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Cosby's humor, antics pack the Quandt

By Steve Seamandel
ARTS & REVIEW EDITOR

My earliest memories of Bill Cosby are from *The Cosby Show*, where the likes of Claire, Denise, Vanessa, Theo, Rudy and late-comer boyfriend Elvin showed us the life of an east coast African American family in the '80s. Although the Huxtables weren't present, Cosby himself surfaced in Stevens Point last Saturday to deliver two sold-out comedy performances at the Quandt Fieldhouse.

The setup of the Quandt was enough to set the anticipation at high levels. The floor was full with folding chairs while people surrounded the floor on the pull-out bleachers. Two large projection screens showed a view of the stage for those with seats off to the side. Overall, each performance packed in over 2,800 people, which is the most people I've ever seen in the Quandt.

To begin the show, UWSP men's basketball team members Tamaris Relerford, Jason Kalsow, Neal Krajnik and Nick Bennett presented their "new power forward, Bill Cosby" with UWSP t-shirts and a sweatband, which Cosby immediately put on in place of his hat. "I remember when these things had a purpose and weren't about a fashion statement," said Cosby of the headband.

Cosby began his show with a tribute to multiple people, including the late Fred Rogers, family members serving America overseas and friends and family who couldn't be in attendance that night, in the form of a song over the PA. Afterward, Cosby took a seat onstage and began his two-hour performance, delving into areas like family life, college, religion and God.

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Photo by Liz Bolton

Bill Cosby is introduced by four members of the UWSP men's basketball team, including Tamaris Relerford (shaking hand), Jason Kalsow (left), Neal Krajnik (behind Cosby) and Nick Bennett (right). Cosby's two sold-out performances at the Quandt last Saturday brought in over 5,600 attendees in total.

UWSP loses student in car accident

UW-Stevens Point lost a student to a fatal automobile accident last Thursday.

Jason C. Hoogland, 23, died of massive head trauma following a collision with a semi-trailer on Highway 34 near the town of Eau Claire.



Hoogland

For one UWSP student who was close to Hoogland, the shock produced by the event has only just begun to wane.

"I was shocked for about
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Transit plan to face senate this semester

By Andrew Bloeser
NEWS EDITOR

A proposal to improve the utility of city transit for UW-Stevens Point students will face a vote by the student senate before the end of the semester, according to Stephanie Lind, the Student Life Issues Director of the Student Government Association.

The proposal, recently completed by the SGA's transit committee, would expand transit service hours running to and from campus on weekdays and evenings from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. while also creating a Saturday service that would run from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

It would also establish a "U-Pass" system, which would draw on student fees to pay for the addition of new routes and longer service hours and allow students to use their student ID cards as bus passes.

Lind, who heads to the SGA's
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Infiltration unsuccessful, impeachment denied

By David Cohen
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

An intense week of conflict involving the College Republicans was concluded in an impeachment hearing of the club's four officers on Wednesday night in the Encore room. The impeachment hearing resulted in the four officers not being removed from their positions after Josh Stolzenburg, who had spearheaded the attempted coup, announced that he would be voting against impeachment and he asked others to do so as well. Of the over 140 people who attended the proceedings, only four ended by voting in favor of impeachment.

The conflict erupted one week prior to the hearing when a group of people, led by Stolzenburg and Orion Welling, attended a weekly meeting of the College Republicans expressing that they wished to become members. At the end of the meeting, however, the new attendees produced documents for impeachment against all four officers of the club. Among the reasons given for the proposed impeachment was the College Republicans support of President Bush and the war with Iraq.

Several of the members of the College Republicans were outraged by the actions and considered those calling for impeachment to

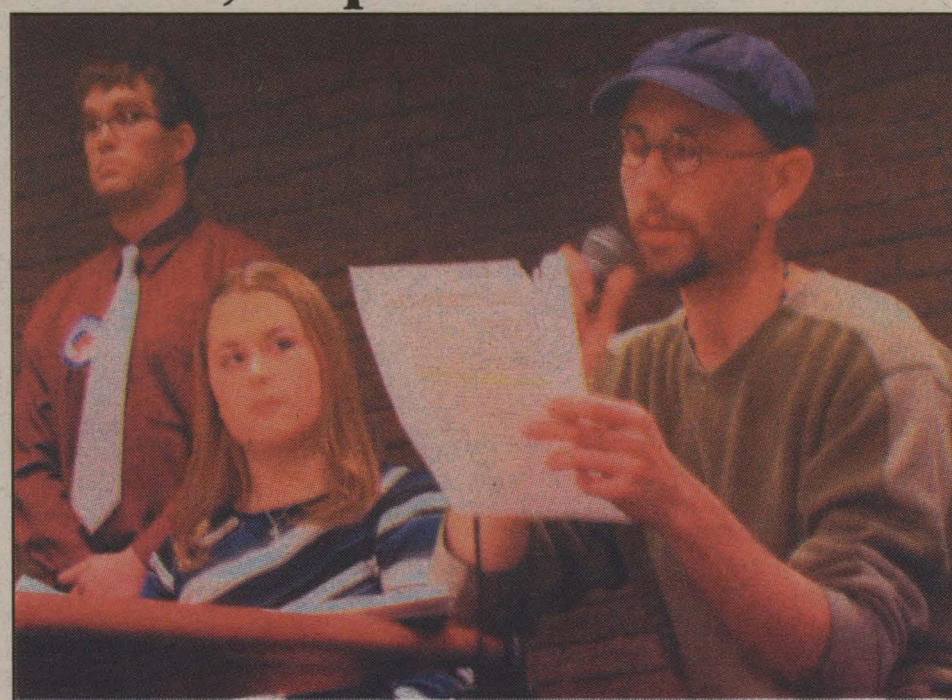


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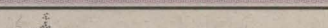
Rebecca Barnard, vice-president of the UW-Stevens Point College Republicans, looks on as Josh Stolzenburg reads a statement.

be pretending to be Republicans simply to infiltrate and discredit their organization.

Matt Kamke, former president of the College Republicans and current Vice Chairman of the Wisconsin College

Republicans used a letter to the editor of *The Pointer* as evidence that Stolzenburg did not adhere to Republican ideology despite his claims. "In truth, Mr. Stolzenburg is an ultra

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Heart speaks on the role of women in politics

By Johanna Nelson
NEWS REPORTER

Amy Heart, political activist and administrative assistant for the National Environmental Education Advancement Project, shared her insight this past Monday on an important topic — women in politics.

Attendance of the event was small, creating a relaxed atmosphere in which Heart talked candidly about her personal experiences in the political realm.

She stated that political positions are still held mostly by men, a fact supported by statistics.

For example, Heart mentioned that "only four of the 11 seats in the Stevens Point City Council are occupied by women," suggesting that there are still factors which deter women from pursuing leadership positions.

The gender imbalance did not stop Heart; however, from pursuing a political career. In April of 2003 she ran for mayor and received 35 percent of the vote. In July of 2003 she also ran

for state assembly.

Through her political activism, Heart has served as a voice for the Portage County Green Party.

As a cofounder of this faction, she admitted that upon arriving in Stevens Point, "I had no idea what Portage County would be like politically," but was pleased to find active support within the community.

Heart's experiences have provided her with a great deal of insight in regards to women in politics. She cites "behind-the-scenes work" as the area attracting the most women. In particular, planning and organizing duties often have a large number of women involved, while men usually fill the leadership positions. As a result, women are often invisible on the political forefront.

Heart provided a number of reasons for the lack of women in leadership positions.

For example, the "good old boys" mentality and networking style often excludes women. She

explained that as individuals (usually men) resign or retire, they often encourage co-workers or acquaintances to run for election. Women are rarely offered such positive feedback.

Heart stated that "it can be very scary to run for office," and without encouragement, many women do not possess the confidence.

Besides these major factors, Heart mentioned a number of additional deterrents such as the judgments and jokes made about a woman's appearance.

Trivial matters such as "hair and make-up" can lead to serious issues for women politicians.

She was amazed at the amount of time needed to choose the proper suit or skirt, make-up, hair-do, and earrings (to name a few).

Making a poor decision poses the threat of public ridicule, an issue most men do not have to deal with.

As a result, Heart believes that many women try to desexualize themselves to avert unwanted



Photo by Patricia Larson

Amy Heart expresses her views on the challenges facing women in politics during a discussion session held Monday.

attention. Many take on traditional male characteristics because as Heart states, "you do not want to appear too girly." This added scrutiny leads many women to avoid the public eye.

Heart cited credibility and consistency as effective weapons against such discrimination.

Staying well informed establishes legitimacy for women due to the fact that they are able to accentuate their assets as qualified leaders.

Heart's hope for the future is that more and more women will fill leadership positions.

Professor raises concerns about Disney

By David Cohen
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Representatives of the Disney Corporation returned campus this week to promote internships.

While the world's second largest media conglomerate was celebrating Mickey Mouse's 75th birthday, some people on campus are very unhappy about Disney's presence on campus.

Salvatore Engel-Di Mauro, a UWSP Geography professor, is trying to create a petition which will mobilize other faculty to take a stand against Disney.

Engel-Di Mauro describes his concerns about Disney as being rooted in "the inconsistency between the administration having signed the Worker's Rights Consortium (WRC) and having no problem inviting a major international entity that maintains profitability through the infringement of the basic rights for workers, especially abroad."

He adds "I have written directly to the WRC in the past, on occasion of last academic year's Disney recruitment activity, to register a complaint about UWSP's lack of abidance by WRC principles, but I received no response. If the WRC are not serious about accountability, then it is difficult to pressurize the administration here into any action that would at least take Disney to task, if not distance UWSP from Disney altogether."

In response, Engel-Di Mauro is communicating with other UWSP faculty members who share his concerns about Disney's labor methods.

Laura Ketchum-Ciftci of the Student Involvement and Employment Office (SIEO) says the WRC was signed several years ago by then-Chancellor Thomas George.

She says that the purpose of the WRC is to prevent student organizations or other campus functions from hiring companies who use sweatshop labor to make items such as t-shirts and caps.

Engel Di-Mauro states that the Disney Corporation has "terrible workplace conditions and low wages, especially in South China. He offers as evidence a study that is featured on the website of the Clean Clothes Campaign (www.clean-clothes.org).

“My recommendation to them is that there are better channels than trying than trying to start petitions and protests.”

—Laura Ketchum Ciftci

The featured study was conducted by the Christian International Committee (CIC.) The investigation reported that they found in China violations such as "excessively long hours of work, poverty wages, unreasonable fines, workplace hazards, poor food, and dangerously overcrowded dormitories."

The CIC also claimed that workers who were interviewed by monitors were often subjected to threats and intimidation to falsify work records or answer monitor's questions 'properly' according to management prepared scripts."

Nikki Lamberti, the Disney representative on campus, declined to reply to these accusations and as of press time no one from the Walt Disney Corporation was found who

was able to respond to the charges.

Laura Ketchum Ciftci says in regards to people such as Engel Di-Mauro, "My recommendation to them is that there are better channels than trying to start petitions or protests. There are two senates on campus, the faculty and student senates. Both of these organizations are able to make their voices heard and could be approached with any concerns."

Last year's Disney presentation involved protest by numerous students. The Infinity Syndicate (IS), who had sponsored an anti-Disney rally in front of the UC, were reprimanded for disruptions that took place on other parts of the campus that day and were thus placed on probation. Ketchum-Ciftci reported that the Disney representative had recently claimed to have been approached by people who said they represented the IS and that they would be disrupting her presentation. Ketchum-Ciftci responded by warning the Infinity Syndicate of their probationary status.

Paul Leonard of the IS said that this year "No protest is being initiated by our group." Lamberti's presentation went without any interruption, but she claimed that student presenters reported that they had been approached by the IS.

Ketchum-Ciftci's warning has resulted in the IS revisiting issues of last year's encounter.

Ryan Drum, the former Secretary of Defense of the Infinity Syndicate who has since graduated, replied that he had submitted an appeal to the committee which placed the IS on probation. He felt that the hearing had been handled poorly and unjustly and had been told that changes would be made.

