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WEATHER

FRIDAY

Partly sunny with highs in the 20s and lows in the teens

WEEKEND

Saturday: Sunny with a high in the high 30s and lows in the 20s

Sunday: Sunny and mild with highs in the 40s and lows in the 20s

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Students sue former UW-RF psychologist

■ Former students allege a past UW-RF psychologist led them to believe they were sexually abused

Jennifer Eberspacher & Jenny Murphy
Staff Writers

Almost two years after three former UW-River Falls students filed a malpractice lawsuit against a former University psychologist, their case is going to court. In August of 1997, Carmen A. Burgess, Roger, Minn., Jennifer R. Rockhill, St. Paul, Minn., and Amy L. Sholund, Cambridge, Minn., filed a complaint with Pierce County. Their complaint alleged that Karen Burgoyne, Ph.D., erroneously led them to believe they were victims of sexual abuse. Their trial date is set for April 5 at the Pierce County Courthouse in Ellsworth.

The three women were treated by Burgoyne at the University Counseling Center between October, 1993 and January, 1996. Burgoyne also has a private practice in River Falls at the River Valley Psychological Services, 117 E. Pine St.

According to court records, Burgoyne led the women to believe that the source of their psychological problems that caused them to seek counseling were unremembered or repressed incidents of sexual abuse that occurred during their childhoods. Burgoyne advised the women that their psychological well-beings depended on being able to recover and relive the "memories" of this abuse through counseling, records said.

The women further alleged that Burgoyne used inappropriate, inadequate, experimental and harmful treatment, which caused them further personal harm.

"We contest these allegations," said Anna M. Pepelnjak, Burgoyne's attorney. "Many of them are factually inaccurate and legally unfounded."

Pepelnjak, an attorney for Crivello, Carlson, Mentkowski and Steeves S.C. in Milwaukee, is representing Burgoyne as a psychologist in her private practice. Assistant Attorney General Mark E. Smith is representing Burgoyne as a state employee.

James L. Kroner, Jr., an attorney for Moen, Sheehan, Meyer, LTD, is one of the lawyers representing the plaintiffs. Kroner was unavailable for comment.

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Come fly with me



Sarah Doyle/ The Student Voice

The annual Hot Air Affair was held in Hudson last weekend, Sat. 6 and 7. A story on page A4 reaccounts one student's experience of flying in a hot air balloon.

UW-RF students arrested, jailed for drug possession

■ More than a dozen marijuana plants were found in a River Falls apartment

Ben Schmitt
Assistant Front Page Editor

River Falls Police arrested a UW-River Falls student and a former student for possession of marijuana and other paraphernalia last week in their apartment.

Bryce C. Nelson, 23, and Daniel Dacko, 23, were arrested last Friday and taken to Pierce County jail. They were released on Monday without bail, said Sgt. Jeff Linehan, River Falls Police Department.

"There are certain time constraints on holding someone without any charges," Linehan said.

Linehan said they are charged now, with possession of THC, the drug that is found in marijuana.

According to Linehan, police arrived at 1485 Wildcat Court, number 206 to investigate a complaint of "marijuana odor." Officers met with Dacko, who admitted to using marijuana in the apartment. After searching the area, officers located about 20 plants being grown in a lab. A growing light, fan, fertilizer and dirt were also seized.

According to Linehan, the reports will be forwarded to the

Pierce County District Attorney, where a trial date will be set. Linehan said the students were arrested and taken into custody because of the magnitude of the situation, as opposed to just being fined.

Linehan said this particular charge is classified as a felony because there were between 10 and 50 plants. For a felony, the penalty is a fine of no less than \$1,000 and no more than \$50,000, or a prison sentence of no less than three months and no more than five years.

According to Roger Ballou, UW-RF Dean of Students, the students will not be suspended from the University, since the incident occurred off campus.

"The first thing that I would do, when the students are released, is find out if they are okay," Ballou said. "We can provide the student with counseling, and we'll even call their parents and discuss the matter with them. But we must have permission from the student before we contact their parents. Having good family support is important."

Ballou said if a student was caught with marijuana in a residence hall, they will have the right to a trial by the University Hearing Committee, which was implemented by the UW-system last year. The committee is made up of students and faculty members, to whom Ballou presents the evidence for its decision.

If a student is a frequent offender, they could face expulsion from the university, according to Linehan.

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Find a date and turn it into a relationship

Max K.Date
Assistant News Editor

With Valentine's Day sneaking up once again, some boyfriends on the UW-River Falls are scrambling to find a dozen roses and a heart-shaped box of chocolates for their sweethearts. Many others, however, are planning to spend the weekend barhopping, searching in vain for that special someone. Last Friday, an audience of UW-

well as audience fantasy dates and bad pick-up lines. Some of the more popular fantasy dates involved Carmen Electra, David Duchovny, or Britney Spears, with such classic pick-up lines as "Gee, you're prettier than a blue ribbon pig on fair day."

One of Coleman's opening statements was a statement that he said affects every couple.

"The person who loves, cares or tries the least, controls the most," Coleman said.

He said this because when one person in a relationship doesn't try, the other makes up for it in other ways. Therefore, the "lesser lover" will always just rely on the other person. This, of course, is not healthy for a relationship.

Coleman spent much of the two hours focusing on how students can decide if their own relationships are positive ones, how to break the ties on poor ones, and how to approach dating with a new attitude.

"Poor relationships develop because of habit," he said. "(People) break up with a person for some reason and go out with another who has the same traits."

UW-RF Student Health Services Coordinator Alice Reilly-Myklebust said that many poor relationships develop out of heightened expectations. She said that expecting someone to make you happy would des-

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1, 2, tie your shoe



Melinda Domzalski / The Student Voice

After only five minutes of listening Jim Wand's voice, UW-River Falls students fell into a deep hypnotic sleep Tuesday night in North Hall. Wand's performance was part of the weeklong Winter Carnival on campus.

BRIEFS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE INSTITUTE OF INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION will be awarding \$1,000 grants to U.S. students at Midwest colleges and universities to study abroad during 1999-2000. Grant Applications are due April 2, 1999. The competition is open to students in good academic standing with no previous study abroad experience. Contact www.iie.org/midwest/grant or stop by the Office of International Programs at 104 North Hall for information.

NATIONAL STUDENT EXCHANGE program gives students the opportunity to exchange to one of 154 Universities within the United States and its territories while paying UW-RF tuition. Interested students should contact Mary Lou Bean, NSE Coordinator, 103 Rural Development Institute, 425-3256. Deadline for application for 99-00 is February 27, 1999.

ATTENTION SPRING GRADUATES! The deadline to apply for Spring Commencement is February 19, 1999. Applications are available at the Registrar's Office, 105 North Hall. For more information, contact Judy George, 425-3581.

WISCONSIN IN SCOTLAND applications for Fall 1999 and Spring 2000 are being accepted. Deadline for Fall 1999 is February 15. Deadline for Spring 2000 is April 1. Application forms are available at the Office of International Programs, 104 North Hall.

UNITED NATIONS SUMMER SEMINAR 1999 informational booklets and application materials are available at the Office of International Programs, 104 North Hall. The event is being coordinated by the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, College of Letters and Science. Only 25 places are available for this summer. Deadline for application is March 26, 1999.

SEEKING DEDICATED PEOPLE to write and perform for a new sketch comedy show done by UW-RF students, to be aired on local cable. Call Chris at 425-7934 or e-mail at christopher.m.gilde@uwrf.edu

SENIOR EXHIBITIONS AT GALLERY 101 entitled "Running with Scissors", from February 22 to 28. Features the work of ceramicists Sarah Millfelt and Mark Enfield, and photographer Tucker MacNeill. An opening reception will be held on Monday, February 22nd from 4:00-6:00 p.m.

SCHOLARSHIPS

AGRI-BUSINESS SCHOLARSHIP sponsored by the Wausau Area Chamber of Commerce. Deadline for application is February 19, 1999. Open for all agriculture and agri-business majors. For more information and application, visit the Office of Financial Assistance, 122 South Hall.

FOREMOST FARMS USA COOPERATIVE agricultural education scholarship, sponsored by Foremost Farms USA. Deadline for application is February 26, 1999. Applicant must have a sincere interest in continuing education in an agriculture-oriented occupational field. Applications and more information are available in the Office of Financial Assistance.

ROYAL CREDIT UNION scholarship sponsored by the Royal Credit Union. Deadline for application is February 28, 1999. Available to business or agricultural business majors who are a Royal Credit Union member. Applications are available in the Office of Financial Assistance, 122 South Hall.

WOMEN'S OVERSEAS SERVICE LEAGUE scholarship, sponsored by the Women's Overseas Service League. Deadline for application is March 1, 1999. Application information is available in the Office of Financial Assistance, 122 South Hall.

RICHLAND COUNTY COUNCIL OF COOPERATIVES scholarship, sponsored by Richland County Council of Cooperatives. Deadline for application is March 15, 1999. Applicants must be a second-, third-, or fourth-year student in a degree program and must be a resident of Richland County with an agri-business field major. Applications and information are available in the Office of Financial Assistance, 122 South Hall.

RICHLAND ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE scholarship, sponsored by the Richland Electric Cooperative. Deadline for application is March 15, 1999. Available to any second-, third-, or fourth-year student in a degree program who is or who has parents that are members of the Richland Electric Cooperative. Applications are available in the Office of Financial Assistance, 122 South Hall.

FORREST BASSFORD STUDENT AWARD and Student Travel Awards, sponsored by the Chicago Mercantile Exchange. Deadline for application is March 15, 1999. Applicants must be agriculture majors who have either junior or senior standing at the beginning of the 1999-2000 college year. Applications are available in the Office of Financial Assistance, 122 South Hall.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN IN CONSTRUCTION scholarship, sponsored by the National Association of Women in Construction chapter #164. Deadline for application is March 31, 1999. Applicants must have a construction-related major. Applications are available in the Office of Financial Assistance, 122 South Hall.

THE ROY KALMERTON SCHOLARSHIP sponsored by the Sheboygan County Conservation Association. Deadline for application is April 1, 1999. Applicants must have a major in one of the following fields of environmental management: resource science, law enforcement, forestry, resources administration, fisheries management, wildlife management, zoology, environment education. Applications are available in the Office of Financial Assistance, 122 South Hall.

1999 AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN sponsored by the Racine, Wisconsin Branch. Deadline for application is April 1, 1999. Applicants must be female residents of Racine County, must be a full-time first- or second-semester junior with a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or above. Applications are available in the Office of Financial Assistance, 122 South Hall.

GRACE ALBERTS SCHOLARSHIP sponsored by Marathon County Association for Home & Community Education. Deadline for application is April 1, 1999. Applicants must be a resident of Marathon County and have one of the following majors: family living, consumer education, restaurant management, dietetics, agriculture or closely related fields. Applications are available in the Office of Financial Assistance, 122 South Hall.

MEETINGS

CAMPUS CRUSADE FOR CHRIST meets Tuesday nights at 7:00 p.m. in the International Room of the Student Center.

STUDENT PAGAN ASSOCIATION meets every Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in the Falls Room of the Student Center. Meeting is open to anyone. Contact Mary Ellen Patterson for more information.

HORTICULTURE SOCIETY meeting Wednesday, February 17 in the AgSci Building room 331 at 5:00 p.m. All majors welcome. For more information, call Chadd Novak at 425-8116.

Anyone who has a brief, meeting or event to be published in the Student Voice should submit it in writing to 213 South Hall by noon Monday.

Security Director hits a high note

■ Priscilla Stevens' creativity expressed through opera singing and musicals

Ben Schmitt
Assistant Front Page Editor

Some staff members at UW-River Falls have creative interests, such as music, that many people may not know about. Priscilla Stevens is one of those people.

Stevens, director of public safety, has enjoyed singing and music ever since she was a child.

She ranks opera and musicals as her favorite media in which to sing, although she is open to many types of music. She doesn't listen to a lot of Judas Priest at one time, though, because she said it would give her a headache.

"I'm not really your average

opera singer," Stevens said. "I have been to Judas Priest, Motorhead and Black Sabbath concerts. I like to be able to appreciate the talents of others."

Although she has a degree in vocal music, she began as a criminal justice major at John Brown University in Arkansas. Soon after, her love for music pushed her into becoming a music major. She finished school and was hired as a police officer. Stevens then decided to move to Chicago to study opera at the American Conservatory of Music.

Stevens said she enjoys musicals even more than opera.

"Opera is just too technical. There are too many technical things to

practise. Just like any instrument, the voice is also an instrument, and it must be used."

Stevens was also a singer in a jazz band. Even though she likes jazz

music, she said it really wasn't her style of music.

"It was fun, but I was a little too uptight for jazz," she said. "In my opinion, there are a lot of shouldn't do's in jazz music. It wasn't really me."

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STUDENT SENATE

WRFW receives funding for upgrades

Max K. Date
Assistant News Editor

Money, money, money. Tuesday's Student Senate meeting was full of it. The most discussed issue of the night was an allocation of nearly \$26,000 to WRFW. The campus radio station asked for the money to make upgrades on relatively out-of-date equipment.

"If anyone has ever been up (to the radio station) it kind of resembles a museum. It's scary. . . they really, really need the money," said senator Jon Proehl.

