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This week Robert Burke writes that students must unite and support the Republican Congress to pass the Balanced Budget Amendment and solve the nation's problems.

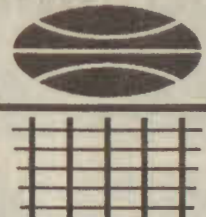
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FALCONS CRASH IN TOURNEY

The women's basketball squad lose to UW-Whitewater 72-71 in the first round of the NCAA Division III Tournament on a buzzer beater.

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WHO'S THE FAIREST?

UW-RF student Michael Udovich was named Miss Congeniality in Wisconsin's "Fairest of the Fair" competition last January.

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Milroy says spending problem led her to embezzle \$4,200

David Anderson
Editor

A former UW-River Falls sorority treasurer who was charged last week with embezzling \$4,200 said she did it because of a spending problem.

"I'm undergoing counseling," Melody M. Milroy told the *Student Voice*. "I have a big problem. It's like alcoholism, but instead I like to just spend money."

Milroy, the former treasurer for the Alpha Sigma Alpha sorority, was charged Feb. 23 with five counts of issuing forged checks by the St. Croix County District Attorney's office.

According to the criminal complaint, Milroy confessed to embezzling \$4,200 from the sorority.

River Falls police officer Dennis Kreuziger said the amount may increase as police continue to locate unrecorded, missing checks from earlier last year.

The complaint stated that she allegedly wrote checks with her signature and then forged the former sorority president's signature. Milroy, 215 Foster St., told River Falls police that she had written out checks to herself over a 2-month period.

The checks were made out to Milroy in amounts up to \$500 and were removed from the sorority's checking account at WESTconsin Credit Union Bank in River Falls. The checks were then deposited in Milroy's personal account at the First Federal Savings Bank of LaCrosse, located on Hwy. 35, also in River Falls.

Milroy, 21, said she used the money to purchase items such as groceries and clothes in order to make her "feel better." The report also said that she said she had intentions of paying the money back.

She said that her counselor informed her that her condition is self-esteem related, and said that press coverage may set back her progress.

The investigation began when the sorority received a canceled check from Foster's Sports in River Falls dated Dec. 12. The check was written out for \$474.90 and said "not sufficient funds."

After receiving the canceled check, current sorority president Linda Burton, former president Shannon Wentlandt and other sorority members met with police and informed them of their suspicions.

Burton and Wentlandt retrieved financial records from Milroy Jan. 19

following Milroy's suspension from UW-River Falls because of a low grade point average.

Upon receiving the records from Milroy, Burton and Wentlandt said that they came across an overdraft notice dated Dec. 23, 1994, from WESTconsin Credit Union saying Alpha Sigma Alpha's account was overdrawn.

However, the report said Milroy's monthly reports showed a positive balance in the account, and Milroy never informed the sorority of any financial problems.

The complaint said when Milroy was confronted by police, she told them she had written the checks and signed Wentlandt's name.

The report also said that she said she did not know how much money she had, and that she was currently paying the bank back with weekly installments of what she could afford to pay.

Embezzling more than \$2,500, according to Wisconsin State statute 943.38 (2) is a Class C felony subject to a maximum penalty of \$10,000 fine and/or 10 years imprisonment.

Milroy served as treasurer for the sorority from Nov. 1993-Jan. 1995.

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I hope you're not a vampire...



Julie Benzschawel photo

UW-RF student Marty Nowak awaits the needle as he is having his cholesterol level tested at the "Just For the Health of It" health fair conducted at the River Falls Area Hospital March 1. Hospital lab technician Mary Stunkard inserts the needle and performs the test. The fair was to promote National Collegiate Health and Wellness Week, and included open skating and yoga.

Lyll set to give final words of wisdom to Falcon graduates leaving the nest

Julie Benzschawel
Focus Editor

Katharine Lyall, UW-System president, is the keynote speaker at spring commencement ceremonies set for Knowles Center May 14.

"She's the president of one of the most prestigious upper-college educational systems in the nation," said Chancellor Gary Thibodeau.

Professor Lois Michealson is chair of the UW-RF Public Relations Committee that voted to ask Lyall to speak at the ceremony.

"Actually, we had invited her to come and speak last year but she was unable to do that. So this year it was kind of a natural choice that we turned to her again, and this year, she was able to come," Michealson said.

Chris Patton, Student Senate president, said Lyall is a good choice for a commencement speaker because she symbolizes somebody who has done a lot and is a role model for students, especially females.

"As we strive for a more diverse administration both in a public sector and a private sector, she really symbolizes that if you can set some goals and know what you want to achieve, and if you set your mind to it, you can do it," Patton said.

Thibodeau said Lyall is familiar with our campus but having her make a visit to Western Wisconsin is always a plus.

"So many times in other systems you have the system administration

keeping in touch with all members of the University.

"She's done a really good job of trying to reach out to each campus and get on campus to sort of gather a feel for what it's like 'down in the trenches' you might want to say," he added.

Michealson admitted that the Public Relations Committee has to work under some economic constraint when deciding who they can bring in as a speaker each year.

"Unlike private universities that may spend thousands of dollars on a commencement speaker, we don't have a budget," Michealson said. "So that means we can't pay big bucks to bring in Mrs. Clinton here from Washington to be our commencement speaker. I would guess that Katherine Lyall understands that problem and because she is a public servant in Wisconsin, there's not going to get a big fee for speaking."

Thibodeau said Lyall's leadership role in the UW-System makes her an ideal candidate to speak at a commencement exercise at one of the system campuses.

"Commencement comments are a very meaningful thing, not only for the class but for the people who deliver them,"

Thibodeau said. "She feels very strongly about the quality of education here and I think she's anxious to speak to our graduating class."



Katharine Lyall

or the heads of the administration, and they're sort of in their own little world," Patton said. "I think President Lyall has done a very good job in

Family, friends remember dedicated, fun-loving Powers

Amy Richer
Staff Writer

Having a great sense of humor and being very hard-working is how Shawn Powers' family, friends and teachers will remember him.

Powers, a UW-River Falls senior, was killed early in the morning on Tuesday, Feb. 21 after his car went off a back road in Inver Grove Heights, Minn.

Powers father, Tom, said that the day prior to his son's death had been a typical Monday. Shawn, who was majoring in geography, had worked at his part-time job at Menards until 10 p.m. and then went to a bar.

"We don't know what exactly happened, whether he fell asleep, or lost control," Tom Powers said. "Shawn plain and simple had too much to

drink."

"Shawn worked so hard," his father said. "He paid an awful price for a stupid stunt."

Powers' father said it is hard to find words that describe his son, but UW-RF geography chair Don Petzold remembers Powers as "a free spirit, a bit of a character."

"I don't know if he had found a goal in life yet," Petzold said.

Tom Powers said he and his son enjoyed playing hockey, soccer and softball in their spare time.

"Shawn had a very busy schedule," Tom Powers said.

In addition to going to school and working at Menards, Powers drove the school bus in Inver Grove Heights in the morning and afternoon before and after his classes and was in the National Guard.

To save money, Powers commuted to UW-RF from his Inver Grove Heights home. He had paid for all of his schooling on his own.

"Shawn had just sent his final payment in to the University that day,"

"If you were having a bad day, Shawn was the person to go to. Anything he would say would be hilarious."

-Chris Niesen,
UW-RF student

Tom Powers said. "We were so proud of him."

Powers added that his son was looking forward to going to the Eagles concert on Feb. 24.

Powers had many friends, both in Inver Grove Heights and in River Falls. UW-RF student Chris Niesen said that Powers was a good guy who enjoyed himself. He said what made Shawn special was that he had a great sense of humor.

"If you were having a bad day, Shawn was the person to go to," Niesen said. "Anything he would say would be hilarious. He could make you have a good day."

"He was fun to be around," Niesen said.

Funeral services for Powers were held on Feb. 24 at St. Patrick's Church in Inver Grove Heights.

Computer viruses attack UW-RF

Campus is infected by three IBM viruses

Julie Benzschawel
Focus Editor

It's the most serious break out ever on the UW-River Falls campus and it keeps spreading.

Three computer viruses have hit UW-RF in the last week and precautions are being made to get it under control and get rid of them.

"We first started seeing them around the 21st (of February), then things were pretty rapid by the 24th," said John Nierengarten, director of academic computing center.

The viruses are being identified as Form, Stealth and Stoned.

Nierengarten said it is just affecting IBM's and that these particular viruses are not a threat to Macintosh computers. He also added that the viruses do not affect Internet or e-mail but it can travel through the program.

"A virus could come from Internet if you download an infected program," Nierengarten said.

