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Mixed Blood Theatre paid their second visit to the UW-RF campus on Monday night. The focus of the presentation was to show how past and present African-American women have made their mark on American history.

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WEATHER FRIDAY

Mostly sunny with a high of 32 and a low of 24.

WEEKEND

Saturday: Partly sunny with a high of 37 and a low of 26.

Sunday: Partly sunny with a high of 43 and a low of 27.

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Local artist teaches life's choices through artwork

Amy Carrell
Staff Writer

In a studio set up in the basement of his apartment complex, local artist Harold Henson paints more than just pictures. He tells stories about life.

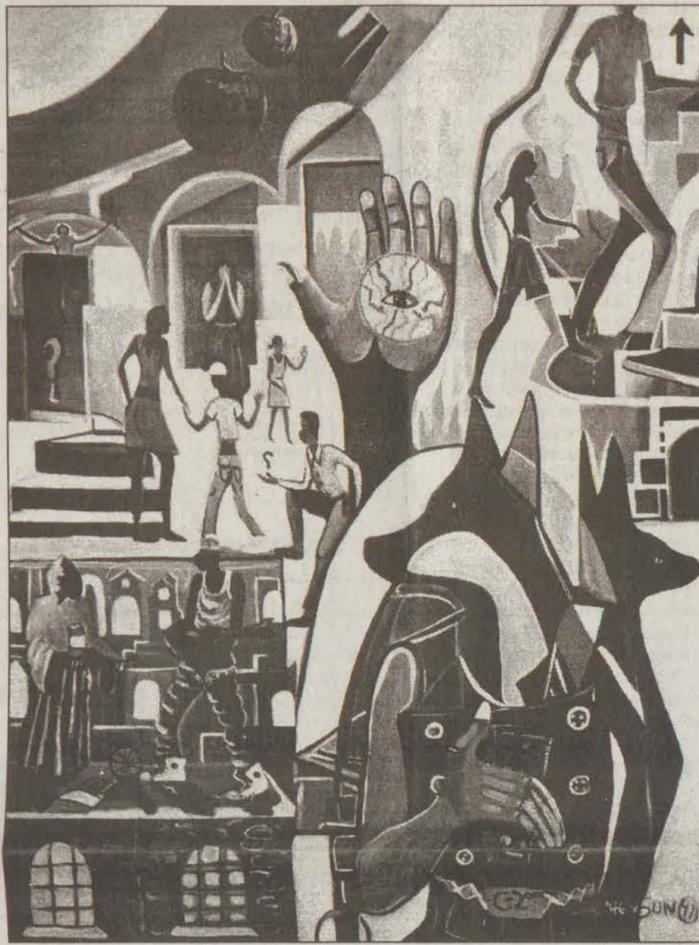
"I come right with the paint brush," Henson said. "I create a mood and some background and I go through all the different topics or issues that I want to comment on as an artist."

Henson, 47, who grew up in the inner-city of Baltimore, Md., moved to River Falls 11 years ago. Today, Henson is doing more than just painting. Through Community Arts Base, a local art organization, Henson is using a series of his paintings called Choices 2000 to teach people of all ages at churches, schools and juvenile correctional facilities that there are good and bad choices in life. Beginning Feb. 4 and continuing for two weeks, students will be able to view Henson's artwork in the Harriet Barry Gallery in the library. The showing is sponsored by the Wyman Performance Series and the exhibit begins at 7 p.m. "Choices 2000 is a group of paintings I designed focusing on the basic values and the will to overcome obstacles," Henson said. "The way I present the images through symbols captures a lot of attention."

Henson's artwork often portrays African-American subjects. One of the first paintings in Henson's series Choices 2000 illustrates a 13-year-old male wearing a muscle shirt and a pager latched onto his jeans. While the boy stands confused about life, around him are images of sex, lies, greed and drugs. Above the boy are images of the church and a recovering alcoholic.

"Everything in my paintings is taken from past experiences and present beliefs," Henson said.

Each painting holds a central theme built around numerous images and symbols. Relationships, dependencies, gangs, racism and juvenile pressure are just a few of the issues



Brandon Eytcheson / The Student Voice

Harold Henson, a local artist, has his work on display in the Harriet Barry Gallery in Davee library. This painting is titled Choices II.

Henson captures in his work. He also teaches the value of women, loyalty, spirituality, the power of knowledge and the importance of ethnicity.

"I am not telling anything new," Henson said. "I am portraying it with colors and images."

In one of Henson's paintings he shows a mother with one arm outstretched to the sky and her other hand occupied by a small child as an eagle soars above her grasping a banner that reads "welfare." In other paintings, Henson glorifies the woman as the mother of nature. With books and light bulbs he shows knowledge is a powerful tool. With an apple he portrays a world of temptation and mistakes. A staircase symbolizes a way out and footsteps show the long road one may have come. Henson's paintings also show

confusion, much like life. However, Henson teaches children there is always a way out.

"I'm trying to model, using art as a tool," Henson said. "I'm trying to model how people can tap into their productive capability."

When Henson first made his home in River Falls he sold paintings; however, after networking with various people, Henson is doing what he envisioned for many years.

"For the last 11 years, I've been a shining example of what an African-American can contribute to society," Henson said. "Not what you see on the news."

For Henson, one of his missions has been to change narrow minds. He says media has been a key factor in perpetuating stereotypical atti-

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Stranded in Korea

Jonathan Tatting
Specials Editor

So-young Zeon, where are you? Zeon, a professor in the college of education, is currently absent from her teaching duties at UW-River Falls this semester when she wasn't cleared to leave her native homeland in the Republic of Korea.

The Seoul native, in her fourth year of teaching, originally left the United States over break two months ago to visit her family in South Korea.

"I guess she's not an American citizen," said Jose Vega, assistant dean for admissions to teacher education and human relations. "She left the country thinking all was in order, but it didn't happen."

According to Vega, U.S. immigration denied Zeon's plans to return from Seoul due to her misplaced Visa application, which allow an alien to work in the U.S.

"She never heard from the Immigration and Naturalization Services regarding the papers," Vega continued. "Now she's been stuck in Korea and can't leave until (her papers receive) authorization."

As for how long clearance could take, no one really knows. Authorization could occur as early as this week. However, people are optimistic about Zeon's overdue arrival.

"We are full of hope," said Tim Holleran, chair of the teacher education department. "I talk to her once a week and she's dealing with it very well. It's government bureaucracy at its best."

Vega also recently talked to her by phone and said she is obviously bothered. And deservedly so.

"She seemed extremely disappointed," Vega said. "Imagine her disappointment that this matter wasn't taken care of sooner. Our hope is for her to be able to leave South Korea and return to the U.S. before the end of February."

When Zeon is teaching, her main expertise lies within teaching the fundamentals of multicultural education and education psychology.

Holleran mentioned that the department is trying to make do until Zeon comes back. It seems to be well covered.

Vega said his role consists of teaching class half time and acting as administrator the other half. He volunteered to substitute for two of her classes. His expertise in multicultural affairs certainly came in handy at the right time.

Holleran is also covering a class normally taught by Zeon. He is covering the education psychology course.

Elementary education students who

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Freshmen, top of the class, again

Christy Nelson
Staff Writer

The best and the brightest. That is what UW-River Falls has garnered again this semester, sticking to the script of several recent years.

"It's really been in the last two years that we've seen the most notable change," said UW-RF Director of Admissions Alan Tuchtenhagen. "The incoming freshmen we are getting are truly high quality students. The ACT scores and high school ranks are going way up."

This trend is but one that is evident in the University's recently released enrollment report. According to Assistant Registrar Rich Kathan, overall enrollment for the 1998 spring semester is 5,126 students.

"Last spring we were at 4,967 students," Kathan said. "So enrollment is up by 159 students, which is a very positive thing for the University."

Kathan said that there is also a sizable jump in the full-time equivalent

number (FTE) number, which is a way to measure credit hour productivity among students taking full-credit loads.

"I think the increase in FTE can again be attributed to the larger number of qualified freshmen," Kathan said. "When you start out with top-quality students coming in and staying, they tend to take larger credit loads because they can handle them well. This accounts for the FTE increase."

In addition to advanced enrollment efforts, Kathan said the University has also turned its attention to retaining students.

As has been the case in recent years, the two most popular majors among UW-RF students are business (all areas combined) and elementary education, according to the enrollment report and Kathan.

"Most everything we see in the report is typical for recent years, with the exception of the enrollment

See "Freshmen" page A6

Shrinking the world of words at UW-RF

Dan Hillsen
Assistant Sports Editor

Welcome to UW-River Falls. "I would like to start off the tour by saying that UW-RF is a WIAC university. Our residence halls consist of a staff including one PSM and usually one RA per wing. Many students who end up enrolling at UW-RF major in a subject in CAFES. If your son or daughter is uneasy about what college life will be like I suggest he or she try to get into the FYE program. Also, I recommend that you apply for FAFSA soon. Finally, there are many organizations here on campus. There is AAA, LSO, NAC and AASA just to name a few. I hope you enjoyed your visit here at UW-RF and hope to see you next fall."

This is an extreme example of what could happen on a campus tour. This fictional tour is an example of only a few of the many acronyms at UW-RF.

An acronym is a group of letters

that stands for something else like an organization, an individual's title and many other things.

"I think that there are quite a few and people might not realize what they mean, like with SOAR but you know what it does for you," said junior Kelly Conroy. "So they might be overused but maybe their meanings should be portrayed a little bit more. But I don't think it's that important when you go to get your SOAR number or when you're using the TALON you don't really focus on it being (The Automated Library ON-line system)."

Acronyms can sometimes be more useful than the lengthier version of a word.

"(In) a lot of places they're nice," said freshman Brian Anderson. "Saying GPA, the RA, I guess I can't think of any real popular ones right now but for the most part I usually find them useful."

Sometimes people come across acronyms and they don't know what they mean.

"On online, like America Online (AOL)," Anderson said, "people use

acronyms all the time for like laugh out loud (LOL) . . . or be right back (BRB)."

Running into these new acronyms can also be a learning experience for students.

"I was intrigued by it," Anderson said. "I wanted to know what it meant. It's kind of annoying not knowing what someone's talking about."

Acronyms seem to be growing in popularity. "I think more are being created," said Vice Chancellor Virgil Nylander. "The purpose of acronyms, I would assume, is to kind of compress the amount of information. So actually you can communicate more information in a shorter period of time."

Even though acronyms can speed up a conversation, people should use them with care, Nylander said.

