SGA Elections Heat Up

Chancellor head hunted by USF

RHA proposes new meal plan

UW-SP students subjected to hate crimes

By Mike Stockbridge

The rise of hate crimes towards gay and lesbian students at UW-Stevens Point is a cause of concern for administration and students. Recent incidents in Watson and Thomson Halls have brought this issue to the attention of officials.

An incident at Thomson Hall prompted a call to Protective Services because it was deemed that a student’s life was threatened. Related incidents range from offensive writing on walls and posters to tearing down 10% Society signs to vandalizing dorm room doors. All acts were focused at the gay and lesbian tenants of those dorms.

“I’ve come home before to find banana smeared on our door or walked in the bathroom to find “kill all dykes” written on the stall door,” said Erin McConnell, an openly lesbian student.

The problem of hate crimes in the dorms is not new to the UW-SP campus. Last semester a student living at Pray-Sims was subjected to discrimination in the form of graffiti, explicit threats and insults. He decided to leave school half-way through the semester.

“I never want to have to experience the dorms again,” stated the student, who preferred to remain anonymous.

“I was not aware that the student left school because of this,” said Dr. Bob Mosier, director of residential living.

“The hall director and staff at Pray-Sims took proactive steps by putting up a bulletin board to inform and educate residents on respect,” added Mosier.

UW-SP administration responds to Madison arrests

By Pramela Thiagesan

Outrage and uncertainty follow the aftermath of the arrest of 54 UW-Madison students who occupied their chancellor’s office for four days to call attention to and change UW’s ties to sweatshop labor.

Among the protestors at Bascom Hall were five UW-Stevens Point students who were not among those who were arrested.

Though media coverage of Chancellor Ward’s statement indicated that he “does not know what they (protestors) want,” many students at UW-SP were not satisfied with Ward’s verbal agreement.

“The hall director and staff at Pray-Sims took proactive steps by putting up a bulletin board to inform and educate residents on respect,” added Mosier.

Mike Stockbridge
George

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"I am very happy here in Stevens Point. UW-SP is a fantastic university and I think that we are doing some great things," said George. "We are building our budget, to give back to our students and moving progressively as a campus to address key issues," added George.

George has visited USF three times and admits that he is impressed with the campus. USF is the largest metropolitan university in the southeastern United States with a student body of 35,500 spread across four campuses, more than 200 academic programs and an annual research budget surpassing $160 million.

"The campus was impressive and I had a chance to meet students and administration. The students there seemed a lot like the students here," said George.

"I am very glad to be where I am right now and UW-SP is at the stage where the whole state is beginning to realize just what a great place it is to be," added George.

USF worked with principals of Morris & Berger, the California-based consulting firm and sought applications and nominations for the position. The consultants narrowed the field to those who met the rigorous criteria established for the position and who likely would be strong leaders for the university.

Among those who were nominated but did not make the latest cut are prominent administrators in well-known colleges across the country.

"As in any other college, USF has its challenges and maybe ideas we can learn from," said George.

One of the ideas that caught the chancellor's attention was Eq-plan, traditional affirmative action protections in academic admissions will be replaced by a plan that guarantees college admission to the top 20 percent of each high school's graduating class.

The plan, unveiled in November 1999, also calls for increased funding for financial aid, test and college preparation and advanced placement courses.

Meal

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Currently there are five meal plans offered, two are priced at $690/semester and three are $724/semester.

The all points plan costs $724 but students only receive $535 for the semester. To account for this the University Dining Service notes that by state law, the service has to be self-sustaining and there are additional expenses of cleaning, maintenance and equipment replacement.

"I think it's a needed service, however it seems that there is such a high processing cost," said sophomore Lyndsay Heal.

Many students like the proposed changes to the meal plan. Sophomore Sarah Schuster said she liked the idea of the addition of guests to the meal plan because "if my mom and sister came to spend the day and wanted to eat at one of these places, they can eat on my meal plan."

For students who choose a number of meals per week, the meal count resets every Sunday at 12:00 a.m. This means that if a student hasn't used all the meals he or she paid for that week, they will be lost. The block meal plans would solve this problem giving students the option of using as many meals as they need each week.

UW-SP freshmen and sophomores are required to live in the dorms unless they have special circumstances. Because all students who live in the dorms are required to have a meal plan, room and board for most freshman and sophomores runs from $1,728-$2,132 depending on what meal plan they have and if they share their room with a roommate or not.

Students dine at the Wooden Spoon. (Photo by Rick Ebbers)

Campus Beat

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 16

11:25 a.m. Heyer Hall
A student reported the theft of CDs from Heyer Hall valued at $1,271.

FRIDAY, FEB. 18

2:15 a.m. Thomson Hall
A student reported that abusive and threatening remarks had been written on the inside wall of a bathroom stall located in Thomson Hall.

SATURDAY, FEB. 19

12:30 a.m. Thomson Hall
A Protective Services officer was dispatched to Thomson Hall regarding a complaint of disorderly conduct/assault.

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how it should end. I expect you to leave," added Ward.

Some UW-Madison students question the truth behind these statements. "As far as I know, we never blocked other students or faculty, besides, this was on a weekend and the arrests were made in the dead of the night," said Eric Brakken.

"I am upset that the situation occurred," said UW-Stevens Point's Chancellor George.

"Open lines of communication is something that we believe in, and it is easier for us to achieve that because UW-Stevens Point is such a small campus and the students don't feel so far removed from the administrators," said George.

The resolution urging the Chancellor to sign on to the WRC was passed a few weeks ago at UW-Stevens Point, but students have yet to approach administration with the document.

"We are very aware of the resolution, and we are not going to dodge the issue by pushing it to Faculty Senate, in fact, we are in the process of forming an advisory committee to decide on the issue," said George.

"Shared Governance is very important and is something we will uphold," said Bob Tomlinson, Assistant Chancellor for Student Affairs.

Tomlinson plans on attending the Student Government Association senate meeting this Thursday.
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Beware of issues, not answers when voting

Tuesday night on 90 FM the students were introduced to this year's candidates for SGA president and vice president. The problem, according to what was said, but rather what was not said. The team of Cindy Polzin and Kaylyn Jennik brought forth many ideas, but most of it was their platform. That is why experience doesn't count. It often only teaches how to dodge questions effectively.

They described four elements of their platform. These were a 30-acre addition to Schmeecke Reserve, increased student involvement, diversity issues and health care reform. The addition of 30 acres to Schmeecke Reserve is not an issue. While a formal request has not yet come forth, the SGA senate and finance committee has all but approved the funding that is being asked for. Yes, this will come up for formal consideration at some point, but it's hardly what can be considered an issue that will require many hours of careful deliberation. This is one of those things that sounds great on the surface, but not really a pressing issue. They next suggested that the increased attendance at sporting events and fine arts performances showed that students were becoming more involved on their campus, and they sought to continue this trend. Yes, just as the increasing attendance at sporting events put on by the university, but they are hardly being more active participants in the campus environment. How they were attempting to make the connection between increased attendance and student involvement is hard to say. Not to be forgotten is that it took a $20 raise in segregated fees to get this rise in student involvement.