Stoned is not a new virus on campus. Nierengarten said it makes its return every year about this time, but this year the reports of infected computers have more than doubled.

There are many different characteristics of the viruses. Some of the common ailments are damaged data files and programs.

The Computing Center is issuing F-Prot, an anti-viral program that is available for no fee, to de-

takes about five minutes and the only location at UW-RF to detect the virus and disinfect disks is in North Hall.

"It's hard to get through (the disinfecting program) and figure out how to run it because the first time I tried

it was confusing until I got the right command," Pieper said. "Even with the instructions we got in class it was still confusing to do."

The Stealth virus was the first one to hit the UW-RF library since John Smits, the library technician, has been working there.

The virus infected the Government Documents computer but was able to be disinfect.

"We ran the anti-virus program through again so now we're able to clear it up," Smits said.

Smits said the library has always been very cautious about scanning disks that enter the computer systems, but they are now looking for a better way to protect the user from getting it from an infected computer.

Matt Hanson, a help desk employee at the Academic Computing Center said, "So far I don't think it (the viruses) destroyed anything, but some students have suffered data loss."

fect and disinfect disks.

Jenny Pieper was advised by her computer science professor to disinfect her disk every time she logs into the IBM's located in North Hall.

She said she thinks the virus is a big inconvenience.

"Everytime you go into the computer, you have to make sure the disk is disinfected," Pieper said. "Because if the computer is infected, the disk is going to get reinfected and I spend enough time on the computer the way it is for my computer class."

Pieper said disinfecting the disk



UW-System dumps plan requiring students to pay extra for electives

Courtesy of the Associated Press

The University of Wisconsin is discarding plans to make students pay extra tuition when signing up for more courses than they need for graduation.

Officials called the proposal an attempt to dissuade students from taking up classroom space that other students might need.

The financial penalty approach generated protests throughout the UW-System.

Instead, the administration says it will use persuasion to alleviate the tendency of some students to elect credits they don't need.

"We ought to try a cooperative approach with students," David Ward, of academic affairs for the UW-System,

said Tuesday.

"We're really glad that they're going to drop the extra-credit tax; that's what we call it," said David Stacy, president of United Council, a student advocacy group.

A typical UW student graduates with more than the four years of course credits needed for an undergraduate degree.

Most undergraduate degrees require between 100-128 credits but the average student takes 144 credits, the university said.

UW wants to reduce the average number of credits by about six or seven during the next five years, Ward said.

UW President Katharine Lyall proposed the surcharge idea in September, saying to prepare a recommendation for the Board of Regents this spring.

BRIEFS

UW-RIVER FALLS SNOW EMERGENCY is in effect until March 31. No parking is allowed in faculty lots or on residence hall service lots between 1-6 a.m. Students will be notified two days in advance if student lots need to be plowed.

CITY ORDINANCE, alternate parking on city streets through March 31.

BROADEN YOUR HORIZONS and study abroad. Try the National Student Exchange program. Contact Mary Lou Bean, Hathorn Cottage, ext. 3256 for more information.

WISCONSIN IN SCOTLAND applications for 1995-96 are now being accepted. Turn in to the office of International Programs, 225 E. Hathorn Hall.

FINANCIAL AID APPLICATIONS for 1995-96 are now available at the Office of Financial Assistance, 122 South Hall. Deadline date is March 15, 1995.

SUMMER SCHOOL APPLICATIONS for 1995 are now available at the Office of Financial Assistance, 122 South Hall. Deadline date is March 15, 1995.

APPLICATIONS ARE NOW BEING ACCEPTED for 6-7 counselors to help conduct College Camp '95, a minority camp at UW-RF for middle school students. Applications are due in 113 Hathorn Hall by March 13.

RICHLAND CO. COUNCIL OF COOP. SCHOLARSHIP FUND for Agriculture Business majors is now available. Deadline is March 15, 1995.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY SCHOLARSHIPS are available for a variety of majors. Deadline is March 15, 1995.

PAUL DOUGLAS TEACHER SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM for pre-school, elementary or secondary teaching education majors is available. Deadline is March 20, 1995.

APPLICATIONS ARE NOW AVAILABLE FOR Wisconsin Universities United Nations Summer Seminar. Deadline is March 31. For more information, contact Yolanda Dewar, 225 E. Hathorn Hall or Jie Chen, 124 South Hall.

WARNER CABLE SCHOLARSHIP, for telecommunications or related fields majors is now available. Deadline is March 31, 1995

INTRAMURAL SOFTBALL LEAGUES are now forming. Men's and co-ed leagues. Entries are due March 23. Call ext. 3174 for more information.

DR. PASCAL NGOBOKA will join the Economics Society discussion about welfare reform, 3:40 p.m., March 7, 302 Fine Arts.

MEETINGS

MONDAY, March 6
ADULT CHILDREN OF ALCOHOLICS, 3-4:30 p.m. Counseling and Testing Center, 24 E. Hathorn Hall.

THE FLYERS, a mountain bike racing team, 6 p.m., at The Bike Shop, 122 S. Main Street in River Falls.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY, 7 p.m., Ballroom, Student Center.

OPEN SKATING, 7:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Hunt Arena

CRIMINAL JUSTICE ASSOCIATION, noon-1 p.m., St. Croix Room, Student Center.

TUESDAY, March 7
STUDENT SENATE, 6:30 p.m. Regents Room, Student Center.

BUSINESS MEETING, 7 p.m., Regents Room, Kris Welsh, Guest Speaker.

INTERNATIONAL CLUB, 7:30 p.m., in the Student Center. Contact International Programs for more information.

OPEN SKATING, 7:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Hunt Arena

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8
HEALTHY BODIES, HEALTHY CHOICES, 3-4:30 p.m. For more information, contact Student Health Services or the Counseling Center.

INTERVARSITY CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP, 8:30 p.m., International Room. Prayer and Praise.

BIBLE STUDY, 12:00, UMHE House (next to Hardee's). Call 425-2391 for more information.

HORTICULTURE CLUB, 5 p.m., 331 Ag. Sci. A master gardener will be speaking.

WOMEN IN SCIENCE, noon-1 p.m., International Room, Student Center.

THURSDAY, MARCH 9
WOMEN'S GROUP FOR SURVIVORS OF SEXUAL ABUSE, 3:15-4:45 p.m. Counseling and Testing Center, 24 E. Hathorn Hall.

OPEN SKATING, 7:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Hunt Arena

EVENTS

AEROBICS, 6 p.m. Sunday-Thursday, 3:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday and 9:30 a.m. Saturday, Aerobics Studio, Emogene Nelson.

AQUA AEROBICS, 6 p.m., Monday, Wednesday and Thursday in the Swimming Pool, Karges Center. For more information call Life Fitness at 3931.

CARTHAGE CHOIR, Sunday, March 19, 4:30 p.m., Ezekiel Lutheran Church, 202 S. Second Street, River Falls.

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

‘Animal House’ image non-existent at UW-RF

Jenny Dale
S & E Editor

The “Animal House” theme of wild parties, dangerous stunts and obnoxious fraternity members is no longer apparent—at least not at UW-River Falls.

“A lot of people that don’t know anything about Greek life get a bad impression from movies like this and other TV shows,” said Eric Eisner, President of Delta Theta Sigma.

According to Eisner and several other fraternity and sorority members, their organizations don’t fit the reputations given to them by the movies and TV shows.

Greek advisor Kaye Schendel said UW-RF Greek organizations have not had any serious problems as seen in the media.

“River Falls has been fortunate that we have not seen any serious incidents of hazing on campus,” Schendel said.

The nationally criticized practices of initiation into Greek fraternities and sororities has been outlawed, and UW-RF Greek organizations have not had any hazing or other serious problems that go against the laws outlined in the Greek Relationship Statement, Schendel said.

She said that each chapter on campus must sign the statement and show that they understand there is to “be absolutely no hazing” and that they understand the Risk Management Policy.

This policy includes strict rules about drinking and parties at each fraternity and sorority house, said Kevin Tlougan, President of Theta Chi fraternity.

Schendel said if there are ever any infractions of these policies, the organization would be “dealt with” according to the law.

She said that if there are any serious instances heard of at UW-RF, they do not involve the Greeks on campus but probably involve some other groups on campus.

The fraternities and sororities are “trying to fight that myth” of being big party houses as seen on TV, Tlougan said.

According to Tlougan, the Theta Chi house has strict insurance rules about parties they hold.

There is to be no beer kegs in the house and they can’t sell any alcohol, he said. They also take several precautions to make sure people at the parties are of age to drink.

