul. Members include Jimmy Hamilton on the piano, Dave Jensen playing the trumpet, Kathy Jensen and Dave Karr, both playing the saxophone, Dave Graf, Peter Emblom and Wade Clark, all on the trombone, and Joe Pulice on the drums. The musicians have performed extensively with the great bands of Woody Herman, Buddy Rich and Glenn Miller, as well as pop groups such as Prince, The Temptations and Ray Charles.

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Stone Island in Mazatlan, Mexico. (Submitted photo)

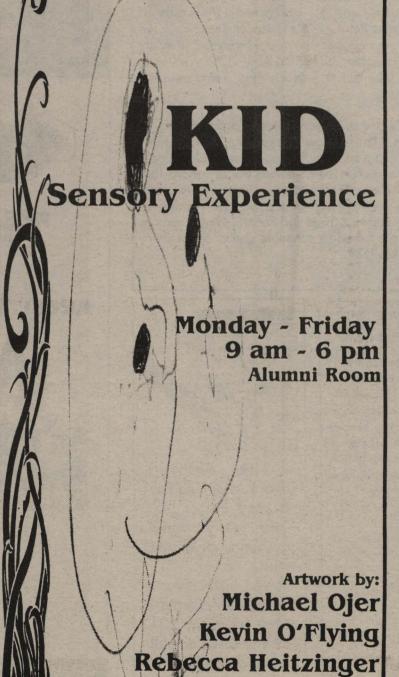
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### SPORTS

### Hockey team extends first place lead Swimming and diving

Point drops Superior, needs OT to beat Scholastica

By Mike Peck Sports Reporter

The UW-Stevens Point hockey team continued its dominance over conference opponents as the fifth-ranked Pointers squeaked out a pair of victories over UW-Superior and the College of St. Scholastica.

"If we can take care of business from here on out, we will have home ice for the playoffs," said head coach Joe Baldarotta. "We want to play at home for the playoffs."

On Friday, Superior tried to avenge a loss to the Pointers on their own rink, but could not overcome a three-goal deficit as UW-SP earned the 3-2 victory.

The Pointers' leading goalscorer Ryan Maxson put Point on the board mid-way through the first period when he netted his 18<sup>th</sup> goal of the season.

Then just over five minutes later, Mikhail Salienko extended the Pointers' lead to 2-0 with his seventh goal of the year.

David Boehm's short-handed goal in the second period proved to be the game-winner as the Yellow Jackets were finally able to solve Point goaltender Bob Gould in the third period.

The Pointers hung on for the victory in a playoff atmosphere game.

"The NCAA playoffs are the biggest thing for us now," said Baldarotta. "That is what we are focusing on."

On Saturday, the supposedly weaker of the two opponents, St. Scholastica, came to town and forced overtime, but the Pointers earned a hard-fought 4-3 victory.

Boehm provided the game-



D.J. Drayna attempts to put home a shot on St. Scholastica goalie Kaleb Christienson on Saturday. (Photo by Nick Brilowski)

winner for the second night in a row off assists from Salienko and Zenon Kochan as he put an end to the Saints wishes for an upset just 32 seconds into the extra frame.

"I knew when we broke the huddle to begin the overtime period that we were going to win," said Baldarotta.

Nathan Shasby put the Pointers ahead early in the first period and Maxson lit the lamp twice on power-play goals in each of the first and seconds periods as the Pointers escaped with a win.

The team will be at home once again this weekend for the final two regular season home games.

On Friday, UW-Stout comes to town and Saturday UW-River Falls will battle with the Pointers.

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Second Period UW-SP - Boehm (Salienko), sh, 14:40. Third Period

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CSS - Charneski (Kuklinski, Forrest), pp,
1:17. UW-SP - Maxson (Strassman), pp, 9:28.
CSS - Runbeck (Andrews, McDonald), pp,

Third Period CSS - Andrews, sh, 12:11. Overtime

UW-SP - Boehm (Salienko, Kochan), 0:32. Shots on goal: UW-SP: 36, CSS: 27. Goalie saves: UW-SP: Gould 24; CSS: Christenson 32.

# Swimming and diving handles conference foes

By Ryan Allshouse Sports Reporter

The UW-Stevens Point swimming and diving teams faced a pair of conference opponents last weekend. The Pointers faced La Crosse on Friday evening and River Falls on Saturday afternoon.

The women and the men each won both meets putting their records at 5-0 in WIAC dual meets for the season.

The women on Friday defeated La Crosse by the score of 164-79. Among the winners were Mary Agazzi (50 freestyle and 100 freestyle), Molly Star (1000 freestyle), Becca Uphoff (200 freestyle), Darcy Miller (200 individual medley), Mary Thone (200 butterfly), Deb Salzer (500 freestyle) and Christine Sammons (200 breaststroke). The women also won both the 400 medley and the 400 freestyle relays.

The women's team defeated UW-River Falls on Saturday, 54-32.

The Point women won all the individual events and both relays.

The women's swimmer of the meets was Heidi Hoffman for her 1000 free and 100 back on Saturday and her great swims on Friday.

The men's team also had a successful weekend. It defeated UW-La Crosse on Friday, 164-79.