In discussing their position on diversity issues, they again dodged the real question of "what are you planning on doing about it?" They discussed the current status of diversity issues. They also went on to discuss plan 2008 and some of the legislation that has recently passed SGA senate, but failed to state any plans to aid in this area. The only area of their platform that held any water was the topic of health care reform. This is indeed an issue on our campus, but yet again they produced no ideas about what the problem was. The problems are so grand in scope that progress here will be slow.

Skilful politicians effectively dodged the issues. There was a lot of talking going on Tuesday, but little was said. I hope the students who tuned in were able to see through the guise put on by the team of Polzin and Jennik.

- John Rother

Victim’s father angers with Miller situation

I read with anger and frustration your article regarding Professor Gordon Miller and his recent conviction for filming at least 24 naked little boys without consent in the showers of the YMCA. My anger arises out of the fact that Mr. Miller not only remains free after conviction for 24 felonies (which could fairly be described as crimes of moral turpitude), but also continues to draw his salary and be considered for reinstatement to the classroom as an instructor. My frustration arises out of the fact that Mr. Miller has avoided many of the consequences because he should have faced from both the criminal justice system and the university system. Quite frankly, the media has been complicit in this because of its lack of any serious attention to Mr. Miller’s case.

I bring a special interest to the matter as the parent of a little boy filmed by Mr. Miller and as a former assistant district attorney who prosecuted the vast majority of cases involving crimes against children in Portage County for the last eight years. One of the reasons I left the District Attorney’s office recently, in fact, is because of my distress over the way the case has been handled.

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OUTTA SHED’S HEAD

Bang without the blame

I’m kind of cynical of people. Too often I think people do stupid things. I hope it’s just my dumb luck that I always run into the ninnnors of society; the bad apples that ruin it for the rest of the normal people, but every time I start to regain faith in “people,” someone does something out of line and prevents me from regaining faith in the general good of people.

One such incident happened to my roommate Sunday. She had parked her car in Lot D between the CNR and the Science Building. Her car had been sitting there for about 45 minutes before one of her friends ran up to her and asked her what had happened to her car. She was confused but followed her friend as he hurried her outside. When she saw her car, she found a basketball size dent in the front fender. Obviously someone had backed into her. Unfortunately, whoever committed the act did not have the common decency to find her or leave a note on the windshield.

As a result, my roommate will have to have the dent fixed. Since her insurance rate would skyrocket if she let insurance pay for the damage, she has determined it will be less expensive to just pay for it out of her own pocket. So now she will spend $500 of her own money to pay for something else’s negligence. Something doesn’t make sense here.

What happened to morals and the idea of having a conscience? Maybe these things are forgotten in this day when we’re too concerned with ourselves to think about other people.

I’m sure the person that ran into my roommate’s car had a good reason for not leaving a note. After all, it’s much more important to carry on with our busy lives than to take time out to do a decent thing.
Student confused by UW-Madison protest incident

I am saddened by the recent anti-sweatshop events in Madison. Students and community members were practicing their right to peacefully assemble and it is scary to see how quickly it was taken away from us. Madison’s Chancellor Ward said that the protestors were disrupting the flow and work of the university. I did not see any disruption created by the peaceful sit-in participants. The disruption that I see is in the form of corporations around the world abusing and disturbing people’s lives and causing a great deal of suffering.

Not only did Chancellor Ward refuse to negotiate with students but he also sneakily sent in riot gear-equipped police in the middle of the night. It was a horrifying experience to see police well-stocked with pepper spray, tear gas not to mention other items of force. I do, however, thank the police for not engaging any of their weapons that morning, but I still believe that the presence of riot gear was unnecessary and excessive.

Although it was disheartening and painful to watch my peaceful friends being dragged and carried off to jail, the main issue behind the sit-in is what concerns me the most. Suffering sweatshop workers continue to suffer while our leaders decide what is more important: money or basic human rights? These workers have no voice and would benefit greatly form Universities signing on to the Workers Rights Consortium, an independent monitoring group. Corporations need to start being held accountable for their inhumane labor practices. As affluent Americans who possess the knowledge and more freedom than most to express this knowledge need to take a stand for what is right and help those who need our voices of compassion. I thank all of the Madison protestors for their humanitarian efforts. I am inspired by our words we sang while our friends were taken off to jail: For Democracy, we shall not be moved... -Jessica Krueger

Book drive for first graders a success

This past Valentine’s Day, the Stevens Point Area Education Association (SPAEA) wanted to give every first grader in Stevens Point a book. This “Books from the Heart” program collected money from people across the community and this year attempted to raise funds on the UW-SP campus as well.

All of the student organizations on this campus were challenged to donate just five dollars: the price of one book. Student organizations responded remarkably to that challenge and donated just over $400 to the program. Together, with a number of individuals and faculty from the School of Education, the total contribution from UW-SP to Books from the Heart was $525. That bought over 100 books from UW-SP.

SPAEA, along with the UW-SP chapter of the Student Wisconsin Education Association, would like to thank the following organizations and individuals for donating to Books from the Heart. Without their incredible generosity, we never could have been so successful!

Thank you to the faculty from the School of Education, Student Wisconsin Education Association, Phi Omega, Promoting Awareness with Students (PASWS), Hansen Hall 2nd Floor, Phi Delta Epsilon, Gamma Phi Delta, Kappa Delta Pi, The Wildlife Society, Knutzen Hall, Geography Club, Thomson Hall, Falcon’s Gate, Phi Sigma Chi, Leah Girtman, Smith Hall, Environmental Council, Intervarsity Christian Fellowship, Jodie Otto, Tina Buchberger, Dean Joan North, and Society of American Foresters.

Again, your generosity made Valentine’s Day very special for a lot of first graders. -Jill Hassenfelt

UW-SP Student Wisconsin Education Association President

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charges or read-ins against Gordon Miller that would accurately reflect the breadth of Gordon Miller’s criminal conduct. Additionally, he, not the defense attorney, moved to modify Gordon Miller’s bond after the conviction in such a manner as to allow Gordon Miller the possibility of teaching students again. How is such a motion consistent with effective prosecution aimed at protecting our children and punishing those who seek to exploit the youngest and most vulnerable of our citizens? Whose interest does the District Attorney serve by this conduct—the public he is supposed to protect or the offender he is supposed to prosecute?

