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"Bullpen" registration frustrates students

By LYNN HOWARD

Frustration is probably the easiest way to describe the feeling of many underclassmen when they register for classes each quarter.

Mel Germanson, UW-River Falls registrar, said many students fail to realize that UW-RF has probably one of the most efficient registration systems in the University system.

At some universities in the UW System, students have to go from one department to another to pick up their class cards, Germanson said.

UW-RF, on the other hand, has a "bullpen" type registration where students can get all of their class cards in one place, he said.

Some universities have "on-line" registration where they turn

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in a list of desired classes, the list is punched into a computer and arbitrary class and instructor selection is made. The class schedule is then sent to the student, who does not have much say about the final schedule, Germanson said.

Some students complain that they cannot get the classes they need because the classes close too early.

Commenting on the closed class situation, Germanson said many classes have only one section available any given quarter. Also, those classes may

have limited enrollment due to space or departmental restrictions.

"We had 120 people registering every 15 minutes during this last registration period," Germanson said, "and I believe a one section course could close quickly."

Germanson said that class closings are not the result of students pre-registering.

This quarter, approximately 50 students were allowed to pre-register, Germanson said. A majority of these students were intern or student teachers who were registering for student teaching because they could not be present to register during their assigned registration time.

Some students who have verifiable emergency situations

are also allowed to register early, Germanson said. And some non-traditional students who are carpooling from a distance are also allowed to register together at some pre-determined time selected by the registrar.

The students who work in the ballroom or gym during registration are members of the Agricultural Education Society and Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity or are paid staff members of the Registrar's Office, Germanson said. Those people usually register during or after work.

Germanson said his office does not make up the registration policies, he only enforces what is set out to him in the registration guidelines made up by the Registration committee.

One such policy evolved several years ago when students could enroll for 25 or more credits a quarter and then drop the classes they did not like.

That left far fewer courses open late during registration, Germanson said. That policy was changed to limit students to 19 credits as the maximum load they can leave the gym with, he said.

Another policy recently implemented was automatically removing a student's name from the class roster if he does not attend the first day of class.

The committee responsible for implementing and changing the registration process is headed by Richard Delorit, UW-RF vice-chancellor.

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RF municipal judge retires for health reasons

By JANE WEIHMEIR

Friday marks the last day of George Banta's duty as River Falls municipal judge. He is retiring for health and economic reasons.

In 1980, Banta had major surgery. Now he is moving to Tucson, Ariz., to get away from the cold and the stress of his jobs as real estate broker and judge.

Banta, 54, said if he gave up just one of his jobs he would not be able to make a living on the income, so he will retire entirely and relax.

Banta's resignation means that court will be held every other Monday at the Pierce County Courthouse in Ellsworth rather than being held every Tuesday and Wednesday in River Falls.

Drunk driving cases will be heard in Pierce or St. Croix County Court depending on where the arrest was made.

According to Banta, who was judge for almost five years, the River Falls court handles about 1,500 cases and collects about \$55,000 a year. But about 75 percent of the cases are

forfeitures—people post bonds but don't make court appearances so the bonds are forfeited.

The caseload on the courts is increasing, Banta said. It is now mandatory for a person charged with drunk driving to make a court appearance.

Banta said about 33 percent of the cases will now be heard in court and about \$85,000 will be collected by the city this year because of increased penalties for drunk drivers.

Arlene Croes, municipal court clerk, said she doesn't think the county will have any trouble hearing all the cases in one day

every two weeks because there are so many forfeitures.

Sergeant Carl Schrank, the police officer who appears in court, said the new procedure will not affect him much—he already spends every other Monday in Ellsworth.

City administrator, Eric Sorenson, said River Falls could conduct a special election to replace the judge, but special elections require the governor's approval. Special approval can only be granted after the office is vacated, so the earliest the city could receive approval is next week.

Because at least three people indicated interest in the position the city would need a primary election, Sorenson said. By the time the election process would be completed it would almost be time for the April election.

The special election would cost about \$5,000, but "cost was not an overwhelming factor, just the time involved," Sorenson said.

He said the county clerk of court may have been "a little frustrated at our caseload being put on her already heavy docket," but there was not much choice.

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Platteville at
buzzer
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NEWS BRIEFS

THE WORLD

BEIRUT, LEBANON—

The American battleship New Jersey, the largest warship afloat, fired its 16-inch guns toward Syrian-controlled hills east of Beirut Wednesday, U.S. officials said.

It was the first time the New Jersey, the world's only operational battleship, had opened fired since it arrived off the Lebanese coast in September.

State-run Beirut Radio said the New Jersey and other American vessels were firing at targets near the village of Tarchich east of Beirut, and north of the Beirut-Damascus highway.

VATICAN CITY—

Citing the case of "Baby Jane Doe" in New York, the Vatican again attacked mercy killing and called it "the most hateful and insufferable of discriminations."

The parents of the 2-month-old infant have refused to permit surgery that might prolong her life without correcting her retardation or stopping pain.

The U.S. Supreme Court Monday declined to order the operation. Vatican Radio criticized the decision Tuesday.

WARSAW, POLAND—

About 300 Poles responded to calls for the nation to cut back on drinking and gathered in a Warsaw church Tuesday to renounce vodka.

