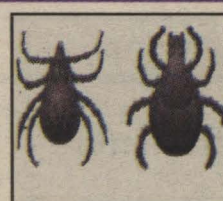


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Trivia weekend completes another successful year



Photo by Liz Bolton

The last of the clean-up from the trivia weekend is nearly complete. Although quite exhausted from the three-day event, many competitors have expressed how much they look forward to next-year's contest.

By Adam Somers
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Stevens Point's annual weekend-long trivia contest wrapped up midnight last Sunday. Trivia headquarters was located at the 90FM office in the Communications Building. Combined with great weather, Trivia made this past weekend a perfect weekend for many students, residents and visitors of Stevens Point alike.

This year's contest was very successful with over 400 teams and over 11,000 players who took part in Trivia. Compared to last year's registration totals, this year's contest was just as successful. According to 90 FM program director Jon Henseler, this year's contest "may have had a couple dozen more teams this year as compared to last year."

When the final results were tallied, the winning team was Knights of Neek, who won the contest by earning 9560 points, just under a thousand points ahead of the 2nd place

finishers The Deadhead is All Wet - Network PSIS, who had 8620 points. Graduates of a Lesser God finished 3rd, while Tin Man took 4th place and Basementality: Return of the Kinks finished 5th.

Besides the success Trivia had from registration, the overall process in the studio ran pretty smoothly. Henseler pointed out that a couple small problems of some phone operating and computer operator shifts that were not filled.

The station also experienced problems with the massive wind gusts on Sunday night. The program was knocked off air for about 3 minutes. Henseler went on to say that the problem was easy to fix and was nothing major, "but whenever you hear dead air it gets a little hectic around the station as far as trying to figure out what is going on, and how to fix it."

The staff working 90 FM had no problem keeping up the up-beat mood that many of teams see Trivia weekend, page 2

Katz gives lecture on issue of violence against women

By Dan Mirman
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Men commit 99 percent of rapes. So why is the problem considered a women's issue?

That question was central to the message that Jackson Katz delivered to a nearly full Legacy room Wednesday evening.

Katz began his speech by looking at the simple language we use when discussing violence against women. He made his point by first writing a simple sentence on a chalkboard, "John beat Mary."

He then changed the sentence a little.

"Mary was by beaten by John."

Then another tweak, "Mary was beaten."

And one final change.

"Mary was battered."

Katz used this example to illustrate how society puts the focus of women's violence on the female victims. He went on to explain that the problem with rape prevention programs is that they focus on women and avoiding situations where they are at risk.

Melissa Chambers of the Women's Resource Center brought Katz in see Katz lecture, page 2

Head of Grounds receives award



Photo by Liz Bolton

Chris Brindley, head of Grounds for UWSP, was presented with an award by the SGA for his efforts to bring to light knowledge of sub-standard work performed on the Intramural Field turf renovation.

PATRIOT Act still topic of debate

By John T. Larson
NEWS EDITOR

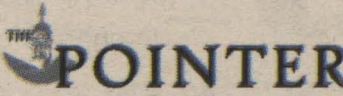
In the weeks after a debate was held at UWSP on the USA PATRIOT Act, the legislation shows no sign of losing any degree of controversy. President Bush is currently engaged in a cross-country tour speaking on how vital the powers granted to law enforcement agencies are to the war on terrorism.

In a speech presented recently in Buffalo, the president said, "We've got to make sure that the laws reflect the reality" of a post-Sept. 11

world. The president spoke in Buffalo where six men were recently convicted of terrorist related crimes and he was there to state that the conviction would have been impossible without the PATRIOT Act, stating that before the act FBI agents "could talk about the Buffalo Bills football, but they couldn't talk about protecting the homeland."

The public boasting of the prosecution of a successful conviction that resulted from the use of the PATRIOT Act is a rare one, as US Attorney J.B. Von Hollen pointed out dur-

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Katz lecture

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for their Take Back the Night rally, which took place immediately following the speech.

Early in his speech, Katz struck a personal tone with the audience, saying, "Almost every man in this room knows one and probably more than one woman who has been sexually assaulted. It's not happening to someone else, somewhere else."

Katz challenged the audience to speak up more when they see a situation involving violence against women, suggesting that, "We need to raise the bar a little higher. We need to confront men who act wrong."

Jackson Katz, originally from Boston, has spoken at over 650 colleges since 1990. He initially showed a slide show titled, "My gun's bigger than yours." In the late 90's, Katz began producing films, his initial film *Tough Guise*

came out in 1999 and he directed two more awareness films, with the recent film *Spin the Bottle* coming out earlier this year.

Katz also started the MVP (Mentors and Violence Prevention) program. Katz began the program by going to different high schools and targeting athletes to speak out on violence. He believes that, due to the status that our society gives athletes, they are the perfect people to lead a change in our social attitudes. Since the program started in 1993 it has spread to colleges and Katz has also worked with the New England Patriots of the NFL for the last six years.

Katz showed clips from all three of his films and showed how our views of men and women have changed. He used pictures of action hero figures to show how the ideal male body has gotten larger, while the female figure has become much smaller. Katz suggested that young boys com-

pensate for their lack of stature with firearms. He pointed out that over 90 percent of gun violence is committed by men.

Katz closed by urging the crowd to speak out against violence when they see it, arguing, "When you go out with a friend and he starts yelling at women and grabbing their ass if you don't object, that's the same as consenting with them."

For more information on Jackson Katz you can visit his website at www.jacksonkatz.com.

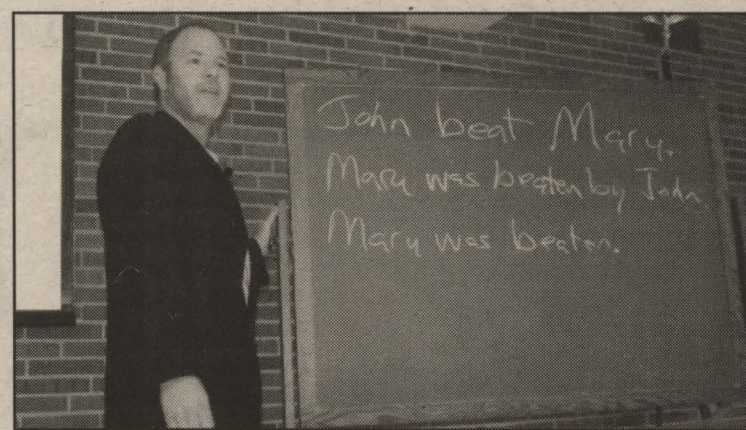
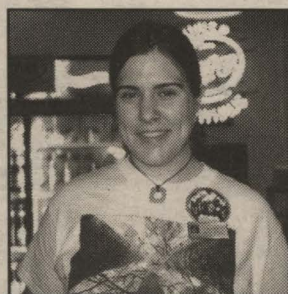


Photo by Liz Bolton

Jackson Katz delivers his presentation, explaining the way violence toward women is depicted in the media and the impact this has on society.

Pointer Poll

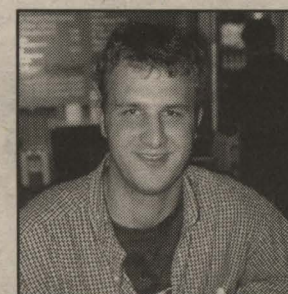
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What issue is most important to you in the upcoming election?

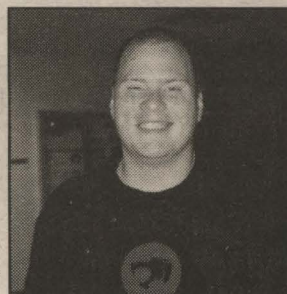
Katie Hassmer, Sr., Art

Getting the Bush Administration out of Washington!

Samantha Witt, Sr., CLS.

How we will deal with the aftermath of Iraq.

Tony Hentz, Jr., Biology

Taking care of students, and finishing what we started in Iraq.

Shawn Miller, Sr., Biology

Bringing the troops home.

Brenda Vaness, Sr., Wildlife

Environmental issues- this Admin. doesn't have the know-how.

Jacob Lison, Sr., Soil and Land Mgmt.

*More love for the little guy.***Trivia weekend**

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were experiencing this past weekend. "We were all tired, but everyone knew that this was a once in a lifetime chance to be involved in something of this magnitude," said Henseler. Henseler also mentioned that while there were times when people got a little stressed and tired late at night, the staff "was very up-beat and excited about what was going on."

As in the past, many students participated in Trivia this year. While many of the top finishing teams probably did not contain many current students, a lot still enjoyed the experience. Sophomore Brian Davis participated in the contest for the second straight year and seemed to enjoy the contest even more this year.

Davis headed up the team Hy Life Saved My Life, with its members consisting of guys who live on the first floor in Hyer Hall. "We really weren't in it to try and win, we did it just to have a good time and we definitely did that," said Davis.

Freshman Aaron Lamberg, a member of the team, said that although they did not finish near the top of the final results,

"Our results didn't show our dedication."

Davis brought up that their lack of sleep was not an issue. "We were dang near nocturnal for two days," he said. He also claimed that the hunt for the Trivia stones really did a number on the team.

Lamberg was participating in the contest for the first time and when asked if the contest was everything he was expecting it to be he replied, "It was more. It was a blast and I am planning on attending next year."

To the excitement of everyone involved, Trivia 35 was the basis of a documentary film. Henseler said that when the camera crew was around the station, they did not pose any problems at all and actually enhanced the weekend for everyone.

Henseler went on to say that the camera crews spent much of the 54 hours covering and shooting individual teams and that "they were probably only at the station for half that time."

Dates for next year's contest, Trivia 36, are scheduled as the weekend of April 8, 9 and 10.

Applications for The Pointer staff positions due this Friday, April 23

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Dean of College of Natural resources to resign

Victor D. Phillips, fourth dean of the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point's College of Natural Resources, has resigned his position to devote his full-time attention to the Global Environmental Management program, an international initiative he began after coming to UWSP in 1998.

It is anticipated an interim dean of the CNR will be named later this week.

Headquartered at UWSP and devoted to watersheds management, land use planning and natural resources education, GEM also sponsors a program in rural leadership and community development. Other new initiatives include the GEM Student Ambassador Program, Student Mentoring Program, Peace Corps USA Fellows Program and sustainability leadership. UWSP will host an International Conference



Victor Phillips

on Environmental Management for Sustainable Universities in 2006.