A question arose not over the need, but rather over the availability of the funds. The Senate was in question over how much money was actually available from the reserve account. They must keep a minimum of \$30,000 in reserve and nobody was exactly certain how much over that amount the reserves were. In fact, figures ranged from just \$35,000 all the way up to \$68,000.

Student Senate President Mac Guptil informed the group that the reserve account is filled as students pay their tuition. If tuitions aren't completely paid, the Senate doesn't have a full reserve to work with.

Several WRFW staff members attended the meeting, with Station Manager Matthew McConico leading the Senate through a list of requests that the radio station made. Much of the requests involved equipment used primarily by WRFW sports, although the requests did include a new control board for the studio. The current board has been running every day, 24

hours-a-day, since 1988.

"We really should replace the equipment before it blows up," Proehl said.

Even with the reserve concerns, the Senate passed the request for \$25,777.72.

"Congratulations you guys," said senator Morgan Jindrich. "I hope we can get you the money."

In Student Senate committee reports, Guptil informed the senate that the Residential Living Committee unanimously passed an increase in

the price of a new residence hall on campus. The \$1 million increase to a \$9 million price tag now will move on to the Facilities & Fees Board for final approval.

Guptil also reported that Dean of Students Roger Ballou is forming a Chancellor's Coalition on Alcohol & Drug Abuse, which will be discussed at next week's meeting.

In new business, a timeline for the appointing of new senators was approved. Anyone wanting to become a senator has to have a cover letter and resume into the Shared Governance Center before Wednesday, Feb. 17, with the Senate to appoint new positions by Tuesday, Feb. 23.

In other news, the Senate approved a motion to support "Give Education a Raise", which would increase the maximum Pell Grant from \$3125 to

\$3525. The motion would also show support for GEAR UP.

"GEAR UP is early intervention," said senator Paige Steele. "It informs parents on issues such as financial aid, applying for colleges and mentoring."

The following people were also appointed to a Programming Space Ad-hoc committee: Jaime Kirkpatrick, Kristine Crandall, Eric Dodge, Meredith Clausen, Ehren Essler, Jessica Meulemans, Tim Fay, Brent Greene and Kaye Schen-

del. The committee will re-examine all aspects of the concept document on the proposed addition to the Student Center, which will report to the

Senate in May. Guptil and Student Services Director Bob Sievert will co-chair the committee, and Campus Planner Dale Braun will be an ex-officio member.

Finally, the following students were added to committees: Brett Onan (Info Tech Faculty Senate), Cara Dempsey (Textbook Services), and Amy Jurgens (Campus Safety). Onan was also removed from the Curriculum Faculty Senate Committee.

The Student Senate will meet next Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in the Regent's Room of the Student Center.

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-Sen. Jon Proehl

FACULTY SENATE NEWS

A shift in spending

Sarah Doyle
News Editor

Reach for the Future, a program implemented four years ago designed to shift spending from salaries to supplies, has been successful so far said Faculty Senate Chair Bab Baker.

In an analysis comparing UW-River Falls with other UW universities, UW-RF spends 89.7 percent from two designated funds on salaries and fringes which is the second lowest in the UW-System where percents range from 89.0 percent to 92 percent. UW-Platteville has the lowest percent at 89.0 percent.

Baker said faculty has been cut and classrooms have become larger to accommodate for the cut in spending on professor salaries and fringes.

The percent of spending on supplies and equipment and capital has increased since the plan was initiated.

Previously, 93 percent of the funds were being spent on salaries and fringes. Reach for the Future's goal is to decrease that number to 88 percent. The plan has one more year to reach its goal.

"We're almost to the finish line," Baker said.

Some senators are content where the University presently is and don't

feel additional cuts in salary should occur.

"I don't think its progress," said one senator. "People are the most important thing on campus and we're shifting the focus to things instead of people."

The Senate also passed a resolution in support of the UW-System Library \$12 million funding initiative.

Under the initiative, \$8 million will be allocated to collections including books, electronic databases, and videos.

Another \$2 million will be set aside for shared databases within the UW-System.

The Final \$2 million is to be spent on the delivery system used to transport materials from one campus to another.

If the initiative passes, UW-RF would receive 3 percent or about \$400,000 if it is distributed as a lump sum amount, Baker said.

Senate also discussed restructuring committees within the Senate.

"There are too many committees and no one to serve on them," Baker said.

Some duties will be reassigned on committees, some committees will be combined and others will be eliminated under the plan presented to the Senate.

CAMPUS SECURITY

Jewelry and electronics stolen

Ben Schmitt
Assistant Front Page Editor

River Falls Police currently have two suspects linked to a thefts at Shopko, Radio Shack and Gemini Jewlers. About \$31,000 worth of jewelry, eight cellular phones, two radar detectors and three antennas were stolen. All of the thefts were reported on Feb. 3.

Underage drinking citations continue to be issued at UW-River Falls. Students cited include Jackie

R. Boumeester, 18 and Katherine M. Marsh, 19, both in McMillan Hall, on Feb. 4. Others cited were Melissa R. Mulville, 18; Amy R. Tibbetts, 18; Cassandra G. Harrom, 19; Megan L. Heilgendorf, 20; Kate E. Gorrie, 19, and Michelle F. McDonald, 19, all in Hathorn Hall, on Feb. 3.

In other news, a wind screen and baseball backstop were reported stolen from the storage building near Ramer Field at 9:46 a.m. on Jan. 29.

The Beer Meter

Weekly drinking total: 8 tickets

Semester drinking total: 21 tickets



*Underage consumption tickets for UW-RF students

A meeting of UW-RF minds

■ Students get recognition through display of academic work

Jesse Sampair
Staff Writer

Until now there hasn't been a place to showcase scholastic recognition beyond the walls of student classrooms. . .until this spring.

The first UW-System Symposium for undergraduate research has been scheduled to be held May 24-26 at UW-La Crosse. The event will give 25 students from each of the 14 UW campuses an opportunity to display their academic work to other students, professors, UW-System administrators and regents, and local industry leaders.

Chemistry professor Aaron Monte and UW-La Crosse colleague Scott Cooper collaborated on developing the symposium.

"We think of it as a sort of 'State of Wisconsin Scholarly Olympics'," Monte said.

Like the Olympics Monte and Cooper hope the site of the symposium will rotate among UW campuses in future years. But unlike the Olympics there will be no gold medals awarded, as the symposium will be more of a celebration of undergraduate research and less of a competition.

"The idea is that these are the leading student scholars from each campus," Monte said. "Hopefully, they will all be very good. It would be too difficult to judge presentations against one another."

Lawsuit / students sue

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Burgoyne worked at the University Career and Counseling Center from September 1989 through May 1996.

According to records, while attending UW-RF, Sholund, 25, sought psychological treatment from the University Counseling Center. Burgoyne treated Sholund in individual and group sessions conducted at the Counseling Center in addition to private sessions through Burgoyne's private practice. Sholund came to believe that she'd been repeatedly sexually assaulted by various relatives, including her father, C. Scott Sholund and subsequently suffered from a multiple personality disorder. She now believes these accusations to be false, records state.

C. Scott Sholund also filed a complaint against Burgoyne for defamation, stating Burgoyne's treatment of his daughter damaged his reputation and family relations, according to court records.

Four weeks ago Pierce County Judge Robert Wing dismissed Scott Sholund's suit against Burgoyne as a state employee. His suit against Burgoyne in her private practice was not dismissed.

Burgess, 26, also alleges that after being treated by Burgoyne she came to believe that she had been sexually assaulted by various relatives. She too believes these allegations to be false, according to records.

Rockhill, 25, alleges that after being treated by Burgoyne she came to believe that she had been

Arrest

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If a student is a frequent offender, they could face expulsion from the university, according to Ballou. He stresses the fact that the student would not, in such an instance, be freed from the University housing requirement if he or she was expelled.

"We don't want to reward this behavior," Ballou said.

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Rediscovering Hemmingway

■ Professor takes semester sabbatical for Hemmingway research

Jessica Wiegrete
Staff Writer

UW-River Falls Professor James Mulvey is on sabbatical leave this semester. He is taking time to research one of his favorite writers, Ernest Hemmingway.

"Every faculty member deserves one," he said. "It should be more of an automatic thing."

Mulvey said that teachers take sabbatical leaves to do some in-depth research on a subject. They are still paid while absent from teaching.

"Hemmingway has always been an interest of mine," he said.

Mulvey's main interest is American modern literature, which is another reason for choosing Hemmingway.

Mulvey is spending a lot of time studying up on him and rereading many of his works. He is planning on writing three papers on him and is also putting a presentation together to give on Hemmingway at a conference sometime.

One of the papers will be a comparison of Hemmingway to T.S. Eliot, another modern literature writer.

Mulvey said it is nice to have a break from teaching, but he does miss it. "I started teaching English when I was 22 at Marquette University," he said. "I've taught for 25 years now."

But Mulvey believes taking this sabbatical leave will benefit his students by providing them with new information as well as make him a better professor.

"I teach Hemmingway in many of my classes such as my sophomore literature and my short story class," Mulvey said. "If I research and reread things, it builds my knowl-

edge about who I teach and hopefully my enthusiasm will carry over into the classroom."

Laura Zlogar, another UW-RF English professor was recently was on sabbatical leave doing research for a book project on the use of film in secondary education English and history classes. It is a book for teachers and student teachers to use that discusses meaningful ways to use film in the classroom.

"The value of a sabbatical leave is that it gives teachers time to do a lot of research, writing and reading that one needs," Zlogar said.

UW-RF professors need sabbatical leaves not only because they teach during the day, but because they are involved in other activities on campus, which doesn't leave a lot of spare time for research.

Mulvey is the advisor to the Literary Society in the English department. He is also a member of Faculty Senate.

Since he is currently on sabbatical leave, he is not required to attend meetings.

In addition to teaching sophomore literature classes and Short Story, Mulvey also teaches Freshmen English, Modern American Fiction and Children's Literature.

There are approximately five professors each year who go on sabbatical leave at UW-RF. The proposals for sabbatical leave need to be in by October of the year before the professor plans on taking one.

Each professor is required to send in their resume and write up a proposal explaining what kind of research they will be doing. The proposals are ranked by the faculty on the sabbatical committee and then it goes on to the Vice Chancellor who selects how many are put on sabbatical leave.

At the end of their sabbatical leave, professors are required to write up a report to turn in on what they accomplished.

"Once you get one, you have to wait six years to apply again," Mulvey said.

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Up, Up and Away



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Looking through the eyes of the River Falls falcon. Forty-eight hot air balloons took to the skies last weekend to participate in the 10th annual Hot Air Affair in Hudson.

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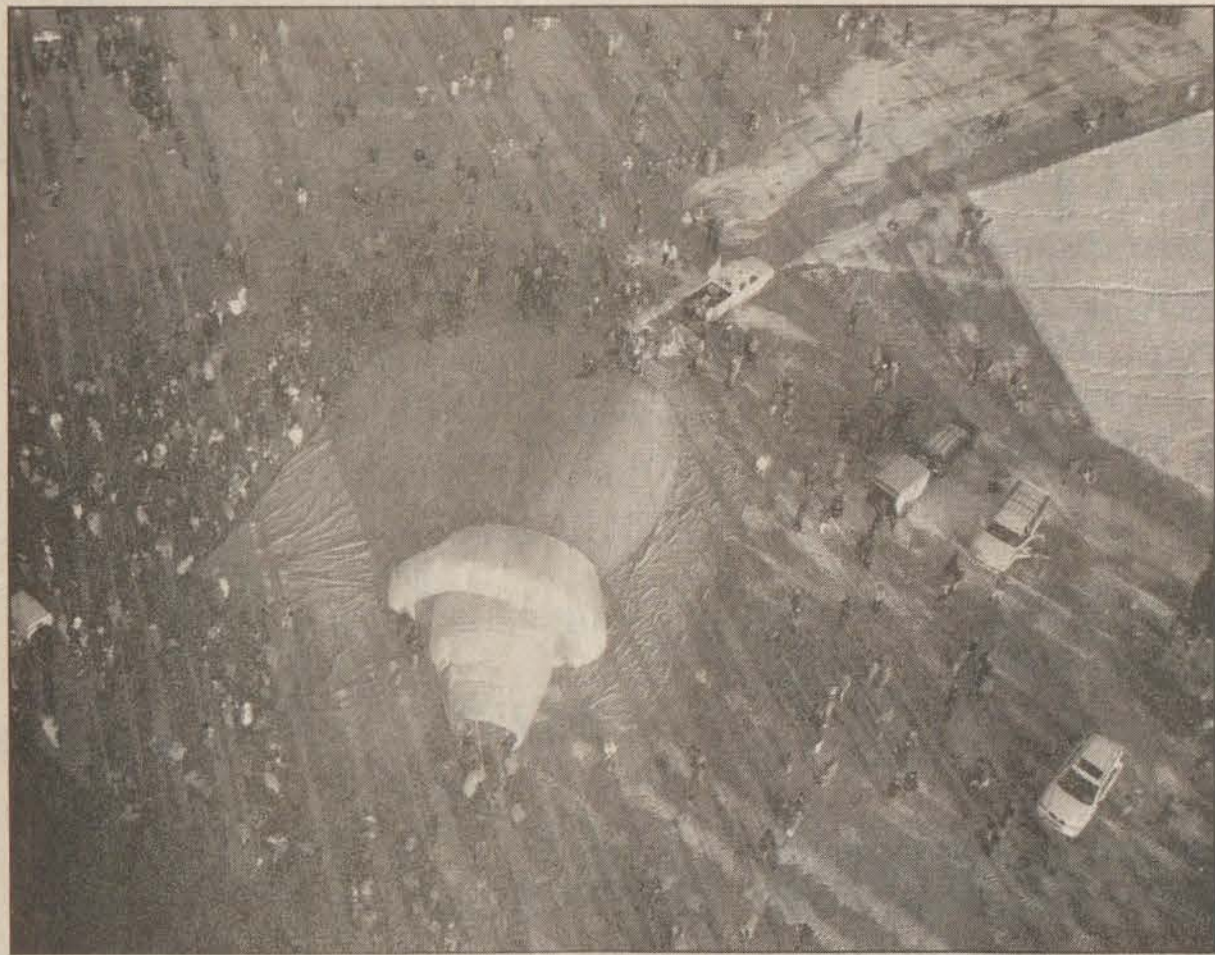
Hudson

