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## University ready to 'Fall' for homecoming



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Freddy the Falcon, the figurehead of UW-RF spirit, is a staple of the University's yearly homecoming celebration. He's seen here with the cheerleaders at a Falcon football game.

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Homecoming provides alumni an opportunity to relive college memories. In the same light, Homecoming week is a time for current collegians to build memories.

Four days from now, UW-River Falls will kick off its 2000 Homecoming week, which will run Monday through Saturday and feature the theme "Fall Fest."

Along with the traditional king and queen competition and crowning, organization competition, dance and football game, Patrick Wade, Leadership Center event coordinator, and University Recreation representatives have compiled a bundle of opportunities for all students.

"I think the value of homecoming is, obviously, it's fun," Wade said. "But, also, when people get involved it instills a level of pride in the uniqueness of the University and that will stay with the students even when they're alumni."

The king and queen coronation and awards ceremony will begin at 8 p.m., Friday, at Brandy's and will be followed by a dance. Royalty will subsequently be introduced at halftime of the Falcon/UW-Oshkosh football game, which is slated to begin at 1 p.m., Saturday at Ramer Field.

Seventeen royalty candidate pairs are listed to compete for the top prize, with the competition being based on results from the Fest Test Game, voting and Best of the Fest.

"It's kind of an honor (to be a king candidate)," said senior Chris Morehead, who will represent May Hall along queen candidate Jess Berg. "I hope I was picked (as a representative) because my hallmates like me and not just as a big joke."

Twenty-three student groups have signed up to participate in the organization competition. Organizations will be judged on results from the lip sync, festacular fun, banner display and penny wars.

While the king and queen candidates and stu-

### Homecoming 2000

#### "Fall Fest" Events

**Monday — 8 a.m.-all day:** Medallion Hunt **8-4:** Banner Judging; Penny Wars **Noon:** Noon Kickoff (featuring Dazy Head Mazy), at Student Center Mall **4:** Homecoming Kickoff, "Best of the Fest" (royalty competition), Student Center Mall **8:** Chris Carter, Brandy's **Tuesday — All day:** Medallion Hunt **8-4:** Penny Wars **Noon-3:** Cow Pie Bingo, Student Center Mall **5:** "Festacular Fun" (organization competition), Student Center Mall **Wednesday — All day:** Medallion Hunt **8-4:** Penny Wars **11-1:** Royalty Voting, Student Center Atrium **4-6:** Royalty Voting, Rodli Commons **8:** Lip Sync (organization competition), North Hall Auditorium **Thursday — All day:** Medallion Hunt **8-4:** Penny Wars **11-1:** Royalty Voting, Student Center Atrium **4-6:** Royalty Voting, Rodli **8:** "Fest Test Game" (royalty competition), Brandy's **Friday — All day:** Medallion Hunt (ends at 4) **Noon-5:** Frisbee Golf, Bocce Ball, Student Center Mall **8:** Coronation and Awards Ceremony/DJ Dance, Brandy's **Saturday — 11:** Brat/Beer Tent, Ramer Field **1:** Falcon/UW-Oshkosh football game, Ramer Field (royalty and organization winners announced at halftime) **8:** Bonfire, Amphitheatre

#### Royalty Candidates

**Prucha Hall:** Amanda McAbe/Joe Martin **May Hall:** Jess Berg/Chris Morehead **Stratton Hall:** Darcy Eichman/Justin Sykora **NAMA:** Ann Keim/Jason Saffert **Masquers:** Suse Eastlund/Gwen Heyn **Sigma Sigma Sigma/Alpha Gamma Rho:** Shannon McDonough/John Rusk **Crabtree Hall:** Brooke Van Asten/Mark Nelson **Block & Bridle:** Tiffany Hill/Brad Hovel **Delta Theta Sigma/Little Sisters:** Angie Orth/Shawn Eckerman **Phi Mu/Sigma Tau Gamma:** Jenna Miller/Eric L. Galvin **Alpha Sigma Alpha/Phi Sigma Kappa:** Amy Tibbets/Brandon Rice **Grimm Hall:** Theresa Doran/Jim Melby **Alpha Omicron Pi/Theta Chi:** Mandy Freemore/Adam Frederick **Tomorrow's Educators:** Kerry Ann Behounek/Nick Griepentrog **Parker Hall:** Jessica Wermuth/Jared Liston **McMillan Hall:** Carrie Paetow/Joe Fischer **Johnson Hall:** Stacy Grudnowski/Jason Hovell

dent organizations are displaying their talents, a full schedule of cost-free events is available to keep the general student body busy.

Medallion hunts will be held all day Monday through Friday, while comedian Cris Carter will provide entertainment Monday evening in Brandy's. Cow pie bingo will be held on the campus mall from noon-3 p.m., Tuesday.

"I plan on attending all of the interesting activities and am especially looking forward to the comedian," said junior Ryan Kingstedt, from Champlin, Minn.

New events this year include frisbee gold, bocce

ball and a bonfire, which are sponsored by University Recreation. Frisbee golf and bocce ball will be held Friday on the campus mall, while the bonfire will be held Saturday evening at the amphitheatre.

"(College homecoming) is very unlike my high school homecoming," said sophomore Di Grommesch, a graduate of Apple Valley (Minn.) High School, who attended the coronation and dance and Homecoming football game last year. "It wasn't huge and not everyone on campus went, but it was still fun."

## New program takes students outdoors

Kristopher Jensen  
Staff Writer

Students and staff of UW - River Falls now have a great opportunity to see the outdoors this semester with KinniConnections, the newest addition to the Leadership Center's recreation programming.

The program, which offers outdoor education and adventure to people of all skill levels, is focused on providing high-adrenaline activities for college students with not-so-high spending limits.

Outdoor Recreation Manager Guy Overbeck said the program is an exciting new way for students to get involved with a campus organization.

"It's a brand new program that started this year," Overbeck said. "Last spring it was still in the planning stages, but the trips started this fall."

Overbeck, a UW-RF senior majoring in agriculture business, said River Falls is an ideal campus for outdoor clubs and programs.

"I think the big attraction is that a lot of the people here are from small towns and they're used to spending time outdoors," Overbeck said. "We're not in a big city. There's a lot that nature has to offer right nearby."

KinniConnections has planned multiple canoeing and camping excursions this semester, as well as rock climbing, hiking, backpacking and bicycling. The group also offers free classes on various outdoor education subjects.

The Recreation and Wellness Committee published a complete schedule of KinniConnections events earlier this semester.

Some of the upcoming highlights include a full moon hike and overnight camping trip on Friday the 13th, and a combined J-term trip with St.

Cloud State going to the Bridger Bowl for a week.

"We are also planning two or three trips over spring break that should be affordable for most college students," Overbeck said. "But for the money, any of our trips are a good value."

Students who wish to participate in events are asked to sign up at the front desk in the Leadership Center at least three days prior to the scheduled event. The early sign-up allows staff the time needed to secure enough transportation.

"All of the trips are paid for by students at a cost basis," Overbeck said. "We're not making any money on this. The biggest cost is for use of the University vans."

Cost for most trips is between five and 10 dollars.

See "Kinniconnections" on A6

## 2000 or bust

■ Student Senate sets goal at 2000 registered voters

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For the past several decades, voter turnout in America has steadily declined. The Student Senate wants to help break the streak of bad voter turnouts by encouraging UW-River Falls students to participate in Student Vote 2000.

Student Vote 2000 is a student-based program for all the universi-

ties in Wisconsin and its goal is to register as many eligible students as possible at the 23 of 26 campuses that are participating.

So why should students register to vote?

Jen Straub, Vote 2000 Coordinator says, "Registration speeds up the process. The city can prepare itself for the amount of people expected to vote. It saves us having to wait in line for three hours."

Student Senate will be sponsoring a registration table during lunch at the Student Center and at supper in Rodli Commons through Oct. 26.

See "Vote 2000" on A6

## Meat means money for student

Food science major receives national scholarship

Jason Borman  
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A UW-River Falls student has qualified for the highest monetary award given by the National Meat Association Scholarship Foundation. Travis Radloff, a food science major, beat out students from across the country to win the DeBenedetti Memorial Grant, which is given annually during the National Meat Association convention to an applicant majoring in a food science field.

Radloff, a senior from Oshkosh, Wis., didn't consider his chances of winning when he applied for the scholarship, but saw no harm in trying.

"I figure the odds get better for each one [application] you complete," Radloff said.

Bill Cordua, co-chair of the College of Agriculture, Food & Environmental Sciences scholarship committee, agrees with Radloff. Cordua's scholarship philosophy is that the only way of not getting a scholarship is not applying.

"This is a great honor for Travis, who is a person with exceptional abilities," Cordua said. "It also shows that one should never underestimate themselves and think they shouldn't go after national recognition just because they go to school here."

Radloff has been very active during his first three years at UW-RF. While working on campus in the meat processing plant, he has also

participated in Dairy Club, Food Science Club, Block and Bridle, Ag Education Society and Alpha Zeta.

Terry Ferriss, assistant dean of CAFES, believes the scholarship is a great honor for both Radloff and UW-RF's program.

"Travis Radloff's selection is an excellent reflection of the academic strength and personal integrity Travis contributes to our program on a daily basis," Ferriss said. "The UW-RF program should also be congratulated on the tremendous job of professional training they have provided Travis."

A five-person selection committee, made up of current animal, meat or food science faculty from across the country, choose the scholarship recipients. Applicants are judged based on an essay discussing their scholastics, career goals and work experience.

Ag marketing communication senior Ericka Adams, a classmate of Radloff, agrees with the committee's selection.

"Travis is a nice guy and a hard worker," Adams said. "He deserves this scholarship."

Radloff will graduate in May 2001. He is preparing applications for graduate school, but plans to test the job market as well.

Along with the \$2500 prize, Radloff also receives a certificate and \$500 in travel money to attend the February convention in Las Vegas.



Travis Radloff

## Where's the picnic?



Scott Wente / The Student Voice

Scattered across campus are assorted installations of student art--ranging from giant ants to mutilated television sets--as part of the art department's annual display.

BRIEFS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Student Health Services** and Pierce County Public Health Department are sponsoring a number of immunization clinics on campus during the semester. Clinics will be held on the last Wednesday of each month from 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the Kinnickinnic Room. The next clinic will be held on Oct. 25.

**UW-River Falls Cycling Club** is open to anyone of any ability level who enjoys riding. Road, BMX and mountain bikers are welcome. The club goes on bikes together and has members who mountain bike and BMX race. If you always wanted to race or are just looking for people to ride with call Shannon at 426-9557 or Becky at 426-4868.

**UW-River Falls Bushwackers** is a student-run, outdoor-related organization. Some of the activities the club participates in are camping, rock climbing, biking, hiking, ultimate Frisbee, paddling and backpacking, to name a few. No experience is necessary to join and some equipment is available to members. Club dues are \$5 per semester. Bushwackers meets at 7 p.m. Tuesday nights in the Presidents' Room of the Student Center. For further information or questions, call 426-0902.

**Due to the longer winter break** and school year, the academic school year has come to the attention of many students. A survey will be conducted during Homecoming week in the Student Center from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., which addresses the school calendar. Some issues include having longer classes to facilitate a shorter school year and having spring break coincide with other UW schools. If you don't like the way things are, get involved! Participate in the survey to make your opinions known. For further information, contact Jenn Gottschalk at 426-1162.

**Get your Meningitis shot!** There will be an immunization clinic on campus Wednesday, Oct. 25 from 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the Kinnickinnic Room of the Student Center. Meningitis shots will be \$65. Hepatitis B, Chickenpox, Tetanus and MMR will also be available free or at a reduced rate. For further information, call Student Health Services 425-3293.

EVENTS

**UW-River Falls Career Services** is sponsoring a number of informative workshops through Dec. 13. On Oct. 16, "Writing Effective Resumes" will be held from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. in the St. Croix Room of the Hagedstad Student Center. A number of workshops will be announced in next week's issue of *The Student Voice*.

**The UW-River Falls Homecoming Concert** will be Oct. 22 at 3 p.m. in Abbott Concert Hall of Kleinpell Fine Arts. The concert will feature the Concert Choir, Women's Chorus, University Chorus, Alumni Jazz Ensemble and Alumni Choir.

**Textbook Services** will be holding a discontinued textbook sale now through Nov. 17. Textbooks are available in all subject areas, with prices ranging from 25 cents to several dollars a copy. If students wish to purchase books they have checked out, they can bring them to the textbook sale and receive a 20 to 40 percent discount.

**A second Etiquette Dinner** will be held by popular demand Monday, Oct. 23 at 5:15 p.m. in the Blue Room of Rodli Commons. To register, go to Career Services and complete a form and pick up a ticket. The deadline for accepting reservations is Wednesday, Oct. 18.