Lastly, I call upon the university to terminate Gordon Miller from employment at our public institution and to end once and for all any possibility that this multiple felony offender will ever teach young people again. It is simply not true that employment law in the State of Wisconsin does not allow the university system to take any more decisive action against Mr. Miller than it already has. Whose interest does the university serve by keeping Gordon Miller on the payroll and (perhaps) in the classroom—the students who it is supposed to educate, nurture and guide, or an instructor who it is supposed to hold to the highest of moral and ethical standards and who has plainly besmirched his calling? It is time to hold Gordon Miller and those who prosecute and employ him accountable. -Scott Roberts

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Pick up an application in The Pointer office, Room 104-CAC. All staff positions will be open at a later date.
Video rental now near campus

By Ryan Lins
ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

Imagine being able to return a rented movie on your way back from class. The opening of Campus Video on the first day of this semester was a welcome relief for convenience-minded students. With no movie rental stores nearby, a local video store was a logical choice.

"Being within walking distance of students was a good idea. Not every student has a car, and we thought we would be more accessible to the dorms," said Deeda Aiken, store manager. UW-Stevens Point students can now rent from McGibon or Ryan Flick close to home. Campus Video also sports new movies as well. Pointers can rent movies such as "The Matrix" and "Detroit Rock City," along with classics like "Star Wars" and "The Underheart."

Campus Video is located on Isadore Street, nestled between the Collins Classroom Center and Hardees. Campus Video offers daily specials and a decent selection of new releases. Campus Video is a welcome addition to the area around campus.

Center Stage offers diverse programs

Center Stage, the performing arts division of Centertainment, located in the basement of the Debot Building, offers a semester of diverse and exciting programs. Kristy King, a senior arts management major, heads up Center Stage's artistic management team whose responsibility is booking the local, professional and student talent that performs at Centertainment, located in the basement of the University Center.

The Quit'n Time series is an easy listening music program that takes place six times a semester on Fridays in the basement Brewhaus. This offering is meant for faculty and students who want to enjoy soft music while relaxing with a cup of coffee. Many local jazz groups and acoustic guitar vocalists have frequented the basement Brewhaus stage. Audio Wallpaper, a light rock cover band, will perform Friday, Feb. 26 from 4-6 p.m.

Center Stage's professional artist series brings the student arts series provides UW-Stevens Point students with a chance to showcase their creative talents. Student playwrights, actors, dancers and singers have presented various programs through Center Stage. Dance student Jaime Beckland's original dance piece entitled "Beginnings," will be performed Wednesday, March 8 and Thursday, March 9 at 8 p.m. in the Melvin Laird room. Beckland choreographed all the dances and will also perform in the show.

English major Amy Shaw will premiere her original musical, "The Yellow Rose of Texas," a piece about the Civil War. The show is directed by Kris Linn. Shaw's show will consist of monologues and songs from famous American musicals.

Center Stage is always looking for new volunteers to help with marketing, publicity, arts management and back stage work. Interested students should call Kristy at 24-36212.

Word of Mouth

"A.C.T. is hiring The Association for Community Tasks is now hiring for Director of Newsletter and Public Relations. If you are interested, or you would like some more information, you can stop by room 028 in Debott and pick up a job description and application form. Or call the office at 346-2260. Applications are due Friday, Feb. 24.

90FM is hiring 90FM is extending the deadline for its applications for next year's executive staff. March 24 is the new deadline to get the applications in. The interview date for all positions is April 2. If you have any questions, please call 90FM at 346-3755. Or, check the website at http://www.uwsp.edu/stuorg/90fm/"

International Dinner The International Club presents the 30th annual International Dinner "Garden of Culture." It will be held on Saturday, March 4 in the Melvin Laird Room at 5 p.m. Tickets are $15 apiece and can be purchased through the Foreign Student Office at 346-3849.

Chamber Folk Music Folk music artists Bonfield and Ebel will perform Saturday, Feb. 26 in the Alumni Room of the University Center. Showtime is at 8 p.m. and is free with a valid UW-SP ID, and $3 without. For more information, call Centertainment productions at 346-2412.

UW-SP Orchestra to perform The UW-Stevens Point Symphony Orchestra will perform at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, March 1 in the Michelsen Hall of the Fine Arts Center. Concert admission is $5 for adults, $3 for senior citizens and $2 for students with a student ID. Tickets are available at the door or at the Arts and Athletics Ticket Office.

50% winter equipment All winter equipment rented after 12 p.m. and returned before close (6:00 p.m.) Monday-Thursday will be 50% off. This includes cross-country skis, snowshoes, ice skates and sleds. For more information, call Recreational Services at 346-3848.

Centertainment is hiring Centertainment is hiring for the following paid positions: Club Variety, Issues and Ideas, Concerts Center Cinema, Center Stage, Special Events, Travel and Leisure, Center Case for Art, Student Manager, Promotions and Budget/Administration. If you are interested or have any questions, call Centertainment at 346-2412, or stop by Room 028 in Debott.

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In the Ring: The ‘80s or the ‘90s?

By Annie Scheffen
FEATURES EDITOR

By Ryan Lins
ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

G.J. Joe, the “boom box” and Glam Rock are just three reasons that I like the ‘80s. No offense to the last decade but the ‘80s were “prime” or “wicked” and “awesome” all right-rolled into 10 years of fun.

Just like disco, the big hair bands of the late ‘80s are on the comeback trail. Groups like Motley Crue and Poison continue to rock us till our hair's on end.

There’s no contest with movies either. Guy flicks like “Red Dawn,” “Indiana Jones” and “Return of the Jedi” made me want to jump into my Delorian and drive.

As far as sports go, how do you beat Larry Bird’s Celtics, the Edmonton Oilers and the San Francisco 49ers? Yes, the ‘80s have had some great teams, but the era of the dynasty also died this decade.

My Editor-cenn can pretend she is a child of the ‘90s, yet do not believe her treachery. We all know that the ‘80s danced out of Flock of Seagulls hairdos while jamming to Bananarama on large head-phones. Just come out and admit it, you like it, Annie!

So embrace 10 years of “A.L.F.” and watching “Karate Kid.” Because one day your children will ask you what “new” Coke was, and you’ll know the answer.

Student reports from Caen, France

By Christina Senn
OVERSEAS CORRESPONDENT

Bonjour from Caen, France! Since not all of you could join us on our side of the Atlantic, we thought we would share with you our experiences thus far. Those of you who have been abroad might get a few laughs and those of you who are neither interested nor have been abroad, you just might discover something about Europe and the United States and it became quite extensive.

Welcome to France from our perspective. If you like to smoke and you are into Top Ten American music, you will like it here. When you first arrive you will be awestruck by the history and the beauty of this country. You can hardly walk a block without running into an ancient church or remnants of a castle from the Middle Ages. On every historical landmark you are sure to find the modern art of graffiti. You can not stop long enough for the apparent contradiction though; you have to haul all the luggage you brought to last four months to the nearest laundromat. If you wanted you wouldn’t want to step in anything left by a well- fed French dog.

The French are very particular about their dogs: they have free range of any store, cafe and, unfortunately, any sidewalk they choose to visit.