Prior to joining UWSP, Phillips was a member of the faculty of Resource Sciences and Technology at the University of Malaysia Sarawak on the island of Borneo. From 1984-96 Phillips worked in Hawaii via the College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources and Hawaii Natural Energy Institute at the University of Hawaii at

Manoa.

A Texas native, Phillips holds a bachelor's degree in biology from North Texas State University, a master of arts degree from Washington University and a doctorate in plant ecology from the University of Colorado at Boulder.

James Loewen to speak at UW-Stevens Point

Author James Loewen will speak at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, April 28 at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point.

The seminar titled *Lies, My Teacher Told Me: Leaving All Children Behind* will be held in the Laird Room of the University Center (UC). Sponsored by several student organizations, colleges and departments at UWSP, the presentation will be open to the public free of charge.

Loewen will discuss his research on how history is taught and comment on the

ramifications of the No Child Left Behind Act. Copies of his books will be available for purchase and there will be a signing immediately following his presentation.

Loewen, the author of *Lies My Teacher Told Me: Everything Your American History Textbook Got Wrong* and *Lies Across America: What Our Historical Sites Get Wrong*, attended Carleton College and holds a Ph.D. in sociology from Harvard University.

PATRIOT Act

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ing the debate the measure deals mostly with issues of National Security that the government is often unable or unwilling to comment about.

Despite the amount of media attention paid to the measure, much of the public is unsure about what exactly the act can really do.

"I've heard about it, but I don't even know of what it involves," said junior Meghann Krueger. Krueger also commented that she probably should care, but other things seem more important right now.

When asked if there should be more ways to learn about the act, sophomore Marissa Johnson stated, "Yes, most definitely. It will be something that really affects daily life." Johnson expressed torn views on the act as of right now. She mentioned that the act infringes on the fourth amendment and our privacy, as well it can prevent citizens from living their normal lives. Johnson also pointed out that this is "a time of terrorism and no matter what we do we have to always watch our backs and be skeptical of everyone."

Johnson also went on to state that "it could really be a kick in the face if the power falls into the wrong hands."

According to Professor John Blakeman, associate professor of political science for UWSP, the PATRIOT Act is for the most part not entirely a new creation.

"What it is basically is an expansion of an existing statute

known as the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act, or FISA that gives the federal government the conduct electronic surveillance."

FISA authorized the FBI to engage in counter-intelligence activity against foreign agents operating from outside and within the United States. Part of this power resulted in the creation of FISA courts. These courts meet in Washington for closed sessions where the FBI can request warrants to commit eavesdropping on those it suspects of acts not in the best interest of the US. Unlike a normal warrant, the FISA warrant is kept completely secret and the FBI does not have to have probable cause to initiate the warrant.

Under the PATRIOT Act, the FISA provisions have been extended to include US citizens under the list of those that can be subject to that kind of electronic surveillance, which can include the monitoring of telephone calls, e-mails, library reading lists and internet searches.

While the measure is supposed to be limited to those that are suspected of committing or planning to commit terrorist acts against the United States, US Attorney General John Ashcroft has used the powers granted to him for other types of criminal cases.

"It has been used to gather evidence in some white collar crimes and pornography cases, and is being used in the upcoming federal obscenity trials, and he [Ashcroft] using the PATRIOT Act power to gather evidence," said Blakeman.

"It looks like the FBI is using

its PATRIOT Act powers, which are mainly for fighting the war on terrorism and using those powers to prosecute non-terrorism related offenses. The act wasn't designed to do that. The PATRIOT Act allows the FBI to gather intelligence, not evidence."

Blakeman said that the precedence for such laws began in the 1960's, when the Supreme Court ruled in the 1964 *Katz v. United States*, which stated that electronic surveillance was not prohibited under the fourth amendment.

Professor Ed Miller of the UWSP political science department said that measures that strengthen national security at the expense of individual liberty are by no means a new phenomenon.

Miller states that the driving force of such measures "tends to be those with a conservative ideology." It most frequently is aired at the time of war. For example, the Sedition Act was enacted in 1798 which prohibit anyone writing falsely or maliciously in criticizing the president, congress or the government. The war between the U.S. and France was the context. Similarly at time of WWI we enacted the Espionage and Sedition Acts which restricted free speech. At the time of WWII we enacted the Smith Act and at the time of Korea the Internal Security Act. A domestic example occurred when we had riots in cities in the latter half of the 1960s. Here we enacted a federal law that made it a Federal crime to cross state lines to incite or organize a riot. As you can see, the Patriot act is not isolated in U.S. history."

The Campus Beat

South Hall

Wednesday, April 14 1:14 a.m.

Type: Drug Possession

Protective Services was contacted about an individual in possession of a controlled substance.

Neale Hall

Wednesday, April 14 9:00 a.m.

Type: Theft

A male reported the theft of his wallet from his room. The list of items missing include a Best Buy gift card, a debit card, a student ID card and \$300 in cash.

Lot Q

Wednesday, April 14 9:25 a.m.

Type: Vandalism to Private Property

A male reported that his car had been vandalised while parked in the lot. He reported that person[s] unknown had flattened three tires and sprayed mustard on the windows.

The Campus Beat is compiled by UWSP Protective Services.

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Musings from Mirman

Everybody's got one "My parents should really disown me" story. Here's mine.

By Dan Mirman
EDITOR IN CHIEF

The following sentence from the September 14, 2000 Campus Beat marks my first appearance in *The Pointer*.

*Knutzen Hall
Saturday, Sept. 9 2:06 a.m.*

A Community Advisor reported that an intoxicated male entered a female student's room, took off his pants and laid down on the bed and went to sleep.

I graduate in less than a month and was reminiscing with some friends about my last four years at UWSP. One of them asked me, "What's the first thing you ever wrote for *The Pointer*?"

I thought for a moment and realized the first thing I wrote was a hockey story in Spring 2001.

But the first time I appeared in the paper was the Campus Beat in the above release.

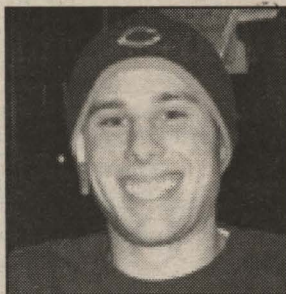
First, let me explain my mishap. It's not any less embarrassing after an explanation, but at least the story provides a little clarity.

It was my second weekend on campus and I went out with some chums to a party. We played some cards, drank too much from a barrel of Icehouse and at midnight everyone headed downtown.

I did own a fake ID at this time, but I heard the bars were frequently raided by police on the first couple of weekends and I decided to play it "smart" and walk home.

Upon arrival at Knutzen Hall I thought, "This seems like a good time to meet people."

So I somehow stumbled up to the third floor and that's where my memory ends and the police report begins.



The report states that I went into a CA's room and watched the end of the movie *For the Love of the Game* (Kevin Costner's only good movie this decade by the way). After the movie ended, the CA's awakened me with vigorous shaking.

Thinking I was back on the first floor, I walked three doors down, turned into the room on my left and went to bed. Yes, I took off my pants first, because sleeping in jeans is uncomfortable. Besides, I thought it was my bed.

Back to my memory. I woke up with a policeman holding my fake ID and wondering what happened to my pants. The policeman then pocketed my ID and told me how generous he was to not give me a fine for my fake. He followed that up by writing me a ticket for underage drinking.

The story ends with the police calling my roommate to escort me back to my room. I mention this because my roommate was on the track team and had to wake up for a meet in five hours.

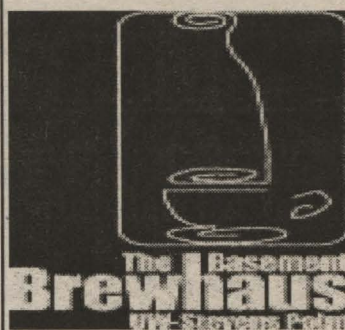
I feel confident that few students made a bigger ass of themselves during their first two weeks on campus. After a screw-up of this proportion I should have learned my lesson. I didn't. One month later I picked up a second underage ticket to go with a theft ticket. This story involves stealing a sign off a pizza delivery truck.

I'm pretty embarrassed by both incidents. In fact, my parents believed I got busted at two house parties until I told them the truth two years later.

Embarrassing as my mistakes were, I don't regret them at all. My screw-ups forced me to look at what I wanted out of college, and I ended up joining this paper and 90FM because of my faux pas.

My story is an extreme example, but I firmly believe that my mistakes have helped more than hindered my successes. It's good thing, too, because I make an awful lot of mistakes.

Brewhaus Question of the week



Win a \$5 gift certificate to the Basement Brewhaus if your response is printed.

This weeks question:
Should UWSP deny parking permits to freshmen? Why?

This space will be for the new and reworked Brewhaus question of the week.

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Every week we plan to ask a question that directly affects UWSP students. Starting next week, we'll run the best response as judged by The Pointer staff. The person whose response we select will receive the gift certificate.

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Down with dignity ends too early

I'd like to make a comment on last week's Down with Dignity show. I arrived at 9, and was surprised to find that they were already done playing. I spoke with the sound guy, and he said that they could play at least until 10.

I then approached the band members and asked why they weren't doing another set. They said it was because they only play original material, and they had already played them all.

I don't mean this to be a slam against this particular band. They do play their own stuff and the crowd seemed to have enjoyed the show. However, I feel that they should have just played their set twice. A band should be psyched to be playing at a venue like The Encore, and should have to be dragged from the stage, have the power cut off, or else collapse in a heap.

Ian Goldberg
UWSP Student

Eating contest doesn't hurt anyone

Until reading the letter to the editor in this week's edition of *The Pointer*, I had no idea anyone could have a problem with such a harmless event as an eating contest.

I have a limited budget and I need to come up with some inexpensive ideas for events that will be popular among the students - and the eating contest turned out to be just that.

Centertainment Productions provides entertainment, and that's what the eating contest is. I have not made any political statement with this event. I care about the environment and the health of our country, but honestly, this has nothing to do with that.

This is 16 people - no limitations on them; they could be male, female, overweight, underweight, student, non-student - who volunteered to be part of this contest to win \$100. Not to puke, not to get free food. It's entertainment for those participating in it and those watching.