SCHOLARSHIPS

**The Western Wisconsin Chapter** of the Federation of Environmental Technologists (FET) is offering a \$500 scholarship award to a student pursuing a degree in environmental science or a related field. The recipient will also receive a one-year membership to FET and will be invited to attend FET's Annual Environment 2001 Conference March 6 and 7. Applicants should be at least of junior standing enrolled at UW-River Falls, pursuing a Bachelor's or a Master's degree. Applications are available at the Financial Assistance Office and the deadline for submission of applications is Dec. 1.

**The National Science Foundation** is offering three-year graduate fellowships in science, mathematics and engineering. These awards are intended for those students in the early stages of graduate study in the aforementioned fields. Fellowships will also be awarded to women in engineering and computer science fields. Applications can be picked up at Financial Assistance and the deadline for application is Nov. 7.

**The Wisconsin Troopers' Association** is offering six \$300 Memorial Scholarships to Wisconsin residents enrolled in two or four-year degree programs in criminal justice-related fields. Applicants must have completed 50 percent of credits necessary for completion of the program, and the criteria for decision will be cumulative GPA and an essay of no more than 400 words. The essays must describe the applicants, their future goals and why they decided to pursue a criminal justice or law-related degree. Application forms are at the Financial Assistance Office and must be submitted by Oct. 31.

**Central Middle School** and **Hartford Union High School** in Hartford, WI are offering \$500 teaching scholarships to Hartford and Central graduates who are student-teaching, college of education students at any UW System university or Wisconsin college. Awards will be based on students' character and financial need. Interested students must submit a letter of inquiry to Mr. May at Central Middle School. Applications are due by Oct. 15 and Feb. 15. For further information, contact Phil May at Central Middle School, 1100 Cedar St., Hartford, WI, 53027. Applicants can contact May by phone at (414) 673-8040.

**Mark A. Pursley Memorial Foundation** is pleased to announce \$500 scholarships for the academic year 2000-01. Money will be awarded to college juniors and seniors majoring in psychology, sociology and social work. Students must be in good academic standing. Applications are available in the Financial Assistance Office and will be received until Nov. 15.

MEETINGS

**Lutheran Student Fellowship** will be meeting this year at 8 p.m. Tuesday nights in Luther Memorial Basement. The topic will be different Christian denominations and their beliefs. For other information, contact Carrie Hanson at (715) 247-5968.

**The Student Senate** meets every Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the Regents Room of the Student Center.

**College Republicans** will meet every Thursday at 7 p.m. in the St. Croix Room in the 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.

Presidential candidates: the issues

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| <p><b>Al Gore</b></p>  <p><i>"We need to make college education and skill training available for a lifetime."</i></p> | <p><b>George W. Bush</b></p>  <p><i>"The success of America has never been proven by cities of gold, but by citizens of character."</i></p> | <p><b>Pat Buchanan</b></p>  <p><i>"There is no fighting conservative party in Washington today. We intend to build one."</i></p> | <p><b>Ralph Nader</b></p>  <p><i>"This, an era of burgeoning private wealth and large projected public surplus, is the time to reinvigorate our public investments."</i></p> |
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**Scott Wente**  
*Staff Writer*

This year's presidential election includes candidates from many different political parties, but four of the presidential hopefuls have garnered the most publicity.

Patrick J. Buchanan, a former assistant to both President Nixon and President Reagan, is running on the Reform Party ticket. George W. Bush, the current governor of Texas, is the GOP's nominee. Vice-President Al Gore is running on the Democratic Party ticket, while Ralph Nader, who also ran in the 1996 presidential election, is the Green Party's candidate.

The following is a breakdown of issues that may be important to the students of UW-River Falls, followed by each of the four candidates' stance or proposals on those issues. This is not a list of every important issue in this year's election, nor does it include all of the proposals from each candidate; instead it is meant to highlight major opinions or objectives of the candidates.

Abortion

**Buchanan** - Pro-life; would only nominate pro-life Supreme Court justices and eliminate any "abortion industry funding," including Planned Parenthood.

**Bush** - Pro-life with exceptions of rape, incest and life of mother; supports a ban of taxpayer funds for abortion; supports a ban on partial-birth abortions; wants to make permanent the \$5,000 adoption tax credit.

**Gore** - Supports a woman's right to choose and opposes restricted Medicaid funding for abortions.

**Nader** - Believes that it's not the government's role to "force a woman" to have or not to have a child; however, he thinks that an effort should be made to prevent the necessity of abortion.

Agriculture

**Buchanan** - Buchanan's "Bill of Rights for the Family Farm" includes an enforcement of existing anti-trust laws to prevent large mergers in American agriculture; supports the abolishment of all inheritance and capital gains taxes on family farms; supports instituting an annual cut-back of paperwork for family farms, and exempting family farms from OSHA regulations.

**Bush** - Wants to continue research into technology that develops alternative fuels and other farm products; supports emergency assistance to farmers, according to the 1996 Farm Bill; supports continued funding for agriculture research and education; will work to eliminate trade barriers on U.S. agricultural products.

**Gore** - Wants to fix the "Freedom to Farm" Act; make crop insurance more effective and affordable; reduce concentration in the agribusiness industry; expand agricultural trade "that's fair to family farmers;" make low-interest loans available to young farmers just starting out; develop ethanol and other new agricultural-based products; he supports incentives for voluntary farmland conservation practices.

**Nader** - His agriculture plan, "Toward a Better Farm and Food Policy," includes a 24-month moratorium on large agribusiness mergers, redirection of USDA research towards organic farming, value-enhancing agriculture and a larger focus on direct marketing methods for small farmers. The plan also allows for the growing of industrial hemp by American farmers; examination of all agriculture department functions, and consideration of modifications to promote direct marketing.

Energy

**Buchanan** - Wants to reactivate nuclear power as a major energy source.

**Bush** - Supports tax credits for electricity produced from renewable and alternative fuels at a cost of \$1.4 billion over 10 years; proposes legislation requiring electric utilities to reduce "harmful emissions;" wants to use an estimated \$1.2 billion of bid bonuses from opening of Arctic National Wildlife Refuge to exploratory oil-drilling, for funding research into alternative energy sources.

**Gore** - Favors legislation offering incentives to industry for reducing pollution; tax credits to producers of electricity from renewable and alternative sources; wants to invest in mass transit programs such as light rail and high-speed rail; expand the current tax credit for solar energy use.

**Nader** - Promote the exploration of alternatives to oil, gas, timber and mining; tax incentives to consumers of efficient and renewable technologies; increase use of renewable energy sources to at least 25 percent by the year 2010.

Environment

**Buchanan** - Wants to abolish the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), giving the states control of that land; offer incentives to industry to develop resource-efficient technologies; establish incentives for business to clean up pollution they create; give states the flexibility to pursue alternatives for promoting green space and protecting water quality.

**Bush** - Believes land management decisions are best handled by local and state governments; wants to establish a \$50 million Landowner Incentive Program for states to help private landowners practice land management and protection of rare species; supports "continued research" into the causes and impacts of global warming; wants the government to fully fund the \$500 million Land and Water Conservation Fund.

**Gore** - Wants to strengthen the Clean Water Act; involve landowners in habitat protection measures under the Endangered Species Act; expand wilderness areas and natural monument designations; stop "commercial exploitation" of environmentally sensitive land; supports full funding for National Parks; he wants to fight for stronger environmental standards to reduce soot and smog levels.

**Nader** - Toughen air pollution standards; increase use of renewable energy and less use of fossil fuels; hold SUV's to the same efficiency standards as other automobiles; keep radioactive waste where it's produced; immediate cessation of commercial logging on US public lands; more emphasis on solar energy.

Gun Control

**Buchanan** - Believes additional legislation is not the answer to curbing violent crimes and convicted felons should forfeit their right to own firearms; he supports the right of private ownership of firearms for "pleasure, or personal or family safety."

**Bush** - Wants to provide more funding for current gun law enforcement programs; expand the "instant check" system at gun shows; increase the minimum age for unsupervised possession of handguns from 18 to 21; he supports voluntary efforts to equip all handguns with child safety locks; he proposes Project Childsafe, a national initiative to provide federal matching funds to make child safety locks available for all handguns in America.

**Gore** - Wants increased penalties for gun-related crimes; a state-issued photo license for every hand-gun buyer; a 3-day waiting period for handgun purchases and one purchase per month; child safety locks on all new handguns; raise minimum handgun possession age from 18 to 21; proposes a ban on concealed weapons in places of worship.

**Nader** - There are four aspects to Nader's stance on gun control and safety: The weapons must be designed safely with trigger locks; there must be strong enforcement of current laws; one must know how to use weapons and be licensed to own them and "certain weapons" should be banned.

Higher Education

**Buchanan** - Supports tax-free education savings accounts.

**Bush** - Wants to grant complete tax exemption to all qualified pre-paid and tuition savings plans.

**Gore** - Wants to make up to \$10,000 of college tuition tax-deductible.

**Nader** - Supports more citizen and student participation in decision-making at the college level.

K-12 Education

**Buchanan** - Wants to abolish US Department of Education and give all control and funding back to state and local level; wants voluntary prayer in public schools; opposes teaching standards and national student testing; supports tuition vouchers to be used at all schools; rejects "multicultural" curricula.

**Bush** - Would use \$1 billion to strengthen K-12 math and science education; wants to establish a \$500 million fund to reward states and schools that improve student performance; proposes investing \$5 billion in "Reading First," a program to make sure every child can read by the third grade; supports an expanding role of faith-based and community organizations in after-school programs.

**Gore** - Plans to invest an additional \$170 billion into public schools over ten years; would require statewide tests for teachers in the areas they intend on teaching; would encourage more high-school exit requirements; supports increasing teacher salaries.

**Nader** - Favors equalizing funds to all educational resources, including educational alternatives; would like to tax stock market speculators on what they buy and sell, and use that money for education (and health care).

Social Security

**Buchanan** - Believes seniors should continue to receive their benefits under the current plan; wants all payroll taxes devoted to Social Security alone; he urges Americans to begin building personal retirement accounts.

**Bush** - Wants to modernize Social Security by including individually controlled, voluntary personal retirement accounts; believes the Social Security surplus must be "locked away"; believes the Social Security payroll taxes must not be increased; opposes government investment of Social Security funds in the stock market; against changes in existing benefits for retirees or near retirees.

**Gore** - Wants to keep any Social Security surplus within the program or use it as debt reduction; opposes an older retirement age or a privatization of the Social Security system; proposes voluntary Retirement Savings Plus accounts, tax-deductible accounts maintained by private financial institutions that would allow taxpayers to save up to \$2000 per year, in addition to the normal Social Security program.

**Nader** - Would defend the current Social Security program from privatization plans; adjust the benefit formula in favor of widows and widowers; believes Social Security needs to be improved with "gradual changes."

Taxes

**Buchanan** - Promises to return all of the surpluses to the people; will eliminate all death taxes; end the marriage penalty; will cut income taxes "for all Americans;" will use an imposed tariff on imports to eliminate taxes for small businesses.

**Bush** - Would cut the maximum tax-rate for the middle class to 25 percent of their income; cap the top tax rate at 33 percent; reduce the marriage penalty, allowing two-earner families to deduct up to \$3000; double the child tax credit to \$11,000.

**Gore** - Wants to provide relief to stay-at-home parents; supports a \$3000 tax credit to families with long-term care needs; wants to expand the Earned Income Tax Credit; wants to raise the standard deduction for married couples.

**Nader** - Thinks the more money you make, the higher the percentage you should have to pay; wants to put taxes on stock market speculation, pollution, and sprawl; wants less taxes on items such as food and books.

For more information on the candidates, search their web sites:

<http://www.gopatgo2000.org/>  
<http://www.georgewbush.com/>  
<http://www.gore2000.org/>  
<http://www.votenerader.com/>

# Digging up a rewarding career

■ UW-River Falls students attend Geology Field Conference, giving informative talks and conducting research

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What do you get when you put 50-plus geologists together in a rock quarry and ask them how the rocks got there? The answer may differ from person to person, but nine UW-River Falls geology students gave their thoughts on this question and other local geology issues Sept. 29 and 30 during the Wisconsin State University (WSU) Geology Field Conference.

The biannual conference featured talks from Jennifer Lueth, Jeff Starck, Alyssa Boock, Paul Pieper, Carolyn Knoll, Jo Anne Verhasselt, Mida Severson, Christopher Peters and Lisa Marie Erickson.

"This was an opportunity to showcase local geology to other universities and allow our students to have the opportunity to showcase it," said Bob Baker, plant and earth science chair and geology professor.

Students and faculty from UW-Milwaukee, UW-Whitewater, and UW-Oshkosh along with roughly 20 UW-RF students participated in the two-day event. The field conference was centered in Spring Valley, where attendees learned about the local geology and history.

Friday night featured the first talk and tours through Crystal Cave. After registration on Saturday morning, talks began at 9 a.m., took a break for lunch at Eau Galle Recreation Area and

were completed by 3 p.m.

The talks were nearly 10 minutes each on such topics varying from an earthen dam, to the Crystal Caves, to fossil hunting, to sediments and mining. They were all based on research the students have done since last spring for a one-credit special problem course.