Randy Boelk won both of his events, the 200 individual medley with the time 1:58.82 and the 200 butterfly with the time of 1:58.74.

Kevin Engholdt won both one-meter diving, with the score of 276.25,

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# Track and field gears up for Eastbay Invitational

By Mike Peck Sports Reporter

The men's and women's track and field teams competed in the Pointer Invitational Saturday and showed many improvements.

The lady Pointers scored 186.5 points to win the meet, which contained eight woman's teams.

"I was very, very happy with the way we performed," said woman's head coach Len Hill.

Jen Hau won the 55-meter dash and the pole vault. Leah Juno captured the 800 meter run with a qualifying time of 2:17.04.

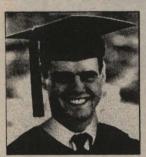
"Not only were our performances better, our athletes looked a lot better performing them," said Hill. "If we keep moving forward from here, we will be in good position."

Other individual first place finishes for the ladies included Becky Lebak in the 3,000 and Missy Kraemer in the 200-meter dash with a time of 27.49. In the field events, Megan Lundahl won the shot put and Jody Butkowski won the triple jump.

The men's team scored 178.5 points, but was unable to overcome

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# Women's basketball continues to slide Ott becomes second Pointer to score 1,500 points

By Michelle Tesmer Sports Reporter

Following a disappointing performance in their first meeting this season, the UW-Stevens Point women's basketball team looked to put forth a better performance in its second meeting with Oshkosh on Wednesday.

Despite playing much better than the first match-up, the Pointers didn't have enough to get past the host Titans, 71-55.

Point trailed just 30-24 at halftime after shooting 53 percent from the field.

UW-Oshkosh, however, began the second half on a 16-4 run as the lead eventually reached 26.

Carry Boehning led the Pointers with 14 points.

Another disappointing loss

was handed to the UW-SP women's basketball team Saturday as it hosted UW-La Crosse.

The Pointers never got out to the start they wanted as La Crosse grabbed the lead with 16 minutes left in the first half and never let go on their way to a 60-55 victory.

The Eagles carried records of just 3-15 overall and 1-10 in WIAC entering the game.

"La Crosse came in as the aggressor. We sat back on our heels," said head coach Shirley

"They beat us. We played the game not to lose the game."

Amie Schultz led the Pointers with 14 points, while Boehning and Jessica Ott each scored 11.

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Quote of the Week—
I knew the only way he was getting in was if I missed the tackle, and I wasn't missing any tackle.

-Mike Jones, St. Louis Rams linebacker, discussing his gamesaving tackle of Tennessee receiver Kevin Dyson. -ESPN.com

### SPORTS

### Men's hoops wins battle with Titans

Bailey lights up La Crosse for 39 points once again

By Nick Brilowski
SPORTS EDITOR

After a stretch of games that have gone down to the wire, the UW-Stevens Point men's basketball team was able to coast to victory Wednesday night.

The Pointers took advantage of a UW-Oshkosh team that has been depleated by injuries to earn a 76-54 victory.



Bailey

"It was very nice to have this and get everybody some time," Pointer head coach Jack Bennett said. "We know we're going to be in a lot of tough ones yet.

"It helps when you can get out to a lead and then all things fall into place."

Point used a 14-2 run midway through the first half to take a 20-13 lead and never looked back.

The Pointers increased the margin to 13 at 41-28 by the half-time break. Brant Bailey, who led UW-SP with 23 points for the game, had 14 in the first half on 5-of-6 shooting from the field.

Oshkosh chose to put its best player, Brad Clark, defensively on Bailey, but Clark picked up four first-half fouls and fouled out with over 17 minutes remaining.

UW-SP used a 24-9 surge over the first 10 minutes of the second half as its lead reached as many as 29.

The Pointers were able to clear their bench as all 14 players saw action and 11 of them scored.

The Titans were frigid from the field all night long as they shot just 31 percent from the field compared to 52 percent for UW-SP.

If the UW-La Crosse men's basketball team gets its way, it won't ever have to face Brant Bailey again.

For the second time this season, Bailey lit up the Eagles for 39 points as UW-Stevens Point held off a late charge at La Crosse on Saturday to come away with a 76-73 victory.

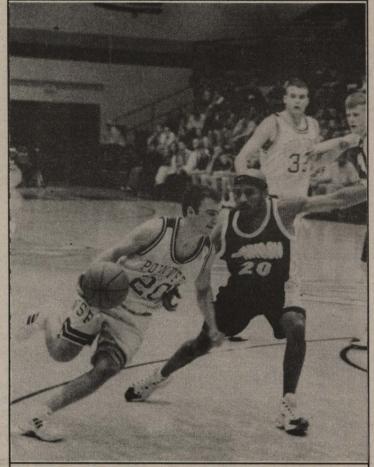
The 39 points by Bailey tied a UW-SP record for points in a game, matching Mike Hughes in 1968 and Bailey on Dec. 11, 1999 in the teams' previous meeting.

"The difference between this (game) and Superior," Pointer coach Jack Bennett said, "is that we hit our free throws, kept our composure and had an outstanding game from Brant Bailey.

Bailey hit on 14 of 15 shots from the field and 11 of 15 from the free throw line to go with 13 rebounds.