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liberal Green, determined to hijack our organization and kill it," said Kamke.

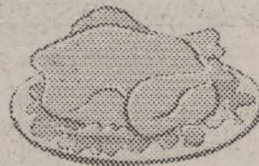
After the initial confrontation, Laura Ketchum-Ciftci of the Student Involvement and Employment Office reviewed the club's constitution and found that the take-over attempt was legitimate. She stated "Article 7 addresses the removal of officers and from what you are saying these students are following the constitution in this matter. For Impeachment to take place, there needs to be a 2/3 vote of those members present at the meeting in order to impeach an officer."

The hearing itself involved impassioned speeches and accusations. Matt Stack, the secretary of the College Republicans, presented e-mails that had been given to him that were written by Stolzenburg. Stack drew a reaction from the crowd by reading a portion from the e-mail which stated that the organizers of the coup had someone from *The Pointer* to write an article for them. He responded to this by saying "If anyone is here tonight from *The Pointer* to do a smear campaign against us, it will result in serious, serious consequences."

In the end, the Campus Republicans expressed a certain amount of disappointment that Stolzenburg did not press the initiative. Barnard feels that backing out allowed them to save face when they saw that they did not have the two thirds required for impeachment. "They didn't even stand up for what they believed in," she said after the meeting.

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Hyer Hall
Sunday, Nov. 16 12:15 a.m.
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Two individuals involved in a fight between Hyer and Roach Hall were cited for underage consumption of alcohol.

Burroughs Hall
Friday, Nov. 14 2:46 a.m.
Type: Disorderly conduct

A community assistant contacted the office requesting an officer to assist in a fight that was occurring outside of a room in the residence hall. When an officer arrived, no one was outside the room, but a female was found inside the room crying while talking on a cell phone.

Lot P
Wednesday, Nov. 12 3:15 p.m.
Type: Theft

A male reported a breakin to his vehicle. An equalizer was stolen from under the dashboard, and an amplifier was removed from the trunk. The vehicle showed no signs of forced entry.

Campus Beat is compiled by UWSP Protective Services. All names withheld.

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transit committee, estimated that the new service would cost each student approximately \$6 per semester, which would be assessed regardless of whether students used city transit.

"All students would pay for the implementation of the proposal, but we believe this will help alleviate some parking problems and ultimately help students," said Lind.

If approved by the senate, the subsequently drafted contract with the city would require the approval of the SGA's finance committee during the annual budgeting process held in February.

The finance committee's decision, if supported by the senate, would determine how much student fees would increase as a result of expanding city transit options on campus or whether an increase would be needed at all.

"Right now, concerning the budget, there is a positive balance, but we can't really say at this point what's going to happen with the fees," said Matt LeMahieu, SGA budget director.

The transit committee has also discussed the prospect of offering a late night service to the downtown area on Thursday to Saturday nights but no proposal has yet been drafted.

Susan Lemke, transit manager for the city of Stevens Point, has supported the prospective establishment of a late night service, pointing to its popularity at other UW campuses and its safety benefits for students who might drive to and from local taverns.

"People tend to focus on the drinking issue, but this service would also allow people to get down town coffee shops and other places," said Lemke. "However, if you have the ability to go

downtown to the taverns, it's important to get there and back safely."

Local cab companies have remained critical of city transit adopting a late night service aimed at university students, noting that an estimated 60 percent of their business from Thursday to Saturday night comes from students.

"I'd imagine we'd lose all of that," said Kathleen Sankey, owner of Courtesy Taxi. "Why would they pay us \$2 for a ride if the U-Pass has already been paid for."

La Crosse Municipal Transit Utility adopted a U-Pass system and late night service, known as SafeRide, in Fall 2000. Since then, La Crosse city transit has provided 86,000 rides to UW-La Crosse students, with 36,000 rides provided by the SafeRide program alone.

UW-La Crosse students currently pay \$8.66 per semester for their U-Pass service, though the price will increase to \$9 next semester.

Keith Carlson, La Crosse city transit director, says that to this point, the program has proved very successful.

"Students need the transit system and value service," he said. "It's pretty much standing room only at bar time."

The U-Pass system utilized at UW-Eau Claire has seen similar success, accounting for 1 million of the rides provided by the Eau Claire Transit System in the past year. The city council also unanimously approved a late night bus service to the downtown area as a pilot program Tuesday night.

The program will receive 58 percent of its funding from state and federal sources, while Anheuser-Busch and Miller Brewing Company have provided grants of \$10,000 each to cover the majority of local costs. UW-Eau Claire's student senate also allocated \$3,900 to the pilot program.

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two days," said Paul Polege. "It took about two days for it to hit me."

In the days that followed, Polege said that he has spent time reflecting on the life of his friend, and particularly on the subtle nuances that epitomized his personality.

"He could make you laugh," Polege recounted Tuesday. "He was an English major; he would use puns, sarcasm. It was a multifaceted sense of humor and he always made you laugh."

Steven Diesterlhorst, a friend of Hoogland since meeting him in Pray-Sims Hall two years ago, described Hoogland in similar fashion.

"He always had a lot of energy," said Diesterlhorst. "He was just a really nice guy, very empathetic towards others."

Hoogland worked three to five nights a week at Wausau Hospital and had recently been accepted into a nursing program at UW-Eau Claire. Hoogland was scheduled to graduate in December with an English major and a science

minor.

"We never realized how many lives he touched," said Sandra Hoogland, Jason's mother. "We really found that out in talking with his friends and co workers this past week. It just floored me."

An investigation by the Portage County Sheriff's Department concluded that Hoogland had most likely reached over to the passenger side of his vehicle for an item when he lost control of the 1986 Volkswagen Golf, swerving across the center line into the path of an oncoming semi-trailer.

Adam Hoernke, 27, of Colby was driving the semi and emerged from the collision uninjured.

According to reports, Hoernke attempted to avoid the collision by swerving his southbound vehicle onto the shoulder of the road.

"It's always hard when you lose a student," said Stephanie Lind, Student Life Issues Director for the Student Government Association. "As a campus community, it's had some impact on all students."

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Musings from Mirman

Mmmm, turkey, pie and football

By Dan Mirman

EDITOR IN CHIEF

Thanksgiving. Turkey Day. Taking advantage of Native American kindness. Call it what you will, but in a week Americans everywhere will enjoy the sublime combination of overeating and midweek football.

The holiday that falls between Halloween and Christmas represents the most underrated holiday that our country celebrates. Allow me to explain.

Halloween marks the beginning of the holiday season. This day represents almost an anti-holiday. People everywhere use Halloween to celebrate the seedy underbelly of western society.

Men dress as pirates and pimps, while women try their best to pull off a slutty witch, slutty devil, or just a straight up slut. Halloween parties provide the opportunity to drop the inhibitions and act out basic instincts. Do you think that Madison would have incurred riots the last two years if everyone dressed in their normal attire?

After Halloween provides a catharsis to purge our wickedness, Thanksgiving should begin the similar build-up that Halloween enjoys. But instead of replacing the candy and costume aisles with Thanksgiving décor, most stores roll right into Christmas.

I noticed when picking up some necessary items at the local K-mart that they didn't even wait for Halloween to end before putting up the Christmas decorations. On October 30 they already had the fake snow and fake Christmas trees complete with the new must-have toys for the season.

Now, Thanksgiving is not completely ignored by corporate America. In fact there is one area where the holiday gains a lot of publicity. This publicity comes from pre-empting the largest shopping day of the year.

I fell for the ads promoting the biggest shopping day of the year three seasons ago. After ruffling through the onslaught of ads in the local paper for the big shopping day, one ad caught my eye.

The Sega Dreamcast (now as outdated as Kevin Costner) was on sale for \$50. However, supplies were limited. Because I am a video game dork, I decided to rise at five in the morning in order to make the store opening of 5:30. I arrived about 15 minutes before the store opened, but I wasn't alone.



The line to enter the store stretched easily 500 yards. The sun had yet to come out and it seemed half the city of Wausau had prepared to do some serious day after Thanksgiving shopping.

After worrying that the Dreamcasts would be gone the entire time standing in line, I finally made it into the store. And \$50 later, plus tax, I had my Dreamcast. Ironically, in two days I went back to get the same system for my brother's present and sure enough, plenty of the systems still remained, all priced the same as the morning I went in.

Man, did I feel like a sucker. Which brings me back to my point that Thanksgiving is an underrated holiday.

Thanksgiving is a simple day that represents the right things. It doesn't have the overhype and sell-out nature of Christmas. I also don't have to attend church to celebrate it either.

Sidenote: As a graduate of a Catholic high school, I always laughed at the number of people who attended church only on Christmas and Easter. That's like saying you're a die-hard Packer fan, but only watch them when they make the super bowl.

Thanksgiving comes at a time when it's needed most. The stress of the holidays is taking its toll. Everybody is preparing for the cold winter that will arrive in the near future.

Then Thanksgiving comes to save the day like Adam West in the old *Batman* TV show. It provides a relaxing end to the week. I wake up after maximizing sleep and turn on some afternoon football on a Thursday. There's also a parade for those who don't enjoy the regulated violence. More than just a time to relax, Thanksgiving helps you reflect on the things you truly enjoy and it's one of the few times during the year that the extended family can have a seat at the same table.

An extravagant meal and then a hearty dessert cap the night, even though I never have room left for the pie. But the pie must be eaten. No pie on turkey day is like *The Family Guy* minus Stewie.

And then while everyone rises before dawn the following day to shop till they drop, I will simply head to the fridge to eat some of the leftover pie for breakfast and wonder, whatever happened to that old Dreamcast?

30 hours of avoiding civil liberties

Having viewed several hours of the U.S. Senate's 30-hour debate, I am amazed at the abuses to our civil liberties caused by this bureaucracy. I am watching the Democrats and Republicans argue, back and forth in 30 minute increments, the future of four nominees for Federal judgeships.

The Republican "side of the aisle" is lecturing on the "unconstitutional" filibustering of Democrats. The Democrat "side of the aisle" is pleading to move past these promotions of four judges who currently have good jobs (but do not have the professional support of most Democrats) and spend the remaining hours on topics affecting many more Americans and their families via topics of unemployment and health care that have not been allowed into session thus far.

The arguments stem from a long-running feud between the "majority" and the "minority", from "the other side of the aisle", and stray away from the issues that truly affect America and its stability.

I ask all Americans today, why are there only Democrats and Republicans representing our families and friends in congress? Why are we still answering questions with only "yes" and "no"? Why don't we Americans have the choice of Yes-No-MAYBE? But we do!

With a third party we will break-down the overwhelming barriers of partisan decisions. Only then will Americans see truth and justice through political decisions in the greatest equality for our children, for the future of our Great Nation and our world!

Tim Piotrowski

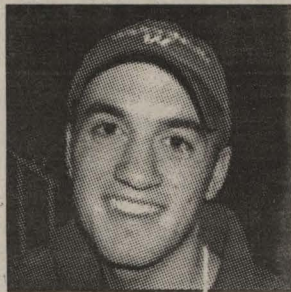
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Bill Clinton cuz he'd pimp all the ladies.



Mark Jepsen, So. History

Jack Nicholson; how could you not elect him?



Liz VanLysal, Sr. Communications

Kermit the frog, cuz it isn't easy being green.



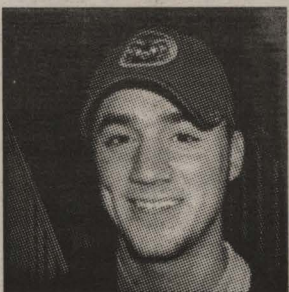
Leah Girtman, Sr. Theatre Design

Elton John- first Harley Fest, next step governors.



Moni Berg, Sr. Biology

Jesse Ventura, he may as well mess up the whole midwest.



Jake Goeptert, So. Public Admin.

Mr. T, because he pities da fool.

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The classic left brain vs. right brain debate

Left is definitely best in order to manage it all

By Alli Himle
FEATURES EDITOR

The left brain vs. right brain debate, as the article entails, is, in itself, "classic." It is a common truth, already known to many, that the left brain far outweighs the right. In the spirit of this article, though, I will speak to the very few that are still on the outskirts trying to find their way to the left, which ironically speaking is the right side to be on.