When a Hudson resident stepped onto his deck early last Saturday morning, he was greeted by a voice above him. "Have you got the coffee on?" pilot Gary Britton asked as he flew his hot air balloon, Reflections 2, over the man's house. The man smiled and said he did. Britton, along with 47 other hot air balloonists was participating in the 10th annual Hot Air Affair in Hudson. The three-day event is said to be the largest winter ballooning event in the Midwest. After heating the balloon with propane tanks, Reflections 2 ascended in to the air with Britton and two passengers cramped in a small basket. Within seconds, the balloon was 100 feet off the ground, leaving behind a cheering and waving crowd. According to Britton, the event is designed mostly for the benefit of the spectators. Spectators fulfill their curiosity by choosing a balloon and following it - from set-up to launch, flight, landing and clean-up, said crew member Georgene Voutila. Voutila is one of five crew members who work

with Britton. Crew members are responsible for follow the balloon on the ground in case there are any problems and they pick up the balloon and passengers after the flight is over. Moving at about 15 miles-per-hour, and reaching an altitude of 1000 feet, the balloon traveled southeast from Hudson, following the direction of the wind. "All you can control is the up and down," Britton said. "The wind takes you where it wants to." One of the adventures of flying is that no one is ever sure where the balloon and its passengers will end Voutila said. Because balloons can't make round trips, the pilots must remain in contact with their crew by radio to arrange to be picked up. By following maps marking radio towers, parks and farms, both the pilot and crew can estimate where the balloon will end up. The crew then hurries to find a road that will lead to that destination. "That's our job," Voutila said. "To be there when the balloon lands." Crew member Jim Dievall stressed the importance of keeping a good relationship with the farmers. Frequently, balloonists have to land in fields owned by farmers. According to Voutila, in the summer the crew asks landowners for permission to drive onto their

property to pick up the balloon. Pilots also need to be careful not to "spook" animals when flying over a farm. "Without landowners, you can't have a sport," Dievall said. Reflections 2 traveled about 20 miles, passing over River Falls and the University. The balloon landed south of the city an hour and a half after taking off. River Falls has an ordinance which makes it illegal for balloons to land on public property, Britton said. When Reflections 2 did land, "It was one of the wilder ones," Dievall said. Reflections 2, after repeatedly banging into the ground while moving over the crest of a hill, came to a stop with the basket lying on its side and its inhabitants in a pile tangled around various ropes and limbs. The field where they landed happened to be enclosed by a barbed-wire fence with knee-deep snow, making it difficult to walk let alone drag a balloon and its basket to the road. Once everything was loaded into the van, Dievall said there was another adventure yet to come. "Now we have to figure out how to get home," he said. Continuing a French tradition of the original bal-

loonists, the crew, passengers and pilot celebrated with a bottle of Champagne. Britton said that early French balloonists were not recognized as such by farmers, so they would bring a bottle of Champagne with them as a sign of friendship towards the farmers. Britton said hot air ballooning is dependent on the weather. "A balloon can travel anywhere from one mile-per-hour to 30 miles-per-hour," he said. One Reflections 2 passenger said he flew last year also, but only traveled about a mile. "We went up for about 45 minutes and just made it to the other side of (highway) 94," he said. Initially, Saturday morning was intended to be a competition. It was called off due to stronger winds, but pilots could fly non-competitively if they chose to. About 20 balloons went up that morning. Later on Saturday, another launch took place with many more balloons participating. Britton and some of his crew members are college professors in West Bend and Milwaukee, Wis. Britton has been flying for 25 years, taking about 40 flights a year. He is a pilot certified by the Federal Aviation Agency competing in the US Nationals, Team US Nationals and regional events. He has been on staff for National and World Championship events.

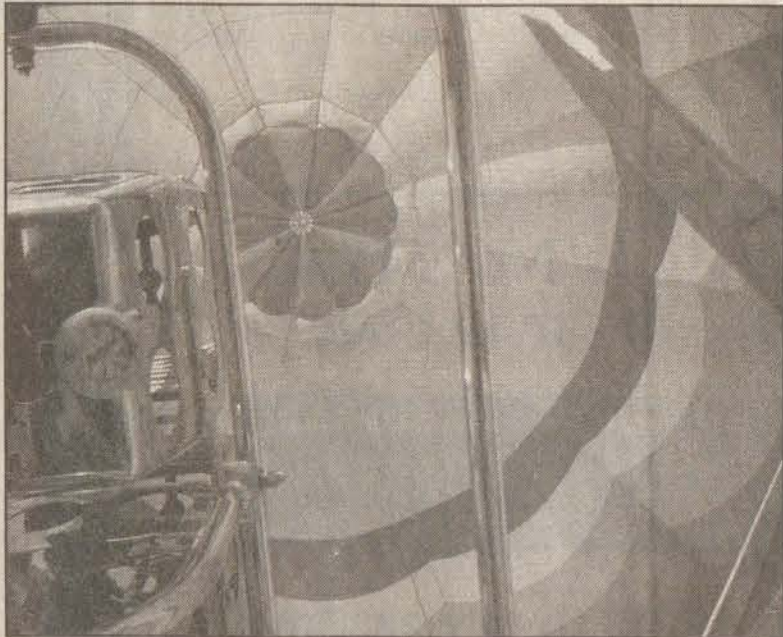


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Above: Smokey the Bear was just one of the various hot air balloons that participated in the Hudson Hot Air Affair on February 6. Right: Balloons are filled with hot air from propane tanks. The tanks hold between 30-80 gallons of propane varying due to the size of balloon and the length of the flight.

Reflections 2 Pilot Gary Britton

- Pilot of 25 years
- Average of 40 flights each year
- Passenger rides
- Competition including US Nationals, Team US Nationals regional events
- Officiating
- Staff for national and World Championship events
- Battle Creek International Spirit of Ballooning Award



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EDITORIAL

Winter Carnival

A wintry event is being held on campus. It is a carnival of entertainment ranging from bands showcased in Hollywood movies to organizational events and a Snow Dance that will take place with or without snow on the ground. This is the week of the Winter Carnival.

UW-River Falls students have already been hypnotized by hypnotist Jim Wand and participated in the Lip Sync, among other things. Organizations even have banners hanging in the Student Center.

The events have mostly concluded, but there is still time to get your groove on or listen to a famous band that was featured in Titanic.

That famous band is better known as Gaelic Storm and they will play at 8 p.m. in the North Hall Auditorium on Thursday night.

If you're looking to boogie down, then the Snow Dance on Friday is for you. The dance floor will fill with both sexes of like ages starting at 8 p.m. in Brandy's.

The opportunity to participate and have fun in this winter wonder of an event is melting away much like the snow outside. But the snow and fun have not melted away yet. So, take time to enjoy the carnival before the ride ends.

"But the snow and fun have not melted away yet."

Question of faith

Tell me truly friends, have you accepted Jesus Christ as your savior yet? If not, then why not?

This is what I was asked not too long ago. You can stop your whining right now cause I'm not trying to help save your soul. But I'm also not trying to sound too sarcastic either. These are issues that I, as well as billions of others hold near and dear to their very souls. I am neither here to ridicule, nor promote. What I am trying to do is simply raise a few eyebrows, and perhaps even shake a few foundations.

The conviction that overzealous Christians and atheists alike hold is something that I intensely admire. How can anyone really be that sure? Is that why you push your beliefs upon my doorstep? To confirm your own disbelief and insecurity?

Faith, or the lack thereof, is something that I have been questioning ever since my mother gave me grape flavoured gum to keep me quiet in church.

So what is it that makes faith? A friend and I defined it as belief in something without proof. It's illogical. And that is the beauty of it. It's romantic, it's comforting, but it's also constricting and defining, some might say limiting.

"All that we touch, and all that we see, is all that our life, will ever be." sang Pink Floyd on Breathe in The Dark Side Of The Moon

For many, religious faith is something that we have been brought up with. From day one as we were baptized, we were indoctrinated into a certain faith and ideology. It defines belief of ourselves and our interactions with the world. Who and what we are around, we become. So it is only natural that the ideals and notions of the church and religion have an early, and therefore deep impact on us all.

Those brought up in religious families saw your parents and your grandparents going to church and being faithful to it's ideology since birth, some

NEIL RHINES

"Have billions of people simply wasted 2,000 years on a fantasy?"



might say before. This, to say the least, makes it a tough thing to question. To someone who isn't religious, who hasn't been brought up in a religious family, I don't pretend to know your views on faith. Do you think it's ridiculous? Have billions of people simply wasted 2,000 years on a fantasy?

Back home, there is a church right next door to my place that always has different quotes on the marquee to ponder. There is one that sticks in my mind.

"An atheist has no invisible means of support."

If an atheist is one without faith in anything, though it could also be said that they are without illusion of any kind.

It is my belief that everybody has to have something to believe in, whether it be religious or not, everyone has got to have faith.

As far as being romantic, religion provides a great retirement plan, if you're good. Belief in the afterlife, despite contrary man-made scientific evidence, keeps the religious faithful going. The idea that no matter how bad this life is, the next will be better. Belief in an afterlife is a beautiful idea. It's a far more comforting thought than simply becoming worm food.

But what are the effects of this belief? One could argue that it keeps people down. In the readings during church, we are taught to be ashamed of, and in song repent for our passions, and our dreams. Argue with me if you want, but though I did it without conviction, I too have sung with the rest of the church for forgiveness of having passions and dreaming.

The faithful, because we are supposed to live only for the afterlife, are supposed to accept our positions in life. Just deal with it. We are to accept our burdens as martyrs. Slap the right side of my face, and I expose my left. And still I believe.

In this, who is to be the sheep, and who the shepherd? In the land of the blind, the one-eyed man is king.

Way back in my day . . .

Note: This is my second attempt at writing this column. My first ideas, based mostly on pot and Mankato, were sort of shot down by the higher-ups. Therefore, I strive for a point, even though one may not little too.

I'm a little too young to be pissed off at the up-and-coming generation.

It may be a bit egotistical of me to say this, but I believe that my age group, 19 to 22, is the last of a great era. I have several reasons, mostly involving durable plastic, ghetto rap and money.

Plastic should be an obvious one for anyone who grew up with metal and wood (slivery wood, mind you) playground equipment. ANYONE who played on this equipment did one of the following during the first day of use: 1) hit your head on the metal bar at the top of the slide, 2) got pushed off of the eight-foot drop next to the fireman's ladder, or 3) burned the almighty hell out of your calves on a metal slide that had been basking in the sunny 90 degree weather all friggin' day.

The day after I outgrew the equipment, the whole system was replaced with a much safer, user-friendly plastic system. No more emergency room visits from cutting myself on a protruding bolt. No more sliver-filled fingers. No more bullies to throw me into pea rock off of the swinging bridge (maybe that was just me...).

Actually, there was some plastic on the old-school equipment. However, it was the molded swing

seat and even then, the bully that was on it would kick me in the face.

This first wave of the "Durable Plastic Generation" is kids who are seniors in high school and maybe even some freshman here on campus. These kids have, unwittingly, grown up under a fierce plastic regime. The only durable plastic good that I had as a kid was my "Knight Rider" hot wheels, (which, incidentally, got broken by a bigger kid who grew up to beat someone to death with a hammer). Note, too, that I say durable plastic. This is because, although Transformers, GI Joes, and Masters of the Universe were technically "plastic," the slightest amount of pressure in the wrong direction would leave Moss Man with a frail strand of elastic for a leg.

My second peeve with the young 'uns is all this ghetto rap and hip-hop. Call me old, but Metallica's "Master of Puppets" is such a tough album that my copy of it on CD could probably kick the hell out of Jay-Z.

I will grant you two exceptions: Britney Spears and DMX. Britney, obviously, is the most gorgeous girl that can't legally have sex yet, and DMX, well, where ARE my dogs

at? Even "good" bands like the Offspring and Hole have turned to the glitz and glam of MTV, and have...man; I hate to use the term "sell-out." Not like I should talk about selling out (calling Metallica...).