Drunkness, according to one government report, affects 42 percent of the population, giving Poland the highest rate of alcoholism in Europe.

"Let us reject vodka, let us close the floodgates on the stream that enslaves us," said one of the appeals. "Vodka is destroying us biologically and morally, and threatens to destroy our national identity."

THE NATION

WASHINGTON, D.C.—

President Reagan defended Edwin Meese, his close aide and longtime associate, against the storm of controversy that arose last week when Meese said in an interview that he had never seen documentary evidence that children are hungry in America and suggested that some people who go to soup kitchens are not needy.

"I believe the manner in which that's been treated in news accounts...is totally out of context with the entire interview which he gave," Reagan said.

The government is revealing the first round of indictments in Operation Greylord, a three-year undercover investigation of corruption in the nation's largest court system. At least three judges reportedly will be among those indicted.

President Reagan said Wednesday the nation will learn on Jan. 29 if he plans to seek re-election, but an administration source said Reagan already has decided to run and has approved the broad outline of a statement announcing his intentions.

THE REGION

MADISON—

Wisconsin governor Tony Earl said he did not regret telling a class on the University of Wisconsin-Madison campus last week that students should consider a campaign of civil disobedience to protest the proliferation of nuclear weapons.

If he said it over again, the governor added, he would probably emphasize his position that there should be "less apathy and more action" on disarmament, not using the strategy of civil disobedience to bring that about.

Reports of Earl's comments drew harsh criticism from state Republican leaders and some Democrats, who contended he was endorsing a return to the days of violent protest over the Vietnam War.

"I don't for a moment endorse the kind of actions my critics ascribe to me; the bombing of Sterling Hall or trashing of State Street," Earl said.

However, he said, sitting down at a missile site "is an appropriate way for one to register disagreement with the policy."

NEW LISBON—

A New Lisbon School District music teacher was charged Wednesday with seven counts of sexually assaulting a child, said Daniel Berkos, Juneau County district attorney.

Berkos said David Segerstrom, 46, was charged with four counts of sexual assault and three accounts of enticing a child.

The charges resulted from the reports of an 18-year-old who said Segerstrom assaulted him more than once, beginning in 1977 when he was 11 years old, Berkos said. The most recent incident allegedly occurred two weeks ago.

MADISON—

Gov. Anthony Earl endorsed a 13 percent pay increase Wednesday for Wisconsin judges if that is what it takes to bring judges salaries in line with pay increases state employees have received in recent years.

"If that is what it would take, then that is what I would support," Earl said in response to a reporter's question following up his statement that judges should be "made whole" for pay raises other public employees were getting but that they missed.



1ST PLACE PHOTO by David Heberlein is pictured above. He won

\$500 worth of photo equipment.

Photo instructor wins 1st

It was two firsts for UW-River Falls instructor David Heberlein in the recent Twin Cities Reader photo contest—it was the first time he had entered a photo contest, and he won first-prize.

Heberlein won first prize in the black-and-white division with a picture of a street scene of Florence, Italy. The contest's theme was vacation and Heberlein had just returned from his trip to Florence.

"The timing was just right,"

Heberlein said.

First prize was \$500 in camera equipment. Heberlein hasn't decided yet what to do with it. "I might give it all away," he said, because he already has all the equipment he needs.

Heberlein said he was really surprised that he won.

He said he decided to enter the contest because friends kept asking him why he never did.

Heberlein teaches basic and advanced photography at UW-

RF through the department of education. He also works in the audio visual department as TV coordinator, and he provides a photography and graphics service for UW-RF faculty.

Heberlein specializes in black and white photography. He said that he takes his best pictures in Europe.

Some of Heberlein's photos will be on display in the Fine Arts Building after Christmas break.

Some Nigerian checks arrive

By CATHY HOPE

Four of the seven Nigerian students who were waiting for their checks from Nigeria paid their debts to UW-River Falls and were allowed to register winter quarter.

The other three have not yet paid but they have copies of documents showing their money has been deposited in Nigerian banks. They were allowed to register and were given until Jan. 6 to pay their debts from previous quarters and 50 percent of this quarter's fees, said Art Delforge, Accounts Receivable.

Of the four Nigerians that paid, one received a check and it was cleared; two received checks but the checks are still in the collection process; and one had money wired from Nigeria.

Three other Nigerian students, who paid fall quarter but could not pay for winter quarter were given until Jan. 1 to pay the university's fee requirement. Their cases will probably be

reviewed on Jan. 6 with the other three cases, Delforge said.

It is not clear why the Nigerian students' checks were delayed. Delforge attributes the delay to the Nigerian government's restrictions on foreign exchange. Because the foreign exchange rate on Nigerian currency is low, the government is restricting the amount of money that is allowed out of the country, he said.

John Etuk-Akpan, president of UW-RF African Students Union said in a Student Voice article that the delay was caused by a procedure change. He said last year the government changed the procedure of distributing money. Etuk-Akpan, a Nigerian, said the delay should not be blamed on the Nigerian government.

So far, UW-RF has avoided expelling any Nigerian students awaiting their checks.

An Associated Press article said UW-Madison will not allow

Nigerians owing back tuition to register next semester.