Theta Chi is not alone in doing this, the other fraternities and sororities on campus follow similar rules which do not allow any actions like seen on

“Animal House,” Tlougan said.

At Delta Theta Sigma, Eisner says they have their occasional parties as everyone else does, but he and the other fraternity members spend time helping the campus and the River Falls community as well.

They have sponsored several fund raisers and events to help out the campus and community, Eisner said.

The most recent was the Country Line Dance For Heart which was held at PR’s Place, he said.

The fraternity also has helped plant trees and clean up Main Street in River Falls.

Eisner feels his fraternity is a “tight unit” that works together to get things done. He likes the camaraderie and “brotherhood” he gets being a member of the Delta Theta Sigma fraternity.

Delta Theta Sigma is not unlike many other Greek organizations on campus. According to Tlougan, his fraternity does many good things for the campus as well as the community.

“We do what we can to help and get involved in the community,” Tlougan said.

Theta Chi’s big fund raising campaign is for the American Cancer Society. They hold several fund raisers to raise money for this organization, Tlougan said.

According to Tlougan, the fraternity also participates in food and clothing drives and helps out with the Falcon Telethon.

Tlougan said that his fraternity, along with Delta Theta Sigma, Alpha Gamma Rho, Sigma Tau Gamma, and Phi Sigma Kappa, sponsor fund raising events and take part in many things to help the campus and community.

“The Greek life on campus is small, but is getting bigger,” Tlougan said. He feels that Greeks as a whole are working more together on campus and are becoming better friends.

Carol Loosen, member of Alpha Omicron Pi and the Panhellenic Coun-

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Chris Simonson photo

Greeks were portrayed in motion pictures as wild partiers who lived in big old fashioned houses. However, that is not the case at UW-River Falls, even though several fraternities live in houses, such as the Delta Theta Sigma house, which is located on Third Street.

cil President, added, “It’s kind of like having your own little family on campus.”

She agrees with Tlougan that the sororities as well as the fraternities on campus are very involved with not only events on campus but also helping in the community.

Alpha Omicron Pi works for Arthritis Research by holding fundraising events to raise money for research for arthritis.

They are very involved on campus as are, Alpha Sigma Alpha, Sigma Sigma Sigma, and Phi Mu, the other sororities.

Loosen said that being a member of a sorority gives her and others an opportunity to meet people and do good things on campus and in the community.

Being in a sorority helps Linda Burton, President of Alpha Sigma Alpha, learn good leadership and communication skills.

“It promotes leadership and working with other people,” Burton said.

The Alpha Sigma Alpha chapter works with the River Valley Area Special Olympics every year.

According to Burton, the sorority members spend time with the Special Olympics participants bowling and working on track and field events on Saturdays during the fall and spring.

Burton said being in a sorority has helped her to get to know people on campus as well as in her sorority.

As a member of a sorority, Burton said she is able to meet people of all majors and interests who are also members of the sorority.

Burton said Alpha Sigma Alpha has

“members who come from the rural farms and members who are from the cities.”

As a sorority member she meets a very diverse group of people that she otherwise would not have met, Burton added.

Tlougan said that in his fraternity there are members from all majors, which really helps when someone needs help studying.

There are so many people that someone has probably had the class and is able to help others who have the class. This networking is a big benefit to fraternity and sorority members, Tlougan said.

According to Schendel, the all Greek average GPA is higher than the all campus average GPA at UW-RF as well as nation-wide.

Schendel said Greeks on campus spend a lot of their time working on their studies.

“They place a lot of emphasis on scholarship,” Schendel said. Most sororities and fraternities award scholarships or other recognition that promote their members to succeed academically.

Schendel, who just returned from a Mid-American Interfraternity and Mid-American Panhellenic Council Association (MIFCA-MAPCA) convention in Chicago, said she and many members of the UW-RF Greek organizations spent the four days of the convention learning to be better leaders and more committed to their helping the community.

African American, Jewish students find commonalities in class

Marco Buscaglia
College Press Service

Elona Kibler, a junior at Howard University, said she always tried to see both points of view in terms of the relationship between African American and Jews.

But sometimes, it was difficult, she said.

“I’ve always heard a lot of negative things about Jewish people, but I’m learning that what I’ve heard isn’t true,” Kibler said. “I didn’t realize how long Jewish people had been oppressed. There are similarities between the troubles of African American and the troubles of Jews. We should be working together.”

Kibler is learning firsthand about Jewish culture from students from two Washington campuses.

Students from The American University’s Jewish Studies Program and Howard University’s Afro-American Studies Department are taking part in a joint academic program designed to promote a new awareness of each other’s history and situation.

“A lot of people never talk with the subjects they are studying,” said Dr. Russell Adams, chair of the Afro-American Studies Department at Howard University. “It’s always been ‘Read the book, then talk to each other about the absent person.’” The second

half of the dialogue is never seen or heard.

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relations between blacks and Jews throughout the years.

Students from each university will soon be paired off to do research and work on community projects. At the end of the semester, students will participate in a prejudice awareness training session.

Participants have discussed some of well-publicized tensions last year between Jewish and African American students, such as the appearance of Dr. Khalid Abdul Muhammad at Kean College in New

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Student fails in attempt to steal book from library

Terry Zwahlen
Staff Writer

A UW-River Falls student was caught in the library Feb. 22 attempting to take an unauthorized book out of Chalmer Davee library.

Campus Security reported that Jeffrey D. Stellbrecht, Hager City, Wis., tried to leave the circulation area with an issue of *Architectural Digest*.

Stellbrecht left through the glass doors near the reference desk and then proceeded through the alarm gate, setting off the alarm.

Elise Nooney, circulation director, confronted Stellbrecht. He produced from his book bag the February 1992 issue, valued at \$40.

Campus security arrived on the scene and received the complaint. Stellbrecht was placed on the first time offenders list at the library. He was also warned of his consequences if he tried to take unauthorized mate-

rial again.

STUDENTS FIGHTING
Two students received minor injuries Feb. 19 during a fight in Johnson Hall.

River Falls Police reports said Levi Olson, 126 S. Third St., and Patrick Tlusty, 080 Hathorn Hall, started fighting in 446 Johnson Hall after Tlusty struck Olson.

The incident began when Tlusty entered the room to pick up a pair of keys. Olson was talking to Carla Reid and Pauline Schmitz, both of 446 Johnson Hall, and started calling Olson names.

Olson then stood up from his chair. Tlusty, standing behind and to the right of Olson, struck Olson in the right eye.

Olson then threw Tlusty to the floor in order to prevent him from striking

back, Olson said.

The fight continued as the two began shoving each other and then the two fell to the floor. Tlusty said Levi bit him in the left finger.

Then Reid convinced them to stop fighting and Tlusty left the room. Levi had a bruised right eye and a bleeding lip.

Reid said the fight could have started because Tlusty is her former boyfriend and she is currently seeing Olson.

FOLLOWUP

A winter coat and wallet stolen from the Knowles Building mentioned five suspects from the Kinnic Falls Halfway House. The five are no longer considered suspects. To date no one has been arrested or charged in this case.

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and had received the Chancellor’s Award in the spring of 1994.

UW-RF Greek Life Adviser Kaye Schendel told the *Student Voice* Feb. 9 that there will be no penalty assessed to Alpha Sigma Alpha because it is apparent that the entire chapter did not take part in the action.

The local chapter, which was founded as a social-services organization, has about 40 members and became a sorority at UW-RF in 1980.

A court date of April 10, 1995 has been set in St. Croix County circuit court.

Attention readers:
Due to spring break, the next edition of the *Student Voice* will hit newsstands March 23.

City upgrades a grader, purchases two trucks

Jenny Dale
S&E Editor

The River Falls City Council approved a resolution Tuesday night to upgrade a grader and purchase two new flatbed trucks with hoists.

Several council members questioned the need to buy a new grader during the last council meeting, so the prices of just upgrading the existing grader were looked into and agreed on by the council.

The upgrading of grader, which is a type of snowplow, had the option to add a wing would allow the city to plow certain streets in less time.

Alderman Gene Mulholland questioned the need for a wing extension that could only be used on certain streets and the council members voted to upgrade the existing plow without the adding a wing.

The purchase of two new Ford pickup trucks with flatbeds and hoists was approved after the members discussed the city's for the new trucks.

Alderman Wayne Beebe said there is a need for new trucks due to the annexation of land over the past years and the new parks. The old trucks,

which are 15 years and are rusting, will be traded in for the new trucks. The council also approved the buying of four new John Deere mowers over the next five years.

Dave Wisdorf, Public Works Superintendent, discussed the city's plan to trade in the existing four mowers over the next five years and acquire the new mowers when these are traded in.