Lastly, I will complain about the almighty dollar. Don't get me wrong - I love money. I LOVE MONEY. However, I have never fancied myself "cool" enough to shop at Abercrombie & Fitch, Britches, or any other place where I'm liable to find kids trying to

grade-school kids about how bad it is).

I probably shouldn't have written that last part, because I know and like a lot of kids who spend half of their lives at the Mall of America. Yes, I've been known to frequent Klub KAOS on Thursday night. And I'm wearing a sweater today, so I'm not exactly a poster boy for the grunge revolution anymore. But spending half of one's life in t-shirts with yellow armpits and jeans with holes in the crotch ain't exactly being the next Tommy Hilfiger either.

I also feel that durable plastic has been used for some good, what with the modern computers. My feeling is that without computers, the Internet may not have been invented, and then I wouldn't have such readily accessible hard core pornography.

Ah, that was therapeutic. Now that I've become the mortal enemy of any and every preppy on campus, I will close. And, quite frankly, do what you've got to do. I think I'll just sit back and do what I've got to do, which usually consists of listening to myself. Well, that and some death metal.

M A X D A T E

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make themselves popular through clothing. This is probably a personal vendetta on my part - I was an ardent fan (and emulator) of the ripped jeans-wearing wannabe Kurt Cobains of the early 90's. Now, everyone wants to be the kid who looks like he has the most money. You know, the kid that smokes pot just so that he can brag to his friends (and then lectures

Marijuana users: scapegoats for societies' shortcomings

This past Friday something terrible happened. Two of my best friends had the pleasure of watching a legion of River Falls' finest and an overzealous dog tear their apartment apart and haul away a great deal of their earthly possessions before placing them in handcuffs and putting them in jail for the weekend on felony charges.

For what you ask? What possible atrocity could these heinous monsters have committed for society to deal with such a crushing blow? It was Marijuana, a drug with less serious effects than our beloved alcohol. It is a drug that has been used at least once by 62 million Americans (almost one in four).

Despite its harmlessness and the sheer volume of its use, two bright, intelligent students sit in a jail cell facing an uncertain future. They are scapegoats for societies shortcomings; martyr's in a war for control over our own minds.

It is a war; one fueled by misconception and fear. Those in authority positions are so frightened of the unknown that they painstakingly vilify drug users and society feeds on their lies and half-truths. L.A. Police Chief Daryl Gates once said, "We are in a war. People who (use) pot on a casual basis are guilty of treason." The absurdity of this statement should strike a chord in all of you. The police are no longer our friends, as we were taught when we

were young. They are out to incarcerate our whole generation.

Prisons are swelling with the casualties of the "War on Drugs," those accused of victimless crimes like drug possession. They sit, robbed of the most precious of states, freedom.

Society is scared. Middle class families look at people like my friends and are filled with fear; fear that their kids are next. This fear has

If you know the two men in question then you know that they are harmless, wildly intelligent, well meaning young men ready to graduate and make their marks on this world. Both are well liked by professors, parents and employers alike. Both are dedicated environmentalists, Deans list students, and dedicated sons with families that love them.

They've done more good for the world around them than the police that stole their freedom will ever know.

Now they sit in a cell forced to reevaluate their life plans in the face of a system out to get them.

It makes me angry. It makes me want to lash out at an unjust system. It should make us all want to "Take the power back." We have a duty to overthrow a corrupt system and disobey unjust laws. We have a duty to do whatever it takes to make sure that not one more person loses his freedom committing a victimless crime.

Whether this course of action is a violent generation on generation revolt or a war of dialogue and discourse, I do not know. I tend to believe that the pen is mightier than the sword. Whatever we do, we must be united and unforgiving.

Until society frees us from the chains of its ignorance, we must never stop kicking and screaming.

JASON CHILDRESS

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been perpetuated by half a century of official B.S. Aldous Huxley said, "The propagandists purpose is to make one set of people forget that certain other sets of people are human."

The war on drugs and its seemingly endless stream of lies has made us turn against our sons and daughters, our brothers, our parents. It has made criminals out of saints and felons out of heroes. It's wrong.

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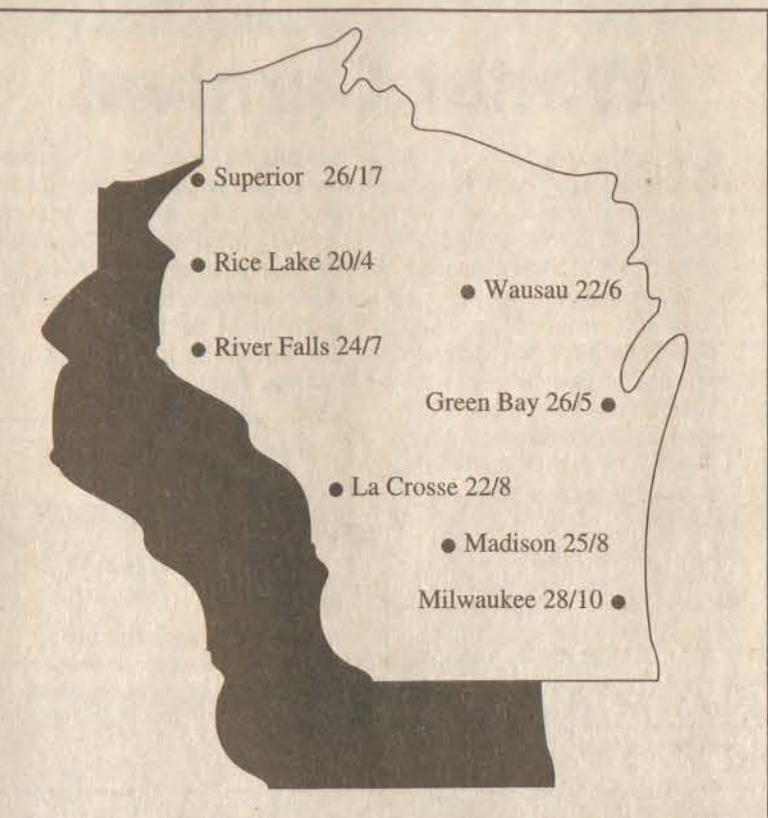
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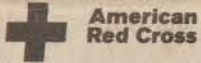


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"Nobody is going to make you happy," Reilly-Myklebust said. "You're the only person that can make you life better."

Reilly-Myklebust suggested ways to make for better relationships, such as honesty, non-aesthetic concerns, and compromise. Coleman too said that a healthy relationship consists of five keys: trust, respect, intimacy, passion and commitment.

"Honesty is key," she said. "You must share of yourself if someone else is to share with you...there is a lot of vulnerability involved."

Now that the serious issues have been discussed, Coleman devoted much of his presentation to the burning questions that the sexes have amongst each other.

Why do women go to the bathroom in packs?

There are several reasons. Among Coleman's "top ten" list was to discuss each other's dates,

to call the person they actually want to be with (!), or to take up time.

"If six women go into the bathroom with each other, and each of them takes five minutes," he said. "That's 30 minutes that none of them has to be on the date."

Why don't men call back?

This phenomenon is known as the "49 to 72 hour rule". If men call back the next day, he said that men think it makes them look too anxious. If they wait more than three days, though, the women become perturbed. Thus, anytime two days after is comfortable.

Why do nice guys finish last? (A.k.a. why do the jerks always get some)

Nice guys usually suffer because they are too upfront and don't keep too much to themselves.

"The bad guys are always a little mysterious," he said. "They put up a bit of a front. With the nice guys, what you see is what you get."

Why do women date "emotional-ly unavailable" men?

When women date men that give little back, it becomes their "pet project" to change the particular individual into a caring, emotion-laden chap.

What turns the opposite sex on?

Medically, a woman's natural aphrodisiac is, not suprisingly, cocoa. When Coleman entertained questions as to what men's turn-on is, one audience member blurted out "cinnamon rolls!" Coleman responded by saying, "only if it's hollowed out."

The male stimulant is raw oysters, because of their high content of zinc, although it's not especially conducive as a Valentine's Day gift.

Both Reilly-Myklebust and Coleman emphasized communication as probably the most important factor in any relationship.

"Communication is important because then there isn't blaming (between couples)," Reilly-Myklebust said. "Couples sit down and say 'this is how I feel'...that way each perspective is understood."

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Valentine's Day
and the sports fan

Disclaimer: Assistant Sports Editor Troy Mallat wrote all the parts to this column that could get us in trouble.

So we hear this Sunday is Valentine's Day. And it comes at the best time—when there is a lull in the sports seasons. With the exception of the bye week following the NFL conference championship games, this V-Day will be the first Sunday in sixth months without a NFL game on the tube. While all sports fans will cry in their proverbial beer, most women are rejoicing.

"...V-Day is a meaningless day that is trapped ...between the hype of Super Sunday and the madness that is March."

Basically, this proves God is a man. He makes women struggle through a month-long training camp, a four-month regular season and one month of playoffs for what? One day of flowers and candy.

And V-Day is in grave danger of losing its luster. Just think about it, with the NFL expansion Browns entering in the league next year, and with further expansion in either Los Angeles or Houston inevitable, the NFL season could easily extend into February. And if Super Sunday and V-Day ever were to co-exist, our nation's bleak divorce rate would surely skyrocket.

Women everywhere would leave their husbands because they were ogling the Denver Bronco cheerleaders more than them.

Who's going to give up seven hours of pre-game coverage, three pounds of potato chips and a comfortable ass-groove in a powered Craftmatic Adjustable Bed for seven hours of pre-date grooming, three ounces of filet mignon and trying to move your arm out from underneath your loved one because your fingers are asleep?

To sports fans, V-Day is a meaningless day that is trapped with President's Day and Groundhog's Day between the hype of Super Sunday and the madness that is March.

Meanwhile, to the enemy, the Super Bowl is just a game. Come on guys, we've all heard it. (Of course, they don't know about our \$50 side bet.)

Hey, but we're all not perfect and anything can be improved, even D—...oops, V-Day. So what does the ideal Valentine's Day for the sports fanatic consist of?

1. A good meal: Metrodome hot dogs and pretzels. They're worth the price of admission to Twins games.

2. Lots of kissing: Or as college basketball commentator Bill Raftery would say, a soft smooch off the glass.

3. Spend it with the one you love: ESPN. SportsCenter anchor Kenny Mayne could put anyone in a good mood. "Yahtzee! Let there be a post-game meal for all my Valentines with all the finest meats and cheeses available."

That's all you need to know ladies. Oh, but this is your day.

Jason Egerstrom and Troy Mallat are journalism majors

Close, but no cigar

■ After defeating St. Norbert 3-2 on Friday, the Falcons' NCHA regular season title hopes diminished when the team dropped a 4-1 decision to the Green Knights on Saturday

Jason Egerstrom
Sports Editor

Despite being out-shot 25-13 through two periods of play on Friday, the Falcons were tied at 2-2 with the two-time defending NCHA regular season champion St. Norbert Green Knights. Then, using sheer determination, the Falcons went on to dominate an impressive Green Knights team in the third period to earn the victory.

Falcon freshman Eric Yackel was the hero as he scored on the power play with just 57 seconds remaining on a one-timer taken above the

COACH NAMED

The UW-River Falls Athletic Department has announced the hiring of Joseph Cranston as head women's varsity hockey coach.

Cranston held the position of varsity boys' hockey coach at Somerset from 1990 to 1998.

The UW-RF hockey women begin their inaugural season as a varsity sport at UW-RF in October.

left circle.

It was the game-winning goal in a critical contest.

The victory put the Falcons in position to be in the driver's seat for the NCHA Title with another win over the Green Knights on Saturday at Hunt Arena. However, St. Norbert jumped out to a 3-1 first-period lead on Saturday and went on to take their third-straight NCHA regular season championship with a 4-1 win over the Falcons.

