Flu shots to be limited this season

Only students considered at risk due to health conditions are advised to get vaccinated

By Ben Wydeven
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Doctors and physicians are holding their breath in anticipation of an influenza breakout, an illness that is normally fought with a vaccine. But because of recent FDA inspections of a vaccine producer, half of the total supply for the United States has been announced to be unusable, limiting the use of the vaccine to those most vulnerable.

"It could be any time now," said Dr. Jim Zach, a family physician at UW-SP's health center, Delzell Hall. Dr. Zach said every year the outbreak is unpredictable. "It usually starts kind of slow, with a few cases reported here and there and it will build in a matter of several weeks." Zach said the epidemic may break as late as February.

According to several news sources, in October, the Federal Drug Administration and Centers for Disease Control inspectors shut down the entire vaccine production at Chiron Corp's Liverpool plant in England. The company's entire supply of vaccines was discovered to be unsafe due to possible contamination and "good manufacturing practice violation." Chiron's halted production of an estimated 44 million vaccines accounted for roughly half of the total influenza vaccination supply in the United States. "All the vaccines that we had ordered were from Chiron Corporation," Zach said.

The process of producing vaccinations is not easy, and the profit ratio is considerably low. The vaccine is manufactured using specially treated, fertilized chicken eggs, which are prepared a half a year in advance. The eggs are injected with the virus, which is chemically inactive. The vaccine is then packaged and tested in strictly sterile conditions, a process that can jeopardize the entire vaccine production—exactly the case with Chiron's production. The only other company that makes the vaccine is Aventis Pasteur.

Because of this year's massive shortage of vaccines, the state has determined that only people who are most vulnerable to life threatening illnesses resulting from influenza will be encouraged to take the vaccine. Students who are at risk of a chronic condition such as diabetes, asthma and congestive heart failure are encouraged to take the vaccine. Students who provide health care and child care should also get the vaccine. Delzell Hall has a supply of 300 doses which will only be provided to those students at risk. Others at risk also include young children and people over the age of 65.

When the influenza outbreak reaches UW-SP, prevention is important, Zach said. People infected with influenza are strongly encouraged to cover their mouths when they cough and wash their hands frequently. "You watch people in stores, they'll be just walking down the aisles coughing without bothering to do any covering," said Zach. "That kind of mentality can spread a lot of see Influenza shots, page 2

Point Star shines

UW-SP student Anitra Hovelson performs "Hey Jude" during the Nov. 3 first round of the Point Star karaoke contest.

Although on paper it might not look too frightening, the influenza virus, pictured here, can cause massive amounts of death in outbreaks.

Pointer hockey

Although the NHL is still mired in a labor dispute, hockey fans can turn their attention towards Pointer Men's hockey.
**Influenza shots**

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**Regents propose system budget**

**Biannual budget proposes 4.3 percent tuition increase and 5 percent pay increase for system employees**

By John T. Larson

A recent meeting of the UW System regents resulted in a proposed budget that calls for a 4.3-percent tuition increase for students throughout the state and a 5-percent increase in pay for employees. The proposed biannual budget would also increase the median salary for seven system university system chancellor from $89,985 to $187,357. While some students have been critical of the move, particularly a very vocal group that booted the regents at the meeting where the proposals were decided, budget observers noted that faculty members and academic staff had received pay increases of only 1 percent in the last budget. The average pay increase in other sectors of government in the same time period saw pay increases of 3.4 percent.

All of the proposals made by the regents are at this point still subject to a final decision to be made by Gov. Jim Doyle for the 2005-2007 biannual budget, where he could abide by the regent's decisions or call for a greater increase in tuition.

In order to have an effect on the governor's decision, during the recent election students from campuses throughout the UW System were encouraged to tape testimonials about how tuition increases in the last few years have affected their lives, and how they would be further affected by further increases.

According to Lauren McGrath, legislative affairs director for the Student Government Association, the UW-System provides a valuable service to the state, and should be given its due with regard to the state budget. "In order to maintain accessibility to higher education in the UW system, we need to cap tuition—but without compromising quality. The UW System brings $9.5 billion to Wisconsin's economy every year. Furthermore, of the 80,000 graduates that come out of the UW-system, 80 percent stay within Wisconsin. There's no reason the very entity (UW System) that provides was seconded by SGA and how they would be further affected by further increases.

**New textbook resolution**

Students concerned about the rising costs associated with higher education should take note of a recent resolution working its way through the Student Government Association.

The Academic Issues Committee has authored a piece of legislation, entitled Textbook Use Requirements Proposal Resolution, which would work to stem some of the costs of books for students. Under the resolution, professors would be subject to strict guidelines about the type of text material that they require for their classes. The guidelines, in effect at other universities, would set the following limitation:

- No "tear-outs" are allowed in textbooks required for a class, as this would make the book unusable and of no use to other students.

- All royalties earned by sales to UW-SP students would need to be waived entirely or donated to the UW-SP Foundation or to the College or Department foundation account.

- The contract with the publisher must be fully disclosed to the dean of the college and the SGA.

- The text should be comparable in price to texts used in comparable classes at other UW campuses.

Exceptions would be made for workbooks, such as those commonly used by the foreign language department, which would not be subject to the new limitation, but would apply to text material used in classes such as Comm. 101 where the textbook has removable pages prohibit use other than by the original user.

Students who have more questions about the issue should contact Academic Affairs Director Erin Boness as well as the primary sponsors of the legislation, Jeff Decker and Paul Logan.
Condoms are way cool

Nine out of 10 of the college students that you encounter engage in sexual activity. Condom use is essential in preventing STIs and unplanned pregnancies. In promoting safe sexual practices, nothing is more effective than using condoms for both males and females other than abstinence. Research has found that condoms block the transmission of STIs in more than 98 out of 100 sexually active students and prevent pregnancy in 95 out of 100 of those students. Unfortunately, less than four out of ten college students report having used condoms the last time they had sexual intercourse.

You can easily obtain condoms at both University Health Services, located in Delzell Hall, and Family Planning Health Service, located at 624 Isadore Street. For 15 cents, you can buy a condom at Delzell Hall, or you can get three free condoms per day at Family Planning Health Services. Use a condom every time you take part in sexual activities. Protect yourself and your partner from unwanted consequences.

Joe Pregler
Heidi Gritzer
Kristen Clemens

MELLA'S GOT THE CONCH

The Gales of November

Great Jupiter! I didn't hear sweet Gordon's melodic voice once today. Luckily my like-minded buddies from the big city rang to sing me a moving rendition of "The Wreck of the Edmond Fitzgerald."

Arguably Lightfoot's most tantalizing work - and one of the best ballads of all time. "Wreck" pays tribute to the 29 unfortunate souls who lost their lives on Lake Superior, Nov. 10, 1975.

The wreck is still modern shipwrecks' most devastating hiccup. While countless theories surround the mysterious sinking, no one explanation can be proven indefinitely. The storm consumed her.