Any statement that this event is irresponsible is ridiculous. Aren't there much more important things to worry about with the environment than a 16-person eating contest? Morally wrong? Distasteful?

If you don't like the idea, then don't come to the show. People are going to have fun. No one will be hurt. No one's life will be ruined by obesity that I caused.

Someone will win \$100. Maybe they'll send it to starving Ethiopians, but that's not my business. Just like it's not Kelly Firkins' business what I have for my programs.

Andy Liesener
Centertainment Club/Variety Coordinator

times running out...Pointer applications due this Friday

The history behind the Earth Day movement

Earth Day every day; passing it on to all

By Alli Himle
FEATURES EDITOR

April 22, 1970 was undoubtedly a day that changed the face of the environmental movement forever. It was on this day that the first Earth Day was held, a day that all came together for the good of one cause – to protect our most sacred resource, the earth.

The idea for Earth Day was not something that took shape overnight. The turning of the idea to a reality was something that transpired over the course of seven years, first taking root in 1962. It was Wisconsin senator Gaylord Nelson's vision to create a day devoted entirely to the protection of our global ecosystem. Taking into account that the state of the environment was regarded as an issue not to be discussed in politics, Nelson saw that the time for politicians and citizens to come together for the environment was now.

Enlisting the help of then president John F. Kennedy, Nelson created a five-day, 11 state nation-

al conservation tour in September 1963 to heighten awareness of the plight of our natural environment. In spite of the tour not being as productive as Nelson had hoped, it was the catalyst for the Earth Day movement.

Six years later, Nelson's dream became a reality. Inspired by a nationwide grassroots effort to give attention to the current endangerment of our ecosystem, a demonstration on behalf of the environment was held in Seattle in September of 1969. The response was electrifying. The American people began to realize to exactly what degree they were impacting the land for future generations.

It was this shock wave that sent America into action, and eventually spurred the creation of Earth Day.

It did not take long to realize, on the morning of April 22,

said, "that was the remarkable thing about Earth Day. It organized itself."

And now, over 30 years later, Earth Day is still the foundation for the movement to conserve our natural landscape. Earth Day inspires schools and colleges across the country to do more to preserve Mother Nature for future generations.

Earth Day is the one time each year where everyone stops and reflects on their impact

on nature. Instead of maintaining our consumer-driven, hustle and bustle persona, we instead find ourselves evaluating the ways in which we could do more for our global ecosystem while realizing the relationship of humanity within the system.

The most common Earth Day activity is planting a tree. The weather this time of year is adequate for this type of activity, in addition to it being something that all generally enjoy doing.

This Earth Day, find it in yourself to do more. Whether this is picking up a piece of litter on your way to class, passing on driving your car to work, or enjoying a walk in Schmeckle while realizing exactly how precious nature truly is, do something that encourages you to take a stand. Most importantly, realize that Earth Day is a day meant for all to re-evaluate their living style. It is a time for us to crucially consider just what type of living we wish to impart on our future generations.

As Robert Redford, actor and passionate environmentalist, once said, "I think the environment should be put in the category of our national security. Defense of our resources is just as important as defense abroad. Otherwise what is there to defend?"

Indeed, without nature, our purpose seems to be nonexistent.



Making a difference this Earth Day

Yes, every litter butt does hurt

By Jen Kingsley
FRATRES CONTRIBUTOR

Spring has sprung and the weather is beautiful. Who could resist the opportunity to go outside and partake in the wonders of nature? However, as you stroll through the UWSP campus, you begin to notice that not everything is green and blooming. In fact, the campus is downright disgusting in the spring. Trash and litter are everywhere. What has been covered up for months by snow is now just starting to show up again in a very unsightly manner.

The worst part about this litter isn't the ugliness of it, but rather the dangers that it holds. One

of the worst dangers comes in a small form – the sneaky cigarette butt. While smoking is a personal choice, discarding the butt should not be. Most people never think twice about where they throw their butts away. However, what one may view as a minor issue is much more as far as the process of nature is concerned.

Cigarette butts are made of plastic called cellulose acetate, not cotton or paper. When thrown on the ground, cigarette butts can take up to twelve years to decompose. Meanwhile, the chemicals in filter cigarettes are leaching into the soil and water. Even animals can become exposed to the chemicals. Animals mistake cigarettes for food, and they have been found inside the stomachs of cats, dogs, birds, squirrels and numerous other animals. If

humans don't wish to ingest it, why pass it on to the other creatures? Besides being a threat to nature, it is also unsightly to walk through an area scattered with cigarette remains.

So, I ask those of you out there who feel, "There's only a few butts laying around and they can't be doing too much damage," to rethink the idea. Every small thing adds up to something big. There are plenty of containers around campus to dispose of them. We boast that UWSP is a natural resources campus, so it is time that we make it look like one.

Earth Day is a great time to pitch in and lend a hand. Do your part by picking up any butts that you see lying around. By doing this, you will not only be doing your part for a better tomorrow,



but you will also be setting a positive example to those around you. For those looking to take even more action, cigarettelitter.org is an organization that is devoted to taking a stand against cigarette butt litter.

Regardless of what stand you take in the matter, realize that taking simple action can make a huge difference.

Ten simple things students can do for the Earth on the UWSP campus

1. Pass on the bag at Taco Bell.
2. Print double-sided (the majority of printers on campus are now duplex printers).
3. Walk or bike to class.
4. Use reusable food containers (for example, a Nalgene bottle is not only convenient but reusable).
5. Shut off the water while brushing your teeth.
6. Shut off the lights when leaving the restroom.
7. For those that smoke, use the cigarette disposals on campus rather than disposing the butts on the ground.
8. Turn off your computer monitor when you are away from it (this proves to be a tremendous saver of energy).
9. Avoid using plastic lids and straws on your beverage cups.
10. Think before you buy, throw or use any product. Be smart in caring for the environment and encourage others to do the same.

Earth Day Smarts

1. What year was Earth Day first celebrated?
 - a. 1983
 - b. 1967
 - c. 1970
 - d. 1990
2. In what country has Earth Day transformed into Earth Weeks and even Earth Months to accommodate the profusion

of events and projects?

- a. Panama
- b. Canada
- c. U.S.
- d. Uganda

3. Who are the most active Earth Day participants?

- a. Schoolchildren
- b. The elderly
- c. College students
- d. Parents

4. What is the most popular Earth Day activity?

- a. Picking up road ditches
- b. Planting a tree
- c. Going on nature walks
- d. Adopting a piece of nature

5. What day is Earth Day observed?

- a. July 3
- b. May 12
- c. April 22
- d. Every Day

6. Who is the Founder of Earth Day?

- a. Gaylord Nelson
- b. Dian Fossey
- c. Aldo Leopold
- d. Robert Redford

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Food heaven has arrived right here in Point

And its name is Marvin's

By Geoff Fyfe
ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

At long last, fellow students of UW-Stevens Point, we have a restaurant just for us. And even better, they deliver.

Yes, Marvin's Restaurant, the "world's only 12-star restaurant" as it proudly calls itself, is now open for business on Stanley Street, just a short walk from campus.

This delightful little establishment, billing itself as the only restaurant "for students and designed by students," offers you a wide variety of artery-clogging, mouth-watering foods. You want pizza, hamburgers or burritos? Marvin's got them all.

First, a little story is in order. Marvin's first came into existence in 1971 in Greencastle, Indiana, the brainchild of one Marvin K. Long. In order to make his restaurant as unique as possible, Long hired university students to plan his menu and service.

Since then, that Marvin's has fed hundreds of thousands of people and has played host to such notaries as noted Indiana native John Mellencamp, Areosmith and former President Jimmy Carter.

Now, finally, Marvin's has expanded and, lucky for us, Stevens Point is the location of the second restaurant.

Granted, from the inside, Marvin's doesn't look like much. It's a small establishment, with only four booths and a couple of tables scattered around a smallish room, presided over by numerous pictures and memorabilia on the wall, including a host of Indiana license plates that TGI Friday's would love to get their hands on.

But appearances are very much deceiving. The food's the thing, after all, and that's where Marvin's shines.

As planned by college students, Marvin's menu offers a greater variety of food than one would think possible. Chief

amongst these is the "World Famous Garlic Cheese Burger," a concoction that pretty much speaks for itself. It consists of two quarter pound beef patties

vampire jokes never hurt when it comes to garlic).

The garlic burger, however, is just one of many delights on the menu. What other restaurant, for example, can brag about having chicken tenders, wings, pizza, burritos and cheese curds, all on the same menu? Be still my ever-clogging heart.

Particularly delightful are the cheese fries, which are merely fries, served with a nice big cup of hot, aged cheddar cheese. It's an instant heart attack guaranteed, and I mean that in a good way.

Best of all, Marvin's not only offers this fine variety of foods, but it delivers, too. This is understandable; given the small amount of space in the restaurant, take out is often mandatory.

For those who have longed to have burgers delivered to your

door, Marvin's is now there to handle it. For a mere 50 cent delivery charge, you get the pleasures of food without ever leaving your home. It is a nice change of pace from pizza. Don't get me wrong, I love pizza, but I would like to get a wider variety of foods delivered to my door. Thankfully, Marvin's can provide that service.

One note for the impatient among us, Marvin's is more like a pizza place than a fast food spot, so there will be a bit of a wait if you order at the restaurant. Typically, there will be a fifteen minute or so wait before your food will arrive, but I think you can spare that much time for such fine food. Trust me, it's worth the wait.

I have no idea what great favor we called upon to have Marvin's delivered to us, but all I can say is thank you. Finally I can have greasy, fattening foods other than pizza delivered to my door and all for very affordable prices (most everything besides pizza is under \$4).

So order in and come on down to Marvin's to enjoy some good food of any variety you choose. Remember, we're only one of two places in the world to have this place. We are so blessed.



Photo by Liz Bolton

Plenty of good eats to be sampled at Marvin's Restaurant.

topped with cheese on a fresh baked 8-inch garlic hoagie bun. It is warned to be "highly addictive" and at the very least will make certain Count Dracula will never make a house call (little

R-rated hypnotist to put trance on UWSP

Famed hypnotist Sailesh to perform Friday night

By Adam Rodewald
FEATURES REPORTER

On Friday, April 23 Centertainment will bring to campus a sensational performer like none other, and UWSP will open its eyes to a new era of hypnotism. The already controversial entertainment is rising to a new level with the emergence of Canada's prized hypnotist, Sailesh. His R-rated shows are taking the U.S. by storm, selling out everywhere from comedy clubs to festivals to colleges and theatres.