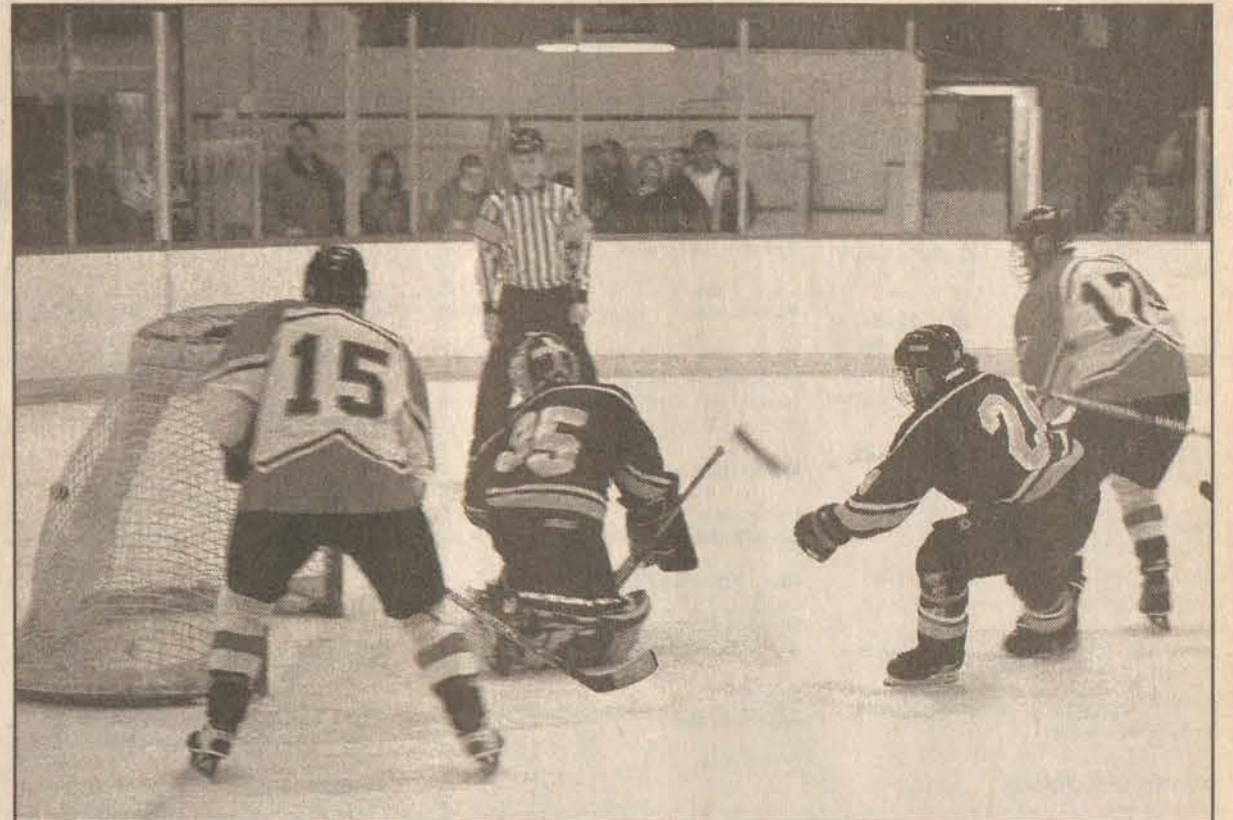
Meantime, Friday's win over the powerful Green Knights marked the first time St. Norbert had dropped a contest since early November.

"We were able to do something on Friday that many other teams couldn't do," Falcon head coach Steve Freeman said of Friday's thrilling 3-2 win. "We may have played the best hockey of the season in the third period on Friday."

The Falcons were able to control the puck in their offensive zone consistently throughout the final period, resulting in a lop-sided 17-6 Falcon advantage in shots on goal for the period.

The quality play of the Falcon special teams on Friday also played a major role in the team's win. The Falcon penalty kill contained a strong St. Norbert power play attack by not allowing a goal in two Green Knight power play opportunities.

Meantime, the Falcon power play attack was able to convert two huge power-play goals in



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Falcon Jared Anderson (17) redirects the puck past the St. Norbert goaltender on the power play to give the Falcons a 2-1 lead in the second period of the Falcons' 3-2 win Friday at Hunt Arena. UW-RF was 2 for 4 on the power play in the win.

four opportunities.

"Our special teams were sharp," Freeman noted. "We were able to move the puck well in our offensive zone."

And it was Yackel, the quarterback of the Falcon power play, who was the aggressor for much of the Falcon attack. Yackel played a key role in each of the two power-play goals.

With the score tied 1-1 in the second, Yackel set up Falcon forward Jared Anderson for a power-play goal that gave the Falcons their

first lead of the contest. Yackel slid the puck down from the blue line to Anderson, who was planted in front of the crease. Anderson then simply lifted the puck over the shoulder of Green Knight goalie Mike Szkodzinski for his 10th goal of the season.

Then, on his game-winning power-play goal, Yackel was able to quickly fire a shot off of a pass from defenseman Peter Cullen.

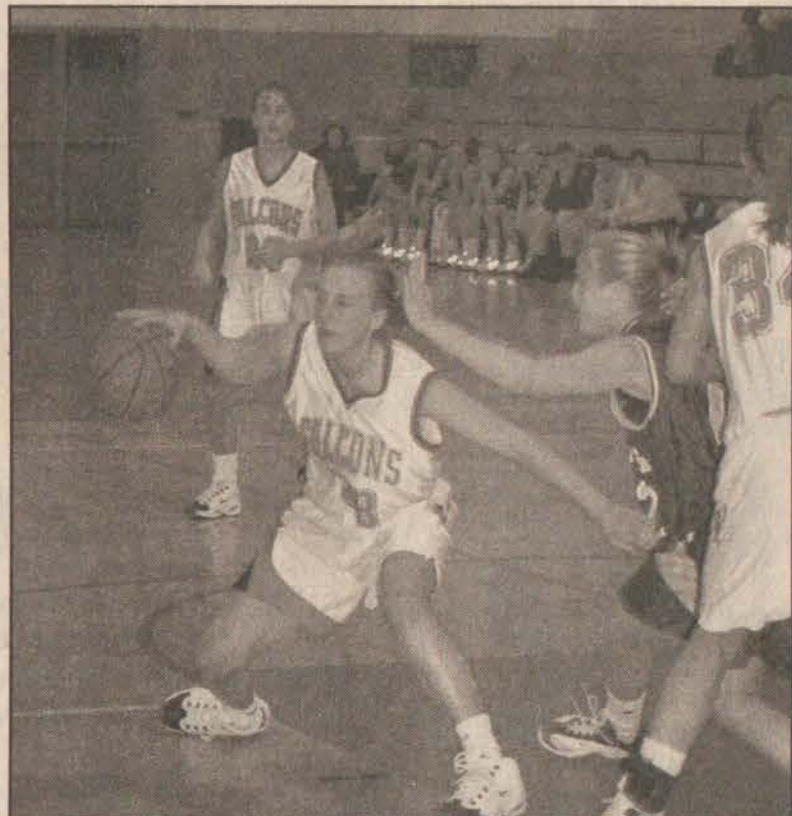
While Yackel's offensive heroics provided the Falcons with the win, it was goalie Brady Alstead who

kept the Falcons in the contest during the first two periods. Alstead faced a barrage of shots from all angles and made some key saves to keep the contest tied at two entering the decisive third period.

"Brady made some big saves when we needed them," Freeman said of Alstead's 29-save effort on Friday. "Anytime you hold St. Norbert to just two goals it's a tribute to the play of your defense as well as your goaltender."

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Falcons top Eagles



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Falcon Becky Schley maintains control of the ball in the Falcons' 83-61 WIAC win over UW-La Crosse Eagles Wednesday at Karges Center. Schley scored 12 points in the game.

Dan Hilsen
Viewpoints Editor

In a battle of the birds, the UW-River Falls women's basketball Falcons pecked apart the UW-La Crosse Eagles Wednesday night and ripped apart the rotting Eagle carcasses 83-61.

The Falcons had a narrow 34-26 halftime lead and began the second half with total domination coming out of junior forward Becky Schley.

Schley opened up the second half scoring for the Falcons on a layup and extended the team's lead to 36-28 with 18:54 left in the game. Then with 17:09 left she hit a short

jumper to make it a 40-30 lead. To conclude her second half scoring Schley stole the ball, drove down the court, and drained a three-pointer that distanced the Falcons from the Eagles 48-30.

Schley may have been the fourth leading scorer for the Falcons on the night with 12 points, but those seven second half points were crucial to the win.

"When we get good production out of (the small forward) position good things happen," Falcon coach Schuchter said. "Tonight Becky stepped forward. . . . If she plays well, I have a great feeling that we're going to play well as a unit

See "Women's B'ball" B2

Falcons stun Warhawks
Team beats 3rd-place club by 25

■ After a dominant 86-61 win over Whitewater on Saturday, the Falcon men's basketball team drops a 67-60 decision to the lowly Eagles

Matt O'Brien
Sports Correspondent

If the UW-River Falls men's basketball season was a word find, the team would still be scanning the puzzle for the word "consistency."

Following a thrilling 86-61 upset of UW-Whitewater on Saturday, the Falcons failed miserably in trying to extend their WIAC win streak to two with a 67-60 loss at La Crosse on Wednesday.

The Falcons started four guards against the Eagles and struggled to contain the La Crosse front line of Eddie Hebert, Ryan Eklund and Steve Tracy. The three forwards combined for 49 points and 18 rebounds in the contest.

Meanwhile, Falcon guard Lamar Westberry scored 17 points and grabbed eight boards in the losing effort.

UW-River Falls men's basketball coach, Rick Bowen, possibly had some extra pressure on his shoulders Saturday night, as his team hosted UW-Whitewater in a WIAC match-up at Karges Center.

With his team in the midst of a 7-13 season, including a 2-10 conference mark, many of his former players showed up to watch the game on Alumni Night. Bowen's team needed to have a good showing, so, as he put it, his former players wouldn't believe "he's lost it."

Well, put on a good showing they did. In fact, that would be a grave understatement. The Falcons were so good in their 86-61 win over the Warhawks, the game started to resemble the tilt earlier this season in which the Falcons beat North Central Bible College, 107-45.

"We got consistent performances from everybody, right down the line."

-Rick Bowen, Falcon men's basketball coach

Five Falcons scored in double figures. Pat Ptacek led all scorers with 19 points. He also tallied seven rebounds and shot 7 of 9 from the field.

Westberry had 13 points and 8 rebounds, Chad Coss had 13 points, 12 of which came on three-pointers, Tony Fisher had 11, and Ed Johnson came off the bench to add 10. Johnson had perhaps his best game in his freshman year for the Falcons, adding four rebounds to his 10 points.

"We got consistent performances from everybody, right down the line," Bowen said.

UW-RF trailed just once in the entire game; that was at 12-11, with 13 minutes left in the first half. Otherwise, the Falcons were in total control the entire game. They out-hustled, out-shot (55-36 percent), and out-played the Warhawks.

"Defensively, I thought we were very, very sharp," Bowen said. On defense, the Falcons forced 17 Warhawk turnovers and had 12 steals.

Westberry had a fine game for the Falcons. In addition to his 13 points and 8 rebounds, he brought lots of energy to the floor and to the crowd, maximizing it

with an in-your-face-style block of a Warhawk shot near game's end. "Lamar really brought a lot to the table," Bowen said.

The Falcons started four guards against Whitewater - Fisher, Kent Becker, Lamar Westberry, and newcomer Suliman Holman. The smaller, quicker strategy worked. It's a plan Bowen will continue to utilize.

"We made shots and we ran the offense the way it's supposed to be run," Bowen added. "I'm very, very pleased with the overall effort and performance of our team."

The defeat of the Warhawks was a definite about-face from the previous Falcon outing, a 69-58 loss at UW-Stout. In that game, the Falcons shot near 30 percent. Fisher was 0 of 11 from the field for the game, playing the worst game Bowen said he had ever seen him play at River Falls. The senior guard from Milwaukee had a much better game against the 'Hawks.

SCOREBOARD

Overall WIAC Standings

NCHA HOCKEY (Feb. 8)				
	W	L	T	Pts.
St. Norbert (17-3-3)	12	2	2	26
UW-River Falls (16-7-0)	10	4	0	20
Bemidji St. (17-10-0)	9	5	0	18
UW-Stevens Point (14-8-1)	9	6	0	18
UW-Superior (17-5-1)	8	5	1	17
UW-Stout (8-14-1)	5	8	1	11
Lake Forest (6-14-2)	4	11	0	8
UW-Eau Claire (9-12-2)	3	9	2	8
St. Scholastica (7-16-0)	2	12	0	4

WIAC WOMEN'S BASKETBALL (Jan. 30)		
	W	L
Oshkosh (20-1)	13	1
Eau Claire (19-1)	12	1
Whitewater (15-6)	10	4
Stout (11-10)	8	5
Stevens Point (12-10)	7	7
River Falls (14-7)	7	7
La Crosse (6-15)	2	12
Platteville (7-14)	1	12
Superior (4-15)	1	12

WIAC MEN'S BASKETBALL (Feb. 1)		
	W	T
Platteville (19-2)	12	1
Eau Claire (16-5)	10	3
Whitewater (17-5)	9	5
Oshkosh (15-7)	9	5
Stevens Point (12-10)	6	8
Stout (12-9)	5	8
La Crosse (9-12)	4	10
Superior (9-12)	3	10
River Falls (8-13)	3	11

FALCON SPORTS CALENDAR

Feb. 12-18 1999	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Hockey	at St. Scholastica 7:30 p.m.	at St. Scholastica 7:30 p.m.					
Women's Basketball		Stevens Point 3 p.m.				at Eau Claire 7 p.m.	
Men's Basketball		at Stevens Point 7 p.m.				Eau Claire 7 p.m.	
Swimming							WIAC Championships (at Oshkosh)
Gymnastics		La Crosse 7 p.m.					
Wrestling							Idle, until Feb. 19
Women's Track and Field	at Bowls Invite						

FALCON ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

HOCKEY— Forward Shane Bengtson (Sr., Hurley, Wis.) helped the Falcons split with St. Norbert last weekend. The Falcons beat St. Norbert, ranked No. 1 in the NCAA Div. III West Region, 3-2 on Friday, but dropped a 4-1 decision on Saturday. Bengtson scored the team's only goal on Saturday.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL— Forward Missy Johnson (Sr., Chanhassen, Minn.) had two more solid games. In the games, she scored 48 points and grabbed 21 rebounds. She was 14-31 from the field and 20-24 from the line. She had three assists, four blocks and six steals.