"One of the problems with those kinds of acronyms, though, is that (to) those people who understand what they mean they have value, but

See "Acronym" page A6

AT A GLANCE ACRONYMS

PSM - Professional Staff Member
RA - Resident Assistant
FYE - First Year Experience
WIAC - Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference
TALON - The Automated Library ON-line system
GPA - Grade Point Average
MSO - Multicultural Services Office
AAA - African American Alliance
AASA - Asian American Student Association
LSO - Latino Student Organization
NAC - Native American Council
FAFSA - Free Application for Federal Student Aid
SOAR - Student On-line Access to Records
DARS - Degree Audit Reporting System
CAFES - College of Agriculture, Food, and Environmental Sciences
PRIDE - Providing Resources to Individuals with Disabilities in post-secondary Education

BRIEFS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A CELEBRATION OF CARRIE SEMENOK'S LIFE There will be a memorial service and fund-raiser dance for Carrie Semenok, past president of the Native American Council. The service will be held March 5 at 6 p.m. in Davee Library breezeway and at Brandy's at 8 p.m. To contribute to the Carrie Ann Semenok Endowed Scholarship and Memorial Sculpture, contact the River Falls University Foundation, 425-3505.

ATTENTION SPRING GRADUATES The deadline to apply for Spring Commencement is February 20. Applications are available at the Registrar's Office, 105 North Hall. For more information, contact Judy George, 425-3581.

ST. MARTIN'S COLLEGE--LANCASTER, ENGLAND Participate in fall 1998 or spring 1999 in the St. Martin's College -- Lancaster, England Exchange Program. Applications are due April 15. Contact the Office of International Programs in 104 North Hall for information and applications.

MADISON INTERNATIONAL TRADE ASSOCIATION announces the World Fair Trade Forum and International Job Fair on March 10 from 3-8 p.m. The Forum will meet at the Monona Terrace Convention Center in Madison.

1998 UNITED NATIONS SUMMER SEMINAR has been scheduled for June 8-July 18. The seminar includes two Political Science courses which are offered at UW-Milwaukee and a four-week group visit to the United Nations in New York City. For information contact Office of International Programs, 104 North Hall.

LION'S PAW BOOK CLUB UNDERWAY! Lion's Paw Book Club will run throughout spring semester at Davee Library. Offered the second Wednesday of the month from noon to 1 p.m., in the library's second floor breezeway. "Dead Man Walking" by Helen Prejean, led by Nancy Parlin is scheduled for Feb. 11.

UW-RF YOGA Free class Thurs., Feb. 5 from 7:15 to 8:15 p.m. Ten week session begins Thurs., Feb. 12 from 7:15 to 8:15 p.m. in the aerobics room of Emogene Nelson Building. Cost for UW-RF students is \$35, UW-RF employees \$55 and community members \$70. Preregistration is encouraged. Call Life Fitness at 425-3931 or leave a message at 425-3705. For more information contact Kathy Tarr at 425-6418.

CENTER FOR SOUTHEAST ASIAN STUDIES GRANT The Center for Southeast Asian studies at UW-Madison announces the College Faculty Access grant for 1997-98. Funds are available to bring faculty, currently teaching or conducting research, to consult with Southeast Asian specialists. Information and application materials are available at the Office of International Programs in 104 North Hall.

SCHOLARSHIPS

AMERICAN METEOROLOGICAL SOCIETY is sponsoring scholarships for applicants who have successfully completed two years of study with a minimum GPA of 3.0. Clear intent must be demonstrated to prepare students for admission to a graduate program in atmospheric or related disciplines. For more information contact the American Meteorological Society, AMS/Industry Undergraduate Scholarship Program, 45 Beacon St., Boston, Mass., 02108-3693. Deadline is Feb. 27.

WIS. COUNTY CLERKS ASSOCIATION--SHAWANO COUNTY Sponsored by the Wisconsin County Clerks Association. This scholarship is offered to junior and senior journalism, mass communications or political science majors who are Wisconsin residents. Applications are available at the Office of Financial Assistance, 122 South Hall or the Political Science Office, 124 South Hall. Deadline is April 1.

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

THOMAS B. GRACE STEVENSON JONES SCHOLARSHIP Sponsored by Thomas B. Jones and Grace Stevenson Jones Charitable Foundation. The scholarship is available for students who are residents of Grant, Iowa or Lafayette counties in Wisconsin. Contact the Thomas B. and Grace Stevenson Jones Charitable Foundation, Trust Department of the National Bank and Trust Company of Sycamore, 230 West State St., Sycamore, Ill., 60178. Deadline is March 1.

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

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

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

WISCONSIN GROCERS ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP Sponsored by the Wisconsin Grocers Association Education and Scholarship Foundation. Open to all majors. Applicants must be employed for six months by a member of the Wisconsin Grocers Association. For more information, contact the Office of Financial Assistance, 122 South Hall. Deadline is March 1.

MEETINGS

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

WEDNESDAY: HORTICULTURE SOCIETY will meeting on Wed., Feb. 11 at 5 p.m. in Room 331 of the Ag. Science building. New members of all majors are welcome.

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.

THE NEW UW-RIVER FALLS HOMEPAGE

CHARTING THE CHANGES:

Students and faculty familiar with the UW-River Falls campus homepage probably noticed some changes when accessing it this week. The page has been redesigned, new features have been added, and an increased emphasis has been placed on selling the university to prospective students out surfing the web. Here's what changed, and how it was done:

The redesign process:

During the summer of 1997 the UW-RF Web Management Committee (WMC) started working on a new design for the homepage, to be its third design since it was first put online.

"It was thought we needed to redesign it to keep it fresh," said WMC member Marlys Nelson, of UW-RF Information Technology Services. Nelson said the redesign made it possible to incorporate more categories onto the homepage, such as an alumni section, SOAR (Student Online Access to Records), and a calendar of campus events.

WMC Chair Tony Bredahl came up with four or five new page styles, while Nelson created mock-ups of the pages for the WMC to look at.

According to Bredahl, goals included to make the pages more colorful, and to move the homepage away from the "hard button" look becoming common on many web sites.

Photos and brief descriptions of university life were placed on many pages to help sell the university, Bredahl said. "The initial audience we shoot for is prospective students," he said.

After the WMC approved the new design, Nelson went to work putting the pages together. Bredahl created the graphics.

Nelson said they had hoped to have the new page up earlier, but it ended up being more complicated and tougher to put together than first imagined.

The change-over from the old page was made Sunday night.

Facts about the site:

Right now there are over 130 department homepages and section pages on the UW-RF server, in addition to hundreds of personal web pages. Many of those pages have additional pages attached to them. Nelson said an official count of the number of pages on the server has not been taken.

The number of times UW-RF pages are visited each day is also unknown. According to Nelson, she's presently evaluating statistics programs although whatever numbers they bring in are going to be artificially high since most copies of Netscape on campus open to the UW-RF homepage.

The UW-RF homepage gets redesigned about once every year, Nelson said.



What's new:

Clockwise from left: The new homepage adds an A to Z index and an Alumni/Foundation section, and brings links to SOAR, the Undergraduate Course Catalog, and the What's New! page to the front of the site.

The A to Z Index is available for those not quite sure where to look.

The Alumni/Foundation page offers information from the UW-RF Alumni Association, and the UW-RF Foundation.

The Undergraduate Course Catalog was not part of the redesign, but is fairly new to the UW-RF web site.

What's New! : A to Z Index | Undergrad Course Catalog | SOAR

Welcome! The University of Wisconsin - River Falls is one of 13 four-year campuses within the University of Wisconsin System. The campus is scenic, 30 miles from the heart of UW-RF with a beautiful area.

Undergraduate Course Catalog

Undergraduate Catalog Index
Undergrad Information
Offices of Study
Professional Careers
Academic Program Index
Program Descriptions

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ALUMNI / FOUNDATION

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The UW-River Falls alumni association promotes communication and interaction between UW-River Falls and the UW-River Falls FAMILY of alumni, students, parents, donors, and friends. We accomplish this through a variety of social, cultural, and community service events.

The UW-River Falls Foundation was established in 1948 by President Eugene H. Kleispehl to provide a means for friends and alumni to donate to the University. In 1998, the Foundation will celebrate its 50th Anniversary.

UW-River Falls Alumni Association | UW-River Falls Foundation



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A to Z Index

This is an index of the various department, organization and information pages available at UW-River Falls. If you are looking for personal pages (faculty, staff or student), please look at the personal pages index. Select a letter to quickly move to the appropriate section of the index.

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Agricultural Education
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Agricultural Engineering Technology
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Alpha Tau Alpha (A.T.A.) Education
Alumni
Arts & Sciences
Arts & Sciences, College of
Association for Computing Machinery
Athletics, Division

Coming soon:

Soon students and faculty will be able to go online to find out what's happening at UW-RF. The first version of the calendar of events should go online in the next two or three weeks, according to Matt Wagner, who's putting the page together. The calendar format will be similar to the University of Minnesota online calendar, he said. Wagner, a junior computer science major, also created the online undergraduate catalog.

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Simple steps make filing tax returns easier, faster

Follow these steps and start checking the mail for that much appreciated government check

Colette Diers
Staff Writer

Tax season is upon us, and according to experts, filing taxes need not be a sea of forms or the complicated process that leads many directly into procrastination mode.

The season for filing taxes has approached and how many students will file a tax return and receive money from the government?

According to Frank Reischel, UW-River Falls tax accounting instructor, if a student's gross income is at least \$6,800 and they are under the age of 65, they must file a return. Also, if their employer withheld any federal income tax they qualify for a refund. For students that have a gross income of

less than \$6,800, there is a way to prevent themselves from paying the government.

"If you know that you are going to be under the minimum, you can file exempt and the government won't take anything out," Reischel said.

Some students are unaware when tax returns are due. Seven out of eight randomly asked UW-RF students did not know the deadline for filing taxes. Most students are required to file taxes by April 15, Reischel said. He said most students should use a 1040 EZ form to file taxes.

When preparing taxes, students should follow certain steps in order to make for a smoother and faster filing process, Reischel said.

According to Reischel, it is important to take your time, make sure you have all of your documents, double check the forms for accuracy and keep receipts for tax deductible items.

At least one student has been following Reischel's suggestions.

"I keep my checkbook register and high-light expenses, said Tony Scheffler, an agriculture education major. "I fill all my receipts and make sure my checkbook is in

line." Some may decide to have another double check their work or have a professional file their taxes. According to Reischel, having a professional do your taxes may not pay off since the cost of hiring a professional could very well be more than some students get in tax returns.

"I read and do the workbook that they send out to me," said sophomore Ross Van Overbeke, an agricultural business major.

Others who own more assets may want to seek professional help. Senior Danielle Bakeberg and her husband decided that professional help is best for them since they own a home.

Another issue regarding taxes that students may not be aware of are taxes on scholarships. According to IRS catalog "Scholarships and Fellowships," some scholarships are taxable.

If students have a cash scholarship that is not used for educational purposes, it is taxable. If a student does not attend college to earn a degree, payments for anything with scholarship money, including room and board and tuition, is taxable.

Students who attend college to earn a de-

gree may use a scholarship tax-free. These can be used for tuition, fees, books, supplies and equipment.

