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Cloudy with a high of 37 and a low of 27.

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Saturday: Partly cloudy with a high of 32 and a low of 20.

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Senate may clear organizational accounts

The possibility of funds raised by organizations being pulled from accounts causes concern

Jim Little
Assistant Editor

To the disappointment of some organizations and their advisers, all annual program accounts for student organizations are slated to be cleared by the UW-River Falls Student Association Student Senate at the end of the fiscal year. The remaining balances will be transferred into the University Reserve account.

Student Senate has the right to make the transfer as the result of a provision in the 1998-99 UW-River Falls allocable budget process. The same provision existed in the 1997-98 budget process but, according to Senate President Dennis Paquette, for several reasons the clearing of the accounts never occurred.

"I think it was forgotten about to an extent," Paquette said. "I think they (last year's Senate) weren't clear on the process and no one told them to do it."

However, this year looks like it will be a different story. "As it stands right now, what passed through Senate is that all accounts should be cleared," Paquette said.

The original budget process proposal by the Leadership Development and Planning Board had "any remaining Segregated University Fees funds" being cleared from the accounts. Segregated University

Fees (SUF funds) are the fees that students pay with their tuition which support campus organizations and their respective programs.

However, when Student Senate passed the budget process they removed Segregated University Fees, making it "any remaining funds," meaning all money, regardless of whether they are SUF funds or not, will be cleared.

The reasoning behind clearing accounts has to do with the large amount of funds some organizations had in their accounts at the end of the year. These same groups would then request more funding the next time the allocation process came around, even though they had a substantial amount left over from the previous year.

"We're denying some groups requests now and most other groups that request SUF funds are getting less than they ask for," said Terry Willson, associate director of the

Leadership Center. "If someone has a large balance at the end of the year, chances are they got too much for that year."

Director of the Leadership Center and Student Senate Adviser Carole Ryan also agrees with the rationale behind clearing annual accounts.

"Working with these students, I know that their intent was to try to be as fair and open to all student groups," Ryan said. "By clearing the accounts at the end of the year I think their intent is to ensure groups are spending their money in the fashion for which the money was allocated to them."

However, many in favor of clearing the accounts, including Ryan, see flaws and potential problems in the process. Others see the provision as too ambiguous.

"The intention is fine, but realistically nothing works out quite that easily, partly because of the rev-

enue issue," said Mary Halada, UW-RF budget director.

Halada feels the possible problems could be avoided.

"If I had to make a call one way or the other, I would not be in favor of closing the accounts," Halada said.

Halada is not alone in seeing potential problems in clearing the accounts.

SUF funds vs. Non-SUF funds

By removing SUF funds in the provision, Student Senate left the door open for all funds to be cleared. This means funds raised by organizations on their own would also be cleared.

Virtually all organizations, whether by means of a bake sale or a dance, raise funds on their own. An example of an organization that raises funds privately in addition to their

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Worth a thousand words



Drawing by Por Yang

One of Yang's drawings replicates a photograph taken of a friend who lives in Thailand. The pencil sketch was created in 1996. See story about Yang's travels on Page A6.

A smile to remember, memories to cherish

Sarah Colburn
Front Page Editor

She once rode a bobsled down the Olympic run in Innsbruck, Austria years ago, just for fun. She delivered her presents by hand every Christmas eve or Christmas Day and she played her harpsichord at bridge club singalongs. But more than anything else, people said they remembered her for her smile.

Sally Margis, program assistant to the chancellor, died Mon. March 2 from cancer. Margis worked on the UW-River Falls campus for 10 years and worked within the UW-System for a total of 25 years.

"She was one of those people that made life better for so many people," said Chancellor Gary Thibodeau. "She was a welcoming presence in this office for people who came here."

Thibodeau said Margis's attitude was important because students usually came to his office as a last resort. He said Margis had a way of calming them and letting them know that they were going to be taken care of.

Friends said that in addition to her calming attitude, she was a dedicated person.

"She had a wonderful work ethic,"

said Mary Ann Brubaker, program assistant to the provost. "She was coming to work even though it was very difficult to do that."

Brubaker said Margis was a lot of fun to be around inside and outside of the office. She was with Margis when she took her bobsled run.

"I'll never forget that, she had the nerve to do it and I sure as heck didn't," she said. "I'll never forget, that's the kind of person she was. She enjoyed life to the fullest."

In her pursuit to enjoy life, Margis formed a poker club with a group of her close friends.

One of her friends in the group was Kathleen Holleran from the publications office.

"There were some sessions when we didn't even open the deck of cards, we were too busy munching and laughing," Holleran said.

Holleran said the card group sometimes turned into a songfest and she said

Margis knew almost as many card games as she did songs.

In addition to her love for cards and songs, Margis had a love for students.

"She had a zest for life," said Margo Lethard, special assistant to the chancellor. "No challenge was too big or too small. She was incredibly dedicated to the Univer-



Sally Margis

sity, to the campus and to the office. Her loyalty to me, the chancellor and this institution was beyond reproach. That is something I will never forget."

Because Margis had such a love for students and higher education she told her family that it was her wish for people to make donations to the scholarship fund with the UW-River Falls Foundation in lieu of flowers.

"Sally loved students and she felt that what we were doing around here was worthwhile," said Chancellor Thibodeau. "She felt the Foundation was a wonderful charity and this was a logical extension of that."

Lethard said Margis followed one philosophy her whole life,

"You gotta get on gettin' on."

Memorial services for Sally Margis will be held Fri., March 6 at 4 p.m. in the St. Thomas More Chapel, 423 East Cascade, River Falls.

Spring break, be prepared

Jenny Murpy
News Editor

If students do not take certain precautions before traveling south for spring break, they may find themselves spending more time on the toilet than under the sun.

Unfortunately, there is more to spring break than laying on white sandy beaches, playing volleyball in the scorching heat and drinking beer. If students ignore some issues pertaining to southern travel, they may be prone to food-related illness or running into the law.

The most popular vacation destination for college students during spring break are Cancun and Mazatlan, Mexico and South Padre Island in Texas, said travel coordinator Angie Engeset of Carlson Wagonlit Travel in Woodbury, Minn.

UW-System schools have spring break during the second and third

UW-RF athlete on the road to Nationals

Carrie Koranda
Staff Writer

Three things get Sarah Peterson psyched for a track competition: friendly rivalry, cheering and competition for candy bars.

Sarah Peterson, a junior elementary education major at UW-River Falls, has qualified for national track competition for the second time. She automatically qualified for shot put after throwing 45 feet 2 inches, breaking the UW-RF record of 42 feet, and placing herself second in the nation. She may also be competing in triple jump, long jump and 20 lb. weight depending on how she places in preliminaries. She's broken records at UW-RF in all of these events except the 20 lb. weight where she missed it by only two and a half feet.

Peterson's success is something that coaches have watched growing inside Peterson.

"My freshman year all the coaches were telling me I could be All-American," Peterson said. "I didn't know what an All-American was at the time, but I guess it's something that stuck."

Peterson says one of the reasons track means so much to her is because of the life lessons that stick after one gets involved with sports.

"The stuff you learn in sports can carry with you the rest of your life," Peterson said. "Being a part of a team, learning how to work around people, you learn a lot about how to work with others, you learn how to work with coaches, it also helps build self esteem."



"The stuff you learn in sports can carry with you the rest of your life."

-Sarah Peterson, track athlete

According to Peterson, sports can act as an outlet to help people balance out their strengths and weaknesses by emphasizing the good in one's life. "It brings up other areas that you may not be as good at," Peterson said.

Track has acted as such an outlet for Peterson. "I hated high school so much I used to take off and skip 20 days out of the year," Peterson said. "But I would never skip track that much. Track was something I worked for and it was track that kinda got me through high school. Track is something I can burn all my energy on and relieve stress and I can maybe focus on some studying afterward," Peterson said.

It's not only energy that her coaches see burning. "She is a tremendous athlete," said Kristi Wagner, track coach at UW-RF. "It is like she is a time bomb. It's just a matter of time before she gets another record. She's just explosive."

Both Peterson and Wagner place great emphasis

on their team friendships and togetherness.

"At conference we were cheering for each other," Peterson said. "It helps a lot when people are screaming your name, it pushes you. I think our team did a really good job this year with cheering each other on, staying close and sticking together. There

are a lot of friendships which have come from track."

Wagner agrees but states that one of the biggest qualities Peterson has is her ability to work on the team and to push her hardest.

"What sets her apart is her devotedness," Wagner said. "Sarah is so unselfish and a huge force on our team and is far from arrogant. If you were to come to practice you would never know Sarah Peterson is the star. That's how down to earth she is."

Peterson and Wagner use some unique motivational techniques to get the distance during competitions.

"My coach and me have a challenge that they can't beat me in triple jump," Peterson said. "One of the coaches lets me pick an event and if I do a set number I get a candy bar. I've tried four times, but I have gotten one candy bar."

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BRIEFS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MISS TEEN ALL AMERICAN National pageant seeks Wisconsin representatives to take part in the excitement and glamour leading to the title of Miss Teen All American. The pageant will be staged July 30 to Aug. 2 in Miami. Judging is based on poise, personal interview and beauty of face and figure. There is no talent competition and no experience necessary. Applicants must be age 13 to 19 as of August 1, 1998. To apply, send a recent photo date of birth, name, address and a short bio to Dept. A-Miss Teen All American, 603 Schrader Ave., Wheeling, WV 26003-4900. Deadline to apply is March 15.

SPEND YOUR SUMMER IN GUADALAJARA, MEXICO! Guadalajara Program applications are available for Summer 1998, Fall 1998 and Spring 1999 at the Office of International Programs, 104 North Hall. Some knowledge of Spanish is required.

DISCONTINUED TEXTBOOK SALE at Textbook Services from now until finals week. Textbooks are available in all subject areas at prices ranging from 25 cents to several dollars per copy.

SPRING CURRENT TEXTBOOK SALE will begin Feb. 16 and resume through April 10. Twenty to 40 percent discounts will be available on textbooks previously checked out from Textbook Services.

UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY READING Friday March 6, 3:30 p.m.-4:45 p.m., Library second floor breezeway. Curt LeMay, Margarita Hendrickson, Terry Brown, Rick Burgsteiner and Al Larson will be reading poetry and prose.

STUDENT SENATE DIVERSITY LETTER WRITING Student Senate is asking students and faculty to write letters to the Board of Regents in support of design for diversity. The diversity plan affects everyone on campus. The draft must be addressed to the Board of Regents and one page long. Submit through intercampus mail to Nathan Thompson, Shared Governance Complex, 205 Student Center.

LION'S PAW BOOK CLUB UNDERWAY Wednesday, March 11, noon-1 p.m., Library second floor breezeway. *When I was Puerto Rican*, by Esmeralda Santiago. For more information contact Curt LeMay, 425-3360.

WORLD TRADE FORUM AND INTERNATIONAL JOB FAIR sponsored by the Madison International Trade Association will be held March 10 from 3 p.m.-8 p.m. The Forum will meet at the Monona Terrace Convention Center in Madison. Three dollars at the door covers the cost of admission to the fair, mini-seminars and food. For more information contact Carol Galliet at (847) 437-6464.

SCHOLARSHIPS

JOHN L. CAREY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM Sponsored by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants for liberal arts students wishing to pursue graduate accounting study. Applications are available at the Office of Financial Assistance at 122 South Hall. Deadline is April 1.

SHEBOYGAN COUNTY CONSERVATION ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP Sponsored by the Sheboygan County Conservation Association. Amount of the scholarship is \$500. Resource Science, Law Enforcement, Forestry, Resources Administration, Fisheries Management, Wildlife Management, Zoology and Environment Education majors are encouraged to apply. For applications, contact the Office of Financial Assistance, 122 South Hall. Deadline is April 1.

DAMM-WEAVER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Sponsored by the Mental Health Association in Eau Claire County, Inc. Applicants must be a resident of Eau Claire County for at least one year and in mental health related areas of study. Applications are available at the Office of Financial Assistance, 122 South Hall. Deadline is April 1.

RICHLAND ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE SCHOLARSHIP Sponsored by Richland Electric Cooperative. Applicant or applicant's parent must be a member of Richland Electric Cooperative. Open to all majors, but must be a second, third, or fourth year student in a degree program. Applications are available at the Office of Financial Assistance, 122 South Hall. Deadline is March 15.

HELMUTH F. AND ELSE N. ARPS SCHOLARSHIP Sponsored by UW-Oshkosh Trust Department and Board of Regents. Open to any major, applicants must be residents of Calumet County, who have graduated from a Calumet County high school. Applicants must be undergraduate students during the 1998-99 year at a UW-System school and must demonstrate financial need. For more information and applications contact the Office of Financial Assistance, 122 South Hall. Deadline is June 4, 1998.