MEN'S BASKETBALL— Forward Pat Ptacek (So., Prescott, Wis.) played a key role in the two games last week including Saturday's upset of Whitewater. Against Whitewater, he led the Falcons with 19 points. He was 7-9 from the field and 5-6 from the line. He had seven rebounds and one assist. In the two games, he scored 27 points and had 13 rebounds. he was 11-16 from the field and 5-7 from the line.

MEN'S SWIMMING— Tim Beach (Jr., Plymouth, Minn.) swimming with a bad case of bronchitis, took a come-from-behind win in the 500-meter freestyle on Saturday with a time of 5:27. Friday he swam only the 200-meter IM and placed third in 2:18.97.

WOMEN'S SWIMMING— Stacy Johanknecht (Fr., Appleton, Wis.) had a season-best time in the 50-meter freestyle on Saturday with a 29.61. She had a season-best on Friday in the 100-meter backstroke in 1:15.45.

WRESTLING— Heavyweight Bill Sallender (Sr., Holmen, Wis.) won all four matches he wrestled to win his class weight title at the Eau-Claire Invitational.

GYMNASTICS— Annie Renelt (So., Lakeville, Minn.) had two excellent meets for the Falcons last week. At La Crosse, she scored her highest all-around total of the season with a 34.4. Against Stout earlier in the week, she tied for first in the all-around with a 33.85.

WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD— Track: Hope Onken (Sr., Slayton, Minn.) placed first in the 600-meter run with a time of 1:40.38. Her time was just 1.5 seconds off the school record. It was her lifetime-best time. She was also a member of the fourth place 4x400-meter relay team. Field: Kelly Soczka (Jr., Edgar, Wis.) placed fifth in the shot put with a toss of 12.83 meters. It was her lifetime best.

SPORTS SUMMARIES

MEN'S BASKETBALL		
Saturday's results		
Whitewater	35	26-61
River Falls	37	49-86
River Falls leading scorers: Ptacek 19; Westberry, Coss 13.		
River Falls leading rebounders: Westberry 8, Ptacek 7.		
Wednesday's results		
River Falls	25	35-60
La Crosse	38	29-67
River Falls leading scorers: Westberry 17, Fisher 11.		
River Falls leading rebounders: Westberry 8, Holman 4.		

Saturday's results		
River Falls	26	31-57
Whitewater	39	29-68
River Falls leading scorers: Johnson 16; Loeblein, Gefoke 10.		
River Falls leading rebounders: Johnson 9, Schley 7.		
Wednesday's results		
La Crosse	26	35-61
River Falls	34	49-83
River Falls leading scorers: Johnson 19, Sieburg 14.		
River Falls leading rebounders: Johnson 5, Rambow 4.		
HOCKEY		
Friday's results		
St. Norbert	1	1 0-2

River Falls		
1	1	1-3
First period: SN- Sedgwick (Ward, Jewitt) 4:15. RF- Sampair (Bernard) 7:21.		
Second period: RF- Anderson (Cullen, Yackel) 7:30 (PP). SN- Wempe (Jewitt, Ward) 17:58.		
Third period: RF- Yackel (Cullen) 19:03 (PP).		
Shots on goal: River Falls 6-7-17-30; St. Norbert 15-10-6-31. Saves: River Falls, Alstead 29; St. Norbert, Szkodzin-ski 27.		
Saturday's results		
St. Norbert	3	0 1-4
River Falls	1	0 0-1
First period: SN- Smillie (Wempe, Dickson) 6:26. RF- Bengtson (Matzke, Anderson) 7:21. SN- Dickson (Politoski, Jones) 13:45. SN- Jewitt (Wempe,		

Jones) 16:26.	77	River Falls	70
Third period: SN- Ward (Cianflone) 11:50.	56.7		
Shots on goal: River Falls 5-7-7-19; St. Norbert 10-11-4-25. Saves: River Falls, Alstead 21; St. Norbert, Szkodzin-ski 18.	49	Women's Team	
	44.5	St. Thomas	113
	19	River Falls	63
SWIMMING			
Friday's results			
Men's Team			
La Crosse	73		
River Falls	14		
Women's Team			
La Crosse	60		
River Falls	42		
Saturday's results			
Men's Team			
Concordia-Moorhead	101		
St. Thomas	93		

2. St. John's	77	River Falls	70
3. Harper JC	56.7		
4. Platteville	49	Women's Team	
5. Oshkosh	44.5	St. Thomas	113
10. River Falls	19	River Falls	63
INDOOR TRACK AND FIELD			
Eastbay Invitational			
1. Carthage	108		
2. Stevens Point	108		
3. UM-Duluth	94.5		
4. Lewis	93		
5. River Falls	65		
6. Stout	59		
7. St. Benedict	58		
8. Eau Claire	55.5		
9. St. Joseph's	52		
10. Platteville	46		
11. North Park	23		
12. Southern Illinois	11		
13. St. Norbert	5		
14. Ripon	2		

Falcons tread water



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Falcon swimmer Juli Karst swims the backstroke in the 200-yard medley relay in Friday's dual meet with UW-LaCrosse. The relay team finished third in the event.

Swimmers bitten by the flu bug, in dual meet loss to UW-La Crosse

Troy Mallat
Assistant Sports Editor

The UW-River Falls swim team finished a rough dual meet schedule by dropping both the men's and women's meet against UW-LaCrosse on Friday. According to head coach Doug Naylor, the Falcons were short swimmers due to an abnormal amount of illnesses. "It's been one of those goofy years," Naylor said. "If they don't get sick, they get injured." La Crosse outscored the Falcon men 73-14 and beat the women 60-42. The men's team finished with a dual meet record of 0-8, while the women finished 1-7. River Falls' only top-finisher was Barbi Bangasser, who placed first in the 100-yard freestyle with a time of 57.56. The swimmers now travel to the WIAC Championships in Oshkosh.

Runners place 5th

Troy Mallat
Assistant Sports Editor

The UW-River Falls track team found out how deep their team really is on Saturday, placing fifth in the 14-team Eastbay Invitational without top point scorers, Sarah Peterson and Jody Myhre. Peterson was held out with a strained knee, and Myhre was out with the flu. "We found our team is a lot deeper than we thought," said head track coach Kristi Kropp-Wagner. "We knew we had a good team, but they really stepped up." Senior middle-distance runner Hope Onken led the team by winning the 600-meter run with a time of 1:40.38. In doing so, she shaved almost four seconds off her career best and came within 1.5 seconds of breaking the school record. "She controlled the race," Kropp-Wagner said, "and then she blew them away." The Falcons also got big contributions from junior Kelly Stoczka, who placed fifth in the shot, freshman Megan Theike, who placed third in the 200-meter hurdles, and senior Colleen McNamara, who placed fifth in the 55-meter dash.

Hockey

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St. Norbert opened the game's scoring at the 4:15 mark of the first period. However, Falcons senior Jesse Sampair's wrap-around effort just over three minutes later tied the contest at one, which is where the score stood at the first intermission. While the Falcons were able to take advantage of power-play opportunities on Friday, the team wasn't able to convert on the power play on Saturday. In fact, the only penalties called on Saturday were two infractions whistled on the Green Knights in the third period. By the time the Falcons had the first of those extra-man situations, the Green Knights had posted a demanding lead. St. Norbert scored three first-period goals in their 4-1 NCHA-Title clinching win on Saturday. The Green Knights opened the scoring at the 6:26 mark of the first period before Falcon senior Shane Bengtson was able to tie the contest at one on a break-away goal at the 7:21 mark of the first. However, two-straight Green Knight goals closed out the first period and the Falcons found themselves down 3-1 at the first intermission. It was hole too deep to dig themselves out of, especially against a very talented and deep St. Norbert team. "They pressured us up the ice all night," Freeman said of the Falcons' struggles to maintain control of the puck. "We had trouble even getting into our offensive zone." And while the Falcons were simply outplayed on Saturday, they also had a few bad bounces along the way. In the first period, St. Norbert took a 2-1 lead after a scrambling Alstead was unable to cover a loose puck in front of the Falcon net. Minutes later, Alstead let a long, fluttering shot from the blue line get past him for the 3-1 Green Knight lead. "It's hard to put your finger on," Freeman said of the way his Falcons played on Saturday. "It was very disappointing. They jumped on us. They were the better team than we were on Saturday." The Falcons will take on St. Scholastica this weekend in the regular season finale. One win over the Saints gives the Falcons the No. 2 seed in the NCHA playoffs.

Gymnasts place 4th in La Crosse

Emily Felling
Sports Correspondent

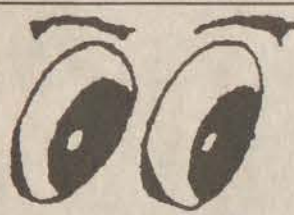
The Falcons won a dual meet at Stout on last Tuesday and placed fourth out of six teams at the Gershon Invitational held at UW-La Crosse on Saturday. The Falcons beat Stout, 129.75-83. La Crosse won the team title on Saturday with 144.9 followed by Winona 144.725, Gustavus Adolphus 142.2, River Falls 133.1, Whitewater 130.525 and Stout 75.8. Annie Renelt scored her highest all-around score of the season at La Crosse with a 34.4. Steff Rosengren scored a 32.5 and Angie Garin a 32.2. Garin led the Falcons in vaulting with an 8.9 and Rosengren had an 8.8. On the bars Renelt finished with an 8.45 and Carrie Janzen an 8.15. Renelt led the Falcons on the beam with an 8.45 and Rosengren was next with an 8. In floor exercise, Renelt was first for

the Falcons with an 8.95 and Garin was next with an 8.85. At Stout, Janzen finished first overall in the vault with an 8.65 and Renelt won the bars with an 8.55. Renelt placed second on the beam with a 7.75 and second in floor exercise with a 9. Renelt tied for first for the all-around title with a 33.85 and Janzen was third with a 31.45. "At La Crosse, we were doing very well until we hit the beam event," coach Jeanne DeLisle said. "We haven't hit our beam routines in any meet this year. We had the same rotation at La Crosse as we will have at the WIAC meet; floor, vault, bars and then beam. We just need to learn to keep our composure through the beam event and if we do that we'll do fine." The Falcons host UW-La Crosse Friday at the Karges Center in their next meet. Action starts at 7 p.m. "La Crosse is a fun team to watch and they are a favorite to win the NCGA National championship," DeLisle added.

The Falcons could not mount a run big enough to threaten the Warhawk lead at all during the second half. Leading the Falcons in scoring was senior forward Missy Johnson with 16 points. She also led the Falcons in rebounds with nine in 37 minutes of play. The Falcons were out-rebounded by the Warhawks 42-26 and made only 31 percent of their shots while the Warhawks made over 46 percent from the floor. "You're not going to win basketball games shooting 32 to 33 percent," Schuchter said. The lady Falcons look to improve their shooting Saturday when the team plays host to UW-Stevens Point. "We have to realize that there's still a lot to play for," Schuchter said. "Stout beat Oshkosh (on Saturday) and has opened the doors for a wild finish in the conference tourney."

Women's b'ball

Continued from page B1 because it takes a lot of pressure off of Missy Johnson." Johnson led the Falcons with a "quiet" 19 points, according to Schuchter and also led the team in boards with five. Sophomore guard JoLynn Sieburg ball-hawked the Eagles offense for seven steals. For the second straight game the Falcons were outrebounded, this time 36 to 21 by the Eagles. On Feb. 6 the Falcons traveled to UW-Whitewater and were driven from the sky by the Warhawks 68-57. The Warhawks ended the first half leading 39-26. "Every time we made runs Whitewater stepped up and made a play," Schuchter said.



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MATT KONDRACSEK

Nothing to do in River Falls?

What is there to do in this little town for fun? I've been here for four years now and I still ask myself that same question? Don't get me wrong, I love this town, but there seems to be a problem sometimes finding things to do that I haven't already done. You can always take in a cheap movie or go out to eat, but what about something a little more exciting, even dangerous?

Drugs are a good solution to this dilemma. There aren't too many cures for boredom better than altering your state of mind. Although I am in favor of legalizing some illicit drugs, I will just stick to the drugs that are legal to do in River Falls. There are only two that I am aware of: tobacco products and alcohol.

There are many places to buy tobacco in River Falls. Obviously there are several gas stations and stores that will sell you cigarettes, cheap cigars and chewing tobacco, there is only one that I am aware of that you can purchase fine cigars, pipe tobacco and exotic cigarettes. This is the Smoke Shop at 216 South Main. Prices are low and the service is good. For those of you who enjoy the use of tobacco products, I suggest checking out their selection.

Unfortunately, for those of you who are not 21 yet, this next section will not do you much good, but you can save this and use it when you become legal. Drinking is a fun thing to do on the weekends, and I am all in favor of it. Here are some ideas to try next time that you go out drinking.

Get something other than your usual drink or beer. If you always have the same thing, you will become bored with drinking and won't do it as often. This is a poor idea, because some doctors believe that having a drink a day can help your heart. If one drink will help, then think about what great shape your heart will be in if you have 10 drinks a day. This is why you need to mix it up. Try new drinks, especially beers. There are so many different types of beers that you can't ever say that you don't like beer. How do you know that you don't like all of the beers? It is impossible to know this because there are too many to have tried them all.