Geology professor Kerry Keen, who first participated in this field conference as undergraduate at Whitewater, understood the stress, anxiety and the hard work the students went through.

"This was a unique opportunity for the students, (and) very rewarding," Keen said.

Past conferences hosted by River Falls included two trips to Taylor's Falls, near Plum City and around Maiden Rock.

"The professors in the department came up with interesting spots that we wanted to learn more about and those professors became advisors to students doing the research," Baker said.

One of the more popular spots on the trip was Howe's Quarry, where students were able to collect fossils of trilobites in the rubble along the quarry wall. Whole trilobites, an organism from the Paleozoic era, are rare in the area, but students were able to keep specimens for their own collection.

The students themselves enjoyed the experience.

"It was great to be around other geology students from other universities," said Jo Anne Verhasselt, a senior geology major.



Submitted photo  
A geology field conference held in Spring Valley Sept. 29 and 30 taught students about local geology and history.

"It was an excellent chance to not only do the research, but to present in front of our peers as well," said Lisa Marie Erickson, another senior geology major. "It was fun."

The success of the trip has translated to extra-curricular activities as well. The River Falls Geological Society is camping this weekend with students they met from UW-Milwaukee to study glacial and karst geology in southern Wisconsin.

"The students did an excellent job on their talks and represented the University very well," Baker said.

The next WSU Field Conference will be hosted by UW-Oshkosh in 2002. Copies of the guidebook are available to all of those interested in the material presented during the conference in Chalmer Davee Library.

## CAMPUS SECURITY

### Sexual assault reported

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Co-News Editor

On Oct. 7, a female student reported being sexually assaulted in Johnson Hall. According to Sergeant Jeff Linehan, the female had unwanted sexual contact with an acquaintance who is not a campus resident. Nobody has been held in connection with the crime, but police have a suspect in question. Details of the case have been sent to the District Attorney.

In other news, a number of underage citations, totaling over \$8,000, were given out between Sept. 30 and Oct. 4.

- At 1077 E. Cascade Ave., Christopher R. Weber, 19, was issued a citation for underage consumption and fined \$158. Kristin M. Fiedler, 19, was issued an underage drinking citation in the 300 block of Walnut St. and fined \$281.
- At 528 E. Walnut St. on Sept. 30, Matthew J. Palas, 21, was arrested in connection with procuring (alcohol) to sell or dispense. At that same location, Scott D. Kusilek, 20, Lucas J. Smith, 19, and Gregory M. Spahn, 19, were issued citations for underage consumption and fined \$281 respectively for second offenses. Jennifer A. Reichtzgel, 20, Jeremy R. Licht, 20, Jacob M. Norby, 20, Robert D. Ohman, 20, and Andrew E. Kotelnicki, 20, were issued citations for underage consumption and fined \$158 respectively.
- Nathan R. Hendrickson, 20, was issued a citation for underage consumption at 528 E. Walnut St. on Oct. 1 and fined \$158.00.
- Adam D. Rondeau, 19, was issued a citation for underage consumption in 319 Hathorn Hall on Oct. 1 and fined \$212.
- Thomas J. Pulford, 19, was fined \$219.50 for resisting arrest and obstructing an officer at 400 6th St. on Oct. 1. Pulford fled from a police officer during a house party and, upon being caught, fought with the officer before being cited.
- Oct. 4 was also another big night for underage consumption. Ryan C. Hoops, 21, was given a citation for

sale of alcohol without a license at 503 S. Main St. and fined \$281. At the same address, Angela L. Gleason, 20, Adam L. Thoen, 20, Collin S. Jasnoch, 20, Mariah C. Tritz, 20, Leah M. Jordahl, 19, Joseph D. Bayer, 19, Ryan L. Nohrenberg, 19, and Jason A. Fallon, 19, were issued citations for underage consumption and fined \$158 respectively.

- Michael J. Micek, 22, was arrested in connection with selling alcohol without a license at 701 S. Main St. on Oct. 4., where Melissa M. Carter, 19, Sarah L. Mattson, 19, Dustin J. Auth, 20, Daniel N. Johnson, 19, Marci A. Brenner, 18, Susan L. Blazevec, 18, Noah J. Bigjohn, 18, Melissa L. Kubista, 18, Erik J. Stewart, 18, Lesley A. Silberhorn, 19, Chris G. Lavigne, 20, Cody J. Miller, 18, Jamie L. Delfosse, 18, Rebecca J. Maulucci, 19, Mario R. Fantauzzi, 19, Tamara J. Dahlby, 20, Clay C. Vannet, 18, Susan E. Blaska, 20, Amanda M. Moxon, 19, Anthony C. Sinz, 19, Edward A. Towey, 19, Katherine M. Hanson, Kelly J. Cramer, 19, and Amanda C. Lorenz, 19, were all issued citations for underage consumption and fined \$158 respectively.
- Abigail J. Kanzler, 19, was also issued a citation for underage consumption at 701 S. Main St. on Oct. 4, but was fined \$281 for a second offense.
- Elaine Goodman, 18, reported that her bike was stolen from the Crabtree bike rack between Sept. 28 and Sept. 29.
- On Sept. 30, Dennis E. Bangart, 18, reported that his car had been damaged in the E-Lot. Upon inspection, damages came to \$500 including a dent in the hood of the car with footprints covering the dent.
- Also on Sept. 30, Bree Ann Burgy, 18, reported damage to her car in the E-Lot. Damages totaling \$2,000 included a dented hood and key marks on the left and right sides of the vehicle. Mona M. Barrada, 20, also reported damage to her car in the E-Lot totaling \$200 (paint was cracked on the hood).

## Career Fair prepares students for real world

■ Past students have received internships and jobs through this event

Amy Moe  
Staff Writer

UW-River Falls Career Services is once again offering an event that encourages students to think about their futures.

The Annual Career Fair, part of "Career Week," takes place on Wednesday, Oct. 18 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Karges Center.

The theme of this year's fair is "Today's choices build tomorrow's success."

Nine graduate schools and 104 employers will be on campus to meet with students.

This is an event where students and employers

can meet one-on-one regarding jobs, internships or possible career opportunities during school or after graduation. Students can also polish their networking skills and become more confident when speaking with employers.

Lanae Nelson, Career Fair coordinator, does not want students to miss this opportunity.

"Most people are at college so someday they can have a career," Nelson said. "The Career Fair is a starting point and great way to learn to sell yourself that students should take advantage of."

Juniors and seniors are not the only students who should consider attending the Career Fair, according to Carmen Croonquist of Career Services.

"Students of all levels of study are encouraged to attend the Career Fair," said Croonquist. "This is a wonderful opportunity to network with employers and learn about a wide variety of career possibilities."

Croonquist notes that freshmen and sophomore students attending the fair can start to learn more

about the career fields they are interested in, start networking early, gain possible internships and define their future plans.

When thinking about a career, it is important to meet as many employers as possible, according to Nelson.

"Get your name out there," Nelson said. "These employers can be your connection to the working world."

Several students from UW-RF have landed internships and jobs from previous career fairs, according to Croonquist.

Dress for the career fair is business professional. Khakis and a dress shirt or a skirt and blouse are acceptable.

Croonquist points out that making a first impression is important, especially when concerning future employers.

Students with prepared resumes should bring several copies that day to leave with employers.

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Check out the Student Voice online  
at [www.uwrf.edu/student-voice](http://www.uwrf.edu/student-voice)

## UW-RF professors awarded for going the extra mile

Arts and Sciences educators teach with 'enthusiasm, inspiration' students say

Jeff Starck and John Goss  
Staff Writers

Biology professor E. Katherine Miller, English professor David Furniss and Psychology professor Daniel Linwick were recipients of the College of Arts & Sciences Outstanding Faculty Awards.

The award was presented at a meeting of the college faculty just prior to the start of the semester. Each recipient received a plaque and check as a sign of a job well done.

"I wasn't expecting this certainly," Furniss said.

The college sent out ballots to the past few graduating classes asking for nominees for the awards. The Monday before Labor Day, the winners were notified by e-mail that they had won an award and it was to be remain secret until a college faculty meeting took place.

"The biggest challenge was going on a week long faculty retreat with my fellow colleagues and not being able to tell them," Miller said.

The professors attributed their success to their students.

"Students make me a better person," Miller said. "They compel me to be the best person I can be."

Furniss added that making himself available and being engaged to with the students and the material being presented in class was a huge contributing factor for his own success.

"I believe that it is important that in a small class early in a student's career to connect with them and establish a repertoire with freshman as a representative of River Falls and as a person," Furniss said.

Linwick agrees that the interaction with students is the lifeline of his experience here.

"It is a privilege to have the opportunity to interact with students," he said. "Were I not a professor, I wouldn't have

had the chance to meet so many interesting people."

Each winner received feedback and comments from the nominations that were sent in.

"He (Furniss) is a very inspirational teacher - one who engages students and is enthusiastic about his teaching," a former student said. "It was a pleasure being in his classroom."

"Miller was one of the best professors I've had," said Christopher Peters, a former student of hers. "I learned more than I realized I would going into the class."

Linwick was recognized as being "genuine," "understanding" and an exceptional person.

He tries to help students by treating them as equals; recognizing that different people are interested in different things.

Linwick received his bachelor's and master's degree in psychology from Western Washington University and has a doctorate in experimental psychology from the University of Minnesota. Before coming to UW-RF in 1987, he taught laboratory courses at the University of Minnesota with a focus in learning.

Linwick has also published and presented in psychology, focusing on learning and memory cognitive processes in animals and taught courses in general psychology, research methods, behavior modification, learning and animal behavior here at UW-RF.

When Linwick came to this University, he brought his experience and co-authored a proposal for modernizing the animal learning laboratory. The proposal led to a grant that enabled Linwick to update the lab.

The lab is currently used in the learn-

ing and motivation course giving students the opportunity to work with technology used to study basic psychological processes. Past students have conducted experiments under Linwick's supervision and have gone on to present their findings according to the psychology home page.

For Furniss, the award was a "nice surprise to come back to." He was on sabbatical last semester and is filling in on short notice as the interim Writing Center director this year.

Miller, the winner from the math and science area, has been influential in bringing in grant money to the biology department. Through her efforts, the department received \$75,000 from The National Institutes of Health (NIH). With this money, the department has been able to hire a tech student and two other students to work on various lab projects. Her love for the work has made the work very enjoyable for her.

"I really love what I teach," Miller said. "Even after teaching the same thing about cells for the 12th time, it is still exciting. People learn best when they know the professors and their interests as well."

Grateful for the award, Furniss cautioned that this isn't a competition.

"There are lots of good had working teachers out there," Furniss said. "It was symbolic of how hard some of us are working though."

Furniss perhaps said it best to explain what the award meant to its winners.

"It's really gratifying to be remembered by those who've graduated after I had them when they were just freshmen."

*"Students make me a better person. They compel me to be the best person I can be"*

-Prof. E. Katherine Miller

Individual student attention is priority for education professor

John Goss  
Staff Writer

Associate Professor Geoffrey Scheurman has been selected Outstanding Faculty Member in the College of Education and Graduate Studies by his peers.

Scheurman is an energetic professor whose energy rubs off on the students in his class according to a fellow professor.

"My experience working with Professor Scheurman has been nothing but positive," according to So-young Zeon, a professor in teacher education, "He is dedicated to students," Zeon said. "His energy rubs off on students."

Scheurman is a professor in the department of teacher education here at UW-River Falls, where he teaches undergraduate and graduate courses in educational psychology, techniques of social studies teaching and historical and philosophical foundations of education.

Scheurman has a bachelor of arts degree in political science, economics and a master of arts degree in curriculum and instruction and American studies from the University of Wyoming. He earned his Ph.D. in educational psychology from the University of Iowa in 1993.

The ability to meet with students regularly in and out of the classroom is one thing that Scheurman likes about teaching at UW-River Falls. This would not be possible at a place like the University of Minnesota because of its larger size he said.

"I like the ability to encounter individual students in multiple context," Scheurman said. "Something that would not be possible at a place like the University of Minnesota."

Along with teaching, Scheurman is involved in professional development workshops on critical thinking, authentic intellectual work in social studies, motivation, information tech-

nology and constructive teaching strategies. He also conducts research on adolescent and adult intellectual development, critical thinking dispositions and personal epistemologies (study of the origin of knowledge), as well as trends in social studies curriculum reform.

According to Scheurman, he likes that his position at UW-RF allows him to be a "generalist," meaning he is able to study and conduct research in many areas.

Recognized as a leader in the constructivist learning theory, Scheurman addresses the topic at conferences of the American Educational Research Association, the American Psychological Association and the National Council for Social Studies.

Scheurman has also published papers dealing with strategies for teaching educational psychology, critical reading in history and the U.S. Constitution.

In cooperation with his colleague Mike Yell, 1998 NCSS Middle School Teacher of the Year, Scheurman served as guest editor and contributing author for a special edition of *Social Education*. The topic of this special issue was Constructing Knowledge in Social Studies.