The Pointer, Rothfuss, a bad joke

Unfortunately, despite all the talk about unifying as a nation in the wake of the divisive presidential election, some here at this bastion of tolerance, acceptance, and open-mindedness are not living up to the ideals of our university. It seems some at UW-SP are so unhappy with the results of the election they have decided to shun even the presence of open-mindedness and tolerance. The Pointer has led the charge.

The Pointer has gone from being a joke to being a bad joke. Your Nov. 4 issue did not have one positive quote from anybody about President Bush. Not one! Meanwhile, you managed to find negative quotes about the President for the three "news" stories from three professors as well as three students. There was also a negative editorial, a negative outdoors column, and two negative cartoons about the President. Not one positive statement about the President could be found anywhere in The Pointer. This is astounding. Were you unwilling, or simply too lazy, to find even one person with something positive to say about President Bush? There is absolutely no attempt at objectivity or balance. To call this lazy or sloppy journalism would be a gross understatement. Even by the low standards of CBS and The New York Times this is not journalism.

For all of The Pointer's shortcomings however, you can take solace in the fact that the lack of virtues such as tolerance, acceptance, and open-mindedness is an even worse problem in the case of some UW-SP faculty. Take, for example, Pat Rothfuss' weekly "humor/satire/editorial" column for The Pointer. In the Nov. 4 edition, Rothfuss focuses on the outcome of Tuesday's election. Rothfuss writes of his desire for "punching snug-looking Republicans in the mouth." He also advises a deluded Democrat, "You might want to go out and key every car you see with a Bush sticker, or set fire to a couple houses." He goes on to advise, "Why don't you go on a killing spree? I bet you can take out 15 or 16 Republicans before they gun you down."

Please excuse me for not laughing. Such hate speech would be irresponsible if Rothfuss were a student. But Rothfuss actually teaches at UW-SP! Rothfuss is an associate lecturer in the UW-SP English department. The content of Rothfuss' weekly column, as a general rule, is totally inappropriate considering he is a faculty member and this is the most egregious example. Imagine how Republican students feel in Rothfuss' classes. Diversity and freedom of expression are not promoted in an environment in which a teacher advocates the killing of those who vote differently. (But don't worry Republican students. It's all just a harmless joke!) Imagine the reaction if Rothfuss had substituted another campus minority group for 'Republicans' - gays, women, Jews, African-Americans, for example.

No matter which side of the political spectrum one is on, we should all be able to agree that more should be expected of our professors and lecturers. Behavior such as this from our faculty is totally unacceptable. Some of the faculty at UW-SP needs to be sent the message that unprofessional behavior, such as this, will no longer be tolerated. We will be pursuing this matter further with UW-SP administration.

Aaron Michels
Vice President
UW-SP College Republicans

What do you think about the 2004 elections?
Dear Mr. Rothfuss,

I was listening to the Public Affairs program on our campus radio station recently and heard the College Republicans bashing your column addressing the outcome of the election. They said that they were appalled at how long that lasts now that you have given a lot of shady advice over the years. And while you'd have to be a real idiot not to realize that these things were jokes, you also have to be a real idiot not to realize that there's a lot of short-savers out there.

So, in an effort to rectify the situation, here's a formal retraction of all the bad advice I've given over the last six years. I've made a list of some of the best, bad pieces of advice here:

- Don't drink as a way to avoid your problems. Instead, try drinking as a way to create, new interesting problems.
- Don't cut off any of your fingers or toes to give away as presents.
- Don't see how many comdogs you can eat just for fun.
- Don't sell out to corporate America, instead sell out to locally-owned businesses. Like Games People Play, for instance. That way, you can sleep easy at night knowing you've done your part to keep people where to buy high-quality games and hobby equipment at low, low prices.
- Don't lick your significant other's eyeball. I lied, it's not really a type of Aboriginal foreplay.
- Don't run into a high-level paper Science classroom, then say "I AM THE RING LEADER! I SPEAK FOR THE TREES!" then run out again.
- Don't chain the paperboy in your basement, making him perform sexy dances for your amusement.
- Don't mix bleach with ammonia and drink it. It doesn't really make a fun-time cocktail.
- Don't have sex with a clown. Or a mime. Or a monkey. Or a college republican.
- Don't see how many condoms you can eat just for fun. It's just gross.
- Don't practice voodoo, sell your soul to demons, or start a cult worshipping me as a god.
- Last of all, MARTY, don't shit on anyone's doorstep. That is, unless I do get fired over all this. And even then, you shouldn't do it unless you REALLY want to.

Keep up the good work.

Many Apathetic Republicans Tarnish Your Reputation

P.S. Please tell someone in this god-forsaken newspaper to stop publishing quotes from that Craemer dink, he gives humans a bad name.

Well, MARTY, thanks for chiming in. I will admit that out of all the folks I've made fun of over the last couple months; the College Republicans were the last I expected to get their knickers in a twist. For everyone else out there who didn't catch it on the radio, the letter MARTY's talking about is right over on page three.

My main regret is that I've been officially outed. Now everyone knows the horrible truth: I'm not a student anymore. I started this column while I was a student, but that was six years ago, and it turns out that if you're student for long enough, they eventually make you a teacher. Occasionally I'm even lucky enough to teach here at UWSP. Though we'll have to see how long that lasts now that people are interested in protecting minorities? Please defend yourself. I will lose all faith in you. I will lose all faith in you if those to whom they are "a minority that is not being protected." Please defend yourselves for the dumb minority. He gives humans a bad name.

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- Don't drink a whole bottle of Robustusin and jump off a roof. It won't really make you fly.
- Don't follow my elaborate, well-thought-out instructions for putting yourself through school by becoming a prostitute.
- Don't chase hippos around with your lawnmower, make love to a penguin, or put kool-aid in your fishtank.
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Next week I'll do my very best to back to answering your letters and dispensing some good, old-fashioned, funny college survival advice. If you have any issues, you just have to e-mail them in to proth@wsunix.wsu.edu. Do it now, who knows how long I'll be around...

Games People Play, through the good graces of the amyth, finally manifested signs outside their store. (remember where I told you it was, right next to Family Video?) True, the sign reads "Jadeco Store," but still, they gave us their permission to point it out. (Hint. Games People Play is part of the Jadeco store.)

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Mr. Rothfuss, I am so pleased to see that the "We report, you decide" slogan is, thinking for THEMSELVES the Republicans' slogan that Michael Moore says "War Mongers" and "Ignorance is Strength." It's a very good statement, and as a Liberal or Conservative, you should by and realize that anyone who is a Liberal has an indisputable argument.

I am so pleased to see that the teachers on this campus have taught good communication techniques, and hopefully your entire staff will go on into professional journalism.