Another idea is to try cow tipping. When you live among hicks you might as well act like one. (Besides, they did it in Tommy Boy)

Try doing your homework after a couple of drinks and see what the results are. Some of my best papers have been written after a few gin & tonics.

My last idea is to try drinking at home and renting adult movies with a group of friends. I'm not talking about soft romantic porn, I mean get something really raunchy and gross. See if you can find people over 70 who weigh three-hundred pounds.

My final thought is that you should always have a designated driver, because don't want to spill your beer, and in the immortal words of John Belushi "My advice to you is, Drink Heavily."

Meddling Melinda wants to know what is the worst way to break up with someone?



Dear Meddling Melinda,

My girlfriend wrote you two weeks ago about problems I've been having and you gave a harsh reply stating that it was all my problem and that she should just forgive herself of her past. I do acknowledge the fact that the problem lays solely with me, but the purpose of the letter was not to go and point the finger of blame; it was to solve the problem. Seeing how the problem is within me, not her, I thought it only reasonable that I should write you and see what advice you can give. I have been having problems getting over her 'slutty' past. The thing that has made it most troublesome is the fact that I know two of the guys that she's done stuff with and one happened to be living with me at the time. I'll try not to go into too great of detail, but I only wished my roomy would have done the same. Also,

another thing that makes it hard to deal with is she had said she supposedly had feelings for me on a given weekend and the next time I saw her I was invisible and there was mention of a different guy; plus the incident with the second guy that I had mentioned. Then after all that she comes back and says she loves me. Now, I know that what lies in the past should stay in the past, but the problem is these occurrences still feel like part of the present. She's tried to convince me differently and claims that her love for me is true. How can I forgive and forget? How can I believe her when she says she loves me? After all I thought she cared for me the first time.

-painful memories-

Dear Painful Memories,

So what if you know the guys she has been with. When you started dating her it sounds like you

already knew she might be seeing some of your friends. From the way I see it you are making something out of nothing. Why was it so important to find out her sexual past? From the letter your girlfriend sent me I get the feeling she is very remorseful. But why should she work for your forgiveness when the only person she violated was herself. My advice to you is grow up and realize women can be just as needy in the sex department. Get out of the past and into the future?

-Meddling Melinda

— 213 South Hall — X-3118 melinda.j.domzalski@uwrf.edu

Events Calender

February 15-19



Monday

Toastmasters Valentine's Day Party
Sweet treats and speeches
Basement of Trinity Episcopal Church
call Nancy O'Malley at 425-6268

Sign up with your RA, at the student center, or at Rodli.

Tuesday

Wednesday

I'm Fed Up

Sacrifice your evening meal at Rodli;
Money goes to fight world hunger.

Thursday

Comedian Gregor
8 PM Brandy's

Friday

By:

Melinda J.
Domzalski

"POINTS OF VIEW"

What super-natural power would you like to have?



Randy Johnson Senior
"The ability to heal to help improve the quality of life."



Stacy Walczak Freshman
"The ability to change time travel, so I can change the past."



Summer Martin Senior
"I would like to know what people are thinking."



Sara Danielson Freshman
"To Fly, so I can get to my classes faster."



Jom Paroehl Senior
"I want to fly so I won't have to walk."



Jason Hult Senior
"To know what people are thinking because it would be a good way to pick up chicks."



Horoscope Forecasts



Jason Childress
Columnist and this week's fore-caster for the future

Aries (March 21 - April 19): Beware of inanimate purple objects that suddenly begin to hum the Canadian National Anthem this week. Satan works in strange ways.

Taurus (April 20 - May 20): Maybe it's time you go to church again. Isn't that guilt and inner turmoil exactly what you've been missing in your life?

Gemini (May 21 - June 21): Spend some money on yourself this week. Go shopping, get a manicure, go to Miami in a Falcons jersey and solicit prostitutes.

Cancer (June 22 - July 22): Your love of poppy seed muffins will cause confusion at work this week when you test positive for heroin.

Leo (July 23 - August 22): When life starts to get overwhelming this week, remember that "when the going gets tough, the tough get drunk."

Virgo (August 23 - September 22): This week could go either way for you. Either you will win the lottery or your favorite grandma will die slowly of internal bleeding when a garbage truck backs over her, then, inadvertently, backs over her again.

Libra (September 23 - October 23): A secret affair with a professor turns ugly

this week when he gives you a C anyway remember to save the dress.

Scorpio (October 24 - November 21): Run naked through the winter streets and create anatomically correct snow angels.

Sagittarius (November 22 - December 21): Your drinking will get out of hand this week when you wake up in a van by a lake 400 miles from home next to a trained monkey and a blind man who asks you if you're ready to go swimming.

Capricorn (December 22 - January 18): Your lover is cheating on you and everyone knows it. Two words: Lorena Bobbitt!

Aquarius (January 19 - February 18): You realize that all of gods creatures are uniquely beautiful and that light refracts through tiny particles of water because God wanted to share the colors of the rainbow with all the inhabitants of the earth. Lay off the acid you demented freak.

Pisces (February 19 - March 20): Time to begin getting is shape this week. Get out of the groove on your couch and quit thinking that the 12oz. curl qualifies as exercise. Start by charging \$300 of name brand workout gear then let it hang in your closet as you work your way back into that oh so friendly groove and grab another beer!



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Valentine's history, pre-Hallmark

It is that time of year again. The time when the ugly heart-shaped dragon rears its red and pink head to spit roses and sappy sentiment at those in that romantic haze know as love.

Yes, it is Valentines Day, other-wise known as Black Sunday.

My hatred for this holiday is longstanding and filled with biases and hypocracies, but none-the-less a valid point.

At one time Valentine's Day was not about overpriced roses and tacky boxers. It does stem from a deeper tradition.

In fact Valentine's Day was originally geared towards single people. Only in the last few centuries has it become directed towards couples. This is probably because people are more likely to spend money on tacky boxers if they are sure of the reaction they will get.

In ancient Rome, Feb. 14 was the day to honor Juno. Juno was the queen of the Roman gods and goddesses. The Romans also knew Juno as the goddess of women and marriage.

The next day, Feb. 15, began the 'Feast of Lupercalia,' which was when the Romans got together to honor fertility and their two gods, Juno and Pan.

One of the sweet, if slightly dis-functional, traditions of this celebration called for young unmarried women to write down love messages and drop them in a big urn. The unmarried men would then pick a message from the urn and then attempt to woo the woman whose message they had chosen.

If the wooing worked the two would eventually get married.

I suppose this was the ancient equivalent to a blind date.

Then there is the legend of Saint Valentine.

Also in ancient Rome there lived a man named Valentine (you have to give his parents credit for originality). He was a kind-hearted doctor who practiced medicine out of a small room in his home.

Valentine was able to combine his love of food and cooking with his medical practice. "Dr." Valentine always tried to offer his patients, medicines that tasted delicious. He would mix bitter tasting medicines with wine, milk or honey to make them easier to swallow for the sick and injured. Like Mary Poppins, Valentine believed that a spoon full of sugar really did make the medicine go down.

He also cleaned out wounds with wine vinegar and used freshly ground herbs and roots to relieve pain.

Religion was also a big part of Valentine's life and although Christianity was not popular at the time (some were persecuted for their beliefs) he became a Christian priest and would lead others in prayer. Often Valentine would pray for the health of his patients.

One day Valentine was at home, probably trying out a new recipe, when he had a knock at his door.

A jailer for the Emperor of Rome was at the door cradling his blind

daughter in his arms. He had heard of Valentine's medical and spiritual healing abilities and appealed to Valentine to treat his daughter's blindness. Valentine knew that blindness could be a tricky thing to treat but he still gave the jailer his word that he would try his hardest.

The little girl was examined, given an ointment for her eyes and a series of re-visits were scheduled.

Several weeks passed and the girl was still blind. But the man and his daughter never gave up and returned each week for their visits to "Dr." Valentine.

But then disaster struck.

Valentine was surprised by Roman soldiers who arrested him, destroyed his medicines and admonished him for his religious views.

When the little girl's father

happy. If she saw a goldfinch, she would marry a millionaire.

I wonder if pet stores used to up the price of goldfinches before Valentine's Day the same way florists up the price of roses today? Just a thought.

Cupid is the most famous, or infamous, of Valentine symbols.

He is portrayed as a mischievous, winged child armed with a bow and arrows. I wonder if anyone ever questioned the intelligence of arming a flying baby?

Cupid flapped around shooting "darts of desire" into the hearts of both gods and men causing them to fall deeply in love. Do you think this where the expression "love hurts" comes from?

Cupid has always played center stage in the celebrations of love and lovers.

JENNIFER EBERSPACHER

"At one time Valentine's Day was not about overpriced roses and tacky boxers."



learned of Valentine's arrest, he wanted to intervene but there was nothing he could do. Valentine understood.

Knowing he would soon be executed, Valentine asked the jailer for a paper, pen and ink. He quickly wrote a farewell note and handed it to the jailer to give to his blind daughter.

Valentine was executed later that day, on Feb. 14, 270 (AD) by the order of Emperor Claudius II Gothicus.

When the jailer got home he was greeted by his little girl. She opened the note and found a yellow crocus inside. The message said, "from your Valentine."

As the little girl looked down upon the crocus that rested in her palm she saw brilliant colors for the first time in her life! The girl's eyesight was restored!

In 496 Pope Gelasius I named Feb. 14 as Saint Valentine's Day.

Since then Valentine's Day has developed many traditions and superstitions around the world.

In some countries, a young woman may receive a gift of clothing from a young man on Valentine's Day. If she keeps the gift, it means she will marry him.

I suppose this is just a cheaper version of a diamond engagement ring. Call me materialistic but I'd take a ring over a shirt any day of the week and twice on Sunday.

Some people used to believe that if a woman saw a robin flying overhead on Valentine's Day, it meant she would marry a sailor. If she saw a sparrow, she would marry a poor man and be very

In ancient Greece he was known as Eros the young son of Aphrodite, the goddess of love and beauty. In fact Aphrodite became concerned when Eros remained a child. So in a misguided attempt she had another son, Anteros, in the hopes that brotherly competition would inspire Eros to trade in his diaper for more manly attire. It worked but the two brothers spent most of their adult lives fighting with each other and acting like children anyway. Sort of an immortal dysfunctional family.

To the Roman's he was Cupid, and his mother was Venus.

One legend recites the story of Cupid and the mortal maiden Psyche.

Venus was jealous of Psyche's beauty and ordered Cupid to punish the mortal.

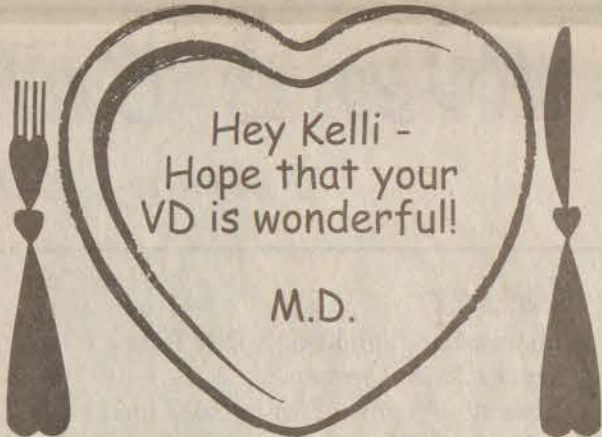
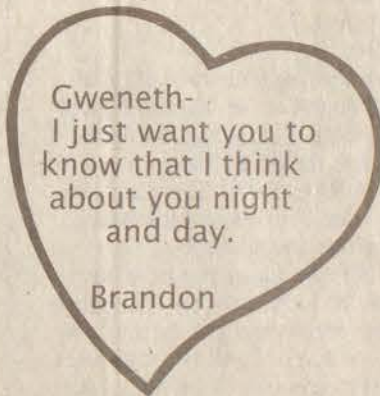
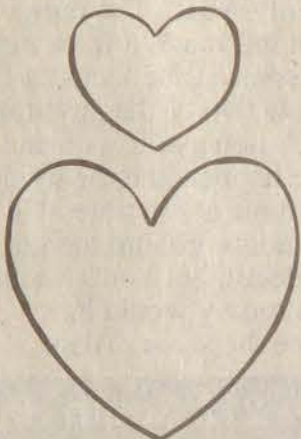
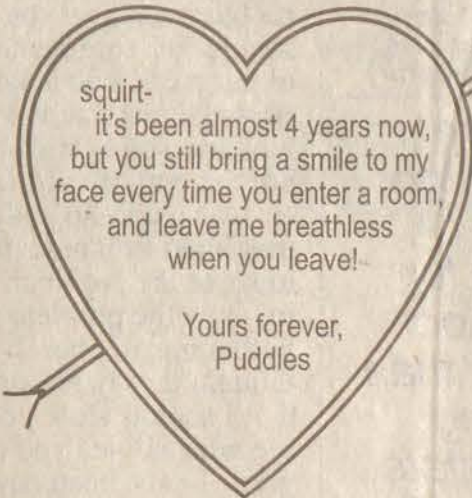
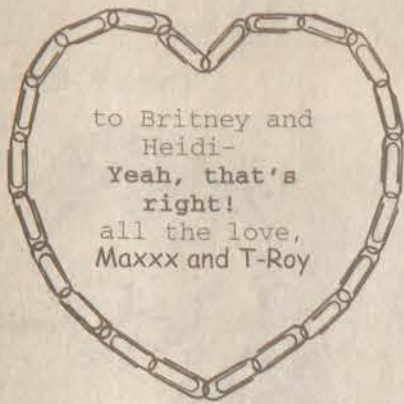
But instead, Cupid fell deeply in love with her. A cynic could say this was more of a rebellion against his mother than an example of true love.