ERNIE GUENTHER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP Sponsored by the Milwaukee Chapter of the American Society of Metals. Applicants must be a metallurgical engineering, materials engineering, mechanical engineering, chemical engineering, chemistry or physics major. Applicants must be enrolled as a sophomore, junior or senior with a minimum GPA of 3.0. Contact the Office of Financial Assistance, 122 South Hall. Deadline is April 17.

TREMPEALEAU ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE scholarship sponsored by Trempealeau Electric Cooperative. Must be an active member of the co-op with a G.P.A. of 2.0 or better. Must be a non-traditional student returning for retraining or development of new skills for employment. Applications are available at the Office of Financial Assistance, 122, South Hall.

STUDY ABROAD SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE The Institute of International Education Midwest Office will be awarding \$1,000 to students for study abroad purposes. Applications are available at the Office of International Programs, 104 North Hall.

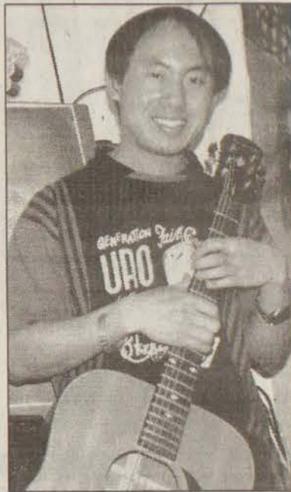
MEETINGS

TUESDAY: **STUDENT SENATE** meets every Tues. at 6:30 p.m. in the Regents Room of the Student Center.

WEDNESDAY: **HORTICULTURE SOCIETY** will meet March 11 at 5 p.m., 331 Agricultural Science.

THURSDAY: **GAY/STRAIGHT ALLIANCE** meets every Thursday at 3:30 p.m. in the St. Croix Room, Student Center.

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.



Por Yang

UW-RF Hmong student shares experiences of transition from Laos

Jonathan Tatting
Chief Copy Editor

When Por Yang was able to escape across the Thailand border with his family in response to the Vietnam War, he also abandoned his boyhood innocence.

Today Yang, a junior majoring in computer science, is enjoying his fifth year in the United States and his enrollment at UW-River Falls as a first-generation American. He uses poetry to describe his feelings about his family's escape through the jungle from their native homeland of Laos.

Yang's "A Dream to Remember" begins, "In a dead place on the way fleeing to Thailand, I felt the cold wind blowing softly on my face like angels slightly touching me, wiping my tears. Then I really tried to open my blind eyes slowly, which were full of blood and pain, to see how every thing was around me, hoping my angels would give me wings to fly with the birds and wind."

Yang, who is Hmong, spent 16 years in a Thailand resettlement camp where he translated medical records and acted as an interpreter. According to Linda Alvarez, multicultural services adviser, the

From war to opportunity
Finding freedom after a hindered past

camp's setting was not a place where freedoms were granted. Alvarez helped recruit Yang to UW-RF.

"It's not a great life," Alvarez said. "If you went outside of the resettlement camps, you might be detained or beaten. It's not an optimal situation at all."

When the camp was finally closing down, his father was forced to choose between two new residencies: The U.S. or back to Laos.

"If we went back to Laos, then the Vietnamese would have probably put my dad in jail," Yang said. "...which means you'll never come back again."

Consequently, the Yangs' said good-bye to their native homeland and hello to New York City, their first stop into the United States. Yang said his brother and uncles, already living in Minnesota, sponsored his family to come to St. Paul. The year was 1993.

One year later, Yang received his green card and Social Security number. He then made his educational premier when he enrolled to Harding High School in St. Paul as a senior with limited English.

"I didn't know how to speak English at that time," Yang said. "There were some people that helped you and sometimes there would be translators for important things to understand."

Yang earned his high school diploma in 1995 and his education continued later that fall. With thanks to his older brother, Kou Yang, who was enrolled at UW-RF at the time, and the recruitment of Alvarez, he chose River Falls as his new home.

"My brother recommended I come here," Yang said. "He said it's a small school with not many students. I would have the time to meet teachers after class if they had time. If I have questions, then I could go to (the professor's) office."

Alvarez is Yang's adviser on campus and said she was thrilled upon hearing of his ambition toward pursuing an education at the university level.

"Immediately, he impressed me as a serious person who wanted to further his education," Alvarez said. "I

was surprised to hear that (Yang) was in this country for only a year-and-a-half. For someone to be able to come to the United States without studying English beforehand and to have such a passion for higher education was remarkable to me. He's also quadra-lingual."

According to Yang, he can speak Chinese, Thai, Laos, Hmong and of course, English. Aside from spending hours studying into the night and writing some poetry, another of Yang's talents is drawing. He didn't discover this new-found ability until his first year at UW-RF.

"I just started drawing when I came here," Yang said. "I did the still-life

when given praise. "His self-portraits are very evocative," Alvarez said. "There seems to be a subtle, but powerful emotion in his pieces. He is very humble (and) a great contributor in a quiet way."

And how does Yang react to such compliments on his work?

"You just say thank you," he said. Yang is one of 35 Hmong students at UW-RF, according to Alvarez. She says he and the Hmong community on campus work well together and remain very supportive of each other's educations.

"He takes pride in all Hmong people," Alvarez said. "He is not egocentric in his accomplishments, but prefers to think about accomplishments of all Hmong people."

"I think that Hmong people, especially, although most students I work with value education, greatly encourage one another to do their very best despite challenges they have that other students don't have."

-Linda Alvarez, multicultural services

of a table, trees and self-portraits. I do many different drawings, but mostly I learn how to draw people first. Sometimes I can work all day on my drawings."

Yang also said his art professor provides feedback on his drawing's values, smooth or rough shading and realistic effects. Although art may reflect his choice of minor, others see it as a pure gift.

Rose Rude, tutoring coordinator and TRIO adviser in the Academic Success Center, became aware of this ability when he first came to her requesting a tutor. Rude loaned Yang a picture of Tia, her pet black lab. Yang drew the dog and the drawing now hangs on her office wall.

"It's very real," Rude said. "It brings out her (Tia's) personality. It's easy to see what she looks like from the picture. 'Still waters run deep' is the phrase that comes to mind (when describing Yang as a person and an artist). He's a very quiet, but talented person."

Alvarez shares similar opinions of Yang's work. She displayed almost a loss of words to fully express his work and how he handles himself

"I think that Hmong people especially, although most students I work with value education, greatly encourage one another to do their very best despite challenges they have that other students don't have," Alvarez said.

Another duty that occupies Yang's time throughout the week is working at Davee Library. He said he values the friends he has made through working at the library and he has an overall positive feeling about UW-RF.

"It's a good school," Yang said. "Everyone says hi to each other. It's a good feeling to me. I have more friends and more worker friends. They help me a lot to improve my English. If there's something I don't understand, I'll just ask them."

As Yang enjoys his life while pursuing higher education at UW-RF, he can still reflect back to his past with "A Dream to Remember."

His poem concludes, "...I listened quietly and closed my eyes, leaned against the tree alone in the dark night, for I did not know whether I was asleep or awake. Now!...it still shining inside me and still keep tearing my mind. This is part of my real past, the word we call 'WAR.'"

FACULTY SENATE NEWS

Changes underway as Senate renews goals

Amy Carrell
Staff Writer

Faculty Senate passed a motion Wednesday night which will determine the Faculty Pay Plan for the 1998 and 1999 academic year.

The motion which was set forth by the Faculty Salary Committee calls for the plan to be allocated by two-thirds based on sound performance and one-third merit. The motion was passed unanimously and applies to Faculty and Academic staff.

Faculty Senate Chair Don Leake said because raises are based on a package of 4.5 percent, there is no need to base merit on a percentage higher than one-third.

IN OTHER NEWS:

Leake also discussed the changes that will take place for the 1997-98 summer session Compensation Plan.

In order to meet summer session revenue goals, several changes in the policy will be implemented, Leake said. First, the class size will be set at a minimum of 15 for undergraduate students and will stay at 10 for graduate. In relation to the class size, if the tuition is unable to cover a staff member's salary, the salary will then be negotiated by the dean of the designated college. Secondly, the compensation will be based on enrollment after the first week of classes, whereas before it was determined between the first day of class and the last add day. Lastly, the dean of the

respective college will be responsible for allocating summer dollars to meet the summer revenue goals by offering classes during the summer or academic year. Expenditures beyond the amount will also be allocated to the designated college, and will be in the responsibility of its dean. According to Leake, the changes can have a harsh affect on staff salary depending on student enrollment.

"This is just a change in the way business is done as far as salary goes," Leake said.

Leake says the summer session did not lose money last year, however it did not meet the projected goal. Although Leake felt the changes were only minor, some disagreed.

"If faculty feel strong enough that this isn't the right direction for summer salary we will have to change it," Leake said.

Plant and Earth Science Chair Sam Huffman also shared his reasoning behind the summer session policy.

"I think we listened, we looked at the date and we decided there is no need to take action," Huffman said. "We determined this would be the policy."

Faculty Senate member and Director of the Academic Success Center Lisa Reavill was given the opportunity to discuss and address concerns that have arisen among other members regarding the reorganization of the Academic Success Center.

The plan, according to Reavill, will decentralize Counseling Services and provide three career counselors, as well as three personal counselors. Instead of basing Counseling and Career Services

together in East Hathorn Hall, only one personal counselor will remain there, one will be placed in the Academic Success Center in the Chalmer Davee Library and one will be placed in the River Falls Clinic. According to Reavill, the new plan was devised after the concern of meeting students needs arose.

"I guess we don't know if this reorganization is going to work until we are a little bit into it," Reavill said.

Reavill says the overall mission is to educate students and help them get around barriers during their education. She says the idea of the plan is to break down staff and better serve students needs.

"This reorganization tries to put counseling services in a more specific context," Reavill said.

Faculty Senate member Rik Seefeldt said confidentiality will be a greater problem because of the exposure students who seek counseling will receive. He says it is in the best interest of the staff and students to work as a unit.

"University counseling centers function as a team when together," Seefeldt said. "I don't think it is in the best interest of students. A lot of things are not figured out yet."

Currently a nine member planning group is working on issues such as where counselors will be placed, testing, crises outside of the office and others. By May, Reavill says more answers to many of the concerns will be addressed. She says the group will spend the next two months discussing the details.

"Campuses are very used to being organized in units," Reavill said. "We are trying something different, we are mixing things up."

Break

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weeks of March, depending on the school. UW-RF's spring break is March 16 through March 20.

According to Engeset, most students begin booking spring break trips after the first of the year into late February, but to ensure good flight times and decent hotels, she suggests booking trips in December or early January. However, seats on some flights, including those to Cancun and Mazatlan, are still available during UW-RF's spring break.

To ensure entry into Mexico, students must have a birth certificate

and a form of picture identification. A passport is not needed unless students are traveling internationally. Mexico, Caribbean Islands, Jamaica, Bahamas, and Grand Cayman Island are not considered international locations.

After booking the trip and making it to the airport without losing luggage before the flight departure time, some students are not problem-free for the remainder of the trip.

If students drink the water in Mexico, they could end up drinking more Pepto Bismal than tequila. The water in Mexico could be contaminated, UW-RF Student Health Services Coordinator Alice Reilly-

Myklebust said.

"Don't drink water from the tap," Reilly-Myklebust warns. "Don't use ice, don't brush your teeth with it and don't open your mouth in the shower."

Also, students should only eat foods that have been cooked thoroughly. Seafood, fruits and salads could be risky choices of food while in Mexico.

"Be careful of what you eat in Mexico," Engeset said. "Stay away from the drinking water, eggs, cheese and undercooked foods there."

Reilly-Myklebust suggests students get a Hepatitis-A shot before traveling in countries including

Mexico, parts of the Caribbean, South and Central America, the Mediterranean basin and Eastern Europe. Hepatitis-A is prevalent in Mexico, Reilly-Myklebust said.

Hepatitis-A is an illness resulting from contaminated water and food. Symptoms are similar to the flu, with muscle weakness, vomiting, fever, fatigue, diarrhea and chills. Full recovery could take up to 6 to 12 months. The vaccination can be obtained from Student Health Services for about \$50.

"If you question the food or water at all, remember one thing," Reilly-

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Overcoming tragedy, building triumph Professor reflects on social work experiences

Ogden Rogers, through years of viewing life saving acts, brings his experience into the classroom.