You have helped us see through the Republicans' ridiculous "morals," and their devastating policies, such as giving our money back. Because of your wonderful coverage, we see how wonderful Liberals are, thinking for THEMSELVES instead of being brainwashed by their slick parents. The Fox News Channel, which is totally evil because Michael Moore says so, has the slogan "We report, you decide." And I think that's the statement! Keep up the good work, Pointer.
A letter from the editor on Good Eats

For those who regularly read my column, Good Eats in Point, you may notice there have been some changes.
The most obvious change is at the beginning of my column, where I have a list of seven categories - each of which is followed by a number. These are the categories in which I will be critiquing restaurants, and the numbers are the rating given to each based on a scale of one to five.
The first two categories, cleanliness and service, are relatively self-explanatory. Food refers to the quality of the food (how good it tastes, serving sizes, etc.), Selection is how much they have to offer. Atmosphere is how inviting the restaurant is and how well it caters to certain people. Prices rates the appropriateness of their costs compared to the quality of the food, and, finally, the overall rating is the average of all categories together.

Due to recent criticisms of my writing, I feel it necessary to clarify how my column works. This is purely an opinion article in which I rate a restaurant based on my own personal experience there. I sample every food item that I write about, I talk to employees as well as other customers, and I carefully compare each restaurant against the numerous others I have eaten at.

I write this column as a college student to other college students. My goal is merely to let you know what is available to eat and whether I feel it is worthwhile or not.

I want to send out a thank you to all who read Good Eats in Point, and I hope that you find the new additions a big help in your search for good eats!

Lawton wrote the script for the first episode and included more subtle and quirky humor in hopes to make it smart rather than slapstick. "There are no fart or boob jokes," he said.

Only one episode has been filmed, but five more are on the way. The show should run for the next six weeks with a new episode every Wednesday night.

According to Lawton and Garvey, many of the communication professors are excited about the show, "We have been getting a lot of really good reviews," Garvey added.

This show will be aired again on Friday at 9 p.m. for those who missed it on Wednesday. Other times for reruns are still to be announced.

The menu was surprising­ly large, offering over 45 food items. Other than sandwiches and burritos, Marvin's offers various appetizers ranging from nachos to chicken wings to breaded mushrooms. They also serve sal­ads and pizzas.

Marvin's makes some big claims about their pizza. "Unlike the big chain places, we don't weigh out portions of sauce, cheese, and toppings. The crust is thin, but the pizzas are "phat," the way we'd want one."

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According to Florence, a worker at Marvin's said there would be a wait of 30 minutes for his order to be delivered, but he only waited about 20 minutes. When it arrived, he said, "It was nice and steamy, and the cheese was warm and gooey."

"If I had to rate them on a scale of one to 10, I would give them about a nine or 10," Florence added. "When they deliver it to you, they call you on a cell phone and you just go out to the front and pick it up. You can pay for it in check or cash."

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They do offer daily specials, however, which give an appealing discount. For example, on Sunday you can buy a 12-inch pizza with one topping (normally priced at $6.40) for only $4.95.

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Someone you should know: Dr. Bob Tomlinson

Just what exactly does the job of vice chancellor of student affairs entail?

By Alli Himle
Features Reporter

Recently had the privilege of interviewing Dr. Bob Tomlinson (Bob as he would prefer to be called), vice chancellor of student affairs. You may recognize him as the man who serves flipflops to you at Debót to mark the beginning of finals week each semester; or at the man who is always so quick to ask, “How are you doing today?”

Regardless of how you recognize him, one thing is certain, after sitting down with Dr. Tomlinson one begins to realize that in spite of the title, Bob is just another regular man who prefers jeans and a sweatshirt above any suit.

Describe your life growing up.

Originally from Indianapolis, Indiana, I moved a great deal throughout my life. I lived in Indianapolis until I was in the seventh grade. At that time, my dad was transferred by his job with the railroad to Albany, New York. We lived there approximately six months before moving to Rochester, N.Y., where we lived for about a year.

My four years of high school were spent in Ashtabula, Ohio, before we eventually moved back to Indiana where my dad was coming back to his original job. I went to Indiana State University as an undergrad and once I completed my undergraduate degree I decided to enroll in the graduate program there as well.

It was not long into my graduate program that I was drafted into the army. I had completed my serivcise in the army, I was offered a job as the hall director of Kwanza Hall through contacts made at Indiana State.

Originally I had decided I would work for the railroad, following in my dad’s footsteps, as I had been offered a job in Philadelphia. However, when I was offered the job at Stevens Point I decided to take it after having looked at a map and realized that the Fishing in Point would probably be better than in Philadelphia.

To this day, I know that the reason for my coming here is due to my love of fishing. The next day I called and took the job and before I knew it I was walking up the ramp of Kwanza Hall with nothing to wear but my army clothes, having come directly here.

What does a typical day for you here at Stevens Point consist of?

Each day I have an array of meetings to attend that cover a variety of topics from budget issues, ideas for facilitating student learning, generation of programs that provide for active learning in the classroom, renovations and the replacement of offices. Each day I make it a point to go to the UC and interact with students and student organizations. I have always felt that if you only interact with students when there is a problem they will come to think that when they see you something is wrong, I do not want the students to be surprised to see me around campus; I want to be a common face.

What is the most rewarding part of your job?

The most rewarding aspect of my job is being in a position to help students succeed in meeting their goals. I cannot even begin to tell you how much it means at the conclusion of each semester to see the students walk up and receive their diplomas. The sense of accomplishment on their faces and in their parents’ eyes cannot be described in words.

Above all else, what would you like students to know about you?

I am just a regular person. When you have a title it automatically gives you a label. The label, in turn, tends to put distance between you and the students. When I go home, the first thing I do is change into my jeans and sweatshirt. If it was not for the job, I would not be wearing the shirt and tie.

On Saturdays, always look forward to driving to Hardee’s in my pickup truck for breakfast. I feel comfortable being referred to as Bob rather than Dr. Tomlinson. The only person I care that knows my title saying, “I am not the vice chancellor of student affairs.”

Do you have any advice to offer the student body?

Live your life to the fullest. No matter how difficult you think things are for you, there is always someone who is less fortunate. Appreciate what you have, while you have it.

What is your favorite memory while at Stevens Point?

Equally tied as my favorite memories are traveling with the men’s basketball team last year as they won the championship and seeing the women’s basketball team win the championship in 2002. I take great pride in our Pointers!

How long do you plan on continuing to be the vice chancellor of student affairs here at Point?

I want to stay here as long as possible. Everything I could ever ask for in a job and work community is here.

Share a favorite quote of yours that you try to implement into your life.

“Plan hard. In everything that you do, try and be the very best. My goal is to be the best vice chancellor that I can be.”

Lastly, if you could describe your job in one word, what word would you use?

Above all else, my job is fun. Where else could you go and work with the brightest people in our state? I work with the most energetic, positive people (that being the student body) who appreciate when you do something for them. I cannot tell you how fulfilling my job truly is.

I would like to send a special thank you to Dr. Tomlinson for taking time out of his hectic day to do this interview. After talking to him, I realized that he is a very down to earth man and that his job is more than it may seem.