You cannot find a left-brained person who is not organized. Organization is one of the pivotal traits of being left-dominated. After all, who does not want to be organized? I cannot tell you the amount of gratification I get from living in a room that some may say is "ungodly clean." Everything is neatly tucked away in its very own place. Take for example my closet: the layout goes in order starting from short sleeve shirts, to three quarter length, to long sleeved, followed by sweatshirts, and concluding at the far end with sweaters. Laying out the outfit for the next day is never a difficult task when I know exactly where to find the shirt I am in search of.

Furthermore, you will never witness me frantically searching my room when a friend comes in need of a movie. For easy viewing my movies are arranged in alphabetical order. Organization takes but a matter of minutes, and helps you to locate what you are in dire need of in a matter of seconds.

Speaking of minutes, you will never find yourself checking your watch when waiting for your friend to arrive. That is, provided they are left brained. We lefties function on being punctual. As a matter of fact, we are known for it. We tend to arrive five to ten minutes early, for we realize that one of the most disrespectful things to do is to make someone wait; time is precious. We left-brained people not only realize that adage, we uphold it.

To add to the subject of time, the left-dominated never has to be concerned with the word "procrastination." It is foreign to us. Well, maybe not entirely for-

eign, especially when we sit in amusement watching those that are right brained trying to make deadlines that are a mere matter of minutes away.

Never will you find us staying up until five in the morning frantically trying to finish that term paper that is due in three hours. We had that done last week.

Oh, and those notes that right-brained individuals are attempting to gather the night before the exam (since we know they often fail to attend lectures due to lame excuses such as "I just didn't feel like going.") more than likely come from their left-brained acquaintances. Left brains don't miss class, unless it is for a legitimate reason that they have given the professor prior notification about. We realize the value of each lecture, and the money we are wasting by not going, for math just so happens to be one of our strong points. Nor will you find us left brains cramming the night before for an exam. We are instead enjoying a peaceful night's rest with the comfort of knowing that we are well prepared for the exam since we started studying two weeks prior.

Being left brained far outweighs the disorganization, tardiness and procrastination attributed to those that are right brained. True satisfaction is to be found by joining the left brained ranks. I can testify to that considering the joy that has overcome me in knowing that is article is completed a week in advance. Now, time to sit back and relax. Oh, and lay out tomorrow's outfit, of course.

The view from the right: creativity is all the rage

By Geoff Fyfe
ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

The whole left brain/right brain debate has always been susceptible to stereotypes. Left brain types are stereotyped as anal-retentive, uptight squares that have built-in calculators in their heads and practically have an aneurism if their socks aren't lined up in the drawer properly. And right brain types (like yours truly) have been deemed irresponsible, time-wasting dreamers who slack off work to doodle in class and go into seizures when they have to balance their checkbooks. Such stereotypes tend to blind people to the realities of the left/right dispute.

As an acknowledged right-brainer myself, I have to admit some prejudice on my part. I have sometimes thought of left-brainers as people who need to lighten up a bit and not look at the world as though it were some complex math problem to solve. Yet I do admit that the stereotypes about right-brainers as being irresponsible do have some points to them. After all, I have difficulty mastering any math past the multiplication table, which is why I have an accountant do my taxes (thanks, Mom).

Yet despite the flaws, I would never want to give up being dominated by the right brain. The right brain, after all, is the sector of the brain where creativity blossoms. Everything that creates art in all its forms comes from the right brain. Being in the business of creating art, the right brain is therefore indispensable. Without it, I am nothing. Where else would I come up with new and creative ways to bash President

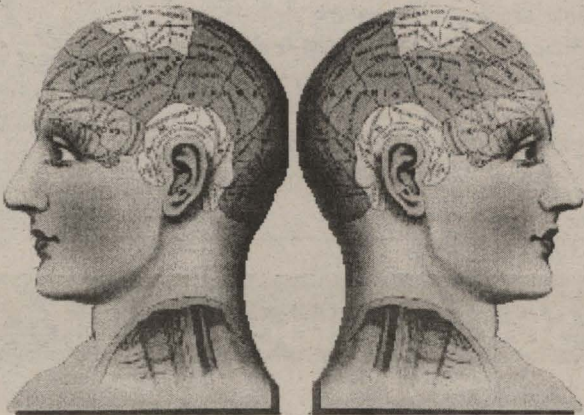
Bush? Or how would I brainstorm new ideas for articles to fill space in this newspaper? If you're a writer and you're not at least partly in tune with the right brain, you should be advised to give up and become an *Office Space*-like cubical drone.

To tell the truth, I'm pretty much all right brain. My left brain was strong in my early days, but as time went on, the right began asserting its dominance. I haven't heard much from my left brain in the past few years. Personally, I think it abdicated about the time I got serious about writing and went on an extended and ongoing vacation. I hope it returns the next time I have to check my finances.

Most people, however, are neither all left brain nor all right brain, but a balance in between. The left brain is the logical side of the brain, the side that uses reason and hard facts to make decisions. The right brain is the creative spark, the imaginative one, the side that inspires us to take risks and make changes in our lives. The left brain says, "Let's all calm down and think this through before making our decision." The right brain says, "To hell with thought! Let's take the jump!"

For those of us dominated by the one side, however, I feel the right-brainers have it better. An imagination running amok with creativity 24/7 is one of the greatest gifts to mankind. It's the type of ability that leads to great discoveries and world-shaking changes. And, on a smaller note, it can help you greatly in your schoolwork. In my personal case, I find it easy to improvise an answer to something thanks to my endlessly creative mind. It also helps to be creative when you're facing last minute deadlines. Trust me, you'll want the right brain when you're struggling late at night to finish a term paper that's due in 12 hours.

So with all respect to the left brainers (I hold no ill will towards you, as you have strengths where I have weaknesses), I'll always prefer being dominated by the right brain. Without the creativity and imagination it provides, I would never be able to do what I love to do. Still, I would like to know where my left brain went to...



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Second annual Night of Giving

By Sarah Dennewitz
FEATURES REPORTER

The season of giving is right around the corner, so why not start your holiday shopping now? Begin the holiday season supporting the local nonprofit organizations in the Stevens Point area by shopping at the Wausau Center Mall.

Beat the crowds by participating in the second annual Night of Giving at the Wausau Center Mall. This event is an after hours shopping extravaganza on Sunday Nov. 23 from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Admission to receive a wristband into the event is a \$5 donation to a variety of different non-profit organizations that will keep 100 percent of profits. Children under the age of 12 will be able to enter the mall free. Wristbands for the Night of

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Good eats in Point

It's "chowdah!" at the Olympic Family Restaurant

By Geoff Fyfe

ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

After my expensive excursion into Michele's for my last restaurant review, I thought that this week I'd go someplace a bit more in my price range. Three other factors had to be considered. One, I wanted to dine at a family restaurant. Two, the Blueberry had already been taken. And three, it was Friday and that meant I needed a seafood fix in the worst way. Fortunately, my culinary salvation lay just a cross Division.

The Olympic Family Restaurant from the outside looks rather innocuous. Tucked in at the end of a ministrip of stores, it almost would be invisible if not for the large sign that stands proudly over the parking lot. Inside, however, is a different story.

The restaurant is narrow, but long, with the main dining area in the front and two more dining rooms at the end of a long corridor towards the back. Being a typical family restaurant, there's a dining counter and the daily newspapers are always available.

The menu is largely standard fare, save for a bit of an ethnic twist. In tune with the "Olympic" name, the restaurant serves Athenian (Greek) specialties such as gyros and Greek pork. Plus, there are also Italian specials such as veal parmesan. Such dishes are the one unique twist in the Olympic's menu.

I, however, did not come for anything unique this time around. It was Friday and I came for seafood. Fortunately, the Olympic possessed that in abundance. Their fish fry either costs \$5.45 for lunch ("a la carte" as they call it) or an extra 30 cents for dinner.

The lunch portions were more than generous, with two nice big batter-fried cod fillets and the usual French fry side order. As if that wasn't enough, one also gets a fully stocked breadbasket and your choice of soups. Having had

my fill of French onion soup at Michele's last week, I went with clam chowder.

Allow me a moment to comment on clam chowder. While I don't make like Freddie Quimby on *The Simpsons* and go around harassing people who don't pronounce it "chowdah" like they do in "Bahston," it is my opinion that it's the greatest type of soup around. Yes, my mania for all food that dwells in saltwater lends me towards such biases, but even if didn't, as such I'd still love clam chowder.

It's rich, thick and creamy and fills you up, unlike some other soups that tend to be just water with some flavoring added to them. Plus, the Olympic's clam chowder is pretty good (and

this is from someone who's had actual Boston clam chowder).

I have to say, also, that I like family restaurants. They're nice, homey places that offer good food at reasonable prices. Frankly, as a college student, any meal that costs me more than \$10 (including tip) is one I'd rather not have. Thankfully, the Olympic met my criteria.

The whole thing, including the tip, the breadbasket and the delightful clam chowdah (uh oh, I'm turning Bostonian as I write this) only cost me \$9. Quite a bargain given the sheer volume of food I received.

With all respects to the Blueberry, I'm afraid it may have competition when I'm in the mood for a Friday fish fry.

The Olympic's fish fry was truly one to die for. However, next time I'm there, I think I'll be up for trying something more exotic (a gyro does sound tempting). However, any time I'm there, the clam chowder will be essential. (There, I've expelled the Bostonian from me. I think I'm safe now...)



Photo by Shea Rollins

Eating on a budget at Olympic.

Thanksgiving: a time to reflect and give back



By Maria Lewis

FEATURES REPORTER

It is that time again; finals are drawing closer along with the beginning of the Christmas holiday season. However, there is a holiday that comes before all of the hustle and bustle of Christmas - Thanksgiving. Ah, yes, a time for turkey, stuffing, and pumpkin pie amongst other things. Putting aside the food for now, the holiday does have a purpose: to be thankful for what you have, not only on the table, but as a whole.

As Americans, we have a great deal to be thankful for. The ability to speak freely, like writing this article, is something to celebrate next Thursday. And for all of you hunters, the right to have a gun or guns to hunt with for various game animals is another American blessing.

Closer to home, here on the UWSP campus, we have so many things to be thankful for. For instance, the quality education that we receive, the knowledge from experienced professors, friends, athletes and even the continual sincerity of the Pointer Express sub ladies.

I have talked to many people about what they are thankful for. Many people said friends, family, health and numerous opportunities that are extended to us all. I think these things are so important to remember, especially during the holiday season.

This Thanksgiving, let your family and friends know how important they are to you. This will show them how much you care and also how grateful you are for their presence in your life.

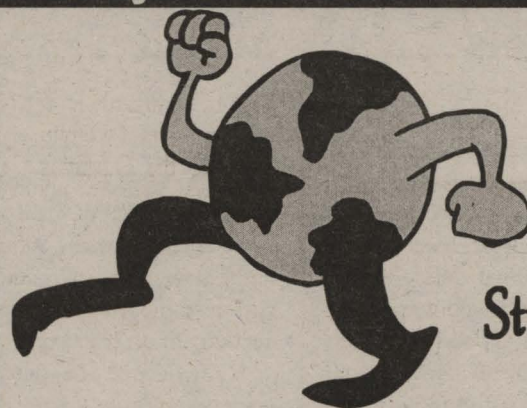
The mission of Thanksgiving is to share and reflect. Don't be

afraid to open your heart this holiday season. No matter your situation, there is hope and support to make it through or to continue on. Even if you are in a rough moment, be thankful that when you emerge you will be a stronger person.

Generosity is another thing to employ this Thanksgiving. Volunteering during the holiday season is a great way to give back and to open your heart in a different way. Helping and giving of yourself to an organization or community is an excellent way to show thanks and lend a hand.

Most importantly, realize that holidays are important to gather, eat, share and, above all else, a time to express love. Make this season a memorable one by giving back. In turn, you will see that you will also be giving back to yourself.