Delforge said "The bigger schools don't seem worried about losing a few students. The smaller schools are a little more flexible. Here (losing) one student could mean cancelling a class."

UW-RF's flexibility with the Nigerian students will not stretch much further, Delforge said.

Assistant Chancellor of Business and Finance Ted Kuehner expressed that in his last letter to the three Nigerian students who still owe for fall quarter. It reads: "We cannot continue to extend credit to you and any further appeals will not be considered."

The three Nigerian students who paid fall quarter but were not able to pay winter quarter are eligible for extensions, Delforge said. They will be treated similar to the Nigerian students who were unable to pay fall quarter. Those students were granted three extensions — to Oct. 10, Nov. 23, and Jan. 6.

Election amendments proposed

By MAUREEN McAVOY and MARTY MUENZMAIER

Three motions to amend portions of the Student Senate constitution were introduced at the senate meeting Tuesday.

One of the amendments calls for a student election of senate's president and vice president, and another calls for a student election of senate's secretary and treasurer.

Vacancies of senate seats are currently filled whether by student election or by senate approval of a presidential appointee. The third proposed



amendment calls for the elimination of a presidential appointee.

The motions were referred to the Internal Operations Committee. Amendments to the senate constitution require a vote by the student body.

The senate is sending letters to all students inviting them to

become more involved in student government, President Tom Stacy said.

Students who respond to the letter will form a core group of student lobbyists, he said. It is also a move to inform students of their rights and privileges. Stacy said the senate hope to generate student activists and possibly future student senators from this group.

Letters have been sent to the residence halls and will be sent to students living off campus shortly after Christmas, Stacy said.



Photo by C.J. Freitag

DANCERS Joe Crownhart and Jill Gebhardt during Saturday's dance-a-thon for Dance Theatre.

Dance-a-thon raises \$1,600

By NANCY NESS

Pledges for the Dance Theatre Dance-a-Thon increased \$600 over last years pledges, said Karla Zhe, director of the Dance Theatre.

Thirty-two members of the organization danced for eight hours Saturday in the Student Center Ballroom and raised \$1,600.

According to Zhe, the average amount collected by each member was \$20 to \$30. A few members collected over \$300 each.

The dancers danced for 55 minutes with five minute breaks. They danced to folk dances, improvisation and dance to break the monotony, Zhe said.

The money raised will be used to pay for the organizations activities.

Its largest expense is the formal concert which is held every spring. This year's performance will be held March 22 through 24. The show will "run the gamut

from humorous to modern," Zhe said.

"We want to keep improving the quality of the shows," she said, "but that takes more money."

Dance Theatre receives no funding from the Student Senate, although it has applied to become a segregated fee account. If it is accepted as a segregated fee

account, it will not receive funding until next year.

The organization will hold a yearly Dance-a-thon even if it receives funding. "We want to help support ourselves," Zhe said.

The group plans to spend the money raised by the Dance-a-thon for guest choreographers or traveling expenses to workshops.

POLICE REPORT

Thursday, Dec. 8

Eugene W. Langois, Route 1, River Falls, reported that his parked car was struck twice during the same day. The first incident was a hit-and-run at 10:50 a.m. The second incident took place between 7:15 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. when a car driven by Brenda S. LaValley, Route 2, River Falls, collided with the Langois car.

A male juvenile was caught drinking alcohol in room 228 Prucha Hall. The juvenile has been referred to Pierce County Social Services. Charges are pending on the adult involved in the incident.

Christopher M. Lilly reported the theft of a stereo-equalizer from his car while the car was parked behind Bo's and Mine.

Friday, Dec. 9

Taewon Chung, 106 Crabtree Hall, reported hit-and-run damage to his car parked in Lot O.

Saturday, Dec. 10

Dawn E. DeVine, 307 S. Falls Street, reported hit-and-run damage to her car parked near her home.

Monday, Dec. 12

Carol L. LeBreck and Lisa L. LeBreck, 905 State Street, were taken to the River Falls Medical Clinic following a two-car accident with Christi Ann Marci, 7745 157th Street, Apple Valley, Minn.

Exhibit explains Brotherton history

By: ROBERT HEINZE

By Wisconsin state statute, 1983 has been declared "The year of the Brotherton Indians," commemorating 150 years of residence in Wisconsin. As part of the festivities, a historical exhibit is being toured around the state. The exhibit is now in Chalmer Davee Library through December.

Philip Tousey, coordinator of the exhibit, said that few people are familiar with the Brothertons. Yet the Brothertons have taken an active part in the history of the state.

"The Brothertons were in Wisconsin nine years before Wisconsin was a state," Tousey said. In addition, Tousey said Brotherton Indians have sat in the Wisconsin state legislation and built the first steamboat on Lake Winnebago.

"One of the things people find

most peculiar when we give our talks is the role women had," Tousey said. In the early history of the tribe, leaders were selected by women.

"The women were not on the council, but they held the property. If they were displeased with the chief, they would demonstrate and have him removed."

As proof that governance is still shared by the sexes, the tribal chair-person today is a women.

Mrs. Tousey said the Brothertons have two goals at present. One is to be officially recognized as a tribe and receive benefits, such as government subsidized educations, that recognized tribes receive. The Brothertons were a recognized tribe until 1978, when an Indian Reorganization by the federal government took place.