Dan Hilsen
Staff Writer



Ogden Rogers

Humanity begins at home. Call your local Red Cross" is boldly printed on a Red Cross poster that hangs on UW-River Falls social work program director Ogden Rogers' office door. Upon entering his office space, one is bombarded by papers that seem to overwhelm the office space. However, the Red Cross banner that hangs from the ceiling, combined with the various patches of life debriefing achievements dancing on strings connected to the ceiling, begin to tell the real tale of his life's work. "The klaxon (loud horn) goes off again and some disembodied dispatcher's voice reports that we have 12 minutes to prepare for a pediatric chopper incoming from the Eastern Shore Over the radio, a medic starts firing a report. On board is a little girl, apparently run over as somebody backed out of a

driveway. One can hear the medic coming in over the static with numbers and facts about her condition that reveal she is strong, but hovering. There is attention in his voice. Somewhere over the Chesapeake Bay, he is focused on this bleeding child, and yet he knows it is just a matter of time and space before what was a situation on a driveway becomes a medical episode in the trauma center." This is a true experience that is told through the eyes of Rogers as part of a short story included in the book

"Days in the Lives of Social Workers."

Johns Hopkins Hospital, in Baltimore, Md., is where this story took place. Rogers was employed at the hospital as a clinical social worker in the emergency room from September, 1983 to December, 1985.

"The beautiful child who looked 'like a keeper' begins to 'go sour,' and what seemed mostly a head trauma goes into a full court surgical press." Rogers says later in the book about one day in his life as a social worker. "Before this is over, the floor will fill with blood and fluids, trash and terse words will fly freely, and a young woman will cut open and reach into the child's chest and squeeze her unmoving heart, hoping to make it move."

Rogers has been involved in some type of emergency care for all of his adult life, from working as a Red Cross first aid instructor in high school to being an orderly in an emergency room to help pay for college.

"I was first introduced to the hustle and bustle of medical emergency and psychiatric emergency when I was a college student," Rogers said. "It was those experiences that led me to making a decision to become a social worker because I met social workers in the emergency room."

One of Roger's first jobs right out of graduate school was a job as a clinical social worker at the Reading Hospital and Medical Center in

Reading, Pa., where he was responsible for going to the emergency room and making psychiatric evaluations. He also became a member of the crisis intervention/hostage negotiation team.

Rogers went to Johns Hopkins Hospital after working at the hospital in Reading from August, 1981 through August, 1983.

Rogers was one of three social workers who staffed Johns Hopkins Hospital's Emergency Medical Department, which is one of the three largest hospitals in the country, according to Rogers.

"We'd have people killed in the (Hopkins) emergency room because shoot-outs would occur," Rogers said. "So it was a pretty stressful environment."

Police officers would be in a state of shock whenever they came into the hospital behind one of their fellow injured officers, according to Rogers.

"It's one thing to be in a state of shock, it's another thing to be in a state of shock and be a peace officer with a loaded weapon," Rogers said.

These types of experiences led him into researching Critical Incident Stress Debriefing (CISD) after leaving Johns Hopkins to go into private practice. CISD was a crisis intervention program that was developed for public safety personnel.

As a result of this research into CISD, Rogers got involved with the

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the U.S. Public Health Service.

"That's why I was one of the first people in the country to research whether or not CISD helped reduce stress in emergency services personnel," Rogers said.

Rogers then became a member of a special federal disaster mental health team.

"(It) was responsible for helping pick up the pieces of the mental health infrastructure of a community after it had been devastated by a disaster," Rogers said.

In 1992 Rogers and his team were sent to Florida in the hours after Hurricane Andrew had blown through.

"Our job was to be able to identify what were the needs of the community in terms of stress related and mental health concerns after the hurricane," Rogers said.

Rogers is in his fourth year at UW-RF and has been the director of the Social Works Program for two years. This four-year stint at UW-RF has come after many various social work positions. However, even though he has come to UW-RF to teach, he is still involved with social work in other areas.

"I was very concerned initially about the disaster preparedness of our own Pierce County and I've become involved with the American Red Cross, which is the country's

largest non-governmental disaster relief organization," Rogers said. "At the same time I'm involved at the national levels in disaster mental health for the Red Cross."

He also has helped some undergraduate students at UW-RF on trying to increase awareness of Red Cross international concerns.

"Few people know, for instance, that the Red Cross is the keeper of the Geneva Conventions, which are the laws of humanity in the face of war," Rogers said.

Rogers teaches social work practice courses, human behavior courses, and research courses at UW-RF.

"His experience is that bridge between the curriculum, the theory, the models that we teach and then students actually being able to see themselves doing these things," social work professor Jennifer Borup said. "The bridge across that is the experience that he brings to the classroom and can refer to."

Rogers gives his viewpoint on being an emergency room social worker.

"Social work in an emergency room is sort of like a windshield on your car," Rogers said. "You don't need it to drive but it really helps keep the bugs off your teeth. . . . Everybody else in the emergency room has a well defined job, and any other jobs that can't be defined often became the social workers."

STUDENT SENATE NEWS

Residential room sign-up on the Net

Jennifer Eberspacher
Viewpoints Editor

In addition to registering for classes and learning the grades they got in their previous ones, students at UW-River Falls will have another service provided through the Internet. Students planning on living in the residence halls next fall will have to make it official over the Internet. Residential room sign up will no longer be done person to person. Students now only need their a net tools disk and password. Students will find out who their roommate is when they sign up. Different dates for signing up will be assigned to students. Resident Assistants will be in charge of informing their residences about the new procedure for obtaining a room.

INTERVIEWS HELD FOR NEW UW-RF DIRECTOR

Interviews for the new Director of the Robert P. Knowles Physical Education and Recreation Center/W.H. Hunt Arena and UW-RF Athletic/Intramural Complex will begin March 5. The interviews for the five candidates will be held on five different dates. The meetings are open to all students. They will be held from 3 p.m. to 3:45 p.m. Students who wish to attend are asked to please stay for the entire meeting. The meetings begin Thursday with Jeffrey Johnson, the ticket and event manager for Mankato State University. The meeting will be held in the Falcon Room of the Student Center. The next interview will be held on March 9 in the Kinnickinnic Room of the Student Center. Micheal Shegbeby will be interviewed for the position. Shegbeby is the Arena Supervisor for the Eagan and Hastings Civic Arenas. Terri A. Johnson, the director of Event Management for California State University at Long Beach will be interviewed on March 10 in the Regents Room of the Student Center. The final two candidates currently hold positions at UW-RF. Jerry Waller is the Conferences and Events associate director of the Hunt/Knowles Complex. His interview will be held on March 11 in the Falcon Room of the Student Center. March 12 is the last open meeting scheduled. Steven Stocker, Assistant Director, Hunt/Knowles Complex and Intramural Program Assistant, will also be interviewed in the Falcon Room of the Student Center. The new director must be chosen by March 15.

RESTRUCTURING SHARED GOVERNANCE 2000

The UW-RF Student Association Student Senate President Dennis Paquette announced to Senate Tuesday night that he would like to form an ad-hoc committee to look at the structure of Shared Governance. "There are areas in the structure that hurt students," Paquette said. Currently the structure of Shared Governance 2000 includes Student Senate, the Student Academic Success Center Advi-

sory Board, the Facilities and Fees Board and the Leadership Development and Programming Board.

"We have the largest and most complicated system in the UW-System," Paquette said.

Paquette commented that the system causes a lot of confusion for students and senators and there is no one to bring it all together.

One specific problem Paquette sees with the current structure is the treatment of certain groups on campus. Under the old system the residence halls used to have direct representation. Now they fall under a committee.

"I think they deserve a little more representation," Paquette said.

STUDENTS TRAVEL TO WASHINGTON D.C.

Three Senate members will be traveling to Washington D.C. by car on Thursday. Amy Jurgens, Theresa Zirbel and Sharaine Smith will be taking the 2000 mile trek to participate in the National Legislative Conference. The three students will spend their time on Capitol Hill lobbying United States Senators with the Diplomats Not Debt campaign.

HOW ARE STUDENT DOLLARS BEING SPENT

The proposed annual budget for SUF funds has been sent to the university Budget Officer.

Overall segregated fees increased \$26 per full-time student per year.

One of the major changes proposed in the budget is the separation of the University Centers account and the Leadership Center account. Previously the two had shared the same account. The money may be used to add a large programming space to the UW-RF campus.

The \$2 increase for the Intramural Complex Arena will go towards purchasing a new compressor for the arena.

Textbook services will receive a \$7 increase. The money goes mainly towards the purchase of new textbooks which have increased in cost for the University.

If the proposed budget passes the university Budget Officer it will go directly to the Chancellor for approval.

COMMITTEE INVESTIGATES FUNDING REQUESTS

A grievance was filed with the Justice and Ethics committee. Student Senate President Dennis Paquette filed the grievance after the UW-RF Rodeo Club turned in a single event funding request.

There was a concern that not all of the information on the application was correct. The Rodeo Club had written on their request form that they had \$3,300 in their account, yet the records showed that they had \$15,000 in their university account.

The discrepancy arose because the club had put down the amount in their personal account not their university account.

Break

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Myklebust said. "Boil it, peel it, cook it or forget it."

Belly-aches are not the only thing that could put a hinder into spring break trips. If a trip to the doctor's office is not in the plans during break, a trip to jail shouldn't be either.

According to the Maria Rudensky of the U.S. Department of State Bureau of Consular Affairs, each year more than 2,500 American citizens are arrested abroad. Most of those arrested were alcohol-related incidents or charges of using or possessing drugs.

"We know that many college students plan to travel abroad during their spring breaks," reads a press release by the U.S. Bureau of Consular Affairs. "Maybe you have been planning your trip all year. Perhaps you have begun buying and packing necessary items like a toothbrush, sunscreen and sunglasses. We hope you will think twice before packing something that will not only destroy your trip, but could easily ruin your life."

Rudensky warns that students have been arrested abroad for possessing marijuana. Also, drinking in foreign countries could also put a halt to a fun-filled week of partying.

"On occasion, Americans encounter difficulties abroad because they were not familiar with local laws, customs, or conditions," according to Rudensky. "Many of them for violating local laws regarding the use of alcohol in public and the behavior associated with it. In the past, American college students have been arrested for being intoxicated in public areas and for drunk driving."

Reilly Myklebust also said students should limit the amount of alcohol students drink while on spring break.

"Their beer may be different than ours," she said. "When you drink more, you're more apt to do risky things and more apt to have sex. I recommend to carry a supply of condoms with you. Just do all the things you normally do to stay safe."

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Carrie Koranda
Staff Writer

Kevin Voelker accepts the silence in his life. "I'm proud of myself, I'm deaf and I'm happy and I can do what I want," said Voelker, a senior health and human performance major at UW-River Falls.

Voelker has been hearing impaired his entire life. His mother had measles when she was pregnant, causing Voelker to be born deaf. Born in New Holstein, a small town near Fond du Lac, Voelker found himself traveling for school because of his impairment.

When he was four years old, his mom sent him to a special school for the deaf in Sheboygan, Wis. In fifth grade he moved to Oshkosh, where he remained until he was a senior in high school.

"I lived with foster parents because in my hometown there wasn't an interpreter," Voelker said. "I needed to move where the interpreter was available. My dad couldn't drive back and forth, so I stayed with foster parents from fifth grade to senior."

Growing up, Voelker was mainstreamed, or put into classes with both hearing and impaired students. Yet he explains he often got frustrated with his condition and his family's understanding of his impairment, he said.

"I met deaf people and I can communicate with sign language if I'm with hearing people," Voelker said. "Of course, they can't understand me. But with deaf people and sign language, it is easier for me to communicate, but my parents know no sign language. None. I'm the only one in the family who signs because when I was young, my parents could understand me when I was talking. My parents didn't want to do sign, they wanted to talk to me. I suggested they learn sign but they didn't want to."

Voelker has had problems with sign

language in schools, also. When he was 18 years old, Voelker attended Galudette University, a college in Washington, D.C. for the impaired. Each Galudette University student was required to know sign language, Voelker said. He added that some students did not like his style of signing. There are two different forms of signing.

"Most deaf students there criticized my sign because I was from Wisconsin and my signs were different than those in Washington, D.C.," Voelker said. "Most of the deaf in Washington D.C. want me to follow their regional signs and I tried my best to do that."

Now 32 years old, Voelker is attending his senior year at UW-RF. Voelker attends classes with hearing students and an interpreter supplied by UW-RF who interprets lectures to him.

"I like both and mixed schools," Voelker said. "I want to be able to communicate with hearing and deaf and I wanted to do my best to do that. I think hearing people are scared to talk to me because they don't know sign language. I'm happy to talk to them, or I can use paper to talk back and forth, and some people understand my voice."

Voelker said he prefers UW-RF over his previous choice, Galudette.

