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Students demonstrate against missionaries' tactics

Peaceful student protest counters religious group's aggressive campaign

By Casey Krautkramer
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

The Missionaries to the Preborn demonstrated their opposition for abortion and homosexuality by displaying posters with hateful messages and visual props Monday afternoon, sparking students to protest their messages. Students stood in a straight line holding hands singing, "We Shall Overcome," a song that emerged during the Civil Rights Movement.

"Why do I have to repent if I'm a homosexual," said one stu-

dent. One missionary responded, "You will go to the lake of fire, because God calls on all men everywhere to repent on their sins."

A student protestor, who wishes to remain anonymous, was shocked by what was progressing. "I think it's sad. I don't think this is the respectful way to go about protesting Planned Parenthood or women's rights."

Pastor Matt Trewalla, founder of Missionaries to the Preborn, based in Milwaukee, said his nondenominational organization was formed in 1990 to combat abortion clinics residing in the city of Milwaukee.

"There were eight clinics in Milwaukee when I formed this organization," said Trewalla.

"Now there are only three left."

Trewalla stated that his organization's mission is to speak up for the preborn babies who can't speak up for themselves. "The reason we come to campuses is because the students here are going to be the people of influence 20 years from now," said Trewalla. He said that when students are in their respective working positions in the future, they will remember the signs and pictures his organization uses to portray the plight of abortion, and then make decisions that are in the preborn's favor.

"Freedom of speech is a necessity and virtue of this country, but where we have problems now is that we determine our

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Photo by Luke Zancanaro

Missionaries to the Preborn voiced a pro-life, anti-gay message while students protested this demonstration from across the street.

Environmental activist encourages students to make a difference

By Casey Krautkramer
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Julia "Butterfly" Hill, an activist who fought to save redwood forests, encouraged UWSP students to bond together and make a difference in the world by turning anger into love during her presentation Wednesday.

"I can't do it alone; it takes each and every one of us to make a difference," Hill said. "The inspiration you take in from my presentation needs to turn into action."

According to Hill, emotion is an important aspect of promoting a cause.

"Society has conditioned us not to feel; we don't feel what's happening to forests. To care in the world today hurts and we tune out and don't care."

Hill noted that every time we point out what's wrong in the world, there are three fingers pointing back at us. Those three fingers consist of: power, responsibility and love.

"We all have the power to change the world; everything we say and do can change the world," said Hill. "We need to be accountable for what we say and do, and love gives us strength and courage."

She stressed that we need to introduce ourselves to fellow students. "Turn around and say, 'I don't know you, but I would like to know you.'"

There's enough people in this room to make necessary changes."

Alderman Matt Filipiak said he "walked across campus the other day and noticed that students don't interact with each other; we say hello

from far away. She reminded us that if the students worked together, all of us could change society."

Hill told the audience to think about the issues that we have in Central Wisconsin, such as the proposed power line that is going to clear acres of land and disrupt wildlife on its path from Duluth, Minn.

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By Luke Zancanaro

Julia "Butterfly" Hill

Opinions of Bush's policies remain divided at UWSP

Concerns about impact on environment mixed with support of the Bush administration

By Josh Goller
NEWS EDITOR

As UWSP recognizes Earth Week, opinions on George W. Bush's environmental policies remain divided among students and faculty at UWSP.

At a strong natural resource and environmentally conscious university, some members of UWSP feel that many of Bush's campaign promises regarding the environment remain unfulfilled.

"He [Bush] represents big business and profits rather than environment quality," said Tom Detwyler, geography professor. "Big business gave him millions in campaign finance monies."

According to student John Baeten, overemphasis on capitalism and conservative politics has a detrimental effect on the environment in the United States.

"We live in an imperialistic country run by capitalism," said Baeten. "Conservatives have always been against anything radical ever since the first Earth Day movement."

However, other members of UWSP feel that the Bush administration doesn't get the credit it deserves.

"Bush gets a bad rap. He's not as environmentally bad as people coin him to be," said Jeremy Smith, College Republicans president. "Because of his reputation, fair or unfair, people don't give him credit for the good."

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Rally combats violence against women at UWSP

By Casey Krautkramer
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Students and community members ventured out to the Sundial Wednesday night to partake in the 12th annual "Take Back the Night" rally and march.

This year's rally was entitled "Step Into the Light," and included a variety of entertainment and artistic expression by local artists, speakers from related local organizations and an open "Speak Out," where audience members were able to speak out in the Sundial about violence to women. The event came to a

close with a performance by popular folk singer/songwriter Brenda Weiler in the Encore.

"I think that sometimes violence against women isn't taken very seriously by the campus and local police, but this is a group of people who do take it seriously and know it is a big issue," said spectator Lynnae Jacobson.

The event was created to raise awareness of domestic violence and sexual abuse as well as provide an opportunity for survivors, their supporters and con-

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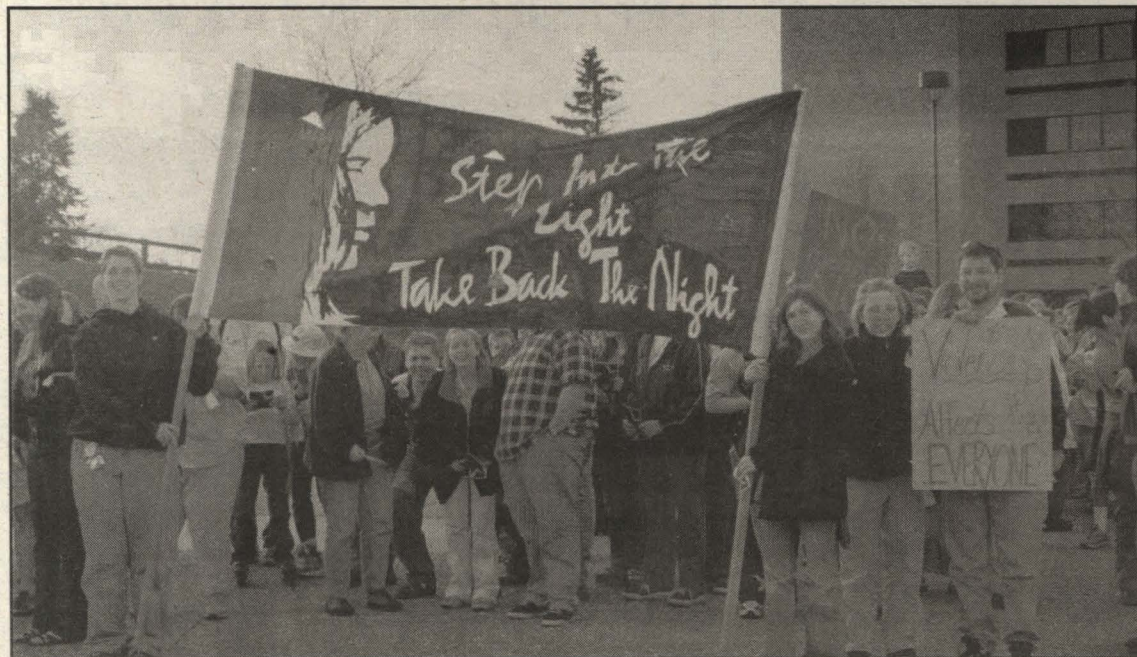


Photo by Pramela Thiagesan

"Take Back the Night" rallies students in the Sundial, against violence, Wednesday

Dreyfus announces donation to UWSP at honor ceremony

Lee Sherman Dreyfus, former governor of the state of Wisconsin and former chancellor of the UW-Stevens Point, has contributed \$100,000 to the UWSP Foundation. Dreyfus made the announcement of his gift at a ceremony on the front lawn of Old Main marking his accomplishments as governor and chancellor.

Dreyfus was the ninth president of Wisconsin State University from 1967-1972 and UWSP's first chancellor from 1972-78 following the merger of the state campuses into the UW-System. He left his post at UWSP to campaign for governor and was elected Wisconsin's 40th chief executive in 1978. Prior to coming to UWSP, Dreyfus was a professor of speech, radio and

television at UW-Madison.

"We are honored by the governor's generosity and welcome his contribution to the ongoing success of this institution," said Chancellor Tom George. "Whether in the role of former chancellor, regent or governor, Lee continues to contribute generously to the university and to the state."

Dreyfus and his wife, Joyce, made the donation to the UWSP Foundation through a charitable remainder trust and a cash gift. Joyce, who completed her degree while her husband served as chancellor, is a 1977 graduate of UWSP and a James H. Albertson Medallion Award recipient. The Albertson is the highest recognition of student achievement at UWSP.

Rally

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cerned citizens to speak out about the issue.

"There's still violence against women and just having people care, it means that perpetrators will stop using violence, and women will be prepared to be able to take care of themselves," said student Lea LaBumbard. "I think it's cool that it's the 12th annual event and it's going to keep going as long as people keep caring."

Erin Schneider added, "It's a way to promote awareness not just for women but everyone in the community. It's a great way to bring community awareness on campus and in the city. I ... just like having support on campus."

Obituary

Ethan Jon Meyer
November 16, 1976 - March 20, 2001

Ethan Meyer, 24, died unexpectedly while jogging with friends at Fort Bragg, North Carolina on Tuesday March 20, 2001. He was born in Kaukauna and graduated from Hilbert High School. Ethan attended UWSP until joining the US Army. While at UWSP, he majored in Communication and was News Editor of The Pointer. Ethan graduated from Fort Benning, Georgia in January of 2001 and was currently stationed at Fort Bragg, North Carolina, serving as a paratrooper in the 82nd Airborne Division, 13 Fox, 13F Forward Observer.

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*As he conquered this life to
move onto another challenge,
you feel his courage
The decision to go that extra
mile,
you feel his endurance
When extending open arms
out to a close friend,
you feel his touch
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afraid to die....
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be heard.*

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Lot V

Wednesday, April 18 2:30 p.m.

A man reported that damage had been done to his vehicle while parked in the south end of the lot.

Lot Q

Wednesday, April 18 9:25 p.m.