Scheurman is also the recipient of a three-year grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities, "Still Searching for America: Conversations on National Identity," the grant will help teach high school teachers in humanities and social sciences in summer school and help them to devise classroom courses.

Overall, Scheurman is a dedicated teacher and family man who enjoys his work and has a reputation for bringing his enthusiasm, humor and passion to teaching and life according to those who know him.

*"I like the ability to encounter individual students in a multiple context."*

-Associate Prof. Scheurman

STUDENT SENATE NEWS

UW-RF students pay back loans

Sara Masson  
Staff Writer

Two new senators were elected to the UW-River Falls Student Senate Tuesday in the Regents Room in the Student Center.

The vote to elect these new senators was a 15-0 vote. The two new people elected are Brian Welsh and Courtney Hexum.

"These two students were next in line for student senate positions; they are qualified for the job," said Adam Clasen, vice-president of the UW-RF Student Senate.

These two students were voted in because two prior student senators gave up their spots in senate.

"The two former senators gave up their positions because of prior time commitments. They both felt as though they could no longer dedicate themselves to the level that we need them," said Clasen.

The Senate also voted 15-0 to elect Eric Dodge as the new chair of the Diversity Committee. There was discussion on the topic, but no opposition in the vote.

Senate also discussed a new type of professor evaluation. The senate hopes to have a new teacher evaluation for students to fill out that will provide better, more useful information for students when they register for classes.

"My hope is to get professors to approve a new evaluation. However, it doesn't appear that the Faculty Senate will pass this idea through," said Jaime Kirkpatrick, Student Affairs Director. "As a last resort the Student Senate may do their own evaluation and

publish the information on the web, so that it will be useful to students."

Senate discussed the issue at some length. A number of members of the senate showed interest in a new evaluation. It seemed to be the consensus among these members that a new more beneficial evaluation is needed.

At the most recent Board of Regents meeting, the fact that UW-RF students have the highest loan return rate of any institution in the UW System was covered.

"UW-RF students are paying their loans back faster than an other school in the UW System," said Amy Jurgens, the Student Senate President.

Jurgens believes that the fast loan return rate that UW-RF students have is partially due to students getting jobs in their degree fields and getting out in to the market quickly.

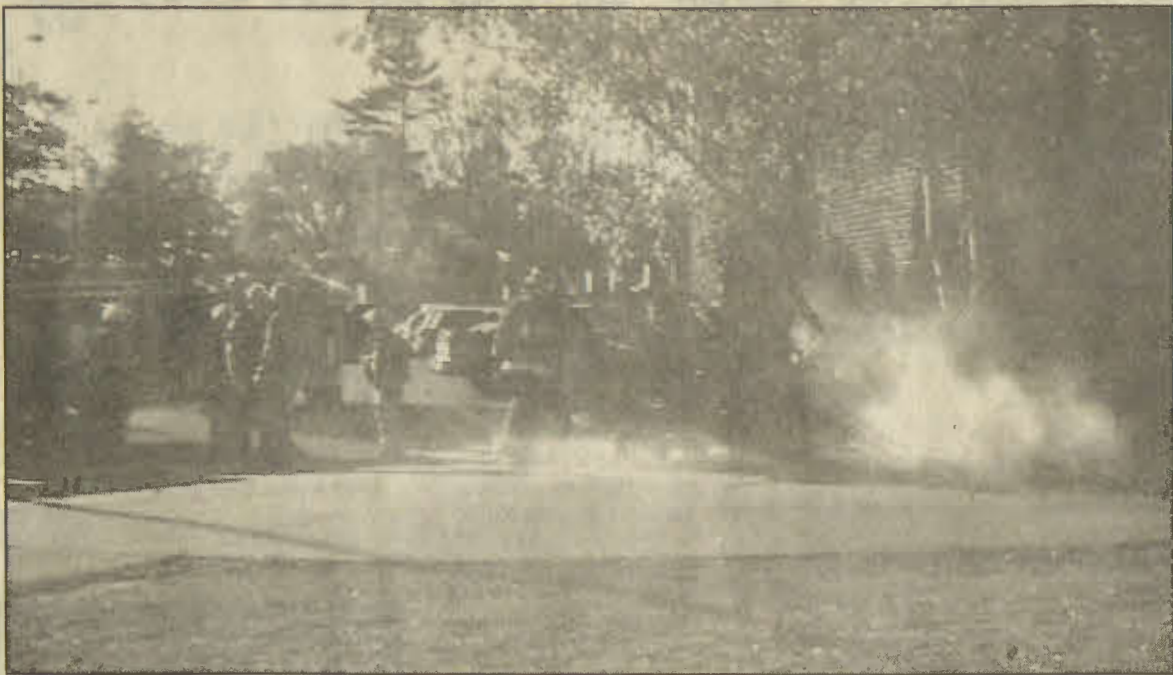
Another issue discussed was the program Student Vote 2000. This is a program on campus actively working to get students to vote in the upcoming presidential election.

"Student Vote 2000 is doing really well, but we could definitely use more support," said Jennifer Straub, Legislative Issues Director.

This organization has registered more than 100 people to vote since the beginning of their campaign. They are continuing this campaign, and would like to register as many students as possible.

The Student Senate will meet next on Tuesday, Oct. 17 at 7 p.m. in the Regents Room in the Student Center.

It wasn't a false alarm



Molly Montag / The Student Voice

Firefighters extinguished a fire outside Johnson Hall on Tuesday afternoon. The cause of the fire was undetermined according Pricilla Stevens, director of Campus Security.

Careers / Focus on students' futures

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"To make the most out of the Career Fair, students need to be proactive about greeting employers and establishing rapport," said Croonquist. "They should ask questions about the organizations, possibilities and the hiring process."

The Career Fair started several years ago with the College of Agriculture and has broadened its reach to other areas of study.

Nelson stresses that even though there are a lot of agriculture companies represented, there is something in the career fair for everyone.

"Whatever your major is, there's something that we can offer for you," Nelson said. "Go there with an open mind."

To learn more about employers that will be attending the Career Fair, there are books available in Career Services and information on the website, [www.uwrf.edu/css](http://www.uwrf.edu/css).

Informational meetings will be held in the Student Center after the Fair. McGladrey Pullen, Covance Laboratories, General Mills and the Peace Corps will be represented at different meetings.

In addition to the Career Fair, there are career-related events planned for most of the week.

On Monday, Oct. 16, a session on writing effective resumes will be held in the St. Croix Room in the Student Center from 2 to 3 p.m. Also on Monday, the Etiquette Dinner starts at 5:15 p.m. in the River Room of Rodli Commons.

Due to the popularity of this event, a second Etiquette Dinner has been added on Monday, Oct. 23 at 5:15 in the Blue Room of Rodli.

The "Career Walk-Thru Workshop," held in the Falcon Nest area of the Student Center from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 17 has many features. These include resume, cover letter and portfolio assistance, mock interviews conducted by employers, graduate school selection and application assistance, career development assistance, advice on how to "dress for success," and career and job search information.

On-campus recruitment begins Thursday for permanent, full-time positions.

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## Camp Roadkill by Jamison Penny



## Bush wins debate with clear solutions

KRISTOPHER JENSEN



*"When it came down to issues, Bush represented his ideas clearly, with specific explanations of how he would solve issues at a national level."*

As an admittedly conservative voter who is praying for new blood in the White House, I have to admit that I was a little disheartened after both candidates' performance in the first presidential debate. It was as if Gov. George W. Bush was caught off guard all night, and Vice President Al Gore had something caught in his throat, which he tried to dislodge every time Bush spoke.

The tides turned Wednesday night, however, when each candidate got a second chance to voice their views to America. Though both candidates made improvements in their demeanor, Bush clearly made the biggest strides in connecting with his voters. When it came down to issues, Bush represented his ideas clearly, with specific explanations of how he would solve issues at a national level.

Bush was not afraid to take a stand on potentially controversial issues about which he holds strong feelings. When the topic of hate crimes in Texas arose, Bush quickly and unflinchingly affirmed his position, stating that the "thugs" involved in a recent incident of a hate crime were serving "the ultimate penalty" for their actions—a death sentence. There is a lot of controversy over the death penalty. Critics say it's wrong to punish people in this way and that two

wrongs won't make a right. However, it isn't wrong—it's swift, just, and fair. And to Christians, it's exactly what the Bible talks about in *Genesis 9:6* when it says "Whoever sheds the blood of man, by man shall his blood be shed..."

People can no longer assume that because we have a separation of church and state that politics are independent of faith issues. Your personal world view, your outlook on life, and your assembly of beliefs are undeniable and inseparably intertwined with your political persuasion. We all are instilled with a moral compass, or a conscience. No matter where you think that voice inside your head comes from, it is ultimately the very thing that guides you in your decision-making.

Another important issue that arose in the debate was gay marriages. Though in the view of his party, Dick Cheney may have waffled on the issue at the VP candidates' debate, but George Bush was again firm on his stance. He said, "I'm not for gay marriage. I think marriage is a sacred institution between a man and a woman."

It was impressive to see him honestly answer a question that was obviously a test—a test that he passed.

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## One more and then you gotta go

Although many enjoy alcohol, the limits are being set by those that don't even support drinking

There aren't many English words that have an immediate negative connotation to them—that disgusted feeling you get as soon as you hear it. But if there ever were a word that appalled so many people so quickly, it would have to be "drunk." And the peculiar thing about the word "drunk" is that it still has the same effect if not worse: intoxicated, inebriated, bombed, smashed, plastered, plowed, loaded, ripped, tanked, etc.

It's strange to think that a simple terminology can turn off such a vast number of individuals; even those who have a tendency to drink a lot occasionally find offense to these words. It's as if society has deemed alcohol as one of the most deviant evils of the world; somehow we have made the connection from drinking to irresponsibility.

So where did this relationship derive from? Although that is an ambiguous question, I can at least tell you that it didn't come from two of the most prevalent influences in history: the Bible and government. The last time I checked, drinking wasn't listed as one of the Commandments; Noah was known to throw back quite often, and Jesus was changing water into wine at weddings. And although the United States government spoke ill of alcohol with Prohibition in 1920, it realized its mistake as it repealed the law in 1933.

Aside from possible physical health risks

(although it has been proven that drinking in moderation can be good for you), drinking a bottle of beer, downing a jug of hard liquor, or consuming a case of champagne isn't going to automatically make a person run amuck and destroy property or kill people. And while UW-

Staking out bars at 2 a.m. and flashing their squad car lights if your vehicle inches too close to the centerline, the "boys in blue" are ready to save the world by nailing someone who may have had too much to drink. It's nice to know our police forces are present to serve and protect, but where I come from, they were

better known as "peace" officers; an old practice, but cops used to follow citizens home instead of busting them. Drinking and driving isn't a recommended practice, but there is a big difference between responsibly trying to get home after having "one too many" and foolishly joyriding across town in a drunken stupor.

And while consuming liquor has made a repulsive flavor on the minds of upright citizens by itself, the thought of underage drinking has created a whole new pungent taste altogether. Shunned by many, it's inconceivable how those under the age of 21 can think they can maturely handle alcohol. But while we don't allow those 18 the full rights of adulthood, we can give them bullets and a gun and tell them to go off and protect our country.

Now I don't want anybody to get the notion that I'm saying a person or a group of people can't have a good time without drinking; of course there are plenty of other things to do. But just like going to the movies or playing a board game, it's just as fun once in awhile to hang out with a group of friends at a bar or watch a ball game and get sloshed.

See "Drinking" on page A6

## MATTHEW PERENCHIO



"Drinking and driving isn't a recommended practice, but there is a big difference between responsibly trying to get home after having 'one too many' and foolishly joyriding across town in a drunken stupor."

River Falls is concerned about our campus (a March 1999 Administration of the Core Survey found that 52.5 percent of UW-RF students binge drink within a two-week period compared to 42 percent nationally), there hasn't been an overabundance of drunkards setting the city into flames. However, the police seem to have a different opinion of this.

## EDITORIAL

## River Falls offers country to keep students around for weekend

One of the biggest draws to this University is the surrounding area and what is available to you as a student.

If you look at River Falls, many people think "small-town America with nothing to offer." But when you take a close look at the places you can go and the things you can do, it's a whole new place.

River Falls is one of the best rural areas left in the country. You have

the great outdoors to keep in touch with reality. You get to see the typical Midwestern city at its finest, farms galore, and open space to do whatever you want.

If you want to go fishing, take your pick in the area. Would you like to go to the Kinnickinnic, Rush, or any of the lakes in the area to try your hand at fishing?

If you like hunting, then talk to a local farmer, or there is plenty of

land set aside in the area for that pastime.

If the outdoors are not exactly right for you, then maybe access to a large metropolitan area without having to drive for six hours would appeal to you. We have that as well.

Within a half-hour drive are the Twin Cities. You can take your pick of what you want to do: a concert, a play, a comedian, or just a meal

you can't get here, and chances are it will be available in Minneapolis or St. Paul.