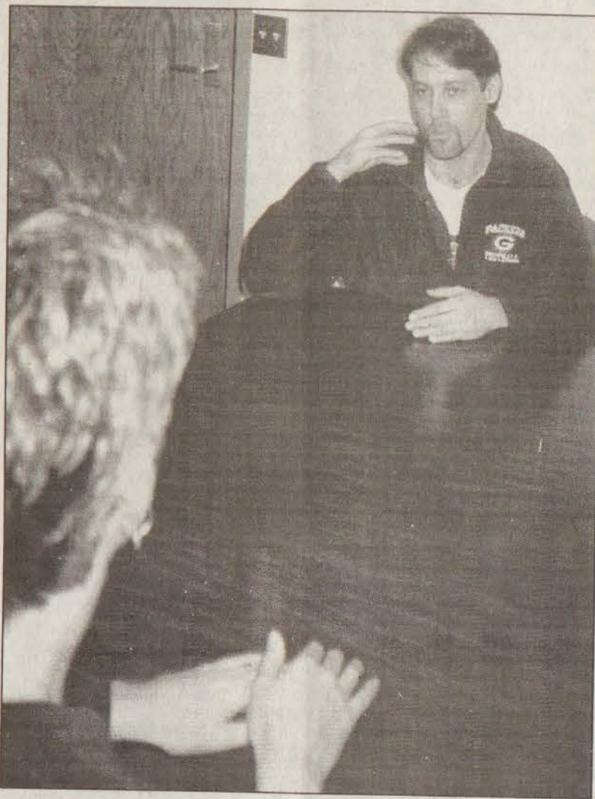
"I like people here," Voelker said. "At Galudette, people were not as friendly, they were greedy, stuck-up, and they partied every day there. I really like it here. I'm near my family, I've met a lot of great people. Here I feel lonely because there are no deaf, but I try my best and talk with hearing people."

Voelker will graduate from UW-RF next fall. He said he plans to move to Nebraska or Colorado upon graduation.

"Maybe work with the deaf out in Colorado as a recreational coordinator for deaf programs for physical education or in theater," Voelker said about future plans. "Or maybe I'll become a football coach for a high school, then I'll start a family."

But during his last year at UW-RF, Voelker will be involved in campus activities. On April 29, Voelker will present his life and perspectives during a hearing impairment seminar during the annual Unity in the Community celebration.

Linda Alvarez of multicultural services has worked with Voelker for the past year to prepare him for the



Carrie Koranda/The Student Voice

Kevin Voelker speaks through sign language to an interpreter. Voelker is supplied with an interpreter by the University, and participates actively in campus organizations.

event. Last year, Voelker was prepared to have the same presentation but had to cancel at the last minute because of a family emergency, Alvarez said.

"Last year with Unity in the Community, the committee wanted him to prepare a workshop to further understanding of impairment and what it was like," Alvarez said. "He was very gracious and generous in being an educator in giving his time and expertise. He's willing to assist people with understanding a condition where people may not have had much contact with everyday life."

Voelker said his presentation is an attempt at making hearing people on

campus understand what a life of silence is like.

"I want people to understand what I am talking about with deaf people because they don't know about deaf culture," Voelker said.

"Most hearing people are used to using English, most deaf people are used to using American sign language," he said.

Voelker feels a bond with speaking people because of his parents, perhaps this is one of the reasons the workshop means so much to him.

"I feel that because my parents I feel connected with hearing people, so I am comfortable communicating with them" Voelker said.

Gold medalist Bye comes home

Now Karyn Bye won't have to worry about forgetting where she grew up.

If the River Falls City Council passes the motion at its next meeting, the city's population signs will carry a sign announcing that River Falls is the home of Bye, a member of the gold medal winning 1998 USA Olympic women's hockey team.

According to Jan Linehan, River Falls executive secretary, the motion was made at a request of Mayor Duane Pederson.

Bye will return to River Falls Saturday, March 7. At 6 p.m., she will be escorted through the city by the River Falls Fire Department, and at 7 p.m. she will speak and be available for autographs at the River Falls High School gymnasium. A "celebratory bash" will follow at PR's Place at 8 p.m.

CAMPUS SECURITY

Jay Hitzemann
Staff Writer

Three library books were reported missing from Rodli Commons Feb. 24, according to a Campus Security report.

The books, checked out from the Davee Library, were placed by a student on a coat/bookrack near the entrance of the cafeteria at about 11 a.m. The books were gone when the student went to retrieve the books at 11:30 a.m., the report said. Losses were estimated at \$40.

IN OTHER NEWS:

A vehicle parked on the 200 block of West Cascade was hit by another vehicle at about 12 a.m., Feb. 21.

The driver did not stop to speak to the owner of the parked vehicle and has not been located, a River Falls Police report stated.

The vehicle was struck in a side-swipe manner and suffered scratch marks along its side, peeled back molding and a dent in the left rear quarter panel. It is not known whether it was an opposite direction or same direction accident.

A UW-River Falls student was arrested for shoplifting from Shopko on Feb. 26, a River Falls Police report said.

The suspect was given a citation for shoplifting after allegedly leaving the store with a tube of Maybeline lip color without paying for it. The item was valued at \$6.19, the report said.

OBITUARY



Michelle Sands, 24, a 1997 UW-River Falls graduate died Tuesday, March 3.

Sands was a teacher at a Colby, Wis. high school.

Sands was an agriculture education

major and honors graduate. Along with her academic accomplishments, Sands was a member of the UW-RF Agriculture Education Society, 1996 president of Alpha Tau Alpha, and was the student chair of the Agriculture Technology Contest. She was also an alumnae of the Alpha Sigma Alpha Sorority.

Originally from Taopi, Minn., Sands was an ambassador for the Minnesota Pork Producer's Association and served as a 1992-93 Minnesota state FFA officer.

Sands is survived by her husband Aaron and their children Mariah and Douglas.

Visitation in Wisconsin is scheduled for Thursday, March 5 from 6 to 9 p.m. at Pleasant Valley Church near Mondovi, Wis. Visitation in Minnesota will be held at St. John's Catholic Church in Johnsbury from 4 to 9 p.m. with the wake at 7:30 p.m. The funeral will be held at St. John's Catholic Church on Sat., March 7 at 1 p.m.

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EDITORIAL

Good intentions are just not enough

The students of the University of Wisconsin System have been empowered by the state legislature to participate in the governance of their university through an organization structured by the students, in our case the UW-River Falls Shared Governance System. With any such power comes responsibility.

The Student Senate, as our representation under Shared Governance, plans to clear all organizational accounts of remaining funds at the end of the fiscal year. Make no mistake, the Senate's reasoning is sound. The action is intended to take underutilized funds and return them to the Reserve Account where they can be reallocated to other activities. Such a provision is intended to avoid a buildup of funds by any particular organization while other organizations are less than fully funded. It would be hard for anyone to argue the need for a system to be in place to avoid abuses of the Segregated University Fee (SUF) allocation process. The problem with this idea is that it oversimplifies the problem of abuses in the SUF system and causes more problems than it solves.

Such a provision opens the system to further abuse and will prove detrimental to funding of campus activities. It will serve as an incentive for organizations to take several actions resulting in increased abuses of SUF money.

Such a system encourages organizations to spend all funds at the end of each fiscal year if for no other reason than to clear the account. This type of spending results in the wasteful use of a very scarce resource and is the kind of policy which leads to the purchase of \$20,000 toilet seats and \$1,000 wrenches. The policy will also act as a disincentive to both fundraising and cost-savings in SUF supported organizations. Why would an organization want to raise funds or save money with the knowledge that the results of their hard work are going to go into the reserve account, and then be reallocated to organizations which may be involved in wasteful spending and not involved in any fund raising at all?

Not all monies in the accounts can even be connected to SUF allocations. Some of the other funds have been raised using SUF funding to finance revenue-generating events, and should be treated as SUF funds. Some of the money, such as from underwriting or bake sales, can be in no way connected to SUF and should be left alone. In many cases it is not clear if funds have been generated solely by, or independently of, SUF money. In cases that fall into this gray area, there needs to be a system in place to evaluate accounts on an individual basis. Financial Policy and Procedure Paper Number 20 of the University of Wisconsin System Administration gives student government the power to do such reviews. The policy stipulates that organizations receiving SUF support for specific events or ongoing programs must provide financial records, if requested, in order to allow for review of the use of SUF funds. By using this provision, accounts can be evaluated on an individual basis rather than by using a poorly thought out policy that hurts organizations for using sound financial management.

The intent of the Senate policy is good, but all the good intentions in the world plus 85 cents will buy you a cup of coffee at McDonald's. The Senate does not have an easy job formulating policies to run Shared Governance, but being a leader is not always easy. Leadership involves more than attending meetings and going through a list of agenda items. True leaders make decisions considering not just the intent of their actions, but the consequences as well. The Senate has a responsibility to the students to ensure that SUF funding is used in a manner that best meets the needs of the student populous. Just as allowing organizations to receive additional funding while account balances build would be irresponsible, taking funds from those whom worked hard to earn or save money is just as irresponsible.

"True leaders make decisions considering not just the intent of their actions, but the consequences as well."

Boredom reigns at River Falls

Have you ever wondered why you feel as if you are in a vacuum? Do you feel incredible urges to run away screaming from this town like Jerry Rice in a massage parlor bust? When walking or living on campus do you feel like you are in the North Dakota Territory a.k.a the Moon.

You are not alone. I too have felt the hunger for life and civilization in this supposed "college" environment known as UW-River Falls. Only to have my dreams thrashed by the Rodeo Club and a general feeling of returning to high school. Let's be honest, this campus sucks. That's right, everyone knows it, says it, and thinks it. Next to Guantanamo Bay our campus is one of the worst small communities in the U.S.'s possession.

Have you ever wondered why there is nothing to do here but get stinking drunk? That's because there is nothing to do. No, I mean it. There is nothing to do here of any value. Sure something happens somewhere and at sometime but of course no one knows about it. That's because there isn't any sort advertisement that is worth a damn.

For example, Tim Mahoney and the Meanies played here. Did you know about it? I didn't hear about it until a month after the fact. I am not a huge fan of this group but I still would have gone. I mean they are a real group. Unlike those sorry bastards that had an identity crisis and thought they were the Beatles. I wanted to lynch those guys when they got off the stage.

And for God's sake, enough already with these hypnotists. I don't know how much they are paying them but it's too much. These guys are a dime a dozen and they all have the same act. And unless one of them finally gets people to take off their cloths and perform lude acts in public, its just the same bit. After about 100 times it gets old.

Why don't you save the money you pay these clowns and get some real acts in here. I mean a lot of bands play college circuits. Big bands are not that hard to get. I know this for a fact. Just because we are in River Falls is

student). They are doing a horrible job. This is not only my personal opinion but that of a majority of this campus. I don't understand how there could be such a lack of creativity. Even the ability to do standard college activities is somehow completely void.

Now I want to talk to those of you who want to bring up all the great homecoming activities and great dances that we have at Brandie's. You need to realize that you are no longer in high school. Those dances are an insult to the student body and any body who has a will to live.

Royalty, this is also really neat in

gone by and the slogan "You should have fun, because you don't know any better," in the air it was a bit depressing. That is why everyone leaves on the weekend. They have nothing better to do.

I remember this fall I saw a tent in the parking lot behind South Hall and became extremely excited. I thought we were going to have an Oktoberfest like many schools around the country. I was dead wrong of course. It was some band deal for regents and contributors to the university or something. Why is it that hard to come up with stuff!

It's time this university gave back to the students what the students give it, life. Without us, there would be no tuition and no UW-RF. Even if it takes out of the school's profit margin it's time to pay the rent. The university should make this campus livable with all the misused resources within its grasp.

We should demand more as students. We should demand more as the sustenance of this institution. We should demand more because it is our right. You do control of this campus. You do have a say.

Go talk to the Student Senate which meets on Tuesdays at 7 pm in the upstairs of the Student Center. They are your tool to get what you want. Use them and make them represent you. They have power over how money is spent. Therefore you have the power over how money is spent. Until next time, bite me.

MARC DITLOFF

"I found our homecoming about as fun as a bad case of the flux."



no excuse.

It seems that the consensus is that all we need is a lot of events on paper. That this constitutes taking care of the students recreational needs. Disregarding the fact that 90 percent of these activities are worthless. And that about 5 percent of the campus participates in them.

Whoever is in charge of campus "fun stuff" should be forced to live on this campus for a year. Then they too would be running for the door (you better not be a

high school but gets pretty ridiculous in college. And seeing about one percent of the student populace participates in it so I think it's a definite winner.

Speaking of royalty, how about the complete and utter lack of a homecoming. In other schools, homecoming is a great time in which no matter what you like there is something for you to do.

I found our homecoming about as fun as a bad case of the flux. With a glimpse of tragic prom queens

Television: a mind-numbing experience

We all know what it is. Many people schedule their lives around it. Most living rooms are centered around it. Our economy is dependent on it. Families spend "quality time" in front of it. There are magazines devoted to it and the average household in America has two of them. What is this social pseudo-diety I speak of?

Television of course. This flashing little box sucks the life out of all who worship it. When you look at the blank lifeless stare of someone watching television, you can actually see their conscious thought shut down. Their reality becomes whatever this little box tells them it is.

People begin to believe that the complex problems of life solve themselves in 30 minutes. They compare their lives to those oversimplified fictional characters that fester on their favorite sitcoms. This television style framing of real personal issues is dangerous.