A student reported the possible theft of his vehicle. It was then learned that a friend had borrowed the car.

Learning Resource Center

Wednesday, April 18 10:30 p.m.

A student reported that her purse had been stolen while she was working with a group on the second floor.

Neale Hall

Monday, April 23 10:23 a.m.

A resident reported that her secured bike had been taken from the bike rack at the southwest entrance.

Lot J

Tuesday, April 24 10:35 a.m.

A student reported that someone had pried two emblems off the rear passenger side door posts of his vehicle.

Butterfly

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to Rothschild, Wis. Other issues include big business agriculture forcing small farms out of business and the Crandon Mine.

"Whether we like it or not, we are sharing our world with corporations, so we have to decide what to do about it," said Hill. "My whole life was about making money as a business consultant until August of '96 when I was in a car accident caused by a drunk driver. I asked myself, 'where is my value in life.'"

One day Hill ventured into the great Redwood forest in Northern California and said, "Wow ... wow. The forests taught me valuable lessons that day. I hugged a tree and dropped down to my knees and began to cry. I never entered a Cathedral as beautiful as the ancient Redwoods."

Once she saw pictures of clear cutting done to the Redwoods by Pacifica Lumber/Maxxam Corp., Hill was determined to protect an activist sit-in tree named Luna. The name Luna was given by Earth First because they used the light of the full moon to

help people bring supplies up into the tree.

Hill thought about giving up her quest in the tree due to Maxxam's tactics used to try to make her come down. "The words in my mind told me, 'Julia, if you walk away from injustice your inaction's of the injustice are just as bad as the injustice.'"

She lived up in the 1,000-year-old tree for two years and eight days until Dec. 18, 1999, one day after she reached an agreement with the logging company to not cut down Luna and a three-acre radius surrounding the tree.

"I was inspired by her to keep going on to make a difference, to deal with problems in a different way with love and understanding and finding a common ground," said Kevin Schiebens, majoring in wildlife.

"Her inspiration makes you look around at everything you're doing in your life to make it more compatible to the world around you," said Lauren McGrath, a high school student visiting from Janesville. "From her speech, I will begin addressing my environmental campaigns with more energy and day-to-day procedures in a more sustainable effort."

Happy Volunteer Week!

A.C.T. would like to thank this
year's volunteers and
congratulate the following
volunteers on their awards.

Hunger Clean Up Awards: Amy Ecklund and the entire May Roach Team

Volunteer of the Year: Shannon Hext

Tutor of the Year: Jill Reed

School Coordinator of the Year: Nicole Wunrow.

Agency Coordinator of the Year: Jessica Coulter

Community Group Projects Organization of the Year: Theta Xi

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Protest

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rights not by where someone else's rights begin, but where our rights end," said Martha Perkins, Student Government diversity issues director and student protestor. "We were hoping there would be some men here who would see the sign and take care of the abortion problem," said Trewalla.

The protest reminded one Stevens Point taxi driver of the protesting he did with his friends when he was in college. "We took over Nelson Hall to protest the Vietnam War," he said watching the protest while waiting for people to call him for rides.

John Jury, executive director of student life, kept a watchful eye on the missionaries after receiving complaints that they were taunting and following students after they said, "No thank you" to literature being handed out.

"It looks like free speech to

me," said Jury, who didn't see any problems with what the missionaries were doing while he was observing. However, he added that students should be able to say, "No thank you," and walk away. Jury noted that the university didn't invite the missionaries to come and that they usually show up on campus every spring.

Jury said that when it looked like free speech might turn to violence Protective Services

Director Don Burling decided to call the Stevens Point Police Department to see if there were any officers in the area that could help keep the peace.

"This was generally a peaceful protest," said Protective Services officer Joyce Blader.

The Missionaries to the Preborn visited four college campuses around the state this week proclaiming their messages. According to Trewhella, they will make visits this summer in Nebraska, Colorado, Wyoming and Montana.



Photo by Luke Zancanaro

Bush

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Smith emphasizes that an economy-focused administration is necessary to foster environmental protection efforts.

"His policies are based on economic decisions. Less sound economic policies results in less sound environmental practices," said Smith. "Environment becomes a priority when our country has money."

However, the economy and environment do not play a cohesive role in Bush's politics, according to Deanna Erickson, Environmental Council president.

"He [Bush] believes that the economy and environment are separate and in competition," said Erickson. "Decisions are made, in his eyes, to benefit the economy."

According to Detwyler, this separation has catastrophic effects on the way of life of millions.

"There's a contradiction between the capitalistic class which does everything it can to accumulate profits and ordinary people whose life support system is being destroyed," said Detwyler.

Impacts of our nation's environmental policy could have a great impact on Central Wisconsin, especially Bush's stance on arsenic in drinking

water, according to Detwyler.

"There are a number of Wisconsin communities where drinking water has dangerously high levels of arsenic," said Detwyler.

According to Baeten, military spending is no substitute for safe drinking water.

"I'm glad we've increased military spending to deregulate arsenic in the water because it really tastes swell," said Baeten.

The construction of the Plover power plant raises more environmental concerns among students.

"Bush's recall of his campaign promise to limit carbon monoxide in utilities will have a direct effect on our environment once the power plant is in use," said Erickson.

However, energy needs to remain a priority in Wisconsin, according to Smith.

"We have to look at what our needs are," said Smith. "If Wisconsin suffered an energy loss like California has, a significant number of people would be out of work."

Like the UWSP community, the nation is divided on their opinions of the impact of Bush's environmental stances. According to a recent USA Today poll, Bush's approval rating is one percent higher than his disapproval rating in regard to his environmental policies.

Pointer Poll

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If you could jump into a big vat of anything what would it be?



Jessica Krueger, Jr. Sociology

I'd jump into a vat filled with people who care about issues affecting this campus.



Pete Barwin, Jr. Sociology

I'd jump into a big vat of new gloves.



Matt Smith, Sr. Land Use Planning

A big vat of money so I can pay back student loans.



Sarah Janikonski, Sr. English

Cherry jello ... mmm! That was my favorite as a kid.



Vinnie Miresse, Sr. History

Water ... just water.



Michelle Fitch, Soph. Psychology

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From the Editor's Desk

UWSP – apathy to activism

By Andrea Wetzel
EDITOR IN CHIEF

The poor turnout of last week's peace march gave the appearance that UWSP students were apathetic.

But on Monday, when a group of Milwaukee "Christians" came to campus to damn pro-choice activists and homosexuals to hell, many students united to express their opposition to the hateful slogans and visual aids the men were presenting. Rather than firing nasty comments back, the students joined hands and sang until the men packed up their turkey basters, Ken dolls and pictures of mangled fetuses and left.

Hence, the visit from the Milwaukee crew seemed to have a unifying effect – probably not what they intended.

On Wednesday afternoon, students and community members filled the Laird room beyond capacity full of students and community members to see Julia "Butterfly" Hill, the woman who lived in a tree for two years. At the beginning of her talk, Hill encouraged the audience to be



aware of the causes that affect our community. She drew specific attention to the activists in the room who have

been working, often thanklessly, to preserve our environment. Hill then encouraged the entire audience to become active in the community.

Then, Wednesday evening, the Women's Resource Center sponsored Take Back the Night. The Sundial was packed with women, men and children who were advocating an end to violence against women and all people.

After this week, one could hardly view the UWSP community as apathetic. In fact, with a little direction, this community has enough energy to take on a lot more.

If you missed any of these events, be sure to make your voice heard during the Eco-Fair, this Friday in the sundial from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m.

Be wary of genetically modified foods

Have you gone shopping lately? There are new products out in our grocery stores. Instead of fresh tomatoes from a farmer's garden or cereals made from pure grains of America's amber fields, there are tomatoes with genes of arctic swimming fish and grains crossed with genes of bacteria. Although the images these examples conjure up in one's mind may be of tomatoes with gills or oats in a petri dish under a microscope dividing, these items look like ordinary produce on the shelves next to hundreds of others just like them. What I am talking about are genetically modified foods (GMOs). They come in the form of Quaker Oat Granola Bars, Carnation Instant Breakfasts, Kraft Cheese and Macaroni, tomatoes, corn, and hundreds of other products that our community grocery stores, with the exception of the Stevens Point Co-op, provide to its customers everyday.

What is the problem with this? I cannot taste the fish in my tomatoes. The bacteria in my cereal does not make me sick. Why should I be concerned? First, everyone should be outraged that people are in laboratories taking the basic building blocks of life, genetic material, out of the cells of animals and putting them into the cells of plants and visa versa. It does not stop with plants and animals; bacteria have also been crossed with food products. Microbiologists have no right playing God. Their tinkering and manipulation of a natural process, according to health professionals and scientists can cause health threats to people who may be allergic to these new combinations of organisms. Ecologists warn that the release of modified organisms could have detrimental impacts on the local and global ecosystem. Once released, these laboratory creations may become uncontrollable and cause unforeseen damage. Genetically modified organisms pose serious ethical, health and environmental threats.

Moreover, if it is not bad enough that large corporations, like Kraft are buying genetically modified products and allowing you to risk your own health and the health of your children, then it is the

fact that they are not telling us about it. The Food and Drug Administration, Environmental Protection Agency and United States Department of Agriculture, all agencies set up to protect consumers, have not listened to the pleas of scientists, environmental groups or concerned citizens to ban GMO's from our grocery stores. They will not even make it mandatory for manufactures to label their products if they contain GMO ingredients. We are guinea pigs in our own communities.

This community needs to take action. The issue seems too large for the individual to make a difference. There are, however, many ways to get your voices heard. First, everyone needs to write to either Copps Grocery Store or County Market and let it be known that you want more non-GMO choices. Second, stop purchasing GMO food (for a grocery list of foods go to www.greanpeaceusa.org under the true food network) The stores provide what the consumers want. If the demand for GMOs drop they stop supplying it. Think of every one of your dollars as a vote. Also, you can shop at the Stevens Point Co-op. There, you are guaranteed to get only organic foods. Finally, write to the FDA, EPA, USDA and tell them that you want mandatory labeling of GMO products.