Reischel also said there are some new incentives for students under 1997 tax laws.

The HOPE scholarship credit has a maximum credit of \$1,500 and the Lifetime Learning Credit has a \$1,000 credit. These may also be claimed on taxes.

Students who are dependent of their parents qualify for the credit if their household average gross income is less than \$80,000.

Many resources are available on campus to those who are interested in filing their own taxes to see if they qualify for a refund.

The Internal Revenue Service has phone hours between 7 a.m. and 11 p.m. Monday through Saturday at 1-800-829-3676.

Another resource is Davee Library, Reischel said. Students can access the internet and find information about complete tax forms online, ask questions and receive help through e-mail.

The IRS web site can be accessed at <http://www.irs.us/treas.gov>. Other sources in the library include tax guidance books and filing forms. The book Tax Guide 1997 for Individuals is available in the library.

DO IT YOURSELF:

INCOME TAXES

UW-RF instructor Frank Reischel suggests these steps to simplify filing taxes:

- Take your time
- Double check all documents, including W2s and receipts
- If you haven't received W2s, call your employer or bank
- Double check everything for accuracy
- Keep all receipts for tax deductible items

Jenny Murphy / The Student Voice

CAMPUS SECURITY

Jenny Murphy
News Editor

Two computers have been reported stolen from UW-River Falls computer labs. Gateway computers were found missing in the Hathorn Hall lab and Johnson Hall labs on Jan. 21. Estimated value is \$3,722.

IN OTHER NEWS

A UW-RF student was arrested for disorderly conduct Jan. 31. Collin J. Sanders, 24, 215 S. Second St., a senior majoring in comprehensive physical education, was arrested after yelling obscenities at a River Falls police officer while the officer was investigating another incident, according to police reports.

River Falls Fire Department responded to May Hall Feb. 1. The fire alarm went off due to burnt pancakes in the basement kitchen, according to campus security reports. A wallet and cash, valued at \$33, was reported stolen from the men's

locker room at Karges Center on Jan. 21.

Criminal damage to Stratton Hall was reported Jan. 24. A window was broken in the residence hall, reports stated. Estimated damage is \$300.

A broken window in Crabtree Hall was reported to campus security Jan. 31.

Laura M. Brown, 22, 784 County Roads A and E, Hudson, was involved in an accident Feb. 2 on E. Division Street. According to police reports, Brown turned left onto Division Street from N. Second Street when she was sideswiped by Todd M. Farr of Prescott.

Nicolle M. Krahler, 20, 344 Hathorn Hall, was ticketed for speeding on Jan. 28.

Jamie P. Larson, 22, 201 N. Vine St., Ellsworth, was ticketed for passing into oncoming traffic on Jan. 29.

Tracie K. Fowler, 26, N7518 County Road BB, Spring Valley, was ticketed for non-registration of a vehicle on Feb. 2.

STUDENT SENATE NEWS

Senate finds flaws with allocation process

Student Senate looks to revamp the student fee allocation process for the future

Jennifer Eberspacher
Viewpoints Editor

The University of Wisconsin River Falls Student Association Student Senate passed a motion Tuesday evening to not be in favor of the Leadership Development and Programming Board policy, which allocates student fees to campus committees.

They moved to send the policy to the University Budget Officer, Mary Halada, with an attached resolution that outlines their reasons for not supporting the policy's recommendations.

"The process that they had to work with was inadequate," Theresa

Zirbel, legislative issues director said.

The resolution states that while they acknowledge the effort put forth by the Leadership Development and Programming Board, they feel the process they had to work with "does not allow for proper allocation of student fees," according to the Senate resolution.

The resolution went on to add that the allocated proportions were disproportionate. The resolution concluded with a decision to "address these concerns in the formulation of a new student fee allocation process."

The committees will still most likely receive their allocated percentages of the money, previously decided upon, the resolution is mainly an effort to change the process for future years.

IN OTHER NEWS:

The Assembly Bill, which will make use of Social Security numbers as the basis for university stu-

dent ID numbers against state law, was passed in the Wisconsin State Assembly.

The bill must now pass through Senate. Pending approval the law would apply to all students enrolled on or after Jan. 1, 2000.

UW-River Falls students currently have the opportunity to change their ID number from their Social Security number to a random one.

"Social Security numbers give access to a person's medical records, credit records, bank accounts, academic records and driving records," Joe Plouff, Wisconsin State Representative said. "Complaints of harassment, marketing scams, credit card fraud and other illegal uses of personal information is growing."

The UW-RF women's hockey team will postpone their referendum action to move the team to varsity status until next Fall.

The women's team was denied varsity status, by Student Senate last semester when it was brought before the board.

The referendum is their next action, and entails getting student signatures in order to bypass the Senate decision.

United Council of UW-System students will be holding its second annual Women's Leadership Conference February 27-28 at UW-Marinette.

The Conference is a gender issues workshop open to all students, male and female.

"This conference will provide students with a chance to learn about and discuss key issues affecting women on campus and in the community," according to the conference brochure. "Attendees will have the chance to network with student leaders from across the state and learn ways in which they can take on leadership roles in a variety of areas."

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The University of Wisconsin-River Falls has a unique system of distributing text books to students. Unlike many collegiate institutions, River Falls checks out text books as opposed to the common practice of students purchasing them. This system of distribution has many positive attributes yet at the same time has been reported by UW-RF students to have serious drawbacks.

According to the cashiers office students pay \$85 annually for textbooks. The loaning of text books saves students an estimated \$200 to \$300 a semester by evading purchase of new textbooks that are extremely costly. The horror stories of \$150 books that are sold back to the book stores for \$15 to \$20 are absent for the most part for UW-RF students. Though some classes have required reading purchases, they are by no means large in comparison to other institutions such as the Madison campus.

In talking to various students I found that when they first come to River Falls they are pleasantly surprised at the "library" practice as it produces an overall lower semester bill and allows more money for other needs. Yet as some students begin to take upper level courses in their majors they often begin to notice a problem. Texts that are used in class are sometimes miserably out of date. This often results in instructors continually having to correct outdated facts in class. Sometimes leading to discouragement in learning the material from issued texts in that the information may be found to be obsolete.

I have personal experience with textbooks that are so out of date that a lesson in current politics becomes a history lesson. In my Government of UK and Western Europe class both of my texts are horribly out of date. My text entitled *Modern Europe* was written in about 1988. The book reports that the Soviet Union is still a nation. And it has two different chapters about Germany, one for the West and one for the East. I mean, I enjoy time travel just as much as the next bloke but not in my modern politics.

My professor does a great job of making up for the book with his own knowledge and experience in his lessons. When I attempt to read the text though, I have to pick and choose what is now relevant and what is not. The point is that both professor and student should not have to figure out what doesn't exist in reality and what does. There is a problem that exists in some textbooks currently in use at UW-RF.

I gave an informal questionnaire to UW-RF students around campus to find out if my take on the situation was correct. There was a disparity between answers given by students. I attributed this to differences in majors. In a survey of random choosing I polled 97 students about the current text book service of this campus. I asked in general about their perceptions of Text Book Services. How would they grade the system on a scale of 1-5, 5 being the best?

Question: If you could rank the textbook services from 1-5, 5 being the best, what would you give the entire system overall?

10 English majors: average 3.5

15 political science majors: average 2.5
10 sociology majors: average 2
15 agriculture science majors: average 4
10 computer science: average 5
10 economics: average 3
10 chemistry: average 5
7 psychology: average 3
10 biology: average 4
This survey brings into account

MARC DITTLOFF

"I have personal experience with textbooks that are so out of date that a lesson in current politics becomes a history lesson."

that some majors are unhappy with their texts while others are very satisfied. In general, the lowest ratings came from social science majors while physical science majors gave the highest approval rating. The greatest distress coming from political science and sociology majors and the international relations minors (only a minor). With the highest rating in the survey coming from computer science majors.

Customer service and a general friendly attitude by textbook service staff was the majority response by students. With long lines at the beginning and end of the semester cited as a problem. In general, though, the staff at Textbook Services received extremely favorable ratings. The main problem being with the issued texts themselves. Being that they were out of date and/or damaged.

Many students polled felt that the current system saved them a lot of money and that they wanted to keep it. Some students proposed a sort of synthesis between purchase and the "library" system. They wanted to keep down the costs while keeping books in good condition and keeping material up to date.

Overall, this survey reveals that certain students feel that the current "library" system of text book services is inadequate for their educational needs. Though many have given high marks to the current system there is a divide. And for an excellent liberal arts education all majors should be treated equally. Giving an excellent education to all.

UW-RF should begin a formal attempt to evolve the aging system of our text book services so that it can better serve all of the students. This system is by no means broken as this article points out but needs to adapt to the changing demands of this student body and their challenge to participate in an global 21st century. So that books in our system no longer talk of a great reformer named Mikhail Gorbachev in the Soviet Union as present day information.

Population growth should be a world concern

At 6:50 a.m. the shrill buzzing of the alarm brings me out of a sound sleep with a start. As my mind struggles for coherency the pall I felt the previous evening settles over me again. I'm not depressed because I have to get up earlier and drive the extra 35 minutes to school that my recent move to Red Wing forces me to take every morning. The cause is not the fact that I have a 15 minute walk to my first class from the closest parking place I can find either. This morning I am depressed because of an article I read the previous evening.

"The Population Explosion," written by Paul and Ann Erlich, is a dispiriting follow-up piece to a successful book they published in 1968. A young mother when the book was published, I remember the furor it created.

The media attention the Erlichs' book elicited focused on a "zero population growth" movement, which recommended that each couple have only one child. If each couple strictly followed the plan, their effort would eventually decrease the expansion of people in the world to a level of zero growth. It was a plausible request and I wanted to comply, but as a young mother enjoying the role of parent to our daughter, I was unwilling to alter my expectations of what my life would become by limiting our family to only her. I

was a white picket fence kind of girl with dreams of the perfect marriage, living in a perfect home full of happy children.

There wasn't much room for compromise in the scenario. We decided to limit our family to two children and justified our lack of total compliance by reasoning that our small sacrifice would make no difference in the overall world population boom.

Now my children are having children, and I am entrenched in the process of parenting the daughter we adopted in 1984. Our daughter Karen is Korean and born to a young unmarried girl, who chose to give her baby up for adoption rather than inflict the stigma that Korean society placed on children born to unwed mothers. We hoped to give her a better chance at life by bringing her to our home in America. How ironic to discover that the life we have given her is in a world headed for destruction. Our world population continues to grow rapidly, and again there are dire predictions about what is going to happen to the earth if the prolific growth continues. Current indications are that we have already passed the point at which we produce enough food to nourish all the people in the world.