To be recognized again, the Brothertons have to prove they

were recognized in the past, that they are organized, that they are recognized by other Indians, and that individual members can trace their genealogy.

Apparently, the problem is common. Tousey said there are over 500 unrecognized tribes in the United States.

Their second goal is to establish a museum and archives for historical artifacts. "Right now, our house is cluttered up with the artifacts," Tousey said.

Mrs. Tousey said that once the tribe is recognized, funds might become available for the building of the museum.

Coping with depression

By GLORIA SMITH

While the holiday season may bring some people together with the spirit of love and joy, others may feel left out and get depressed or attempt suicide, according to Jude Miller of Youth Emergencies Service, Minneapolis, Minn.

Miller spoke at a Dec. 7 workshop sponsored by the UW-River Falls Sociology Club

and Turningpoint for Victims of Domestic Abuse, Inc.

She provided the audience with handouts that gave suggestions for people helping others who are depressed or may attempt suicide.

The handout listed the steps to follow when trying to help someone cope. The steps are: 1) talk, 2) be honest, 3) find alternatives, 4) respond to the risk, and 5) do a follow up.

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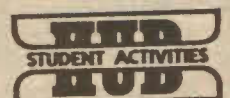
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VIEWPOINTS



VOICE BOX:

Clubs offer experience

By KATHY LANGER

As students pursuing a college education, classes and homework are the "meat and potatoes" of our existence at UW-River Falls.

But let's face it,—no matter how much you may enjoy college, your daily "meat and potatoes" will soon become awfully dull without any seasoning. To improve the flavor of your education you should season it by getting involved in clubs.

One outstanding reason for getting involved is that it is a great way to make new friends.

Another reason for getting involved is that working on a club project or chairing a committee can be very rewarding.

Instead of spending your time watching that M*A*S*H rerun for the third time or going to the bars with your friends, you could be spending your time working

on a worthwhile club project, such as raising money for a scholarship or holding a health fair for grade school children.

Just as there is a wide variety of seasonings on the market to choose from, there is also a wide variety of clubs offered at UW-RF. With more than 60 clubs to choose from, there is bound to be a few which suit your tastes.

Clubs offer you the opportunity to develop your special interests. For example, maybe you've always enjoyed dancing, but you've never really had the opportunity to pursue your interest. By becoming involved in Dance Theatre you can participate in a dance production and maybe even choreograph a dance piece or two.

Despite the advantages clubs offer, most students prefer to remain uninvolved, claiming they don't have time

for clubs. To this excuse, I say nonsense!

Maybe you think it is more important to spend your time studying with hopes of achieving that "all-important" 4.0 grade point average, but think again. Employers nowadays prefer college graduates who have had some career-related experience. Through involvement in career-oriented clubs such as the campus radio, WRFW, or the Ag. Education Society, you'll have to limit yourself to career-oriented clubs: any kind of club involvement is to your advantage, because it shows an employer that you are a "go-getter."

So, why settle for plain old "meat and potatoes" when all it takes is a little seasoning to improve their flavor? Get involved: Clubs are a great way to improve your education.

LETTERS

Rep. Gilson's comments called dribble

Dear Editor:

State Representative Earl Gilson has once again shown himself to be on the cutting edge of Democratic politics in Wisconsin. In a bold political move, his column last week outlined his views on an issue seldom addressed by "traditional politicians." Earl Gilson announced his unqualified support for the current edition of the Wisconsin Blue Book.

While other state legislators concern themselves with peripheral issues, such as taxation, aid to education, and budget surpluses, Gilson has the foresight to strike out on his own. Who knows? This kind of political insight could lead to much needed State Highway Map reform. The citizens of the 30th Assembly District can be proud of Gilson's innovative approach to the political non-questions of our time.

All kidding aside, Earl Gilson was elected under the banner of increasing communication between the Capitol and his district. How can he then send out this political dribble on such a regular basis? At a time when his constituents are feeling the full force of his vote to cut property tax relief, he "communicates" history trivia via his Blue Book endorsement.

In all fairness to Mr. Gilson, many legislators do not write their own columns. The Assembly Caucus staff generally writes several "columns" and distributes them to the Representatives. Legislators can choose to use one of these or write their own columns. I desperately hope that Gilson's recent column was not of his own creation, but rather the ramblings of a Democratic staff member. It would be too much to think that our state legislator would use his time and our money to communicate these irrelevancies on purpose.

We'll chalk it up as a mistake this time, Earl. But don't let it happen again.

Scott J. Nordstrand

Spread holiday cheer

To everyone here at River Falls "U" Merry Christmas and Happy New Year too! This is such a lovely time of year everyone is happy and spreading good cheer smiles on our faces as we walk along listen closely—some are singing a song "Silent Night, Holy Night" your might hear or "God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen" also this year I wish we could have this love for more days it makes us happy in so many ways people seem so much nicer at this time some of us even burst out in rhyme "Hello, How are you today" seems so nice especially when the streets are covered with ice "Are you going to folks for a while" "oh yes" you say with a big smile What about those who can't get home home is in Africa or way up in Nome what will they do on the big Holiday where will they be what will they say you could wish them well before you leave maybe with a small gift you could make them believe believe Christmas in here in River Falls "U" make someone happy—it's all up to you God Bless You All during this season and be good to each other for whatever the reason

Bob Enloe
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On My Mind ...