A motion to approve the purchase of a tire changer for the city was passed by a 4-3 margin after much discussion on why the changer is needed.

Alderman Warren Kinzel questioned the prices quoted by Wisdorf for the service of tire changing by local garages.

Wisdorf's figure was about \$800 more than Kinzel found on his own research of the prices. Kinzel asked why the city could not take the vehicles which need tire changes to a local garage.

"This machine will allow us to take care of vehicles as they come in for changes," Wisdorf said.

Alderman Tom Cafilisch asked

Wisdorf why the city goes to Eagan, Minn. to buy tires for the city vehicles when it could just get them in River Falls and give the city taxpayer business.

Wisdorf defended the city's actions and said the city gets better quality tires from the location in Eagan.

RESIGNATION
The council approved the resignation of City Administrator Neil Ruddy, effective Feb. 27.

Mayor Duane Pederson notified the council of a memo he received on Feb. 22 from Ruddy informing the council of his resignation.

Pederson appointed three city hall workers to help him while the city administrator position is open.

Cafilisch said he did not approve of Pederson appointing these people to help him without the council's knowledge. Pederson defended his appointments, saying the city hall workers had no authority to take any actions. He said they are only there to take any city employee's concerns to either the mayor or the council.

RF CITY COUNCIL NEWS

Senate questions social fees collection

Jay Hitzeman
Staff Writer

Newly elected student senator Joshua Kalk voiced his opposition Tuesday to the Inter-Residence (IRHC) committee's new proposal for collecting social fees from all students living in the residence halls.

Senate representative to IRHC Lori Rowe made the announcement at the weekly meeting of the senate. According to Rowe the committee has proposed adding social fees to the cost of staying in the residence halls, but "its still in the planning stages," Rowe said.

Kalk made his position clear during the "questions and comments" period after Rowe announced the proposal. "I realize that they are working with

a limited budget, but I'm not sure that having every student pay the fee is the best way to do it," Kalk said.

Kalk, a resident of Crabtree Hall, said the fee is too high for students living in Crabtree. He has been broken for a long time, he said he wonders

why the social fee money had not been used to fix it.

"The money could be put to better use," Kalk said.

Senate president, Chris Patton said the IRHC committee's proposal would be a "major policy change" and it would have to go through university's

"I'm not sure that having every student pay the social fee is the best way to do it."

-Joshua Kalk
Student Senator

Zima raises questions concerning underage consumption

'Unique alcoholic beverage' subject of parental complaints

Marco Buscaglia
College Press Service

It looks like sparkling bottled water, is as sweet as a soda, and packs the punch of a beer.

But despite the slogan "Unique Alcohol Beverage" printed on each label of Zima, some law enforcement officials and parents are complaining that underage drinkers often don't know they're drinking alcohol until it's too late.

"Zima is so sweet, so different from beer, that some teens might think it's like 7-Up or Sprite and keep drinking it with no real concerns about how drunk they might end up," said Kae McGuire, associate director of the Trauma Foundation of San Francisco General Hospital. "They drink it and drink it, and all of a sudden it hits them. There could be some serious problems."

In an effort to answer critics who say the corporation is promoting teen drinking and drunken driving, Coors Brewing Company is sending out letters strongly denying that Zima, the colorless alcoholic beverage, is being targeted for young drinkers.

Since Zima became widely available last year, parents, school advisers and law enforcement officials from more than 12 states have contacted Coors expressing concern over the drink's content, fearing that the taste has attracted teens who would otherwise not be interested in drinking alcohol.

Callers also complained that the drink cannot be detected by police

Breathalyzer tests. (False. It can.) Coors officials, however, say that it's naive to blame underage drinking on any one consumer product.

"There have been rum and Cokes around forever, and wine coolers have been around for awhile, too," said Bart Alexander, spokesperson for Coors. "Are these drinks responsible for underage drinking?"

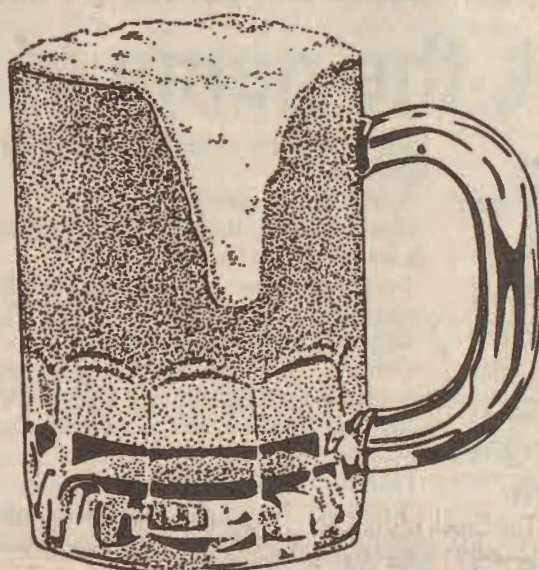
Brandy Anderson, spokesperson for Mothers Against Drunk Driving, says that the group has heard complaints about the Coors beverage but hasn't formulated a position on the issue yet.

"We want to take a broad look at the marketing practices of beer and liquor companies in general," said Anderson, adding that the group is forming a national committee to study the alcohol marketing and should have an opinion by May. "We feel very strongly about underage drinkers, and we want to make sure that alcohol isn't being targeted in any way to youths."

Alexander says that Coors created Zima to appeal to adult drinkers and has marketed the drink accordingly. "We've stated all along that Zima is

an alcoholic beverage," he said, adding that Coors is involved with programs designed to combat underage drinking on college campuses across the nation.

"Our initial television commercials



took place in bars. We were appealing to a market by showing where the beverage would be consumed, and since you have to be 21 to get served alcohol, we felt the advertising campaign stated the obvious."

Alexander says some of the complaints he's heard about the drink are contradictory.

"People say kids are getting drunk on Zima because they don't know it contains alcohol," he said. "Then they

say kids drink Zima to get drunk because they think it tastes better than other alcoholic drinks. It can't be both ways."

Although Coors has heard numerous concerns about the inability to detect Zima on Breathalyzer tests, officials say that the rumor began shortly after the beverage was introduced and has "absolutely no foundation in fact."

According to a spokesperson for the Chicago Police Department, Breathalyzer tests measure the level of ethanol on a person's breath. Since ethanol is an ingredient in Zima, as in all other alcoholic products, the drink would register on any Breathalyzer.

"Zima has the same alcoholic content as premium beers," said Jon Goldman, a company representative. "The Breathalyzer rumors are not even an issue. They're simply untrue."

Goldman says that Zima is brewed like beer before the beer color and taste are filtered out. Natural flavors are then added, which give the drink its unique flavor.

Despite the controversy over Zima, most serious bar patrons have fairly strong feelings about the drink.

"I'm starting to like it more and more," said Tracy Randano on a recent Thursday night at a bar near DePaul University's Chicago campus. "I never really liked beer, and this is something different."

But its taste was maybe too different for Eric Hughes, who accompanied Randano.

"It tastes like sugar water," he said. "I feel like I should be drinking it with a straw."

UW-RF to host multicultural student leadership conference

Patrice Peterson
Staff Writer

Post-graduate education and employment readiness will be emphasized when UW-River Falls hosts the American Multicultural Student Leadership Conference April 7-9.

More than 500 students, faculty and staff from across Wisconsin and Minnesota will attend workshops, enjoy cultural entertainment and hear keynote speakers, who will address such subjects as media and race, alcohol, school reform, value systems and multicultural coalition building. Participants will include African American, Latino, Native American and Asian American students. Chancellors from UW-System are also expected to attend this 12 annual conference.

According to Linda Alvarez, UW-RF Multicultural Services Office, the conference is sponsored by the West Central Wisconsin consortium, whose members include UW-RF, UW-Eau

Claire, UW-La Crosse, UW-Stout and recently added UW-Superior. The schools take turns hosting the conference, Alvarez said.

As the co-chair for the program development, Alvarez works with UW-RF student Doua Vang to coordinate workshops, entertainment and guest speakers. Alvarez said a group of 25-30 students from across the state attended planning meetings for the last six months to develop a schedule and a theme for the conference.

"The creative aspect of the conference is that it comes from the students," Alvarez said. "It's important to watch them focus on what is important to students of color throughout the state, like need for coalition building and the need for increased professional preparation prior to graduation."

Vang is one of the students volunteers. She attended the past three conferences when they were held at other universities in the consortium and she is looking forward to UW-RF taking its turn as host.