Sailesh's hypnotism prides itself on being exotic, erotic and sometimes psychotic. He takes comedic hypnotism to a new level. His show includes highlights such as TV commercial auditions in which the hypnotized volunteers think they are numbed with Novocaine, stutter uncontrollably, or even swear compulsively. He also performs a routine in which a magic super soaker causes the volunteers to have the best multiple orgasms of their lives. Now, if that isn't enough, he reverses the roles

by making males have female orgasms, and vice versa.

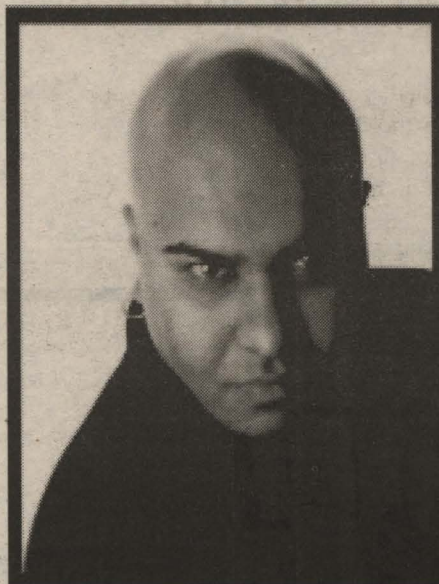
For those who are leery about this type of entertainment, Sailesh's website gives some reassurance. "We've been told that many hypnotists are uncooperative and perform vulgar shows. Sailesh has changed the minds of club owners with his uncanny sense of reading audiences and

has never offended any patron or staff member, while still verging on the outer rim..."

Praised and loved by many, Sailesh is sure to put on a show this college will remember. His website contains quotes from many amazed fans. "I knew what I was booking, but seeing it in person blew us away! This is a first rate show!" said Jack Summers, Network Productions. Vincent Catalano, Winston

Cigarettes marketing director, added, "This is a show that everyone will talk about for months to come. An instant Legend!"

Sailesh will be performing Friday, April 23 in The Encore. The show begins at 8:00 p.m.



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Lady athletes finish well at Augustana

By Adam Wise
SPORTS REPORTER

Following last week's second place finish at the Coldman Invitational, the UWSP women's track and field squad took their running shoes to a much larger stage at the 15 team Augustana Meet of Champions in Rock Island, Illinois.

women's track & field

In the mile run Megan Craig, with an outstanding jump, took the field from the start and achieved a first place finish. Leah Herlache, also from UWSP, finished second.



Craig

of the race."

For the third week in a row, Marie Burrows had a second place finish. This week her time of 57.50 seconds finished behind only Bridget Burns of Wartburg, who set a venue and meet record with her time of 56.67 seconds. Katie Simo, another first year Pointer along with Burrows, finished fourth.

Coach Hill was very pleased with the performance of these two ladies. "These are outstanding times for freshmen. They both got out hard and just held on through the whole race. They were as surprised as we (coaches) were with these times. Outstanding!"

With perhaps the most impressive run of the day, Jenna Mitchler hung in tight with former UW-Madison runner Marcia Taddy, edging her with a time of 2:14.32.

"Jenna just ran a great race. Taddy led the race and gets the credit for setting it up," said Hill. "On the second lap, Jenna just hung in behind Marcia as the two of them pulled away from the field. The last 200 meters was a sprint to the finish. [She] caught Marcia at the finish line, beating her by just .07 seconds."

Ashleigh Potuznik battled against Emily Lynch of Luther in the 3,000 meter steeplechase. Both of the runners, displaying their very high kick, battled through the last lap until Potuznik won with a time of 11:11.4.

In the triple jump, Jill Tucker of UWSP finished second with a leap of 11.18 meters. Having already fouled out in her two previous jumps, Coach Hill talked to Tucker and made her change her approach.

"I told her that I didn't want her near the board on the final jump. The way she was jumping, she could give away 2 feet and still make finals. Her second place jump was from 2 feet behind the board. That was a very big jump - and it did get her to finals."

The Pointers don't have much time to recover. They are traveling to Des Moines, Iowa for the Drake Relays April 22-24, with the UW-La Crosse Classic soon after on April 24.

Pointers have tough WIAC weekend



Photo by Patricia Larson

Rebekah Bauer reaches for a pitch against St. Norberts on Thursday. Bauer leads the young Pointers with a .374 batting average and six home runs.

By Joshua Schmidt
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

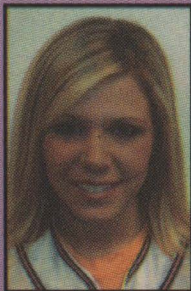
After a rough week, the Pointer softball team tried to get back on the winning track at a WIAC cluster tournament at UW-Platteville last weekend.

softball

UWSP started the tournament off with a game against UW-Eau Claire. The Blugolds got on the board first opening up a 4-0 lead by scoring one run in the third inning and three in the fifth. Pointer shortstop Jessica Cook responded in the bottom half of the fifth by hitting her first career homerun, a solo shot, to cut the UWEC lead to three. Eau Claire responded by taking advantage of four walks, scoring five more in the seventh inning, extending their lead 9-1. The Pointers tried to rally in the bottom half, when the first two betterers reached base. Jenny Feidt knocked in one run with an RBI single.

The right fielder also scored by stealing home on a wild pitch. That's all the Pointers could muster, however, as they bowed out 9-3.

The second game of the day was a low scoring pitcher's duel against UW-River Falls. The Falcons took an early 1-0 lead in the second when Bre Syverson scored on a Leah Vanderploeg infield single. UWSP struck back in the fourth inning after Rebekah Bauer doubled and scored on a Lynsi Lowenhagen single to center field, tying the score at one. River Falls scored the winning run with two outs in the seventh when Anna Poulter swiped home on a wild pitch, and



Feidt

the Pointers fell 2-1.

UWSP started off the first of three games on Sunday with UW-Superior. The Pointers started strong, banging out three runs early, with one RBI for Lowenhagen, and two for Bauer. The Yellowjackets came roaring back scoring four runs in the last three innings, including the game winner in the bottom of the seventh, a bases loaded RBI single by Monica Brzezinski as UW-Superior took the game 4-3.

Next the Pointers faced UW-La Crosse.

With the game tied 1-1 going into the seventh, this time it was the Pointers' turn for late-game heroics. The Pointers used six hits, with RBIs from Mandy Jellish, Rebekah Bauer, Jenni Van Cuyk and Melissa Boldt, to score four runs to win their first game of the weekend 5-1. Pitcher Kelly Schmidt threw a complete game, allowing one run on four hits and struck out three.

UWSP ended the busy weekend by taking on conference leader UW-Stout.

The Bludevils scored early and often, scoring eleven runs in six innings, six of which were unearned. The Pointers tried to mount a rally in the 5th inning, scoring three runs on RBIs from Feidt, Liz Boettcher and Jellish. That would be all the offense the Pointers could manage as they fell 11-3 in six innings.

The Pointers looked to recover from the weekend on Tuesday when they traveled to Sheboygan for a double header against Lakeland College.

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Men ready for conference meet

Weather contributes to sluggish results

By Jana Jurkovich
SPORTS REPORTER

With just two meets left until the Conference meet, the UWSP men's track and field team find themselves a little behind where they would like to be due to inconsistent Wisconsin weather.

men's track & field

Last week there were some decent days in terms of weather, but now it's back to rain and cold. "With such poor weather it is hard to get good training in," said Head Coach Rick Witt, "and it has put us a little behind in our progress." The only plus to this is that a lot of the other teams are probably in the same boat.

The Pointers traveled to the Augustana Invitational last weekend and placed second among ten teams. According to Witt, there were two factors that held the team back a bit.



Witt

The first was, once again, the weather. In Rock Island, Illinois, temperatures rose as high as 87 degrees. "We performed pretty well," said Witt, "and many of the athletes had problems with the extreme heat." The team obviously hasn't been used to running in such warm conditions, and this played a part in the outcome.

The second factor was the competitiveness of the meet. The competitiveness of last weekend's meet was much greater than the previous two meets and some athletes weren't ready for such high intensity. "Despite those factors, I thought we competed well," said Witt.

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UWSP club teams claim Eau Claire Border Battle

By Connor Agnew
SPORTS REPORTER

The UWSP men's and women's rugby teams enjoyed a very successful day Saturday at the Eau Claire Border Battle. Both teams finished the day with an unblemished 4-0 record and a handsome trophy to show for their winning efforts.

rugby

The Point men won their 3rd consecutive Border Battle, defeating UW-Platteville 34-0 and St. Cloud State (MN) 54-0 to advance to the semifinals. In the semis, the men faced UW-Whitewater. Point took control early and coasted to a 41-12 victory, moving them on to the finals against a tough La Crosse city team. La Crosse gave the Point men all they could handle, but

when all was said and done, Point emerged victorious, winning 19-12. Point captain Mark Schuppe said "Everyone stepped up and played some great rugby today. It was a total team effort, and we deserve to bring the trophy back to Point for a third year." Senior back John O'Keefe and junior forward Kyle Mikolajczyk led the team in tries awarded.

The Point women won their second Border Battle title in three years. The women opened the morning with a 35-5 win over UW-River Falls, and followed that victory with an impressive 20-0 shut-out win over UW-Milwaukee, earning the team a trip to the semis. There, the Point women pitched another outstanding shut-out, defeating UW-Whitewater 15-0. In the finals, the women also faced a La Crosse team that was no pushover. The game was



Photo submitted by author

Members of the UWSP men's and women's rugby team pose for a joint picture after both teams went undefeated in Eau Claire Border Battle tournament this past weekend.

hard fought. Point went up 14-0 in the first half, but were forced to play with only 14 players for much of the second half due to an injury and lack of substitute players. Nevertheless, the Point women ruggers held on to win the game 14-10. Leading Point in tries were senior fly-half Amanda Hoppe and freshman winger Alison O'Brien. Hoppe stressed that "excellent defense and

great passing got us to the championship, but it was heart that won this thing for us. We wanted this tournament more than anyone else."

The Point women's team will be in Madison for another tournament this weekend. The men have a bye week, then will travel to Milwaukee for the Milwaukee Cup on May 1st.