There will be a public forum on May 7 at 7p.m. in the University Center. If you would like more information, want to write letters to the grocery stores or if you want to discuss this issue with other concerned community members you are encouraged to attend.

Remember that it is up to you to take action. By making it known to local food suppliers and to government agencies that you do not want these products, you help protect the health of yourself, future generations and the integrity of the environment. After all, let us keep images of swimming tomatoes and fishy corn in our minds and off our plates.

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After 14 years of volunteers, we are still making progress!

This year's Hunger Clean Up was amazing! The big thing that everyone noticed was that Mother Nature blessed us with a beautiful day. Sunshine brought bright spirits to Stevens Point and Plover on Saturday to clean, paint and rake. Finally, after an entire year of planning and 4 months of intense phone calls, e-mails and letters we did it. Myself along with my eight coordinators: Jon Kapping, Agnes Wee, Nelli Atkinson, Nicole Nachreiner, Brendt Mueller, Crystal Cummings, Carly Sheahen and Matthew Filipiak were working down to the wire to make this event as successful as we could ever imagine. I am very proud of every one of them for putting their all into helping others. The event ran smoothly with only a few small hitches (i.e. a broken microphone and the hitch on the van).

About 150 people in 17 teams raised over \$1700 for the hungry and homeless all around the world. That is the important thing, people helping those in need. Without volunteers this event would have never happened, so from everyone at ACT we thank everyone who contributed and for being selfless and putting forth the effort to make a difference in this world. Also, thank you to Amy Ecklund who raised the most funds individually and the entire May Roach Team for raising the most funds!

I would personally like to thank everyone at ACT for helping me this entire semester. Without them behind me all the way, I would have been lost.

A special thank you to those businesses who supported the 2001 Hunger Clean Up: Hilltop, Erberts and Gerberts, Cone Corners, Blueberry Muffin, Portesi's, Little Caesars, Fazoli's, Hunan Chinese, Tempura House, Belt's, Alexander's, Dairy Queen, Michelle's, Rocky Rococo's, Altenburg's Dairy, Lotus Healing Arts, Jim Laab's Music, Arbuckles, Wooden Chair, Hardees, Holiday Inn, and Toppers.

Kristin Roberts
Director of Hunger Clean Up
Association for Community Tasks

Water bottles – don't buy blue

Recycling in Stevens Point has been in existence since 1990 when it was only a volunteer organization. For the past 11 years items have been accepted, rejected and then accepted again for recycling, depending on what recycling brokers want to buy to reuse. For those in the communities who do recycle properly, you know that the only plastics that are currently accepted are the number one and number two clear and green plastic bottles.

But what about the blue bottles? Upon investigation, we've discovered that the entire state of Wisconsin does not recycle these blue tinted plastic bottles. There is simply no market for them here. And where are these blue bottles going you may ask? To the landfills, taking up space that could be used for other items.

It's beyond us why people buy bottled water in Stevens Point (it's by far the best out of our tap). But if people must, we urge them to do their local environment a favor and don't buy blue.

Cathy Walters
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Leadership Day marred by lack of reaction

I recently participated in the 18th Laird Youth Leadership Day, a program honoring high school leaders from many schools around the state.

While many great presentations were given, the words shared by former chancellor and former Governor Lee Sherman Dreyfus were especially powerful, as he shared a message of the new America being full of diversity and how proud each of us should be for being part of a very exciting time for our nation.

However, upon leaving the Laird Day activities I was slapped hard in the face by irony.

Outside the UC on Monday afternoon was a group of what I could only describe as hate mongers. While waving Bibles in our faces while their children played with noosed Ken dolls, they showed their abhorrence for homosexuality and abortion by pushing literature featuring their version of the holy (or perhaps unholy) consequences of being homosexual and displayed graphic images depicting dead fetuses.

During their demonstration they were shouting various derogatory comments at the group of about 25 students who had formed across the street, who chose to protest by simply singing "We Shall Overcome." I experienced joy amidst hate for the 45 minutes I sang, feeling great solidarity and pride in not resorting to equally hateful measures.

Considering that this is Pride Week, I expected some sort of anti-homosexual sentiment to rear its ignorant head in some way – although I didn't expect what I experienced in our seemingly isolated community.

What was perhaps most disturbing were the reactions, or should I say lack thereof, from the general student population just passing by. It's pretty hard to ignore a group on one side of the street vocally peddling hate and a group on the other side singing, especially when you consider that to leave the University Center you must walk past all this.

Making things all the more noticeable was the presence of the Stevens Point Police Department (who handled the situation very well).

It's hard to ignore all that, yet many students did, going out of their way to avoid eye contact with any and all parties, preferring to look at the sidewalk rather than the world going on around them.

While it is true that college life is hectic and that classes, quizzes and tests make demands on our time, shouldn't we have the sense as college students and alleged intellectuals to take time out of our day to stand up for what we believe in?

Isn't it our duty as students and humans to be active and aware of issues that affect our lives? In the future, I hope that more students take a cue from the small percentage that chose to stand up for what they believe and let their voices be heard, singing or otherwise.

Matt Cephress
UWSP Student

Christians, where were you on April 23rd?

Why did we see so many of you, whom have time and time again professed your love for Christ and your life-long commitment to promote His love for even the very sinful, sitting the fence while people spewed words of hatred in Christ's name?

Why did you sit outside the University Center, square in the middle of the situation, on picnic tables, talking amongst yourselves about the decidedly ungodly situation at hand? Why did you not demonstrate the eternal love of Christ by taking a stand for what you, too, believe in?

Were you afraid that, by linking arms and joining voices, you too would be mistaken as a homosexual? A pro-lifer? Were you afraid to stand up because you didn't like seeing yourself in

agreement with those unholy sinners? Were you worried about what your buddies would say about you? Would they call you a queer? A baby killer?

You preach "what would Jesus do?" and strive to live your lives as Christ lived His, yet refuse to put aside your fears and prejudices for even a moment to proclaim the simple message that God loves, not hates. Have you been hiding behind your pamphlets and Testaments for too long? Have you forgotten what it means to truly be a Christian?

I believe it was Dante who said "the hottest places in Hell are reserved for those people who, in times of great crisis, maintain their neutrality."

BreeAnna Jatzo-McConnell
Born-Again Christian

GSA President thanks students for protest support

This past Monday, April 23, marked the first day of Pride Week for the UWSP campus. Pride Week has long been a tradition at not only UWSP, but many other college campuses across the country. What made the start of Pride Week different this year was the "interesting" activity that started it all.

On my way to the UC, a man waving pamphlets about abortion and screaming jumped in front of me on my bike in the Sundial. After recovering from almost wiping out on top of this man and continuing on my ride, I noticed a gentleman in front of the library screaming Bible verses at the top of his lungs about abortion.

I continued on my way, and proceeded down to the Gay-Straight Alliance office to relax during the lunch hour. I was quickly informed by another student that the same man who was out preaching pro-life and anti-abortion was now screaming to everyone that homosexuals were going to hell.

Upon hearing this from several students, myself and a SGA diversity issues director went to check the situation out.

From this point forward, those of you who were remotely close to the UC heard and/or saw what was going on. The group had switched their focus from pro-life issues to hateful speeches about homosexuals.

We then decided to hold hands (a group of females) to reinstate the "Silent Stand" against discrimination and hate that we had done the last week in the concourse for Diversity Week. Many more students joined us, and we then began singing "We Shall Overcome," holding hands, arms wrapped around each other, holding pride flags and various pro-choice posters from the Women's Resource Center, for over two hours.

As a student leader on campus, and as an openly lesbian student, I was very offended by the self-proclaimed religious people shouting profanities,

waving indecent makeshift Ken dolls assuming sexual positions hanging from a noose, turkey basters, and graffiti covered pride flags. The worst of all this was their small children, boys and girls, no older than six years old who were given the "God hates homos" sign to wave at us.

I was very moved and deeply touched by the number of students, faculty, staff and administrators who joined us out there to either watch, or actually join hands and sing their hearts out in chorus with over 50 others protesting this indecency on our campus. I am a strong believer that our college experience should be full of education about many differing opinions and hot topics in our world.

This helps mold us into educated citizens, and creates a sense of citizen advocacy that we all need to work for. However, when groups of leaders come onto our campus and accost our students in a manner that could only warrant defense from our student body, I have a serious problem.

I cannot express enough thanks and love to the others who stood there for two hours and sang the uniting words of "We Shall Overcome". Holding hands and symbols of our pride as gay/lesbian/bisexual/transgendered students as well as pro-choice students was the best thing that we could do to show that there is unity that lies within our student bod, and that we will not allow hate and intolerance of lifestyle choices on our campus.

Special thanks to our straight allies who joined the GSA to stand tall for their support for their GLBT friends, as well as our good friends in the Women's Resource Center for making something so hateful and disturbing into a unifying success.

Michelle L. Fitch
UWSP Gay-Straight Alliance President

Guidelines for an effective protest

This letter is directed toward anyone who may have taken part in the recent campus-wide abortion protest on Monday, April 23. In light of its disastrous nature (perhaps its members consider it a moral triumph--they shouldn't) I feel obligated to offer some suggestions and advice to advance the creation of a more effective and public-friendly demonstration.

I am in no way advocating that the laws of free speech that we all cherish should be in any way revoked, and therefore I am not calling for a ban on such protests or other such nonsense. You have every right to protest in the manner that you did, but I have rights as well. As a fellow human being, I possess the right to walk across campus without having my manhood or moral integrity questioned. When people are assaulted in such a manner, you can pretty much forget about trying to influence them on any kind of moral issue. In the future I would suggest a much more personable approach; one in which fellow human beings are regarded as such, and not as monsters of some kind for a belief they may harbor or a behavior they may practice. Here are some handy tips for more effective protests. You might want to cut this out and keep it with you during your next one.