Living in the affluence of the United States, we feel exempt because we have comparatively

few people. But even here, huge housing developments defoliate the vegetation of our countryside like unfettered armies of caterpillars. I believe the predictions that the earth is suffering irreconcilable damage from the tremendous

nurturing and caring for my daughter; can that make a difference in a world where some parents continue to create children they know almost certainly face starvation?

There are no easy answers to

PATTI WARRINGTON

"How ironic to discover that the life we have given her is in a world headed for destruction."



magnitude of people living on it. Feeling powerless to change any part of it, I become depressed. I feel there is nothing I can do because I am one person in a world filled with billions of people.

My children's children face a decaying world. My feeble attempts to change that by having only two children, adopting an abandoned child, and conserving and recycling natural resources seems wasted in the vast scope of humanity. Will the six glass jars I recycle each week reduce the amount of garbage the world produces? The time I devote to

such questions. I must reconcile myself to the premise that I am doing all that I am able to make the most of the place and time in which I am living. Perhaps one day I will be able to discover the solution to achieving zero population growth without war and disease, but right now I have a job to do in this place that has its own importance. When I watch my grown children parent their children and see the love and gentleness in their manner with them, I feel my contribution may not change the world, but it is life changing for those around me.

Clinton's alleged affair not a national concern

This past week, I traveled to La Crosse, Wis. to see our great president and vice president address the community about the future of this nation. I came away with a strong sense of pride for the institutions of this great government. Seeing this man attempting to do his job and deliver pertinent information to the people of the heartland in the midst of a horribly intrusive and crippling scandal helped me to reflect a little on this whole unfortunate situation.

The partisan battles in Washington know no boundaries. From hearing rooms to bedrooms, a constant war rages. The casualties are good men and women who, because of their elected offices, are held to a ridiculously high standard. Yes....I will concede that it is indeed possible that Bill Clinton had an affair with the young intern in question. However, I would argue that this fact has no relevance to his execution of the job of the president. The only institution this should effect is the marriage of Bill and Hillary Clinton. By all indications, this

institution is fine. Why then, do the rest of us care? Some would argue that the president is a role model that helps represent national values to all citizens. In this argument, the president's infidelity simply helps to corrode national morals and influence the youth of America to lead a life of sin. I declare this assertion invalid. Parents are responsible for the socialization and moral development of children. Studies have shown that a large portion of married men and women have had extra-marital affairs. The same people that cry about the president's alleged affair are often guilty themselves. This is a sickening example of public hypocrisy. Their desire to have a "moral" president robs the man of his right to be a human being. They deny him the right to make mistakes (and therefore learn the lessons) that they have long ago succumbed to.

The next issue to be dealt with is the allegation that Clinton and his lawyers urged the woman to lie and say that nothing happened. Of course he did. Wouldn't you?

This was surely done for the good of the nation. If you were president, and you knew that ruthless partisan attacks were going to cripple the highest office in the land because of one little, irrelevant action; I would bet you would take the same course of

wraps. Assuming Clinton did do this, I would assert that he did it not for his own good, but for the good of our great American democracy.

Extra-marital affairs are an unfortunate fact of life. From Wisconsin to Washington, they are

JASON CHILDRESS

"From hearing rooms to bedrooms, a constant war rages."



action. The office of the presidency is the most important in the land. If people don't have respect for it, the whole system fails. Anyone who understands this, and also understands the extent to which the Republicans will go to make this alleged affair seem like a national issue, would do whatever it takes to keep it under

taking place in all walks of life. Let us accept (not condone) this. Let us not judge the president by standards which we ourselves are unable to accept. Let us take the responsibility to keep the highest office in the land free from intrusive, irrelevant and hypocritical attacks. The future of our nation depends on it.

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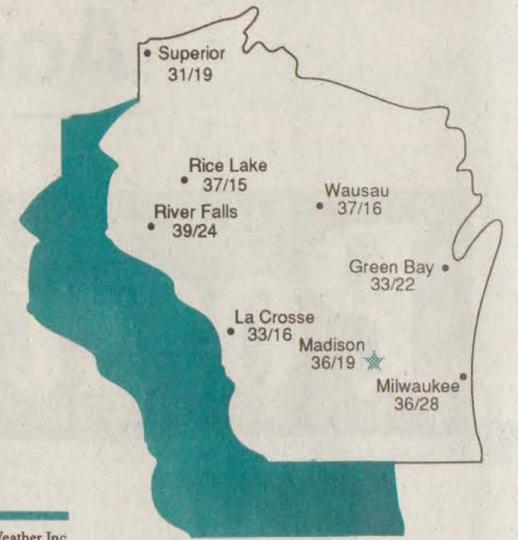
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Acronym

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for those people who do not understand might think it's simply gibberish," Nylander said. "So I think one has to be careful about using them and understand the audience that you're communicating to."

Opinions vary on how important acronyms are in our society. "It depends on what it's being used for," Anderson said. "I guess for the most part they are fairly useful just in the way the world is always on the go, but some of them are very unnecessary. The bigger they get, any

more than like four letters, then you're probably just wasting your time it seems like. It's too long to bother with."

Conroy looks at it in a slightly different way.

"I think it's just like any other abbreviations that we have in our language," Conroy said. "It's a lot faster to say your GPA or TALON and it's just part of our speech that we always tend to make the shortest if possible. Like we use contractions a lot in casual conversation. So, I don't see any problem with it. It's important for people to know what they're talking about when they use acronyms."

DO YOU KNOW

CAMPUS ACRONYMS

Eighteen UW-River Falls students were polled on their knowledge of campus acronyms, here are the results.

Acronym	Right Answer	Didn't Know
SOAR	4	14
CAFES	3	15
GPA	17	1
TALON	0	18
WIAC	5	13
PRIDE	0	18

Stranded

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have had Zeon for a professor express many positive experiences they gained from her expertise.

"Initially, I was impressed with how she presented herself," said Leonora Hagen, a senior. "I respected her opinions and she tried to present both sides of an issue. She informed us to respect different backgrounds of students."

Another education major remembers what Zeon meant to her.

"She's a very good professor," said Julie Koch, a junior. "She gave a lot of feedback and was knowledgeable in her teaching. I hope she comes back soon."

Even a non-education major took Zeon's multicultural class to fulfill

his diversity requirement. Jeff Wittek, who graduated last semester with an agriculture marketing emphasis, said he felt accepted despite studying a different field from the rest of the class.

"The class itself was good for me to venture outside my realm," he said. "She is very open, one-on-one, even after I graduated. I feel terrible she's stuck over there. I hope she comes back soon."

Wittek's last comment, "I hope she comes back soon," seems to be a popular one among students as well as the faculty. Vega eagerly awaits a safe return for Zeon.

"The main issue is her job here," he said. "No students are being short-changed. They are well taken care of. My hope, of course, is that the matters will swiftly resume. We miss her too."

Artist

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"There's not enough success stories," Henson said. "Kid's don't need to see Michael Jordan's. They need to see human examples like themselves."

Henson says being an active role model in his community is important. He believes in order for children to succeed they need to be patted on the back.

Last week, Henson made his second visit to Greenwood Elementary in honor of Black History month. Henson, who was set up in a room with his paintings, spent the whole day teaching and talking with kids in all grade levels.

"Harold Henson is a wonderful artist in the community whose mission is to encourage children to find

their personal strength," said Greenwood Elementary art teacher Dawn Pennie. "He does this with storytelling." To teach some of the younger children, Henson illustrated the pictures of a book about a young child, who, bored on a rainy day, goes to his grandmother. She encourages the child to look inside himself for buried treasure. Henson asked the children to find one buried treasure about themselves for an assignment.

"Basically, he (Henson) is reaching out to children of every culture and letting them find their own buried treasure," Pennie said. "It is important because there is not a lot of diversity here and they (children) are going to be living somewhere else someday."

Pennie said the children are proud and often come back to her and tell her they saw Harold Henson around in the community. She says Henson

Freshmen

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jump," Kathan said. "The enrollment is really the big one that stands out."

In 1986, approximately 66 percent of the University's incoming students graduated in the top their high school class, compared to today's nearly 88 percent coming to UW-RF from top high school ranking.

"There had been a significant change in the students, and all indications say that it is a trend that is expected to continue," Tuchtenhagen said. "We are currently ranked about fourth in the UW-System in regards to quality students, those with high ACT scores and class rank."

So what is it about UW-RF that is so appealing to these bright college freshmen? According to Tuchtenhagen, a great deal of it has to do with the school's location and size.

"You know we're not too big, not too small, and we have a nice proximity to a major metropolitan area,

which I think is appealing to prospective students," Tuchtenhagen said.

Despite the students at UW-RF being in high academic standing, they are far from bookworms, according to Tuchtenhagen.

"Again, I think the size of the campus lends itself to extracurricular involvement of the students," he said. "With this size campus you can have your own show on the radio station or be active in campus organization, whatever. And student extracurricular involvement makes them more marketable once they are out looking for a job. It seems as of the very active students tend to gravitate here."

Tuchtenhagen said he believes that word of mouth has a great deal to do with UW-RF's recent boost in enrollment.

"We have great faculty, and I think that gets out," Tuchtenhagen said. "We pride ourselves on our excellent teachers. That, I think, gives the University a good reputation that people remember when school shopping."

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DAN HILSGEN

Goofy Green

On Monday, Jan. 26th, the day after the Super Bowl, the Vikings extended their 1998 losing streak to two.

The first loss this year was a humiliating 16-point defeat at the hands of the 49ers on Jan. 3

in the second round of the playoffs. The most recent loss was when Vikings head coach Dennis "give me a contract extension or buy out my contract or I'll resign" Green ruled out resignation and said he would return for his seventh season.

"I don't know who can get away with more and still keep his job, Green or President Clinton."

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Let's first look at Green from a purely football standpoint.

He is 1-5 in the playoffs with his only win against the New York Giants in an ugly game this post-season. That's not exactly an impressive statistic.

The Vikings final record this year was 11-7 and they barely squeaked into the playoffs with a win against the Indianapolis Colts.

The only thing from a football standpoint that he seems to have going for him is that his players seem to be behind him.

"He can judge talent and personnel as well as anybody I've been around," wide receiver Cris Carter has said.

Running back Robert Smith has said that if Green was to leave it would affect his decision on whether to stay with the Vikings.

Now let's look at Green from a psychological perspective.

In short, Green is a headcase, a loose cannon that has a few to many screws loose.

In Green's book last year he printed a sample lawsuit and essentially threatened to sue for part of the team. Later on he pulled back that threat and said that he was not going to do that.

Also, during the season Green claimed that there was a conspiracy to run him out of town that involved an unnamed Vikings official and three unnamed Twin Cities newspaper sports columnists.

I would love to formally declare that I'm one of those infamous unnamed columnists at heart. However, unfortunately I was left out of that conspiracy. But I'll admit that news of Green's departure would make me uncontrollably happy.

Green to this very day hasn't provided a shred of evidence or any names. The guy is paranoid. He even acts childish at times.