Pointers continue scoring barrage in Stout split

By Steve Roeland
SPORTS REPORTER

After two heartbreaking losses at home against UW-Oshkosh last week, the Pointer baseball team was looking to do a little damage against the Blue Devils of UW-Stout. The close games are same story, different day for head coach Pat Bloom and the Pointers, as the Pointers fell 5-4 in the first game, but pulled out a 3-1 win in the second

baseball

"We have been in so many close games, we are accustomed to it," Bloom said. "Our pitchers are used to holding leads late to give our hitters opportunities."

It took a while for the Pointers' bats to get rolling along in the first contest last Saturday. UWSP was held to only two hits through seven innings of play, one coming as a bunt single by Jake Frombach in the fifth. The Blue Devils were in control of the game, leading 3-0 through seven, until Frombach scored on a double play in the eighth. He had reached base on a lead-off single to start off the inning. Then in the ninth, the Pointers scored two runs to

tie the game at three. Matt Peterson singled to begin the ninth. The next batter, Matt Polomis, drew a walk. After a Greg Trembl pop-out, Frombach came up clutch in his at-bat, doubling to score two. UW-Stout was held in check in the bottom of the ninth, and the game moved to extra innings. In the 12th, Joe Waksmonski drove in Frombach to put the Pointers ahead by one. The lead was not safe, though, and two quick singles and a costly error allowed the Blue Devils to score two in the bottom of the 12th. Despite the loss, Frombach managed to go 4 for 6 with 2 RBIs. UWSP's nine hits were spread only between four players: Frombach, Waksmonski, Peterson and Matt Peetz.

"[It] hurts us when we make mistakes late in the ballgame. We have to finish teams off," Bloom said.

The Pointers finished UW-Stout off in the second game on Saturday, which was another extra inning affair. The Blue Devils had a chance to win the game with one out and bases loaded in the ninth, but UWSP pitcher Matt Mehne struck out Stout's clean-up hitter Greg Meinertz and forced a ground out to get out of the jam. In

the top of the tenth, Matt Peterson knocked in two on a two-out single to center to put the Pointers up by two. Mehne shut down UW-Stout in the last half of the tenth to secure his second win of the season.

"It starts with good pitching. Matt Mehne got us out of a big jam and shut them down in the tenth," said Bloom.

A hit parade by Matt Peetz started the Pointers off on the right foot for Sunday's doubleheader. Peetz went 4 for 4 in the first game, driving in 6 RBI. Despite the Blue Devil's early 5-0 lead after two innings, the Pointers shut down the UW-Stout offense for the rest of the game. In the last six and a half innings, UWSP outscored UW-Stout 10-0 as the Pointers went on to win the opening game on Sunday 10-5.

Peetz nearly completed the cycle in his four hits, earning two singles, a double and a home run. Jeremy Mueller collected his first win of the season for the Pointers. He pitched six innings, allowing only three hits

See Baseball, page 10

Senior on the Spot Matt Peetz - Baseball



Peetz

Career Highlights

- Driving in the winning run against Oshkosh when I was a freshman to advance to the conference championship game.
- Getting to go to the NCAA regionals my sophomore year.
- Hitting a ball at Oshkosh that hit the top of the fence, bounced straight up and came back in play. I'll probably never do that again.
- Being a part of the team that swept Oshkosh my freshman year.

Major - Elementary Education

Hometown - Spring Green, Wis.

Nickname - "Wood Bat" (It was given to me by the famous Randy Reed!)

Plans for after graduation - Get a job and start to pay off school and gambling debts.

Do you plan on playing baseball after graduation? - I will play occasionally during the summer and hope to start coaching somewhere after I graduate.

What is your favorite aspect of baseball? - I love the one-on-one aspect of the game, the match up between the hitter and the pitcher. That's where the game is won or lost.

Most embarrassing moment? - When I was a freshman, I had to play the last inning of the "Hundred-inning Game" with my pants around my ankles.

If you could be anyone for a day, who would you choose? - The president would be fun, but there are way too many problems going on right now, so maybe some other time.

What CD is in your stereo right now? - Will Smith, *Gettin' Jiggy With It* (because Mike Hall put it in there).

If you could take anyone on a dream date, who would it be, and where would you go? - Britney Spears. I'd take her to Vegas and gamble a lot with her money. You never know we might just end up getting married!

If you could invite any three people (dead or alive) over for dinner, who would you choose?

1. Ted Nugent
2. Barry Bonds
3. Ted Williams

What will you remember most about playing baseball at UWSP? - Getting to be a part of a great baseball program for four years, winning two conference championships and having the opportunity to play alongside some great players and coaches.

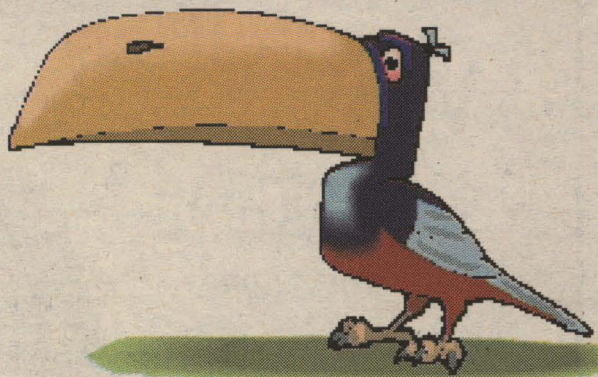
Do you have any parting words for the underclassmen? - Keep up the hard work and continue to make this program one of the best in the nation. Oh, another thing HAVE FUN while you are here, because it goes by fast.

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The NFL draft is a good time

By Craig Mandli
SPORTS EDITOR

It's NFL draft time again. The first snippet of professional football for a new season. Draft time is when teams replenish their rosters with last year's college football superstars.

Centered around this whole idea is ESPN's coverage of the NFL draft.

I'll admit it. In the past, I have centered my draft weekend around watching the coverage from beginning to end. While I am no longer that neurotic about watching it, I still like to check out major portions of the draft.

I used to watch the draft to follow the Packers, but now I take a more of worldly view. For example, I wonder what the blue-chip prospect, who was predicted to be a top-ten pick, is thinking as he watches pick by pick go by without his name being called.

I wonder how the marginal prospect who didn't think he would be drafted feels when he hears his name called at the end of the seventh round.

I wonder what kind of axle grease Mel Kiper uses on his hair.

Really, the draft gives me the opportunity to follow some of my favorite underdog college athletes to their next destinations. For example, UWSP's very own Scott Krause, who just completed a record-breaking career here, is considered a long shot to be drafted.

Really, it's not that far fetched to think that Krause could play at the next level. When looking at the other quarterbacks out there looking to be drafted, Krause stands up pretty well. Washington's Cody Pickett couldn't hit the broad side of the Quandt Fieldhouse with his passes. Tennessee's Casey Claussen looks like the second coming of Mr. Roboto.

Wisconsin's Jim Sorgi...well...if anybody that has seen them both play thinks that Sorgi is a better prospect than Krause, I have some great land down in Florida for you to buy.

The WIAC is as much a NFL football factory as some

Division I conferences. UWSP legend Clint Kriewaldt was drafted by the Detroit Lions in 1999, and is looking to move into the starting lineup with the Pittsburgh Steelers this year. Former Pointer Barry Rose played four seasons as a wide receiver for the Buffalo Bills and Denver Broncos. Former Packer receiver Bill Schroeder is a former UW-La Crosse Falcon. Tony Beckham, a UW-Stout product, is the nickelback for the Tennessee Titans. Mike Maslowski, a Kansas City Chief linebacker, went to La Crosse and is from nearby Thorp, Wis.

Sure, the draft has its boring spots. The announcers can be obnoxious, and the wait between picks is almost excruciating. But, I still suggest that you do what I do. Latch onto an underdog, and see where he ends up. You can't go wrong.

The NFL draft is a load of bull

By Dan Mirman
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

The NFL draft can completely change a team. The most dominant teams make a habit of building through the draft and if you get the right players the playoffs await.

However, none of those facts make the draft good television. Let's face it, the live coverage is more boring than Public Access.

For starters, the first round routinely takes five hours. We're just lucky that each team doesn't use all 15 minutes they are allotted. If they did, you could tack on another two hours. Better have your coffee ready.

Seriously, five hours to discuss 32 players. They overanalyze every single pick until you never want to hear about the player anymore. I almost feel bad for Chris Berman, Joe Theismann, Mel Kiper and company as they attempt to stretch their discussion until the next pick takes place.

The draft may come off a little better if they upgraded the announcers a touch.

First off, there's Berman. The man is a broadcast staple and absolutely untouchable. Sure, he's been battling male pattern baldness for a while, but that's no reason to discount his hosting ability.

Kiper has done his best to severely divide NFL fans. He's a classic "love him or hate him" broadcaster. Even his appearance is extreme; he looks like somebody took Ace Ventura's hair and stuck it on Quentin Tarantino's head. Regardless of your opinion, Kiper tends to get really

annoying really fast. There's always three or four picks in the draft where Kiper becomes visibly upset with the selection and takes it as a personal attack.

My favorite Kiper incident came about ten years ago when the Colts made a poor pick in Kiper's estimation. He not only said the pick was poor, but went on to say, "This is why the Colts will continue to be the laughingstock of the league."

Of course, any statement like that is ridiculous when it comes to a sports draft. A team makes a selection due to their preference. So how can a preference be wrong?

Last and least there's Theismann. This guy is embarrassing as a color man on Sunday night football and is even worse on draft coverage. I think this statement he made three years ago says it all. "Not only will the Bears be a surprise team, they will win the NFC north division."

Not only did the Bears not win the division, they finished 5-11 and were perhaps one of the worst teams in the league. Theismann loves to speak with certainty about players and teams, even though the draft is an inexact science.

As always there's a choice. You can waste your weekend listening to "experts" making bold and often wrong predictions, or you can spend your Saturday and Sunday afternoon doing something worthwhile and read up on everything you missed in about half an hour Sunday night. Hmm, tough choice.

Men's Track & Field

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The competition of last weekend's meet, however, will be beneficial to the athletes, as they will divide and travel to the Drake Relays and the Loras Invitational this weekend. The Drake Relays is one of the most prestigious track and field meets of the season. Like the Conference and National meet, athletes must qualify to compete. Also, it is the stage where many athletes of all different levels will compete in the "special invite" portion of the meet. This will include not only the top collegiate runners but also

the best in the country.