The Pointers jumped out to an early 14-6 lead but La Crosse

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Brent Larson drives to the hoop Wednesday night against Oshkosh's Montrell Ross. (Photo by Rick Ebbers)

# Pointer wrestlers can't get past Whitewater

By Jess Dinkla Sports Reporter

The UW-Stevens Point wrestling team dropped a close match Friday, losing to UW-Whitewater, 16-15.

The Pointers came up short in their first match as Mitch Gehring fell by decision to Phil Klamn 5-1 at heavyweight.

Capturing the first Pointer victory of the night was Darren Dummer at 125 pounds. Dummer out-wrestled UW-Whitewater's Mike Jankowski by a score of 8-3.

Pointer freshmen Brady Holtz, Jason Kleinschmidt and Mike Nechuta filled the next three weight classes for the Pointers. While each of their matches were held to within two points of their opponents, they all failed to add to their team total, thus putting UW-Whitewater up by 9 points.

"We're getting better every time we get on the mat, we just need to work on a few reoccurring mistakes," said Coach Johnny Johnson.

After stomaching three losses in a row, the Pointers' spirits picked up with Nathan Preslaski's 9-4 decision over UW-Whitewater's Tony Graziano at 157 pounds.

Bob Weix added to the Pointers' fire with a 10-8 victory over Josh Wade in overtime.

Keeping the Pointer momentum alive was Wes Kapping who out-muscled Josh Wade for an 8-4 victory at 174 pounds.

After three wins in a row, the Pointers were tied with UW-Whitewater, 9-9.

With two matches remaining, the Pointers looked to Joe Bavlnka to take the lead. Bavlnka, feeling the pressure, lived up

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### The Week Ahead... UW-Stevens Point Athletics

Hockey: UW-Stout, Friday, 7:30 p.m.; UW-River Falls (Senior Night), Saturday, 7:30 p.m.

Swimming & Diving: At UW-Green Bay, Sunday, 1 p.m.

Men's Basketball: UW-Platteville, Saturday, 7 p.m.; At UW-Stout, Wednesday, 7 p.m. Women's Basketball: At UW-Platteville, Saturday, 3 p.m.; UW-Stout, Wednesday, 7 p.m. Wrestling: At UW-Eau Claire Invitational, Saturday, 9 a.m.

Track and Field: Eastbay/Pointer Pentathlon, Friday; Eastbay/Pointer Invitational, Saturday.

All Home Games in Bold

### Pointers: Host Platteville Saturday

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 11 ended the half with a 19-7 run over the final 11 minutes of the first half to take a 36-31 lead into halftime.

"They shoot the ball so well that we purposely were not comfortable with the lead, especially on their floor," Bennett added.

The teams exchanged baskets throughout the second half before the Pointers were able to expand on their lead from the free throw

Trailing 68-65 with just under three minutes remaining, the Eagles committed an intentional foul on Bailey followed by a technical foul on the La Crosse bench.

Bailey connected on all four attempts from the charity stripe to push the Point lead to seven.

The Eagles didn't quit, though, as Paul Manchester hit a pair of three-pointers to cut the Pointer lead to 74-73 with 49 seconds remaining.

As he had in the previous two games with mixed results, Gabe Frank was sent to the line for a pair of free throws for UW-SP with 13 seconds left on the clock.

Frank converted, making both attempts and La Crosse's last-second three-point attempt was off the mark, giving Point the win.

Bennett was quick to give credit to La Crosse despite coming up short.

"I thought they played real hard," he said of the Eagles. "We took their best punch and we were able to pull it out."

The Pointers hit on 10 of 10 attempts from the line over the final four minutes.

The victories raised UW-SP's record to 16-4 and 11-2 heading into a key home battle with Platteville on Saturday at 7 p.m.

UW-SP (76) Zuiker 3-5 1-27, Frank 3-5 4-5 10, Bailey 8-11 7-8 23, Larson 0-2 2-2 2, Bennett 4-5 0-0 11, Kind 1-3 0-0 3, Vosters 1-1 0-0 2, Wreath 0-2 1-2 1, Holen 0-1 0-0 0, Iserloth 2-6 4-4 8, Kornowski 2-2 0-1 5, Pritzl 0-1 0-0 0, Kaepernick 0-1 0-0 0, Benesh 0-1 4-5 4. Totals 24-46 23-29 76.

UW-Oshkosh (54) Dworak 1-4 4-6 6, Sowinski 3-12 3-6 10, Clark 0-4 6-6 6, Ross 4-7 0-3 8, Kamps 6-14 3-3 18, Meyer 0-1 2-2 2, Bauer 0-2 0-0 0, Miller 0-1 0-0 0, Van Driest 1-1 2-4 4, Scherer 0-3 0-0 0. Totals 15-49 20-30 54. Rebounds: UW-SP 33 (Zuiker 7), UW-O 33. Assists: UW-SP 13 (Larson 4), UW-O 4. Turn-

overs: UW-SP 13, UW-O 15. Attendance: 1,311 UW-SP (76) Zuiker 1-2 0-0 2, Frank 1-7 5-6 7, Bailey 14-15 11-15 39, Larson 3-5 0-0 8, Bennett 3-9 0-0 9, Kind 3-6 0-0 7, Iserloth 1-2 0-0 2, DeVos 0-1 0-0 0, Kornowski 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 27-48 16-21 76.