"I have a good knowledge of what it entails and what it takes to create and promote this conference," Vang says. "At first I wanted to stay in the background and not get involved, but then I thought what a great opportunity to get to know 450 students and coordinate this."

Students planning to attend the conference are required to do their homework ahead of time by submitting papers relating to the theme of this year's conference, "Creating United Communities: Celebrating Our Common Ground." Selected papers will then be presented by the students during the conference.

Students will be also asked to bring along their resumes so they can meet with representatives from graduate schools and businesses who plan to attend. In addition, there will be an exhibit area featuring vendors selling cultural goods.

Since this is such a large undertaking, Alvarez said the entire campus is "laking ownership" for the event. UW-RF Residence Directors,

Rollie Buchanan and Page Dunn-Albertie are responsible for registration, housing, and logistics and Alvarez has received support from Kaye Schendel of Student Activities and Tom Journell of Career Services. UW-RF faculty and staff will also be providing some of the workshops and addressing issues as speakers.

"It is an excellent opportunity for River Falls to affirm its commitment to multicultural activities," Provost and Vice Chancellor Judson Taylor, who serves on the WCWC commission.

Taylor says the consortium was set up 12 years ago to facilitate sharing of resources between western Wisconsin universities. Some of the projects initiated by WCWC have diminished, Taylor says, but the commission continues to plan major activities, such as Wisconsin in Scotland and continues to sponsor the student leadership conference.

UW-SYSTEM UPDATE



UW-Oshkosh: Students attending UW-O may be paying an additional \$200-\$215 in tuition for the next two years if Gov. Tommy Thompson's budget proposal passes.

In addition to the proposed tuition hike, a \$40 tuition surcharge will be added for 1995-96.

UW-Superior: The presidential budget released Feb. 6 includes plans to eliminate funds appropriated for public broadcasting.

The president budget would not rescind already appropriated funding. KUWS, the campus radio station, is waiting to find out what will happen to the station and several professional positions.

UW-Platteville: Changes in the way UW-Platteville students governance groups operate will be put to the test during the upcoming weeks.

The UW-P Student Senate has begun collecting signatures from students as the group tries to gain support of the newly proposed implementation plan. If the senate does not get 25 percent of the student body to sign a petition to amend the current implementation plan, the project will be dead in the water.

UW-Stevens Point: The Stevens Point Common Council approved a proposal at its meeting Monday night updating an ordinance that prohibits residents from leaving indoor furniture outside.

This ordinance is of special interest to UW-SP students who are living off campus due to the fact that violation of the ordinance can result in a citation and fine.

UW-Whitewater: This semester brings the end of the existence of the Whitewater Student Association.

The organization approved the student body's vote in favor of the new constitution that will change their name to the Whitewater Student Government.

A total of 222 students voted in favor of a new constitution out of the total of 242 who voted in last week's election.

UW graduates skills rank highly among employers

Courtesy of Associated Press

More than 90 percent of employers surveyed recently ranked the computation, writing and speaking skills of the University of Wisconsin System graduates they employ as excellent or good.

The survey completed for the UW Board of Regents in November of 1994 by the Grant Thornton management and consulting firm showed 45 percent ranked employees' skills excellent and another 48 percent rated the students as good. Another 6 percent ranked the grads fair and 1 per-

cent ranked them poor.

The telephone survey polled 631 top executives representing businesses of all sizes in a variety of industries.

The UW's excellent rating slipped slightly from 53 percent in 1991, the report noted.

"We'd like to move more of our students from a good rating to an excellent rating," UW System President Katharine Lyall said.

Glen Kiechaefer, a Grant Thornton spokesman, said at a Monday news conference that the firm looked at a wide range of issues relating to the UW's education role in relation to the private sector.

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Editorial Speak your mind

"A university should not try to suppress independent thought, especially when that thought is of its students."

tioned him and his beliefs.

But the concerns arose long before Kimbrell set foot on the UW-RF campus. For several weeks, phone lines in Student Activities were kept busy by callers concerned about Kimbrell's visit. These callers, most of whom were not brave enough to leave their names, criticized the University for allowing Kimbrell to speak here and said they thought it would be a disservice to let him speak.

Guess the callers wanted to put an end to the tradition of a university environment as being a forum for ideas and discussion.

So much for the freedom of speech.

Not since Jesse Jackson, Jr. spoke in the fall of 1992 and the homosexual couple spoke in the spring of 1993 has UW-RF witnessed such an stir. Agreeing or disagreeing with Kimbrell's views is not the point. What truly matters is that a university should foster and develop student ideas and provide them with an outlet to express them. A university should not try to suppress independent thought, especially when that thought is of its students.

Hats off to the Wyman Lecture Series and the University for not bowing to the wishes of the callers who didn't want Kimbrell here.

But most of all, bravo to the UW-RF students for letting their voices be heard. Students are entirely capable of developing intelligent thoughts and ideas. It is times for their voices to ring true.

Editorial

Lyall is a strong choice

"The president also has shown her interest in the other campuses in the system by leaving the hallowed halls of Madison..."

Lyall, of course, has served as president for several years and has demonstrated that an administrator can complete the goals they set their sights on.

The president also has shown her interest in the other campuses in the system by leaving the hallowed halls of Madison in order to speak at various functions ranging from Board of Regents announcements to Student Senate rallies.

She is a leader who actually stops and listens to what the students have to say, unlike many university officials. And even though, a particular student's suggestions may be completely preposterous, Lyall pays 100 percent attention to that suggestion.

The UW-River Falls Public Relations Committee asked Lyall to speak last spring, but she was unable due to prior commitments. Therefore, we had to roast in the sun like a turkey on Thanksgiving Day while Steil bored us to death.

However, the committee showed their gusto by staying with Lyall and getting the commitment to speak to our graduates this time round.

The outgoing students should learn a lot from Lyall's advice. She possesses the knowledge needed to kick us in the hind quarters, and can offer the lessons of her experiences striving to become a top player in the education game (Unfortunately, a difficult task for a woman.)

However, Katharine, one must remember to keep it within the American attention span.

Overall, we salute the committee's choice for the keynote speaker. Lyall's strong feelings toward education should be the cornerstone of her speech, and those feelings should close the final chapter in our books entitled: "College: The Adventures of Becoming an Adult."

The U.S. must unite to balance the budget

Robert Burke



"...I challenge you to think about who has benefited most by the spending programs of the last 40 years."

Five months ago the people of America went to the polls and elected a new Congress and Senate. The voters came forth and showed grand scale support for the people they felt could bring back from Washington D.C. the power they felt belonged to the states. The states themselves in many cases brought back power to the people by electing new Republican governors. It was by all accounts, a mandate for change.

On the campuses around the country there is a cry of foul going out to the students of this country that the conservatives want to yank away your right to free speech, or that the right wing "nuts" want to starve children and the elderly in order to give all that money back to the rich. This is all so preposterous that it almost sounds like something from the novel "1984." Well this didn't come from that Orwellian picture. All of these things are being screamed at the American people in a hope to frighten them from the revolution they started.

There is a huge problem on the campuses of America today that no one wants to touch, yet

needs to be addressed in a most serious way. It's the budgets and budgetary controls put forth by the Congress, and the state of Wisconsin. On the federal level there is the fight over a Balanced Budget Amendment. The radical idea that America needs to stop the deficit spending for a while and pay the bill. On the state level it is the ferocious screech by the teachers and teacher unions over the property tax cuts.

While everyone screams foul and floods the media market with pictures of pain and suffering, I challenge you to think about who has benefited most by the spending programs of the last 40 years. Then I challenge each of you to guess where these people will be when the deficit is so large it chews away at the American economy until unemployment in our boom era reaches 20 percent. It is your future that the Republican budget cuts are trying to save. They know that spending has to be stopped before it ruins America.

The deficit already forces each man, woman and child to live their life with a shared debt of \$20,000 dollars per person. The shock is that the federal FY 1996 budget projects that to grow by \$200 billion every year for the next five years. The federal government is spending \$50,000 dollars every second and the deficit will reach \$6 trillion in the year 2000. That is frightening.

On the state level Gov. Tommy Thompson has been working under a Balanced Budget Amendment for years. Of course Gov. Thompson had the Line Item Veto, a part of the Contract with America which is finally being passed in Washington.

Then there is the whole controversy in Wisconsin over the property tax cuts, the program that wants to change how we fund schools. It calls for \$1 billion dollars in property tax relief. There has been so much screaming foul going on I wonder if the

schools and teachers unions are instructing or playing basketball.

The fact of the matter here is that Wisconsin ranks in the top five states in terms of property taxes paid per acre. This state is heavily supported by agriculture and unless we want to see this industry crumble we have to make some changes. Gov. Thompson could have simply cut property taxes and raised other taxes, but he didn't. He cut the government bureaucracy in Wisconsin and is streamlining government just as he campaigned to do.