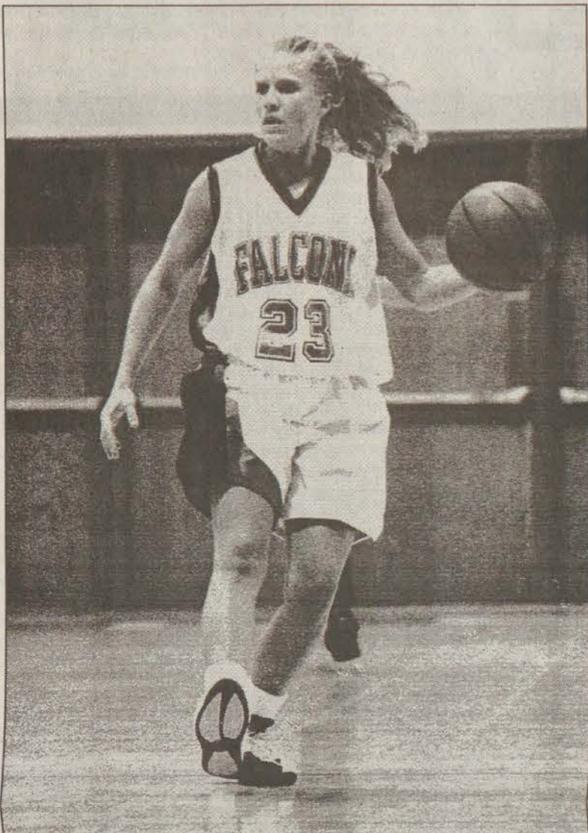
For example, when he was avoiding Roger Headrick. He even skipped a scheduled meeting with Headrick. Talk about the silent treatment.

Heck, who's the boss anyway? Is it Headrick or Green? You have to wonder.

Now Tom Clancy enters the picture as the new majority owner. He seems content with having Green at the helm and wants Headrick to stay on as the team president. Will his view of Green through his new rose colored glasses be tinted in the future by what is sure to be another psychologically unstable year for Green? Will this season

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Women stretch win streak to 5



Michael McLoone/The Student Voice

Falcon JoLynn Sieburg surveys the Karges Center court during the 79-61 Falcon victory Wednesday. Sieburg scored 10 points and added six assists as the Falcons improved to 12-7 overall.

Falcon Missy Johnson scored her 1,000 career point in Saturday's win at Stevens Point

Rich Jara
Sports Correspondent

The lady hoopsters beat the Superior Yellowjackets (2-15) by a score of 79-61 for the team's fifth straight win.

The Falcons dominated the Yellowjackets and held them scoreless for the first 4 minutes and 49 seconds of the game in route to an early 11-0 lead.

When the Falcons headed to the

locker room at the half they were up by 18 points, 48-30.

The Yellowjackets never recovered from the Falcons strong first half showing as both team's ended up scoring 31 points each in the second half.

Vanessa Schley scored 19 points to lead the Falcons. Missy Johnson added 12 points and 10 rebounds.

On Saturday Johnson scored 20 points against Stevens Point, giving her 1000 points for her career. Johnson is just the eighth player in Falcon history to score 1000 points in a career. At halftime of the Superior game she was honored with a signed ball from her teammates.

The Falcons (12-7, 6-4) head to Eau Claire on Saturday for another WIAC matchup to face the Blue Golds (17-1, 8-1). Tip-off is at 7 p.m.

Swimmers fall

The Falcons were overmatched by Stevens Point in the team's home finale Saturday

Steve Helmer
Sports Correspondent

It was a standing room only crowd at the Karges Center pool Saturday as the Falcon swim team competed in this season's home finale against Stevens Point.

There were no surprises, however, as the Pointers swept both the men's and women's competitions.

The Falcon women started out well, taking a 7-0 lead after the team of Kelly Anderson, Chrissy Quinlan, Rebekah Wagner, and Jessica Plumley opened the meet with a first place finish in the 200-meter medley relay with a time of 2:00.89. One event later, Kathleen Baker increased the Falcon lead to 12-4 with her first place finish in the 1000 freestyle with a time of 12:14.86.

The Pointers proved to be just too much of an opponent for the Falcons.

Despite Quinlan finishing first in both the 200 IM with a time of 2:20.44 and the 100 breast with a time of 1:10.70, the Pointers were able to claim a one point lead over the Falcons by the first break and finish the meet with a 59-36 win.

Unlike the women, the Falcon men had the chance, but struggled to even put up a fight against one of the best men's teams in the conference.

J.T. Moon was one of the Falcon's strongest swimmers in the meet, finishing second in both the 200 freestyle with a time of 1:51.51 and in the 100 backstroke with a time of 56.24. Tory Sonstegard beat his season best times in the 1000 free by 10 seconds with a time of 10:59.77 and the 500 free by five seconds with a time of 5:15.81. However, the men just didn't have enough and by the first break the Pointers were up 35-8.

Six events later, the final score was Stevens Point 65 River Falls 26. "Overall, I was happy with how we swam," coach Doug Naylor said about the losses. "The men did as well as I expected them to and the women did more than I expected. I was very pleased."

The Falcon's last dual of the season will be at La Crosse on Feb. 6 at 6 p.m.

Alstead's 47 saves ignite Falcons Skaters split at Bemidji; St. Norbert next

Jason Egerstrom
Sports Editor

UW-River Falls goaltender Brady Alstead made 47 saves Friday as the Falcons beat Beaver goaltender Adam Pavlatos on a Falcon power play. Pavlatos only saw nine third period shots because his teammates were busy firing 20 third period shots at Alstead. Nevertheless, Coakley's goal, setup by Billy Matzke and Eliot Komar, gave the Falcons a 2-1 third period lead.

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Falcon head coach Steve Freeman had trouble explaining the Falcons struggles in pairing together some victories.

"Friday night both teams go in at their best and with the same attitude," Freeman explained. "We played well on Friday, but I don't know why we didn't play well on Saturday. I haven't put my finger on it yet."

Nevertheless, the Falcons, who rarely surrender 35 shots on goal to opposing teams, gave up 49 on Friday and 41 on Saturday.

"Brady Alstead played tremendous all weekend," Freeman noted of his junior goalie. "Brady won the game for us on Friday."

Although Alstead was playing in his old NCHA Player of the Year form Friday, the Falcons still needed to score three times to earn the victory.

The Falcons protected a 1-0 lead at the first intermission after Falcon Jeff Bernard opened Friday's scoring at the 12:54 mark. But Bemidji's Shane Kalbrener scored a power-play goal 52 seconds into the second

to tie the game at one.

The score remained knotted up until Falcon senior Chris Coakley beat Beaver goaltender Adam Pavlatos on a Falcon power play. Pavlatos only saw nine third period shots because his teammates were busy firing 20 third period shots at Alstead. Nevertheless, Coakley's goal, setup by Billy Matzke and Eliot Komar, gave the Falcons a 2-1 third period lead.

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Freeman noted of the Beavers three-goal first period. "Once we got behind we got into penalty trouble and that continued throughout the game."

The Falcons drew 11 penalties, including five consecutive penalties in the third period. Despite the Falcon struggles at times on Friday and Saturday, Freeman pulled out some positives from the weekend split.

"We moved the puck well all weekend on the power play," Freeman said of the team's three for 11 performance on the man advantage. "And obviously our penalty kill had lots of practice."

Sampair added his second power-play goal of the game at the 17:29 mark of the second period. Bernard recorded two assists Saturday and Komar added one assist.

Alstead was pulled at the 10:26 mark of the third period after yielding all six Beaver goals. Alstead made 21 saves before backup Brad Musta replaced him and recorded 14 saves.

Overall, the Falcons were satisfied to leave Bemidji with two points. "We were pleased to get a split on the road," Freeman said. "Bemidji is playing well now and it's a tough building to play in."

It's not about to get any easier for the Falcons as the team will travel to St. Norbert this weekend.

"Maybe they are the top team in the country," Freeman said about the NCHA leaders. "We have to tighten up in our zone and stay out of the penalty box. That will be the key to the series."

"Brady won the game for us on Friday."

-Falcon head coach Steve Freeman

According to Freeman, Lundeen battled through the hooking sticks of the Beavers' defense and with only one hand on his stick managed to flip the puck over the shoulder of Pavlatos giving the Falcons a 3-2 cushion.

From there, Alstead shut down the Bemidji attack and the Falcons held on for the victory.

Saturday, the Falcons quickly jumped out to a 1-0 lead when Jesse Sampair scored a power-play goal at the 5:41 mark. The goal ignited the Falcons who began the game with numerous scoring chances, according to Freeman. Then the Falcons let it slip away.

"We fell asleep a couple of times and played sloppy in our own end,"

Falcon men swat Superior, suffer home loss to Point

Dan Hilsgen
Assistant Sports Editor

The River Falls Falcons devoured the Superior Yellowjackets 59-49 on Wednesday behind a team leading 25-point and six rebound performance by senior guard Chad Meschke.

The victory brought an end to their recent losing ways and leveled their conference record off at 5-5.

With 16:18 left in the game the Falcons held a meager one-point lead. Then for the next 2 minutes and 15 seconds the Falcons went on a 5-0 run extending their lead to 37-31 and took the buzz out of the Yellowjackets.

In addition to Meschke's second half 18-point offensive barrage, center Pat Ptacek had 10 points and fellow guard Tony Fisher added 9 points.

Last Saturday, in a game that went into overtime, River Falls was grounded by the Stevens Point Pointers 90-80.

The Pointers tied up the game with 49 seconds to play with a jumper by Brant Bailey.

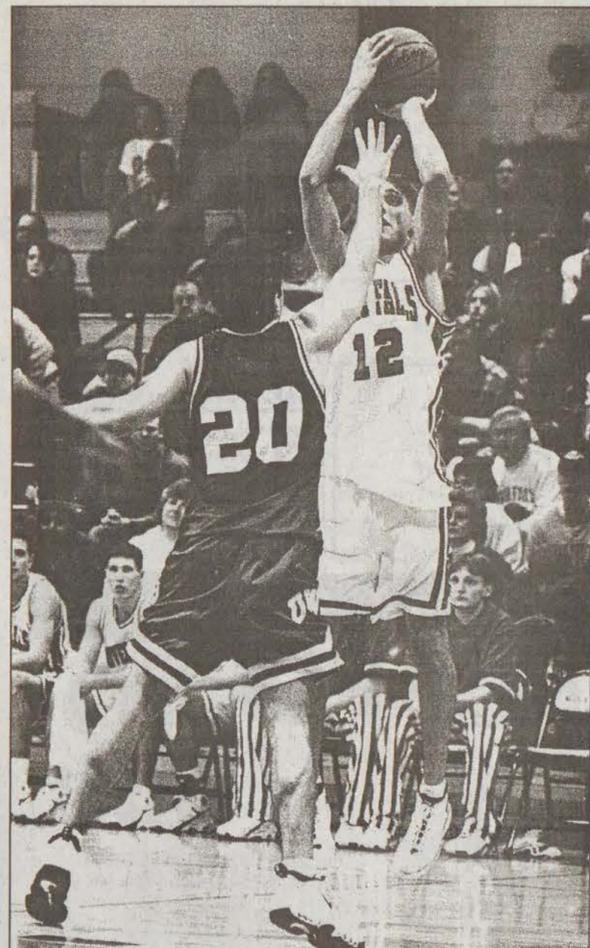
Then over the final 49 ticks of the clock both teams failed to drive the final nail into the coffin and secure the victory.