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Runners geared for Nationals

By Tony Bastien
SPORTS REPORTER

Just two weeks after competing in the WIAC conference meet in Colfax both UWSP cross country teams were back on the same course for the NCAA Regional meet. Apparently the familiarity of the course benefited both teams as they both qualified for the National meet this weekend in Hanover, Indiana.

cross country

It will be the men's third consecutive trip to Nationals and 17th in 19 years, something Coach Rick Witt says his team is "real proud of. We go into the season expecting to do that."

The women will be going for the fourth time in five years. Both coaches feel that the experiences in the past will help their respective teams. "It helps to have the experience going to nationals. Having the experience is a plus," said Coach Len Hill. This also marks the eighth time in school history that both teams have made the meet in the same year, last done in 2001.

The women continued their dominance of Division III opponents by winning the regional, topping other WIAC teams Oshkosh and LaCrosse. Both of those teams, along with the University of Chicago, who won a tiebreaker with Washington University for the final available spot, will join Point to represent the Midwest region. Again, the WIAC is well represented with three of the four teams coming from our conference.

"Our conference has always been that way; we tend to dominate the region," said Hill.

The men's team placed third behind Oshkosh and North Central College. All three of these teams along with LaCrosse and Whitewater have a ticket to Hanover.

As has been the story of the year for the Pointer women, they ran well as a group, with just 40 seconds separating their top finisher, Teresa Stanley, from their fifth runner, Megan Craig.

"It was not at all what we expected, but I guess that's why it's a team sport. We still looked pretty good as a team," said Hill.

Though the result was the same, the finishing order had a little different look to it. Craig, whom had been the leader of the pack on almost a weekly basis, was the tale end this time.

The final running order for the women was Stanley in eighth, Leah Herlache in tenth, Jenna Mitchler in 14th, Ashleigh Potuznik in 19th and Craig in 25th.

Curt Johnson placed fourth overall to pace the men, even running with a knee he banged up in a bicycle accident on his way to the bus before the meet.

"I was pretty nervous Friday night, he was not 100%," said coach Witt. Curt has been the backbone of the men's team all year and even being at less than 100%, coach Witt knew he'd excel.

Johnson wasn't the only man on the team not running at peak levels, though. Placing 19th was Mark LaLonde, who was fighting a stomach virus.

"He was sick to his stomach Friday night," said Witt.

The final three runners for the Pointer were: James Levash in 23rd, Andy Bednarek in 24th and Adam Bucholz in

Swimmers starting well

By Jon Henseler
SPORTS REPORTER

The UWSP men's and women's swimming and diving teams are off to a spectacular start again this season. Coming off of last year's performance which saw the women's team finish second out of six teams in the WIAC and the men's team finish first, both teams are off to undefeated starts in early conference and non-conference meets.

swimming & diving

Both teams scored decisive victories in two conference meets earlier in the year against conference foes UW-Oshkosh and UW-Eau Claire. Most recently both teams beat a non-conference opponent, Gustavus Adolphus.

In addition to success as a team in the pool, the men's team has had outstanding individual performances from swimmers Alex Anderson and Matt Grunwald. Anderson, a sophomore, was named the WIAC men's swimming Athlete of the Week after he achieved a time of 21.07 seconds in the 50-yard freestyle. This nearly matched his 21.04 performance at last year's NCAA Division III



Anderson

Championship, a meet in which Anderson finished in fourth place.

Not to be outdone, senior Matt Grunwald was named the WIAC men's swimming Athlete of the Week for the two weeks prior to Anderson's recognition. Grunwald earned his honor after winning both the 200 freestyle and the 200 butterfly as well as anchoring the winning 400 freestyle team in a meet which Point won against St. Cloud State.

Grunwald's back-to-back honors as well

as Anderson winning last weeks honors have given Point the WIAC swimming Athlete of the Week for three consecutive weeks.

Both the men's and women's teams

will be in action this weekend when both teams participate in the WIAC relays in LaCrosse. This event takes place on Saturday November 22 at both 9 a.m. and 1 p.m..



Photo by Patricia Larson

Sophomore Sara Miedaner executes an inward pike during Saturday's swim meet against Gustavus Adolphus.

Women split two in weekend set at Gustavus

By Tony Bastien
SPORTS REPORTER

Hockey is a game of bounces.

women's hockey

After an attempt to come back from a three goal deficit entering the third period fell one goal short Friday night, the UWSP women's hockey team bounced back with a firm 6-3 victory on Saturday afternoon in

St. Peter, Minnesota.

17 hours after losing a heart-breaker at the beautiful Don Roberts Ice Arena, the women walked back into the Gustavus Adolphus facility looking for revenge against the ninth ranked Golden Gusties.

On Friday night, the Pointers let in three special teams goals in the first two periods and were unable to claw back. Two power play goals of their own helped make it interesting, and

gave themselves a chance to pull freshman goalie Amy Statz for the final 1:53. However, it wasn't meant to be as they ended up losing 3-2.

In a game where all five goals came courtesy of special teams play, it became evident that the Point special teams were an area of improvement. Of the ten goals allowed for the year, seven of them were either with a man down or with the extra attacker (5PP, 2SH).

Junior Ann Ninnemann, who leads the team with six points, said, "It's do or die, when it comes down to it, we go for it all. Unfortunately we fell Friday. Special teams have been big for us."

Sophomore Pam Stohr added, "We need to work on that [special teams], teams can't keep up with us 5-on-5."

Then on Saturday, the

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Bittersweet ending to a dynasty

Pointers, Krause end season with blowout win

By Craig Mandli
SPORTS EDITOR

The teams that made the Division III football tournament were breathing a little bit easier on Sunday morning. Despite a relatively easy 49-15 victory over UW-River Falls on Saturday to cap a season-ending five-game winning streak, the 8-2 Pointers were denied an at-large bid to the tournament.

football

Coming into the game, the Pointers still had a remote shot at the playoffs. Despite losses to conference foes La Crosse and Stout in back to back games early in the conference season, due to a very difficult strength of schedule, the Pointers were still in consideration for one of the three at-large bids up for grabs.

"The coaches told us that we had a slight chance," said senior tackle Justin England. "We just had to do our job and then let the rest of the country do theirs."

The game was also bittersweet for the 14 seniors on the team, who were playing their last game at Goerke Field. Included in this class is record-breaking quarterback Scott Krause. Krause ended the day with one of his top performances of the year, completing 20 of 27 pass-

es for 355 yards and five touchdowns. Krause also picked up 97 yards on scrambles, along with the opening touchdown of the day.

England, also playing his last game as a Pointer, said that the end of his career almost snuck up on him. "In the beginning of the week, it was pretty normal," said England. "But as the week went on, us older guys started walking off the field slower and slower. It finally hit us on Thursday after practice that this was our last week playing football."

As the game wore on and the score was no longer in doubt, Head Coach John Miech, not known for being liberal with substitutions during games, began to take his starting seniors out and to bring in reserve seniors like safety Tommy Bushman and cornerback Andy Heller.



England

One-by-one, the seniors came out to rousing ovations from the near-capacity crowd at Goerke, beginning with all-conference middle linebacker Nick Haffele and nose tackle Clint Bakken. Later, running back Jason VanderVelden, who was playing at less than 100 percent due to a lingering injury, also came to the sideline.

"I saw them take out Jason, and then Doug [Mittelstaedt], and I knew my turn was next," said England. "When I got to the sideline, it took a few minutes to sink in with what was happening."

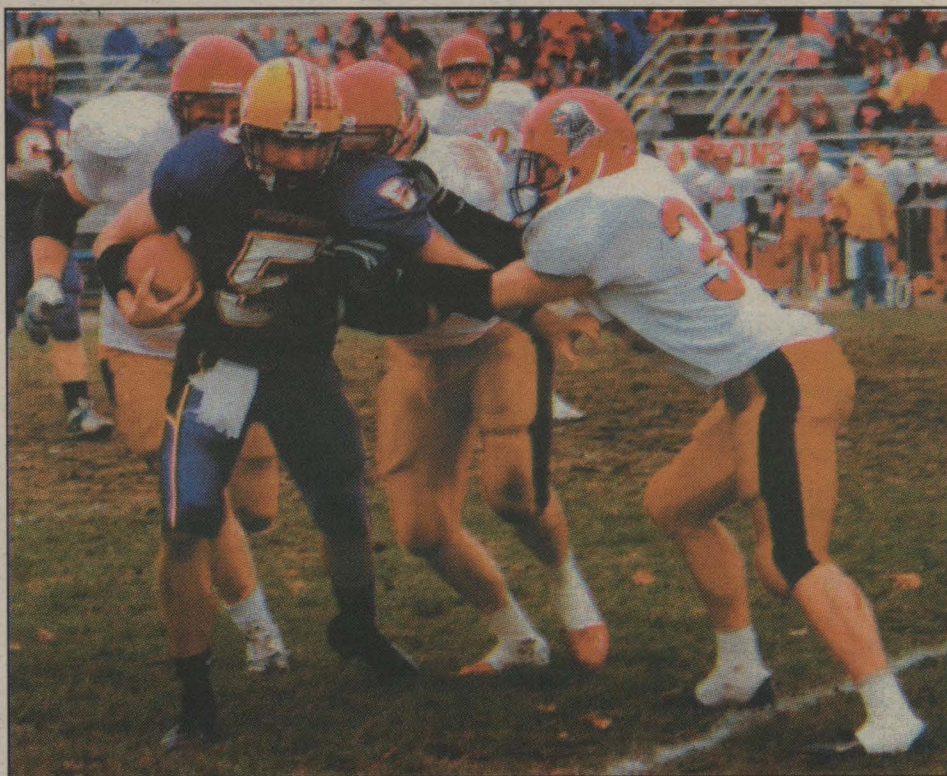


Photo by Patricia Larson

Scott Krause is ridden down by a host of River Falls defenders after a scramble in the first quarter of Saturday's game. Krause rushed for 97 yards in UWSP's 49-15 victory.

Finally, Miech summoned a reluctant Krause to the sideline one last time with five minutes left in the fourth quarter. As Krause walked toward the bench, he peeled off his muddied UWSP jersey to reveal an old Waunakee high school jersey underneath. Krause ran along the sideline with his jersey in the air, saluting the fans that had come to cheer him during his time as a Pointer.

"Being a defensive player for three years, I never really got a chance to see Scott play much," said England. "Now,

having played offense all year, I finally had the opportunity to see how great he really is."

This senior class leaves with a 23-17 overall record and a conference championship in 2001. But the players will take away more than just records.

"Playing football here really gave me a sense of accomplishment," said England. "The coaches here gave everyone a chance to play the game, and now it's something that I can tell my kids about."

Pointers bow out of successful 2003 season

Lack of offense dooms tournament hopes

By Joshua Schmidt
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

The UWSP women's soccer team's season came to an end Saturday in Dubuque Iowa, as they were defeated by the Loras Duhawks 3-1 in second round action of the NCAA tournament.

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The Pointers, making their sixth straight regional appearance, got on the board first with an Andrea Oswald free kick barely twelve minutes into the match. The Duhawks responded two minutes later with an unassisted Danielle Gaydusek goal, tying the match at 1-1.

The Duhawks took a 2-1 lead into halftime as Michelle Wieser scored the go ahead goal at the 25 minute mark with Kate Brake contributing on the assist.

The Pointers received a scare at the end of the first half when junior stand-out defensive specialist Tara Schmitt took a hard blow to the head, forcing her to leave the game and be taken by ambulance to the hospital.

With the Pointers missing their best defensive player, Loras padded their lead in the second half as Julie Sapko put the ball into the net at the 56:40 mark. Kate Brake once again got the assist.

The Pointers, however, wouldn't go away without a fight keeping the pressure on the Loras



Photo by Shea Rollins

Jenny Bruce fights for position during Saturday's 3-1 loss to Loras College at the NCAA Division III tournament.



Oswald

defense and out-shooting the Duhawks 11-9 in the second half. The Duhawk's goalie, Erin Hall, was clutch; notching six second half saves to preserve the 3-1 win. The Pointers posted a final record of 15-4-3.