Cupid and Psyche got hitched, but as a mortal she was forbidden to look at him. This had to make married life a little awkward, but who am I to criticize.

Psyche was happy until her sisters convinced her to look at Cupid. I guess peer pressure was a problem even then.

Cupid punished her by packing his bags, well I'm sure he grabbed his bow before he left, and their lovely castle and gardens vanished with him.

Psyche found herself alone in an open field. As she wandered around trying to find her love, (she



O'Doyle- Go home and get some sleep! BillyMadison



Matt- Happy six months & Happy Valentine's Day! Love, Emily



Hey, Gals! What a catch - he likes kids!



Happy Valentine's Day from

Sigma Sigma Sigma

Top row (L to R): Nadine Paulson, Erica Robole, Jana Bocklund, Jill Gese, Andrea Melin, Sheila LaFavor, Sonja Irestone. Bottom row (L to R): Danielle Gilles, Angie Reinhart, Amy Kuhn, Cayla Winter, Shannon McDonough, Tara Martini, Abby Robinson, Anne Proehl

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Workshops open young minds to opportunities

■ On Friday, more than 200 high school student visited the campus to participate in a full day of art workshops.

Saramha Quaidoo
Staff Writer

High school kids spent a day in the life of a UW-River Falls art major exploring techniques and opportunities available to artists.

More than 200 high school students from Minnesota and Wisconsin made their way around UW-River Falls last Friday for an annual day of workshops.

Twelve workshops, held throughout KFA, allowed the students to experience new techniques and encouraged their interests in art. Some of the workshops included; the art of bead making, book arts, glassblowing, and felt making. Each student could select three workshops to attend.

The chance to be on campus was

exciting for many of the high school students.

"They (students) enjoy the fact that they could come to a college," said Teresa Loeffler, an art instructor from Harding High in St. Paul, Minn. "They're excited and have gotten good ideas."

This year was Harding's first time coming to UW-RF for the workshops. Loeffler said she was very pleased with the experience.

The day began with a reception in Gallery 101 where some of the students' works were displayed.

"This is the first time for many of them to professionally display their art," said Susie Zimmer, program assistant for the Art Department.

Area high school art instructors were asked to submit three examples of student artwork. The result was a successful demonstration of students' creativity in a variety of mediums, including; oil paintings, sculpture, charcoal drawings and computer-generated art.

Members of the National Arts Education Association (NAEA) conducted the demonstrations and some of the hands-on workshops.

"Glassblowing was cool to watch," said Stephanie Dimmich, a junior from Harding High.

Traditionally high school seniors have attended the workshops, but this year was a little different.

"It was nice to see some sophomores and juniors in the group,"

"This is the first time for many of them to professionally display their art."

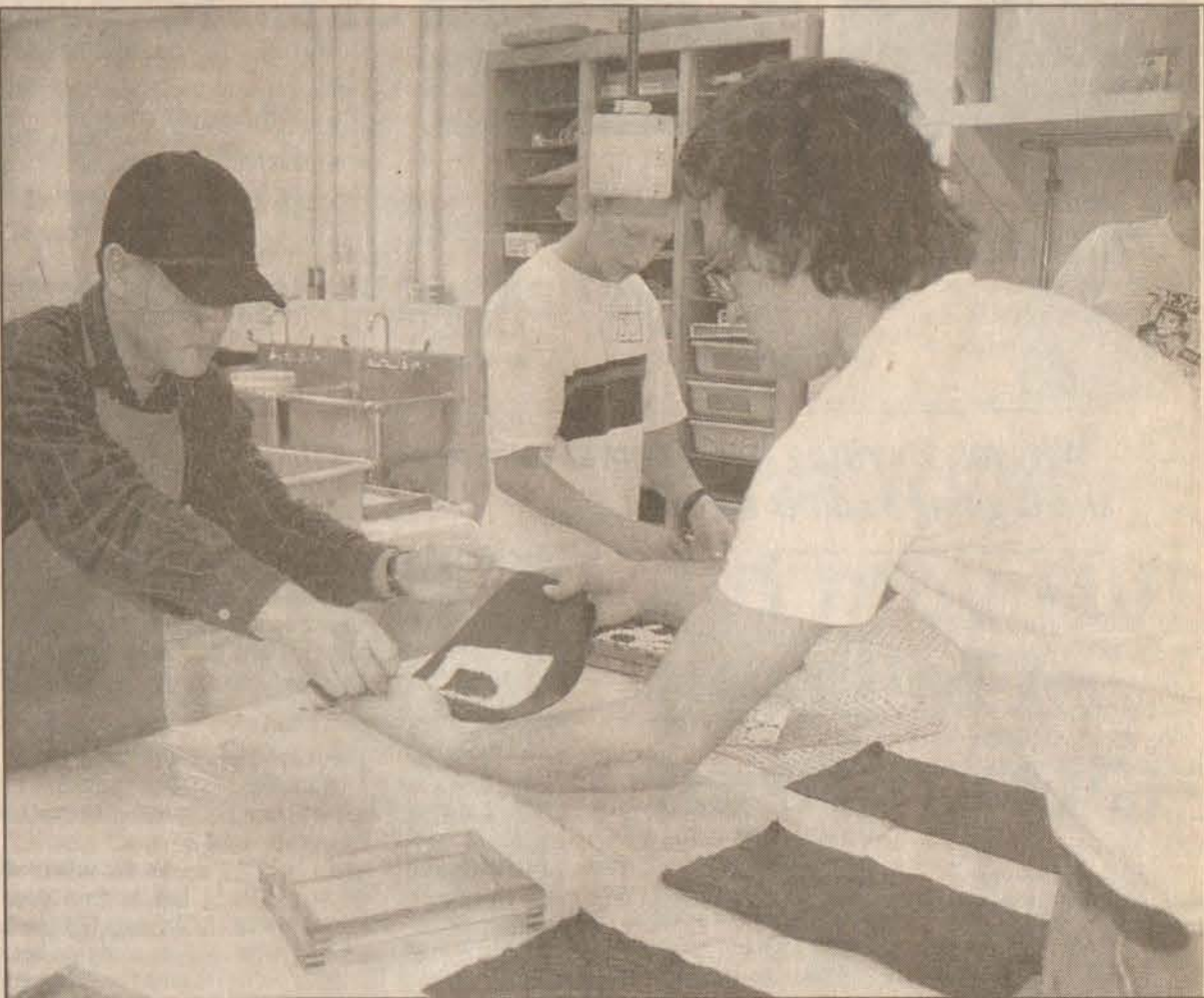
*-Program Assistant
Susie Zimmer*

said Lynn Jermal of the Art Department. "They thought they (the workshops) were fun and interesting."

For some of the students, this was the first time they saw felt and paper being made.

Some students left with several books they constructed after the bookmaking workshop. A common expression students uttered as they talked about their projects was "cool."

The workshops began as a community outreach program and as a way for UW-RF to recruit high school art students. It has been held annually for about 25 years.



Jennifer Eberspacher / The Student Voice

Students from all over Wisconsin and Minnesota came to UW-RF to take part in the art workshop's held last Friday. In this picture the students are helping to make felt paper.



Jennifer Eberspacher / The Student Voice

A local high school student learns how to use the lithopress during Friday's art workshop.

Wisconsin and Minnesota students from surrounding areas participated in work shops friday to discover the unknown world of the arts.



Jennifer Eberspacher / The Student Voice

UW-River Falls art student Julie Tonn shows Carrie Groh, a senior at Ellsworth High School the fine art of dye-making. Tonn, a junior, was one of the student volunteers from the art department who spent last Friday helping out with the annual day of workshops. During the 45 minute session of dye-making, high school students had the hands-on opportunity to create colorful fabrics.

Off the Beaten Word Search

Clues: The words can only be found going vertically, up and down the page. There are no horizontal hidden words.
Good luck and have lots of fun!

There is a total of 11 words to find.

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Off-Beat's top 10 things to do on campus

10. Walk around holding a one-sided conversation.
9. Argue with yourself.
8. Let yourself win the argument.
7. Walk around naked.
6. Tell everyone you love them.
5. Wrap a hot towel around your head and ask people if they have seen your monkey.
4. Show them your monkey.
3. Tell people your related to Clinton and offer to buy them a cigar.
2. Stage a protest against the rough toilet paper.
1. Start worshipping the potato gods.

Adam Benedetto
in the Bell View

Adam Benedetto is a senior majoring in English



Outside the snow was melting the way skin fallen off of long forgotten lovers disappears into the mouths of dust mites in a sound similar, but softer, to a bag of Doritos under a mattress being used to

given him a reputation that revolved about him like a heard of invisible mewing kittens following him where ever he went. His words had become a problem. In one of his articles he said

image was too violent and he wasn't sure if the four lines held together. Then he thought to himself, "Who is this girl anyways?" His imagination took off and her

think I've got diarrhea! Or, that I'm crazy." He said out loud. "I must be crazy. I don't know her, I haven't ever spoken to her. And you aren't going away!" He pinched the pimple on his forehead he had named "Fido" because it stood so far off of his face it reminded him of a slobbering dog leaning out of a car window.

After great deliberation he wrote this:

The sun is a Grecian suiter without name

The stars above throw life into a thousand constellations who sing of your graceful beauty.

Like a wealthy man I bring daisies to a woman and ask her name as a starving beggar asks for the bread of communion.

-In a Gift of Valentine's Day
George Willard

George put the letter into a pink envelope, licked it, shut and began his walk to campus to find her.

On the other side of campus, in the Student Center, the target of George's love was studying her physics with the irksome feeling that Newton's First Law of Motion was going to apply to her in a strange way.

In front of K-mart a man named "Mr. Inertia" charged children a quarter to sit on the legless horse. On his own two legs George Willard walked nervously towards the student center reciting his poem in his head, minutes away from an introduction!

To be continued.....

King of the squirrels



Dan Hilsen / The Student Voice

This picture was taken last friday in front of the Ames building. Since then, the warm weather has melted the squirrel sculpture into a big puddle.

"Why am I writing her a stupid love note? All she is going to do is throw it way."

make "Blue Movie" by T.T. Boy and Jenna Jameson.

That was outside, but Valentine's day was everywhere. Inside, a young George Willard sat over a yellow legal pad trying to write a love note to a girl he had never actually spoken to, but had often admired from afar, the way a necklace salesman leers at a giraffe.

He read love poems by great writers such as Shakespeare and John Donne but he never used words like "thou" or "mistress" and when he tried to use them, his poems sounded like a cross between Stephen King and Danielle Steel. The problem was that his mind was much more romantic than he could express.

Thoughts of her came to him at odd times, when he was eating heavily buttered toast or smoking an unfiltered cigarette, or when he listened to his mother shaving her legs through the bathroom door. George didn't think these made good poems. But he wanted to show her how he felt in words.

Writing was nothing new to him. He'd been in Journalism for quite some time and often wrote editorials with a flair for phrasing that caught peoples attention. "The Student Voice" had

that shooting heroin was as exciting as the "great heroin-shooting Anne Oakly." This had stuck in people's minds.

Once, during his chemistry class, a girl had been smiling at him shyly like an excommunicated nun masturbating for the first time. She bounced her foot as she flirted with him all hour, and then the Professor (who happened to be a big fan of George's column) made a joke that George "knew all about heroin." After that joke her foot stopped bouncing like a fish dying on the bottom of a boat, her smile fell away like an eyelash and George lost all nerve to ask her out.

That was the only girl to flirt with him in college and he had become accustomed to eating alone while listening to "Talk of the Nation" on NPR. His libido slipped away from him like a hot air balloon being sucked into a black hole and he forgot the opposite sex entirely. Writing the love poem was no easy task for him. On his first attempt he wrote:

Butterflies are not made of butter but peanut butter is (Kind of) I pull a hook from the mouth of a fish hoping the stars above are still alive.

He was pleased with himself but thought the hook

bleaching in the sun. Then he imagined what it looked like floating in water, or falling through the crevasses between her fingers like long dandelion stems flossing the spaces between a rusted picket fence. He tried again.

Tendrils smolder on a grill of desire like bacon greeting flame with its grease. The sun is a Grecian suiter with no name who carries the daisies of once wealthy men who have gone for broke in the antics of passion.

George read and re-read his words until they stopped being words and the sound of them became a foreign language. Frustrated, he stormed around his house as if he had forgotten a rain dance and was pushing his body to remember it. He sat back down.

My Dearest Lady-
"No, no, no!" He screamed wishing he knew her name.

To You Whom I Wish to Consume-
"No, no, no!"

Gentle Woman-
We've never met before but I've seen you around campus and I think your grace has broken all of my foundations and set me loose like a mud slide.

"No, no, no. She'll

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