"I'd like to get the last 40 seconds of regulation back again," Falcons coach Rick Bowen said about the Pointer's win that slipped out of the Falcons claws.

In overtime, the Pointers outscored the Falcons 21-11. Falcon guard Chad Meschke led all scorers with 25 points.

"I don't think we could of played any harder," Bowen said. "Losing is getting a little bit tiresome."

The Falcons will host Eau Claire this Saturday in Karges Center. Tip-off is at 7 p.m.



Michael McLoone/The Student Voice

Falcon guard Andy Bauschelt shoots over a Stevens Point defender Saturday at Karges Center. The Falcons came out on the losing end, falling 90-80 in overtime.

SCOREBOARD

MEN'S NCHA HOCKEY

	W	L	T	Pct
St. Norbert	16	2	0	.888
Bemidji State	12	4	0	.750
UW-River Falls	11	4	1	.687
UW-Superior	11	5	0	.687
UW-Stevens Point	10	6	0	.625
UW-Eau Claire	5	11	0	.312
Lake Forest	4	11	1	.250
UW-Stout	3	13	0	.187
St. Scholastica	1	17	0	.055

MEN'S WIAC BASKETBALL

	W	L	Pct
Platteville	9	0	1.000
Stevens Point	6	3	.666
Oshkosh	5	3	.625
Eau Claire	5	4	.555
Whitewater	5	4	.555
River Falls	4	5	.444
Stout	3	6	.333
Superior	2	7	.222
La Crosse	1	8	.111

WOMEN'S WIAC BASKETBALL

	W	L	Pct
Oshkosh	8	0	1.000
Eau Claire	8	1	.888
Stout	6	3	.666
River Falls	5	4	.555
Whitewater	5	4	.555
Stevens Point	4	5	.444
Platteville	2	7	.222
La Crosse	2	7	.222
Superior	0	9	.000

FALCON SPORTS CALENDAR

February 6-12 1998	Track and Field	Gymnastics	Swimming	Wrestling	Men's Basketball	Women's Basketball	Hockey
Friday	at East Bay Heptathlon		at La Crosse 6 p.m.	St. John's 7 p.m.			at St. Norbert 7:05 p.m.
Saturday	at East Bay Invitational			at Eau Claire Invitational	Eau Claire 7 p.m.	at Eau Claire 7 p.m.	at St. Norbert 7:05 p.m.
Sunday							
Monday							
Tuesday							
Wednesday		Stout 6:30 p.m.				at Concordia 7 p.m.	
Thursday							

FALCON ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

MEN'S BASKETBALL — Guard Chad Meschke, a senior from Eau Claire, Wis., led the Falcons in scoring in both games. He had 16 points at Stout and 25 points against Stevens Point. In the two games he was 14-30 from the field including 6-10 from three-point range and 8-11 from the line. He had 7 rebounds, 4 assists and 2 steals in 80 minutes of action.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL — Forward Missy Johnson, a junior from Chanhassen, Minn., scored her 1,000th career point in the team's win at Stevens Point. She now has scored 1,016 career points. In the two wins against Stout and Stevens Point she was 13-26 from the field and 12-18 from the line for 38 points. She led the team in scoring in both games. She had 24 rebounds and led the team in rebounding in both games. Johnson also had 1 assist and 2 steals in 63 minutes of action.

HOCKEY — Goalie Brady Alstead, a junior from Wayzata, Minn., stopped 47 shots on Friday as the Falcons took a 3-2 win at Bemidji. Saturday he stopped 21 shots in 50 minutes of action. He allowed just two goals on Friday and six on Saturday.

TRACK — Jody Myhre, a junior from Augusta, Wis., set a school record and placed first in the 200 in 27.18 and placed second in the 55 in 7.62 on Saturday. Both times were personal bests. She also helped the 4x200 relay team to a second-place finish and the 4x400 team to a fourth-place finish.

FIELD — Sarah Peterson, a junior from Catawba, Wis., provisionally qualified for the NCAA Div. III national meet in the long jump with a leap of 17-8 and placed second. It was a personal record leap. She won the triple jump (36-3) and set a meet record. She tied for first in the high jump (1.52-meters), which was also a personal best. In the shot put she placed second (42-8), in the 20 pound weight she placed second (44-11) and was third in the 55 hurdles (9.1).

GYMNASTICS — Lisa Denker, a freshman from Isanti, Minn., hit both her beam and floor exercise routine in a three-team meet Friday. She scored an 8.0 on the beam and a 7.95 in floor exercise. "Her scores don't really reflect how well she did," coach Jeanne DeLisle said.

MEN'S SWIMMING — Tory Sonstegard, a sophomore from Montevideo, Minn., beat his season-best time in the 1000 free by 10 seconds with a time of 10:59.77 and beat his time by five seconds in the 500 free in the Falcons dual against Stevens Point on Jan. 31.

WOMEN'S SWIMMING — Juli Karst, a sophomore from Oshkosh, Wis., equaled her lifetime best time in the 100 breast with 1:17.46 and in the 500 free with 29:71 in the Falcons dual against Stevens Point on Jan. 31.

SPORTS SUMMARIES

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Saturday's results
River Falls 32 37 11-80
Stevens Point 31 38 21-90

River Falls
Leading scorers: Meschke 25, Bauschelt 16, Fisher 13, Ptacek 12.
Stevens Point
Leading scorers: Bailey 24, Denniston 17, Zuiker 15, Westrum 12.

Wednesday's results

River Falls 24 35-59
Superior 26 23-49

River Falls
Leading scorers: Meschke 25, Ptacek 10, Fisher 9.
Superior
Leading scorers: Massen 9, Petersen 9, Malone 9.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Saturday's results
River Falls 34 28-62
Stevens Point 17 32-49

River Falls
Leading scorers: Johnson 20, V. Schley 15, Olson 11.
Stevens Point
Leading scorers: Groshek 14, Ott 13.

Wednesday's results

River Falls 48 31-79
Superior 30 31-61

River Falls
Leading scorers: V. Schley 19, Olson 13, Johnson 12.
Superior
Leading scorers: Giffen 15, Annis 11, Carlson 10.

HOCKEY

Friday's results
River Falls 1 0 2-3
Bemidji 0 1 1-2

First period: Scoring — 1 River Falls, Bernard (Burke), 12:54. Penalties— River Falls, Bernard (2:00 highsticking) 10:24; Bemidji, Belisle (2:00 roughing) 12:54; River Falls, Bernard (2:00 hooking) 14:28; River Falls, Thorp (2:00 slashing) 19:56.

Second period: Scoring — 1 Bemidji, Kalbrener (Chartrand, Ambrose), :52 (pp). Penalties— Bemidji, Logan (2:00 cross checking) 3:11; Bemidji, Bench (2:00 too many men on ice) 4:54; River Falls, Coakley (2:00 playing without a helmet) 10:19.

Third period: Scoring — 1 River Falls, Coakley (Komar, Matzke), 2:17 (pp). Bemidji, Huerd (Johnson), 13:19. River Falls, Lundeen (Matzke, Bengtson), 16:48. Penalties— Bemidji, Ambrose (2:00 checking from behind) 2:12; Bemidji, Ambrose (10:00 misconduct) 2:12; River Falls, Komar (2:00 slashing) 3:02; Bemidji, Huerd (2:00 delay of game) 6:55.

Shots on goal: River Falls 8-9-25; Bemidji 15-14-20-49; **Saves** — River Falls, Alstead 47; Bemidji, Pavlatos 22.

Saturday's results

River Falls 1 1 0-2
Bemidji 3 2 1-6

First period: Scoring — 1 River Falls, Sampair (Bernard), 5:41 (pp). Bemidji, Klingfus (Ambrose, Pelletier), 5:49. Bemidji, Matatal (Novak, Johnson), 10:26. Bemidji, Pelletier (Wilson, Klingfus), 16:31. Penalties— Bemidji, Logan (2:00 highsticking) 4:55; Bemidji, Logan (2:00 slashing) 17:49; River Falls, Burke (2:00 slashing) 19:46.

Second period: Scoring — 1 Bemidji, Donaghue (Novak, Wilson), 6:21. Bemidji, Johnson (Kalbrener, Ambrose), 17:28 (pp). River Falls, Sampair (Bernard, Komar), 17:29 (pp). Penalties— River Falls, Schauer (2:00 cross checking) 5:28; Bemidji, Johnson (2:00 cross checking) 5:28; Bemidji, Logan (2:00 interference) 9:27; Bemidji, Bina (2:00 slashing) 9:29; River Falls, Thorp (2:00 interference) 12:45; Bemidji, Logan (2:00 high sticking) 14:10; River Falls, Komar (2:00 cross checking) 14:19; Bemidji, Klingfus (2:00 interference) 16:36; River Falls, Matzke (2:00 highsticking) 17:29; Bemidji, Andersen (2:00 highsticking) 17:29; Bemidji, Kalbrener (2:00 hooking) 19:16; River Falls, Bernard (2:00 highsticking) 19:33.

Third period: Scoring — 1 Bemidji, Pelletier 7:22. Penalties— River Falls, Komar (2:00 slashing) 4:11; River Falls, Thorp (2:00 hooking) 5:02; River Falls, Bengtson (2:00 boarding) 10:26; River Falls, Thorp (2:00 interference) 15:11; River Falls, Komar (2:00 slashing) 18:15.

Shots on goal: River Falls 8-8-9-25; Bemidji 11-10-6-27; **Saves** — River Falls, Alstead 21; Bemidji, Pavlatos 23.

SWIMMING

Women: Saturday's results
River Falls 36
Stevens Point 59

River Falls' place finishes:
200 medley relay: 1. (Anderson, Quinlan, Wagner, Plumley) 2:00.89.
1000 free — 1. Baker 12:14.86.
200 free — 3. Gray 2:12.39. 50 free — 2. Plumley 27.27. 200 IM — 1. Quinlan 2:20.44. 100 Fly — 3. Wagner 1:10.47. 100 Free — 2. Plumley 1:00.04; 3. Gray 1:00.09. 100 Backstroke — 2. Anderson 1:08.12. 500 Free — 3. Baker 5:57.78. 100 Breaststroke — 1. Quinlan 1:10.70; 3. Karst 1:17.46. 200 Free Relay — 3. (Gray, Anderson, Rudin, Wagner) 1:53.82.