The loss marks the end of the careers of three outstanding players for UWSP. Seniors Oswald, Kelly Fink, and Jenny Bruce leave the Pointers having posted a 73-12-5 record in their four seasons, racking up numerous UWSP and WIAC records along the way, as well as making their mark on the NCAA career scoring and assist lists.

SENIOR ON THE SPOT JENNY BRUCE - SOCCER



Bruce

Career Highlights

- Started every match during my Pointer career
- Hold the WIAC career assists record with 53
- Won the Judy Kruckman WIAC scholar athlete award
- Surpassed the 50 career goals and 50 career assist mark (9th player in NCAA division III history)

Major - Sociology

Hometown - Menasha, Wis.

Nickname - "Bruce" or "Bruceface"

What are your plans after graduation? - who the [heck] knows, but more schooling is inevitable

Do you plan on playing soccer after graduation? - I love the game and I'm sure I will be playing at some level...I could never give it up.

What is your favorite aspect of soccer? - All the people I've had the opportunity of meeting over the years.

Most embarrassing moment - Attempting a bicycle kick in the Chicago game and completely missing the ball in front of the other teams fan section...or as my teammates know having to serve punch at the homecoming dance in high school.

If you could be anyone for a day, who would you choose? - Mia Hamm...or should I say Kelly Fink?

What CD is in your stereo right now? - 2003 warm up cd (sob, sob).

If you could take anyone on a dream date, who would it be, and where would you go? - Erin Walsh...you know I want you, girl!

What will you remember most about playing soccer at UWSP? - Making it to the final four my freshman year and all the great memories I have from my senior year (thanks teammates).

Do you have any parting words for the underclassmen? - Now that I'm gone, I feel that someone needs to fill in for the lack of stellar dance moves, interesting comments and, lets face it, my converting tactics.

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Juniors on the Spot

Kalsow is the prototypical complete player

By Dan Mirman
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

At 6'7", Huntley, Ill native Jason Kalsow doesn't exactly fit the profile of a high school point guard. But that's the position he played before enrolling at UWSP. If you watch the Pointers closely, the junior will show flashes of his old point guard skills from time to time.

men's basketball

During the Purple/Gold contest last Wednesday, there were a couple occasions when Kalsow lifted up for a rebound and then dribbled the ball up the court himself to start the offense. Of course his ball-handling skills should come as no surprise for one of the most complete players in the WIAC.

It's almost impossible to discuss Kalsow's game without using the phrase "complete player." Kalsow finished third on the team in scoring his first two seasons, but that has not made him stand out. What separates Kalsow from the rest of the conference is his ability to pass and rebound. During his first two seasons Kalsow lead the Pointers in rebounding and assists. He routinely makes the extra pass and he gives most of the credit for his unselfish game to his father.

"My dad always taught me if you got an open jump shot, take it. But if someone's got a lay-up or a better shot, pass it,"

said Kalsow. "If I get my teammates involved people can't key on my offense as much and it's just better to get everyone else involved."

Kalsow initially caught the eye of Pointer coach Jack Bennett when he attended the Pointers' yearly basketball camp. Bennett noticed that Kalsow's teams seemed to make a habit of winning.

When Kalsow arrived at Point his freshman year Bennett had the redshirt ready to go, but Kalsow continued to impress. He impressed the coaching staff to the point that he not only made the roster, but was also named the starting power forward his freshman season.

"He was such an intense competitor, whatever team he was on in drills he would do well," said Bennett. "I remember our staff said 'can we afford not to use him right now?,' the answer was no. I thought he would get some meaningful minutes, then as the preseason practices went on he earned a starting spot and has been firmly entrenched ever since."

Kalsow didn't disappoint. He finished third in scoring (11.1), while recording nearly four assists and six rebounds a contest.

Last year Kalsow continued to improve, scoring 12 points a game and bringing down nearly eight rebounds a game. He also helped lead the Pointers to their fifth consecutive WIAC title and a national tournament appearance. Now that

he is an upperclassman, Kalsow expects even better things this season.

"Last year there were just a couple things that hurt us in that playoff game," said Kalsow. "We just have to go in with the mind-set that if we don't win we go home. Two years here have gone by so fast already, I just hope to get another shot at it."

One player who has kept pace with Kalsow is fellow Junior Tamaris Relerford. Relerford has been on the receiving end of many great feeds from Kalsow.

"Jason has established himself as a dominate post player in the league," said Relerford. "He is constantly demanding double teams from opponents and his ability to pass out of those double teams to an open teammate only makes everyone else a threat on the court."

As a sophomore, Kalsow was a first team all-conference selection. If he continues to improve he may find himself competing for WIAC MVP by seasons end. But that won't matter to Kalsow if the team

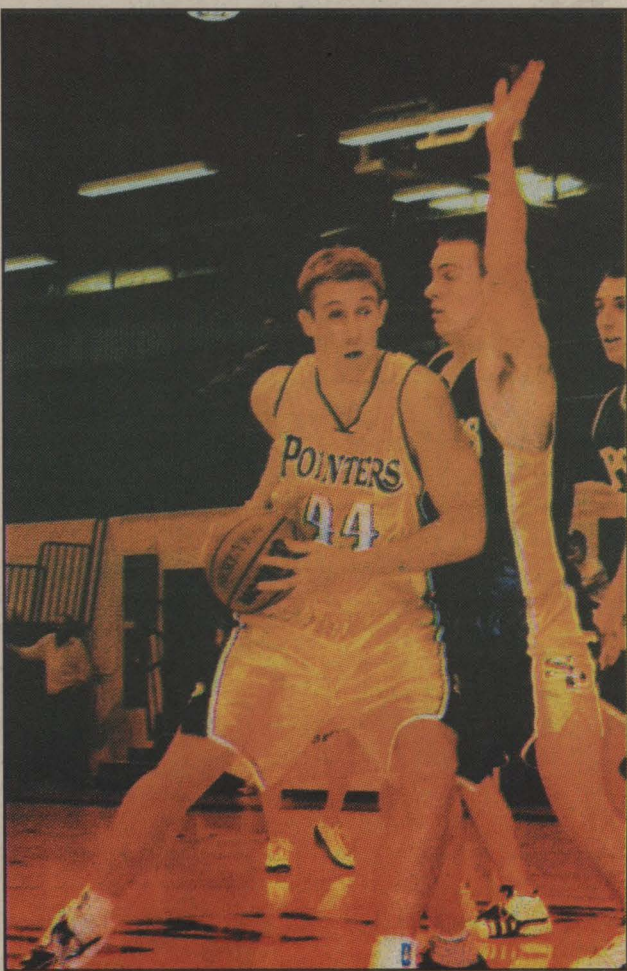


Photo by Patricia Larson

Jason Kalsow backs into the basket against teammate Mike Prey during last Wednesday's Purple/Gold game.

doesn't earn a fifth consecutive conference crown.

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		UWSP vs. Northland College	8:00 PM
22	SATURDAY	TERRY PORTER TIP-OFF Consolation Game	4:00 PM
		Championship Game	8:00 PM
29	SATURDAY	MARIAN COLLEGE	7:00 PM
December 3	WEDNESDAY	UW-RIVER FALLS	7:00 PM
6	SATURDAY	CALUMET COLLEGE (IN)	7:00 PM
7	SUNDAY	CARROLL COLLEGE	4:00 PM
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14	WEDNESDAY	UW-WHITEWATER	7:00 PM
21	WEDNESDAY	UW-OSHKOSH	7:00 PM
28	WEDNESDAY	UW-STOUT	8:00 PM
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Skaters starting to come together



Photo by Liz Bolton

Senior forward Justin Micek dives to block a shot on Friday against Gustavus Adolphus. The Golden Gusties downed the Pointers 4-3.

By Jana Jurkovich
SPORTS REPORTER

The UWSP men's hockey team earned a split over the weekend against some tough MIAC teams and kept their record on the winning track.

men's hockey

Friday night was a tough test for the Pointers as they took on Gustavus Adolphus College. The Pointers got on the board early, but then found themselves trailing three minutes into the third period. The team mounted a comeback and managed to close the deficit to one, but was unable to seal the deal and fell 4-3.

Said Junior Adam Kostichka, "I felt like we played really well for 50 of the 60 minutes. Those bad 10 minutes ended up costing us three goals and ultimately the game."

Saturday night went more according to plan as the Pointers trampled St. Olaf College 6-3. Junior Mike Brolsma led the Pointers as he recorded his third career hat trick.

Said Brolsma, "We wanted to play a full 60 minutes and I think we did that for the most part."

UWSP started the game out strong as

they took a commanding five-goal lead. St. Olaf was unable to put one past Pointer Goalie Ryan Scott until the final minutes of the second period.

Although it appeared St. Olaf might try and mount a comeback early in the third, the Pointers played tough defense and claimed the game 6-3. "The win was really big for us before our big road trip this weekend," said Kostichka.

Saturday's win also proved big for the Pointers when defeating MIAC teams helped them out at the end of the season to allow the team to bounce back to a winning record.

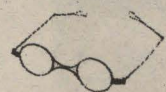
"Getting the hat trick was nice to have, but I'm more happy we won because we needed to get above .500," said Brolsma.

The Pointers are looking for Saturday night's performance to propel them into their games this weekend where they will again be looking for some key non-conference wins. The team will travel to Minnesota as they face off against Concordia College and Augsburg, both MIAC teams.

Said Brolsma, "We need to build off the win on Saturday night and keep the ball rolling over in Minnesota."



THE BACK PAGE



The way I see it... What's with those crazy mascots?

By Joshua Schmidt
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Greetings sports fans. This week I've noticed another barrage of criticism from people against Indian-related mascots. I'm not going into that, however, because it's too political. I'm going to talk about another mascot related issue: crazy mascots.

I'll start locally. First there are our friends to the north in Rhinelander. They're the Hodags. I'm all for being original, but if no one else gets the joke, what's the point? Maybe it's just me being uninformed, but I didn't figure out what a Hodag was until one of the Wausau TV stations did a story on the city of Rhinelander this summer.

For those of you who don't know, a Hodag is a mythological creature about the size of a small horse, with large teeth and claws and bony spines down its back. This creature would surely strike fear into the hearts of opponents. That is, if the opponent knew what it was.

Then to the west, there's the town of Fall Creek. Their fierce mascot: The Cricket. Were all the other mascots taken? I don't know about you, but if I'm playing for a team known as the Crickets, I'm not going to feel as fierce as if I was playing for, say the Snarling Wardogs. But maybe Fall Creek folks know something we don't about the mighty cricket.

The next school I'm going to pick on

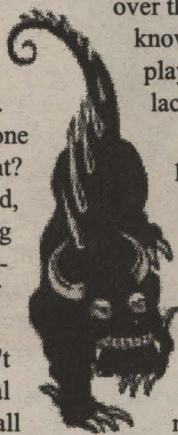
is Notre Dame. The Fighting Irish isn't a bad name. Maybe it isn't the most politically correct, but I've known some pretty tough Irish guys.

The actual mascot is another story. It's a crazy looking little Leprechaun in a 19th century boxing stance. It looks more annoying than fearsome, but you can't overlook the success of the football team over the past 75 years. Maybe these guys know something we don't, or maybe the players are overcompensating for the lack of fierceness of their mascot.

The great state of Texas has produced more than its share of weird mascots. The Buttons, Plowboys, Cotton Pickers, Praying Hands and Wampus Cats are all mascots of Texas high schools.

The NCAA also has its share of wackiness when it comes to mascots. Besides Notre Dame, there's also the Scotsdale Community College Fighting Artichokes. That's right, ARTICHOKES! Then there's the UC-Santa Cruz Banana Slugs, Williams College Purple Cows, and the UC-Santa Barbara Gauchos.

That's just a few examples of the wacky wild world of school sports mascots. What's my point? I guess I really don't have one except that for every controversial politically incorrect mascot, there's about fifty fun and crazy mascots out there. I don't know about you, but I think I'm going to jump on the Purple Cow bandwagon.