By CATHY HOPE
EDITOR:

Since most students will be getting ready to leave for Christmas vacation by the time the Student Voice comes out, we have printed a short newspaper. In keeping with the limited space, this column will be limited.

I just want to give you this tip on how to enjoy your Christmas break—

FORGET YOUR BOOKS
AT SCHOOL!



Kinship friendships are therapeutic, preventive

By DEANNE KEENE

Remember the times when you tickled your brother until he almost cried because he was picking on you or when you walked home with your older sister through all the snowbanks getting soaked and arrived to a warm home laughing. Approximately 123 local children would go without that special attention if it weren't for the Pierce County Kinship program.

The children, five to 18, are enrolled in the program by their parents. About 140 adults participate in Kinship. Male volunteers are especially needed.

Ron Campbell, Kinship executive director, said the children may come from broken homes, or from families faced with a death or problems of drug and alcohol abuse. Difficulties relating to the family, peers, and school are common problems. Some of the children are handicapped, retarded, abused, emotionally disturbed, or minorities.

Campbell said, "Friendships are therapeutic in making the

child be more sure of himself. Kinship is viewed as a preventive program, a friendship established because of early concerns."

Kinship needs people who have real caring disposition, said Campbell. "They must be willing to be a giver, not expecting a great deal of mutual sharing."

"It isn't the easiest thing to be a friend, especially to someone who doesn't know where they are going," he said. "We want this to be a good, positive relationship."

Many college students have positive relationships with their kinship children.

Senior Theresa Landin, said, "I believe Kinship is worthwhile and rewarding."

Her 9-year-old Kinship child is a pizza, lasagne and Garfield lover, a fourth-grader interested in soccer and crafts. And crafts are often done by Landin and Char Goggins; in fact during the interview, Landin and Goggins were making Christmas mice.

Landin said she joined Kinship because she never had a younger sibling.

Another Kinship pair is Kelvin

Erickson and third-grader Jason Anderson. This pair shares traits of blond hair, blue eyes and a quiet manner.

Together, they have gone to football, basketball, and hockey games, fishing, bowling and roller skating.

Erickson, a food and plant science major, said, "Kinship is definitely worth the time."

Erickson said it is important for the Kinship volunteer to set a good example because it helps the children develop self-confidence.

Erickson said he thinks more people should be involved. "A lot of kids need help and guidance."

Energetic 7-year-old Jaimi Engel is matched with physical education major Janet Molebash.

The Kinship pair has only been together since the summer. They have visited each other's homes and the Glen park. They have gone hiking and biking, and made Thanksgiving cards.

Molebash said, "It's a challenge. I enjoy being around kids her age."

Engel had a quick answer to

the question of what she thought about her Kinship match. "When I first met her, I couldn't look at her because she was so pretty."

Molebash said she became involved with Kinship because of the experiences her friends had. "I feel it's important that they have someone to do something with."

She had favorable comments about Kinship. "If you have any problems, they (Kinship

directors) are willing to help."

Kinship director Campbell said matches are based on keeping interests of hobbies, vocations, and backgrounds in mind.

A primary concern is that the volunteer must have time to share. "We hope and expect that the volunteer will be consistent and reliable. A lot of these kids have been through a lot of disappointments."

Drinking legislation

UC may challenge law

By LYNN HOWARD

The United Council of University of Wisconsin Student Governments is involving itself in a possible lawsuit challenging the constitutionality of the recently legislated raising of the state drinking age.

The student lobby group was

approached by the Tavern league of Wisconsin about endorsing legal research into the possible constitutional objections to the law, which is scheduled to become effective July 1, 1984.

Wayne Kantola, UC Director for UW-River Falls, said the basis for such a lawsuit looks very promising at this time.

The research is being conducted by Madison attorney Peter Peshek, who works for the Dewitt, Sundby, Huggett & Schumacher law firm of Madison, said Kantola.

Equal protection under the law for 18-year-olds is the main constitutional objection to the law, according to Kantola.

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The new procedure will be cheaper for the court, but more expensive for the police department, Sorenson said. Officers will receive more overtime pay.

Shrank said that in the River Falls court, trials could be arranged around the officers' schedules, but under the county court, trials are operated around the judge's schedule. That could mean an officer is required to be at trial when he is off duty, so the city will have to pay him overtime to go to court.

The deadline for circulating the papers is Jan. 3. The primary election will be Feb. 21, and the general election will be April 3.

...judge retires

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Many years ago, students had to go to several places to complete the registration process, Delorit said. The lines at the North Hall Cashier's office sometimes went down the stairs and out the building, he said.

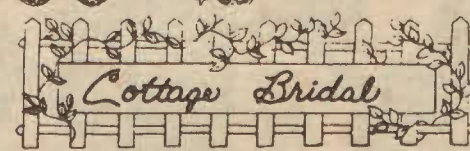
To alleviate the problem, the registration committee was formed. They went to other schools to observe registration processes. The committee came back with suggestions for a registration procedure for UW-RF.

Those suggestions were used to design the registration process that students go through at the beginning of each quarter—a process that works quite well compared to other schools, Delorit said.