UW-La Crosse (73) Hebert 4-9 2-5 11, Westhoff 3-6 2-2 10, Dicklitch 0-2 0-1 0, Machester 5-15 5-6 18, Schultz 4-11 1-2 11, Flores 4-6 0-0 8, Petsche 2-4 0-0 6, Kopp 0-2 0-0 0, Madsen 3-3 3-49, Sekeres 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 25-60 13-20 73. Rebounds: UW-SP 30 (Bailey 13), UW-L 35. Assists: UW-SP 15 (Bennett 4), UW-L 11. Turnovers: UW-SP 16, UW-L 13. Attendance:

### **Basketball**

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With a free throw early in the first half, Ott became just the second Pointer in history to reach the 1,500 point plateau.

The Pointers were within one point of the lead in the second half, only to lose the momentum and the game.

Egner expects a strong effort in the upcoming game against and UW-Platteville.

"If we just play, we will be successful," she said.

UW-SP (9-11, 4-9) will travel to Platteville Saturday for a 3 p.m. tip-off.

UW-SP (55) Boehning 5-6 4-4 14, Hodgson 3-6 0-1 6, Schultz 5-9 3-6 13, Ott 2-8 9-9 13, Granger 0-1 0-0 0, Duven 0-1 0-0 0, Seaman 1-1 0-0 3, Knier 0-2 0-0 0, Bauer 0-1 0-0 0, McGurk 1-3 0-0 3. Arndt 1-1 1-2 3. Totals 18-39 17-22

UW-Oshkosh (71) Deuster 5-12 0-1 10, McNiff 1-5 0-1 2, Dickerson 8-10 3-5 19, Vosters 5-8 0-0 10, Hegge 4-7 0-0 9, Veloskey 0-1 0-0 0, Schweitzer 4-7 0-1 8, Turtenwald 1-5 0-0 2, Utech 0-2 0-0 0, Warnke 2-5 1-2 7, Bahti 1-2 2-4, Gassner 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 31-66 6-13 71. Rebounds: UW-SP 33 (Schultz 8), UW-O 32 Assists: UW-SP 10 (Granger 4), UW-O 22. Turnovers: UW-SP21, UW-O 10. Attendance:

UW-SP (55) Ott 3-15 3-4 11, Hodgson 1-3 0-0 2, Granger 0-5 0-0 0, Boehning 4-7 3-4 11, Schultz 5-10 4-4 14, Seaman 2-4 0-0 4, Bauer 3-6 2-3 8, McGurk 1-1 0-0 3, Trice 0-1 0-1 0. Totals 20-54 12-17 55.

UW-La Crosse (60) Olsen 1-3 0-1 2, Croshier 3-12 7-8 13, Erickson 1-5 5-6 7, Bakken 3-5 2-2 9, Bohringer 3-9 4-6 10, Block 3-4 0-1 9, Berg 4-5 0-0 8, Kossoris 0-1 2-2 2. Totals 18-44 20-26 60.

Rebounds: UW-SP 31 (Boehning, Granger 7), UW-L 32. Assists: UW-SP 14 (Schultz 5), UW-L 12. Turnovers: UW-SP 19, UW-L 24. Attendance: 315

### **Swimming CONTINUED FROM PAGE 10**

and three-meter diving, with the score of 297.60, beating out rival Kevin Lilly from La Crosse for the first time.

Other winners included Nick Hanson (50 freestyle), Anthony Harris (100 Freestyle), Jeremy Francioli (200 backstroke) and Aaron Heiss (200 breaststroke). Along with the individual wins, the men won both the 400-medley and the 400 freestyle relays.

The men's team knocked off UW-River Falls on Saturday, 59-14.

The Pointers won all of the individual events but one, and they won all of the relays.

Kevin Engholdt was named athlete of the meet for his diving on Friday and his swim in the 200 freestyle relay on Saturday.

The River Falls meet concluded the Pointers' WIAC duel meets for the season. However, the Pointers compete in a duel meet against Division I UW- Green Bay on Sunday at 1 p.m.

### Track

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defending indoor champs UW-Oshkosh, who scored 216.

"Some of the younger guys didn't perform as well as last week," said head coach Rick Witt. "Oshkosh is defending conference champs and are very solid once again this year."

Dan Schwamberger won the 5,000 and automatically qualified for nationals in 14:43.14, while Jesse Drake was not far behind qualifying in a time of 14:47.45.

"Our sprinters looked a little tired, but that has a lot to do with the harder practices," said Witt.

Shawn Hau took home titles in the 55 and 200 meter dashes.

In the field events, Mike Mead won the high jump and Alan Tepp won the triple jump.

### Wrestling

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to the challenge defeating Rob Szmanda 6-3, and thus putting the Pointers up by three.

It all came down to the 197pound match between UW-Whitewater's Cody Tonsor and the Pointer's Eric Schadrie. While Schadrie did last the entire three periods, he failed to keep the score within eight points of Tonsor's, thus losing by a major decision, giving UW-Whitewater four team points and the win.

"For the most part we wrestled hard, but in a match this close we can't afford any errors, said Johnson.

The loss dropped Point to 1-6 in dual meets so far this season.