If you didn’t pack too many changes of clothing, (you won’t need many, the French change their clothes about once a week) you will probably make it to the hotel alright. Once you get there, ditch your tennis shoes and change into something black and you will fit right in. This is France and you’ll be surprised at what you will see. You will notice that all the roads are lined with tiny, futuristic cars that you are sure can hardly fit one person let alone an entire family. Along the cobblestone sidewalks the cafes and patisseries will tempt you to cross your heart, chocolates and crepes. You will not be able to resist the cheese so don’t try, and you thought Wisconsin had something to brag about!

After your first taste of French street cuisine, you will quickly become acquainted with the unisex bathrooms and the uncomfortable feeling that you’ve somehow misinterpreted ambiguous signs and wandered into the wrong one. Once you get used to it, it’s not so bad. Besides, you would rather be unisex bathrooms over Turkish customs. After you’ve become accustomed to the bathrooms the rampant public displays of affection are nothing! Well, almost nothing, but yelling “get a room” won’t mean much to the makeout couple blocking every doorway you want to walk through.

There are so many things you will discover that are much different than home. The buildings are old, the streets are small, the stores are never open any hours you need them to be. They don’t have all-night Tupper’s deviery when you’re hungry at 4 a.m. and you’ll walk more than you ever had in your life.

You will miss long, hot showers and the fact that everyone at home takes showers. If you’re a woman you learn to ignore the painfully tactless and overly aggressive men.

You will laugh at the fact that the dogs run everywhere and the funny things you see people wearing and you will sometimes miss everything you are used to. But you will learn to dress up, speak French with a cool accent and live life at a slower pace. You will find that it is a daily adventure living in a different culture for a while, and you will learn to love it or at least appreciate the opportunities you have been given.

We hope that everyone is having a great semester. As of now you all probably busy planning spring break. I thought I might go to Ireland, what do you think?

Wisconsin graphic design exhibition

The “Statewide Student Graphic Design Exhibition” is being held in the Carlsten Art Gallery in the Fine Arts Center of UW-Stevens Point. The exhibition started on Monday, Feb. 21 and will go through Friday, March 10.

The exhibition will include mainly two-dimensional prints along with some three-dimensional objects created by students from Cardinal Stritch University, Madison Area Technical College, UW-Madison, UW-Oshkosh, UW-Parkside, UW-Stevens Point, UW-Stout and UW-Whitewater. The pieces were selected by the jurors, Gary Barden and Lisa Piikkila, art directors at Tamzen Media in Wausau.

The opening reception will be held Monday, Feb. 21 from 5-7 p.m. During a gallery talk at 6 p.m., the jurors will explain their criteria and present awards to the participants.

More than 130 entries were received and 53 were chosen for the exhibition.

Gallery hours are Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday and Sunday from 1-4 p.m. and Thursday evenings when performances are scheduled in the Fine Arts Center from 7-9 p.m.

For further information, contact Chris Henige at the Carlsten Art Gallery, (715) 346-2839.

Point student releases CD

Meade said, “Everything on the CD I performed, except for one keyboard part.”

Meade is lined up to perform in the Mission Coffee House on March 18 at 8 p.m.

There are tests you can’t study for

Buzz Meade. (Submitted photo)
Musical voyage highlights career of composer Kurt Weill

Celebrating the 100th anniversary of his birth on March 2, the passionate music of composer Kurt Weill will be performed at UW-Stevens Point from March 1-5.

"Berlin to Broadway with Kurt Weill" is a musical journey through his life and theatrical songs, performed by students in the Department of Theatre and Dance and directed by Roger Nelson, an assistant professor and coordinator of the musical theatre program. The show will be performed in the Studio Theatre of the Fine Arts Center from Thursday, March 1, through Saturday, March 4 at 7:30 p.m. and on Sunday, March 5 at 2 p.m. Tickets are $8 for adults, $7 for senior citizens and $5 for youth. Students with a UW-SP ID may purchase tickets for $3 in advance or for free the day of the performance, provided tickets are still available.

Tickets are available at the Arts and Athletic Ticket Office in Quandt Gym, the ticket outlet in CenterPoint MarketPlace, or by calling 341-4100 or 1-800-838-3378. This show is not included in the season ticket package so tickets must be purchased separately.

"I love the music of Kurt Weill," said Nelson. "It's intense, it's passionate. It has to do with having your heart on your sleeve. And I am really thrilled to be able to do the show during his centenary."

The show is packed with Weill's songs, mostly from the 1920s to '40s, with lyrics written by Alan Lerner, Ira Gershwin, Odgen Nash and others. Weill's music ranges from the melancholy and emotional "September Song" from his Broadway musical "Kissin' in the Kitchen" to the conscientious social protest songs of pre-World War II Germany, including "Golden Storm," "One Touch of Venus," "Love Life" and "Lost in the Stars." During the show, eight cast members perform the songs while a guide, played by John Blick, Brookfield, leads the audience through Weill's life as well as the times in which he lived. A Jew whose family had lived in Germany for 700 years, Weill left his country in 1935 to escape the Nazi uprising. The first act of the show highlights what he composed while in Berlin, Germany—songs with upbeat tunes but bitter lyrics to reflect sarcasm and social protest.

But after Weill came to America, his melodies reflected his newfound optimism, a love for his adopted country and his discovery of Broadway. The second act features his scores from "Love Life," "Lady in the Dark," "One Touch of Venus," "Love Life" and "Lost in the Stars."

Weill and his wife, singer Lotte Lenya, became American citizens and he established himself as a new and original voice in American musical theatre. But sadly, Nelson said, Weill died of a heart attack at age 50 in 1950, just as his music was expanding.
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Hockey team advances in NCHA playoffs

By Mike Peck
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

The UW-Stevens Point hockey team completed its first step of its playoff mission when it swept away the College of St. Scholastica.

The Pointers started things off Friday night with a 5-1 victory over the Saints.

"We played great," said Pointer coach Joe Baldarotta. "We have just been playing steady hockey and that's what you want to do around this time of year."

The Pointers got a pair of goals form Mikhail Salienko. Salienko's first goal came just 6:55 into the game and jumped out to a three goal lead into the inter­midway.

It didn't take the Pointers much longer to extend their lead when Justin Zimmerman found the back of the net just 18 seconds later.

The Pointers did a great job of controlling the puck as they let only 25 shots in on Gould.

"The best way that we can play good defense is by playing good offense," said Baldarotta.

"If we can keep the puck in their end of the ice they can't get any shots off on us."

The Pointers only allowed 46 shots all weekend on Gould and he only allowed two of them by him.

Also scoring for the Pointers were Kenny Bowers and Derek Toininato giving the Pointers a four goal advantage.

The Pointers also did a good job containing the Saints power-plays, stopping seven of their eight opportunities.

Up next for the Pointers is UW-River Falls which will come to town on February 10 to face the NCHA semifinals.

"We have to keep winning and prepare the best that we can for River Falls," said Baldarotta.

UW-SP and River Falls split their home and home series earlier this season with both teams winning on the opponent's ice.

The winner of the series will advance to the NCHA championship series next weekend against.