Many people take the charm of this area for granted and just see a small town. However, before you just write it off as a place with nothing to do, look around and open your eyes, and get out there and find something that you want to do—it's probably out there.

## Letters to the Editor

## Voters should know environment issues come November elections

The League of Conservation Voters (LCV), the most nonpartisan environmental organization, was the first national environmental organization to endorse Vice President Al Gore for the presidency. They pointed to Gore's strong environmental record for nearly three decades as a U.S. Representative, Senator, and Vice President in promoting clean air and water standards to protect the public's health and in protecting our nation's forests and wilderness areas. Gore pledged, if elected, to veto any measure that would undermine or weaken critical public health protections.

In contrast, LCV is very concerned with Texas Governor George W. Bush's approach to protecting public health and cleaning up the environment. His record on reducing air and water pollution in Texas is dismal. The air quality of Houston is now the worst in the nation. Texas has the nation's highest rate of toxic waste production, the most odious factory farms and feedlots, and some of the worst public health and educational systems. It ranks first in the number of hazardous waste incinerators and industrial emissions of carbon dioxide and mercury. Texas ranks 46th among states on funding for water resources protection and 49th in government spending on parks.

The environment, more than any other issue, distinguishes the differ-

ence between Gore and Bush. They have two profoundly different visions of the role of government. Gore sees government as a powerful instrument to protect the environment. Bush's view, on the other hand, is that it has little role at all.

Bush has taken millions in campaign contributions from polluters and has appointed industry representatives to run Texas' environment agency. What we don't need are weak regulations like those in Texas, where industry participation in many environmental programs is voluntary. The *Dallas Morning News* reported that out of 461 polluting plants in Texas that didn't face mandatory federal or state emission cuts, only 30 responded to his vaunted voluntary program to clean up the state's air.

Bush could be expected to manage the nation's environment much as he managed that of Texas. We could have oil and mining tycoons running the Department of Interior and petrochemical company executives heading the Environmental Protection Agency.

If you are concerned about our environment and whether the water you drink is pure and the air that you breathe is clean, the choice is clear in this presidential election: it is Gore by a very wide margin.

Ray Anderson, professor emeritus, political science

## Students need to post votes

As Director of Legislative Issues for Student Senate this year, I have talked to a lot of students on campus about the upcoming elections. The question that comes up most often is, "Why should I vote?"

College students, while often the most educated of all potential voters, have historically been amongst the lowest in voter turnout. Sadly, this means that issues like tuition costs, financial aid, and many more are often overlooked. Obviously, we are not all going to take the same stand on the issues, but we need to get our voices out there on November 7 and let our elected offi-

cials know that we are paying attention!

Register to vote. Volunteers from the Student Vote 2000 campaign will be at the Student Center during lunch on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays and at Rodli Commons during dinner Mondays through Thursdays. All it takes is a UW-RF Student ID and a couple of minutes of your time. Believe it or not, a lot of elections are decided by just a handful of votes. You will make a difference.

Jen Straub, Co-coordinator Student Vote 2000 Campaign

## Nader not out of contention yet

After watching the first presidential debate, can there be any doubt that Ralph Nader, the Green Party candidate for president, should have been included? Mr. Nader did show up at the debates with a ticket to watch but was not allowed in. What exactly are Gore and Bush afraid of? Maybe they don't want to talk about issues like corporate welfare, health care for all, the fact that neither has an energy policy, childhood poverty, the growing income gap, or campaign finance reform.

According to most polls, the majority of Americans would have liked to see Mr. Nader on the same stage as Bush and Gore. Neither Bush nor Gore got a bump in the polls after the debate. The fact is Ralph Nader was the one who got a

bump, jumping from 4 percent to 7 percent in one nation-wide poll right after the debates.

It is not too late. On Sun., Oct. 14, a "Rally for Ralph" will be held at Veterans Park (next to the Bookpress) in downtown River Falls at noon. A park clean up will begin at 10 a.m. with the rally starting at noon. Local and statewide Green Party activists will be speaking along with others who support Mr. Nader. Ralph Nader T-shirts, buttons, bumper stickers, lawn signs, and posters will be available along with a chance to sign a petition to get Ralph in the debates.

For more information about the "Rally for Ralph," please call 426-6227.

Bob Ebert, student

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## Vote 2000 / go vote

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To register, all that is needed is a student ID and basic information.

Before voting, students who registered will receive a phone call from a member of the registration committee, who will have information such as when and where to vote.

Besides speeding up the voting process, a high number of students registering to vote may also help the University.

"Our goal is to register 2,000 students, but that's a little conservative," said Jeff Coggins, Volunteer Coordinator. "We ultimately want politicians to recognize our strong voter constituency, and in response they may allocate funds to the UW-system."

When election day comes, students living in Prucha, Stratton, Johnson, May, and Hathorn Halls can vote in the basement of Rodli Commons. Students living in

McMillian, Grimm, Parker, and Crabtree Halls have to vote at the River Falls High School.

Students living in the east-side dorms without transportation will receive help from the Senate.

"It's difficult for younger students to get to the high school. This year we will probably have a few vans taking students to the high school to vote," said Amy Jurgens, Student Senate President.

Jurgens believes strongly in having a good student voter turnout.

"We want to get students to actually vote, not just register," she said.

With the elections growing closer, UW-RF students can make a difference in the future of our nation, said Straub.

A good voter turnout speaks well about our campus," Straub said. "We want to show the politicians that UW-RF students made a difference in the elections."

## Drinking / it's a choice

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Please note, though, that I'm not setting the standard of fun by the means of drinking — everything has its own certain category.

But no one should be looked down upon because he or she likes to have a few beers (or a few too many). Would it be any different than someone saying you're irresponsible because you speed while driving, or you don't know how to have fun because your favorite pastime is to ride horses? The way I see it, as long as you can be responsible (not verbally or physically abusing anyone, not damaging anything, and acknowledging commitments), you should have the right to freely do what you enjoy doing.

However, those that enjoy an evening or two of drinking may have to cut back on that part of "fun." While the organization of Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) is a very meaningful cause, they have been pushing to

pass a law that would lower the national drunk driving limit of .1 percent blood alcohol content to .08, and on October 3, the Senate-House conferees voted to pass the bill. As part of the Federal Transportation Appropriations legislation, the bill is expected to go the Senate and House floor later this month. In other words, those that are responsible drinkers may soon get punished because of how society has turned a tame creature into a horrendous monster.

But while those that are fond of drinking may get discouraged by the support of the new MADD bill, there is an even greater battle — that of how you let others view you. No, you're not a drunk, and no, you're not an alcoholic. So don't let yourself be looked down upon because of others' views. We've managed to dissolve so many stereotypes throughout history, so let's dissolve this one. Cheers!

## Kinniconnections

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Cost of trips includes food and transportation. For trips requiring gear, a reasonable rental fee is charged.

Lance Ross, recreational leadership coordinator for the Leadership Center, said KinniConnections is just one example of the opportunities the Leadership Center provides students.

"We do a lot with students and give them opportunities they might not otherwise have," Ross said. "Opportunities outside the class room that will further their skills in the job field."

Ross, a '97 graduate of UW-RF, took the 12-month fulltime staff position with the Leadership Center last fall.

"The leadership center's goal is to keep providing students with out-of-classroom experiences," Ross said. "KinniConnections is one more way to do that. We want to work in collaboration with The Bushwakers and Dr. Larry Albertson from Health and

Human Performance to provide more outdoor activities for nominal fees," Ross said.

Ross, who supervises Intramurals, the Body Shop, and KinniConnections, said he thinks the program will prove to be a success.

"To students who get to go rock climbing for the first time, or canoe down the Namekagon River, KinniConnections is a great program," he said.

Overbeck said he hopes people will go on a trip and give the program a try.

"To someone that isn't sure if they want to get involved I would recommend they come and see what it's all about," Overbeck said. "We offer free clinics and free hikes, and they could go on an overnighter."

On overnight trips, Overbeck said students leave on Friday night at 5:00 p.m. and are back by 10:00 a.m.

"It's only a \$10 investment," he said. "And all you're really missing out on is another Friday night stuck in River Falls."



Submitted Photo

Kinniconnections gives students a chance to participate in outdoor recreational events such as canoeing and kayaking. All UW-RF students are invited to join for only a \$10 fee, which enables them to participate in the many activities.

## Debates / Bush is good

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It was not asked because moderator Jim Lehrer really cares about Bush's stance on homosexuality. It was asked to see if Bush would play toward the middle and try to centralize his views to pick up the moderate vote. But he didn't. He represented his views, and for that he should be commended.

Gore's stance on homosexuality was confusing to me. It appeared by his comments that he didn't support homosexual marriage but did have proposals that would make it illegal for employers to discriminate against homosexuality in the hiring and firing process. He said that such legislation would ensure that gays and lesbians could not be fired because they're homosexual.

Gays, along with any other group, are already protected under legislation regarding fairness and equality in employment. Though my personal belief is that homosexuality is an immoral choice, I do not have any hatred at all towards those who choose that lifestyle, and I wouldn't discriminate against them on the basis of their sexual preference. America does not need additional legislation in this area. It is dangerous to establish laws that specifically tailor to the rights of any special interest group. The result would not be as intended—that homosexuals couldn't be fired because they are gay. Instead, no one who is

homosexual could be fired, even with a valid reason, because the employer would look like a bigot.

Other issues on which Bush "stuck to his guns" were Medicare, tax reform, foreign policy, and handgun laws.

When asked why he didn't support mandatory licensing of individuals who want to purchase handguns, Bush said it was because "the only people who are going to show up are law abiding citizens. I don't think that's going to be an effective tool." Bush's point is that when laws are created and then not enforced, the only people who abide by the rules are the "model citizens." The law-breakers will continue to ignore the law, making handgun legislation worthless. We need to first enforce current laws to the maximum weight of their statutes and avoid creating routinely bureaucratic regulations.

It was disappointing to me, however, that one of the most widely debated party-defining issues—abortion—was never even raised in this debate. It was almost as if it was intentionally left out of the debate because it is one of the major issues that contrasts liberal and conservative thought. Whenever the issue should arise, I hope Mr. Bush again stands on his principles. I, and America, will be watching. Comments? E-mail me at kj95@uwrf.edu.

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## Falcon logo a real turkey

In order to tell opponents apart, team logos and colors were created. A valid excuse, considering most of the first Viking teams tackled themselves. Since then, they have become a source for corporate earnings and maybe even a quasi-religion.

Why else would everyone be so outraged about Terrell Owens "disrespecting" the Dallas star or Colorado head football coach Gary Barnett threatening to remove the

## TROY MALLAT

Buffalo logos from his team's helmets if they don't play better?

I shudder to think what would've happened if Jesus played for the Packers.

But according to Dr. Harry Edwards, a sociologist at California-Berkeley, we might already be there.

"In this country, sports functions as a secular religion," he said in a recent article by Greg Garber. "It is the focus of our most deeply felt convictions and conventions, as far as secular life is concerned. It encompasses our hard work and tradition."

If that is so, I would like to call this University's secular religion Freddyism. A rather dull religion that embraces the icon of a cartoon bird named Freddy, who marches to the beat of his own drum (if you get my drift).

Most of the teams at UW-RF use their own version of a Falcon, whether it be the Atlanta style or the one used by both the football and hockey team used in this section every week. However, the school's official team logo that appears on the WIAC Web site is still the one that makes Shirley Temple look like the anti-Christ.

"The only difference between Clark Kent and Superman is the uniform," said Edwards. "The only thing different is the 'S' on the chest. That's why it's there. That's what separates us from them. In our own perception, it's what we are."

The 'S' on our Superman's chest must stand for "sickly" or "soft" or just plain "stupid." What really separates us from schools like UW-Whitewater, who changed their logo to add a little more style and attitude, is an outdated prairie chicken. Do we really want to be known around the conference as prairie chickens?

Freddy has outstayed his welcome, and should be replaced.

And here are some more thoughts none of you will care about...

...With the baseball playoffs being more fiscally diverse than at any other time since the early '90s, everything should be a-okay in Bud's league, right? Not so fast bratwurst breath. It says here that a team still needs to spend almost \$59 million to win a divisional series (That's how much Seattle spent.). That's about \$20 million more than Milwaukee, and \$43 million more than the Twins spend to field bad teams....

...For all the rubes out there who believe Daunte Culpepper is ready to lead his team to a Super Bowl and show this support by writing

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Molly Montag / The Student Voice

Running back Nick Scribner is stopped just short of the goal line by Pointer linebacker Heath Novitzke in Saturday's 49-20 romp over UW-Stevens Point at Ramer Field. The Falcon offense rushed for 401 yards in the affair. Scribner added 42 yards on just four carries. The team will travel to UW-Eau Claire this weekend to take on the Blugolds.

# Redemption!

## Falcons bounce back with big win

Troy Mallat  
Sports Editor

Even though the St. Louis Rams had the weekend off, there were plenty of offensive fireworks as the Falcons beat UW-Stevens Point 49-20 at Ramer Field Saturday afternoon.