UW-SP travels to Eau Claire for an invitational on Saturday.

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Most Embarassing Moment: Falling off my bike and hitting my chin and having to be taped up at the Eau Claire

What will you remember most about swimming at UW-SP?: How much my teammates inspired me and the close friendships we developed.

### Olmos

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known for his Emmy Award and Golden Globe Award portrayal as Lieutenant Castillo on the popular television series *Miami Vice*.

"I thought it was very positive that we have an individual with a Latino background speak on campus and present that minority view in our community," said Amy Thoe, Centertainment issues and ideas coordinator.

UW-SP senior Kelly Hilgers said the message of the Olmos presentation "is really good for the whitest congressional district in the Union."

SALSA, Centertainment Productions, Multicultural Affairs, Student Affairs, Consortium of Underrepresented Student Organizations, UW-SP Campus Activities, and SGA sponsored the presentation.

"It's wonderful that we have the opportunity for him to come to Stevens Point," said Hector Cortes, President of SALSA.

"I hope people got some new knowledge about the issues," he added.

"We tend to see ourselves as divided. We need to see all the different colors of diversity which is unity," said Snyder

One of Olmos' central themes of the speech was "What makes us all the same is that we're all different." It is a message that has now touched many places in the United States, now including Stevens Point

### Volunteer

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dren and their families in the community, was another of the organizations represented at the fair.

"Our organization depends on volunteers. Part of our ability to get funding each year is contingent on being able to show that we have community volunteers that participate on a regular basis," said Gail Bliven, family services specialist at the Head Start Center

Bliven said volunteers benefit by gaining work experience and usually it is rewarding for individuals on a personal basis to watch children grow and learn new skills.

ACT holds a Tutor Sign-Up and Community Volunteer Fair every semester so students who would like to volunteer their time can be connected with organizations.

### Power line

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In the initial 'Key Supporters' list compiled by WPS and MPL, several prominent businesses in the Stevens Point area were listed.

The list, which named almost 300 supporters included businesses such as Hilltop Pub & Grill, NAPA-Stevens Point, Copps Corporation, Centerpoint Mall, First Financial-Stevens Point, Schierl, and County Market.

Portage County Planning, City of Stevens Point, and Village of Plover were listed under the local government category.

"WPS stated in an official document that UW-SP supported this proposal, when we discovered that this was not accurate, along with other businesses, such as County Market, I completely lost trust," said Dana Churness.

"This proposed transmission line is an example of a corporation blatantly undermining the voices of citizens of Wisconsin, including indigenous communities and small farm owners," added Churness.

"Wisconsin Public Service made a huge mistake in the record system on who supports this project, but I don't think that there were any detrimental effects," said Greg Diemer, Assistant Chancellor for Business Affairs.

Churness has a different view, "How are we supposed to trust a corporation with a 250- mile transmission line when they can't even tell the truth on a "key supporters" document."

Tom Krueger, from the organization Save Our Unique Lands, will give a speech on this issue on Feb. 8 at 7 p.m at the Nicolet Marquette lounge.

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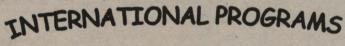
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## **UTDOORS**

# Gill's Grumblings



The tip-up's spindle was spinning as I approached the hole. The usual anticipation and adrenaline surge that goes along with getting a flag clouded my thoughts and my hands trembled slightly. I dipped my fingers into the icy water and in one motion, grabbed the line, setting the hook.

At first, it felt as though I had sunk the hook into some huge, ancient tree lying in the bottom of the lake, but soon the "tree" gave a powerful shake of its head. The great beast gradually began to rise to the surface, trying my nerves by making unexpected runs back towards the depths from where it came. My breaths grew faster and shorter with each inch of line that I reclaimed from the water and laid in a tangled mess at my knees. My stomach churned in a mixture of excitement and utter nervousness. My friend crowded around the 8-inch hole and prepared as best he could to grab what could be the fish of a lifetime.

Finally, the swivel that joined the tip-up line to the six-pound test monofilament leader surfaced, only to be ripped back underwater as the fish made a mighty run. The light line flexed, but held, and soon the monster was back, just underneath the ice. As we gaped down the hole, the brownish-green-stained water revealed the shape of a walleye, the size of those we had only seen on magazine covers.

With what energy it had left, the fish resisted, coming up the hole that until then seemed wider than would ever be necessary. It kept turning sideways, getting caught-up on the side of the hole and swimming back down. Finally, it seemed to relent, rising up into the bottom of the 20-inch deep hole through the ice. Just when things seemed to be turning out right, the line snapped.

The fish, exhausted and disoriented, hung there for a split-second, then began to sink back underneath the ice. I plunged my arm into the freezing water and didn't stop reaching till my collarbone was flush with the surface of the ice. Before my fingers grew numb, I felt my hand tighten around the walleye's head and slip off. I frantically reached around the bottom of the hole again only to feel the end of its tail slide between my fingers and rocket off to points

For a moment we didn't move or speak. We just knelt there, too disappointed to even think. My soaked arm began to steam in the frigid air and my teeth began to chatter.