Men: Saturday's results

River Falls 26
Stevens Point 65
River Falls place finishes:
200 medley relay: 3. (Moon, Goebel, Harden, Olson) 1:47.26; 1000 Free — 2. Sonstegard 10:59.77; 200 Free — 2. Moon 1:51.51. 50 Free — 3. Olson 24.24; 200 IM — 3. Harden 2:14.16; 100 Fly — 3. Gross 59.07; 100 Free — 3. Olson 52.84; 100 Back — 2. Moon 56.24; 500 Free — 3. Sonstegard 5:15.81; 100 Breaststroke — 1. Goebel 1:10.96; 200 Free Relay — 1. (Marma, Sonstegard, Beach, Gross) 1:37.24.

WRESTLING

Saturday's results
River Falls 9
Eau Claire 43

118 — forfeit; 126 — forfeit; 134 — forfeit; forfeit; 142 — Cimino (EC) pinned Perkins (RF) 3:44; 150 — River Falls pinned Eau Claire 1:55; 158 — forfeit; 167 — Lambrecht (RF) def. Rozanski (EC) 2:11; 177 — forfeit; 180 — Eau Claire def. River Falls 5:06; HWT — Chaya (EC) def. Demulling (RF) 2:59.

GYMNASTICS

Friday's results
River Falls 127.2
Whitewater 120.7
Hamline 133.3

WOMEN'S TRACK & FIELD

Saturday's results
55 M Hurdles
Finals — 3. Peterson (RF) 9:12
55 M Dash —
Heat 1 — 1. Myhre (RF) 7:73
Heat 2 — 3. Kindem (RF) 7.8 HT
Heat 3 — 2. McNamara (RF) 7.85
Finals — 2. Myhre (RF) 7.62
4X200 — 2. River Falls (RF) 1:53.12
400 M Finals — 3. Ewert (RF) 1:08.52
200 M Finals — 1. Myhre (RF) 27.18
Team Results — 1. River Falls 155, 2. St. Olaf 150, 3. St. Benedict 132, 4. Carleton 119, 5. Macalester 53, 6. Hamline 48, 7. St. Cates 17, 8. Bethel 14, 9. Stout 0

Hilsgen

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mark the final chapter of Green's existence with the Vikings? Only time will tell.

Green was virtually asking to be fired when he threatened to resign. There's one thing for sure. If the often indecisive and paranoid Green had done these antics in any other job he would be fired by now and be sitting on his duff wondering why he committed professional suicide.

Dan Hilsgen is a sophomore majoring in journalism

Gymnasts place 2nd, show improvement

Following a second place finish last weekend, the Falcons look to continue their progress as they come down the stretch

Emily Felling
Sports Correspondent

The UW-River Falls women's gymnastics team took second place last Friday at their home competition against Hamline and Whitewater.

"We're progressing at a good pace," said Falcons gymnastics coach Jeanne DeLisle. "We competed well at this meet."

The Falcons' team score was 127.2 compared to the Warhawk's 120.7, and Hamline's 133.3.

"We were better prepared and I think it helped that we were at home even though we would have competed well no matter where we were," DeLisle added.

The coach said she was happy to see specific areas of improvement. "We improved on the balance beam and on floor this time, although the scores didn't really reflect that," said DeLisle.

Gymnast of the week, Junior Lisa Denker from Isanti, Minn., competed well all around at her events, according to DeLisle.

The coach added ways that the Falcons could continue to improve. "All we really need to do now to improve is to add difficulty to every event and clean up any flaws that we see in our routines," said DeLisle.

Saturday, the gymnastics team will attempt to do that at the La Crosse Invitational.

Track sprints to win

Jason Egerstrom
Sports Editor

The Falcon indoor track team took first place in the 3rd annual Coca-Cola Classic meet Saturday at Knowles.

Falcon head coach Kristi Wagner said the meet was very exciting. "We won it the first time we had the event," Wagner said.

Much of the Falcons team success was due to the individual performance of field star Sarah Peterson, who qualified for the NCAA Div. III national meet in the long jump. The leap which exceeded 17 feet was

Peterson's personal best. Track star Jody Myhre also contributed by setting a school record in the 200-meter run.

Although Peterson and Myhre shined, Wagner said that the victory was a team effort. "We had many that contributed," Wagner noted.

However, it was Peterson who carried the team, a fact not denied by her coach.

Peterson also won the triple jump and set a meet record in doing so. In addition, she tied for first in the high jump, placed second in the shot and third in the 55-meter hurdles.

Wrestlers have new leader

Jenny Murphy
News Editor

Croix Central High School for the past 22 years, where he is a biology

and I'm here after school, but it's mere practice time."

Johnson said one goal as head coach is to recruit more wrestlers for next season. The Falcons currently forfeit four weights, the 118, 126, 150 and 177 pound classes, because the team does not have enough wrestlers.

Johnson is already making progress.

Since Johnson began as head coach three weeks ago, heavyweight wrestler Bob Young has rejoined the team after quitting three years ago.

"I started again because of the new coach," said Young, a senior art history major. "The other coach and I didn't see eye-to-eye on a lot of things. I figured I'd give it a chance again. Coach Johnson can't be that bad of a guy if he came in mid-season. I think he will help get the numbers up."

The team has talent, it just needs numbers, Johnson said. If the Falcons did not have to give up forfeits, he believes the team would compete evenly with other Division III teams.

"The guys we have are a good bunch, we just need more," Johnson said. "We're looking for kids for next year to wrestle."

Anyone interested may call him at 425-0607 for more information.



Lindy Johnson

and physical science teacher.

"It's different," he said, contrasting differences between coaching at the college level and high school level. "In high school I have contact with the kids all day and it's easier to round them all up. Now, I come here

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CHRISTY NELSON

The woman's 'view' is probably better

Recently I admitted to a friend and, indeed, to myself that I, Christy Nelson am a closet "Beverly Hills 90210" watcher. I am not one of those rabid

"Bev" fans that tune in to the spoiled thirty-somethings portraying spoiled twenty-somethings religiously, and discuss at length the ridiculous plot lines and pretentious characters. In fact, I never even watch or make an effort to tape the new episodes I merely watch re-runs...from start to finish.

And yet, I admit to watching it as if I were admitting to stealing candy from a baby.

Well, that having been said, it's time for admission number two. During Christmas break, I found myself tuning in to, as one critic has called it, the latest "I-can't-believe-I-watched-the-whole-thing" chat show.

ABC's "The View," on weekdays from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. locally, was spawned by none other than Barbara Walters, the patron saint of chat. Apparently, Walters had always dreamed of bringing together a group of women of various backgrounds, according to Walters' gushy intro to each day's show. Assembled in the estrogen-fest are "the working mom," "a professional in her 30s," "a woman who's done almost everything and will say almost anything," and "a young woman just starting out." And, of course as the intro goes, in a perfect world, Walters could sit in on the show's panel whenever she wants.

The premise sounds at once clever and unbearable, and it is both. Somedays "The View" is nothing more than a jumbled "hen session" amongst the women, with perky Debbie Matenopoulos (the young woman just starting out) sticking her dizzy comments in wherever she can (her comments usually get the uncomfortable silence followed by the "Anyway" from her fellow panel members). But, on other days, the women and their different personalities merge to form an interesting hour of albeit fluffy discussion.

Hearing the multi-generational panel's views and differing perspectives on current news events is entertaining, especially when stand-up comedian (a.k.a. woman who does and says anything) Joy Behar gets on a roll, leaving the dull comments of the 2-dimensional Matenopoulos and stale Walters in the dust. They even turn the magnifying glass on themselves from time to time, making mention of their critics and calling attention to some of their more lame shows and subjects.

While "The View" has its moments, it's certainly not for everybody. I'm sure most males would balk at a show centered around five women's opinions which has primarily women's issues and female guests. Still, it is one of those shows that if you just tune in, you might have a tough time tuning out, just for curiosity's sake. So, as the tagline goes, everyone should take some time to enjoy the view (not unlike a car wreck).

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Hypnotist mesmerizes a capacity filled North Hall Auditorium

With a flicker of a light and a soft touch on the hand, 22 students took a journey to their wild side Tuesday night.

Amy Carrell
Staff Writer

With the simple words of 1-2-3 and full concentration on a red light bulb from his participants, professional hypnotist, Dr. Jim Wand, hypnotized students in the North Hall Auditorium Tuesday night in a

highly energized performance.

Wand, who hypnotizes more than 300 people each year and has worked with bands such as the Miami Sound Machine and the NFL's Denver Broncos, led students to do the unimaginable.

Wand asked students to imagine while he counted to three and brought them to Maui, Hawaii where they stretched themselves out upon their chairs in the sun, only to be interrupted by a motorcycle ride that picked up speed by the second. Led into a high-speed police chase, students ducked or covered their faces as Wand told them police were shooting.

UW-RF student Brian Katlack transformed into an alien from Mars who did not speak the language. When asked by Wand and hypnotized student translator Rich Jara what to do when singing his planet's national anthem, Katlack responded by grabbing his crotch.

Wand also chose six male students in the long row of hypnotized students. On the count of three, Wand told the students when they woke up they would feel very different. He told them they would be pregnant. He then sent them through the emotions. With surprised looks on their faces and one student tugging at his shirt, Wand again counted to three and told them they were eight months pregnant, until finally they were nine months and ready to give birth. Holding out their arms as though their stomachs were large and puffing their cheeks as though in labor, each gave birth to a girl or boy. Wand then asked each "new mother" their child's birth weight, name

and to sing Rock-a-Bye-Baby as he walked down the line and held the microphone to their mouth.

Senior Journalism major Rich Jara rocked and kissed his baby that he named Annabelle Rose and when it was time for the baby to eat, Jara conveniently pulled up his shirt and began to breast feed.

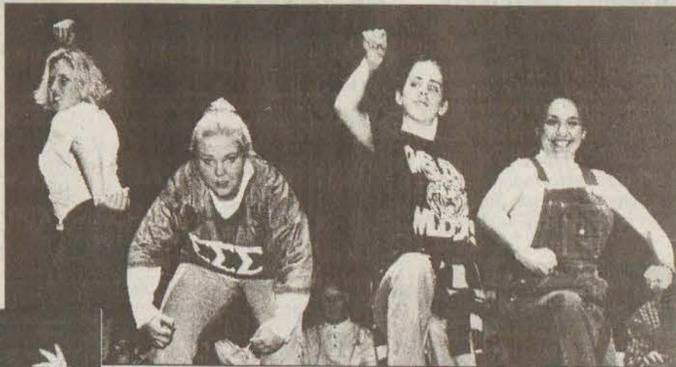


However, Wand's party had not even started until "Ken" and "Barbie" took center stage singing their debut song "Barbie World."