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Review

"A Christmas Carol" sure to please

By ROBERT HEINZE

Despite an array of dramas involving grinchs, smurfs and snowmen—no tale, with the possible exception of the Nativity, conveys that special feeling Christmas brings like Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol."

Because of this, the UW-River Falls Masquers have chosen to produce it annually.

This year, the Masquers had the good fortune to get as their director the star of last year's fine performance, Robert Kampa. The craftsmanship his fine work in the past has exhibited showed through the clean but emotionally charged performance given at Tuesday's final dress rehearsal.

Shawn Geary as the infamous Scrooge handled the role magnificently. His transition from miser to philanthropist, with all the soul-searching in between is done with touching believability.

Giving an equally believable and emotional performance was Christopher Busse as Bob Cratchit. Busse has carefully mastered simple, but intense emotions.

The ghosts of Christmas past, present and future were particularly appealing in this production. I was very impressed with the clarity with which the ghost of Christmas past (Jane Hanson) spoke, considering the rapid delivery of the lines.

Worth special mention is the short, but integral performance of Sheryl Schmit as Belle, Scrooge's fiancée. In her scene with Ebenezer, played by Felix Deneau, one is truly gripped by first the delight and then the despair of the moments.

Regarding the acting, there are only two complaints I have with this production.

My first gripe is with the interpretation of the Fezziwigs. True, they are a jolly, silly couple — which the actors portraying them (Russ Rogers and Sue

Harings) provide. But, there is a tone to the performance which goes too far — almost to the point of a Saturday Night Live parody.

My second gripe is with performance readiness of some of the children. I was particularly unimpressed with the exchange between young Eb and his sister Fan.

Special effects were marvelous. The use of colored smoke, a trap door and a scrim from which characters appeared behind gave color to an austere stage.

Sound was OK where used. But, there could have been more of it. As the narrator Dickens (Sean Hughes) was describing the wild weather in which Scrooge went home, there were absolutely no sound effects to accompany it.

Technically, the show has problems. But, none so insurmountable that they tainted the feeling of the show.

Furthermore, with the excellent acting and special effects this show has, the viewer is sure to be pleased.



Photo by Deanne Keene

BLIND-MAN'S BUFF at Mr. Fred's from "A Christmas Carol." Blinded is Brian Hughes as Mr. Tupper. Seated is Giovanni Nelson between Kim Pederson and Cherie Greub. Standing behind is Jeff Kitzerow.

RF Ballet stages Tchaikovsky's 'Nutcracker'

By RICK PETERSON

The River Falls Ballet Company will present a performance of "The Nutcracker" Friday, at 7:30 p.m. in North Hall Auditorium.

This traditional ballet is often performed by dance groups during the Christmas season. "The Nutcracker" is about a young girl's dream of one of her Christmas presents coming to life. It is a popular fantasy story that has taken shape in movies, television shows and even children's cartoons.

Daniel Frye, a sophomore at UW-River Falls will dance the part of the Nutcracker prince, the present that comes to life. Carrie Weinberger, an eighth-grade student at St. Bridget's High School, will dance the part of Clara, the girl who has the fantasy dream. There will be about 45 cast members involved with the show.

Nancy Ficek, the instructor of the River Falls Ballet Company, is in charge of production,

direction and choreography. This is the second full-scale show that Ficek has produced since the dance group performed "Sleeping Beauty" last fall. Prior to that, the group was staging reviews that contained various dances.

Ficek said that the full-scale shows are harder to do than the reviews because they involve a sense of continuity between the dances. The dancers must double as actors to express the feeling of the show.

The company usually practices three days a week but since November it has stepped up to five days a week.

"The dancers really have to like practice," Ficek said, "If of Cinderella."

Ficek said she likes to videotape the dress rehearsals so that the dancers can see the finished show from the audience's perspective. Those tapes act as a sort of visual textbook for future performances. Because ballet is traditionally taught through the memory and notes of the

choreographer, Ficek said she hopes these video tapes will lessen her work-load for future performances.

The group may do "The Nutcracker" during every Christmas season.

During spring season, the company plans to stage the story of "Cinderella"

The River Falls Ballet Company is sponsored by the UW-RF extension program. Anyone with an interest in ballet

is eligible to sign up for lessons and participate in upcoming performances.

A donation of \$1 dollar is requested at the door of the Friday night show to help pay the production costs.



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FEATURED IN the 'Nutcracker' are UW-River Falls students Jeff Osmond, Sheila Kelly and Steve Rolf.

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SPORTS

Last-second shots defeat Falcons twice

By NANCEE MELBY

Last weekend the Falcons found that the hardest shots to defend are last second winning shots. The UW-River Falls basketball team lost two decisions at Karges Center; both game-winning shots came in the final seconds of the games.

Friday Platteville defeated the Falcons 80-78 with a 20-foot jump shot at the buzzer to end the game. Saturday Whitewater dealt the Falcons a double-overtime defeat 72-70.

The Falcons and Pioneers exchanged leads through the second half and with 1:04 remaining, Platteville's Mike Ehler, who led the scoring with

34 points, tied the score with a 10-foot shot. Ray Wagner put the game in the Pioneers pocket with his 20-foot shot at the buzzer. Wagner was in to replace Tom Steinhaus, who had fouled out.