By our best guess, the walleye might have weighed as much as 10 pounds. It would have been the largest walleye I had ever caught, or would probably ever catch, and now it was gone forever. My only reminder of the experience is a ragged, broken leader, a finger that was cut by the line as it was pulled from my fingers and the unforgettable image of a giant, white-tipped tail disappearing into the dark water.

But as heartbroken as I was at that moment, I realized that things like that are what make fishing and hunting what they are. "The big one that gets away" is often a more potent memory than the fish that hangs on the wall and collects dust with the passing years. Snapped lines and thrown hooks may not be what we consciously look forward to when we wet a line, but they are the things that put the mystery and magic into fishing that keep us coming back.

So while you're swearing, try to smile.

### Fate of public lands determined by people

**By Lisa Rothe** Assistant Outdoors Editor

On Feb. 1, the Department of Natural Resources held its sixth of eight statewide public forums in Stevens Point. The forum, en-

titled, Planning Wisconsin's Land Legacy, is an intensive 50-year the program, Knowles-Nelson program, to determine what areas of Wisconsin its inhabitants deem to be worthy of preserving either for conservation or preservation.

John Pohlman, staff co-leader of the study, feels "this study will evaluate where conservation and recreation needs are currently unmet and what gaps will likely occur in the future as both the landscape and our needs change."

In 1990, the program was given \$250 million to purchase land. This fund has increased to \$460 million to aid the DNR in determining the land allotment.

Through the public meetings and the feedback received, the DNR is trying to determine what lands and places meet its criteria for purchasing.

Two aspects of its research, data driven and public opinion, provide the basis of their study.

At the forums held across the state, a flier is handed out at the beginning of the hearing,

mined by the people, but the final decision is made by the Natural Resources Board and the gov-

According to Pohlman, the DNR cannot determine if this is the last conservation effort for the state. The 1.35 million acres of land currently owned by the state

> is specifically for conservation and recreational purposes.

Pohlman maintains the DNR cannot predict what land preservation trends will occur in the fu-

ture, or what the lands will be used for, therefore, the DNR doesn't "want to restrict future generations from determining what lands are important to them."

The results of this study and the questionnaire are on the DNR website at www.dnr.state.wi.us/ master planning/land legacy. The last of the public meeting forums is in Milwaukee at the **DNR Regional Headquarters** Building. Call (414) 263-8500 for further information.

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- John Pohlman

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### **DNR** issues spring turkey permits

Lands purchased are deter-

Nearly 132,000 spring wild turkey hunting permits for the 2000 season are being distributed to Wisconsin hunters, an increase of about 15 percent from the 1999 season, according to state wildlife officials. Permits will be mailed by the end of January. The spring season consists of six fiveday periods running from April 12 through May 21 this year:

"Once again, due to the incredible success story of the wild turkey in Wisconsin, both the number of applicants and the number of permits available increased again this year," said Keith Warnke, upland game ecologist for the Department of Natural Resources.

The department received more than 135,000 permit applications for the spring season, up about five percent from the spring 1999 season when 129,002 hunters applied for permits.

"With the success of the turkey, the gap between the number of applications we're receiving and the number of permits we can offer is smaller this spring," said Warnke. "That, of course, is only for this spring and could change in the future with poor weather during the 2000 hatching season or a hard 2000-2001 winter. This is the closest the number of permits and number of applications has been that I can remember in recent years."

"Spring hunter success rates ranged from a high of 37 percent to a low of 17 percent in 1999," Warnke said. "The long-term average success rate is about 25 percent, from which we would predict a harvest this spring of about 33,000 birds."

There will be 53 turkey management zones (including state parks) open for the spring 2000 season. Permit numbers vary according to the management zone ranging from a high of 9,000 to a low of 150.

Hunters with disabilities will have hunting opportunities in six state park zones during the first three time-periods. In addition, a new disabled hunting opportunity was made available to class A or C permit holders on private lands for the spring 2000 season.

Turkey hunter education clinics are offered again this year around the state. These free clinics are presented by volunteer instructors, and are sponsored by the Wisconsin DNR and local chapters of the National Wild Turkey Federation. The clinics will be held during February, March and April.

Clinics will cover the basics of turkey hunting including techniques, calling, hunting safety and turkey biology. In 1999, over 2,500 people attended the 46 clinics statewide.

A list of clinics will be sent with spring turkey permits to successful permit applicants. The clinic list is also available at DNR service centers or by calling Darcy Kind at (608) 267-7473.

For more information contact: Keith Warnke at (608) 264-6023 or Darcy Kind at (608) 267-7473.



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Ryan Bybee shot this nice gobbler during Wisconsin's 1999 spring season. (Submitted photo)

### **ITDOORS**

### Class spends winterim in desert

By Julie Ray OUTDOORS REPORTER

On Jan. 16, most students were heading back to UW-SP to begin the spring semester. The same holds true for the students of Biology 498-American Deserts Field Study Course. The only difference is that these students were traveling back from Arizona-a 1,600-mile drive in just over two days.

The 18 students and five staff, headed by Dr. Robert Bell and Dr. Doug Post of the "Desert Tour of 2000" spent two weeks in America's Southwest. During the time, the students studied all four deserts in North America. The curriculum investigated

flora and fauna, geology and geography, and climate.