The Man's Take If I owned the Milwaukee Brewers

By Craig Mandli
SPORTS EDITOR

I'm sure that all of you are familiar with the total shitstorm that is the Milwaukee Brewers. Ownership is in disarray, the management is on loose footing at best and they can't afford to pay their team.

This is why I am buying the Milwaukee Brewers.

Now you may be wondering, "How does a fifth-year senior college student afford to buy a multi-million dollar baseball team?" Well, I haven't exactly figured that out yet, but that's not the point.

I have already figured out ways to get the team out of debt. For one, I'm going to rent out that substantial albatross that Miller Park has turned out to be to anyone interested. Monster truck rallies, Billy Ray Cyrus concerts, WWF Royal Rumbles, Republican national conventions...any scum can rent out our home.

Next, I would bring back the old logo. The old Brewer "M in B" logo (shown at right) brings back a time of glorious, glorious mediocrity, which are the teams glory years. Additionally, if my players sport the old Rollie Fingers handlebar moustache or the Gorman Thomas Pabst-induced beer gut, they get performance bonuses.

But that isn't the best part. During the annual owners meetings, I will wreak absolute havoc. Yankees owner George Steinbrenner and Orioles owner Peter

Angelos are going to get a very nice peice of humble pie, filled with some special Wisconsin bovine by-product that isn't exactly dairy in origin.

I will resign my star players instead of trading them for cheap junk, the practice that the Brewers have employed over the past ten years. You'll see...that Royal Rumble money will go a long way.

Also, I will lower the price of concessions at the game. There is no reason that a plastic bottle of skunky Miller should cost \$6! I don't care if the company's name is on the park. If it's impossible to lower the price of the Miller beer, I'm going to bring in Beast to sell. The college crowd needs something to drink, and at only \$2.50 per 40-ouncer, that Beast will be right up their alley.

Now, I'm not saying I have all the answers. Milwaukee will never be a desired destination for superstar players. Not when they can choose beautiful, sunny Florida, or urban, drug-infested Toronto.

However, Wisconsin sports fans throw their (rather substantial) weight behind our sports heroes. You thought Brett Favre was a hero in Wisconsin? Heck, Craig Nall can't walk into a Green Bay mall without getting mugged by autograph-seekers.

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The View from The Rowdy Crowd "OLE OLE OLE, OLE OLE OLE"

By The Rowdy Crowd
SPORTS CONTRIBUTORS

This past weekend saw series split by both the men's and women's teams in inter-league action.

Now none of us saw the women play so we don't have much to say regarding their games. The men's games we did see, and Friday night against Gustavus Adolphus was the Dr. Jekyll & Mr. Hyde team we've seen a few other times this season.

The Pointers roared back to make it close, but at times the game plans just weren't working. We have an AWESOME team, and on Saturday we faced St. Olaf. This game was a riot, as Mike Brolsma and his linemates cut through the Oles like a hot knife through butter.

After establishing that the St. Olaf Oles are in fact losers (this was done VERY soon after opening faceoff), we proceeded to chant "OLE OLE OLE, OLE OLE OLE" (a famous European soccer chant) which was joined in by the UWSP Pep band and other people throughout the K.B. Willett Arena.

Elsewhere in the world of Division III hockey, a team out east from Skidmore College has been saved from the mighty axe of budget cuts, as some of the Rowdy Crowd have been following on the college hockey website www.uscho.com.

This is great news for the DIII hockey nation because hockey is great for the smaller colleges and keeps a team involved in an already too small sport. It is our belief that anything we can do to

encourage people to check out DIII hockey is going to be beneficial to the public.

This upcoming weekend the Pointers play at Concordia Moorhead (no dirty jokes...but we sure have plenty) and at Augsburg, both in the great state of Minnesota.

Coming up this weekend the National Hockey League is celebrating its anniversary by holding the first ever outdoor professional game up in Edmonton, Alberta.

Also the NHL will be holding a legends game on Saturday Nov. 22 featuring the Edmonton Oilers and Montreal Canadiens. The teams will be comprised of some of the greatest NHL players ever to grace the ice. Look for highlights on ESPN.

Sorry to be so short this week, but like

a hockey goon we are tied up in the sin bin.

Here are the 3 stars from this past weekend's events..

MEN

3rd Week

1. Mike Brolsma - Gets a hat-trick after some egging on by the RC
2. Chris Gehrke - Call this guy the Punisher, because he will hit anything!
3. Justin Micek - busts his ass, gets assists, scores and just plays well.

WOMEN

3rd Week

1. Emily Teachout
2. Jana Jurkovich
3. Jackie Foley

Cross Country from page 7

28th.

This weekend, the best of the best will be at the National meet. including some teams the Pointers have faced earlier this year and some they have not.

The men's stiffest competition will come from two teams they fell behind at regionals, Oshkosh and North Central, along

with the new number one team in country, Calvin College. The men have seen Calvin twice this year, beating them at Notre Dame and coming up short in Oshkosh for a season split.

"If we're going to contend for a trophy, we need to keep that pack in there really tight and Curt needs to give us some low points up front," said Witt.

The women, who have held steady at the number three ranking

in the nation since obtaining it early in the season, will have to face the number one and two teams in Middlebury and Williams.

On their chances, coach Hill said, "Middlebury's a tough team. If we run the same way as we did at conference we can beat them. Williams has a strong front runner, but if we can match our first runner with their second runner we can beat them."

Women's Hockey from page 7

women made sure not to fall behind early staking claim to a 3-1 lead after the first period. Goals were registered by Jana Jurkovich, Tracy Truckey, and Hilary Bulger in the first twenty minutes. The game winner was put in by Jackie Schmitt at 10:41 in the third after the Gusties had tied it at three all just fifty seconds earlier. Then goals by Ninnemann and Emily

Teachout sealed it. It was then time for Statz to hold the lead and again she came up big.

"She's come up big for us so far," said Ninnemann. Stohr added, "Amy has had to step up early. She's had no time to prepare, she was thrown in there without much experience [at the college level]."

The ladies have the weekend off before traveling to Minneapolis' Augsburg college on next Tuesday. As it stands the women are 3-1-1 overall and 2-0 in the NCHA.

Wild matters

By Adam M.T.H. Mella
OUTDOORS EDITOR

Bring on the bucks.

Holy waaa! The phrase has been going through my head all week. With a last minute turn of events, it appears as if I will be going deer hunting for the gun season. Although I don't own a rifle or one article of blaze orange clothing, this whole "borrowing other people's stuff" thing is working out pretty well.

So come Saturday morning, I'll be wearing someone else's coat while hauling someone else's gun to an undisclosed location on various public lands to sit in a blind constructed by my buddy Kennedy. Don't worry though, folks; I completed hunter's education last summer and I always return favors.

As for enticing a fat buck toward my blind, I have a few methods that I am willing to explore. I'll start by conducting a brewsky for antler program the night before. Can anyone say "thirty point buck?" Before first light I plan on eating a beating heart and calling on the spirit of Grover Cleveland. Once in the blind, I plan on reading *The Biography of Jeremiah Johnston* in between listening for bucks and sitting still.

I would think that after such preparations of extreme optimism, I'll have a fair to average chance at bagging a buck.

The sky is falling.

Sheesh. Who the hell pissed off the sun? The last couple of weeks have seen two of the largest X-class solar flares in the history of the sun. One even measured as high as X28, which is a "maximum veloci-terricolsti" flare, according to an astronomer. Yeah, I took Astronomy 100.

As a result of the massive radiation wave that penetrated the earth's magnetic field, southerners got to see northern lights for the first time in their lives, causing "Robert E. Lee's spirit parties" to erupt in Virginia.

Not to be outdone, the dust trail from the Tempel-Tuttle comet intersected earth's orbit twice, resulting in a meager Leonid meteor shower, causing astronomers and former Astronomy 100 students who tried to get a "Leonid meteor shower observation date," to be denied or completely embarrassed. Thanks for nothing, Leonid.



The wait for the gun hunt is over

By Marty Seeger
ASSISTANT OUTDOORS EDITOR

Bright clumps of blaze orange are strewn across my living room floor. Ample amounts of toilet paper have been stuffed into every pocket. The rifles are accurate up to 300 yards, and the fridge is full of beer.

Virtually every radio station is playing "The Second Week of Deer Camp," "Da Turdy Point Buck," or "Fred Bear." Mini candy bars, beef jerky, pop, water, hand warmers and two boxes of .270 cartridges are in the vehicle and ready to go.

The sights and sounds of deer hunting have finally arrived. Every corner of Wisconsin seems to be filled with a fluorescent orange glow, and you can almost see the glow on every deer hunter that passes by. Every conversation I hear throughout the halls here at Point centers around the word "deer." "Going hunting this weekend?" asks a professor. Or: "God I can't wait for deer hunting this weekend," another student remarks.

I have been experiencing a loss of sleep this week, and I know that I am not alone. The preparation that goes into deer hunting is an endless struggle to keep the nerves from snapping. However, preparation for a hunt is not the only reason for

excitement.

The fact that I can trade my bow in for the rifle and get a crack at a colossal buck beyond the range of 30 yards is a great reason. Missing school is another important aspect of deer hunting. Term papers, professors and computer labs will be a distant memory on Saturday morning.



Holy Waaa!!

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All the things we do to get ready for the big hunt can be wrapped up into one giant clump of tradition. Whether you take to the big woods of northern Wisconsin or stick close to home, a deer

camp can be found nearby. True north for some people means due south for others, but does it really matter?

Over the years I have come to learn that hunting for the pure purpose of shooting a deer means virtually nothing. Yes, the experience of shooting a giant buck or filling the freezer with a fat doe is a bonus in anyone's memory bank. But the true reward is the chance to spend quality time with a family member, or even spending time with myself.

Hunting affords me the opportunity to share something unique with people I rarely see. But most of all, it gives me the opportunity to reflect on old memories. Just last year I was faced with the fact that I will no longer share the woods with my dad. He had lost his battle with cancer only a few short weeks before deer season.

This weekend will be the second year I will have to face opening day without my hunting buddy, but it gives me comfort to know that I can be close to the memories that we shared on so many occasions.

This article is dedicated to my father, and all of the other hunters out there who keep the tradition of deer hunting alive and well. Be safe, send me your trophy pictures and have a hell of a hunt.



Moses Creek Savanna project stalled until burn is approved

By Adam M.T.H. Mella
OUTDOORS EDITOR

While UWSP already boasts the flattest campus in the Midwest, it may soon lay claim to the first campus with its own savanna marsh as well. The Moses Creek Savanna project will come complete with educational signs, walking trails and dozens of unique grasses and wildflowers. Plans to start the project this fall have been thwarted so far by early snow and windy conditions.

Starting a savanna is not comparable to planting a tomato garden or growing a chia pet. The first indicator of this is the need to ignite a full scale prescribed burn on the property which is to be transformed from everyday field to diverse savanna. Such a burn would serve a three-fold purpose.

The fire would remove the "litter layer" of dead organic material, prevent the possible re-growth of unsavory invasive species and prepare the mineral seed bed that is vital for the success of the future planting. Before a fire is ignited, a pesticide must be applied to the property, and conditions like wind and ground moisture must be carefully measured to ensure the safety of surrounding properties. For some students in the Village Apartments, these safety issues will hit close to home.