Don't generalize. When a demonstrator implies that all col-

lege students are fornicators (I know for a fact that some are not) he will further turn the targets of the demonstration off of the cause.

Rely on sources that everyone can relate to. This may come as something of a shock, but not everyone believes that the Bible is the word of God, or a blueprint for moral standards. Quoting the Bible and using its contents to further condemn your targets is a tactics that should be avoided. Attempt to speak to your targets on a person-to-person level, and exploit their moral values, rather than those of a preachy moral edifice which even you cannot live up to.

Be fair. Shouting with a megaphone at a passersby who most likely has places to be and calling them cowards because they don't stop to defend themselves is simply unfair. If I am walking from the UC to a classroom building, chances are very good that I have a class to go to. You cannot expect people to be able to stop. I know you don't expect people to stop, anyway, and even if they did you probably would not let them get a word in edgewise. Don't be afraid of the opinions of others. If your position is as strong as you think it is, don't be a coward. Test it against those of others and see if it withstands the test.

Keep art work tasteful. I am not the only one who does not

want to see our campus adorned with graphic photographs of aborted fetuses. If you like to look at such pictures, that is your business. Please do so in the privacy of your own residence. Such tactics as these only cause anger and disgust, and not with what you are protesting, but with you! Furthermore, it is highly distasteful to display such images 50 feet from a Catholic elementary school. I remember how impressionable I was at that age. In my opinion, that borders on cruelty.

Those are just a few of the many suggestions I have for effective protests. I know I am not alone in my opinions. The majority of the student body found this last demonstration highly offensive, ineffective toward its purpose, and simply unnecessary. Remember – you catch more flies with honey than vinegar. I cannot think of better words to live by for demonstrators. Just be personable about your views and keep in mind that many of us feel just as strongly about ours, and are highly insulted by protests resembling this recent one. Cherish the gifts of our first amendment and use them, but don't abuse them. I guarantee you will win more respect for yourself and your opinions.

Aaron Marx
UWSP Student

Moving out...and back in

Seven ways to ease the spring clean

By John Adams

ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

Ah, spring... Students are preparing for exams after a long hard Wisconsin winter. Old friends you haven't seen in six months emerging from their dens for graduation parties. And, of course, moving out.

While the end of the spring semester is always one of the most exciting times of the year (especially for seniors), it can also be the most stressful. But it doesn't have to be. With a few easy preparations, you'll have more time to go out and party.

"Three removes is as bad as a fire."

- Ben Franklin

1. Throw things away before you move. If you don't know if you'll need it, you probably won't. When moving out of a dorm, apartment or house, discard your beer can pyramid and any other junk you know you will never use again.

2. If other people are helping you move, make a written inventory of your goods. Some universities have people available to help you move your stuff from the car to your room. This is to speed up the moving-in process and get people off the lawn. If you know someone will be helping, an inventory will help you protect your stuff. Carry any valuables yourself.

3. Don't pack books or papers in large boxes. While one book doesn't seem that heavy, a pile of books in a box can weigh a lot. All heavy lifting should be done with another person and you should lift with your back straight and your legs bent. Never bend way over to pick up a box.

4. Organize. This is so easy to do and it will make your life a lot easier in your new home. You will tend to forget what you packed and where, so it's a good idea to put clothes in one box, cooking utensils in another, etc., and label them.

5. Clean thoroughly. When moving out of an apartment or house, be courteous. This will greatly improve your chances of getting your security deposit back. Pay special attention to the appliances and windowsills.

6. Arrange for basic services before you move in the fall. Telephone, utilities (gas, electricity, water), garbage pickup and cable. When all the college students move back after the summer, these companies get swamped with work orders. It may take as long as a month or more to get these services if you don't plan ahead.

7. When unpacking, don't get overwhelmed. Take your time. Unpacking will take much longer than you will expect. Nothing seems to fit right and you will end up rearranging ten times before the summer is over. But just think, that's the fun part!

Danstage graces center stage

By Katie Harding

FEATURES EDITOR

Danstage, UWSP's annual spring dance season is scheduled to take place the weekends of May 4-6 and May 10-12.

Each spring semester, dance faculty and guest artists generate the two-week *Danstage* season, supplying students with essential professional rehearsal and performance training.

This year's performance includes two vigorous works.

The first routine is choreographed by Billy Siegenfeld, artistic director of the jump rhythm jazz project (JRJP). Siegenfeld is a three-time National Endowment for the Arts grant recipient.

UWSP lecturer Mary Fehrenbach was motivated by a series of poems written by UWSP theatre professor Ellen Margolis. This work, set to a patchwork of sundry tunes, movement and content, discovers the life lessons and memories of two women who ponder flight and gravity as images of freedom, acceptance and grace.

"There really is a wide range of dance—tap, jazz, modern—something for everyone to enjoy," said Fehrenbach.

Other UWSP professors involved include dance professors Susan Gingrasso, Joan Karlen and James Moore.

Gingrasso employs eighteen performers to take a droll look at how people prompt action and mingle with the world through prepositions.

Karlen choreographs and directs a new piece combining live dance and projected video images.

Moore choreographs *Romp* where a mix of performers dance their hearts out with exuberance and wit.

Many UWSP students majoring in theatre and dance perform in *Danstage*.

"*Danstage* is a fascinating combination of style

and emotion celebrated through movement," said freshman Alexis Hinkle (pictured above).

UWSP senior dance major Edward Oroyan choreographs *Golfball Hunting*, an idea that came from the need to pull the audience directly into the action. The work centers on the fullness of life ... with a twist of martial arts.

Candace Jablonski, UWSP junior dance major, choreographs *A Little of This, a Little of That*. The piece, devoid of music, depends on the rhythms, voices, and personalities of the performers. Audience participation is a must.

Dance on Camera, a New York-based festival will preview 45 minutes before each *Danstage* performance.

The oldest dance film and video festival in the world, the program includes dance pieces created for the camera from Denmark, New Zealand, Australia, Canada, the UK, France and the US.

Following each viewing, there will be an opportunity to discuss the program with faculty members and students from dance, visual arts, video production and music departments.

Innovative video works created by UWSP students will be projected in the Fine Arts Center courtyard during *Danstage* intermissions. The videos are by students of Joan Karlen, professor of theatre and dance, who teaches camera dance and digital video editing.

The 2001 tour is co-sponsored by the College of Fine Arts and Communication, the Department of Theatre and Dance and Centertainment Productions.

For more information about *Danstage*, contact *Danstage* intern, Stephanie Dietzen at 344-5046.

For more information about Dance on Camera, contact Joan Karlen at 346-3982.



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Alexis Hinkle, Desiree Olafson, Danielle Laurion and Ryann Nelson rehearse *Too Close For Comfort*, a piece from *Danstage*.

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The straight angle

A straight ally's perspective on Pride Week and the Gay-Straight Alliance

By Laura Rogers
FEATURES REPORTER

I have always admired the work of John Lennon. As a kid I used to wish I had been alive in the 60s so I could have protested, gotten involved in important issues and stood up for what I believed in. I would have been a freedom fighter.

Then I came to college and I realized one doesn't have to be in the 60s to protest, get involved in important issues and stand up for one's beliefs. And I am a freedom fighter.

This year I have been an active member of the Gay-Straight Alliance (GSA).

Too many people miss the straight alliance part of our organization. Everyone is welcome in GSA. We're a group of students, straight and gay, who support each other and gather to talk about things that affect our lives as students, young people and members of this community. We've discussed such topics as healthy relationships, depression, stress management, safe sex and religion. We also just get together and have fun.

I had known for as long as I've known who I am, in fact, straight, that I firmly believe in the fair and equal treatment of all people, regardless of who they happen to love.

While it was an issue I was adamant about all through high school, I was a little apprehensive about attending GSA meetings. I thought that to believe in equal rights was enough. Why should I spend my time going to meetings to show my friends I support them? I can tell them just as easily.

Then I started attending GSA meetings. I was among open-minded people who shared many of my beliefs and ideas. I found we had much more in common than we had differences

to separate us.

Through all our joys and sorrows I know I've found a group of people I will remain friends with for a long time, and I will never forget the impact they've had on my life.

When people talk about the gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgendered and ally community, they're talking about us. We are just that— a community, and I'm proud to be a part of it.

When people don't understand why I find myself among this group of friends I have to explain—I don't have gay friends; I have friends that are gay.

I don't want attention or congratulations for my commitment to GSA or for the beliefs that I have just because I'm straight.

I do want to make the other allies on campus aware that it's okay to speak out. You don't have to dive in head first and take up official duties, but it is important for us to let all of our friends support them, and *showing* people you are with them does so much more than telling.

At times it is difficult to actively be an ally. But if being a freedom fighter was easy, more people would be free of fear, free of hate and free of oppression.

We can take a lesson from the snowflakes that are all too often visiting central Wisconsin in mid-April. No two of them are alike, but when they work together, they can change the color of the world. We too can change the world if we stand up for what we believe in and get involved.

Now that it's Pride Week, one might wonder, where do the allies fit in? I consider Pride Week a week of celebration of personal pride that everyone can be a part of, and I'm very excited to share my pride with everyone.