Before the television was invented, people actually went outside and interacted with other humans. This was the evening's entertainment. Since its invention, life has gradually become centered around it. The high point in one's week is not an activity with friends or outings with family... but the new episode of "Frazier." Families gather around the television and mindlessly wither away in the few hours a week

they have to spend together. Thoughtful interaction with each other is discouraged and the time is filled with the child-like ramblings of television land.

There is so much more to life. Free from television's draining glow, people interact with each other. They learn from and teach each other. They spend more time with children and the children grow up in a more loving and attentive environment.

I challenge you to name one aspect of life that would not be improved if television was abolished forever. The mental health of the nation would surely increase as people are forced to become more social. Children would spend their afternoons doing something more creative than staring at cartoons for three hours. People's relationships would be more healthy. The advertisers that depend on television's constant tap into the subconscious of America to peddle their frivolous goods would be forced to find another way to trap us.

In the age of television, there is a feeling that our purpose in life is to: A) Decide what stuff to buy, B) Buy that stuff and C) Use that stuff so we can buy more. This consumerism is partially a result of the way television frames

JASON CHILDRESS

"They compare their lives to those oversimplified fictional characters that fester on their favorite sitcoms."



life. So I say to you, let us all break away from television's hold. Let us all turn off our televisions and go outside. Let us send a message to the networks and the advertisers that it takes more than the mindless tripe of a flashing little box to control us. Let us tell the world that we have evolved past the point of being entertained by pro-wrestling and the shiny objects on the home shopping network. Let it begin with you.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Seminar more fiction than fact

Chicanery can come in many guises in this modern age and Larry Swain's questionable attempt at personality assessment still lends proof to the old adage of a sucker being born every minute. Something that Carrie Koranda failed to report in her irresponsibly informed article was how personality assessment is a form of scientific methodology in psychology, a methodology with a history of empirical inquiry and the integrity of a skilled discipline. Such a discipline should then only be practiced by those with credentials of a working knowledge of how to use that method as a tool with a purpose that is sound and becoming of that method.

Swain's attempt at profiling personality types is highly suspect because there is no empirical basis for the profile itself and his likewise absurd assertions made from his so-called findings. There seems to be little indication that Swain's effort came from formal

research involving true scientific procedure and the involvement of control and experimental groups that truly differentiated personality types from one another for honest identification and prediction. Thus, Swain's "identification" of "duty," "people" and "competence" styles is not validated and might as well be fraudulent, as his overblown assertions of contracting disease and dying if you're of opposing characteristics (what research did Swain pursue using his profile in order to claim this?)

The personality test itself was historically designed in the context of scientific psychology to determine psycho pathological characteristics in the hopes of developing effective treatments for mental disorders, such as depression. It is of extreme discredit to the efforts of those involved in psychology for Swain to have misappropriated and to abuse the integrity of such tests and to remove them from their appropriately clinical setting for the sake of misguided, inane and ultimately worthless frivolity with no scientific value what-so-ever, not to mention making outrageous claims of that value that

postures to improve human character. Of what value is telling a bunch of college students their rooms are messy? What sort of breakthrough is that in tests meant to measure mental illness? Furthermore, it is of tremendous insult that decades of psychological research into personality gets blown off with the claim personality "suddenly appear(s)...after birth." What about such processes that occur throughout life like socialization and learning, forces that obviously shape personality?

One need only look as far as Swain's serious lack of credentials to question the validity of his efforts. He has no stated degrees in psychology, personality testing or clinical treatment, and yet he's being cited as working with at-risk children and marriage counseling. I'm angry that here I am busting my hump as a psychology major trying to earn a degree in order to be licensed to be able to test and treat others in the clinical field and some clown with delusions of grandeur gets to go ahead and do such things without a degree. Swain has no right to use personality tests and just as less right making any up without any formal education

to do so honorably. Yet, he "develops" his own test for his own purpose from an already existing one that he isn't qualified to use and turns the science of personality testing into a big circus act designed to amuse and fool the rubes like he's some grand well-meaning ringmaster.

Albeit, I did not attend Swain's little seminar and truth be told I haven't gone to a lot of circuses either, but frankly I know enough that when I go to a circus it has the integrity of just being show after all. Swain's presentation would appear to lack that and any other integrity by claiming his profiles reveal a truth that is in reality highly manufactured to suit the intentions of his test, and anyone worth their salt knows that's wrong. Yet, people went to his seminar and got took by it like the rubes, the suckers they are, and The Student Voice reported it at face value, totally failing in having the true leadership initiative to question the validity of Swain's claims.

P.T. Barnum would be proud. I'm not.

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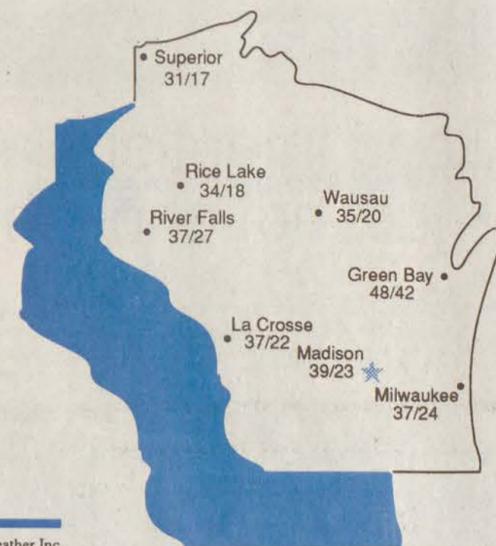


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Friday, March 6, 1997



Monthly Forecast

The beginning of March has cooled down the above average temperatures that were present almost every day in February. Temperatures are expected to stay near average the rest of the month before real spring weather hits in April.

Temperatures

	High	Low
Average	40	21
Record	74	-4
	(1979)	(1975)
Yesterday	31	22

Precipitation

	Actual	Normal
Yesterday	—	—
This Month	.4"	1.5"

Sky Data

Length of day:	11 hr. 28 min.
Sunrise	6:38 a.m.
Sunset	6:06 p.m.
Moonrise	12:08 p.m.
Moonsset	2:23 a.m.

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Funding / The money debate goes on

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SUF funds is WRFW.

"Because we are a non-profit, educational radio station, we are not allowed by the FCC (Federal Communications Commission) to solicit advertising," said Rick Burgsteiner, WRFW Adviser. "So any money that we raise is through underwriting."

Underwriting is when the station receives sponsorship from a person, business or organization to broadcast particular programs. Burgsteiner said the majority of underwriting funding, which usually amounts to between \$2,000 and \$3,000 per year, goes toward the costs associated with live sports broadcasting.

The fact that those who donate usually dictate what is to be broadcast puts Burgsteiner in a difficult position if WRFW's account is cleared at the end of the year. Although there may be no legally binding contract between the station and the sponsor, there is the issue of being loyal to that sponsor's request.

"These people like sports, they support sports, and it's their choice to donate money and help support that sporting event on the air," Burgsteiner said.

The problem lies in the fact that money donated to the station to broadcast a particular event may be cleared before it was used for that purpose.

"I disagree with the fact that money that might come from different sources and is designated for certain purposes can be declared null and void and pulled by somebody else," Burgsteiner said.

Waste and Haste

Another concern raised by some deals with how student organizations would spend their funds know-

ing that whatever is left over at the end of the fiscal year will be taken from them.

Ryan recognizes this potential problem.

"What if an organization raises and manages their money well and then the money gets taken away?" Ryan questioned. "What is the incentive in the future?"

In other words, organizations are, in a sense, penalized for handling their money wisely.

Paquette also has concerns along these lines.

"I can see a problem with some organizations thinking they have to spend this much money and getting rid of it at the end," Paquette said. "You should never have programming inspired by how much you have to spend, it should come from what the students want."

Deficit Spending

Halada pointed out another flaw in the process the way it stands now.

The end of the fiscal year is June 30. This year the SUF funds were not allocated until the beginning of second semester, a gap of nearly seven months.

"If we were to take away all their money at the end of the year, we're going to have deficit spending," Halada said.

Halada said the only way to avoid this from happening would be to push up the date that the SUF funds are allocated so the allocation directly follows the clearing of the accounts.

However, Paquette does not feel there would be any deficit spending, instead pointing out that the money that was in the accounts would be in the University Reserve account.

"I don't know if you could term it deficit spending," Paquette said. "The money is cleared so it looks like they have a zero balance, but if

the University would have to be shut down and we had to pay all our bills, the money would still be there."

Possible Solutions

Although there are a lot of opinions on what should be done to avoid potential problems resulting from clearing the accounts, no concrete solution has been offered yet.

The one idea that has been tossed around by several people would be allowing organizations to have separate accounts, one for their SUF funds and the other for funds they raise on their own.

However, Ryan and Halada both feel two accounts is not the answer. "The potential risk for abuse becomes more prevalent," Ryan said. Halada feels that groups would use up all their SUF funds before dipping into their private funds, which could result in a higher allocation the following year where one might not be justified.

Burgsteiner feels concentrating on the potential abuse of a second account is ignoring possible abuse with the first account.

"There is no guarantee that the money (at present) is going to the best place that it could go."

Paquette also feels two accounts would not be the way to go. "I don't think that's the answer," Paquette said. "It might look good on the surface but I think what would really help the problem would be to address the system behind it."

Paquette said addressing the system at this point is not out of the question.

"It would take a lot of cooperation from Senate and organizations and students to say there are changes that need to be made," Paquette said.

Paquette said a motion could be made by any student senator to suspend the budget process. The Senate then would deal with such a motion.



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► **April 7 thru 9**
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Track

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Wagner states that while these devices sound strange they actually work with Peterson.

"Sarah is a character," Wagner said. "She has competitions against her coaches. They help her get excited and rise to the event. She really does respond to them."

Sarah will take her motivation to Boston, Mass. for the national competition on March 12. Even though no motivational deals have been made, Wagner has already figured out their strategy for the competition.

"I'm trying to rest her and let her heal so she feels good," Wagner said.

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'Schoolhouse Rock' has 90's revival

Off-Beat/B3



DAN HILSGEN

Big Ten Tournament is a big mistake

March Madness is almost upon us. The power in the Big Ten has shifted with Michigan State and Illinois winning the Big Ten Conference title this year and leading the Big Ten into the NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament, which was Minnesota, Michigan, and Indiana's perennial task in recent years.

The changing of the guard in the Big Ten is not the only new occurrence this season.

After 102 years the Big Ten has been whisked away from its old ways and has jumped on the conference tournament bandwagon that many conferences have in between the conclusion of the regular conference schedule and the beginning of the NCAA Tournament. The inaugural Big Ten Tournament will be held over a four-day span in Chicago's United Center from Thursday through Sunday.

Indiana coach Bob Knight and Purdue coach Gene Keady have expressed that they are against the tournament.

Knight might not even get a chance to use his player and referee slapping, chair throwing and red-faced antics in the Big Ten Tournament if he is suspended for the Hoosiers' first-round game because of a back-handed slap attempt directed toward the referees in his temper tantrum during a recent game against Illinois.

The tournament winner will automatically receive a bid to the NCAA Tournament. However, the teams will be seeded based on how they did in the Big Ten regular conference season standings. So, if the Minnesota Gophers (number 8 seed), who finished 6-10 in the standings, by some miraculous feat defeat Northwestern (number 9 seed) on Thursday, Michigan State (Co-Champions) on Friday, the winner between Michigan (number 4 seed) and Iowa (number 5 seed) on Saturday and are victorious in the Conference Championship Game on Sunday they would be in the field of 64. Based on their conference record they normally wouldn't be allowed into the field of 64.

I would think this possible, yet highly unlikely, outcome would dilute the Big Ten's showing in the NCAA Tournament by basically guaranteeing a first round loss.

The surprising thing is it appears that the Big Ten made the decision to add a conference tournament because of its recent string of failures in the field of 64. Over the last three years, out of 17 NCAA selections, only one Big Ten team has advanced past the first week of competition. That team was Minnesota and they wound up going all the way to the Final Four.

Basically, the popular reason for having a Big Ten Conference Tournament is because other teams play in conference tournaments and are toning their skills while the Big Ten teams

"The changing of the guard in the Big Ten is not the only new occurrence this season."

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Yoga relieves stress and helps UW-RF students through college

Off-Beat/B3

Pointers eliminate Falcons from NCHA tourney

Jason Egerstrom
Sports Editor

Good teams find a way to win big games. And UW-Stevens Point found a way Saturday as goaltender Bobby Gorman and the Pointers eliminated the Falcons from the NCHA playoffs with a 3-1 win and a series-deciding 2-0 mini-game triumph.

Falcons head coach Steve Freeman acknowledged and explained the difficulty of the mini-game setup.