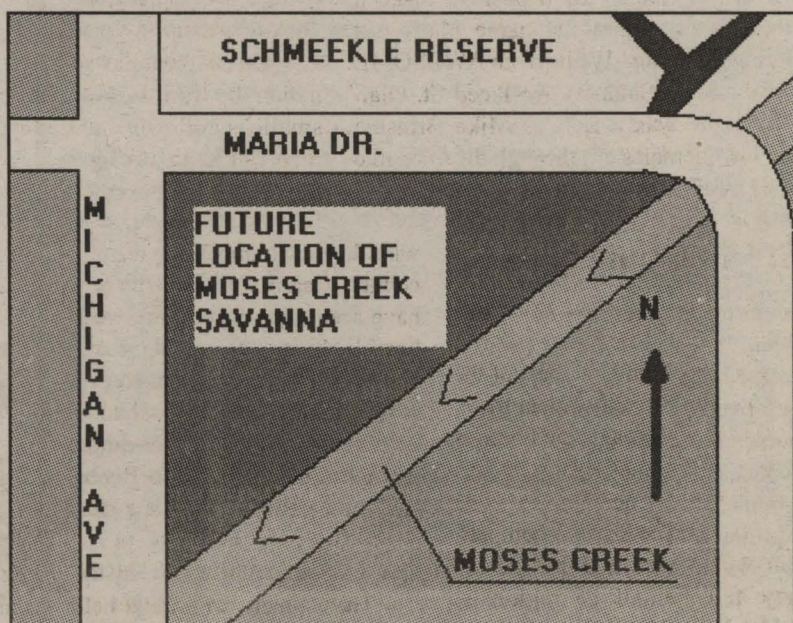
The Moses Creek Savanna Project is going to be burned and planted on the triangle property directly north of the Village, across the street from Schmeekle Nature Preserve on Maria Drive. The prescribed burn was planned for this November; however, it appears that the weather will push the burn back until well after the spring thaw.

Kyle Steele, a UWSP senior and Ecosystem Restoration and Management major, is heading the student effort with help from faculty member Alan Haney.

The student-run group, Society for Ecological Restoration, along with the UWSP Fire Crew, are planning to collaborate on the burn. Ecological Restoration students would then complete further work on the savanna.

Once the triangle lot is burned, several more years of work would be necessary to complete the envisioned Moses Creek Savanna. Steele said, "The Society of Ecological Restoration, the Stevens Point Parks Department, and private landowners are all working together to create a sustainable watershed." Moses Creek runs from marshland north of Stevens Point, through Schmeekle, behind the Village apartments and then underground until it pours into the Wisconsin River below the Stevens Point Dam.

Wetland prairie and savanna seeds will be planted on the property. The Healthy Grown Potato Project donates all the seeds. The Project is run by farmers who use little to no pesticides. After four to six years of management, the savanna is expected to mature to a natural, self-sustaining ecosystem for all students to enjoy.



The future home of UWSP's new Moses Creek Savanna.

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9 Interesting turkey facts

Compiled by Marty Seeger

- 1-Turkey skins are tanned and used to make cowboy boots and belts.
- 2-The costume that "Big Bird" wears on Sesame Street is rumored to be made of turkey feathers.
- 3-Turkey breeding has caused turkey breasts to grow so large that the turkeys fall over.
- 4-Eating turkey does not cause you to feel sleepy after your Thanksgiving dinner.
- 5-Turkeys have heart attacks. When the Air Force was conducting test runs and breaking the sound barrier, fields of turkeys would drop dead.
- 6-About 675 million pounds of turkey are eaten each Thanksgiving in the United States.
- 7-45 million turkey heads are thrown away every thanksgiving.
- 8-The heaviest turkey ever raised was 86 pounds!
- 9-The average American eats nearly 18 pounds of turkey each year.

Mr. Winters' two cents

Hey youngens! How you been getting on? Don't know about you, but I do know that them walleye bites have been slacking off a little. It's getting tougher to catch them big walleye than freeing a wooly mammoth out of a thorny thicket patch. Hoo-wa!



"Thankgivin'"

Thanksgiving time is always good for taking a little time off and relaxing. You know, like a day or two at the most. There's still plenty of work to be done.

Anyhow, this week I felt somewhat inclined to give a little sermon on this late fall holiday. You kids all know that a good portion of the Wisconsin population equates Thanksgiving to three things: Eating three times more than a regular Wisconsin dinner, which is usually three to four times larger than any other dinner in the states or provinces, watching football in a overindulgent stupor until dark, and lastly, eating leftovers for the next week or so while holding a rifle and whiskey shooter in the back pocket of their blaze orange bodysuit, all the while thinking about pie. Now don't be getting the wrong idea folks, because a full belly and a Packer victory are right up there on my "things to be thankful for" list.

The fact of the matter is, the first Thanksgiving was about more than obese people watching obese people on the magic television box while dreaming about pie and deer guts. Yes it's true; I looked in a history book. I'm not trying to confuse anyone, but history is that thing that 90 percent of Americans slept through in grammar school and left for intellectual dead afterward. It really can be quite interesting and useful.

Fact is, a bunch of sissy-ass pilgrims from England came over here back in the day and expected their Bibles to fertilize the soil, and after that didn't work, they tried begging the "savages" to help them. Of course, the "savages" felt sorry for them, so they did them a favor and all the sissies were "thankful" for their lives. Over the next couple of centuries, the European sissies forgot how thankful they were and gave the natives the heartwarming gift of plague rubbed all over wool blankets and shot them if they didn't feel like moving off "their" land.

Thing is, I try to remember every year about this time that there are a mess of things that I am thankful for. And before I eat a half a bird and top it off with gravy and stuffin', I try and reminisce on all these things.

I'm thankful for the bountiful walleye in the river, the wife who keeps me out of trouble and heavy with her sweet syrup and fire-water from the cellar-still and lastly, for monofilament line. God, what a blessed life I do live. Other things that flash before my wretched eyes before eatin' include a gas auger punching through the ice, "hot hands" personal heaters, slab crappies, galoshes, bathtubs, after-dinner "deuces", kittens and a touchdown pass from Farve to Don Beebe. Course, I was just kiddin' about those kittens, although kitty is a great addition to any chili recipe.

So before you give thanks this holiday, consider all these "historical" lessons and thoughts that I've just laid down on you, get me another piece of pie, and then "go on and geeeeeet!"

-Mr. Winters

A salute to wild turkeys

By Marty Seeger

ASSISTANT OUTDOORS EDITOR

Thanksgiving is a time to celebrate good hunting, a break from school and the bounty that nature has given. But even more exciting is the chance to grace the dinner table with the true symbol of Thanksgiving-the wild turkey.

Many of the turkeys eaten during the holidays will be the domesticated turkey, which is a descendent of the wild turkey. Still this shouldn't discourage anyone from honoring the truly wild, undomesticated symbol of thanksgiving.

The wild turkey is truly an American bird. Domesticated birds have only been around for a few hundred years, but the wild turkey is said to have been around for nearly 10 million years.

When the first pilgrims arrived the countryside was littered with turkeys. It wasn't until unrestricted hunting and the clearing and burning of forested land that the turkey population plummeted.

During the turn of the century it was estimated that only 50,000 wild turkeys existed in the entire nation. Today, close to 6 million birds and 2.6 million hunters can be found in virtually every corner of the United States.

The success of the wild turkeys' comeback can be greatly credited to the National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTf). Since 1985 the organization has raised more than \$146 million for nearly 16,000 conservation projects that has made the comeback



What a beautiful bird!

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of the wild turkey possible. The NWTf as well as turkey hunters all across America deserve a pat on the back for their help in the restoration of the wild turkey. Without their help this may not have been possible.

Although many of us will be chomping down on the domesticated bird for Thanksgiving, it is good to know that none of it would have been possible without the original wild turkey.

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Medeski, Martin and Wood keep it simple

By Steve Seamandel
ARTS & REVIEW EDITOR

"It's weird to not have to travel to Madison to see a legitimate show," said a colleague of mine from inside the Sentry Theater last week, where New York City's Medeski, Martin and Wood played.

He was right. Point rarely sees bands on a nationally recognized level.

With that in mind, anticipation ran high for MMW. Their sound plays heavily on standard jazz and funk influences, and their claim to fame is improvisation. Lots of improvisation.

MMW took the stage quietly and began with spacey noise that eventually dropped hard into "Start/Stop," a fairly common appearance in their setlists. This combo would prove to be the only segue of the night; the rest of the songs were mere stand-alone versions with a creamy improvisational filling.

MMW had no problem proving that they were the masters of improvisational jamming. Without uttering so much as a single word during their performance, they communicated through music with impressive precision, which was recognized through applause from the polite yet attentive audience.

As their name would indicate, each musician in MMW is a vital part of the band. Although percussionist/drummer Billy Martin took undeniable control of the jams, bassist Chris Wood and keyboardist John Medeski continually kept things fresh when Martin wasn't dictating the pace. Wood switched back and forth between a modern electric bass and an

old-school stand-up bass, which fit their sound much better. I felt like I was in a music class; I haven't seen so many new and different instruments since grade school.

Every member took one extended solo, although Martin's wide array of instruments (he had two tables set up around his drum kit, littered with shakers and other noise-makers) proved to be the most impressive. At times, I felt like I was in a music class because I haven't seen so many new and different instruments since grade school. Each musician in the band proved their vast knowledge of the genres they were playing.

MMW's fun encore sent everyone on their way; an acoustic rendition of "I Wanna Ride You," with each band member playing at the front lip of the stage (Wood with acoustic stand-up bass, Medeski with a tiny toy piano and Martin with a hand drum).

The biggest surprise of the evening came not in the music, but in the length of the show. While two sets are the expected standard among jamband shows, MMW took the bow after an hour and a half long set and called it an evening after a brief encore. Some people even left for the lobby after the set was over, thinking that it was setbreak. For a college-sponsored show, \$26 for a ticket and less than two hours of music left a lot of fans desiring more. Normally, artists want their fans desiring more of a show because of musical talent, not shortness of stage time.

Despite the short show, Medeski, Martin and Wood gave to Stevens Point what they give to every city in which they play: classic MMW jazz/funk tunes mixed in with innovative improvisation.

Cabaret in Point

By Liza Asri
ARTS & REVIEW REPORTER

If you crave for a night away from the stress of exams, papers and assignments, come and enjoy a night of good entertainment at the Jenkins Theatre featuring "Cabaret".

It tells the tale of a writer and the experiences and his observations he encountered when the Nazis came into power. The play will explore anti-semitism issues during a time of turmoil and dismay.

Not your typical musical, Cabaret will keep you entertained throughout the entire performance. Directed by

Allen Shorter and solely choreographed by a fellow student - Andrew Cao, this play promises an engaging night.

It opened last Thursday to a full house. Taking a break from their last performance last Sunday, Cabaret will run again this weekend through Saturday. Shows start at 7.30pm. A word of caution: seats are limited on Saturday so be sure to get your tickets fast.

On the day of performance students have the privilege of obtaining tickets at no charge. Otherwise, tickets are sold at \$3.50 each.

Cosby in Point

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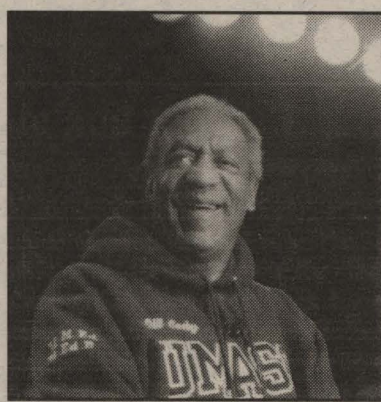
Although Cosby's age is beginning to show a little more, his points were as clear as ever, as was his comfort level on stage. He sat for most of his performance, donning a UMASS sweatshirt and

sweatpants and sandals. The manner in which Cosby spoke to the audience made it feel like he was having a one-sided conversation with everyone in the world's largest living room.

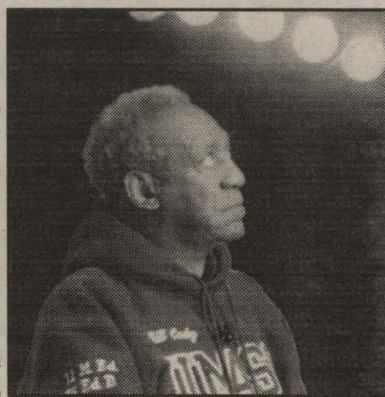
His funniest moments dealt with college student and parent interaction, which fit into the "it's-funny-because-it's-true" category.

"You know why they have Parents Day up here," said Cosby. "Because the college can't make you clean your room, and the only way to get you to do it is to get your parents up here. Do any of you even know when Parents Day is? Just check your room. When it's getting really messy, you know it's coming up."