As Dr. Tomlinson told me, UW-SP is what it is because of the students. Remember that, and most importantly, remember that there is nothing that he enjoys more than interacting with the student body.

So, the next time you see Dr. Tomlinson walking around the UC, do not be afraid to say hello. You can be guaranteed to receive a friendly reply.

Skiers Club awaits winter

The approaching season means more fun for skiers

By Dawn VerHaagh
Features Reporter

Students involved in the Nordic Skiing Club at UW-SP are awaiting the cold weather precipitation to set foot in Wisconsin.

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Skiers Club awaits winter

The approaching season means more fun for skiers

By Dawn VerHaagh
Features Reporter

Students involved in the Nordic Skiing Club at UW-SP are awaiting the cold weather precipitation to set foot in Wisconsin.

This organization has become more progressive over the years, the Nordic Skiing Club has evolved from a more recreational club to one more specifically

members with the railroad to Albany, N. Y. However, when I was offered the job at Stevens Point I decided to take it after having looked at a map and realized that the Fishing in Point would probably be better than in Philadelphia.

To this day, I know that the reason for my coming here is due to my love of fishing. The next day I called and took the job and before I knew it I was walking up the ramp of Kwanza Hall with nothing to wear but my army clothes, having come directly here.

What does a typical day for you here at Stevens Point consist of?

Each day I have an array of meetings to attend that cover a variety of topics from budget issues, ideas for facilitating student learning, generation of programs that provide for active learning in the classroom, renovations and the replacement of offices. Each day I make it a point to go to the UC and interact with students and student organizations. I have always felt that if you only interact with students when there is a problem they will come to think that when they see you something is wrong, I do not want the students to be surprised to see me around campus; I want to be a common face.

What is the most rewarding part of your job?

The most rewarding aspect of my job is being in a position to help students succeed in meeting their goals. I cannot even begin to tell you how much it means at the conclusion of each semester to see the students walk up and receive their diplomas. The sense of accomplishment on their faces and in their parents’ eyes cannot be described in words.

Above all else, what would you like students to know about you?

I am just a regular person. When you have a title it automatically gives you a label. The label, in turn, tends to put distance between you and the students. When I go home, the first thing I do is change into my jeans and sweatshirt. If it was not for the job, I would not be wearing the shirt and tie.

On Saturdays, always look forward to driving to Hardee’s in my pickup truck for breakfast. I feel comfortable being referred to as Bob rather than Dr. Tomlinson. The only person I care that knows my title saying, “I am not the vice chancellor of student affairs.”

Do you have any advice to offer the student body?

Live your life to the fullest. No matter how difficult you think things are for you, there is always someone who is less fortunate. Appreciate what you have, while you have it.

What is your favorite memory while at Stevens Point?

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FOOTBALL

After a scoreless first quarter, John Ryan put the Pointers on the board first in the contest on a 30-yard field goal early in the second quarter. Later in the second, backup Pioneer quarterback Ryan Munz took to the ground and scored on a three-yard run with 3:04 left in the second. The Pointers went into the half with a slim lead, 7-3.

UW-P burst out of the half and scored soon after the third quarter began. A 37-yard strike from Pioneer starting QB Brent Nelson to Max Seroogy gave UW-P a 14-3 advantage. UW-SP answered back on their ensuing drive with an 11-play, 65-yard series that was capped off by a 20-yard screen pass from Pointers quarterback Brett Ryan to Max Seroogy. The failed conversion after the score left the score at 14-9. The Pioneers were shut down and were forced to punt on their next drive. With 3:11 showing on the clock, the Pointers got the ball back and looked to take the lead for the first time since Ryan's field goal in the second quarter.

After a sack on the first play, the UW-SP offense hit their stride and, two plays later, found the endzone on a 65-yard toss from Borchart to Romano. The long score, plus a successful two-point conversion, put the Pointers up 29-26. UW-P had 2:34 to answer the Pointers comeback, but their chances ended when Nelson threw an interception to Steve Garvoille with 1:14 left in the game. The Pointers once again came out on top, winning in comeback fashion.

Borchart finished the game with 260 yards passing, going 18-for-32 with one interception. Romano had six catches for 165 yards and two touchdowns, including the game-winner. Childs earned 94 yards on 23 carries and one receiving score.

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Men’s hockey team splits pair of games against MIAC foes

By Tony Bastien
SPORTS REPORTER

The UW-SP men’s hockey team kept one streak alive as another died this past weekend at the K.B. Willett arena. In both games they fell behind early, as they did against UW-Eau Claire last week, but were unable to comeback Saturday night, stopping an early season two-game win streak.

Hamline, Friday night’s opponent, opened a 1-0 lead late in the first period and maintained it through the first half of the second until freshman defense­man Colin Trulock’s short-hand­ed goal at 9:49. Less than one minute later, Tom Vernelli, also a first-year Pointer, scored his first of two goals that night.

“They (the freshman) played pretty well and made some great plays that led to scores,” said Head Coach Joe Baldarotta. “We expected them to do that.”

Hamline - answered right back, 14 seconds later, to tie the game, but Vernelli’s second goal proved to be the game win­ner. Ryan Kirchhoff added a late third period hustle goal to seal the deal.

The Pointers won 4-2.

The early season deficit

stared the Pointers in the face on Saturday night. Bethel College took an early bite out of Parents’ night, jumping to a three goal lead in the first period on nine shots against freshman goaltender Bryn Davies.

That would be all the Royals would need though, as Dustin Thompson faced 34 shots from a relentless offense and stopped every last one. Bethel’s defense did an exceptional job blocking many other shots as well.

“That didn’t happen. Last night he (Thompson) gave up eight goals and he turns around and shuts us out. I have a lot of respect for him,” added Baldarotta.

One shot did evade Thompson, but was disallowed. Anthony Forgione had a third period goal wiped away after the referees claimed he kicked it in. It would have made it 3-1 with 14 minutes remaining.

“That was the big thing; it wasn’t a game-tying or game winning goal. We still had time to get back in. He didn’t kick it in.”

This weekend, the men look to revive the offense and take the winning streak across the border facing St. Olaf and Gustavus Adolphus, two more MIAC teams. Game times are 8 p.m. and 7 p.m.

By Steve Roeland
SPORTS EDITOR

Three straight weeks equal three straight come-from-behind wins for the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point football team. Beginning with a 22-16 overtime win over UW-Oshkosh on Oct. 23 and followed by a 15-12 win over UW-Whitewater, the Pointers (6-3, 4-2 in the WIAC) have been finding ways to win close games and have built a three-game winning streak with this past week’s 29-26 win over the UW-Platteville Pioneers.

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SPORTS

POINTER IMPRESS IN TOUGH BATTLE AGAINST MARQUETTE

By Adam Wise
Sports Editor

One of the things Head Coach Jack Bennett wanted to figure out Tuesday night in his exhibition game against Marquette University was whether or not his team could compete with an elite Division I program.