The Pointer Men are sending 11 athletes to Drake this weekend. According to Witt, their best opportunities to do well lie in the sprint medley relay and the distance medley relay.

The rest of the team will travel to Iowa for the Loras Invitational. "This meet is always good because it mostly consists of those who are not participating in the Drake Relays," stated Witt. While it's hard to know which events will be great and which ones won't due to the athletes in Drake, it is assured to be one of the more competitive meets of the season.

Baseball

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and striking out eight.

Regardless of the nice-offensive game that UWSP put together in the third game of the twin doubleheader set, the Pointers couldn't impede Stout's offense in the final game of the series. While the Blue Devils were hitless through two innings, they exploded for 24 hits from the third inning on, helping them to a 20-6 dismantling of UWSP. Eight players for UW-Stout had multi-hit games, with two Blue Devils driving in four runs apiece. Peetz did well to help the Pointers'

cause, going 3 for 5 and driving in three. Nat Richter also fared well at the plate, earning three hits in four at-bats. UW-Stout collected 17 hits in the last three innings and hit seven doubles in the game. The Pointers' record now stands at 13-9 overall with a 7-5 mark in WIAC play. They will take on UW-Superior next Saturday and Sunday at University Field.

"We are still searching to put together a complete ballgame," Bloom said. "We need to play our best baseball, inning after inning after inning. We need to find ways for our players to take the correct mental approach. That has a signifi-

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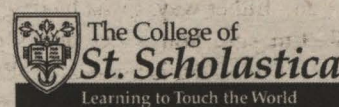


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University working towards more sustainable options on campus

By Adam Mella
OUTDOORS EDITOR

In 2003, UWSP established the University Sustainability Committee, in response to the implementation of the Talloires Declaration. Composed in 1990 at an international conference in Talloires, France, the declaration is a plan for incorporating sustainability and environmental literacy at University campuses.

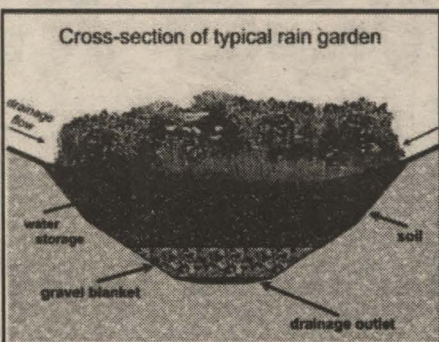
The Sustainability Committee is comprised of students, university faculty and administrators from all over campus, community leaders from the city council and the Wisconsin Public Service Corp. The committee was made a priority by Interim Chancellor Virginia Helm.

As defined in the Talloires Declaration, sustainability is "meeting the needs of the present generation without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs." In order to promote these goals on campus, the committee is "Working to assist the UWSP campus in becoming environmentally sustainable in its educational programs, facilities and operations," according to their mission statement.

The most visible area of operations is the university recycling program, which has been in place since 1989. In

2003, the university recycled 1,177,000 pounds of ash, 161,548 pounds of cardboard and 111 pounds of ink cartridges. In total, the university was able to save 2,367,046 pounds of waste from the landfill, with a total saving in disposal costs of over \$52,000. In 14 years of recycling on campus, nearly \$500,000 has been saved in landfill avoidance.

The Debot Center generate nearly



Rain gardens are placed near drainage areas to reduce rainwater runoff and erosion.

100 gallons of fruit and vegetable trimmings every day, and recently they began composting the waste for use in the campus' grounds program.

Other major programs on campus include reducing paper usage by putting readings online using electronic formats, using fewer chemicals in experiments and selling off old furniture

and equipment through the University Surplus Store. Also, harmful materials like styrofoam have been all but banned on campus.

The committee relies heavily on student support according to student chair, Lars Hidgon.

Students from all areas of campus are encouraged to get involved, not just CNR majors. With more input comes more ideas to make this campus better for the present and future community.

Those individuals and groups interested in making any contribution to the USC are highly encouraged to attend the next meeting. The committee will be getting together on May 3, 2004 from 2:00 - 3:30 in room 126 (Heritage Room) in the UC, and is open to anyone.

Current projects include installing photovoltaic energy panels on the Fine Arts addition, working with Stevens Point city transit to develop the U-pass mass transit system that will begin serving campus next year and building "rain gardens," near campus buildings. Many university bodies, like nearby UW-Oshkosh, have voted to add a segregated fee to tuition costs in order to fund like-minded projects committed to sustainability. As always, funding and involvement are key issues for all projects on campus.

4 Rad things to do this weekend

compiled by Adam Mella

Listen to the spring peepers

Every spring, the spring peepers gather in the swamp to mate. Like many creatures, the spring peepers like to mate, and during the act, they let loose a wild shrilling peep to show how much they like the other frog. When the whole swamp is filled with hot mating frogs, the ridiculous chorus of joyful peeping is really something else. I recommend bringing some refreshments, and remember, no frog perverts allowed.

Radness: 78/100

Mix drinking with canoes

The third Saturday of April is a great time to mix binge drinking, canoes and rushing water. Rusty's Backwater Saloon plays host to the infamous Canoe and Brew event. Contestants pony up \$20 for a rad T-shirt, all the beer you can drink (bring an empty milk jug and a rope) and all the brats you can eat. Sign up and tap a beer in the parking lot sometime around noon, fill up your milk jug and then head to the drop in. Half-way is marked by a large fry-out and beer re-fill station.

Radness: 91-99/100 (depending on weather)

See a meteor shower

The Lyrid meteor shower peaks on April 22. Go outside, get away from light pollution and look up. The meteors are caused by the comet Thatcher.

Radness: 88/100

Learn about aliens and ghosts

The Unexplained Conference is calling the Holiday Inn home this Saturday. Speakers will address ghosts, aliens, monsters and other paranormal activity in Wisconsin. Doors open at 6:30. Admission \$7. No Fox Mulder masks allowed.

Radness/Hilariousness: 83/100

Mr. Winters' two cents

Well kids, nothing like a little severe weather, 'eh? I have seen some pretty crazy storms in my day. There was that whole dust bowl thing out on the plains when I was a youngster, and I'll never forget the "week of whirlwinds" back in '23. No matter the century; watching the first good thunderstorm of the new-year never gets old. That damn lightning sure makes my back ache up, though. Geeesh!



Spring also means the beginning of the baseball season. The national past-time, ahhh yes! That whacky Ned Yost and the Brew Crew sure seem to have some real promise this year. Hey, why not call that punk-ass, no-non-sense north-paw Moose Haas back up from the minors. While the Brewers are just getting started, I've been focusing on the intense NHL playoffs.

I tell you, I love Wisconsin, but I'm pro-Canadian in the Stanley Cup. I mean, with a wall-eye population like that, how can't you be a fan? Not only is the fishing and hockey better up there, but their medications are also quite enjoyable. I especially like these "perkies" I ordered for my damn aching back... them things are pure magic. Sure makes for a pretty hook set out on the river.

My brother, Art, is slower than molasses in January, and even he said I was setting the steel in slow motion. Either way, I was feeling good.

Well, I'm sure you street punks got better things to do than read this non-sense. Remember, watch out for thunder-clatter, study hard and quit tearing up my lawn. Now "go on and Geeeeeeeeeet!"

-Mr. Winters

Time to start checking for ticks

By Marty Seeger
ASSISTANT OUTDOORS EDITOR

Last weekend I situated myself into a comfortable spot along the shoreline of the Wisconsin River. The skies were clear, the temperature was rising fast and my pasty white legs were getting their first dose of sunlight since last August.

My friends consisted of a few drake mallards, some minnows, that lady on the Leinenkugels can and a wood tick climbing the back of my neck. After flicking the eight-legged creature into the water, it dawned on me that the tick season is in full swing.

According to the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) ticks are most active from late March through early November.

Nearly 15 different species of these bloodthirsty creatures can be found throughout the state, but the most common are the deer (bear) tick, dog tick and the wood tick.

Deer ticks are more difficult to see when compared to dog and wood ticks. To grasp the actual size of a deer tick, you could place it on a dime and it would only be large enough to cover the words "In God We Trust" with its body. Deer ticks are also distinguished by a red spot located on the abdomen. Dog ticks are comparable in size to the wood tick, but generally have white markings on their backs.

The largest concern with ticks is the possibility that they may contain the bacterial infection called Lyme dis-

ease. Lyme disease is difficult to diagnose because early symptoms can appear flu-like. However, the DNR claims that only 70% of Lyme disease carriers experience a red rash called erythema (chronicum) migrans (ECM) that can reach a diameter of 2-20 inches. The rash is circular in shape and can resemble a "bull's-eye." It can also appear in multiple areas of the body, and is not restricted to the site of the bite. The ECM will usually appear within three to 32 days after a person is infected by a tick.

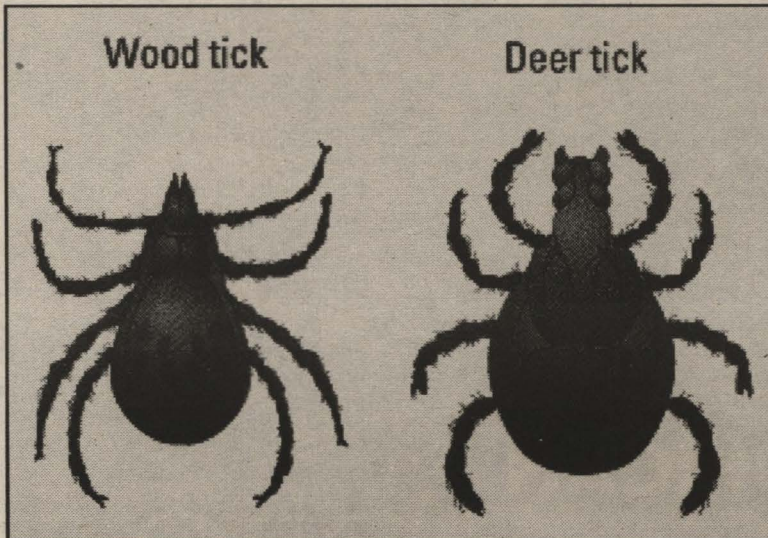
There is no fool-proof method for preventing tick bites, but wearing a hat, long sleeves, or tucking your socks into your pants is always helpful. Wearing light-colored clothing will make it easier for you to spot them.