John Williams led the Falcons in scoring with 31 points. Williams also grabbed seven rebounds. Brian Jass was second in scoring with 17 points. But it was Jass's defense that kept the Falcons in the game. Jass led the Falcons with 14 rebounds. Jeff Bloomer also scored in double figures with his 10 points.

The Falcons out-rebounded Platteville 38 to 20, but also turned the ball over 18 times compared to the Pioneer's nine turnovers.

Head coach Stan Jack said, "The normal average of turnovers is 12 to 14 in a game. We probably had five or six too many and they all came at crucial moments in the game."

The Falcons had a chore facing them Saturday night against Whitewater, but came out on the floor with the intensity to win the

game. However, according to coach Jack the Falcons had a "couple of bad breaks" and the win was just not meant to be.

There was a glimmer of hope going into the game for the Falcons; Whitewater was minus its all-conference guard Andre McCoy who was sidelined with an ankle injury.

But it was apparent after the first half that even without McCoy, Whitewater was a formidable foe. A last second slam-dunk put Whitewater up 32-26 at half time.

With 1:06 remaining in the game Jass got open under the basket and Williams passed off for the tying basket. Whitewater went into a stall and called a timeout with 11 seconds left to plan strategy. A tough Falcon defense prevented the go-ahead shot and sent the game into overtime.

Whitewater scored first in the overtime but the Falcons came right back with a basket. With 2:00 left in the five-minute overtime, Bloomer sunk an 18-

foot shot to tie the score. Again the Falcon defensive play held Whitewater from scoring, sending the game into a second overtime.

Bloomer scored first for the Falcons. But then Jass fouled out, changing the Falcon line up. Whitewater closed the gap to one point on the foul shot. Guy Hunter put the Falcons up by two again when he made one of two shots at the free-throw line. With 1:08 remaining, Whitewater tied the score and the Falcons went into a stall. An untimely turnover gave Whitewater the ball and with seven seconds remaining Willie Tyler fouled and sent Warhawk Anthony Brazzel to the free-throw line. Brazzel made both his free shots and time ran out for the Falcons.

Williams led the scoring for the Falcons with 31 points. Williams also grabbed eight rebounds. Bloomer was the only other Falcon to score in double figures with his 18 points. Bloomer also turned the ball over a team-high seven times.

Swim records broken

By DEANNE KEENE

Two women's swimming records were broken in the last week in a meet against St. Olaf and in a conference meet in Whitewater.

Julie O'Reilly broke her own school record by 11 seconds in the individual medley. The new record time is 5:12.44.

O'Reilly was named a member of the 400-yard freestyle relay team which broke the school record in 4:06.0. Helping in the event at Whitewater were Ann Peterson, Jo Kelm, and Laura Brennan.

St. Olaf glided past the Falcon women 76-34. Coach Rob Schurrer said, "The meet was difficult for the team. We lost quite a bit of our conditioning over finals and quarter break. Then, to go against someone as strong as St. Olaf is tough."

Deb Christiansen took firsts in the one-meter and 3-meter diving. Schurrer said, "Diving

on the three-meter board at a meet like this is difficult since Debbie must travel to Minneapolis once a week to work with Barry Walz on the three-meter board. Debbie also had a sprained ankle that evening, but still had an outstanding performance.

The Falcon team placed seventh out of seven teams at the Whitewater Relays.

He had favorable comments for Noel Hillig who is swimming for the first year. She swam her best time in the 50-yard freestyle in 31.3 seconds. Schurrer said, "This represents a reduction in time of 25 seconds over the last two months. Noel has been working very hard and adds a bit of levity to practice and the road trips."

Schurrer said Craig Miller is steadily improving his times in the butterfly and backstroke.

"The team as a whole continues to improve week by week," said Schurrer.

Freshman scores high

By PAT ZETAH

The UW-River Falls women's gymnastics team had its first meet of the season when it competed at LaCrosse last Friday.

The Falcons placed behind LaCrosse and Milwaukee. LaCrosse had a team score of 161.45. River Falls had 137.3. "Our score was higher than our best score last season," head coach Pan Jones said.

Freshman Jean Tronnier was the top scorer in three events for the Falcons. Tronnier's score totaled 29.75 for all four events. That is the highest all-around score in four years for River Falls. It was fourth highest for the meet according to Jones.

"On the beam everyone was very shaky, but the bars and vaulting looked exceptionally strong for this time of the year," Jones said. Tronnier scored 8.4 on the vault which was third in the meet. Amy Knox had 8.3 which tied for fourth place and

Laura Franzwa scored 8.15.

The Falcons had excellent bar scores according to Jones. Deanna Johnson scored 7.45, Tronnier had 7.25 and Dawn Bottin scored 7.2.

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Win moves women to 5-1 record

The UW-River Falls women's basketball team moved its season record to 5-1 with a 67-45 win over Northwestern Thursday.

This weekend the Falcons will play in the Twin Ports Classic in Duluth. They get a bye in the first round and play the winner of the Winona vs. UW-Superior game. Other teams in the tournament are UM-Duluth, St. Scholastica and UW-Stout.