Today there is no such thing as a free lunch in America and so there will be a bill to pay. There is going to be a small increase in college tuition which will affect everyone. Remember, however, that we only pay 20 percent of our college tuition, and Wisconsin has one of the least expensive highly regarded education's in America.

But foremost, remember that high property taxes also discourages new businesses from investing in Wisconsin. That means job loss to this state. Those are the jobs that you could have had when you graduated but won't be there any more. Why? Because we didn't want another \$200 dollars added onto our tuition. I'll take the job myself.

Students need to band together and fight the deficit spending expansionist from ruining our country. Call your congressman and senator and tell them to start digging their heels in to balance the budget and cut entitlements which soak up two-thirds of the federal budget. Until we realize our ability as a voting block in America, we will be the ones who's future is in jeopardy. There are two clichés which come to mind. United we stand, divided we fall; and, the bigger they are the harder they fall. We will fall, very hard.

Until next time, God Bless.

Strike or not, the game of winning remains

Rich Peterson



"I would still remember watching that ball off the bat and knowing the whole time that it was headed right for the window."

Spring break is just a few weeks off now. I'm looking forward to the week away from school-work. I'm looking forward to sleeping past noon everyday; not just on Tuesdays and Thursdays. I'm looking forward to baseball.

I'm planning a road trip with three friends to Bonita Springs, Fla. We plan on making it to Fort Myers for the Twins' spring training game against the Cardinals. However, I'm faced with a dilemma: do I want the regular players to come

back, or do I want to see the replacements play their hearts out?

Kirby could be there.

Ozzie could be there (Ozzie Smith, the greatest shortstop to play the game).

I might even have a chance to get Jeff Reboulet's autograph.

Maybe I could meet Todd Zeile.

Or maybe I could see a bunch of old guys making a return to the "biggs" playing alongside a bunch of young guys making their only possible appearance in the biggs.

I'd rather watch the old guys.

Who cares if the level of talent isn't as high as the regular players? The level of arrogance won't be as high with them either.

Who cares if there aren't any superstars to see. At least there will be nine guys on the field who are there to play ball, and to play ball only.

Some of them will have to take time off of their real jobs to play. And they will play hard.

If the scabs play this summer, I'm going to a game every week. If the regular guys are playing, maybe I'll watch a few on television.

I love to watch guys like Kirby or Ozzie play, but

there are others in the majors I'd rather see selling me hamburgers, some of whom average \$8 million a year. The players seem to have forgotten what the game was like when they were playing in the backyard. My fondest memory is smashing a window with a baseball. I'd never hit a ball so clean before, or since.

I'd like to think that if I ever made the majors (it could happen), I would still remember watching that ball off the bat and knowing the whole time that it was headed right for the window. I would still remember the sound of the glass shattering. I would still remember the total silence on the field after it hit. I would forget my friends suddenly regaining their senses and running from the field, leaving me alone to deal with the occupants of the house. I got lucky, and they were on vacation in Puerto Rico, so I just left a note.

Baseball still has a chance to be baseball. Although I'd like to see the superstars in Fort Myers this spring, I'd much rather see the replacements play out the year. It could be the best thing to happen to baseball in a long time.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Students should get informed

More than 50 percent of the students on this campus receive some sort of financial aid, yet we had a meager turn-out for the financial aid rally on Feb. 22 at 1:00 p.m. Do you realize that by next fall you could be paying an additional \$300 for tuition? Did you also know that if you're receiving Federal Work Study, Perkins Loans, or the Federal Supplemental Education Opportunity Grant that you have a very good chance of not receiving anything next year? If you didn't know, you obviously didn't stop at the table in the Student Center on Feb. 20 and 21 or attend the rally on the 22.

Over 1,000 students are receiving Stafford loans free of interest until they get out of school, yet we did not see that kind of attendance at the rally or that many letters and postcards signed. This is not a time to be apathetic, it's a time for action! Those students may be paying the interest on their loans next year if something

isn't done. Sure, you may protest and complain when they take our aid away, but were you there to stop them? Don't give me the typical line, "I didn't know." We put up fliers, banners, and posters all over the campus. We put fliers in the residence hall mail boxes and had an announcement in the *Student Voice* and on WRFW. It's not a question of whether you saw or heard the message, it's a question of whether you listened or cared. Students, you can not expect a few students to take care of a gigantic problem by themselves. We need your support and unless you start to contribute to our efforts, many of us may not be here next year due to higher cost and less financial aid. GET INFORMED!!

Shawn Kelly
Kim Rathbun
Sara Timm
UW-RF students

Dean says students aren't apathetic

I write in response to the editorial titled "Apathetic U" in the Feb. 16, 1995, issue of the *Voice*. To me, it had a negative tone. My experience with UW-River Falls' students is that they are not apathetic.

In my dealings with them both in and out of the classroom, I find most to be academically motivated, hardworking, and future oriented. In addition, I feel most are enjoying their educational experience here and are willing to make contributions to the improvement of the University.

Reading "Apathetic U" provoked me to write to suggest that UW-RF is a rather healthy place which is well liked by its students. Data supports this. In our March 1993, administration of the College Student Experiences Questionnaire (CSEQ), 1,368 randomly selected students responded to the following question, "If you could start over again, would you go to the same college you are now attending?"

At UW-RF, 83 percent responded

"yes." This was higher than any of the four comparison groups. For the 46 comprehensive colleges and universities in the CSEQ norm group to which we compare ourselves, the mean was 75 percent. Other types were: doctoral universities 79 percent, selective liberal arts colleges 82 percent, and general liberal arts colleges 78 percent.

Set against the "Apathetic U" editorial, I feel this is good news. Certainly, UW-RF is not liked by all and apathy creeps over each of us from time to time. But data such as those found in the CSEQ speak to a rather healthy university environment where students are having an enjoyable time learning and recreating. Were this not the case, far fewer than 83 percent of our students would reply that they would attend this place if they had the choice to make again.

Roger A. Ballou
Dean of Students

Students say university, speakers are contradictory

The hypocrisy of the latest politically correct stunt was shown again in Pearl Hirshfield's art display.

Being an artist who comments on politics and society, it is definitely her right to use her expressions however she wants (although it was funded by taxpayers).

However, if she is going to make a point about free-speech and censorship, maybe "People for the American Way" should be consistent.

Claiming to be an advocate for free speech, Hirshfield's art, and Frank Wilkinson's interpretation, are in fact aversive to the ideals of free-speech, and furthermore foster an atmosphere of hate and misunderstanding.

"People for the American Way" tactics to attack the speech of those who disagree with them on ideological issues (i.e. Jesse Helms) is not in the nature in which the First Amendment was established.

It was not set up so that a renowned liberal organization could capitalize on it to make their ideas the only ones. By rejecting those whom they disagree with, and ridiculing their rights to speech, they have created a litmus test for what can and can't be expressed (political correctness).

That is hypocritical to what they stand for. Do not, "People for the American Way" wrap yourselves as the true believers in the First Amendment, when it is you who attempt to suppress and stifle other views.

Khiem Bui
UW-RF student

The university system has done it again. In their pursuit of expanding the scope of education, it has been in the history of universities to bring in speakers to enlighten students and community alike.

However, this university has consistently brought in speakers who definitely have a "chip on their shoulder." Whether it be Jesse Jackson Jr.'s thrashing of Republicans, a graduation speaker lambasting "idiots" on talk radio, a commencement speaker who resents conservatives, or Frank Wilkinson carrying on about the "evils" of the "other side," there has been a reoccurring theme to dispel viewpoints which are not politically correct or aligned with certain ideologies.

This disregard for opening up the campus to open dialogue and debate defeats the purpose of this university— "Where the free spirit prevails."

By consistently allowing these speakers to go unanswered within the University, it has projected an "ideal" train of thought.

Hopefully in the future, the University and faculty will realize the injustice they are doing to education by constantly forcing upon students a "one-way" train of thinking— that those who get in the way are morally reprehensible. Wilkinson's tirade on pro-life believers, the new Republican Congress and other "extremists" should not go unanswered. By creating intolerance to condemn it yourself is not in the best interests of "free speech."

Karen Whiteside
UW-RF student

Send in a letter to the editor today. Remember the limit is 400 words, and it must be typed and accompanied with a signature and a telephone number.

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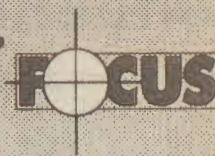
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The names of the River Falls' elite are etched in stone...