Bug repellent that contains DEET can also be used, but the most common method is doing frequent "tick checks" after a day in the woods, or even in the back yard.

If a tick becomes attached, be sure to use a fine tweezers and pull with a steady and slow method as close to the skin as possible. If a tweezers are unavailable, try grasping the tick with a tissue instead. Avoid pinching or squeezing the body

of the tick. This will prevent it from getting agitated and releasing bacteria into the blood stream. After the tick is free, be sure to wash the area with soap and apply antiseptic to the bite area.

If you suspect that you have contracted Lyme disease, notify your physician immediately. The disease can be treated in its early stages with antibiotics. For more information about Lyme disease visit www.cdc.gov



These two critters (not to scale) are the most common species in the Stevens Point area.

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play review: Spinning into Butter

By Liza Asri
ARTS & REVIEW REPORTER

Transcending contemporary boundaries, *Spinning into Butter* placed itself on unprecedented grounds, ranking with *Cabaret* as one of the most brilliantly directed and well-performed plays at UWSP. Undeniably capable of invoking deep-thoughts in the minds of audiences, the play struck a chord deep within me.

Spinning into Butter set the tone for upcoming plays at UWSP. A ground-breaking play that never failed to hold my attention, *Butter* discussed racism, prejudices and as the director, UWSP faculty member Stephen Trovillion Smith, put it, "...use of political correctness as a mask to hide true feelings and the objectification of others based on their race, gender or any other group characteristics." Brilliantly woven into the background setting of the office of Sarah Daniels (Lindsay Verstegen), Dean of Students at Belmont College in Belmont, Vermont, the play never failed to create intense moments that kept audiences on their toes.

The unchanging set and scenery were brilliantly made up for with the star-like performances of the cast – Lindsay Verstegen, Adam McAleavey, Jeanie Bettner, Derrick Gaetke, Matt Sabel, Daniel Gutierrez and Kevin Stangler. Verstegen's performance as Dean Sarah Daniels quickly stood out. Her role, which, in the beginning,

"...the play never failed to create intense moments that kept audiences on their toes."

illustrated classic nervousness on stage, spelled excellence when she smoothly transported herself into the character of a driven, yet jaded and ambitious young woman of impeccable intelligence.

Seeing her radiant performance only made the play a wonderful and "...worthwhile way to spend two hours." With Ross Collins, played by Adam McAleavey, the two created an onstage chemistry felt across the scenes that resembled that of Billy Crystal and Meg Ryan in the Columbia Pictures hit *When Harry Met Sally*. The artistic injection of humor between the two characters was brilliantly laced into the seriousness of the play. Such intense profundity in the play, coupled with a laid-back atmosphere, put the audiences at ease, while invoking them to think about the issues presented in the play.

All in all, the play proved to be a knockout. With stellar performance by each and every actor on stage, *Spinning into Butter* would have been painful to miss. Well done, Department of Theatre & Dance, for a production that screams for our attention and demands a standing ovation.

News and notes in brief

Eco-Fair will take place at the DeBot Fields this Friday, April 23. Local bands playing at the fest include Kinetic (11:30 - noon), Self Proclaimed Nickname (12-12:30), Elph Lettuce (1:30 - 2:30) and Green Tea (3-4).

Chungking Express will show for FREE this Sunday, April 25 in the Fine Arts Center room A206 at 2:00, 5:00 and 8:00 p.m. Chungking Express is the third and final free showing of international films on campus.

Centertainment is holding a free "Battle of the Bands" competition this Saturday in The Encore. Participating bands include Silik, Ace Fail, Shattered Red, Planet of 9 and Self Proclaimed Nickname. The battle starts at 7.

concert review: Bela Fleck & The Flecktones @ Sentry Theater

By Steve Seamandel
ARTS & REVIEW EDITOR

Last Wednesday's sold-out Béla Fleck and the Flecktones show at Sentry Theater, sponsored by Centertainment, was simply a clinic of nonstop auditory barrage from four different directions.

It's difficult to say which member of the band actually takes control of a Flecktones show. Victor Wooten's style of bass playing definitely sticks out; Futureman is a complete spectacle as he taps out beats on a freakish "drumitar synthaxe", Jeff Coffin is capable of playing two saxes at once, and then you have banjomaster extraordinaire Béla Fleck. Perhaps that's the Flecktones' greatest accomplishment on the stage: nobody really sticks out, although it's undeniable that every member is masterful of their instrument.

The show started with each member sauntering onto a darkened stage to a mellow yet bouncy beat, which segued into a faster, jazzier song complete with typical Flecktones stops and each member taking a brief extended solo. The format of solos and interplay duels would be the theme of the evening.

I spent most of my time watching Wooten absolutely abuse his bass. The show was nearly two-and-a-half hours long, and I still haven't quite figured out how he plays some of the sounds that he does. During one solo, he flipped

the bass over his back ever so nonchalantly and caught it without any delay in getting back to the next notes. Wooten also opened the second set with a 10-minute bass-loop experiment, where he recorded a bassline and played (and recorded) new lines over the first, creating what sounded like a whole band of Victor Wootens onstage.

Béla, to counteract Wooten's showmanship, proved that versatility is his game. He schooled the audience with fast pickin', jazz-tinged playing and even used MIDI effects to play some really weird, out-of-place noises. (Unfortunately, I don't think many appreciated this as much as I did.)

Futureman and Coffin each had shining moments too; watching Futch move back and forth between drumitar and trap kit was amusing, although I wish he would have utilized the kit a little more. Coffin rang in during the right times and gave the band that final push toward a full sound that they'd otherwise lack.

Other than obnoxious fans down front cat-calling the band and yelling for everyone to stand (get over it; Sentry Theater shows are sit-down shows), nobody had much to complain about after the Flecktones' double encore. Béla performed a miniature solo-encore with the late John Hartford's banjo before asking the Flecktones to rejoin him for one last number. The last tune, "Sherpa", was just one final opportunity for the band to flash smiles, have fun and show off a little bit more.



movie review:

By Geoff Fyfe
ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

Turns out *Volume 1* was just the appetizer. *Kill Bill: Volume 2* is the main course. Quentin Tarantino brings his homage to Hong Kong action films, Sergio Leone epics and filmmaking in general to one dynamic conclusion. If some thought *Volume 1* was all skill and no heart, this one has heart and feeling to spare.

We left the Bride in the midst of her vengeful crusade against her mentor/lover Bill (David Carradine) and the rest of the Deadly Viper Assassination Squad that left her for dead. She took care of O-Ren Ishii (Lucy Liu) and Vernita Green (Vivica Fox) in *Volume 1*; now she's got her sights on Bill. But first she has to take out Bill's kid brother Budd (Michael Madsen), an ace killer devolved into trailer trash squalor and the ruthless, one-eyed Elle Driver (Daryl Hannah).

After the slam-bang action of *Volume 1*, *Volume 2* is a quieter affair. There is no huge action sequence a la the Bride vs. the Crazy 88s of the first film, but that's not the film's point. The great Tarantino monologues are here, as well as the dynamic set pieces. Chief amongst these are a gut-wrenching sequence where Budd buries the Bride alive (claustrophobics will not be able to stand it) and the battle between the Bride and Elle that surely ranks as one of the most brutal hand-to-hand combats in both Volumes. We also get backstory galore, such as what really happened at the church where Bill and crew massacred the Bride's wedding and the Bride's cruel training under Pai Mei, the Oriental master who trained Bill and the rest of the Deadly Vipers (think a crankier, sarcastic Yoda played by Hong Kong film legend Gordon Liu). More than anything else,

Kill Bill Vol. 2



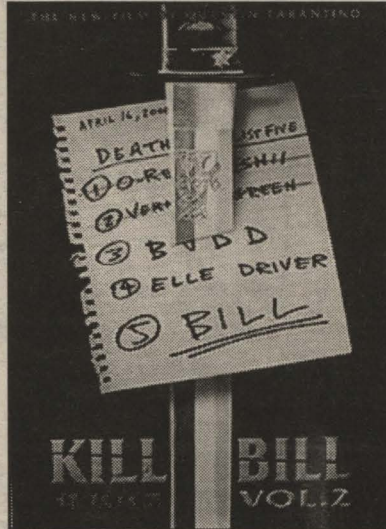
though, this film has emotion and heart and a conclusion that may bring a tear to the eye.

Thurman is simply masterful as the Bride. She created this character along with Tarantino and now brings her completely to life. Hannah plays brilliantly against type as a heartless backstabber who has no qualms with fighting dirty. And Madsen steals every scene he's in as a killer living a dead-end life as penance for his crimes and who is fatalistic about his own death. And look for Samuel L. Jackson as a too cool organ player and 70s almost star Michael Parks as a Mexican pimp (he also played a Texas sheriff in *Volume 1*).

Towering above them all is the figure of Carradine as Bill. In *Volume 1* he was an unseen, omnipotent menace, but now he makes his debut and dominates the film. The former *Kung Fu* star and Tarantino reclamation project, much like John Travolta, Robert Forster and Pam Grier before him, plays Bill as the devil incarnate, a supremely evil, wholly brilliant mastermind who revels in his nature as an assassin. Yet Carradine also shows his human side, portraying

him as a man whose brutal treatment of the Bride came from a broken heart. As he tells the Bride, "There are consequences to breaking the heart of a murderous bastard". In their final confrontation, the heart of *Kill Bill* is revealed to be a love story of almost Shakespearean tragedy. The fact that one of the players uses a monologue about Superman to explain himself...well, that's the Tarantino touch.

Kill Bill: Volume 2 is rated "R" and is playing at the Campus Cinema at 12:30, 3:30, 6:30 and 9:15. (Matinees weekend only.)