A crowd of 250 saw the Falcons rush for 401 yards and score 41 consecutive points after falling behind 7-0.

In the process, the Falcons improved to 2-3, 1-2 in the WIAC, and regained some much-needed confidence after turning the ball over nine times in the previous two games. The team did not have a turnover against the Pointers.

"The best thing about it is we didn't turn it over," head coach John O'Grady said. "If you don't turn it over, you have a chance to win a lot of games."

And win convincingly. After the Pointers took a 7-0 lead on a 76-yard sweep by Lance Gast on the first possession of the game, the Falcons answered with what O'Grady called "the biggest drive of the year."

Senior quarterback Cory Mueller led the team on a five-play, 62-yard drive that culminated with Mueller hitting Scott Kusilek in the left corner of the end zone for a 33-yard touchdown.

"(The Pointers) put us into a position where we were down 7-0, and that made our guys focus," O'Grady said. "I'm happy we responded with a touchdown drive. That takes the wind out of the sails of our opponent."

Actually, the touchdown completely deflated the Pointers.

The Falcons defense quieted the Pointers the rest of the first half. Stevens Point gained just four yards after their 80-yard drive to open the game. The defense allowed just two first downs in the half.

The Pointer special teams weren't fairing any better. Punter Jason Biechler dropped two snaps. One led to a 1-yard touchdown run by Mark Shepherdson to give the Falcons a 14-7 lead at the 5:54 mark of the first quarter, while the second bounced out of the end zone for a safety. O'Grady credits the Falcons' punt-blocking scheme.

"We consider ourselves a high pressure punt block team," O'Grady said. "It has paid off in other games, but it may not be apparent. We haven't blocked a punt all year, but they have to get rid of it in under two seconds."

The safety gave the Falcons a 16-7 lead and opened the floodgates.

Fullback Rob Ohman ran 10 yards up the gut of the Pointer defense for a touchdown with 2:57 remaining in the half. Kusilek's two-point conversion gave the Falcons a 24-7 lead.

Ohman ran for 104 yards on 17 carries, a testament to the improved play of the offensive line.

"The offensive line did play better, without a doubt," O'Grady said. "So much of that has to do with confidence."

Later in the half, a Pointer turnover led to a Dan Toninato 19-yard field goal as time expired in the first half.

The game was essentially out of reach at halftime, but the Falcons tacked on 22 points in the third quarter for good measure. The Falcons scored touchdowns on their first three possessions of the half, including an 88-yard run by Mueller. Mueller ran untouched off right tackle before cutting across the field and outrunning the secondary for the score.

"When he gets out in the open field and can run in a straight line, he has very good speed," O'Grady said. "The funny thing is he said (before the drive) his ankle

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Scott Wente / The Student Voice

Falcon junior midfielder Gina Schumann (left) battles for the ball with Titans forward Lindsay Rau during the Falcons' 7-0 loss to UW-Oshkosh last Friday.

## Volleyball remains perfect in WIAC

Ryan Brinks  
Assistant Sports Editor

In their quest to repeat as WIAC conference champions, the women's volleyball team exploited the Platteville Pioneers in an intense, 5-game home court victory on Friday night before shooting down the Eagles of La Crosse, again at home on Saturday, to finish the week a perfect 2-0.

The Karges Center saw the Falcons extend their conference unbeaten mark to 5-0 over the weekend, highlighted by a fifth-game finale against 16-4 Platteville.

"Obviously, a five-game win is huge," head coach Patti Ford said. "Platteville is doing very well. We needed to stay a little bit ahead of them in the conference rankings, so it was a good win for us."

Despite an early stalemate between the two teams early in game one, the Falcons soon fell behind, mistakes plaguing their effort. Five missed serves and a feeble .071 hitting percentage allowed the Pioneers to capitalize, taking game one 15-8.

"We were really just ineffective on key elements of our game," Ford said.

But it didn't take the Falcons long to recover. Fine-tuning their offense, the Falcons quickly bounced back and assaulted the Pioneers in games two and three.

"I think they got all the cobwebs out that first game and then started focusing on the basic fundamentals again," Ford said.

As the match turned to placement

strategies when Platteville stood their ground at the net, the Falcons centered around Melissa Mattson. Defining their offensive attack, Mattson and the Falcons pummeled the Pioneers in the 15-6 game two.

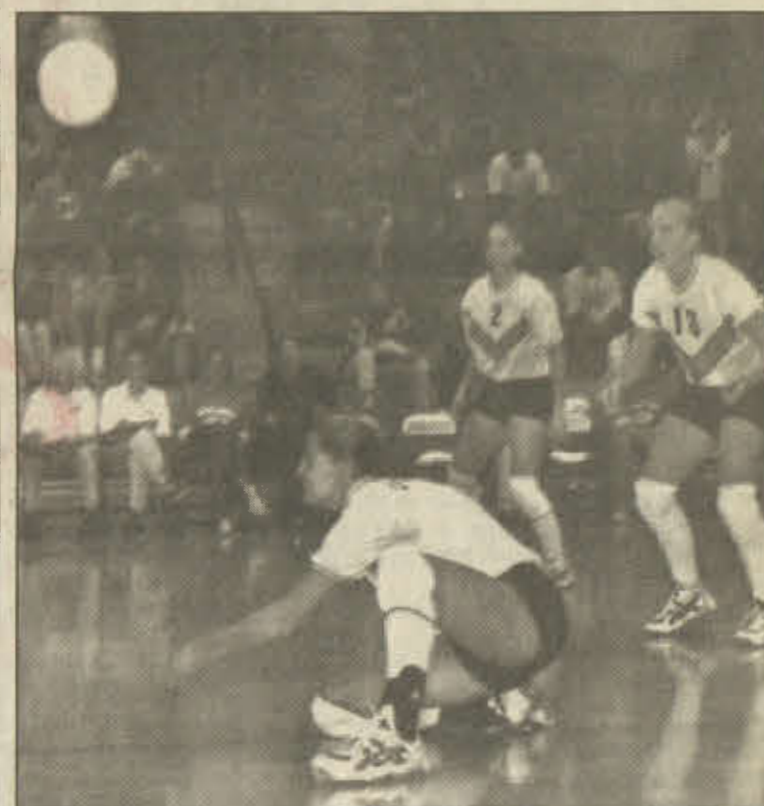
Opening game three with an outstanding serving frenzy, Krystle Brune led the UW-RF women to a 6-1 jump, and the increasingly efficient Falcon offense continued at a rapid pace to 13-4. Going out like they started, Leigh Saxton engineered a pair of aces to finish the Pioneers off at 15-4.

When Platteville's offense rose to the occasion early in game four, however, the Falcon defense struggled beneath the heat of a constant Pioneer attack. Losing all the momentum of the previous two games, the Falcons stalled in mid-fight and fell wounded in a 15-4 defeat.

"I'm always worried when we lose the fourth game," Ford said. "We really need to try and work on closing the match. You know other teams of pretty good caliber will come back at you, so it's not going to be an easy challenge."

So, forcing the match to a sudden death rally, the Falcons went after Platteville with everything they had, and they steadily beat the Pioneers to every point. Midway through, the Pioneers seemed to crack under the pressure, allowing the Falcons to an 8-4 advantage. But they came back, closing in at 10-9, where an unbelievably

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Molly Montag / The Student Voice

Falcon outside hitter Joy Nicholson digs the ball during the team's 5-game victory over UW-Platteville on Friday. Nicholson recorded her 1,000th kill over the weekend.

## Aalbers scores six, defeats Falcons

Matt McConico  
Sports Correspondent

There's a saying "if you don't play, you can't win." Just ask the Falcon women's soccer team (2-3, 2-9), who saw the saying in action last Friday as they lost to Oshkosh (3-3, 9-3) 7-0. Four of the Falcon starters went down in the game.

Three field players went down injured, Selena Peterson, Amy Soud and Brandi Golden. Goalkeeper Apryl Jennrich was the fourth player to go down injured.

Coming into the game Jennrich had the sixth highest saves per game average in any NCAA women's soccer division. While none of the injuries were very serious, the players were knocked out of the game.

Along with the injuries, the Falcons got caught in a buzz saw known as Jolanda Aalbers. Aalbers scored six of Oshkosh's seven goals versus the Falcons. The next day, the Titans took on Stout and Aalbers scored three of the four Titan goals.

The Titans jumped out to an early lead spelling bad things to come for the team.

## GAC crushes Falcons

Gustavus Adolphus scored five times in the first half en route to beating the Falcons 7-0 at Ramer Field. Jeneri Zumberge had 14 saves in defeat.

"Right when we gave that first goal away in the first five minutes, we were in trouble," head coach Jeff Hopkins said.

The Titans attempted a staggering 56 shots on the day. Jennrich stopped 9 of the 12 shots that made it to her while she was in net. Jennrich's replacement, Jeneri Zumberge, faced 21 shots on goal, saving 17 of them.

The Falcons didn't attempt a shot all game. Hopkins thought that Oshkosh was more up for the game and looking to move up the standings. "They came in 1-3 and we were 2-2 and now we're both 2-3, so I think they were a little bit more focused and ready to play." At week's end the Falcons are in a tie for sixth place in the conference with La Crosse.

## SCOREBOARD

## FOOTBALL

| W L                 |   |   |
|---------------------|---|---|
| Stout (5-0)         | 3 | 0 |
| La Crosse (3-2)     | 3 | 0 |
| Whitewater (4-2)    | 2 | 1 |
| Eau Claire (3-2)    | 2 | 1 |
| Oshkosh (2-3)       | 1 | 2 |
| River Falls (2-3)   | 1 | 2 |
| Platteville (1-4)   | 0 | 3 |
| Stevens Point (0-5) | 0 | 3 |

**Oct. 6 results**  
**Stevens Point** 7 0 6 7 - 20  
**River Falls** 14 13 22 0 - 49

**Scoring Summary:**  
**1st Quarter**  
 13:44 SP - Gast 76 yd run (Stueck kick)  
 7-0  
 11:39 RF - Kusilek 33 yd pass from Mueller (Toninato kick) 7-7  
 5:54 RF - Shephardson 1 yd run (Toninato kick) 14-7

**2nd Quarter**  
 10:51 RF - Team safety 16-7  
 2:57 RF - Ohman 10 yd run (Kusilek pass) 24-7  
 0:01 RF - Toninato 19 yd field goal 27-7

**3rd Quarter**  
 10:37 RF - Scribner 16 yd run (Toninato kick) 34-7  
 7:53 RF - Shephardson 8 yd run (Toninato kick) 41-7  
 4:47 SP - Schmitt 4 yd run (Stueck kick) 41-13  
 4:47 RF - Miska PAT return 43-13  
 4:22 RF - Mueller 88 yd run (Toninato kick) 49-13

**4th Quarter**  
 5:24 SP - Zertler 4 yd run (Stueck kick) 49-20

## VOLLEYBALL

## WAC STANDINGS

| W L                |   |   |
|--------------------|---|---|
| River Falls (17-7) | 6 | 0 |
| Whitewater (26-1)  | 5 | 0 |
| Oshkosh (18-4)     | 4 | 1 |
| Eau Claire (17-6)  | 3 | 3 |
| Stout (17-8)       | 3 | 3 |
| La Crosse (11-9)   | 2 | 3 |

## Platteville (16-6)

| W L                  |   |   |
|----------------------|---|---|
| Stevens Point (6-17) | 1 | 5 |
| Superior (4-18)      | 0 | 6 |

**Oct. 6 results**  
**Platteville** 15 6 4 15 10  
**River Falls** 8 15 15 4 15

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**Oct. 7 results**  
**La Crosse** 1 11 9  
**River Falls** 15 15 15

**River Falls (kills-%-set-ace-digs-bks)**  
 Saxton 0-000-1-1-10-0, Hyland 2-000-1-0-6-2, Mel, Mattson 6-200-0-0-1-1, Braun 2-1-000-0-0-1-0, Brune 15-361-0-5-9-0-5, Mich, Mattson 0-000-0-0-1-0-1-0, Olson 2-400-36-0-6-1, Ellsworth 0-000-0-1-8-0, Halverson 0-000-0-1-10-0, Nicholson 16-448-0-3-12-0, McKee 4-300-1-0-1-0

**Oct. 11 results**  
**River Falls** 7 15 15 10 15  
**Stout** 15 12 9 15 10

**River Falls (kills-%-set-ace-digs-bks)**  
 Saxton 0-000-1-1-12-0, Hyland 1-1-143-0-0-6-1, Mattson 22-320-0-0-0-1-5, Brune 8-000-0-1-13-0, Olson 2-000-47-3-11-1, Ellsworth 0-000-0-0-10-0, Halverson 0-000-0-3-3-0, Nicholson 18-224-0-0-19-1, Hinz 4-111-4-0-2-0-5, McKee 0-0-500-0-0-0-0