Some of the highlights of the trip included touring the Petrified Forest National Park, the Joshua Tree National Park, Homolovi Ruins, Canyon de Chelly National Monument, and White Sands National Monument. The group was also able to catch a couple of attractions including the Grand Canyon, Carlsbad Caverns and a trip into Mexico to see the Gulf of California in the Pacific Ocean.

The group camped each night and proved the theory of cool nights in the desert (6 degrees Fahrenheit a couple of those nights) and snow (Navajo National Monument, Lincoln National Forest), but also enjoyed 80-degree days in the Sonoran and Mojave deserts.

> The trip covered 6,015 miles, 13 states, four deserts, three time zones and two countries. With the success of the trip, Bell and Post hope to include the American Deserts winterim in the annual curriculum. More details are available on the course web site on the biology home page.



The author saw this ground squirrel in the Sonoran desert. (Submitted photo)

### Izaak Walton League holds Fisheree

Club encourages catch-and-release fishing

The Bill Cook Chapter of the Izaak Walton League will hold its first fish-free fisheree Sunday, Feb. 6. You can catch a fish there, but you won't get a prize for it. In fact, the club recommends that you release it, especially if it's a bass or a northern pike.

The idea is to let the predator fish grow and hold down the population of panfish, which tend to become overpopulated and stunted.

The fisheree will be held from noon to 4 p.m. on McDill Pond, off Patch Street on Stevens Point's south side.

McDill was drained for dam reconstruction last summer and lost most of its fish. The Department of Natural Resources has restocked the pond, but DNR fish biologist Al Hauber has recommended that anglers practice catch and release for a time to let the fish population get back to

As a result, this year's fisheree will be primarily a social event. Food and refreshments will be available, and drawings will also

The Izaak Walton League has been holding a fisheree every year since 1965, almost always on

McDill. It's a financial mainstay of the club, which uses the proceeds for its conservation pro-

grams. This year's fisheree chairmen are Eric Peterson and Pete Zakrzewski.

# Wild Game Cookbook

### Bybee's Pheasant

### Ingredients:

1 whole pheasant

1/2 stick of melted butter

1 can of chicken broth

3 cloves of minced garlic

1 diced lemon

1 small diced onion

1 small chopped apple

Enough thick-cut bacon slices to cover the bird

### **Directions:**

Salt and pepper the entire bird to taste including the body cavity. Then, stuff the bird with the apple, lemon and onion. Pour half of the melted butter on the outside of the bird and the other half in the body cavity. Rub the minced garlic over the entire bird. Place the bird into a roasting pan and pour the chicken broth in along with it. Cover the entire bird with strips of bacon. Cover pan and bake 30 minutes per pound at 350 degrees.

Editor's note: If you have any great outdoors recipes that you'd like to share, let us know. E-mail them to Ryan Gilligan at rgill988@uwsp.edu



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SAPERSTON, "The Journey", 7:30-PM (Alumni Rm.-UC)

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### Your College Survival Guide

### How to deal with the unbearable shittyness of your life.

By Dr. Pat Rothfuss

DOCTOR OF LOVE.

Let me paint you a picture. You're in your first semester of college, and somehow amidst all the studying, the floor meetings, and binge drinking, you managed to find time to fall in love. Maybe it was first love. Maybe you found your soulmate. Maybe you even did "it."

Over winter break you were completely blissed out. You told all your friends about your new love You spent long hours on the phone talking about how much you missed each other and couldn' wait to get back to school so tha you could get together and be cuddly little snugglebunnies.

Your life is perfect. You fee like you're walking through a cloud of white light. You smile at songs you hear on the radio.

Then they leave you for some dancer-actor-gymnast-musiciantantric-sex-artist. Why doesn't matter, what matters is that they're gone and you're left all alone trying to figure out a way to fit your head in the microwave and turn it on.

Sound familiar? Well, if it doesn't yet, it will soon. Trust me, I know what I'm talking about. You may laugh at this column now, but all too soon you could find yourself weeping silently in a corner, clutching a handful of old letters

signed "love forever," and wishing you'd paid better attention to what I'm going to tell you.

As a matter of fact, scientific studies have shown that you'll spend more time in your life trying to get over being dumped than you'll spend actually going out with people.

So not only should you get used to it, you should learn how to do it the right way.

So, what can you do to deal with the unbearable shittyness of your life now that you've been abandoned by your one-and-only-forever-truest love? How can you possibly go on living?

■ Looking for love

■ Getting over being dumped

□ Writing this stupid column

□ "Self-Love"

Romantic Love

Well, while I generally pride myself on the unisex nature of most of the advice I give in this column, this is one of the instances where the two sexes are definitely not the same. Let's deal with the ladies first.

### How to get over him

Believe it or not, it is easier for women to get over a breakup. I'm not saying this because I'm a man. I'm saying this because it's a scientifically proven fact that any girl can get "extracurricular love," whenever she wants it. Usually this can be accomplished simply by raising your hand in any crowded room, or, in extreme situations, by making eye contact and asking nicely.

Sex is, of course, the tried and true post-breakup recovery strategy. Not the best strategy perhaps, but definitely the simplest. However, the right extracurricular partner is essential. Make sure to find someone sensitive to your needs. Someone with a good sense of humor. Someone who writes a column for the *The Pointer*.