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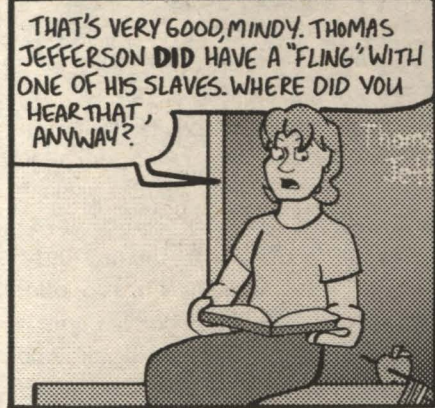


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Events Calendar

- Thursday, April 22**
Shannon Lawson @ The Encore
8 p.m., Free w/ID, \$5 without
- Thursday, April 23**
EcoFest featuring Kinetic, Elph Lettuce and Green Tea @ DeBot Fields, 11:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.
- Saturday, April 24**
Battle of the Bands @ The Encore 7 p.m., Free with UWSP ID, \$3 without
- Thursday, April 29**
Honey Tongue @ The Encore
8 p.m., Free w/ID, \$3 without
- Friday, April 30**
Ben Hacker @ The Encore
8 p.m., Free w/ID, \$3 without
- Friday, April 30**
Burnt Toast and Jam @ Clark Place 8 p.m., \$6
- Saturday, May 1**
Green Tea @ Clark Place
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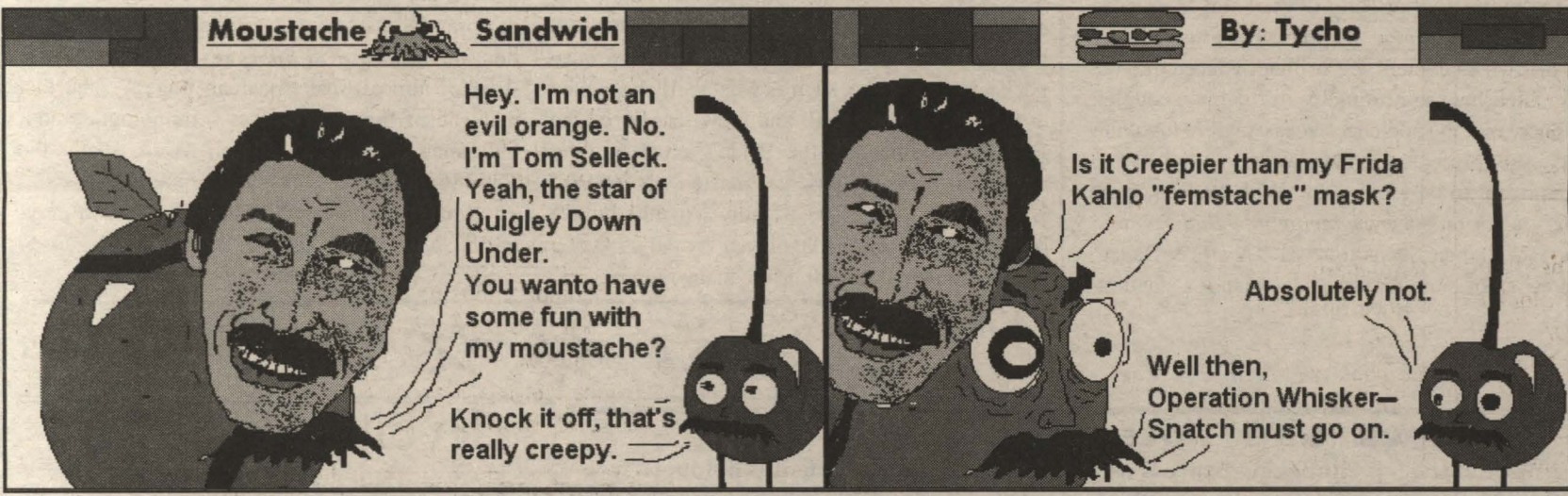
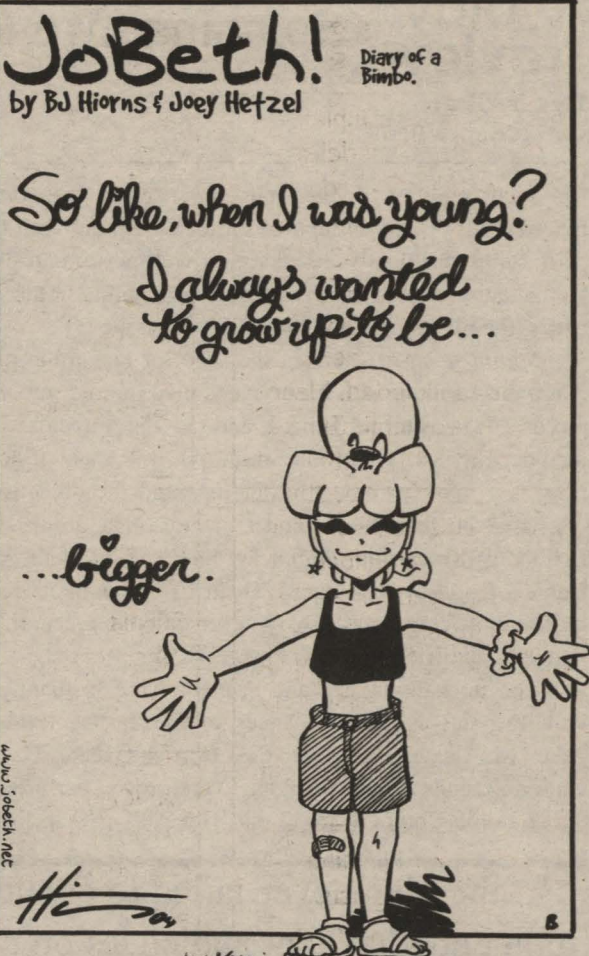


by joey hetzel



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jackie's fridge will be back next week!



April is physical addition month: Slippers+ Applesauce and a camera= Des Moines Iowa

Your College Survival Guide: "Instead of Making up..."

BY: THE PAT ROTHFUSS CONSORTIUM
WITH HELP FROM: THE MISSION COFFEE HOUSE
"...I WISH THAT WE WERE BREAKING UP AGAIN."

Pat:

What should one do when breaking up with his girlfriend and she doesn't accept it? After two unsuccessful attempts of telling her I want to break up, is my only hope to cheat?

Need Out Of This Endless Relationship.

Well NOOTER, I'm not really sure what to say. I mean, if you told her it was over, it's pretty much over. Relationships exist through both people coming to an agreement. What exactly their agreement is, is up to them, but usually there's some sort of implied exclusivity about co-mutual pressing of lips and the slippery frictive rubbing of pink parts.

The key here is that both parties have to agree. If two people decide they're together, that's what makes them a couple. If one of you wants out, it's pretty much over. No agreement = no relationship.

Hell, if couples had to agree to break up, I'd still be clinging desperately to my first girlfriend. We'd probably be married by now. We'd have a little house, a white picket fence, and my demonic Rothfuss spawn running all

over the place without any pants, screaming for ice-cream, and doing unnatural things to the neighbor's dog. Gech. We'd have been miserable.

Luckily for me, breaking up only takes one person. When my first girlfriend dumped me, it was over. Sure I got clingy, but it didn't matter. Why didn't it matter? Because she dumped me. As soon as one person says it's over, it's over.

It's like tug-of-war. It just doesn't work unless both people are willing to play. But, also like tug-of-war, once you start a relationship, it's not a good idea to stop all sudden-like. If you just let go of your end of the rope before the other person's ready, they're going to fall on their ass and get hurt.

As the breaker-upper, NOOTER, it's up to you to do the right thing. If you just let go of the rope and cheat on her, that makes you a bad person. And we all know where bad people go. That's right: to the Circus. Do you want to go to the Circus, NOOTER? Huh?

I didn't think so. That means you're going to have to find a different way to break things off with her. You say in your letter that you've had two "unsuccessful" attempts at breaking up with her. During those attempts did you do anything bold, like saying, "I want to break up with you?" Or did you dance around the issue like a great frilly ponce, saying things like, "You know how sometimes things just don't work out like you expect them to...?"

Somehow I expect the latter. Let me give it to you

straight NOOTER. Over the years I've been dumped by a lot of different women in a lot of different ways. Want to know the best trick for making it go smoothly? Be honest.

Now I'm not telling you to be cruel, or brutal. What you've got to do is sit her down and say, "I'm sorry, but I'm breaking up with you because of X." Except you shouldn't say, "X." That's the place in the sentence where you should tell her the honest truth about why you're leaving. Don't lie. It will only drag things out.

Then, since you've given fair warning, you can let go of your end of the rope and hope for the best.

When you send your letters for advice to Pat Rothfuss at proth@wsunix.wsu.edu, try to include a detail or two, would you? It's not like you're being charged by the word here, and it's really hard to make fun of you if you don't give me anything to work with.

This is the last week for the "Describe Pat Rothfuss" contest. Send in your brief, freakish descriptions of what you think I look like (or what I do look like, if you know me) before the 28th at 4:00 PM if you want them to be eligible for the fabulous prizes. E-mail is the same: proth@wsunix.wsu.edu

This weekend at the Mission: Thursday Cornmeal brings some bluegrass. On Friday Tangy, Hightop, and the Bulldogs will be providing a veritable cornucopia of rock. Both Shows \$5. Saturday there's a free show, kinda an Electronic Party, you might say. Featuring Goldmember. Did I mention it's free?

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Sofball

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The first game was scoreless until the fifth inning when Point's Melissa Boldt led off the inning with a double and was later knocked in by Feidt, giving UWSP the 1-0 lead. The Pointers scored another run in the sixth with a RBI single from Van Cuyk. UWSP capped off the scoring in the seventh when they scored two runs when Carlie Zipperer and Boettcher scored on an error by the pitcher. Point's Stephanie Anderson won, pitching a complete game shutout while

allowing only three hits and striking out four.

The nightcap saw the Pointer offense crank up the heat. The Pointers struck in the first inning scoring a run when Bauer uncorked a RBI triple, making the score 1-0. Lakeland answered with a run of their own in the bottom half of the inning tying the score at one apiece.

UWSP scored three more in the third inning with RBIs from Jackie Berger, Van Cuyk, and Bauer to extend their lead 4-1. Lakeland fought back in the bottom half, taking advantage of three

walks and an error to score two and cut the Pointer lead to one. In the next two innings Point put up three more runs with RBIs from Bauer and Jellish, while Feidt scored on a wild pitch, making the lead 7-3 going into the bottom of the fifth. Lakeland tried to rally, scoring three runs on three walks, a hit batter and one hit, leaving runners at first and second making the final 7-6 in favor of the Pointers.

The Pointers will travel to La Crosse this weekend to take part in another WIAC cluster tournament.

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