Spotlight trivia

- Which 80s group had a hit with *Every Breath You Take*?
a. Def Leppard
b. The Police
c. Van Halen
d. AC/DC
- Who plays the lead role of R.P. McMurphy in *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest*?
a. Danny DeVito
b. Christopher Lloyd
c. Michael Douglas
d. Jack Nicholson
- Who plays Stephen King's *Firestarter*?
a. Molly Ringwald
b. Justine Bateman
c. Drew Barrymore
d. Tracy Gold
- "Redrum" is muttered by a character from
a. *Salem's Lot*
b. *It*
c. *The Stand*
d. *The Shining*
- Who plays Claudia in 1994's *Interview With the Vampire*?
a. Heather Graham
b. Kirsten Dunst
c. Denise Richards
d. Julia Stiles
- Edward Norton plays a deceitful inmate defended by Richard Gere in
a. *Pretty Woman*
b. *An Officer and a Gentleman*
c. *Primal Fear*
d. *Private Benjamin*
- Julia Roberts, Kevin Bacon and William Baldwin play experimental medical students in
a. *Flatliners*
b. *Footloose*
c. *Gross Anatomy*
d. *Backdraft*
- Who plays Travis Bickle, the lead character in Martin Scorsese's *Taxi Driver*?
a. Al Pacino
b. Harvey Keitel
c. Robert De Niro
d. Kevin Spacey
- Who gained 30 pounds to play a baseball coach in *A League of Their Own*?
a. Hugh Grant
b. John Cusack
c. Kevin Costner
d. Tom Hanks
- Who plays Dinky in *Welcome Home, Roxy Carmichael*?
a. Winona Ryder
b. Gwyneth Paltrow
c. Courteney Cox
d. Demi Moore

1. b-The Police; 2. d-Jack Nicholson; 3. c-Drew Barrymore; 4. d-The Shining; 5. b-Kirsten Dunst; 6. c-Primal Fear; 7. a-Flatliners; 8. c-Robert De Niro; 9. d-Tom Hanks; 10. a-Winona Ryder.

Jam for Hunger slated for Wednesday

By Casey Krautkramer
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

The first annual Jam for Hunger, co-sponsored by Wellness in Action and Centertainmanet Productions, is scheduled for next week.

The event will feature local bands, dance pieces and poetry readings with all nonperishable food items going to Operation Bootstrap and money proceeds assisting Unicef.

"I believe we as students and as Americans, have a need for greater awareness of issues going on outside of Stevens Point," says Krissy Buchholz, event organizer. "Jam for Hunger is a great opportunity for us to step outside of our self-contained bubbles and educate ourselves."

Buchholz notes, "The statistics are shocking. The wealthiest fifth of the world's people consume an astonishing 86% of all goods and services, and we don't even think twice about it most of the time. Eight hundred million people are malnourished, and 30,500 children die each day from preventable diseases, with malnutrition claiming half of these. I think we forget sometimes how exceptionally fortunate we are."

Jam for Hunger will be held on Wednesday, May 2 at 8 p.m. in the UC Laird Room. Students have the choice of either paying \$3 at the door or bringing nonperishable food items for entrance into the event. The bands will play a range of music from ska to rock to drumming to folk.

Wellness in Action, a new organization on campus this year, is a volunteer organization made up of students who wish to increase awareness and act as activists for community and international health issues.

"Although the problems in our world are extensive, we can make a difference," says Buchholz. "Even the smallest contribution helps."

If people are unable to make it to Jam for Hunger, they can stop by and drop off food or a small donation.

"We have a marvelous and talented line-up for the evening. It should be exciting and fun," adds Buchholz.

"I found that the men and women who got to the top were those who did the jobs they had in hand, with everything they had of energy and enthusiasm and hard work."

-Harry Truman



Members of GSA masquerade as common stereotypes of lesbians and homosexuals on Monday during Pride Week.

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Softball team drops pair at Eau Claire

By Craig Mandli
SPORTS REPORTER

Continuing to battle the elements and inconsistency, the UW-Stevens Point softball team continued its downward slide last weekend by dropping its only two games in the UW-Eau Claire Invitational, to UW-Superior and UW-Eau Claire.

In the first game, a heart-breaking 4-3 loss to Superior, UWSP out hit Superior 7-6, but by giving up two unearned runs in the seventh inning, took its ninth loss of the season.

Stevens Point struck first in the third inning, with junior first baseman Nikki Best scoring on an error by Superior second baseman Anna Quilty. Later in the inning, senior second baseman Kelly Rutta scored on a fielder's choice by senior right fielder Cari Briley.

In the sixth inning, freshman shortstop Nichole Alexander scored on an error by Yellow Jacket shortstop Jill Menart to give Stevens Point a one-run lead.

However, in the seventh inning things started unfolding for the Pointers. After giving up a walk to Menart to start the inning, a costly two-base error by Alexander put runners on second and third. Superior right fielder Jamie Busche then smashed a single to center field to score Menart, tying the game. Superior catcher Casey Morris then hit an infield grounder, scoring third baseman Theresa Williams from third for the walk-off victory.

Taking the pitching loss for the Pointers was Karen Guckenberger, evening her record to 6-6.

After their disheartening loss to Superior, UWSP had to again take the field for a game against host UW-Eau Claire.

Perhaps weary from their battle earlier in the day, Point scuffled along until the seventh inning, with their only run coming off an RBI double by Alexander.

However, Point made things interesting in the seventh when sophomore third baseman Brooke Woller smashed a three-run homer to make the score 5-4.

That was the closest that Point got, though, with Best and designated hitter Emily Schlender hitting consecutive groundouts to end the game.

Taking her second loss of the day was Guckenberger, whose record dropped under .500 for the first time all season at 6-7, despite her 0.80 ERA.

The Pointers face UW-La Crosse at 4 p.m. on Thursday, in La Crosse.

Baseball team wins sixth straight

Pointers earn sweeps of Stout, Superior and Edgewood College

By Dan Mirman
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

If a team's record in close games reflects how good they are then the UW-Stevens Point baseball team (4-2, 21-8) took a big step towards solidifying itself as a team to reckon with. Point won all six of its games last weekend which included four one-run victories.

In a Monday doubleheader against Edgewood College, the Pointers would need every run they scored as they won both games by a 7-6 margin.

In the first game, Point entered the sixth inning trailing by a score of 6-5, but solo home runs by Jon Jagler and Randy Reed gave the Pointers a lead they would not give up.

Eric Schlender (3-2) pitched three innings in relief to pick up the victory and Jared Szeus pitched the final inning to pick up his fourth save.

In the second game, the Pointers staked themselves to a 7-2 lead through four innings keyed by a two-run homer from Sam Molski and a grand slam from Randy Reed. Point then held on to win despite a four-run seventh inning from Edgewood that almost saw them tie the game up.

Jeremy Mueller pitched the win, allowing just two runs in six strong innings while striking out seven. Szeus came in to record

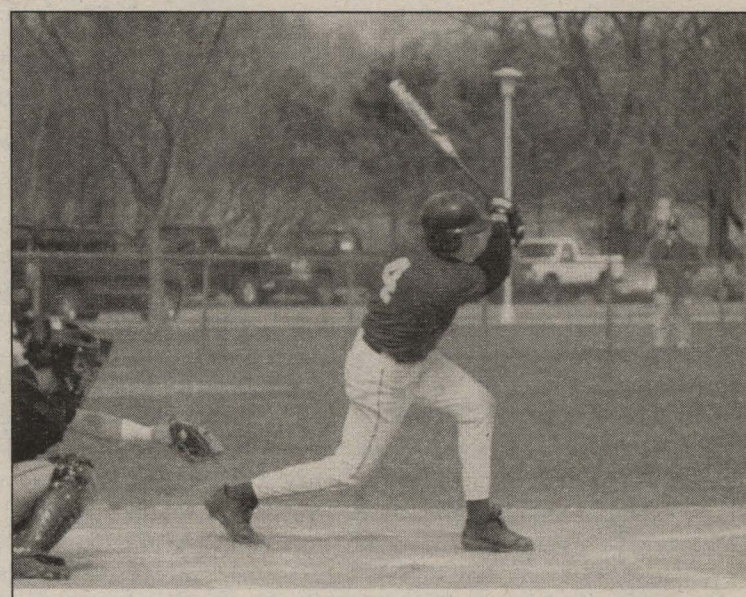


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Paul Molitor takes his cuts at the plate during UWSP's win over Edgewood College Monday afternoon at University Field.

the final out and pick up the save.

Point made sure to bring its bats to Saturday's conference double dip with UW-Superior. The Pointers pounded out 40 runs on 38 hits with eight of the hits coming via home run.

Sparked by an Eric Bennett grand slam in the third inning, Point jumped out to a 7-1 lead after four innings. But Superior came back with a five-run sixth inning that included a grand slam of their own by Pat Davy to trim the lead to one. However, Point came right back scoring 11 runs in the next two innings for an 18-6 victory.

Jeff Pieper went the distance for Point to improve his record to a sparkling 4-0 on the season.

The Pointers went off in the second game as they scored 12 runs in the first inning. Point hit three home runs in the inning including a grand slam by Molski who added a two-run homer in the fifth inning. Also leaving the yard for Point were Pat McCann, Nick Cahoon and Paul Molitor.

Josh Blaha (2-0) pitched six innings and gave up six hits while striking out three to pick up the victory.

On Friday, Point faced a

UW-Stout team that came in with just one loss in 16 games.

UWSP grabbed an early 2-1 lead on a pair of solo homers by Bennett and Jagler through five innings. Point then went on to score five runs in the next three innings to grab a 7-5 lead. In the bottom of the ninth, Szeus was able get out of a bases loaded jam and strand three runners to win 7-6.

Troy Bielmeier (3-3) pitched 8 1/3 innings striking out seven to record the win.

The second contest required an extra inning of work to decide a winner. Trailing by a score of 5-4 heading into the bottom of the tenth inning, Point mounted a comeback. Pinch runner Jim Olafson scored on a wild pitch, and then with two outs Bennett singled to score Ryan Ivey and complete the sweep.

Bill Verbrick (3-2) pitched all 10 innings for Point and placed himself in the record books with 13 strikeouts, the second best single game total ever.

Point continues WIAC play this Friday as it hosts UW-Whitewater beginning at 1 p.m. With a sweep, UWSP would overtake Whitewater in the conference standings.

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1. Madhops
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1. Allstars
2. Soccer Dawgz
3. The Returners

Women's Indoor Volleyball

1. Alabama Slammers
2. Rock Stars
3. Fearless Frolickers

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2. Point Specials
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Wind, heat hamper track and field teams

Men second, women fourth at Augustana

By Nick Brilowski
SPORTS EDITOR

Throughout the spring sports season, UW-Stevens Point athletic teams have had to contend with adverse weather conditions. A prolonged winter, cold temperatures and the ensuing rain have made life difficult.