I think he found that answer.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Even though the Pointers were appreciably smaller and less athletic than the Golden Eagles, they toughened up and forced Marquette to make some clutch shots down the stretch, as UW-SP was defeated 78-65.

The game, which quickly became a duel between long-time foes Nick Bennett and Travis Diener, saw both seniors lead their respective teams in scoring with 32 points, respectively.

In the first half, both Bennett and Diener led their teams to a first-place finish in the NCAA Division III basketball rankings.

The Pointers battled nip and tuck with the Golden Eagles for the first 10 minutes of the game, but lost the lead for good when Steve Novak made one of his three three-pointers to put Marquette up 21-19. That shot started a 23-6 run by Tom Crean's crew to put the Pointers down for the rest of the half.

After falling behind 43-30 at halftime, the Pointers came out and matched Marquette punch-for-punch on the court, but Diener proved why he may be one of the best point guards in the country as he displayed his impressive quick feet and his ability to pull up for a jump shot from virtually anywhere on the basketball court.

Despite being behind by 10 or more points for a large part of the game, the Pointers managed to bring the score close again with seven minutes remaining when Bennett converted on one of his seven three-pointers of the evening to bring the margin to 59-55, but that was as close as they would get. It seemed every time the Pointers gained some momentum with a big bucket, Diener rushed the ball back up court and drained a three or rushed to the hoop for an easy lay-in.

On their last chance of the night to pull things close, the Pointers trailed 74-63 with 1:34 left in the second half. On this possession alone, the Pointers managed three offensive rebounds, but missed five shots and wouldn't score again until 31 seconds remained and it was too little, too late.

Both Bennett's were very complimentary of Diener during the post-game press conference.

"Travis is everything he's built to be," Coach Bennett said. "When you see him up-front and personal, you have even more respect for him."

"He's (Diener) so good with the ball," Nick Bennett said. "He's always on a tilt because he can shoot it from anywhere, he drives the ball really well, and if you try to double team him, he's going to find his open teammate. He's just a handful to play against." The Pointers also got a stellar performance from Jason Kalsow providing the team with 23 points and a credible one-two punch that opposing defenses will have to contain all season long.

"Those guys (Bennett and Kalsow) can play," Marquette Coach Tom Crean said. "Nick Bennett is a big-time shooter and Kalsow's a big-time playmaker."

One of the many positives UW-SP can take from this game was that Marquette, even with the size advantage, attempted 25 three-pointers in the game, while the Pointer defense gave up just eight field goals in the paint to Marquette's front court players.

After the game, Diener took it upon himself to shoulder the blame for this.

"I wasn't demanding the ball get inside, we were settling too much (for the three-point shot)," Diener said. "I give them credit, they changed defenses, they made us pass it and we're just going to have to learn from that."

Even though it was only an exhibition game, the Pointers will have to improve upon getting more contributions from their bench. Only four players contributed to the 65 points while the rest of the team was a combined 0-9 from the field.

Both coaches were very pleased with the outcome of the game, regardless of the score.

"When we scheduled this game, we fully anticipated that it would be a great basketball game, and it was," Crean said. "That's a great basketball team. If memory serves me correctly, I have never seen a Division III team that sound and that good, and when you combine the coaching, there's no question, every accolade they get, they deserve and more."

"We learned that we can compete against an elite Division I team," Coach Bennett said. "Obviously I am very proud of our team, but I also want to remind them that we have a long, tough season. Believe it or not, there are a lot of teams in our league that play very, very well. This is a very good first step for us, but it's simply that, a first step."

The team will be hosting its annual purple/gold game on Nov. 6, where coach Bennett will evenly divide his team up half and let the men scrimmage in front of their first home crowd of the season.

The season starts to count when the Pointers travel to Chicago the weekend of Nov. 20-21 to take part in the Midway Classic, a tournament featuring the Pointers, St. Mary's (Minn.), Southwestern (Tex.), and Chicago.

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1. UW-Stevens Point (24)
2. Illinois Wesleyan
3. Hanover
4. Wooster
5. Rochester (1)
6. Puget Sound
7. Lawrence
8. Franklin and Marshall
9. Trinity (Conn.)
10. Wittenberg

Women
1. Bowdoin (14)
2. Southern Maine (2)
3. New York Univ. (3)
4. UW-Stevens Point (2)
5. Rochester
6. Hardin-Simmons
7. Scranton
8. DePauw
9. McDaniel
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Steve Novak driving through the lane during pre-game warm-ups.

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SPORTS

Playing career helps Porter become a better coach

By Adam Wise
SPORTS EDITOR

Today in the NBA there are generally two types of coaches. You have the older, more experienced coaches that are stuck in their ways and habits of running their system. Then, there's the younger coaches aptly nicknamed the "player's coach" that learns on the fly and works with their players to create team chemistry and cohesion.

Terry Porter, three years removed from an NBA career that lasted a remarkable 17 seasons, including two trips to the NBA finals and two all-star selections, is aptly nicknamed the "player's coach" that Porter acknowledges that his experiences as a player have helped him improve as a coach. "The playing part always helps you," Porter said. "It gives you an insight on how the game should be played. I was fortunate enough to play on a lot of good teams and good coaches and learn a lot of good things from those coaches on how to deal with players."}

Cross Country

NCAA MIDDLE REGIONALS (AT ROCK ISLAND, IL - NOV. 12)

Football

AT UW-RIVER FALLS - NOV. 13, 2 P.M.

Men's Basketball

VS. SOUTHWESTERN (TEXAS) - NOV. 20, 8 P.M. (AT CHICAGO)

Soccer

AT UNIV. OF CHICAGO - NCAA TOURNEY - NOV. 13, 1 P.M.

Swimming

VS. ST. CLOUD STATE - NOV. 13, 2 P.M.

Wrestling

POINTER OPEN - NOV. 13, 9 A.M.

Post-season play is just beginning for WIAC Champion Pointers

By Steve Roeland
SPORTS EDITOR

The Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference women's soccer tournament featured the best-of-the-best in the state's Division III programs. The teams that took part in last weekend's tournament held in Stevens Point, had the ability to come out of the six-team event as champions and earn an automatic bid into the NCAA tournament. UW-SP's team took advantage of the home field advantage and conquered the WIAC, earning two wins in last weekend's action, sending them to the NCAA brackets for the eighth straight year.

Women's Soccer

In Friday's second-round opener at the UW-SP Soccer Bowl, the No. 1 seeded Pointers faced off against the fourth seeded UW-River Falls Falcons. UW-SP earned a spot in Friday's match by defeating UW-La Crosse last Tuesday, 4-2. The Pointers came into the match with extra time off, having been awarded a first round bye. The first half of the match ended with very little offensive action. Neither team scored and only six shots were taken by both teams combined (UW-SP 4, UW-RF 2). Just prior to the 65:00 mark, freshman Mary Donohoo checked into the game for her first action of the contest. Twenty-five seconds later, Donohoo became a heroine and scored the go-ahead and game-winning goal at the 65:23 mark. Donohoo's goal was assisted by another freshman, Kimie Wiepz. Donohoo took Wiepz's pass at the top of the penalty box and knocked home the score with precision. The ball ricocheted off the inner-post and found the net.