"It's a tough situation," Freeman said of preparing for a mini-game following the series tying loss. "You get 15 minutes of rest. The regular game winner carries the momentum into the mini-game. We were prepared for it, but Point's emotion carried them."

Now the Falcons' NCAA playoff hopes lie in the hearts and minds of the NCAA selection committee, who will announce the NCAA pairings March 8.

"In the NCAA poll the mini-game doesn't count," Freeman said, acknowledging the Falcons' 7-4 win in the series-opener Friday. "So actually we split on the weekend. (The losses) negate each other in my opinion."

Nevertheless, Freeman, whose Falcons dropped to the No. 3 from the No.2 ranking in the West Region following the home series with the Pointers, said the Falcons should be awarded an at-large bid.

"I would hope so," Freeman said. "If the committee is consistent. The whole season no one has moved after a split."

Meanwhile, Freeman and the Falcons will sit, wait and think about what went wrong in the series with

the Pointers.

"Losing the game on Saturday was a bitter disappointment," Freeman said, noting that a tie on Saturday would've advanced the Falcons to the NCHA Championship. "It was a one-goal game all night. We were one shot away from winning the series. Now we have to sit back and wait and that's tough."

Until a late empty net goal by Forrest Gore forced the deciding mini-game, spectators at Hunt Arena were rewarded with a very physical, competitive one-goal contest between two good teams in which a few players rose to the occasion.

Including Saturday's star, Bobby Gorman, who frustrated the Falcons' by stopping 23 shots in the Pointers' 3-1 victory Saturday.

"Their goaltender, Gorman, played well," Freeman said. "We helped him out though. We shot high all night. And he froze the puck and forced lots of face-offs. He was a big factor in the game."

It was no surprise, however, who made the play to setup the game-winning and series-clinching goal in the 15-minute mini-game: Pointer forward Forrest Gore. He did it dramatically, short-handed.

Pointer forward D.J. Drayna took a slashing penalty 48 seconds into the mini-game, putting the Falcons on the power play for the fifth time on the evening. Having scored the team's only goal while on the power play earlier on Saturday, the Falcons began to sense a good scoring opportunity.

With a face-off inside the Pointer's zone, the urgent Falcons were pinching hard to keep the puck inside the blue line. But a roaming puck was

"Losing the game on Saturday was a bitter disappointment. It was a one-goal game all night..."

-Steve Freeman, Falcon hockey head coach



Michael McLoone / The Student Voice

Falcon goaltender Brady Alstead, a 1998 first team all-NCHA selection, makes a kick save in the Falcons 3-1 loss to UW-Stevens Point Saturday. Alstead made 25 saves in the game played at Hunt Arena.

taken by Gore along the right boards and he skated along the length of the ice and put an initial shot onto Falcon goaltender Brady Alstead. Gore's teammate, Ben Gorewich, was on the doorstep to pick up the rebound and deposit the game-winner.

Freeman commented on the first short-handed goal given up by the Falcons all season and the player who set it up.

"Gore is the most talented player in the NCHA," Freeman said. "And he's on the ice all of the time. He has great stamina and doesn't tire. He just legged it out with his speed and beat our guys out of the zone." Gore recorded one goal and four

assists over the weekend, despite being tied up by Falcon defenders all weekend. Meanwhile, another Pointer scoring machine, Ben Gorewich, recorded three goals and one assist.

But it was Gorman who kept the Pointer's in the mini-game by saving all 14 Falcons' shots on net. Saturday, Gorman made a total of 37 saves in 75 minutes of play. In addition, Gorman would've shut out the Falcons attack entirely if it weren't for a generous carom off the end boards.

In the game's first period, Falcon defenseman Ernie Thorp fired the puck into the Pointer zone along the right wing boards. An anti-

pating Gorman went to play the puck behind his net when the puck bounced out into the slot area where Falcon captain Mike Schauer fired a shot on net to tie the contest at one.

However, comparing Gorman's performance on Saturday to his performance Friday was like contrasting night and day.

The Falcons scored six consecutive goals on Gorman in the Falcons dominating 7-4 win Friday night. Jesse Sampair led the way, recording two goals and setting up Falcon Cort Lundeen on another. The Pointers had taken an early 1-0

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Swimmers review season

Team sees light at end of tunnel

■ A leak in the team's pool provided the team with a rough start, but the youthful team is looking forward to its future

Steve Helmer
Sports Correspondent

The Falcon swim teams may not have had as good of a year as other teams in their conference, but they had good enough of one to be confident about the future of the program.

"We have shown a lot of improvement," Coach Doug Naylor said about the team. "We had a lot of kids with no swimming experience at all and those people improved an awful lot by the end of the year."

The Falcon women this year were only able to win one of their meets while the men were only able to win two. One thing that might have factored into this was the team suffering a lot of illnesses throughout the season. This included the flu, three cases of mono, one case of bronchitis and a couple of cases of lung infection.

"Another factor, at least early in the season, could have been the swimmers being forced to use another pool because the one in Karges had to have a leak repaired.

"We weren't able to get in the training we needed," Naylor said. "It probably affected our distance

people the most."

In addition to the loss of practice time, not having the pool in the early part of the season might have cost the Falcons some potential team contributors. According to Naylor, between the start of the season and the time they were able to get back into the Karges pool, the team lost 11 swimmers. Though a couple of the swimmers were forced to quit because of scheduling problems, having to redo practice times in order to swim in another pool had something to do with it as well.

Not having the swimming pool early in the season did have some benefits that Naylor said will carry into next season.

"We are definitely going to incorporate some of the things we did this year," Naylor said. "We may have worked too hard in the earlier part of the year in previous seasons and maybe we need to do less earlier like we were forced to do this year."

According to Naylor, the evidence of this is how well the team performed during the conference championships Feb. 19-21. Every single swimmer for the Falcons had a season best time or better during that competition and many had life-time best times.

"The whole season is geared toward doing well in the conference meet," Naylor said. "We did that, if that's a sign."

Helping the Falcons for next year

"We have some kids coming in that will definitely help us."

-Doug Naylor, Falcon swimming head coach

is the relatively young age of the team. In all, they will only lose four seniors this year: Kathleen Baker, Darin Harden, Jeremy Goebel and Erik Olson.

The loss of Baker, who was nominated for scholar athlete, is going to be a big hurdle for the women to overcome, according to Naylor. The women have been thin when it comes to distance swimmers and the team at the moment doesn't have anyone coming in to replace her. Harden is the men's top butterflyer, Goebel is one of only two breaststrokers and Olson is one of a very thin group

of sprinters for the men. However, despite the losses, Naylor feels that the team will still be in good shape.

"We have some kids coming in that will definitely help us," Naylor said, adding that he expects the women's team to be well over 20 swimmers and the guys to be around 15, giving them a lot more depth than they had this year.

Also factoring into next season are freshmen Wendy Czuprynski who couldn't swim this season after having surgery on her shoulder and Mia Erickson, who was sidelined earlier in the season after suffering from two cases of mono.

"Just the addition of those two is going to help the women greatly," Naylor said. "The women's team will improve as well as the guys."

Men drop finale

Dan Hilszen
Assistant Sports Editor

In a basketball game that was a tale of two halves, UW-River Falls men's basketball team (7-9, 14-11) finished their season two games below .500 in the WIAC with a 81-69 loss at UW-Whitewater (9-7, 16-9) on Saturday.

With the score tied at six with 16:54 left to play in the first half, the Warhawks went on a 14-2 run that took up 3 minutes and 57 seconds.

The Falcons then mounted a counter attack behind senior guards Chad Meschke and Andy Bauschelt that took up the next 5 minutes and 44 seconds and tied up the score at 25. Bauschelt had 8 of his 11 game points in that time span while Meschke put in 7 of his 27 game points.

"We played very poorly," Falcon coach Rick Bowen said.

The Falcons were up 39-38 at the half and that would be the last time they would hold the lead as the Warhawks were able to outscore the Falcons by 13 points in the second half.

"Our play, we just made too many mistakes," Bowen said. "Emotionally, the tank was just empty."

Leaving the Falcon flock are seniors Meschke, Bauschelt, and Jason Beeler.

"Chad Meschke is going to be very very difficult to replace," Bowen said. "Jason Beeler, in his own way, is going to be difficult to replace."

Ladies b'ball wins

Rich Jara
Sports Correspondent

The UW-River Falls Falcons finished their season on a high note Saturday by honoring Parent's Day before the team's 69-61 victory over UW-Whitewater.

The Falcons had four players in double digits led by Vanessa Schley with 18. Kelly Rambow came off the bench to score 15 and Missy Johnson added 14 points and nine rebounds.

But the difference in the game was the play of freshman guard Jolynn Sieburg who recorded 10 points, 8 assists and 9 steals.

The Falcons trailed the Warhawks by four at the half. With 16:09 remaining the Falcons trailed by seven. The team then went on a 22-3 run giving them a 12-point lead with 9:23 remaining. During the run Sieburg had three steals and three assists as the Falcons used their press defense to force five turnovers. Sieburg finished the season with 107 steals that surpassed the old Falcon single season steal record of 94 by Sue Mickelson from 1984-85.

The Warhawks crept to within four points with about a minute and a half left, but two straight steals by Sieburg stopped the Warhawks comeback and gave the Falcons an eight point victory.

The Falcons finish the season at 15-10 overall, three games better than last year. They finished with a record of 9-7 in conference play.

"From a record stand-point we made another step forward," Falcon coach David Schuchter said. "In that respect we made some big strides."

The Falcons will lose just one player for next year, senior Linda Schoenrock.

SCOREBOARD

MEN'S NCHA HOCKEY (Overall)

	W	L	T	Pct
St. Norbert	25	4	0	.862
UW-River Falls	22	6	1	.759
Bemidji State	22	8	2	.688
UW-Stevens Point	20	8	0	.666
UW-Superior	18	10	1	.621
UW-Eau Claire	10	16	0	.385
Lake Forest	7	18	2	.259
UW-Stout	7	19	1	.259
St. Scholastica	3	23	1	.111

FINAL MEN'S WIAC BASKETBALL

	W	L	Pct
Platteville	25	0	1.000
Oshkosh	20	5	.800
Eau Claire	18	7	.720
Stevens Point	17	8	.680
Whitewater	16	9	.640
River Falls	14	11	.560
Stout	10	15	.400
Superior	9	16	.360
La Crosse	9	16	.360

FINAL WOMEN'S WIAC BASKETBALL

	W	L	Pct
Oshkosh	24	1	.960
Eau Claire	21	4	.840
Stout	16	9	.640
River Falls	15	10	.600
Stevens Point	14	11	.560
Platteville	10	15	.400
Whitewater	9	16	.360
La Crosse	8	17	.320
Superior	5	19	.208

FALCON SPORTS CALENDAR

March 6-12 1998	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Track and Field							at NCAA Meet March 14-15
Hockey			NCAA pairings announced				
Gymnastics		at Regional Qualifier (Oshkosh)					

FALCON HOCKEY ALL-NCHA SELECTIONS

FIRST TEAM

Brady Alstead, junior, goaltender: 18 games, 12-5-1 record, 2.34 GAA
Mike Schauer, senior, forward: 20 games, 12 goals, 15 assists

HONORABLE MENTION

Jesse Sampair, junior, forward: 20 games, 13 goals, 12 assists
Eliot Komar, freshman, defenseman: 17 games, 1 goal, 9 assists

FALCON ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

MEN'S BASKETBALL— Guard **Chad Meschke**, a senior from Eau Claire, Wis., had two solid games for the Falcons. In the games he was 18-29 from the field including 4-9 from three point range and 7-10 from the line for 47 points. He had 5 rebounds, 9 assists and 3 steals in 69 minutes.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL— Forward **Missy Johnson**, a junior from Chanhassen, Minn., had two solid games for the Falcons. In the games she was 10-28 from the field and 13-18 from the line for 33 points. She had 15 rebounds, 1 assist, 3 steals and two blocks in 68 minutes.

MEN'S SWIMMING— **J.T. Moon**, a junior from Montivideo, Minn., has qualified for the NCAA Division III meet in the 100 backstroke. He will be officially notified by Thursday if he is eligible to compete.

GYMNASTICS— **Nicole Glunz**, a freshman from Maple Lake, Minn., was all-conference.

FALCON WIAC BASKETBALL REGULAR SEASON ACCOMPLISHMENTS

STEALS

JoLynn Sieburg: First in WIAC with 107 steals in 25 games.

FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE

Missy Johnson: Third in WIAC with .524 percent in 25 games.

SCORING

Missy Johnson: Second in WIAC with 425 points in 25 games.

ALL-CONFERENCE WIAC

First Team: Chad Meschke

Chad Meschke: Second in WIAC with 470 points in 25 games.