A combination of 80 degree temperatures and windy conditions Saturday at the Meet of Champions at Augustana College caused performances to be subpar for the Pointer track and field teams.

The men's team finished in second place with 183.5 points, behind first place UW-Oshkosh's 212 points. The UWSP women turned in a fourth place performance (182.5) as host Augustana took the title (295).

"The conditions were not very good," men's coach Rick Witt said. "None of the performances were what I would call stellar."

Despite the below average times in the running events, Witt said that he was pleased with the performances in some of the field events.

"I was real happy with what the throwers did," he said. "I think that was the highlight of the meet."

Jeremiah Rolfs highlighted the throwers by finishing first in the discus with a provisionally qualifying mark of 160 feet, 7 inches.

Aaron Carley provided another first in a field event by taking the title in the triple jump (43 feet, 8 1/2 inches).

Eric Miller proved to be an

exception for the Pointers in the running events with strong performances in the sprints. Miller won the 200 meters (21.85) and provisionally qualified with his second place in the 100 (10.73).

"Eric had a good day," Witt commented. "The wind didn't bother the sprints as much as it did some of the other events."

"Anything that had to go all the way around the track was not good."

UWSP's other first came in the 4x400 meter relay (3:20.69).

On the women's side, Leah Juno continued her stellar senior season, winning the 1,500 meters by 14 seconds to set a new meet record (4:35.84).

Becky Lebak was the only other individual champion for UWSP, leading three Pointers atop the 3,000 meters with a time of 10:17.24. April Halkoski finished second for Point while Marcie Fisher came in third.

UWSP will split up its squads this weekend with many of those who have qualified for Nationals heading to the Drake Relays in Des Moines, Iowa. The remainder of the men will head to the UW-Eau Claire Invitational while the women travel to the UW-La Crosse Invitational.

With the WIAC Championships just over a week away, Witt said that the team still has some work to do since the weather is finally beginning to warm up.

"We've still got a couple of things we want to accomplish," he stated. "At least the last week or so we've been able to get outside."

Lacrosse gets conference win

Last weekend the UW-Stevens Point lacrosse club team ventured to Iowa in search of its first conference victory of the season. Although the trip to the Iowa State University campus was long and the waysides in Iowa have no bathrooms, the team managed to succeed in winning their first conference game.

On Saturday, a depleted Point team faced off against a very large team in the St. John (Minn.) After the first period, Point found itself down 2-1. Despite only having one sub, the team tapped into some reserve energy and went on a torrid scoring streak in the second period. Point scored six of its seven goals in a matter of minutes taking complete control of the match and a 7-2 lead into halftime.

In the second half, St. John's made a run scoring three goals, bringing the score to 7-5. But the last onslaught of Johnnies was brought to a halt by the goaltending of Jason Komorowski. In the end, UWSP had won its first conference game by a 7-5 margin.

The second game of the weekend was played on Sunday against talented Bethel College. Just like in the game on Saturday, the Pointers went into halftime with a lead, the score being 7-4. In this game, Bethel was just too much. It scored nine unanswered goals to send the Pointers to a 13-7 loss. Despite the loss, the Pointers were in high spirits after getting a conference victory during the last weekend of conference play.

The Pointers finished the conference season with a 1-7 record and are 5-13 overall. This weekend the team travels to Green Bay for a non-conference game. On Saturday, May 5, make sure to come watch as UWSP hosts a contest on the Intramural Fields.

Pitching in to clean the community



Submitted photo

Pointer football player Wally Schmitt helps pick up litter as part of the recent campus clean-up that the UW-Stevens Point athletic teams participated in. In all, 20 bags of garbage were collected. The Student-Athlete Advisory Committee also headed a food drive that collected items to be donated to Portage County Family Services.

Want the latest in UWSP, college and professional sports? Then watch Sportsline every Thursday at 7 p.m. only on STV

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Come to the Sundial on April 27 between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. to dunk your favorite (eh-hem....or least favorite) professors!! The CNR dunk-a-thon is sponsored by American Water Resources Association (AWRA) and helps out some of the many CNR organizations on campus. The cost is just \$2 for 2 balls or \$3 for 4 balls with the proceeds benefiting CNR organizations.

- 10:00 **Dr. Michael Hansen**, Fisheries Society
- 11:00 **Dr. James Cook**, Fire Crew and Forestry
- 12:00 **Dr. Bryant Browne**, Soil and Water Conservation Society and AWRA
- 1:00 **Dr. Ron Hensler**, SWCS
- 2:00 **Dr. Eric Anderson**, Wildlife Society
- 3:00 **Dr. Earl Spangenberg**, American Water Resource Association
- 4:00 **Sue Kissinger**, Women in Natural Resources

Here is how it works: the schedule above shows the seven professors involved and next to their name is the student organization that they are the faculty advisor for. Each student organization will get at least 30% of the money made during the hour that their faculty advisor is in "the tank." This is a great opportunity to help out the various CNR organizations and DUNK THE PROFS!!

So make sure to mark your calendar to dunk your favorite prof at this year's Earth Day celebration in the Sundial on Friday, April 27.

The Week Ahead...

Track and Field: At Drake Relays, Friday and Saturday; At UW-Eau Claire Invitational (Men), Saturday; At UW-La Crosse Invitational (Women), Saturday.

Baseball: UW-Whitewater, Friday, 1 p.m.; At UW-Platteville, Saturday, 12 p.m.

Softball: At UW-La Crosse, Thursday, 4 p.m.; At UW-River Falls Invitational, Saturday and Sunday; **Marian College, Tuesday, 3 p.m.**

All Home Games in Bold

UWSP names athletes of the year

Five athletes who all earned Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference championships during the past year have been honored as UW-Stevens Point's Athletes of the Year for their performances during the 2000-01 school year.

Men's swimmer Randy Boelk and cross country and track runner Jesse Drake shared the men's individual sport honor, while cross country and track runner Leah Juno was the women's individual sport selection. Soccer player Marie Muhvic was the top women's team sport athlete and men's basketball player Joe Zuiker was the top men's team sport athlete. The awards are selected by the entire UW-Stevens Point coaching staff.

Boelk, an Embarrass, Minn. native, won all seven of his events to lead the Pointers to their second straight WIAC men's swimming championship. Boelk set the WIAC career record with 23 career titles, which is five more than any other swimmer in conference history. He finished his career with a school-record 26 All-American honors.

Drake, a Rhinelander native, was named the NCAA Division III indoor track Athlete of the Year after winning the national championship in the 5,000 meters. He was also the WIAC champion in the event and won the individual title at the WIAC

cross country championships.

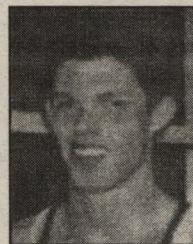
Juno, a Brillion native, won her second career national title by claiming the indoor 800 meters after winning the outdoor title last spring. Juno was named the Division III Midwest Region indoor track Athlete of the Year after leading the Pointers to their highest national finish in school history at fourth place.

Muhvic, a Stevens Point native, was the first-ever WIAC Player of the Year this past season after leading the soccer team to its fourth straight conference title and a berth in the Division III final four. Muhvic is the conference's all-time leading scorer with 74 goals and 173 points despite playing just three seasons since transferring.

Zuiker, a Port Edwards native, had the second-highest field goal percentage in WIAC men's basketball history at 65.2 percent while helping the Pointers to their second straight conference title.

Also, four athletes were selected as the school's freshman Athletes of the Year. Swimmer Alissa Bartz was the women's individual sport selection and soccer player Jenny Bruce was the women's team sport honoree. Cross country runner Curt Johnson was the top men's individual sport newcomer and men's basketball player Neal Krajnik captured men's team sport honors.

Senior Spotlight Mike Mead – Track



Mead

UWSP Career Highlights

- National Champion in high jump at NCAA Division III Indoor Championships (2000)
- Ranks third in record book in UWSP history in the high jump (6'10 3/4")

Major– Business Administration

Hometown– Neenah, Wis.

Most memorable moment– Winning the National Championship in the high jump after not competing the year before.

Who was your idol growing up?– Carl Lewis. He was just an awesome athlete and an awesome person. He was able to keep a good balance between the two.

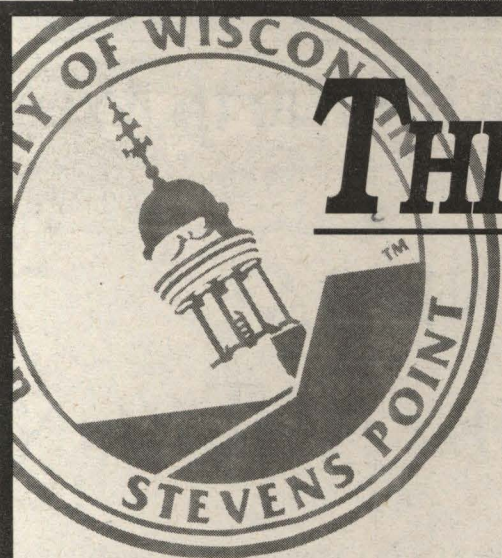
What are your plans after graduation?– To move somewhere down South and take a job somewhere in Florida.

What is your favorite aspect of track?– Meeting new people, traveling and seeing new places.

Biggest achievement in track– Winning the National Championship in the high jump.

Most embarrassing moment– Running naked downtown in the Square.

What will you remember most about running track at UWSP?– The positive relationship that I gained with Coach Witt.



THE WEEK IN POINT!