College names student center in honor of Hagestad; Brandy's lands in 1990

Herman T. "Bill" Hagestad was born in River Falls March 16, 1908, and attended the local grade school and high school. He spent 1926-29 at the River Falls State Teachers College and then enrolled in the College of Engineering at the University of Wisconsin in Madison where he received the B.S. degree in Civil Engineering in 1932. In both high school and the Teachers College he excelled in football and track and had a deep interest in music.

Immediately after receiving his bachelor's degree, Hagestad took a position with Starbuck Construction Company of Starbuck, Minn., where he remained for two years before returning to River Falls. He became an officer in the National Guard and, during World War II, served as a captain in the U.S. Army, most of the time as Medical Inspector at Ft. Benning, Ga.

After the war he returned to River Falls and resumed his practice. With a partner, he was responsible for the design of countless municipal buildings and projects, power developments and other engineering services throughout northwestern Wisconsin. He was city engineer in River Falls for many years and a consulting engineer for the cities of Amery, Hudson and Ellsworth. He served as mayor of River Falls from 1940-43 and from 1950-52.

In 1953 he was appointed to the Board of Regents by Gov. Walter Kohler and he enjoyed his many associations in that role and the opportunity to serve the State College System. It was while he was a regent that the Student Union was constructed and he used his engineering skills to suggest economies that made the funding for the building go considerably

further than was originally foreseen. He served on the Board's business committee and was active in the rapid building program of the State System.

He was a member of the River Falls Volunteer Fire Department, of the American Legion and of the 40 et 8. He also was active in professional societies and had served as president of the Northwest Chapter of the Society of Professional Engineers, as the Society's state legislative chairman and on its state board of directors.

He was still serving on the Board of Regents at the time of his death, Jan. 28, 1959. He died suddenly of a heart attack while talking with workmen at the new post office (now the city building) at Elm and Second streets.

At its Feb. 19, 1959, meeting, the Board of Regents passed the following resolution: Resolved, That whereas Herman T. Hagestad, who died on January 28, 1959, at River Falls, served as a member of the Board of Regents of State Colleges since 1953, during which time he was selected as chairman of the business committee, and

Whereas he was an alumnus of the

college at River Falls, later sending his children to the college, and

Whereas he had an avid interest in the improvement of the college in buildings, curricula, faculty and stu-

faculty and in the community in this expression of deep regret at the loss of Mr. Hagestad's services in higher education and to the city of River Falls. The Board further regrets the

loss of the wise counsel and good fellowship of this highly esteemed member and expresses its sincere sorrow and sympathy to Mrs. Hagestad and other members of the family.

Daniel C. Brandenstein Brandy's (1990)

As Chancellor Gary Thibodeau pre-



Brandy's

loss of the wise counsel and good fellowship of this highly esteemed member and expresses its sincere sorrow and sympathy to Mrs. Hagestad and other members of the family.

Therefore, Be It Resolved, That the Board and the Council of Presidents join his many friends on the college

house behind the Dairy Queen." Following graduation in 1965, "Brandy" enlisted in the Navy and between 1967 and 1970 flew 192 combat missions over Vietnam. When flying off an aircraft carrier in the Indian Ocean, his jet fighter crashed on take-off, but he lived for another day to serve as a Navy test pilot. He became an astronaut in 1978 and has logged 789 hours of space flight. On these missions he has taken with him university items such as Chuck Brictson's rendition of the university fight song on tape, the Chancellor's award medallion, the UW-RF alumni list and has worn a T-shirt with "Freddie Falcon" on it. He says that his favorite bird is "Freddie Falcon."

Captain Brandenstein returned to the campus after his space flights, gave lectures to the students and faculty, and told students that "one of the things you see from space is the fragile planet we live on... and that there is more desert on Earth than one would believe... Once we louse up the atmosphere, it's all over. We can't go down to the store and buy another."

"Brandy" may be remembered on campus as one who helped get the cannon that booms after each touchdown at football games as well as having been a good student active in campus activities, but he will also be remembered as the distinguished astronaut who was proud to wear a "Freddie Falcon" T-shirt around the world hundreds of times. After the football game on Ramer Field, Oct. 27, 1990, there was the release of hundreds of balloons, followed by a ceremony dedicating the new addition to the Hagestad Student Center that will always be known as plain "Brandy's."

Hunt Arena gives 'stirring' new home for Falcon sports

When Walter H. Hunt died in 1942, the River Falls Journal said of him that he "was known as a good citizen, a friendly and sociable neighbor, and perhaps was one of the most popular masters of ceremony at the annual Teachers College homecoming mass meetings each fall. Hundreds of boys and girls scattered all over the globe will be saddened to learn of Senator Hunt's death." He was especially

interested in athletics, baseball and football being his favorite sports, as he had at one time played a fair game on the diamond. A former student once said that "there wasn't a pep meeting without a stirring speech from Walter Hunt."

Walter H. Hunt was born in southern Wisconsin, held the Ph.M. from Valparaiso University in Indiana and served as county superintendent of education and inspector of schools in Wisconsin for many years. He joined the River Falls Normal faculty in 1916, teaching courses in education and agriculture. He also originated the advanced courses for high school principals.

Hunt was elected State Senator in 1924 and served until 1937. It was

said that he was a "wielder of mighty influence in state administration circles, and was a champion of farmers' rights..." and the needs of education.

The Hunt Multipurpose Arena, dedicated in 1973, was made possible by a gift of his son, William, President of the Board of Georgia-Pacific, by the University of Wisconsin-River Falls Foundation and by student fees. At the dedication, a former student told of the great contribution Walter Hunt had made to the college and to education in Wisconsin. The arena, he said, will enrich the geographic area served by Hunt as a state senator, as a teacher and as a school inspector in his life time.

Following the dedication ceremony, an exhibition of figure skating by an Olympics Gold Medal winner gave an insight as to ways the new arena would enhance campus life in the years ahead. Professor/Senator Hunt would be pleased to know that sports have a better home now than in the years when he made stirring speeches at the pep rallies or argued for more legislative support for the college at River Falls.



Hunt Arena

Opening of Hathorn symbolized day that 'hell' froze over

Irma Hathorn would never have said, "It'll be a cold day in hell," but the implication was clear when she said, "It'll be a cold day before this college gets a women's dormitory." It was! The cornerstone laying ceremony was in December 1950. It was snowing and both participants

and spectators were bundled in heavy coats. Present were Dean Hathorn, President E. H. Kleinpell, Regent Chalmer Davee and River Falls Mayor H. T. Hagestad. At the ceremony President Kleinpell said, "I know of no name that would be more fitting... Miss Hathorn has been untiring in her efforts to keeping the goal alive."

Miss Hathorn joined the faculty as Dean of Women in 1920 and retired in 1949. She was born in Jamestown, N.D., July 1, 1883, but attended high school in Minneapolis and Buffalo, N.Y. She had roots in Wisconsin, however, for when President Kleinpell asked for her approval of the name "Hathorn Hall" she wrote: "It makes me very happy to know that you plan to name the new dormitory for me. My father was from Wisconsin and his family lived in

the state for many years, so I am filled with pride that I am able to give some permanence to the name 'Hathorn' in this state." Her letter continues, "It is just thirty years this fall since I came to River Falls with the hope the girls would have a dormitory in a few years. I am sure that dormitory life will mean much more than the present student body realizes."

She attended the University of Washington in Seattle for a year and then transferred to the University of Minnesota where she received her B.A. degree in 1907. She taught high school in Canby, Minn., from 1907-10 and at West Central School of Agriculture in Morris, Minn., from 1910-20. In addition to her duties as Dean of Women at River Falls she taught courses in Latin and education. She received her M.A. degree from Teachers College, Columbia University, in 1925.

There was a precursor to Hathorn Hall. A house on Fourth Street that had been included in a land purchase was made into living quarters for a dozen or more women and named

"Hathorn Cottage." Marion Hawkins, of the English department, and her mother served as "house-mothers." The cottage is now used by the Continuing Education Extension offices.

When Dean Hathorn retired she said, "There have been many changes during the years I have been here. Some of the most interesting developments in which I have had a part were the beginning of a student activity fee, a student social committee, the Student Senate, the Honor Society, the student health service and Mother's Day (a day when mothers of students were invited to the campus)."

A 1939 graduate wrote, "My favorite NYA job was acting as student assistant to Miss Irma Hathorn... Her awareness of students' needs, her desire to see a dormitory established on this campus, her hobby of foreign travel, her wide reading—all im-

pressed me." A 1949 graduate who worked her way through college reported that Dean Hathorn always helped her to find jobs and wanted to be sure that they were satisfactory.