## SOCCER

## WAC STANDINGS

| W L                  |   |   |
|----------------------|---|---|
| Stevens Point (12-4) | 6 | 0 |
| Eau Claire (10-3)    | 6 | 0 |
| Whitewater (11-2-1)  | 4 | 1 |

## Oshkosh (10-3)

| W L                |   |   |
|--------------------|---|---|
| Stout (6-7)        | 3 | 3 |
| La Crosse (3-9-1)  | 2 | 3 |
| River Falls (2-10) | 2 | 3 |
| Platteville (1-13) | 1 | 5 |
| Superior (0-10)    | 0 | 7 |

**Oct. 6 results**  
**Oshkosh** 3 4 - 7  
**River Falls** 0 0 - 0

**Scoring Summary:**  
**1st Half**  
 5:55 O Aalbers  
 20:20 O Aalbers  
 32:30 O Aalbers

**2nd Half**  
 50:40 O Foshager  
 56:15 O Aalbers  
 64:35 O Aalbers  
 70:45 O Aalbers

**Oct. 11 results**  
**Gustavus** 5 1 - 6  
**River Falls** 0 0 - 0

**Scoring Summary:**  
**1st Half**  
 10:03 GAC Alstead (Beaudry)  
 12:50 GAC Kurtz  
 15:30 GAC Hemenway (Beaudry)  
 34:40 GAC Pearson  
 49:39 GAC Stoeckel (Pearson)

**2nd Half**  
 60:15 GAC Pecosity (Pearson)

## TENNIS

## WAC STANDINGS

| W L           |   |   |
|---------------|---|---|
| Eau Claire    | 4 | 0 |
| La Crosse     | 4 | 1 |
| Oshkosh       | 3 | 2 |
| Whitewater    | 3 | 2 |
| River Falls   | 3 | 3 |
| Stevens Point | 1 | 4 |
| Stout         | 0 | 5 |

**Oct. 4 results**  
**River Falls 8, Stout 1**

## Singles

| W L                                         |  |  |
|---------------------------------------------|--|--|
| Oberg (RF) def. Berry (S), 6-3, 6-4         |  |  |
| Mulligan (RF) def. Schwanbeck (S), 6-0, 6-2 |  |  |
| Anderson (RF) def. Medin (S), 6-3, 6-2      |  |  |
| Patcher (S) def. Gray (RF), 4-6, 6-2, 6-2   |  |  |
| Metzger (RF) def. Weber (S), 6-0, 7-5       |  |  |
| Fredrickson (RF) def. Schmoldt, 6-0, 6-1    |  |  |

## Doubles

Mulligan-Oberg (RF) defeated Medin-Schwanbeck (S), 8-0

Anderson-Gray (RF) defeated Metzger-Weber (S), 8-4

Metzger-Verberne (RF) defeated Anne Marie Curtis-Megan Curtis (S), 8-3

**Oct. 6 results**  
**La Crosse 7, River Falls 2**

**Singles**  
 Gieuder (LC) def. Oberg (RF), 6-1, 6-0  
 Lenart (LC) def. Mulligan (RF), 6-2, 6-3  
 Anderson (RF) def. Campbell (LC), 0-6, 6-4, 7-5  
 Gray (RF) def. White (LC), 6-3, 6-3  
 Larson (LC) def. Metzger (RF), 6-2, 6-4  
 Protz (LC) def. Fredrickson, 6-0, 6-1

**Doubles**  
 Gieuder-Lenart (LC) defeated Mulligan-Oberg (RF), 8-2  
 Protz-Smith (LC) defeated Anderson-Gray (RF), 8-6  
 Campbell-Leary (LC) defeated Metzger-Verberne (RF), 8-6

**Oct. 7 results**  
**Whitewater 6, River Falls 3**

**Singles**  
 Anderson (W) def. Oberg, 6-1, 4-6, 6-1  
 Hubacek (W) def. Mulligan (RF), 6-3, 6-3  
 Anderson (RF) def. Krueger (W), 7-6, 4-6, 6-1  
 Gray (RF) def. Johnson (W), 6-2, 6-3  
 Ellestad (W) def. Metzger (RF), 2-6, 6-2, 7-6 (7-5)  
 Jeannides (W) def. Fredrickson, 6-1, 6-1

**Doubles**  
 Mulligan-Oberg (RF) defeated Anderson-Krueger (W), 9-8 (7-4)  
 Hubacek-Steimle (W) defeated Anderson-Gray (RF), 6-7  
 Jeannides-Headstrom (W) defeated

## Metzer-Fredrickson (RF), 8-1

## CROSS COUNTRY

**Oct. 6 results**  
**Pre-Regional Meet at Colfax, Wis.**

## Men's Varsity 8k Run

| Rank            |     |  |
|-----------------|-----|--|
| 1. Whitewater   | 24  |  |
| 2. Platteville  | 84  |  |
| 3. St. Olaf     | 99  |  |
| 4. Hamline      | 104 |  |
| 5. Eau Claire   | 108 |  |
| 14. River Falls | 403 |  |

## UW-RF Individual Results

| Rank         |         |  |
|--------------|---------|--|
| 80. Odden    | 27:21.0 |  |
| 99. Hanson   | 27:39.0 |  |
| 108. Felling | 27:50.0 |  |
| 117. Henning | 28:03.0 |  |
| 153. Lorentz | 28:55.0 |  |
| 173. Hartwig | 29:37.0 |  |
| 176. Puhi    | 29:43.0 |  |
| 201. Poore   | 31:05.0 |  |
| 213. Genson  | 32:16.0 |  |
| 228. O'Neill | 35:10.0 |  |

## Women's Varsity 5k Run

| Rank            |     |  |
|-----------------|-----|--|
| 1. Oshkosh      | 69  |  |
| 2. St. Olaf     | 71  |  |
| 3. La Crosse    | 121 |  |
| 4. Elmhurst     | 149 |  |
| 5. Eau Claire   | 153 |  |
| 14. River Falls | 405 |  |

## UW-RF Individual Results

| Rank            |         |  |
|-----------------|---------|--|
| 59. Birmingham  | 19:46.0 |  |
| 67. Traxler     | 19:57.0 |  |
| 113. Kroells    | 20:22.0 |  |
| 163. Hogan      | 20:50.0 |  |
| 172. Christen   | 20:56.0 |  |
| 188. Barnes     | 21:10.0 |  |
| 220. Rens       | 21:28.0 |  |
| 228. Ludack     | 21:30.0 |  |
| 258. Schultz    | 22:05.0 |  |
| 263. Lober      | 22:10.0 |  |
| 266. Silvis     | 22:15.0 |  |
| 270. McElrath   | 22:18.0 |  |
| 289. Martin     | 22:58.0 |  |
| 329. Fankhauser | 24:15.0 |  |

## FALCON SPORTS CALENDAR

| Oct. 13-19, 2000 | Fri.                         | Sat.                                    | Sun.                | Mon. | Tues. | Wed.                  | Thurs. |
|------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|---------------------|------|-------|-----------------------|--------|
| Football         |                              | Eau Claire*<br>1 p.m.                   |                     |      |       |                       |        |
| Volleyball       | at<br>Benedictine<br>Tourney | at<br>Benedictine<br>Tourney            |                     |      |       |                       |        |
| Soccer           |                              |                                         | at Luther<br>4 p.m. |      |       | Eau Claire*<br>4 p.m. |        |
| Tennis           |                              | Eau Claire*<br>9:30 a.m.                |                     |      |       |                       |        |
| Cross Country    |                              | at La Crosse<br>Invitational<br>10 a.m. |                     |      |       |                       |        |

## FALCON ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



Jordan Anderson

## Jordan Anderson

## Tennis

(Fr., Winona, Minn.)

Anderson triumphed in all three matches she played at No. 3 singles despite facing athletes from the WIAC's second and third ranked squads, La Crosse and Whitewater. She won over her Stout opponent, 6-3, 6-2, over her La Crosse opponent, 0-6, 6-4, 7-5 and her Whitewater opponent, 7-6, 4-6, 6-1.



Cory Mueller

## Cory Mueller

## Football

(Sr., Lannon, Wis.)

At the helm of the Falcons' offensive attack, Mueller led the Falcons to the win over UWSP. He led the Falcons in rushing with 167 yards on 16 carries. He scored one touchdown on an 88-yard run in the third quarter. He also completed 2-5 passes for 46 yards and one touchdown covering 33 yards.

## CC pleases Glover

## Paul J. Cruz

## Sports Correspondent

UW-River Falls cross country coach Don Glover was pleased after Saturday's pre-regional meet, hosted by UW-Stout and held at Whitetail Golf Club in Colfax.

And for good reason.

Although his women's and men's squads both placed 14th, out of 20 and 19 teams, respectively, both Falcon contingents continued their trend of improvement.

"I was really happy with the kids," Glover said. "It was a cold, windy day, but they showed some good improvement."

Felice Birmingham placed 59th in a field of 352 competitors with a time of 19-minutes, 46-seconds for the 5,000-meter course to pace the UW-RF women.

Following Birmingham for the Falcons were Lisa Traxler (67th, 19:57), Candace Kroells (113th, 20:22), Brenna Hogan (163rd, 20:50) and Marian Christen (172nd, 20:56).

Glover noted that Hogan had been finishing between sixth and ninth for the Falcon women, but used a 1:26 improvement over her previous personal best to move up

in the ranks.

"It was the first time all year that the women ran fairly close to each other," Glover said. "For the first time this year, the women looked like they had a complete one through seven team."

UW-Oshkosh claimed top team honors on the women's side with 69 points, narrowly edging runner-up St. Olaf by two points.

Tyler Odden returned to the top spot for the UW-RF men, as he placed 80th out of 231 contestants in the 8,000-meter men's race with a 27:21 clocking.

Also breaking into the 27's for the Falcons were Erik Hanson (99th, 27:39) and Jim Felling (108th, 27:50).

Prior to Saturday's meet, no Falcon runner had eclipsed the 28-minute mark this season.

Chris Henning (117th, 28:03) and Pat Lorentz (153rd, 28:55) rounded out the Falcons' top five.

UW-Whitewater won the men's team crown with 24 points, 60 less than second-place UW-Platteville.

The Falcons will return to action Saturday when they take part in the Dews Invitational at UW-La Crosse. Competition is set to begin at 10 a.m.

## Mallat

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on the sidewalks around campus, here's a thought you probably don't want to hear. Every game has been decided by a single possession. They might be undefeated, but a couple bounces the other way, and this team's in trouble. Luck does eventually run out. Where will all the Purple Pride be then?...

...As for the Packers, their start is not all that surprising. Brett Favre has few NFL-quality weapons to throw to, and with Levens and Green being injured, that doesn't leave a whole lot. You can't blame a no-name defense for being average, either.

Troy Mallat is a senior majoring in journalism.

## Football

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hurt." That would be Mueller's last play of the game. He finished with a team-high 167 yards rushing and was 2-5 for 33 yards and a touchdown through the air.

Meanwhile, the Pointers kept shooting themselves in the foot. After a four-yard touchdown run by Wally Schmitt, linebacker Matt Palas blocked the extra point. Ryan LaGrander picked up the ball and lateraled to Luke Miska, who went in for a two-point conversion for the Falcons.

The Pointers added a lone touchdown in the fourth quarter for the final tally.

The Falcons will travel to UW-Eau Claire Saturday to face the Blugolds. Game time is 1 p.m.

## Volleyball

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intense sequence of volleys fueled a Falcon resurgence, and they never looked back. The Falcons took the game and match at 15-10, a huge conference victory.

"We know when we get in rally-score games, we have enough depth, and we've had enough situations to stay strong," Ford said. "I'm not too terribly worried, but rally-score still scares me."

The Falcon win provided more than a little momentum for Saturday's encounter with the stagnant 11-8 (WIAC 2-2) La Crosse Eagles, and it was very evident in game one.

The Eagles never had a chance to catch their breath as the Falcons pounded them in a 15-1 opening performance.

"I thought La Crosse was going to be a good battle," Ford said. "We just stepped out there Saturday and probably played some of our better volleyball of the year. I don't think we really let down, and we kind of took them right out of sync."

Games of 15-11 and 15-9 would follow for the Falcons, and the sweep finished off an unbeatable week.

The Falcons now stand at 16-7 with a 5-0 conference mark, matched only by Whitewater. After another weekend in Illinois at the Benedictine Tournament this weekend, the Falcons will go head-to-head with the WIAC's first and third-ranked squads, Whitewater and Oshkosh, to complete conference play.

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# Comedian on quack

*The voice behind "Who's Your Daddy?" buzzes through River Falls Wednesday*



**Buzz Sutherland**

**Amy Moe**  
Staff Writer

Laughter spilled out of Brandy's last night as Buzz Sutherland finally warmed up the crowd.

It was a tough and unresponsive crowd despite Sutherland's laughter tactics. It took half an hour before he got the reactions he was looking for.

"You guys are looking at me like the Amish at Circuit City," said Sutherland to his lifeless crowd.

There were random bits of laughter here and there, but when the audience became part of his act, the laughs kept coming.