Point sweeper swimming, diving titles

Men and women win in same year for first time ever

By Ryan Allhouse
SPORTS REPORTER

The UW-Stevens Point swimming and diving team achieved the biggest goal of the season this past weekend by unifying the WIAC conference title for the first time in school history.

On the women's side, the Pointers beat UW-Eau Claire by 54 points, 863-809, winning the meet and snapping Eau Claire's streak. Eau Claire had won 19 out of the last 20 conference championships.

The Pointers came away with 12 victories out of the 20 events. Of the 12 victories for the women, seven were new conference records.

Mary Agazzi captured a pair of titles, in the 50 and the 100 freestyle, which were two of the most exciting races of the weekend. The championship round was David Boehm putting one by Kaleb Christenson.

Agazzi set two new conference records in the process with a 23.96 in the 50 and 53.10 in the 100.

Becca Uphoff earned first place finishes in the 200 freestyle in 1:55.39, the 500 freestyle in 5:07.24 and the 200 backstroke in 2:08.68.

Christine Sammons won the 100 breaststroke in 1:08.15, the 200 individual medley in 2:13.65 and the 200 breaststroke with a new conference record time of 2:26.52.

Mary Thone captured the 200 butterfly in 2:13.04.

The Pointers' next champion came with Chet Zdanczewicz's victory over Chris Vogel of UW-Platteville in the 100 freestyle.

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tlers to the finals, but only three of them will go on to wrestle at the NCAA championships.

"We wrestled well as a team and had a good chance of winning the tournament," said UW-SP coach. Johnny Johnson.

"It's unfortunate that we couldn't meet our goal of becoming conference champions, but the loss makes a good building block for next year."

Zdanczewicz is now a two-time WIAC champion and will be returning to the national tournament this year in hopes of capturing his first national title.

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Wrestlers take second at WIAC meet

By Jess Dinkla
SPORTS REPORTER

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Women’s basketball season comes to an end
Oshkosh too much for Pointers

By Michelle Teamer
SPORTS REPORTER

The UW-Stevens Point’s women’s basketball team saw its season come to an end Monday night when they lost to Oshkosh 67-52, in the quarterfinal round of the WIAC tournament. Despite a defense that kept the Pointers within four at half-time, the offense came off a half and did not score until seven minutes were already wasted in the second half.

Coach Shirley Egner felt the game had too many ups and downs.

“We played as well as we could have defensively for the whole game,” Egner said. “But our offense never got on track.”

Carrying Boehning led all players with 22 points and was the only Pointer to score in double figures. Jessica Ott played her last game as a Pointer and scored six points in the loss. She ended her career with 1,586 total points scored, second in school history. Ott also leaves with the career free-throw percentage lead of 81 percent.

UW-SP finished the season with an 11-14 mark. The future is bright, though, as they return four starters for next season.

“Our focus for next year is to contend for the conference title. We have to get some depth and scoring, but our program is in good shape,” said Egner.

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Track and field gets set for WIAC meet
Teams prepare for conclusion of indoor season

By Mike Peck
ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

The men’s and women’s track and field teams are both beginning to come into midseason form as they near the conference meet.

The women’s team competed in the 13-team Platteville Invitational, placing third with 87 points.

“All in all it was a pretty good meet for us,” said women’s coach Len Hill. “But of course there is always room for improvement.”

The team will be a dog fight for third place at the conference meet with Whitewater, who edged out the Pointers by only six points on Saturday.

“They just beat us last weekend,” said Hill, “but we should be right there fighting for that third spot at conference.”

Megan Lundahl led the way for the ladies as she won the weight toss and set a new school record that might never get broken.

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Sports

Quote of the Week
I’m still in shock at what I did. I have to come to terms with what I did. There’s no excuse. It was so stupid, I can’t believe I did it.

-Marty McSorley of the Boston Bruins following his hitting Vancouver Canucks’ player Donald Brashear across the head with his stick during their game Monday night. -ESPN.com

Men’s basketball rolls into WIAC semis
Pointers battle past La Crosse

By Nick Brilowski
SPORTS EDITOR

The UW-La Crosse men’s basketball team came out with its guns blazing Tuesday night at the Quandt Fieldhouse, but UW-Stevens Point had what it takes down the stretch to earn a 94-82 victory.

The win earned the Pointers 21-4 overall the opportunity to advance on to the semifinals of the WIAC tournament on Thursday night when they will host UW-Superior.

“They were like a gunslinger coming into town that didn’t shoot anything they didn’t think would go in,” Pointer coach Jack Bennett said of La Crosse, which for the game attempted 32 shots from three-point range.

UW-SP raced out to a 24-12 advantage but the Eagles fought back behind the shooting of Paul Manchester and Matt Schultz to tie the game 27-27.

The Pointers answered with a 16-4 run behind three three-pointer s by Travis Kornowski to gain a 43-31 advantage before taking a 51-43 halftime lead.

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The Week Ahead...

**NATIONALS**

FEBRUARY 24 - MARCH 2

- UW-Stevens Point Athletics
  - **Hockey** (NCHA Semifinals) UW-River Falls, Friday, 7:30 p.m.; UW-River Falls, Saturday, 7:30 p.m.
  - **Men's Basketball** WIAC Semifinal vs. UW-Superior, Thursday, 7 p.m.; (if win) WIAC Final vs. UW-Eau Claire/UW-Oshkosh winner, Saturday, 7 p.m.
  - **Track and Field** Pointer Professor's Day Meet, Saturday.

**All Home Games in Bold**

Uphoff, Newport named WIAC swimming and diving Scholar-Athletes

**Uphoff**

A pair of members of the UW-Stevens Point swimming and diving teams have earned Scholar-Athlete honors in their sport for the 1999-2000 season. Becca Uphoff and Brent Newport earned the recognition as announced Monday by WIAC Commissioner Gary Karner.

Uphoff, a senior from Madison (West), is majoring in Communication Disorders/Psychology and has a 3.83 grade point average. She is a two-time Academic All-American and a three-time member of the WIAC Scholaratic Honor Roll.

The teammates have earned Highest Honors on the Dean's List at UW-Stevens Point.

**Newport**

In the 1998-99 academic year, Uphoff won the Outstanding Junior of the Year Award in the Department of Communication Disorders and the UW-Stevens Point Scholar-Athlete Award.

Uphoff led the Pointers to their first-ever WIAC Championship last weekend in Stevens Point. She became a four-time conference champion in the 200 freestyle and 200 backstroke, and also claimed her third-straight 500 freestyle championship. She is a three-time All-American, placing fifth in the 200 backstroke last year and finishing fourth and seventh in the 200 backstroke and 100 backstroke, respectively in 1997. She also earned Honorable Mention All-America honors with a 12th-place finish in the 200 freestyle last season. She is a three-time team captain and Most Valuable Player.

Uphoff also has her name etched in the UW-SP swimming record book, holding team records in five events and is a member of all UW-SP relay records. She also holds the WIAC record in the 200 backstroke, recording a time of 2.07.04 in 1997.