THURSDAY, APRIL 26

CP! Club/Variety presents: Open Mic, 8:00 PM - 10:00 PM, The Encore, UC

FRIDAY, APRIL 27

UWSP Earth Week/Eco-Fair, 11:00 AM - 6:00 PM, Sundial

CP! Cinema presents: Snatch, 7:00 PM & 9:30 PM, Laird Room, UC

SATURDAY, APRIL 28

Schmeeckle Reserve presents: "Wild Food Sampler," 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM, Schmeeckle Reserve Visitor Center

CP! Special Events presents: Clay Workshop "A Class for Children", 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM, Room A113, Fine Arts Center

Portage County Cultural Festival, SPASH

SUNDAY, APRIL 29

Schmeeckle Reserve presents: "Tell Me a Story," 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM, Schmeeckle Reserve Visitor Center

Suzuki Solo Recitals, 2:00 PM and 3:30 PM, Michelsen Hall, Fine Arts Center

Performing Arts Series, Crazy For You, (musical comedy), 4:00 PM, Sentry Theater

Schmeeckle Reserve presents: "Primitive Fire Building," 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM, Schmeeckle Reserve Visitor Center

MONDAY, APRIL 30

Percussion Ensemble, 7:30 PM, Michelsen Hall, Fine Arts Center

TUESDAY, MAY 1

Festival of the Arts, 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM, Courtyard, Fine Arts Center

WEDNESDAY, MAY 2

StWEA presents: How to Incorporate Laughing in your Classroom, "Vitamin L: Do you get your daily dose?", 6:00 PM, Room 116 CPS

JAZZ NIGHT, 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM, Basement Brewhaus, University Center

Symphony Orchestra, 7:30 PM, Michelsen Hall, Fine Arts Center

For Further Information Please Contact the Campus Activities Office at 346-4343

Spring fishing has sprung

By Ryan Naidl
ASSISTANT OUTDOORS EDITOR

Anticipation begins to swell as we near the official start of Wisconsin's inland fishing season. With the DNR implementing steady improvements on Wisconsin waters, the potential for fishing success continues to increase.

This year's season will kick off in just over a week on Saturday, May 5 at 5 a.m. Anglers fishing for anything from muskie to trout will again have their opportunity to land a trophy.

Muskie hunters across the state can expect a bounty of excellent prospects for the 2001 season. Fishing for muskies

placed on many of the state's muskie waters.

Bass fishermen can also expect an increase in size depending on the body of water being fished. Sixty-eight lakes in the state now have an 18-inch size limit, certainly increasing the population of bigger fish in those bodies of water. The huge 22-inch size limit and a catch and release season until June 16 for both large and smallmouth bass in Lake Superior has contributed to the world-class bass fishery on Chequamegon Bay near Ashland, Wisc. Many fishermen around the state are now practicing catch and release with fish even bigger than the posted size limit and this practice will encourage bigger

allowed more areas to be fished. This year's opening day should provide better action as more areas have not seen the pressure of early season anglers. For those fishing the early season, remember that there will be a 5-day rest period on all inland trout streams in the state beginning on April 30.

Opening day is a blessed time of year for many outdoorsmen and women. Whatever fish species you're targeting, this year's season should provide the opportunity to land some great fish. Tight lines to all of you opening day warriors!

National fishing mags frustrate local fishermen

By Steve Seamandel
OUTDOORS EDITOR

Have you ever walked past the magazine rack in a store and been totally engulfed by the cover? So much that you bought it and raced home just to read it? Most outdoorspeople have. But how many times have you read through a magazine that covers fishing and hunting spots nowhere near the Midwest? Unfortunately, all too often.

I used to be an avid reader of *In Fisherman* and a smaller publication, *Fishing Facts*. As I grew up, I constantly noted how the bass always seemed to be biting in Georgia, Tennessee or Florida but nowhere around Wisconsin, Michigan, Minnesota or else anywhere in the Midwest. Northern and walleye fishing was always hot in Canada, but again, never around the Midwest. Finally, I became so discouraged that I stopped reading these magazines. I was never going to take a fishing trip to Tennessee, so why waste my money on magazines that only talked about places that I will never visit?

Fortunately, I have discovered a few nice local fishing magazines. The afore-mentioned *Fishing Facts* does run a split magazine where they feature both north and south editions. Occasionally, there were even stories about Wisconsin and Upper Michigan.

There are also plenty of Wisconsin based magazines popping up, so many that there are too many to list here. Some are very basic and rough, almost in a newspaper or newsletter type form, while some are just as good as any other nationally published outdoors magazine.

It's just always been frustrating at this time of the year when I go to the store and browse magazines by the cover and later discover that there is little content that actually suits my needs. There are plenty of good choices out there that will both satisfy your spring fishing cravings and also give you the tips you're looking for on area lakes, not the ones 1,000 miles away.



Photo submitted by author

below Highway 10 will open on May 5th while the northern muskie zone will have to wait till May 26th. Though the elusive muskie has been nicknamed the fish of 10,000 casts, in reality it takes the average angler 50 hours to land a fish over 30 inches according to the Wisconsin DNR. Odds of catching a big fish continue to improve as a size limit of 40 inches or bigger has now been

and better fish populations.

Although trout fishing has had an early season, open since March 3 of this year, numerous trout waters of the state have gone untouched since September of last year, due to stricter regulations concerning waters opened during the early season. The experimental early season that was in effect the last three years had regulations that

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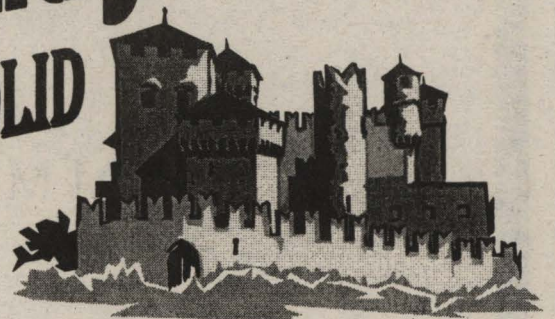
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Spring planning for summer camping

By Steve Seamandel
OUTDOORS EDITOR

Now that we've all been treated to a brief taste of warmer weather, it's inevitable to think about summer activities. One of the most popular activities is also one that requires incredible amounts of planning and preparation – camping.

First off, now is the ideal time for campers to make a checklist of necessities. Waiting until the week before your adventure to purchase items is never a good idea. By doing it now, you'll not only have a better selection, but you'll also be able to compare prices and find your preferable color or style.

Of course camping would not be camping without a tent. They vary greatly in size, shape and price so it's best to consider your needs as well as what you like. Be sure to look for a tent with a good rain-fly and something that is easy to get in and out of. Also, be sure to investigate prices before diving into something that is overpriced. Great deals are usually available at stores like Target and Wal-Mart. For the more rugged campers who need heavy duty materials, stores like Gander Mountain and REI will best suit your needs.

One luxury while on the road is having controlled fire. Camp stoves are fairly inexpensive and also offer the convenience of easy cooking while roughing it. There are many different features on camp stoves like

electric starter, number of burners and durability, all of which will all depend on what your specific needs are. Last year I purchased a two burner Coleman camp stove, about the most basic one you can get, for \$50. Propane for the stoves is also inexpensive, running at about \$2 per can or a four pack for around \$5.

Coolers are also a necessity for those on the road for more than a day or two. Coolers have come a long way since the "old-fashioned" 10-gallon tubs that would take up half of your trunk. There are all different types



and sizes of coolers now, most of which feature a zip top with insulation on the inside. Many of the nicer ones will feature a zip top with a harder plastic casing on the inside to prevent leaking of melted ice or other liquids. These are very compact and not as cumber-

some as the bulkier hard-shell coolers, and cheaper as well. You can buy a cooler that will hold a 12-pack of cans as well as a few sandwiches for a mere \$10.

Of course, the camping list can go on and on. Camping is the one area in shopping that will offer the most accessories and add-ons. You'll need pots, pans and cooking utensils to go with the camp stove and ice packs to go with the cooler. Most importantly, it's pertinent to remember rain gear and mosquito repellent. Wisconsin natives all know that summer in Wisconsin means two things: rain and mosquitoes. It's best to wander around the camping section in a store a few times before making your list so you can think about what you'll need for your trip.

After getting all of your gear together, you'll obviously need a place to camp. Wisconsin is chock full of good parks for camping. Some of the best are right in the central Wisconsin area and extend southwest to the Dells area. The Dells not only offers beautiful settings and campsites but also endless (although very tourist heavy) recreation with Noah's Ark and other tourist traps. A map of Wisconsin that shows all of the state parks can be found at <http://wis-northwoods.com/parkmap.html>.

Although camping in Wisconsin does require a lot of planning and spending, once you're out in the woods with a few days of activities set up, you'll be hooked for life.

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Letters from the edge of the world

Force of Hobbit

By Pat "Olorin" Rothfuss
Welder of the flame of Anor

Dear Pat,

As a graduating senior of nine years, many of which were spent passing you on campus or in Herman's Phil Klub, I am a bit concerned as to how my life will unfold without the influence of Pat Rothfuss in my life. I have made it through brief periods (nine months at the most) without any sort of connection to you, but I must admit that rashes started forming and nervous ticks began interrupting my conversations. I realize that I'm probably not the only one in my situation here.

LFTEOTW has kept me quite pacified for some time now, but as I too am leaving this campus, that will no longer be an option. My remedy: Get an official "I am not Pat Rothfuss" t-shirt to help me through those times of withdrawal and to avoid obvious identity confusion as I peruse the planet.

My only concern with this is the color. I prefer white, but any color other than neon-green will do. My fear is that if the shirt is neon-green, I might get confused with one of "Justin's friends" (a neon-green t-shirt wearing Koresh-style Christian cult on campus with "Justin" as

the "prophet.") This raises the likelihood of me taking a bullet. Thank you for your help.

namas te,

Aaron

P.S. I don't expect you to remember me, so don't feel bad.

namas te,

Hey! Aaron! Sure I remember you. You're that...guy. With the...thing.

Seriously though, I don't doubt I'd recognize you, especially if you used to be in Herman's Phil Klub. But I'm really bad with names. I've had 50 students this semester. (And by "had" I mean, "had in my class" by which I mean, "I taught them things" by which I mean, "I didn't touch them no matter what anyone says") and I still can't remember all their names. I never forget a face, though. I don't doubt that if I saw you I'd say, "Aaahhaahhaagghh!!" or something.