Aaron May and Brett Carlson were given a dance lesson on stage to the liking of the crowd. Dave Chell was also called on stage and did a rendition of "Dueling Banjos" with Sutherland, only they didn't duel with instruments. The lights were dimmed and they did the duet with flashlights up their noses. The crowd roared with laughter.

The crowd had to keep their eyes and ears open to catch his quirky facial expressions and animations. He certainly kept the crowd's attention once he got it.

His impressions of the Crocodile Hunter and Donald Duck were definitely favorites of the crowd. His theories about men and women also doubled people over with laughter.

Clad in his "Who's your Daddy?" shirt under his UW-River Falls sweatshirt, Sutherland made sure that we all knew that his was the voice on the Internet as Donald Duck on duckjob.wav.

"I couldn't very well come here and not do the voice," Sutherland said. "Even though it gets old, people would have been disappointed."

One of the show's student participants raved about Sutherland's performance.

"He's very entertaining," said senior Dave Chell.

"Outstanding show!"

Though Sutherland has a wife and two kids at home, he has performed at over 1000 campuses and usually does around 150 shows a year. He has been traveling with his act for over 10 years.

"Working with the students is great," Sutherland said. "The entertainment committee here did a wonderful job; they are the best."

Members of the entertainment committee, which was responsible for booking Sutherland, expressed satisfaction with their choice of performers.

"This was an awesome show," said Corey Lansing, member of the entertainment committee. "I've seen him before so I knew he was good." Sutherland was the 1998 and 1999 National Association of Campus Activities (NACA) Comedy Artist of the Year.

Sutherland has performed at hundreds of college campuses across the country. He has also appeared on HBO's "Comic Relief," MTV's "Half Hour Comedy Hour," and has hosted Disney/KPLR's "Kid's Connection".

"You guys are great," said Sutherland after the show. "River Falls is a great place to perform."

For Sutherland's schedule and other information about him, check out his webpage at [www.buzzsutherland.com](http://www.buzzsutherland.com).

# Stone Temple Pilots are back in the rock cockpit

**Matt Rayburn**  
Staff Writer

Dancing around like a nervous octopus while exhibiting his vocal talent, Stone Temple Pilots front man Scott Weiland showed Tuesday night that STP are back to prove genuine rock music still exists.

Playing to an estimated 4,700 crowd Tuesday night at St. Paul's Roy Wilkins Auditorium with opening bands Liquid Gang and Disturbed, the Stone Temple Pilots played an hour-and-a-half 15 song set performing such radio hits as "Interstate Love Song," "Big Empty," "Creep," and "Plush."

Opening with "Crackerman," a fast-paced hard rock song off their debut album Core with Weiland singing into a megaphone, the age diverse crowd moved to the guitar riffs of Dean DeLeo as Weiland went into one of his dancing hypnotic states.

Many loyal fans were in attendance to see STP up and running after a long battle with Weiland's drug troubles that eventually landed him in jail.

John Ireland, a 1996 graduate of UW-RF, said he won the first pair of tickets given away from Minneapolis/St. Paul radio station 93X, and knew the show would be good.

"It'll be a pretty good show," Ireland said.

"I saw them eight years ago when they were just starting out."

Lindsey Smith, a Hudson, Wis., resident, also has been a fan of the band since the beginning.

"This is my second time seeing them," she said.

"They're different from any other bands around because they're so diverse."

Ryan, the 93X "Street Bitch" who works in promotions and has interviewed such musicians as Dave Grohl of the Foo Fighters and Flea of the Red Hot Chili Peppers, said STP are good at what they do.

"They're one of the best 'rock bands' out there," he said.

Although many fans had high hopes for the night, not all was perfect as Weiland was hit by flying beer and cups. Stopping the concert in the middle of the third song, the shirtless, orange-mohawked Weiland lashed out at the crowd in front of him with more profanity than an Andrew Dice Clay

standup routine. Calling the beer thrower a "college ass frat boy trying to think [he's] a punk rocker," Weiland said he would deal with him "jailhouse style" if the throwing didn't stop.

"I might be clean and sober, but that doesn't mean I'm a nice guy 99 percent of the time," Weiland said.

During the next song, "Big Empty," from their 1994



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Stone Temple Pilots, led by frontman Scott Weiland (second from left), are back on tour and rocked St. Paul's Roy Wilkins Auditorium on Tuesday evening.

release Purple, Weiland once again had to stop the show.

"I have one request," Weiland said as he pointed to someone in the crowd.

"I will personally give backstage passes out to the person who takes a chunk out of that person's hair."

Weiland then made it clear he wanted to perform without interruption.

"I wanna play two hours for these beautiful people," he said.

With no injuries the show went on with their modern rock song "Meatplow," and an acoustic set that included the melodic, slow songs "Sour Girl" and "Creep."

Also included in the acoustic set was a quick cover of ACDC's "Back in Black," where Weiland comically imitated the screeching vocals of Brian Johnson.

After their ninth song "Sex and Violence," off their latest CD No. 4, Weiland assured the crowd he was relaxed.

"I don't like getting angry," he said.

"It reminds me of a negative place full of rage and hate that I choose not to vander."

He then explained he was having a good time and hoped the crowd was also enjoying the show.

"Let's all just have an orgy," Weiland said.

Breaking into the hit song "Plush," Weiland entered the general admission floor as fans lifted him in the air as though he was a winning quarterback who had just won the Super Bowl.

"That's real rock," a goateed fan wearing a Metallica t-shirt said as Weiland returned to the stage.

During their second-to-last song "Dead and Bloated," Weiland was in the presidential campaign spirit, sporting an American flag wrapped around his head, and wearing a pair of black, women's arm length gloves and women's sunglasses, as Disturbed's lead singer David Draiman helped out on the vocals.

STP's last song, and their biggest hit, "Sex Type Thing," proved they can still play their songs as though

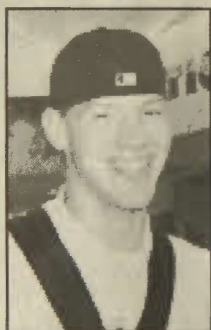
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## Student Voice Update

And you thought we forgot...  
**no, Silly!**

Sergio Algarin had the closest answer to the word "Sexagenarian." The term refers to a person between the ages of 60 and 70.

## THE STUDENT VOICE



**Pat Johnson, Sophomore**  
"It sounds like a Greek word for political."



**Nicholas Juneski, Junior**  
"A place where sensible people go."



**Andrew Anderson, Freshman**  
"An organ in your brain that deciphers messages."

## Define: Sensorium



**Rachel Evju, staff**  
"I'm thinking that it has a basis in sensory perception."



**Rachel Everson (left) and Amy Pinter, Seniors**  
"A place where your senses are innudated."

# Quasi-sociopolitical & stuff

As most of you know, Wednesday was national Coming Out Day. The well-known chalkings have appeared on campus, as well as a barrage of under-breath anti-gay sentiment amongst a good percentage of the campus. Which brings me to a point: the whole idea behind celebrating diversity is to bring a sense of awareness, not a sense of favoritism.

Heterosexual white males have a nasty habit of acting like the older brother who doesn't think he gets enough attention. Why do you need a special day? The last 300 years of history has predominantly revolved around you. Not trying to change the system by ignoring diversity cripples the notion of the United States being a melting pot of cultures, personas and ideas.

It was this week two years ago that Matthew Shepard, a University of Wyoming college student, was tortured and beaten to death simply because he was gay. Personally, I wouldn't want to be killed just because a few intolerant idiots took exception to my lifestyle. Despite this extreme and blatant case of hate, no hate crime legislation has been passed to try and curb such violent bigotry, a sad statement since the

U.S. prides itself on being a haven of sorts against brutality and unjust actions.

I also disagree with Bush AND Gore in their stances regarding gay marriage. In my mind, it's unfortunate that, despite the fact one of them will be running the country next year, they can openly disagree with two men or two women who want to share their love for each other like any other member of society has the option to.

I'm probably talking to the wrong audience right now. Half of the people who read this will think, "Oh he's sticking up for fags. He must be a fag too." But, hey, they don't have a problem with gay people (I'm not, by the way).

As usual, diversity (or lack thereof) is the hot topic, so I thought I'd put in a few pennies on the subject. Will my opinion change anyone else's opinion? Probably not, but I just thought I'd take a chance and go political on y'all. Nobody is asking for special treatment, only equal treatment. Take a chance and become aware and accepting of someone other than yourself. I'll try to be funny next week. You know my e-mail address.

## max date

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## STP /

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they were just recorded last week. With a police siren blaring from Weiland's megaphone at the end of the song, Weiland dropped his pants and covered himself with the American flag. After the band bowed together, Weiland sheepishly walked off stage showing nothing but his backside.

Justin Piehowski, a University of Minnesota journalism student, said the concert was a performance worth seeing.

"It was definitely an artistic rock display, excellent," Piehowski said.

"Scott Weiland is the definitive rock star of the 90s."

Stone Temple Pilots' next performances include stops in Birmingham, Ala., Charleston, SC, and the start of MTV's Return of the Rock Tour with Godsmack and Disturbed in Pittsburgh, PA., on Oct. 20.

## Happy Birthday, Erik

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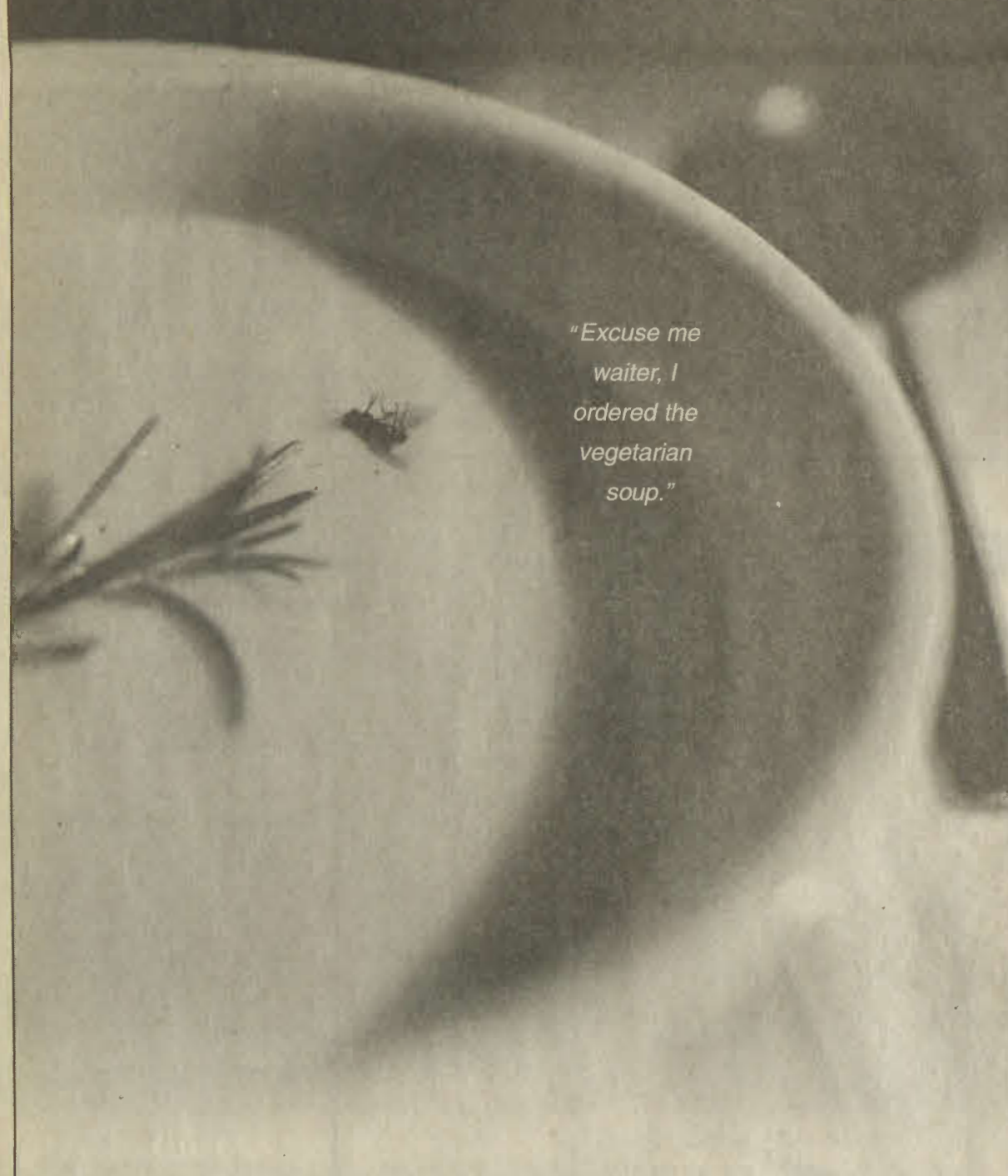
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|------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|
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| 2000 | \$1,100                     | \$1,000                            |

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