Honorable mention: Jason Beeler

SPORTS SUMMARIES

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Saturday's results

River Falls 39 30 —69
Whitewater 38 43 —81
River Falls leading scorers: Meschke 27, Fisher 13, Bauschelt 11.
River Falls leading rebounders: Fisher 9.
River Falls leading assists: Fisher 8.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Saturday's results

River Falls 31 38 —69
Whitewater 35 26 —61
River Falls leading scorers: V. Schley 18, Rambow 15, Johnson 14.
River Falls leading rebounders: Johnson 9.
River Falls leading assists: Sieburg 8.

HOCKEY

Friday's results

River Falls 2 2 3 —7
Stevens Point 1 0 3 —4
First period: Scoring—Stevens Point, Fricke (Toninato, Salienco), 2:02.
River Falls, Coakley (Schauer, Nelson), 14:12.
River Falls, Lundeen (Sampair), 16:16.
Second period: Scoring—River Falls, Sampair (Bernard), 9:16 (pp).
River Falls, Sampair (Bernard, Burke), 15:53.
Third period: Scoring—River Falls, Bengtson (Lundeen, Anderson), 2:08.
River Falls, Schauer (Matzke, Komar), 2:16.
Stevens Point, Toninato (Carlstrom, Salienco), 7:18.
Stevens Point, Gorewicz (Gore, Drayna), 10:34.
Stevens Point, Boehm (Fricke, Drayna), 18:40 (pp).
River Falls, Cullen (Alstead), 19:23 (pp, en).

Shots on goal: River Falls 7-10-7—24; Stevens Point 7-10-13—30; Saves—River Falls, Alstead 26; Stevens Point, Gorman 20, Bergeron 4.

Saturday's results

River Falls 0 1 0 —1
Stevens Point 1 1 1 —3
First period: Scoring—Stevens Point, Gorewicz (Brown), 8:32 (pp).
Second period: River Falls, Schauer (Thorp), 1:48 (pp).
Stevens Point, Drayna (Gorewicz, Gore), 9:38.
Third period: Stevens Point, Gore (Campbell, Drayna), 18:27 (en).
Shots on goal: River Falls 8-7-9—24; Stevens Point 7-11-10—28; Saves—River Falls, Alstead 25; Stevens Point, Gorman 23.
River Falls 0 —0
Stevens Point 2 —2
15-minute mini-game: Scoring—Stevens Point, Gorewicz (Gore, Fricke), 2:26 (sh).
Stevens Point, Boehm (Gore, Fricke), 9:48.
Shots on goal: River Falls 14—14; Stevens Point 5—5; Saves—River Falls, Alstead 3; Stevens Point, Gorman 14.

WOMEN'S TRACK & FIELD

Saturday's results

1. Oshkosh 239
2. La Crosse 188
3. Eau Claire 70
7. River Falls 46
Women's High Jump—3. Fagerland (RF) 5'03.25
Women's Triple Jump—3. Peterson (RF) 36'11.50
Women's Shot Put—3. Peterson (RF) 41'01.00
Women's Indoor Pentathlon—1. Peterson (RF) 3173 points
Finals Women's High Jump—1. Fagerland (RF) 1.55 m
Finals Women's Long Jump—2. Peterson (RF) 5.24 m
Finals Women's Triple Jump—2. Peterson (RF) 10.51 m
Finals Women's Shot Put—1. Peterson (RF) 13.77 m
Team Results—1. Duluth 98, 2. Gustavus 77, 3. Eau Claire 47, 4. Bethel 41, 5. River Falls 40, 6. St. Olaf 36, 6. Macalester 36, 8. Stout 33, 9. Winona State 26, 10. Carleton 19, 11. St. Catherine 11, 12. Northwestern 1.

SWIMMING

Friday's results

1. Eau Claire 47
2. La Crosse 34
3. River Falls 7
4. Oshkosh 7
5. Stevens Point 5
River Falls place finishes:
100 Back: 1. J.T. Moon 53.46.
J.T. Moon had a NCAA qualifying time of 53.46 in the 100-meter backstroke.
GYMNASTICS
Friday's results
1. La Crosse 142.400
2. Oshkosh 140.025
3. River Falls 133.100
4. Eau Claire 130.750
5. Whitewater 130.675
6. Stout 130.275
Bars: 3. Glunz (RF) 8.450.
Nicole Glunz was named to the all-WIAC gymnastics team (Bars).
Annie Renelt was named to the all-WIAC gymnastics team (Beam).

Big Ten

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are inactive from their last regular conference game until the NCAA Tournament.
However, this is a poor argument for those in favor of the Big Ten Conference Tournament to offer. Last year Arizona, a Pac-10 team, won the National Championship. This feat was accomplished with out the aid of being in a pre-NCAA conference tournament.
Big Ten teams should earn a bid to the field of 64 by their quality of play in the regular season, not by a random stroke of luck in the Big Ten Lottery.

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Hockey

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lead on the power play before the Falcons converted the team's third consecutive come-from-behind playoff win this season.
However, Gorman was too much for the Falcons to make a comeback on Saturday.
"Saturday evening we played just as hard as Friday," Freeman said. "We just didn't have as much jump. We planned to aggressively get in Gorman's face. We gave everything we had, but we couldn't find a way to get that done."
Consequently, the Pointers are heading to St. Norbert this weekend to compete in NCHA Championship Game for an automatic bid in the NCAA Tournament. Nevertheless, the Pointers didn't move up from the team's No. 4 spot in the West Region polls.

Gymnasts take 3rd

Emily Felling
Sports Correspondent

The UW-River Falls gymnastics team took 3rd place at the WIAC meet last Saturday.
The team placed in the top three in the all-around competition and also had an individual gymnast place in the top three on each event.
"Overall, I was very pleased," said coach Jeanne DeLisle. "We accomplished my goal - of finishing in the top half - and did well on all events."
There was only one negative aspect at the conference according to DeLisle.
"We could have done better on vault," DeLisle said. "In some of our routines we weren't as explosive as we could have been, due to the fact, some of our attempts weren't clean enough. Our scores

did reflect this."
Freshman Annie Renelt from Lakeville, Minn., and freshman Nikki Glunz, from Maple Grove, Minn.,—gymnast of the week—received the title of all-conference.
Renelt took 6th place on beams and Glunz took 3rd place on the uneven bars.
Both individual gymnasts show promise of placing well next week at the regionals in Oshkosh according to Coach DeLisle, but overall how the team does is unpredictable.
"I think beam, floor, and vault will be hard to catch," DeLisle said. "Our average season score will make it tough at nationals, even if we do well."
The Falcons finished with a score of 133.1. Meanwhile, La Crosse won the meet with a score of 142.4 and Oshkosh finished 2nd with a score of 140.25

Track sprints to 7th

Jason Egerstrom
Sports Editor

In what was described as a "typical close finish" by head indoor track and field coach Kristi Wager, the Falcons finished in seventh place at the nine-team WIAC Meet last weekend.
Wagner said before the meet that a Falcon finish between fourth and eighth could be expected in the competitive conference. Nevertheless, Wagner said the team was disappointed with the seventh place finish.
"The team was dejected," Wagner said. "But the finish was not indicative of how close the meet was. We were just an eyelash away from fourth."
The Falcons scored 46 points as a team, while fourth-place finisher, UW-Whitewater, scored 66 points.

With the indoor team season complete, Wagner was anxious to preview the upcoming outdoor season.
"We are a better outdoor team because it's more suited to us," Wagner said.
According to Wagner, the addition of outdoor throwing events such as the discus, hammer throw and javelin makes the Falcons more competitive.
"Last year we finished eighth in indoor and then took fourth in outdoor," Wagner explained.
Despite the positive anxiety building up for the outdoor season, one Falcon will be traveling to Boston, Mass. to compete in the indoor National Championships March 14-15.
Sarah Peterson, who won the Athlete of the Meet last weekend, will compete in the shot put and triple jump in Boston.

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Christy Nelson

"Schoolhouse Rock," LIVE!

Let's see a show of hands — how many of you struggled through Macro-economics? Now out of those people, who thinks they might have grasped the supply/demand curves a bit better had the course been taught by, say, an animated calculator, dancing and belting out a catchy little tune? Maybe something like "just because you demand doesn't mean you'll find it in your hand. What you get will rely on demand's little friend, supply." Maybe not that. Still, through the years, catchy mnemonic-type songs and cartoon characters have proven very effective in teaching valuable lessons. Perhaps it was just such a song that taught you what is a conjunction's function. Or maybe a rolled-up, talking cartoon bill taught you more about how a bill becomes a law than your middle-school civics teacher did.

"I'M SURE THAT MANY A 'JEOPARDY!' FINALIST CUT THEIR EGGHEAD TEETH ON 'SCHOOLHOUSE ROCK.'"

"Schoolhouse Rock," the Emmy Award-winning animated show that has captivated Saturday morning cartoon watchers since 1973, is back and teaching a whole new generation.

While the show's educational vignettes are still being broadcast during ABC Saturday morning cartoons, the messages, on things such as the three branches of government, grammar and ethnic diversity, have also made their way onto the stage in "Schoolhouse Rock, Live!"

The play, originally presented in Chicago in 1993 and later in New York, is currently touring nationally and opened in the Twin Cities at the Music Box Theatre on Feb. 6. So from now until May 24, all of us who grew up singing "I'm just a bill, sitting here on Capitol Hill," have an opportunity to see our "Schoolhouse Rock" memories live, in 3-D. Of course, on stage it won't be sandwiched between "Road Runner" and "Josie and the Pussycats," but it should be a nice, nostalgic trip back to the days when you sat, zoned out in front of the TV with a big bowl of Rice Krispies.

And if you find yourself struggling to recall some of the lyrics to the "Schoolhouse Rock" lessons, you can now enlist some of today's hot music groups to come to your aid, too.

"Schoolhouse Rock! Rocks-The Album," was released just in time for Rock's 25th Anniversary this year. Some stars appearing on the CD include Blind Melon, singing "Three is a Magic Number," The Lemonheads rattling off "My Hero Zero," and Better Than Ezra rocking out with "Conjunction Junction."

I'm sure many a "Jeopardy!" finalist cut their egghead teeth on "Schoolhouse Rock." And, even if watching "Schoolhouse Rock" didn't launch you to Will Hunting-level genius, chances are it gave you good ammunition when trying to annoy the hell out of people with aggravating songs. Lolly, Lolly, Lolly Get Your Adverbs Here...

Christy Nelson is a senior majoring in journalism.

Concert choir to tour Italy, director Wold's last voyage

The soft melody of a familiar song wafted through the air as Elliot Wold, UW-RF concert choir director, explored a small town in Italy...

Tracie Blaies
Staff Writer

...The song that he recognized as "Va Pensiero," by Verdi, was whistled softly by a nearby countryman, a subtle reminiscence of the beauty and history of the country.

"When I heard the song and realized it was 'Va Pensiero' from Verdi's opera, 'Nabucco,' I decided that it would be a perfect song for us to sing on our tour of Italy," explained Wold. "The story of the opera is of the Jews wandering, longing for their homeland. The Italians loved the song and Verdi adopted it as something of a home song."

The tour Wold spoke of is the upcoming choir trip that the UW-RF choir will embark on March 11-23. The trip will take the singers along the western coast of Italy as well as the inner-hill country of Tuscany and surrounding areas. They will sing five full concerts as well as pieces of their works at other various stops.

"The Italian people have always welcomed us gratefully," Wold said. "They are a culture that expresses themselves a lot through music and singing and they really enjoy having the students there. There is even a concert set up for us in Lucca, where tickets are being sold already with the proceeds going to rebuild a town that was struck by an earthquake."

For the students traveling to Italy, this tour represents more than just a trip overseas. It also marks the last choir trip their leader, Wold, will take as director.

"This trip means a lot to me and the rest of the choir because it's Mr. Wold's last year, so we want to make this his best tour," said Amanda Engwer, a sophomore music major from North

St. Paul, Minn.

According to Wold, this marks his 35th year touring with the UW-RF choir, making 13 overseas trips to destinations including much of Europe as well as Taiwan and Japan.

"He's (Wold) given so much to us and to the university, we just want to give something back," said Engwer.

"We all tried hard to be on Elliot's last tour," added Brad Wilkinson, a sophomore music education major from Black Creek, Wis.

The trip is filled with sights, history and several educational experiences, according to Wold. They will see the cathedrals, landmarks and art that make Rome, Pisa and other famous towns-memorable. The tour will also bring them through the heart of the Italian-wine country and other richness that the Tuscany region has to offer. But, Wold says that it is the music they will share that brings them to Italy.

"Something we are very excited about is a visit from the archbishop of Maiori, who will be there to hear our concert," Wold said. "He also may be having dinner with us at the reception afterwards."

The students are also looking forward to experiencing the culture.

"I am really looking forward to Maiori and the

coast because I've seen it in movies, Engwer said. "But, most of all, I want to sing for the people and get to see, firsthand, the culture of those people."