But seriously, here's a step by step course for getting over the guy that dumped you.

- 1) Talk about it with your vast network of female acquaintances.
- 2) With their help, enter into an extensive analysis of every action and conversation you had throughout the relationship.
- 3) Conclude that it was his fault.
- 4) Press all your resentment and bitter rage deep down inside. (This may take a couple hours.)
- 5) Get on with your life, put on a brave face to the world.
- 6) Find a new guy. A nice guy.
- 7) Make his life a living hell.

Yup, it's as easy as that. Go through these steps a couple of times and you're sure to start feeling better about yourself.

Guys! Make sure to tune in next week for your half of the story titled "How TO GET DRUNK AND CRY LIKE A LITTLE GIRL."



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### Snow Falling On Cedars: As Cool As Ice

By Kelvin Chen

ike the snow that gently falls on the wondrous landscape of San Piedro island, and other times in a fury, "Snow Falling On Cedars" is a film as unpredictable as the weather. The film starts with a dark and foggy morning, where a lone ship is sending out distress signals while a freighter nearby moves blindly in the dark. Come morning, the tranquility of this small fishing community is shattered as a man was found dead and his best friend charged for the murder. An investigation is launched and the trial begins.

"Snow" is a film where the plot is done through a series of beautifully shot images rather than the convention of dialogue. The viewers are treated with sumptuous views of American Pacific Northwest: rain falling on the giant redwood forest, snow falling gently and in a fury, close-ups of innocent children playing on the beach, picking strawberries in the field... Yet all these pretty pictures somewhat fail to deliver the emotions that are so powerful in David Guterson's best selling

novel. Instead, the passions are stifled in its dream-like cinematography making them as chilly as the weather felt in the

The action of the film is seen through the eyes of Ishmael Chambers (Ethan Hawke) who is covering the story of the trial. As the trial progresses, Ishmael experiences flashbacks recalling his childhood and his intense love relationship with Hatsue (played as an adult by Youki Kudoh). The link between the murder and the love affair is more than just coincidence. For Hatsue is now married to the accused-Kazuo Miyamoto (played by Rick Yune) and Ishmael who is covering the event, still has to come to terms with Hatsue's rejection.

"Stay away from white boys," Hatsue's mother warned her when she was younger and in the wave of the Second World War, racism came under the guise of patriotism with the bombing of Pearl Harbor. Racism not only became the driving force that broke up Ishmael and Hatsue's love, but it also played a pivotal

role in Kazuo's trial.

During the trial, the jury was all white and the prosecutor's witnesses were prejudiced. The coroner reveals the cause of death for the deceased is the result of Kendo, a form of Japanese martial arts. He told the police to "look for a Jap" and what the film does brilliantly is the appeal to the audience to look beyond the stoic, emotionless expression of Kazuo, and focus on the facts instead and not on personal prejudices. What the prosecutor reads as indifference, to the Japanese is a sign of honorable strength.

The score of the film is intimate with a touch of ethnic tone by using the Shakuhachi flute andwordless vocals.

"Snow" is bittersweet in ending with Ishmael finally being able to come to terms with Hatsue's rejection. "Snow Falling on Cedars" seems to be a subtle message from director Scott Hicks that nationalism is often inseparable from racism. Other than its beautiful and haunting cinematography, the film offers little else to warm the heart.

### Get Ready To Get Fu'd Up!!!

90 FM CD Review

by Aric Otzelberger

Plan on taking a road trip soon? If so, make sure you have the new quintessential road trip album, Fu Manchu's latest effort "King of the Road". It will kick your butt!

"King of the Road" displays Fu Manchu's leaden, hard rock grooves filled with fuzzed-out, bowel-rattling riffs. Mix that with scorching guitar solos, and you have the best rock release that I have heard this year.

Besides the music, Fu Manchu's lyrics are the stuff of legend. The band's lyrics create a world unto itself, dedicated to every cultural nook and cranny of the 70's. "King of the Road" includes references to dune buggies, custom vans, drag racing, "Three's Company", and the "Six Million Dollar Man."

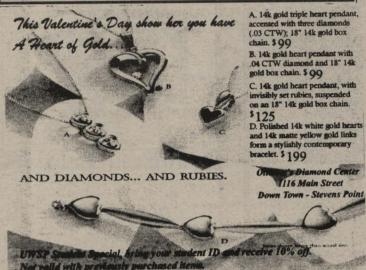
All 11 tracks on the album are worth cranking up and losing some of those higher frequencies. Your ears won't miss them anyway. My personal favorites include "Hell on Wheels," "Over the Edge," and "No Dice." For you Devo fans, Fu pulls off a cover of "Freedom of Choice."

Fu Manchu is a four-piece band hailing from Southern California. "King of the Road" is their sixth release since the band started in 1994. Almost everyone will love this album, especially fans of Queens of the Stone Age and Black Sabbath.

With a name like Fu Manchu, you might ask, "Why doesn't the band sport actual fu manchu mustaches?" Well, according to frontman Scott Hill: "I actually grew one, and I looked like the biggest idiot!" Oh well, so much for a new trend in facial hair!

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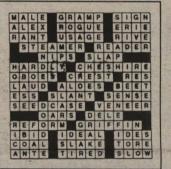
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