UW-SP's defense did the rest, limiting the Falcons to only one shot in the second half. The Pointers created more opportunities in the later part of the match, finishing with 29 shots, 16 of them came in the second half. The 1-0 victory was the second shut-out against UW-RF this season for the Pointers, hav-
SPORTS
OUR VIEW FROM THE CHEAP SEATS
Free agents prefer Porter to older, more rigid coaching styles

By Adam Wise
SPORTS EDITOR

When Mike James decided to leave the Detroit Pistons this past off-season after winning a championship on a team that had been defined more as a family, you can imagine it was pretty hard for him.

After being involved in the three-team orchestration that landed Rasheed Wallace towards the end of the season, it is surprising to hear just how close he had come to be with his teammates in such a short amount of time.

"It was tough at first because we had such a great team last year and such a great chemistry; it was tough to come from that championship team to here," James said. "I just thought it was time for change for myself and my family and it was just a great opportunity, a great situation."

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"I just thought it was time for change for myself and my family and it was just a great opportunity, a great situation. Milwaukee is a real good team and we can only get better." Having switched from a hard-nosed, "my way or the highway" sort of coach in Detroit with Larry Brown last year to Terry Porter in Milwaukee this year, James believes this situation can only allow him to improve and become a better player.

"Terry's a player's coach," he said. "Larry Brown has more of a demanding mentality. They both have the same restrictions, same strictness on point guards, but I just think Terry will still let you learn through your mistakes and (in) gonna let you make mistakes, but keep working with you."

"Whereas Larry Brown is just going to try and break you down mentally and try to build you up his way instead of you playing your way."

Last Tuesday when the NBA sea-son opened, the Pistons were on national television to accept their championship rings. While some players (Memphis Grizzlies, Cleveland Cavaliers, and James) are no longer with the team, they still received their rings. Unfortunately, Milwaukee doesn't travel to Detroit until February, a countdown that has already begun for James.

"We're not playing in (Detroit until Feb. 14," he said. "I can't wait until Valentines Day to get my ring, I want my ring now."

When the Pistons had their ring and banner-raising ceremony, the entire team wore wrestling championship belts that were provided by Rasheed Wallace. James plans on receiving one as well.

After playing for three teams in a three-year span, James finds Milwaukee as a place he can see himself settling down in for a while. "I believe that this can be a place that I end my career, hopefully," he said. "But I understand how the business goes in this game and how things work, but all I have to do is to continue to just keep working hard, keep playing hard, and then we'll just take it from there."

Another new face around the Buck's training facility in St. Francis was Marcus Fizer. Fizer, of course, had been stuck in Chicago for the past three years and really has been impressed with what he has seen so far in Milwaukee. He recalled being impressed by the first meeting he had with Coach Porter on the first day of practice and the type of team camaraderie that has been evident so far this season.

"The first day of practice we sat down and had a talk, probably the first time I've ever had to sit down and talk like that with a coach," Fizer said. "He told me how guys like each other around here, guys play together, guys come in and work hard, and I haven't seen anything but that."

"Each and every morning, guys say good morning to each other, guys greet each other before we leave. Just that alone, the character and professionalism around here (has impressed me)."

After several poor seasons in Chicago in which many critics said he would never truly reach his potential, Fizer has a bright outlook for the Bucks this season.

"These guys go out there and play hard, they shoot the ball extremely well," he said. "There's no question I am going to average a career high in assists because the double teams I am going to demand will open up a lot on the outside. With guys like Mike Redd, Erick Strickland and Van Horn, it's going to be hard to double team us and it's going to be a lot of fun." New rules should be used to show just how good Pointers are

By Steve Roeland
SPORTS EDITOR

Having attended the Marquette-UW-Stevens Point exhibition basketball game on Tuesday at the Bradley Center, I earned a new respect for small schools' athletic programs.

UW-SP has year-in and-year-out, one of the best Division III athletic departments in the country. UW-SP took fifth place in last year's Director's Cup, which ranks the most successful athletic programs in Division III. To many, this may not be such an outstanding feat. And I admit, I really didn't think much of the fifth place finish at the time. But now I have seen that our small school in the middle of the state can compete in most sports, with any team, in any division.

The basketball contest in Milwaukee earlier this week showcased the Pointer basketball program on a larger stage. At several points early in the contest, UW-SP seemed to be controlling the tempo of the game. I was somewhat surprised, as well as proud, that the Pointers were able to put on a great show and make a game of it. Several people that I talked to prior to the game thought UW-SP had no chance of even staying close. I was happy to bring home the news that the Pointers had put up 65 points against the Golden Eagles and were within four points of MU late in the game.

Now that the NCAA is allowing Division III schools to hold exhibitions against Division I squads in basketball, I feel that this opportunity should be opened to all sports. The women's soccer program here at UW-SP is one of the finest in the nation and should be seen in the same forum as the basketball team. It would be great to see the soccer team face off against the UW-Madison women's team or any other Division I school.

Successful programs at UW-SP that could be noted in the same context are the women's hockey team, who were national runners-up last season, the men's hockey team, who has a storied history here at UW-SP (as well as national titles), and the women's basketball team, who played in last season's Final Four. Many other programs here at UW-SP deserve the same honor, but it would be pointless to name every sports that this school offers. All Pointer athletes and coaches are first-class and show it on-and-off the field/court/mat/pool/track, etc. I feel privileged to be covering some of these sports and to see the athletes and coaches who make our programs so successful and revered nationwide.

As Marquette men's basketball Head Coach Tom Crean said of the Pointer basketball team after Tuesday's game, "Every accolade they get, they deserve."

That quote, I believe, applies to all student-athletes and their coaches here at UW-SP.

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Campers "off-season"

By Hilary Bulger
ASSISTANT OUTDOORS EDITOR

While I was watching the news on Tuesday afternoon, I saw something absolutely appalling. The newspaper had done a survey of Wisconsin residents' favorite winter activity. Among the options were snowmobiling, skiing, snowboarding, cross-country skiing, and other wonderful, outdoor activities. Can you guess what activity got the majority of the votes? Not any that I just mentioned. Fifty-four percent of people polled listed watching movies as their number one winter activity. Fifty-four percent of us would rather sit on the lawn, free of the bugs and crowds that summertime brings.

Picture this for me - imagine yourself staring at an amazing display of Northern Lights dappling the starry sky. Not a sound breaks the awe-inspiring night stillness. Not a bug, not a rowdy neighbor disrupts this breathtaking moment. Where, you may ask, can you find this moment? Not in front of the television. Winter camping, my friend. The underrated, rarely attempted cousin of conventional camping.