Wand chose freshmen Ron Brandt to be "Barbie" and Dale Bailey to be "Ken." He then put together a group of musicians and when the song came on, "Barbie" and "Ken" became animated and alive, dancing and singing about the stage. After the song was over, Wand asked "Barbie" if she (really a he) had any upcoming plans. Barbie said, "all black and leather."

Brandt, secondary education and biology major, had been hypnotized once before at freshmen orientation. He says he cannot remember a thing. However, Brandt became aware of his actions when Wand let him see a picture of him in Ken's arms. Students walking out of the

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Above, hypnosis has caused this group of testosterone injected females to flex their way towards the coveted Mr. Universe title. To the left, Ken portrayed by freshman Dale Bailey and Barbi portrayed by freshman Ron Burandt reenact Aqua's hit "Barbi Girl." And, below, freshman Brian Katlack speaks Martian to his Martian interpreter senior Rich Jara while hypnotist Jim Wand asks questions.

—Photos by Brandon Eytcheson



Mixed Blood Theatre's 'Daughters of Africa' looks to the past

The African-American Alliance sponsored Mixed Blood's second performance at UW-RF.

Jonathan Tatting
Specials Editor

When the performance ended, it seemed like Rosa Parks, Billie Holiday and Aretha Franklin had actually made their respective appearances at UW-River Falls.

And in a way, they did. The Mixed Blood Theatre Company presented "Daughters of Africa" Monday night to a packed house at the North Hall auditorium in dedication to the spirit of Dr. Martin Luther King's dream.

Thomasina Taylor, an actress from Minneapolis, and Roland Wilson, the music director, brought the audience on a flight aboard Legacy Airlines to show how past and present African-American women have

made their mark in American history.

"It's a touch of what is going on in American history as a whole," Taylor said. "African history is just as important as George Washington. Leaving out African history is like leaving out half of all American history."

The performance began with Taylor singing, "Nobody knows the troubles I've seen," in reference to pre-sixteenth and seventeenth century America. As if looking into each audience member's eyes, she talked of how slave's tongues would be severed for speaking their native language.

Taylor then took her versatile vocals and actions and portrayed others through history. Strong portrayals consisted of Rosa Parks spearheading the bus boycotts by refusing to give up her seat on a Birmingham bus, Billie Holiday singing and Aretha Franklin's, "Think," which provoked the audience to clap along. "I loved it," said Sheri MacBeth, a Baldwin resident. "I thought the talent was amazing. It was a wonderful example of living history. The per-

formance was a great show for families as well."

The African-American Alliance sponsored the performance, enabling Mixed Blood to visit UW-RF a second year in a row. The president of the AAA was pleased with the attendance and the show itself as it related to Black History Month.

"It's great that all the people came,"

"The textbooks at my junior high and high school made it (slavery) not seen. They wanted to hide. Would I know the real issue?"

Jill Haugerud, Junior

Isaac Mbiti said. "The different way of performing kept (the performance) interesting. I hope it enlightened and taught people different aspects and issues in celebrating Black History Month."

Before Mixed Blood arrived on campus, they ran into irony when they had an afternoon performance

at a junior high in North Minneapolis. A racial shooting had occurred earlier that day which left a student wounded. It happened on Dr. King's birthday.

"Racism is still very alive and well," Taylor said. "Students are still touched by it. Racism is still pursuing the young and the old."

As Taylor stresses the word, "still,"

it's obvious racism is not a thing of the past. Wilson, who plays keyboards and is known as a gospel legend by the University of Minnesota, finds the words that express his motivations to perform "Daughters of Africa."

"These things really happen," Wilson said. "The truth needs to be

known so history doesn't repeat itself. I can feel the pain and struggle every time. That's the beauty of it."

Taylor sums up what the performance means to her.

"I'd do it for free if I had to," she said. "Every year."

The Mixed Blood Theatre group is in the middle of their tour around the Midwest. The Minneapolis-based Company primarily tours Minnesota, Wisconsin, North Dakota, South Dakota, Iowa, Nebraska, Illinois, Indiana, Michigan and Ohio. After visiting Worthington, Minn., later this week, they will travel by bus to South Dakota.

Other performances the Company performs include "Dr. King's Dream," "According to Coyote," "Minnecanos," "Jackie Robinson" and "Eastern Parade: The Asian American Journey." UW-RF students were entertained with "Paul Robeson" last year.

The AAA doesn't strive for a redundant performance each year. A variety of events and performances is key in the AAA's planning for

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"POINTS OF VIEW"

"Considering the recent controversy surrounding the execution of Karla Faye Tucker in Texas, do you think that what an inmate does while on death-row should have bearing on their impending execution?"



Marisa Zeller, Junior

"Although what she did was terrible, I don't think that anybody has the right to kill another person. That's why I'm against the death penalty."



Katie Raso, Sophomore

"Yes, she should die. If she inflicts that pain on anyone she should receive the same treatment."



Andy Kruger, Sophomore

"Not really. I feel that they did what they did in the first place and they deserve what they get in the end."



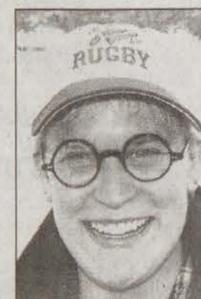
Tangwe Che, Senior

"Yes, everybody is subject to change. Everything goes through changes."



Mac Guptil, Junior

"Everything that someone does from the time of accusal to trial to sentence and afterward should be taken into effect. But, you shouldn't forget what they were charged with in the first place."



Ali Forman, Junior

"No, they do the crime they do the time."

Entertainment Calendar

AT AND AROUND UW-RIVER FALLS

friday/6

friday/13

near future

Feb. 6 The first student reading is scheduled at 3:30 p.m. on the 2nd floor breezeway of Davee Library. For more information contact Susan Storbeck at 426-1678.

7 p.m. The Saint Croix Chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union is presenting Carol Deoppers, Director of the Data Privacy Project of Wisconsin at the Phipps Center for the Arts in Hudson. For more information: 715-386-2305.

Feb. 14 Saturday at 7 p.m. the UW-River Falls Orchestra Concert directed by Kristin Tjornehoj will be performing in the Wm. Abbott Concert Hall. Also featuring the UW-LaCrosse Orchestra.

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UW-RF HOSTS GIRL SCOUTS NATIONAL WOMEN AND GIRLS IN SPORTS LOCK-IN

Anna Boisjoli
Assistant Off-Beat Editor

Saturday night Jan. 31, was an eventful one for 400 area Girl Scouts. The Girl Scout Council of St. Croix Valley held its annual National Women and Girls in Sports Day Lock-in at the Knowles Center. There were women from five UW-River Falls sports teams including track, gymnastics, hockey, softball, and volleyball; and students helping with rock climbing throughout the night. This was the third year the Girl Scouts have held this event, and it keeps getting bigger every year. "During the first year, there were 175 girls, and it was the coldest night of the year." Sherri West, membership development director for the Girl Scouts said. The attendance has grown significantly every year since, with 1998 topping out with 400 girls.

The event is scheduled to coincide with the annual National Women and Girls in Sports Day, which this year is Thursday, February 5. "We try to schedule it to be either the weekend before, or the weekend after," West said. The event was planned to introduce girls to some sports they may not have tried before. Having UW-RF athletes there is key to showing the Girl Scouts that women can be on sports teams well into college. "Sports can be a very important part of your life, and you don't have to stop after high school." West said. Vickie Pondell, a member of the UW-RF Track team, was asked to participate in this year's lock-in. Pondell, three coaches and six other team members helped the girls with the high jump, pole vault, relays, hurdles and shot put. "I just thought it'd be a lot of fun to

get other people involved in track, to help the sport grow. I got a lot out of track, and hope that other people will too." Pondell said. In all, there were about 35 UW-RF athletes who participated throughout the night's activities. Several Girl Scouts who participated, when asked, simply stated that the lock-in was "fun and neat." They liked trying the different sports offered. "It's nice to be around a lot of girls," said Maranda Goldsmith, 14, of Troop #2127 from Amery, Wisc. Fellow troop member Lindsey Decker, 13, had similar feelings about the event. "I get to meet people, and I get to see them again if I go back the next year." Decker said. Girls traveled from as far as Siren and Hager City, Wisc. for the event.

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auditorium after the show were calling Brandt "Barbie." "Barbie will be my nickname from now on for the rest of the year." Brandt said. "All of my friends are going to mock me. I'm going to get so many CD's for Christmas and they're all going to be Aqua." For sophomore marketing communications major Jeremy Lilyquist, being hypnotized was not a new experience. Tuesday night marked his seventh time. He describes the feeling as relaxing. "You're completely aware of what is going on around you, but you're so

relaxed." Lilyquist said. "I don't remember anything now, but when people start telling me things I start remembering." Every time the word Chicago was mentioned by Wand, Lilyquist would turn into Richard Simmons and to the song "Macho Man," began swinging his arms, doing the "Butterfly" and dancing about on center stage. "It's excellent." Lilyquist said. "That's why I've done it seven times." Under Wand's command, freshman Genesee Kaiser became injected with male hormones and competed with six other guys (really girls) for the title of Mr. Universe. In the contest, Kaiser said her name was "Bo" and worked construction building

houses. As Bo, Kaiser said the best part of the job was the tools. Kaiser says she does not remember a thing. "I just remember being tapped on the shoulder in the beginning," Kaiser said. Students who attended the show also reacted with enthusiasm. "I thought it was great." Junior Ryan Mills said. "I saw it (the show) twice and I enjoyed it each time. Overall, I think it is amazing that he makes them do and say whatever he says." Freshman Jennifer Rudlin said she went to see a hypnotist before, but said it was not as good as Wand's performance. "I thought it was funny." Rudlin said. "The Barbie thing was insane."

Mixed Blood/Daughters of Africa'

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Black History Month. "We tried to pick someone we haven't heard of," said Juliet Mbiti, the secretary of AAA. "The theme is past, present and future. We picked a play depicting someone's life that has been overshadowed or forgotten by history. It is so crucial we have a performance to educate and bring cultural awareness to campus." Speaking of life being overshadowed and forgotten, one audience member said her public schools in Amery, Wis., provided insufficient information on slavery as a whole. Before she left the performance, Taylor gave her a hug. "I'm feeling happy and sad at the same time," said Jill Haugerud, a junior at UW-RF. "The textbooks at my junior high and high school made it not seen. They wanted to hide. Would I know the real issue?" Taylor said the struggle for a diverse culture is an issue for everyone and for not one specific race. "America is built on premise of the melting pot," she said. "We're all mixed people and mixed with everything." When the performance ended, a standing ovation brought the performers back from behind the curtain to take another bow. The show proved to be educational and entertaining to at least one UW-RF official. "The acting was great," said Roger Ballou, the dean of students. "It was talent mixed with history."

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