The Falcons had a more difficult time than expected against Northwestern. They could only build a seven-point halftime lead before getting a comfortable lead in the second half.

The Falcons were led in scoring by guard Sue Mickelson with 14 points. Center Mary Johnson added 13 points as did Tracy Singerhouse. Johnson was

the team's leading rebounder with 10.

Mickelson and Singerhouse also did excellent passing. Mickelson had eight assists in the game and Singerhouse passed for four.

The Twin Ports Classic is the last action for the team until after Christmas. The Falcons play at St. Olaf on Jan. 4 and then host the Falcon Classic on Jan. 6 and 7.

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"THE BLACK STALLION"

Skating Falcons win overtime 8-7, and drop 4-5



By CHRIS SCHACK

David Ney drilled a wrist shot by Augsburg goal tender Pat McGlynn with 1:53 left in overtime Saturday to give the UW-River Falls Falcon hockey team a 8-7 decision at Hunt Arena and a split of its two-game home and away series. Friday night, Augsburg scored early into overtime for a 5-4 win in Minneapolis, Minn.

In Saturday's win, the Falcons outshot Augsburg 61-36. On two occasions, the Falcons had two goal leads but Augsburg sent the game into overtime for the second straight night. The Falcons built a quick 2-0 lead in the first period on goals by Ron Beck and Mike Kelly, but the Augsburg offense responded with three goals in a span of 34 seconds in the final five minutes

of the period to give them a 3-2 lead after the first intermission. Tom D'Andrea broke out of a three-game scoring slump at 10:14 to get the Falcons back into a temporary tie. Three minutes later, Augsburg went back into the lead but Jon Erickson tied it up again at 14:30 when he intercepted an Auggie pass in the neutral zone, eluded a defenseman in the Augsburg zone and beat goalie Jim Fitch with a wrist shot.

At 18:17 of the period, with Augsburg's leading scorer Mike Riley in the penalty box, Beck scored his second goal of the evening. The Falcons took that 5-4 lead into the final period.

Augsburg head coach Ed Saugestad brought in Pat McGlynn for the start of the third period. Finch had to make 23 saves in the second period and

LEFT, MIKE KING and Tom D'Andrea demonstrate the finer points of hockey at the Falcon "Face-off" Clinic.

Mike Kelly, No. 14, right, scores a goal against Augsburg Falcons' 8-7 overtime win.

Photos by C.J. Freitag

that may have the reason Saugestad made the change. Finch got off the hook quickly in third period when Mark Herzog scored his third goal of the game to knot the score at five.

However, the Falcons came right back with goals at 4:11 and 6:36 to take a 7-5 lead. D'Andrea scored his second of the game for the Falcons sixth goal while Scott Simpson tallied his second of the season to give the Falcons the two-goal lead.

Augsburg had a golden opportunity to win the game in overtime when Mike Cowley was called for interference with 17 seconds remaining in the third. But the Falcons held off Augsburg and ten seconds after Cowley got back on the ice, Ney scored the game-winner.

In Saturday's game, the Falcons trailed at only one point at the finish. Jon Erickson gave the Falcons a 1-0 lead early in the first period despite being outshot 12-2 during the first 10 minutes.

After Augsburg tied the score at 15:15 of the period, Ney and Dey worked a two on one with Ney getting the goal and it was 2-1 Falcons. The Auggies tied the score with 15 second remaining in the period.

The Falcons came out and dominated action in the second period despite the fact both

teams had 10 shots on goal. At 4:51 of the period, Mike Collins scored his fifth goal of the season to give the Falcons a 3-2 lead. And then at 17:09 of the period, Kelly with a two-goal lead:

Augsburg, in the third period, scored to make it a 4-3 game with a goal at 2:27. The Auggies tied it up when they scored on a rare penalty shot. The shot was set up when Erickson froze the puck in the crease. The goal came at 7:35.

Both teams had numerous chances to take the lead in the final 10 minutes, but Cole and Finch answered each shot with a save, sending the game into overtime.

The Auggies won the game at 2:14 when Brian Harris knocked in a loose puck after Cole had almost froze the puck 10 feet in front of the net.

Few hockey fans attend Face-off

By WILL RUEMMELE

UW-River Falls hockey fans had an opportunity to "Face off with the Falcons," a free clinic Tuesday at Hunt Arena. Officials from the Hockey Booster Club, which sponsored the clinic, blamed the weather conditions for the "disappointing turnout."

According to Falcon hockey coach George Gwozdecky, the purpose of the clinic was to "show the people that there is some design to the chaos they see on the ice."

The clinic, which was conducted by Gwozdecky and the varsity hockey squad, consisted of an introduction of the team, a briefing of important rules such as off-side and icing, and an exhibition of several rule infractions.

Specific infractions demonstrated were tripping, roughing, cross-checking, charging, hitting from behind, high-sticking and elbowing.

Those attending the clinic were encouraged to stand on the ice along the boards to witness the action at close range. Goalie Doug Cole said that enabled everyone to realize that the action on the ice is actually faster than it appears from the stands.

Gwozdecky had his team show the conventional style of play used by most teams and the European weave style that River Falls uses. The weave is a relatively new style introduced by the Europeans and Russians that keeps all five skaters in perpetual motion when moving the puck up ice.

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