"It's like nothing you can experience here in America," said Becki Hedstrom, a senior majoring in music from Prairie Farm, Wis. "I can't wait to see Rome and experience the history of Italy."

Wold explained the music the choir would sing by adding, "The Italians love singing more than any audience in the world. I chose this music for them."

So, the soft melody that enveloped Elliot Wold when he visited Italy in November to prepare this tour will be replaced by the resounding voices of his harmonious choir when they sing for the people of Italy.



"The Italian people have always welcomed us gratefully. They are a culture that expresses themselves a lot through music and singing and they really enjoy having the students there."

Elliot Wold, choir director

CAFES TV: FIRST-OF-ITS-KIND AGRICULTURE SHOW ON 10/19

REPORTERS AND STAFF GO THE EXTRA-MILE TO PROVIDE UW-RF WITH ENTERTAINING INFORMATION.

Colette Diers
Staff Writer

Have you seen CAFES TV? Well if you haven't, look out, because it's fun, full of laughter. And, according to Paul Jergensen the executive producer, anyone can be a part of it.

CAFES TV is a UW-River Falls campus television program that started last fall. According to Gary Rohde, dean of the College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences, the program gives news updates and focuses on what students and faculty do and are involved in, both professionally and socially, within the college.

The program is set up to inform other colleges within the University and the community about what is happening in the College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences, according to Stacy Prager, a senior and CAFES TV camera operator. The show became a university television program because

of Tomorrow Chapter to recruit students for the program. CAFES TV has been producing programs for channel 10 and 19 since the first week in October. According to Rohde, the students are doing very well on CAFES TV and they show a lot of "enthusiasm and excitement."

One student heard about the program from Jergensen last summer. Sophomore Jackie Gliniecki said she has never been on television but has always been interested in it. She is currently involved in CAFES TV.

"I like going out and shooting packages," Gliniecki said. "I like to see what everyone in the college is doing, like the organizations." Prager said when she first heard about the program she was unsure of it because she didn't know the specifics. After the first few meetings, however, Prager gained a lot of interest and said she enjoys "getting in the action of going out to events and taking packages."

Overall, the program has approximately 12 students involved and Jergensen says that he is impressed with their abilities. He said the students have a great time and they are "so real," compared to other television programs. The students come from all backgrounds, but the focus of the program is to cover the CAFES.

"I think it is a wonderful opportunity for our students to participate," Rohde said. "It is an opportunity to showcase some

"I saw that agriculture students had a lot of drive and would have a good show."

Paul Jergensen, CAFES TV's executive director

Jergensen saw something unique in agriculture students.

"I saw that agriculture students had a lot of drive and would have a good show," Jergensen said.

With his idea and previous experience in television, Jergensen said he worked together with the UW-RF Agriculture Communicators

of the activities that students are involved with in the college.

CAFES TV has a show every day of the week and according to Mark Courmoyer, junior, he watches it because it covers one on one with students at events.

See "CAFES TV" page B4

Open your mind, try some yoga, relieve some of that built-up stress

Yoga is offered as a class at UW-RF and satisfies some Phy. Ed. requirements.

Allison Johnson
Staff Writer

A common sight around this time of the semester is of a stressed out college student, surrounded by mountain size piles of books and class notes, desperately trying not to crack under the pressure.

Instead of doing typical things to relieve stress like getting drunk or taking in mindless hours of Beavis and Butthead re-runs, a more positive option would be to do something that could relieve the stress and possibly enlighten your mind as well.

Yoga can help college students achieve both of these.

"It's about taking time for yourself and learning how to create more ease in health and in mind," said Kathy Tarr, who is currently teaching a 10-session yoga class at UW-RF.

Tarr is from the Kripalu School of Yoga, and received her training at a yoga center in Lennox, Mass. "Kripalu" means compassion and, according to Tarr, is a type of Hatha yoga that "honors each individual."

Tarr said yoga is a combination of breath awareness, relaxation and postures that slow down the nervous system and release tension in a way that is good for the whole body. She also said that yoga affects each person differently.

For Larry Albertson, also a yoga instructor at UW-RF, yoga had a life changing effect. Twelve years ago when Albertson was the Dean of Education, he was diagnosed with a serious kidney disease. As a result, he was put on medication that had negative side effects. To combat the effects of the medication, he began using yoga as a form of meditation.

"I live in the present more," Albertson said.

adding that after beginning yoga he decided he wanted to share yoga with others so he resigned from his position ten years ago to teach yoga to others.

Albertson currently maintains a hectic schedule at UW-RF, teaching many other classes including Movements as Meditations and Adaptive Physical Education.

Albertson incorporates many types of yoga into his classes. At every class he has a "thought of the day" that come from varying sources such as "Ziggy," Gandhi or John Denver, but all that convey a "thoughtful" message of some kind.

"It's all just a journey to enjoy," Albertson says is a message he tells his students during class.

Although Albertson says he usually meditates for half an hour in the morning and in the evening, he says the whole goal of yoga is to have "life meditation," which means that yoga enters every part of your daily routine. He said yoga has made him kinder, less judgmental and more calm throughout his daily life.

Tarr calls it "yoga off of the mat" and says yoga has "uplifted her and increased her self esteem." She says yoga means "the yoke" or the union and is more about personal growth and self-esteem building than with being the most flexible or having the best technique.

Both Tarr and Albertson emphasize the point that every person reacts differently to yoga. "Some people do the session and say it's the greatest and others say they couldn't concentrate for a moment," Albertson said about the reactions people have to yoga in his classes. Albertson's classes are eight weeks long and can fulfill part of the UW-RF physical education requirement.

Albertson says he hasn't noticed a major difference in the stress levels of students who

See "Yoga" page B4

"POINTS OF VIEW"

"What kind of digression from your academic pursuits do you plan on committing over spring break?"



"I'm going to rest, work and watch a lot of TV. I'm not going anywhere until next year. I spent all my money last year going to San Diego."

Eric Stenzvold, Senior



"Try not to think, if that is at all possible."

Tara Fisher, Sophomore



"I'll hang out with my buddies."

Aaron Menol, Freshman



"I'm going to Chicago to see Jerry Springer and drink. You can't have a spring break with out alcohol."

Melanie Thoen, Sophomore



"I plan to sleep a lot which isn't really a digression from my academics."

Jame Bauer, Freshman



"I'm going to California and sit on my ass and lay out."

Melissa Westall, Sophomore

There was a problem with the film that contained the pictures for this week's "Points of View" section. We apologize for the screw-up, our bad.
-the Off-Beat Editors

Entertainment Calendar

AT AND AROUND UW-RIVER FALLS

friday/6

thursday

8 p.m. "The Cherry Orchard" is presented by the University Theater in the Sanford Syse Theater in KFA. Ticket prices are \$6 for adults and \$3 for students.

Mar. 12 "Come Get Jiggy With It." The African-American Alliance will be sponsoring a dance at Brandy's from 8:30 to 10. Come in St. Patty's attire. \$2 at the door and every 10th person is free.

3:30 p.m. University/Community reading session will be held on the 2nd floor breezeway of the library. For more information contact jennifer.s.brantley@uwrf.edu

Ongoing: UW-RF Art Department faculty exhibition in Gallery 101 in KFA. Ends Mar. 8.

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Mar. 13 Last day of classes. Spring Break!
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8 p.m. "The Cherry Orchard" is presented by the University Theater in the Sanford Syse Theater in KFA. Ticket prices are \$6 for adults and \$3 for students.

Apr. 15 Dr. Jane Curry, "Miz Wizard," will tell stories about Nobel prize winning women and female inventors. Science demonstrations will also be shown. 7 p.m. in Abbot Concert Hall. More info: Dr. Kathy Tomlinson at 425-0619.

Yoga

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take the class first session verses second session. The evaluation forms that students fill out at the end of their session shows just how diverse people's reactions to yoga. Albertson uses these as sources to help him improve his classes. In an evaluation filled out during the Fall of 1996, a student said what he liked about the class was that "there was no competition." The student went on to say, "my health has improved and stress has greatly diminished." Another student commented on how there was "no pressure to do positions if uncomfortable." A student from the same session said yoga was not the most relaxing in class, but was better when done at home. On other evaluations from the same semester, some people said they wanted more time to do yoga on their own, while others said they wanted more formal class instruction. Opinions also differed on how much music should be played, the amount of handouts and the length of the course. Albertson says people take his class for many reasons including relaxation purposes, simple curiosity or on the recommendation of a physician to help migraine headaches or injuries. "For some, yoga is not their path," Albertson said. Albertson feels that even if someone tries yoga and finds that it isn't the thing for them, at least he or she learned a valuable lesson about him or herself.

Your 'two cents' is required to park

Parking meters a fixture in River Falls since '72.

Jennifer Eberspacher
Viewpoints Editor

The streets of River Falls are like any other small town in America. Barbershops, bakeries and bars can be found along Main Street; along with a two dollar movie theater, a furniture store, and several pizza places. And, like many other small towns, if you want to park you have to pay. But, in River Falls, parking will set you back less than a dime.

The parking meters accept pennies, nickels and dimes, and if you just have to run in somewhere for a minute, don't worry, the first twelve minutes are free. Pennies will get you twelve minutes, you can park for an hour with a nickel and if you happen to have a dime, well you can catch the latest flick at the movie theater.

Over 400 parking meters line the streets of River Falls. They have been a fixture here since 1972 when the city bought the meters used and installed them.

Eve Cole is River Falls' parking monitor. She has been collecting the money and writing the tickets for the past eight and a half years. Cole is the only parking monitor River Falls employs for its 10,000-plus residents.

"Some people think it could be a joke," Cole said about the reaction people have to the meters.

Cole was raised just south of River Falls but has never lived in town. She was not new to the position when she applied; she worked in Eau Claire as a parking monitor before returning to River Falls. Her husband relocated to this area and Cole saw the open position in the paper. The rest, you could say, is parking history.



Jennifer Eberspacher/The Student Voice

This is one of the stations that ticketed drivers can pay their fines. This is one of many collection boxes that can be found in downtown River Falls. Eve Cole, river Fall's parking monitor, empties the money from these twice a month.

In 1996 Cole wrote out 5,559 tickets to people who failed to feed the meters, resulting in a two-dollar fine. The parking fine was raised one dollar in Sept. 1996, doubling the previous rate.

"Who doesn't have small change?" Cole asked.

Cole collects the money from the meters twice a month. In 1996 she collected \$12,739.05 from the River Falls parking meters, according to the 1996 Annual Report. In 1997 the amount was slightly higher.

The money collected goes in part to pay Cole's salary, general meter

repairs and parking improvements.

People unfortunate enough to receive a parking ticket can pay their two dollar fine at the fine-o-meter boxes. The red boxes are located at Walnut and Main, Elm and Main, and Maple and Main.

The meters do get vandalized on occasion. Vehicles hit them or individuals try to pull them out of the ground.

"Sometimes they're successful, sometimes they're not," Cole said.

Some of the meters that do get pulled out of the ground eventually get thrown down the river banks.

The meters were originally installed to get the flow of traffic moving, Cole said.

The parking meters have had their share of opposition in River Falls. Business owners and city council members have tried to get rid of the meters over the years. Their efforts have met with little success.

One of the reasons the meters have never been replaced or updated is because of their attraction and novelty. It's not everyday you can get something for your two cents.

CAFES TV

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"They even came with the Agriculture Education Society snow tubing," Cournoyer said.

He said it was fun to watch the students from CAFES TV because they were willing to try anything to make the story better. Cournoyer said they even rode down the hill with the camera. Jergensen said the students are great about meeting deadlines and make a point to carry the camera whenever they can.

Cournoyer was one out of 75 to

100 students that have already been interviewed for previous programs, according to Jergensen. He said they would like to get all students interested in being on the show, either as part of the crew or an interviewee. Cournoyer said it gives students insight into the college and it's not like anything that's been done before Prager agrees.

"CAFES TV is unique because we have never had an agriculture television show," Prager said.

Prager has been involved since the first show and said the biggest challenge was learning how to edit, getting the right photo shots and generating good stories.

According to Jergensen and some of the students involved with CAFES TV, getting stories would be much easier if the departments within the college would contact them. Gliniecki said she is currently relying on the colleges Agriculture Student Advisory Council for ideas, but she hopes that professors and advisers will get involved as well.

According to Gliniecki, she spends approximately four hours a week getting a story ready for production. When she first started, Gliniecki said it was a challenge being on the other side of an interview.

"I was very nervous around my peers," Gliniecki said. Now she said

she has learned how to interview properly, think of fun ideas for programs and tape packages.

CAFES TV is still looking for students that want to be involved with any part of a television production, according to Jergensen. There are three students that will be graduating in May and Prager said she is nervous that the show won't continue.

"We need three or four extra hands once in a while...to help with anything," Prager said.

Jergensen said he is very impressed with how the show has gone and said he just wants to keep improving. "I love it," Jergensen said.

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