Thirty-one of our state parks and forests offer year-round camping. Here's the low-down on four that are nearby.

Buckhorn State Park in Neecedah has three walk-in sites. There are no electrical hookups, but there are handpumps for water. There are 4,500 acres of parkland. Snowmobiling is permitted on park roads only, but there are trails on county land nearby. Buckhorn has a long tradition of both early and late season bow hunting, as well as two wildlife areas where waterfowl and small game hunting is permitted. Make sure you get the candlelight ski and hike in January or enjoy Buckhorn's four miles of trails any time while there is snow on the ground.

Black River State Forest is a 6,700 acre treasure in Black River Falls. Six to 10 of their 50 to 60 sites are plowed all winter and five of the sites have electrical hookups. There are water faucets located near the campground. Dike 17 wildlife area is an ideal site for wildlife, boasting numerous endangered and threatened species including bald eagles, ospreys, Kamer blue butterflies, eastern timber wolves and numerous endangered and threatened species.

Buckhorn State Park is an ideal winter camping experience for any self-proclaimed outdoor enthusiast. Taking a camping trip during the so-called camping "off-season" can be a great experience for any self-proclaimed outdoor enthusiast.

Deer season is about more than just the hunt

By Joel Borski
OUTDOORS EDITOR

Ladies and gentlemen, as I write this article, we are only nine days away from joining a collection of about 750,000 other hunters, gearing up and marching in our own blaze-orange clad army. To those of you who don't partake in the gun deer season, I apologize because I probably won't be able to talk about much else until sometime after the last shot is fired. I'm willing to bet that most of you reading this are just like me though - counting down the days to deer season '04.

What a privilege it is to live in a state as rich with hunting opportunity as Wisconsin. Sometimes, it's easy to forget how good we have it. Sure, we've had to deal with things like CWD and a few new regulations lately, but I don't see that as any reason to break tradition. Just look at it as an opportunity to adapt. We've got a deer population that, though above DNR goals, should make any deer hunter feel pretty good about his or her chances of putting venison in the freezer this fall. We also have thousands upon thousands of acres of high-quality public land for hunters to take advantage of throughout the state. It's safe to say that deer hunters from most other states can only look at Wisconsin with jealous admiration. Why do you think we see so many Illinois license plates around the third week in November? Well, more than the usual crowd anyway. Just kidding, Illinoisans. If it wasn't for you we wouldn't have... well, we wouldn't have... hhm, what wouldn't we have? We wouldn't have... anything separating us from Arkansas. Yeah, that's it.

I'm really just kidding now. I have family from Illinois who might be reading this. It's too close to Christmas to take chances like that.

Anyway, like I was saying, deer hunting in Wisconsin is incredible, but there's more to it all than just chasing the "Turdy Pointer." There is something about what takes place from the Friday before Thanksgiving to the Sunday afterwards that makes this one of my favorite times of year. First of all, it's a chance to rekindle old friendships and spend time with people you only see once a year. There are several people I can think of that I have absolutely no contact with for 356 days in a row, but come opening day we can talk like life-long comrades and not have the slightest discomfort about it.

Second, deer season offers a chance to unwind and free your mind of the things that have been weighing heavy on it otherwise. Whether it's a good thing for a college student to do or not, I know that as soon as I get on the road headed for deer hunting country, I pretty much allow class to drift away for awhile.

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I remember, as a boy of only 10 or so, sitting on my grandfather's knee, staring intently out the window of his hunting shack, listening to stories about the days of old and absorbing every last tidbit of information that I could. I remember my other grandfather joking and giving me a hard time about my slow start as a deer hunter at the age of 12, but the proud gleam in his eyes when he saw me drag my first buck out of the woods. I also remember my step-father, taking all of that time to teach me the importance of patience - the long, annoying days of me squirming and learning to sit still, and knowing now that he didn't have to do that for me. I could go on and on.

All of these people taught me the importance of a handshake, of asking permission, of respecting the land you hunted on, and of respecting the animals you pursued. There are uncles, cousins and close friends that all deserve mention. I hope that just about everyone reading this can relate to experiences such as mine. Yes, this includes all of you from Illinois.

In all seriousness, the point is that deer season represents something deeper and more important to us all than just sitting, freezing our butts off, and waiting for our hoofed quarry to stroll past. Though our exact experiences and backdrops likely all seem different and of varying circumstances, they really aren't that far separated. You see, we share something special. We're deer hunters.

Plus, we can all recite the words to "Turdy Point Buck" without missing a beat. "I'm a deer hunter, how do you do..."
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Questions?
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Fighting foreign firewood

DNR asks deer-campers to leave firewood off of travel checklist

By Joel Borski
OUTDOORS EDITOR

State DNR and forestry officials are asking all deer hunters preparing to travel to deer camp in a few short days, to leave firewood off of their list of things to pack. Multiple types of tree-harming insects and diseases may be in the firewood and, thus, could also be making the trip. Such circumstances could lead to the unnatural spread of the problem throughout the state.

Typically, people collect firewood from dead trees, without knowing what it is that killed those trees.

“Bugs and diseases that kill trees often continue to live in the dead wood and could become the source of infestation in a new area,” said Jane Cummings-Carlson, forest health expert with the Wisconsin DNR. “The best plan is to leave your firewood at home and burn wood that’s already in the area where you hunt.”

According to the DNR, experts also advise against bringing firewood home from hunting trips, especially if those hunters have been traveling in areas that have oak wilt, gypsy moth or the two-lined chestnut borer.

“In Michigan, a new exotic insect called the Emerald Ash Borer has killed millions of trees in the southeastern part of the state,” Cummings-Carlson said. “We haven’t detected it in Wisconsin and we don’t want to.”

Recently, tree and plant health specialists from the DNR have been working together with specialists from the Trade and Consumer Protection Agency to inform the public about the possible consequences of transporting infested firewood.

“For example, gypsy moth eggs can survive over winter on dead wood. If infested wood from eastern Wisconsin is left unused in the northwest part of the state, we’ll have a new infestation on our hands years before it might’ve occurred naturally,” said Cummings-Carlson.

In some states, such as Michigan and Ohio, there are already quarantine laws relating to the transportation of firewood. Any hunters, coming from or traveling to those states, or others with similar laws, should be absolutely sure of those regulations before deer season arrives.

Bottom line: people preparing for deer camp should stick to finding firewood near the area where they set up camp.

“Traveling to or coming home from your favorite hunting spot, the best advice is to leave the firewood behind,” said Cummings-Carlson.