Uphoff is a member of the Student Speech and Hearing Association and the Student Athlete Advisory Committee. She has also worked extensively with children requiring speech and language therapy and has taught private swimming lessons at UW-SP.

**Newport**

Newport, a senior from Berlin, Wis., is majoring in Biology/Business Administration with a minor in Chemistry/Computer Information Systems and has a 3.98 grade point average.

He is a three-time member of the WIAC Scholaratic Honor Roll and has earned Highest Honors on the Dean's List at UW-Stevens Point seven semesters. In 1999, Newport won the Business and Economics Meritorious Continuing Student Award and the Biology Faculty Research Award. He has also been awarded the Sentry Insurance Scholarship the past four years.

Newport led the Pointers to their third WIAC Championship in four years last weekend in Stevens Point, claiming individual championships in the 100 breaststroke and 200 breaststroke. He was also a member of the winning 200 and 400 medley relay teams. In addition, he has qualified for the 2000 NCAA Division III Championships on March 16-18 in Atlanta, Ga. Newport, who is team captain for the 1999-2000 season, won his team's Hardest Worker Award in 1997-98.

Newport has been inducted into the Phi Eta Sigma and Phi Kappa Phi Honor Societies. He was a recipient of the 1999 University Leadership Award. In addition, Newport has worked as an office assistant in the UW-SP International Programs Office for four years. He has also served as a Content and Reading/Writing Tutor in the UW-SP Tutoring-Learning Center.

The WIAC Scholar-Athlete Award is sponsored by GTE. In order to be nominated, a student-athlete must have a minimum 3.25 grade point average, be in their last year of competition and have competed for a minimum of two years.

**Hockey**

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The winner of the St. Norbert's UW-Superior series.

The Pointers will be at home as long as they keep on winning in the NCHA playoffs.

The Pointers are also at the top of the NCAA Division III rankings as they moved up to fifth in this week's U.S. College Hockey Online poll.

UW-SP raised its record to 21-6 overall.

Both games will be played at 7:30 p.m. this weekend at K.B. Willett Arena.
Swimming
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seven were by the Pointers.

Randy Boelk took first and broke conference records in three events: the 200 butterfly (1:51.88), the 200 individual medley (1:52.67) and the 400 individual medley (4:01.13).

Jeremy Francioli broke records in a pair of events: the 100 backstroke (51.54) and the 200 backstroke (1:51.52).

Brent Newport was a double winner, taking the 100 breaststroke in 58.33 and the 200 breaststroke in 2:09.67.

The Point men won four of the five relays. The 200-medley relay of Francioli, Newport, Anthony Harris, and Nick Hansen won with a new conference record of 1:32.92. The 400-medley relay of Francioli, Newport, Boelk, and Hansen won in record time of 3:25.14.

The 400 freestyle relay of Boelk, Harris, Francioli, and Hansen won with the time of 3:07.37. The 800-freestyle relay of Boelk, Harris, Francioli, and Tim Benjamin won in 6:59.54.

The Pointer men will send five swimmers and one diver to the NCAA Nationals meet in four weeks in Georgia.

The Pointers will travel to the Last Chance meet in La Crosse before heading to Nationals in Georgia. For the women, Nationals are March 9-11 and March 16-18 for the men.

SGA
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an addition to the Schemeekele reserve.

"They’ve been ongoing issues and to get something done, you need to continue working towards it," said Polzin.

Shefchik claims that experience, though important, does not represent the issues the average student is concerned about.

"Behind all our platforms is a common theme: issues that concern the average student, and that is our audience," said Shefchik. This theme is also reflected in their campaign slogan, ‘Little People, Big Ideas.’

"All our platforms pertain to the masses. We are all in some way or other affected by these issues," said Riederer.

Polzin and Jensnik are running for President and Vice Presidency under the slogan “Experience Counts.” Polzin is currently the Budget Director of SGA and Jensnik is an SGA senator from the College of Letters and Science.

“We have seen two very different sides of the whole SGA experience,” said Polzin. Polzin’s platform aims to promote diversity with help from faculty, multicultural organizations and SGA.

Polzin wishes to, "make SGA an active partner in the recruitment and retention of students and faculty of diverse backgrounds."

Shefchik and Riederer’s food service platform aims to give students more flexibility and a lower cost.

“We think that a plan where students can have, four plans a week or a 40 meal block, along with 100 food points will be more feasible that the current plan,” said Shefchik.

To promote student activism on campus, Polzin and Jensnik propose to, “make segregated fees work for more student involvement, through student organizations, athletics and the fine arts.”

Shefchik and Riederer, with their student residential condition platform, aim to encourage landlords to postpone signing leases.

"Right now, it is ridiculous how early we have to sign leases for the next year and so many people feel pressured into signing," said Riederer.

"Many things can happen, such as a student deciding to transfer, or those who plan on living together may decide that they can’t get along," said Shefchik.

Schefchik and Riederer propose to organize a base for a coalition of renters.

As for the Schemeekele Reserve platform, Polzin would like to assist in the purchase of more land and find new educational ways to use the reserve to work for students.

Shefchik also plans to encourage drinking reforms.

“We are not going to try to change the drinking age because of the federal highway provision act,” said Schefchik.

What he and Riederer propose to do, however, is to encourage United Council to work toward modifying drinking laws and reducing fines for individuals caught at places where alcohol is served, though they are not drinking.

“This is an issue that pertains to everyone, not just underage students,” said Riederer.

Schefchik went on to relate how he was given a citation because he was at a bar celebrating a friend’s 21st birthday.

"I was underage, but I was not drinking. I was there to celebrate my friend’s birthday and I was also the designated driver," said Schefchik.

According to SGA election policy, candidates are not supposed to start publicizing their campaign before Monday, however, Polzin and Jensnik sent an email to all student organizations on Saturday asking for meeting times, so they can hear student concerns.

“We did not consider that campaigning, never did we say ‘please vote for us, please, we want your support.’ We just wanted meeting times and places,” said Polzin.

“We feel that we can best represent the students because we have a lot of experience on this campus,” said Polzin.

“We just want to make sure that the students always have a strong voice in this campus and we feel that we are the best candidates to keep that voice strong,” said Jensnik.

“We may not have a major role in SGA, and other than being the SOURCE director I have not been very involved with campus, and this is a reflection of many students on campus. Matt and I know what the average student cares about and we aim to deal with issues that affect the lives of students on a daily basis,” said Schefchik.

SGA will hold its presidential elections from March 6-9 completely on-line. This is the first time that this campus will hold an election in this fashion.
Gill’s Grumblings

The growing glow on the eastern horizon revealed a clearing sky. The air was surprisingly warm and the rising sun filled us with confidence. We were headed to our favorite ice fishing hotspot, with memories ofunker walleyes filling our heads with hope. We could do no wrong—or so we thought.