I've learned to cope with my faulty name-memory over the years by referring to all my friends with the nickname "Westley." For similar reasons, since about 1997 I've called my girlfriends by the

same pet name. Either "Cookie butt" or "Smeagol" depending on their anatomy, my mood, and the atmospheric conditions at the time. I'm passing this along for the benefit of my similarly name-impaired readers. Forgetting a friend's name can be embarrassing, but forgetting a girlfriend's name, (especially in the heat of...heat) can be catastrophic. I tell you, I must have gone through three girlfriends before I figured that out.

Speaking of tricks, here's one for all those unfortunate souls who are graduating and moving away from Stevens Point's nurturing womb. You can subscribe to *The Pointer*. I get it out here in Washington. Then use it to make Jesus piñatas that I fill with spaghetti and distribute to the neighborhood kids.

I have cleverly anticipated your color concern by making the T-shirts many colors. By 'many colors' I mean white. I've always been partial to white. It serves as a beginning. White cloth may be dyed. The white page can be overwritten, etc, etc. Just remember. "He who breaks a thing to find out what it is has really screwed himself." I tell you, I must have gone through three girlfriends before I figured that out.

This Justin thing sounds like a disturbing campus trend. Is he attempting to found a religion on the campus I have

claimed as my rightful...um...campus. Now I'm not threatening anyone, but my religion is in a rather tender formative stage right now, and I'm suspecting that most of its adherents are pretty unstable people. So if someone's not careful he just might end up with a Jihad on his hands.

So I say unto you, beware false prophets who preach spurious doctrine. Beware unrefrigerated cookie dough. Beware the ides of March. Beware putting your tongue on people who don't read my column. Beware his voice, he has powers that you do not guess. Beware Amway representatives with special introductory offers. Beware girls who say they're 19 but who don't have any photo ID. (I tell you...) These are my words which I have given unto you. Obey them.

The t-shirts are finally done. If you think I owe you one, and you haven't received an e-mail yet; e-mail me at proth@wsunix.wsu.edu. If you have a problem you want help with, a complaint or just want to shower me with praise, e-mail me at proth@wsunix.wsu.edu. If you want to e-mail me at proth@wsunix.wsu.edu, e-mail me at proth@wsunix.wsu.edu.



Turning tides for Volta Do Mar

By Sasha Bartick
Arts and Review Editor

There is a new form of music on the rise. One that will keep you guessing, one that will make you question just what's going on in the mastermind behind this insanity and one that will likely bypass mainstream because it's just too much for your average pop cultured, radio-head to handle.

This mesmerizing new breed of musicians have a metronomic intuition which is constantly being exercised. Allowed very little think time, these performers still must be perpetually counting, listening intently and reading the other band-mates minds and moves. The depth of genius behind the crisp new sounds created in this up and coming genre of rock and roll are something that must be experienced live. This is the dawning of mathematical rock.

At the bow of this yacht of acuteness and frenzy is Volta Do Mar. Literally translated from a Portuguese term, we get Turn of

the Sea. The sea isn't the only thing that's turning for this band however. Having signed with Arborvitae Records, the *tides* will be turning and this talented foursome will be busy touring as well as cutting an album.

I acquired the band's self-titled promo cd at their last show in the area which was at The Mission Coffee House and was blown away by the variety between the three instrumental tunes featured on the disc. Variations in time signatures, modulations and dynamics were laid down in a way that, despite all the detail, flowed along with amazing amounts of cohesiveness.

Live, the band is unmatched. For one thing, they were so tight that they didn't even need to go through the house sound system (which was fortunate for them.) They had their levels set and were ready to rock like the pro's in no time, and rock is what they did.

With two bassists, one commanding a five string and the other, showing everyone in the audience how a six-string is

meant to be played, deep reverberating melodies found their way from the stage to the crowd. It's a rarity in itself to come across a bass player who uses more than the E and A strings in the first place!

One could have gotten lost trying to follow the lead guitarist's nimble fingers dancing ferociously across the neck of his instrument, while he added subtle vocals to the mix.

Your classic skin set up, drummer in back, behind the band, facing the audience was replaced with the Volta Do Mar stage arrangement. The drummer set up in front with his back to the audience, facing the band to create an incredible intimacy among band-mates.

A thrilling performance and plenty of charisma is what you get when you're a part of a Volta Do Mar show. I'll keep you folks posted as to when these boys will be back in town because I wouldn't want any of you to miss the chance to see them. Also watch for their full length album to be released in the near future.

Big, Big Furnace heats things up!

Big, Big Furnace is an indie-rock/emo-pop band based primarily out of Madison, Wis. They have released their first cd on the Milwaukee indie label, Crustacean Records, and have been establishing themselves as one of the most high-energy and entertaining live acts in the state. With humor in one hand and horseplay gripped firmly in the other, Big, Big Furnace delivers a hell of a lot of rock while reminding us that live shows can still be fun.

Many good things have happened for Big, Big Furnace within their first year and a half of existence. For example, several songs from the first cd have been used in three editions of the internationally distributed bmx videozine props. The song "Tanky Porter" airs on national television via Bluetorch TV (Fox Sports Network.) The band has also been offered a slot playing the country's largest music festival, Summerfest 2001 in Milwaukee. They have also opened for great bands such as The Promise Ring and Dexter Freebish.

The follow up full-length cd, *Soundtrack to a Midwestern Winter* was released on Crustacean Records in March, and many shows are currently being booked in Wisconsin, Minnesota and Illinois in support of the new release.

Catch Big, Big Furnace at The Mission Coffee House for their cd release show on Friday, May 11 at 8:30 p.m.

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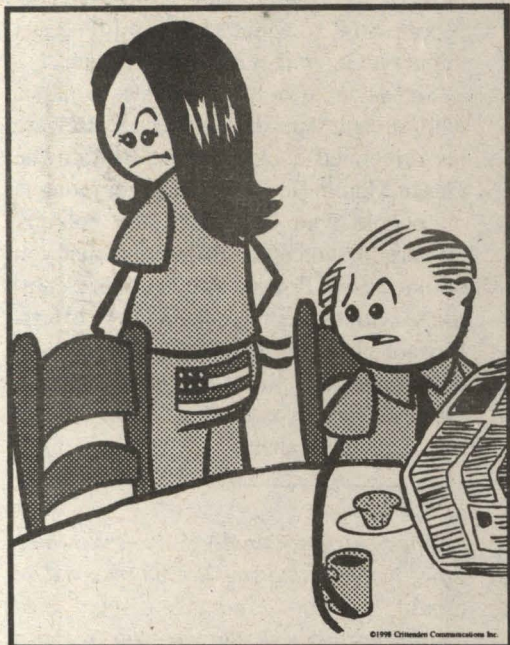
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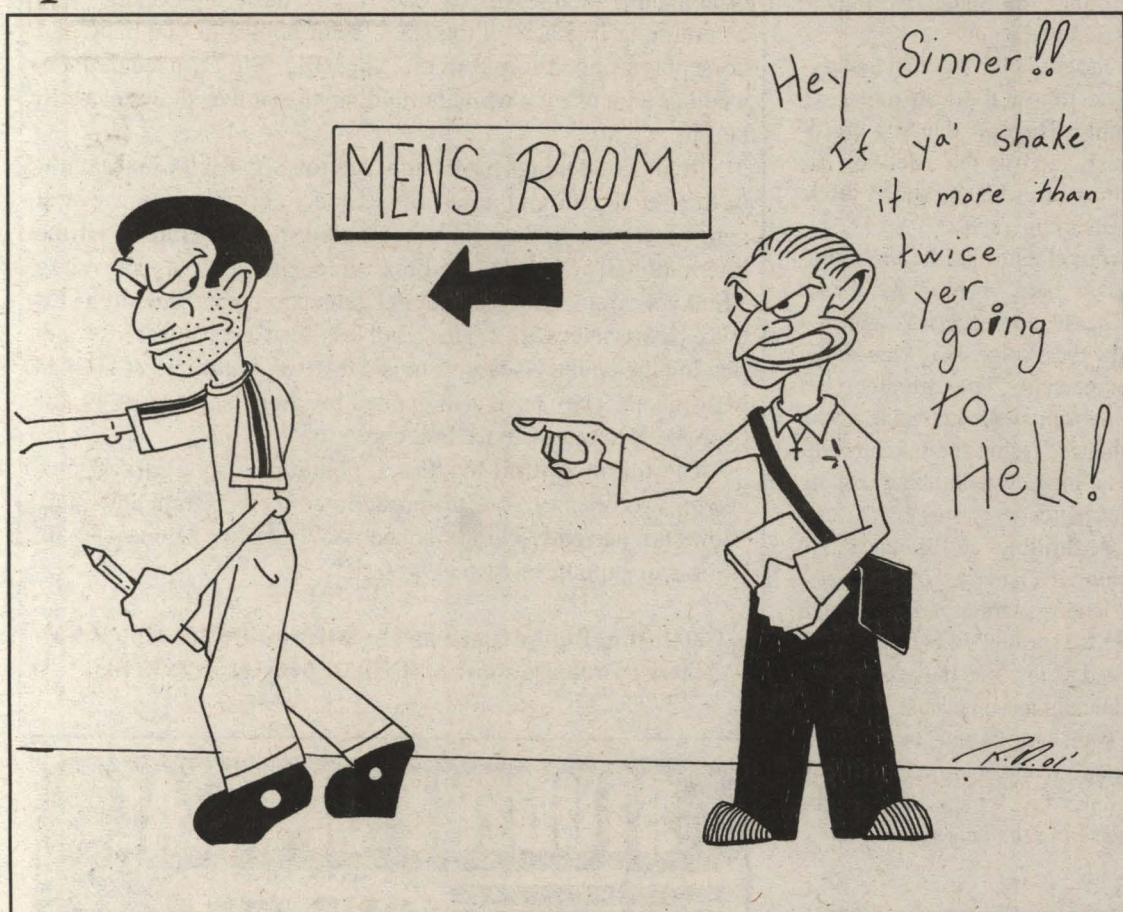
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