Weekend Weather Outlook:

Friday:
Mostly sunny!
High: 40
Low: 19

Saturday:
Mostly sunny!
High: 39
Low: 22

Sunday:
Partly cloudy but pleasant.
High: 42
Low: 22
By Liza Aari
ARTS & REVIEW CONTRIBUTOR

The one thing that sticks in my head about Alfie, is Jude Law's good looks. Dressed in Gucci suits and an irresistible British accent, Jude Law caused many “ooohs” and the “aaahs” in the cinema when it opened last Friday. In today's age of anti-war protests, this movie resembles a man’s version of Bridge Jones’ Diary (whose sequel will open in theatres this Friday, starring Renée Zellweger). Alfie is all about living his life and not worrying about what people think of him. He is having the time of his life: Hanging out in bars, drinking with his buds, going off to work! With personal commentaries as he goes about his day, this movie resembles a man’s version of Bridge Jones’ Diary. The movie takes a solemn turn (But he is still dressed in his Gucci suit!). Trying to make sense of his life, the Brooklyn Bridge becomes the witness to his contemplation.

A remake of the 1967 Alfie, this movie seems to be packed with good-looking men and women behind the bad decisions of the spoiled rich kids of New York. What seems like your average movie about a typical man who is gallivanting with the beautiful ladies of NYC, adds a little hint of soul-searching in the end. About what, you may wonder? The big word: Commitment. Alfie just can’t seem to commit. Not to the woman that he calls his “semi-casual girlfriend,” who he may have strong feelings for, or even to the woman who he at one point contemplates over whether or not she is the one! And so the movie follows his journey into the battlefield of dating, love and sex in the Big Apple.

Four women come and go in his life, each with their own twists. All with fun and joy, but not without a dash of some heartbreaking events along the way to spice up his life. Flirting with women is easiest for Alfie, who again, is blessed with adorable, irresistible good looks and that oh-so-foreign British accent that we have come to love. He is in so many ways able to swoon sexy women to gravel at his feet. He even manages to sweet talk his neighbor into cleaning his messy apartment while he goes off to work!

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Student Art League shows:

Harold and Maude

By Anna Jurovic and Laura Pennings
ARTS & REVIEW CO-EDITORS

Whoever heard of a 19-year-old falling in love with a 79-year-old? Well believe it. In this 1971 critically acclaimed film, young, confused, obsessed-with-death Harold meets spunky, full of life Maude at one of the many funerals that Harold attends. After becoming aquainted, this oddly paired couple becomes exactly what each other needs.

Several times, the movie flashes back to explain key parts of the plot without forewarning the audience, requiring that they pay close attention or they’ll lose the point of the movie. The Grudge follows the basic haunted house movie right down to doors that desperately need some WD-40. Why do movie doors always do that?

Calendar of Events

Thursday, Nov. 11, 2004
Performing Arts Center presents: Vienna Boy’s Choir 7:30-9:30 p.m.
Comedian Bengt Washburn 8-9 p.m. UC The Encore
Karaoke with Dale Dickerson 8-11 p.m. UC Base­ment Brewhaus
Friday, Nov. 12, 2004
Friday night movie series presents: Spiderman 2 7-9:30 p.m. and 9:30-11:30 p.m. UC Laird Room
Fiddler on the Roof by Joseph Stein, Jerry Block and Sheldon Harnick 8-10 p.m. FAC Jenkins Theatre
Saturday, Nov. 13, 2004
Horom Fett 8 a.m.- 6 p.m. FAC
Fiddler on the Roof 7:30-9:30 p.m. FAC
Country Folk Show featuring Zane Williams 8-10 p.m. UC The Encore
Sunday, Nov. 14, 2004
Il Trovatore at Florentine Opera 8 a.m.- 8 p.m.
Fiddler on the Roof discussion 1-2 p.m.
FAC A205
Fiddler on the Roof 2-4 p.m. FAC Jenkins Theatre
Monday, Nov. 15, 2004
UW-SP Jazz Ensemble 7-10 p.m. UC Base­ment Brewhaus
Composer’s Concert 7:30-10 p.m. FAC Michelsen
Tuesday, Nov. 16, 2004
Crafty Ladies’ Series-Glass Mosaics 6-8 p.m. UC
Open Mic with Dale Dickerson 8-11 p.m. UC Base­ment Brewhaus
Wednesday, Nov. 17, 2004
Music Colloquium 4-4:45 p.m. FAC Michelsen Hall
Jazz Vocalists: History and Evolution 7-8:30 p.m.
Fiddler on the Roof 7:30-9:30 p.m. FAC Jenkins Theatre
Point Star Contest 8-10 p.m. UC The Encore

Great to see you (watching my movie), Love!

By Liza Aari
ARTS & REVIEW CONTRIBUTOR

Movie review: The Grudge

By Ben Wydevon
ARTS & REVIEW CONTRIBUTOR

Much like The Ring, The Grudge is a remake of a creepy Japanese film that Hollywood producers had the original director remake, evidently under the assumption that Americans wouldn’t want to see the original when there weren’t any Hollywood actors. In fact, while I was watching The Grudge, I was almost convinced that it was the same director as Ringo, the director of the Japanese version of The Ring. Both of them like to show people watching creepy stuff on videotape, although that is not really what The Grudge is about.

Karen Davis (Sarah Michelle Gellar) is an American exchange student living in Japan, where she and her boyfriend Doug (Jason Behr) are going to college. Karen is asked to take care of an elderly woman after her regular caretaker goes missing (I’m not saying how). When Karen goes to the house, she sees and hears things she can’t explain including a black cat, which she evidently forgets about when the police later arrive to the house.

Despite my nine-year experience sleeping with the lights on after watching The X-Files, this movie still scared the crap out of me. The best elements of this film were Christopher Young’s music and the chilling sound effects, which will put the viewer in a state of shock and WTF.

As Alfie says, “Have a go at it, have a spin!”

Harold and Maude will be shown on Sunday, Nov. 14 at 2, 5, and 8 at UW-Stevens Point in the Collins Classroom Center, Rm. 227. Admission is FREE.
**The Causeway Authority**

By A.M. Mella

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**Muskie Don**

"Fishing overcomes all."

By Mayor Wiggington

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**Resident Evil**

By Joy Rattchman

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"You're Alex, and I like beer. And girls. And, um... Beer!"

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"Great... My roommate's a freakin' ABOLITIONIST!!!"

"While I am, indeed, opposed to slavery, I believe the word you are looking for is "prohibitionist.""

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"I'm a Ace/Frog"

"I'm a Guy/Monkey"

"I'm a Tapir From Brazil"

"Everyone I know voted, why didn't you?"

"I don't know, I'm from Brazil!"

"Sure did"

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"We're pissed off!"

"Hi Guys! Hi Monkey!"

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"What should we do now?"

"Look, turtle get so high, he turned, spoke down..."

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"Let's get high with Turtles..."

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"Oh"

"Let's go fishing"

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"Hi Terry"

"Hi muskie don"

"Why do you smell like terds Terry?"

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"I rolled in some earlier"

"Oh"

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"In case you were wondering."

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"No, not dead."

"And if you think you are going to have a beer party here, you are mistaken."

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"MORON!!!"
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