But as we reached our spot, things began to change. A fishing guide who had spotted us catching fish through binoculars a few days earlier had moved two of his shacks onto our hotspot. Now eight of his clients were anxiously setting up their tip-ups in our old holes.

We reluctantly set up in a new spot a few hundred yards from the one that had been unfairly stolen from us; stolen by a guide so talented he has to depend on spying on college students to find the fish for his clients. But we hoped that things would still go well, but after several hours of fishing, we had only two 13-inch walleyes and two white bass to show for our efforts.

Sure, it had been a beautiful day on the ice, and of course, it was a welcome escape from jobs, classrooms and homework, but I’d be lying if I said I wasn’t frustrated.

The fish were probably there—somewhere—just being uncooperative, insisting they would not bite one of the 15 minnows that dangled in front of their faces. Or it could be that one of my friends that tagged along that day was simply a “schleprock.”

Whatever it was, I’ve had enough of it. By some miracle spring seems to be trying to come back. It won’t be long until I don’t have to freeze my tail off just to catch a few puny blinglils and wimpy walleyes.

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STURGEON ON PAGE 18

Sturgeon spearing gives angler unique experience

By Ryan Pauls OUTDOORS REPORTER

It has been just over two weeks and I am already counting down the days till opener for next year’s sturgeon spearing season. This sport, which in the past has been basically comprised of people from the Fox Valley, is starting to catch on with people from other parts of the state.

My roommate, Eric Martin and I were invited by Adam and Gerry Proponent of Chilton, to give this unique sport a try, Friday night when I arrived in Chilton the place was a zoo. This was not quite the sleepy town of 3,000 I had read about through a few months ago. The population had grown by a thousand people, all waiting for 6 a.m. to roll around so they could stare down in the hopes that a sturgeon might swim by.

Traditionally, this sport is open for about two weeks in February on Lake Winnebago, with a two-day season on the Upriver Lakes. This year was different because the Upriver Lakes opened up at the same time as Lake Winnebago.

This was a cause of controversy since the DNR would close the season 24 hours after one of three quotas were hit. The three quotas are for immature females, mature females, and males.

With the Upriver Lakes opening at the same time as Winnebago, we knew that the season would be short because Lake Poygan is the rearing ground for younger sturgeon. We opted to spear on Lake Winnebago because the sturgeons there tend to run bigger in size. As Adam said “I would rather spear one large sturgeon every five years then get a small sturgeon and have the season close in two days.”

We sat by the hole all day Saturday and part of Sunday only to see one bluegill and a shad. However, the people in the shanty next to us speared a 60- and an 80-pound sturgeon.

I found out that you can scout for sturgeon by watching where mayflies mate on the lake then...

Student activists storm state Capitol

By Lisa Rothe ASSISTANT OUTDOORS EDITOR

This past Wednesday, students from UW-Stevens Point traveled to Madison to restore the Wisconsin Public Intervenor (WPIO). Eliminated by Governor Tommy G. Thompson in 1997, the office was originally created in 1967 by the Kellet Commission proposal.

“The Legislature created the Public Intervenor as a watchdog for the newly created Department of Natural Resources,” maintains the Wisconsin Stewardship Network. “The WSN’s mission is to “build a cooperative environmental network that recaptures and strengthens Wisconsin’s stewardship ethic for the betterment of its people and natural resources.” According to Rebecca Leighton Katers of WSN, "This rally will recreate the 1960s red shirt rallies by conservationists, when they stormed the capital to protest the merger of the old Conservation Department with the Department of Resource Department— to create the DNR.”

The Conservation Restoration Act of 1998, supported by WSN, proposes to restore the WPIO. This would lead to the reinstating of its initial legal powers and restore authority to the DNR Secretary.

Presently the Secretary reports directly to Governor Thompson. The act proposed demands the DNR Secretary to control the Natural Resources Board, thereby granting independence from the Governor, placing importance on concerns of the public.

For further information on the whereabouts of participating activists and conservationists, and the actions of WSN visit their website at www.wsn.org or call (920) 437-7304.

Deadline for ice shanty removal approaching

Permaent ice fishing shanties must be removed from inland waters south of Highway 64 by March 5. Shanties must be removed from inland waters north of Highway 64 and from Lake Michigan, Green Bay, Lake Superior and Wisconsin-Michigan boundary waters by March 15. Permanent ice shanties on the Wisconsin-Iowa boundary waters should have been removed by Sunday, Feb. 20. The Wisconsin-Minnesota boundary waters deadline is March 1.

After the date for removing permanent shelters from a frozen lake, an angler may continue to use a temporary shelter.

Gary Homuth, of the Department of Natural Resources Bureau of Law Enforcement, cautions people to be careful as they remove their shelters from the ice or ice fishing. "Wear a float coat or life jacket, and if people break through the ice, don’t panic, but pull them out as quickly as possible and then roll until they get to safe ice to stand up on.”

He also recommends that people carry two ice picks or nails connected by a piece of rope. “This can be used to pull themselves out should they break through. And never go out on the ice alone.”

For more information contact Gary Homuth at (608) 266-3244.
Ice fishing provides new twist on brown trout

By Andy Chikowski
OUTDOORS REPORTER

When you think of fishing for brown trout you usually think of fly-fishing or spinner fishing in streams. I almost laughed at a fishing pal last month when he tried to convince me to try ice-fishing for trout on a nearby lake. I never wanted to bite. After two hours without a bite, my dreams of catching my first trout through the ice had diminished. By early afternoon the sun’s warmth had energized us enough to try another spot on the lake.

We set the tip-ups out and started to jig with jigger spoons in hopes of catching a mysterious brown trout or actually whatever wanted to bite. After two hours without a bite, my dreams of catching my first trout through the ice had diminished. By early afternoon the sun’s warmth had energized us enough to try another spot on the lake.

It wasn’t long before the ragged flag on my dad’s’s ancient beaver dam popped up. I rushed to the hole excitedly with the thought of trout in my curious mind.

When I reached the hole, the fish was running. I set the hook and felt the tug of a fast-paced fish on the other end of my line. After a short fight, I landed and released a snake northern pike.

What’s the secret to catching brown trout while ice fishing? First, as every genius knows, they must be present in the lake you’re fishing. Trout usually live in only cold, deep lakes.

I’m still learning, but tip-ups are effective. Also, if you’re searching for trout on the ice, don’t be afraid to try different spots.

Robin Gilmeister caught these fat brown trout on a recent ice fishing trip. (Photo by Andy Chikowski)
Your College Survival Guide

Presents: Timeless Marital Advice

by Pat Rothfuss

Pat

Recently, many of my female readers have been writing in requesting advice on the topic of sex. In these morally flaccid times, I am aware that you all have needs. Let me then offer up the most piquant piece of epissilary perspicacity that I have ever laid eyes on. Some people might look at the perspective therein somewhat dated, however I am of the belief that good advice never goes out of style.