Cosby swiftly moved from topic to topic with stellar segues. At times, he'd be into a new topic before the audience even realized that he had left the last. The entire show was smooth in delivery.



Photos by Liz Bolton



He also discussed different religions and God for awhile, which involved some audience participation. Cosby would set up a point and ask the audience for the answer, which at times elicited hilariously inaccurate

responses. The answers that Cosby received from the audience regarding Adam, Eve and the Tree of Knowledge were enough to fuel his show. Cosby only had to add a trademark rubber facial expression

to get the entire audience laughing.

The topic of marriage also consumed a good deal of his show, which detailed the main differences between men and women. Men, according to Cosby, are doomed even if they keep their mouths shut.

"If your wife asks you 'What are you thinking?', even if you say 'nothing,' you're in trouble," preached Cosby. "The wife will say, 'Why aren't you thinking anything, then?'" Again, Cosby's facial

expressions added a great deal to the humor, in addition to the "it's funny-because-it's-true" factors.

Cosby's still got it at age 66. He's still got the comedic flare, the energy to dish it out and most importantly, that Bill Cosby x-factor. Whether his secret is the way he speaks, or his priceless facial expressions, it's a perfect mix that makes for one heck of an entertaining comedy routine.



movie review: *Lost in Translation*

By Geoff Fyfe
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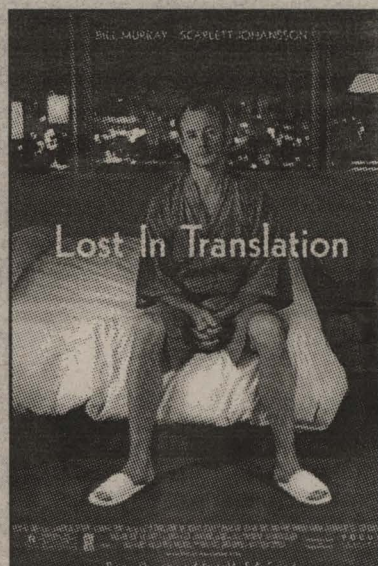
With all apologies to the great Francis Ford Coppola, he's not even the best director in his own family anymore. That title now belongs to his daughter Sophia, who, after her disastrous acting turn in her father's final *Godfather* saga, has now emerged as a gifted filmmaker with *The Virgin Suicides* and now *Lost in Translation*. A beautiful, bitter-sweet meditation on life, feelings and relationships, *Lost in Translation* confirms Sophia's talent and gives Bill Murray perhaps the finest role in his stellar career (well, outside of *Caddyshack*).

Murray portrays Bob Harris, a major movie star who's in Japan for a doing-it-for-the-\$2 million-paycheck series of whisky commercials. Bob's suffering from a midlife crisis, dealing with a slowly fading career and a 25-year marriage that's in a rut. At the hotel he's staying at, there dwells another troubled soul in the form of Charlotte (Scarlett Johansson), a young wife in her early 20s. Charlotte is without direction or purpose in her life and being stuck in an empty marriage to a vain, hotshot photographer (Giovanni Ribisi) doesn't help things. As she tells a friend over the phone, "I don't even know whom I'm married to."

She and Bob meet first in the elevator, nodding to each other in casual greeting. Later, they meet in the hotel bar and quickly find they have a lot in common. They can't sleep, for one. The foreign

location they're in is baffling them. And they instantly seem to feel the pain and sadness within each of them, which draws them into an unspoken connection. In a lesser movie, they would end up in bed for some sexual healing, but *Lost in Translation* never reduces itself to that level.

What *Lost in Translation* is



the visual image, the way film was originally meant to be.

Murray has never been more restrained or serious as he is here. He plays Bob as a man both sad and happy with his life, yearning for something more in his marriage, but entranced by his children, saying "they're miracles." A little bit of the sarcastic, witty Murray we all know and love peaks through, but it only serves to enhance the character as a man who knows his faults and can laugh at himself. This role should give Murray the Oscar nomination he was denied for *Rushmore*. He's matched by Johansson, as the 18-year old revelation of *The Horse Whisperer* and *Ghost World* plays a sad, solemn woman wise beyond her years desperately trying to find her life. Plus, we get another scene-stealing comedic performance from *Scary Movie* star Anna Faris as a vacuous blond starlet (rumored to be based on Cameron Diaz).

This is a wonderful film. It's the story of two lonely souls, separated by circumstances beyond their control, who find each other briefly and touch one another, if only for a moment. They don't cure each others problems, but they make each other feel a little better. I loved that, at the end, Bob whispers something into Charlotte's ear and we don't hear it. It's private, between the alone, and we can only speculate. Maybe he gave her his number or address. Maybe he told her he loved her. Or maybe he told her thank you for illuminating his life, if only for a brief moment in time.

jackie's fridge



by bj hiorns



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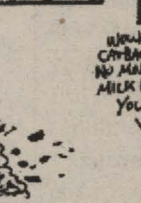
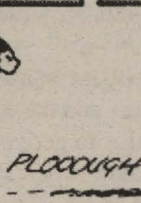
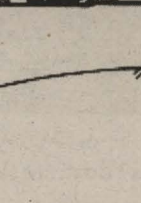
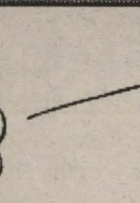
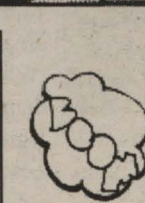


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j0 pat,
One fo my buds told me u wrote a horoscope for the pointer, but ive never seen I. Did u realy do I or are they full of shit? What where they like? I bet
BTW, I love UR colum, it roxx0rs. I lol at it every week.
Mike

Sweet weeping Jesus. Thus is the true face of my fandom revealed.
Ok, Mike. You know those red and green lines that Word puts underneath all your writing? Well, they're not Christmas decorations. I don't care what sort of "I love Hanson" chatroom you grew up in,

but when you e-mail ME, you type the words out. All the way out.
While we're on the subject, check your damnable leet speak at the door. Oh, I speak fluent leet, I just don't want to. U s33 i [4n l337 2, j00 l4m3r. d4 f4[7 l2 1 4^ d4 l337 b0^/b. 1 0V^/53- j00r A55. n00b.
I just choose not to because, in a nutshell, leet 5ux0r... ahem. Sorry, "sucks."
But in answer to your question, yeah. I used to do a horoscope. What were they like? Well, let me show you....
The Aries horoscope always got some sort of joke about clown sex. (In fact, this is where the whole running joke about clown sex got started.) One of my friends was an Aries, and he found the thought of clown sex profoundly disturbing.

ARIES (MAR 21 - APRIL 19)
The future is cloudy for Aries this week, but from what I can make out, you'll either be going on a Carnival cruise, or having sex with a rodeo clown.
Taurus touched on the fact that you had a paperboy captive in your basement.
TAURUS (APRIL 20 - MAY 20)
Don't worry about Charter turning off your cable, as the paperboy trapped in your basement will soon develop a violent case of Tourette's syndrome.
I used pointed social commentary....
GEMINI (MAY 21 - JUN 21)
With your internet connection down, you decide to resume dating. However, countless hours of internet surfing have degraded your social skills, and in a moment of nervous confusion, you end up mounting your date's saltwater aquarium.

There'd always be one ordinary horoscope, just to mess with people.
SCORPIO (OCT 23 - NOV 21)
Don't make any financial decisions right now. Instead, concentrate your energies on your romantic life; someone special might have their eye on you.
I'd make some specific to UWSP....
SAGITTARIUS (NOV 22 - DEC 21)
An ill-considered comment in your creative writing class leaves you tied naked to a bicycle rack outside the CCC with a toilet snake stuffed up your ass.
I'd usually make some sort of religious joke each week. I tried to hit all religions equally, just to keep it fresh.
CAPRICORN (DEC 22 - JAN 19)
A sinful pre-Easter candy feast will anger Jehovah, who causes you to snort a pink marshmallow bunny out your nose.

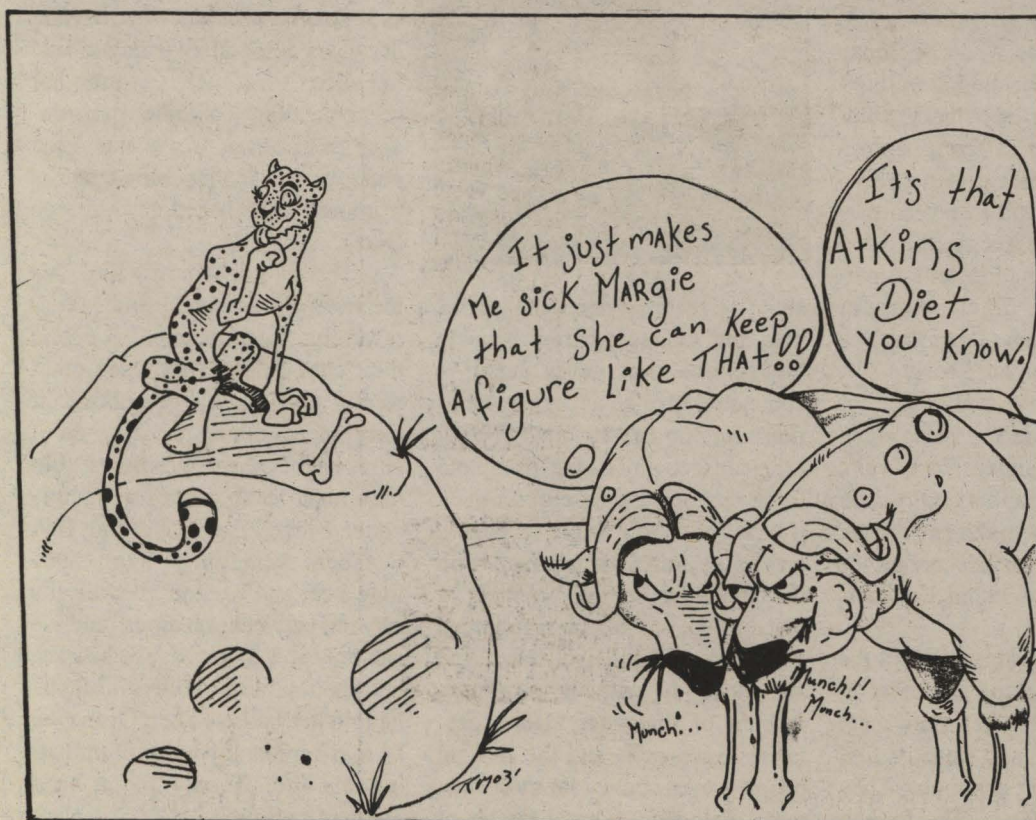
I'm a Cancer, so Cancer was usually related to some real-life experience I had.
CANCER (JUN 22 - JULY 22)
Your ex-girlfriend crushes your skull with a box of scented wet-naps after you make a quip about her "ugly little monkey-baby." While this leaves you a twisted wreck of a man, you will also find yourself to be pleasantly lemony-fresh.
Then I'd do some short ones...
LEO (JULY 23 - AUG 22)
You'll be rushed to St. Michael's burn ward after another unsuccessful attempt to have sex with a pepperoni hot-pocket™.
VIRGO (AUG 23 - SEPT 22)
Long term relationships might be difficult to maintain in the future, as by Monday you will be little more than a rotting corpse in an Arpin cornfield.
LIBRA (SEPT 23 - OCT 22)
A journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step. Get up off the couch and empty your colostomy bag.

I would often utilize the classic Greek tragic-comic technique of Bathos to humorous effect.
AQUARIUS (JAN 20 - FEB 18)
You will die hopeless and alone, hated by the few people who still remember your name. Travel opportunities look good.
And of course, no horoscope would be complete without some subtle innuendo and punning.
PISCES (FEB 19 - MAR 20)
Mars ascendant shows this to be a good week to practice a little restraint. A silk scarf is classy, but a pair of nylons will also do in a pinch.

The quality of this week's e-mail should show how seriously Pat is scraping the bottom of the barrel. He would really appreciate it if someone sent a college survival question to proth@wsunix.wsu.edu.
Pretty please?

SPARK it too

by: Mel Rosenberg



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