The following is a reprint from The Madisonian Institute Newsletter, Fall Issue, 1894:

To the sensitive young woman who has had the benefits of proper upbringing, the wedding day is, ironically, both the happiest and most terrifying day of her life.

On the positive side, there is the wedding itself, in which the bride is the central attraction in a beautiful and inspiring ceremony, symbolizing her triumph in securing a male to provide for all her needs for the rest of her life. On the negative side, there is the wedding night, during which the bride must pay the piper, so to speak, by facing for the first time the terrible experience of sex.

At this point, dear reader, let me concede one shocking truth. Some young women actually anticipate the wedding night ordeal with curiosity and pleasure. Beware such an attitude! A selfish and sexual husband can easily take advantage of such a bride. One cardinal rule of marriage should never be forgotten: GIVE LITTLE, GIVE SELDOM, AND ABOVE ALL, GIVE GRUDGINGLY. Otherwise what could have been a proper marriage could become an orgy of sexual lust.

On the other hand, the bride’s terror need not be extreme. While sex is at best revolting and at worse rather painful, it has to be endured, and has during the first months of marriage. As time goes by she shall make every effort to reduce this frequency. Feigned illness, sleepiness, and headaches are among the wife’s best tools in this matter. Naggery, scolding, and bickering also prove very effective, if used in the late evening about an hour before the husband would normally commence his seduction.

Clever wives are ever on the alert for new and better methods of denying and discouraging the amorous overtures of the husband. A good wife should expect to have reduced sexual contacts to once a week by the end of the first year of marriage and to once a month by the end of the fifth year of marriage.

By their twentieth anniversary many wives have managed to complete their child bearing and have achieved the ultimate goal of terminating all sexual contacts with the husband. By this time she can depend upon her love for the children and social pressures to hold the husband in the home.

Lastly, I would like to thank Brett and Joey who covered my butt last week (figuratively) when I was too busy to do the column myself. Thanks again guys.

Pat Rothfuss encourages his readers to write in with questions, comments, or wise-asz remarks.

Mail to the Pointer: Pat Rothfuss, or E-mail at proth88@uwsp.edu.

Advice

Madonna: The Video Collection- 93 to 99

By Kelvin Chen

FANS of the material girl turned maternal girl should probably by now own this video collection. It would be totally sacrilegious to think any new Madonna hit, but it was included in this collection which makes it seem a little out of place compared with the other musical numbers. However, the video is interesting in the sense that it somewhat reminds you of the movie “A Body of Evidence,” which stars Madonna herself.

Madonna’s cover of the Peggy Lee classic, “ Fever” follows up next and we see her coated in silhouette and paint and looking very gamine like in several of the scenes. What makes this video especially enjoyable is the way Madonna is able to change her looks from a Thai inspired dancer to a 50’s Hollywood starlet. At the same time, Madonna introduces to the audience of the 90’s a 60’s classic with the tempo updated to today’s club scene.

“ Fever” is one of the most iconic videos of Madonna’s.

My personal favorite video has got to be “ Rain.” In this video, we find Madonna looking very much like a gamine with a touch of Japanese avant garde. Directed by Mark Romanek, “ Rain” is a video that is slick and stylish featuring Japanese Zen influences dancing in a fusion with Martha Graham inspired choreography. 

“ Take a Bow” has got to be one of Madonna’s best signature ballads. The song is an emotional masochistic trip with scenes of self-mutilation. This video is also a landmark in the Queen of Pop’s career as it signals a classier and less brazen image: Madonna’s alter ego- Evita.

“ Bedtime Story” is a highly futuristic video directed by the Mark Romanek. The video is a surrealistic dream that you would probably conjure in a drug dazed state. “ Let’s get unconscious with me” Madonna chants. The video is virtually a Dali painting in motion complete with high-tech wizardry.

In “ Frozen” we see and hear the new Madonna after her break for nearly 2 years. This video is depressing but filled with nifty special effects like when Madonna falls and breaks into a flock of crows. Ominous and dark, this video makes Charmed’s three leading ladies look like Wendy the witch.

Other honorable mentions in the collection include “ Ray of Light” as well as “ Nothing Really Matters” where we see Madonna dressing up like a modern psycho-chic goddess. 

What makes this video worth it is it really shows you how far Madonna has gone. However, what makes it disagreeable is the lack of other tracks like “ You’ll See,” “ This Used to be My Playground” and “ I’ll Remember.”
Trout
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Fishing for high-powered brown trout can lead to an exciting day of ice fishing. Just don't be afraid to be a loner and try new things. If it weren't for my stubborn fishing pal bringing it to my attention, I would've never even tried it. Since then, chasing trout you're going to discover on a day of ice fishing.

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try and find their worm beds before season. Another thing to consider is that certain parts of the lake have traditionally given up larger and higher numbers of sturgeon that other parts.

Hate
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According to the United Council of UW Students, a hate crime is defined as any crime that is motivated by the actual or perceived race, color, religion, national origin, ethnicity, gender, disability, or sexual orientation of the victim.

Physical violence, threats, intimidating remarks, ridicule, insults, ethnic slurs, symbolic graffiti and explicit threats or insults conveyed by mail, e-mail, or phone are all forms of hate crimes.

In an educational pamphlet by United Council, it was stated that, "Hate crimes affect a victim physically, emotionally and psychologically, as well as perpetuate hate on campus and in local communities."

When asked on the matter of hate crimes on campus, Provost and Vice Chancellor William Meyer stated, "I haven't heard much about hate crimes on campus."

"I'm just learning about it, there was a lot I didn't know," added Chancellor Thomas George.

"(Hate crimes) is something that has to be dealt with," said Bob Tomlinson, Assistant Chancellor for Student Affairs.

"The students being subjected to these hate crimes are not able to experience college the same as everyone else, in a safe and comfortable atmosphere," added Tomlinson.

"Last semester wasn't too bad, but this semester it is progressively getting worse. It used to be every once in a while, but now it happens nearly every weekend," stated Jatzo.

"We have held forums and put up posters to make students more aware but nothing has seemed to matter," stated Elizabeth Fontana.

Chancellor George and Assistant Chancellor Tomlinson both expressed their concern for the matter and say that in order to curb the situation we need to "hold more forums to get the students involved as well as to educate students about hate crimes."

So far attempts to educate the students has not had any affect to alleviate the problem. There are several different steps students can take to organize against hatred.

According to United Council suggestions, organizing a forum or speaking out, strengthening campus conduct codes that condemn and prohibit harassment, intimidation, and violence based upon prejudice is necessary.

Other suggestions include demanding a clear statement from the chancellor condemning hate crimes. Other proactive approaches include setting up an intervention and prevention program to address issues of bias-related violence on campus.

"There needs to be better communication between administrators regarding issues concerning students. We can't address issues if we don't know there is a problem," said Tomlinson.

The 10% society, Chancellor George, Assistant Chancellor Tomlinson, as well as numerous other students and faculty realize that there is an extremely important issue on campus, but the answer on how to stop the hate crimes from taking place is not known.

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