As was the case with many Deans of Women of that era, stories, probably apocryphal, circulated on campus about Dean Hathorn's instructions to women students. If they sat on men's laps, they were to place a newspaper under them. They were not to wear patent leather shoes (they acted as mirrors) to a dance. They were not to wear red, a color that aroused men.

After retiring, Dean Hathorn enjoyed her leisure time to travel. She died Sept. 22, 1959.

It is interesting that, at a time when sexual equality was not at the forefront of public attention, the first building on campus to bear the name of an individual was named for a woman.



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Mark Olson

Anxious times for Falcon hockey team



"Unfortunately, River Falls can do nothing about its own fate."

The next 72 hours will be a very difficult period of time for the the UW-River Falls Falcon hockey team. What happens between now and Sunday night will determine if the Falcons have an opportunity to defend their NCAA Division III national championship. Unfortunately, River Falls can do nothing about its own fate.

After losing a tough NCHA playoff series to Bemidji St. Feb. 24-25, a tournament selection committee now decides if the Falcon pucksters should be invited to the big dance. A call Sunday will notify River Falls whether it should make postseason or offseason plans.

No need the Falcons to trade in their hockey sticks for the golf clubs just yet, River Falls should receive good news Sunday. The fact that the Falcons are currently ranked fourth in the latest NCAA Division III West Region hockey poll with a 16-9-4 overall record makes it a virtual lock that the team will receive a bid to the tournament. The committee usually selects the top four teams from each region to participate in the eight team postseason event. A 3-0 series opening shutout of Bemidji Feb. 24, the No. 3 ranked team in NCAA Division II, should help seal the Falcons invitation.

Unfortunately, the MIAC finals Friday and Saturday may also play a role in determining whether River Falls receives a call Sunday. Hockey observers usually would not concern themselves with the outcome of a St. Mary's-St. Thomas playoff series. But because the snob league gets an automatic bid to the NCAA Division III tournament, the Falcons will have much interest in the two team's games. The Tommies (18-8-1) are currently ranked third in the latest poll, while the Cardinals (16-9-2) are fifth. A St. Thomas series win, and the Falcons are in the postseason. But a St. Mary's victory in the two-game set complicates the whole tournament picture and could leave River Falls on the outside looking in.

A Cardinals win would create a difficult situation for the selection committee, forcing them to choose between River Falls and St. Thomas for the final bid. A 3-2 Falcon overtime victory at St. Thomas earlier in the season should make the decision an easy one for the committee. Nonetheless, there will be quite a few Tommie fans around the UW-RF campus this weekend.

No matter how the pairings transpire Sunday, the future is definitely not now for the Falcons. Like the 1992-93 team that lost in the NCAA Division III national championship game, this year's squad has no seniors. The team showed it had plenty of leadership through following the first game of the NCHA quarterfinals against UW-Eau Claire two weeks ago. River Falls was shellacked 11-6 in that first contest, but they were not about to concede the series to the Blugolds. River Falls rebounded the next night with a pair of impressive wins to take the series.

Add another impressive recruiting class next year to go with this season's already young and talented team, and the Falcons should be challenging for yet another NCAA title in 1995-96. Head coach Dean Talafous has built a hockey program that no longer needs to rebuild, only reload.

Before talking about next year, the Falcons hopefully will have some business to take care of this season. Not much attention will be given to the Falcons if they receive an invitation to the 1995 tournament. No matter, River Falls seems to thrive on the absence of notoriety. Last year's NCAA championship team finished fourth in the NCHA and the 1992-93 runners up squad placed third in conference.

This year's Falcons finished fourth in NCHA play. But conference champions are soon forgotten, while national champions are always remembered. River Falls could really make a name for itself with a title repeat this season, but the feat can only happen if the Falcons receive only receive that well-deserved call Sunday.

Whitewater edges Falcons 72-71 in NCAA Tournament

Brett Longdin
News Editor

The Falcons faced-off against WWIAC-rival UW-Whitewater Wednesday night in the opening round of the Division III NCAA tournament and left the Williams Center on the short side of a 72-71 heartbreaker.

Knowingly needing a balanced offensive attack and to stop the WWIAC's second leading scorer, Jody Landish, River Falls jumped out to an early lead after a Dawn Loiija jumper and a Holly Spoo trey. But the Warhawks charged back to pull within one at 5-4, and took an 11-10 after two Jenelle Glasbrenner free throws.

"We knew it was going to be a close game," Falcon head coach Carol Thelen said. "We are two similar teams in similar situations, but the difference was that they had three seniors and a junior in the starting line-up. Our inexperience showed through tonight."

The two teams battled back-and-forth for the next five minutes until Whitewater scored six straight to take a 23-18 lead with 6:21 left in the half.

With Loiija in early foul trouble, Thelen inserted Anne Iten, who chipped in six first half points, including a buzzer-beater to give River Falls a 31-29 lead at intermission.

We knew going into the game that Holly and Rita (Hurtgen) were going to get their points," Thelen said. "But we felt that what other players did would be a factor."

The final 20 minutes featured hard-

nose, non-stop NCAA basketball. Landish got things going with a jumper to knot the game at 31, and Denece Prausa gave the Warhawks the lead with a turn-around jumper in the lane. But Spoo came right back with her third three-pointer of the game to regain the lead.

River Falls extended the lead to seven with 16:11 to go after Loiija drilled a jumper from eight feet. But the senior-dominated warhawks responded with a trey from Landish, who set Whitewater's career scoring mark just one week ago.

A surprise to many of the 400-plus basketball junkies at the Williams Center was the limited point production from the WWIAC's top two leading scorers.

Hurtgen, the conference's leading scorer, was the focus of double and triple teams all night. She was held to 16 points, nine below her season average. Landish on the other hand was being blanketed by a variety of Falcon defenders, but still managed to score a team-high 20 points.

"I thought we did a great job of defending her," Thelen said. "I was very surprised to see that she scored 20. It was a very quiet 20."

With 7:13 left, Loiija drained her second three-pointer of the game to put the Falcons up by nine. But Warhawk guard Aimee Tranel answered with a trey of her own, her first of several key baskets over the final six minutes.

Whitewater continued to close the

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Brett Longdin photo

Falcons Rita Hurtgen (44), Anne Iten (35) and Rose Delorme (32) join Holly Spoo (34) on the fastbreak Wednesday night against Whitewater in the opening round of the Division III NCAA Tournament.

Gymnasts place third at conference meet

Anna Boisjoli
Sports Correspondent

The UW-River Falls gymnastics team almost captured second place at the WWIAC conference meet at Whitewater Feb. 24-25, finishing behind UW-LaCrosse and UW-Oshkosh. Only four points separated the Falcons from the Titans.

"We had a good meet," said coach Jeanne DeLisle. "We were peaking at the right time."

Unfortunately the Titans also were peaking, and managed to stay ahead of the Falcons.

The Falcons did manage to send two competitors on to the NCGA national meet. Senior Merilee Healy, who won

all-around at the conference meet with a 35.03, will compete in the same event at nationals. She would have been joined by teammate Molly Foerster, who qualified to compete in the beam by one hundredth of a point. However Foerster will be unable to attend and declined the honor.

The NCGA Nationals are at Hamline University in St. Paul, March 9-11. Only the top seven all-arounders are taken, along with the next top individual performers in each event. For the first time in nine years the Falcons did not qualify as a team for the nationals meet.

"We had a good season," DeLisle said. "we had a fun season, but we've really had a tough season."

The team was plagued with injuries

for much of the year.

"Something's taped on nearly every one of the girls," DeLisle said.

Senior Jennifer Goetze, one of the Falcons top gymnast, ended her season early with a badly sprained ankle. Still, the team was able to perform well while at the conference final.

The Falcons drew the floor for their first event at the meet.

"A strong floor really put us on a roll and got us pumped up," DeLisle said.

"It's a chance for the gymnasts to show their personality," DeLisle added. "You can just kinda get lost out there. . . most gymnasts would agree it's the most fun to perform."

Other all-arounders included Tricia

Gymnastics • 7

Women's track and field team ready for WWIAC Meet

Mark Olson
Sports Editor

After winning its own six team invitational Feb. 24, the UW-River Falls women's track and field team heads into this weekend's WWIAC Meet with momentum.

"Its exciting going into the conference meet," head coach Kristi Kropp-Wagner said. "We're on a roll and the kids are excited."

The Falcons hope to improve on last season's fifth place conference finish at the meet, but Kropp-Wagner said the team is taking a laid back approach to its final indoor event of the year.

"We're out to have a good time," the first-year coach said. "There's no pressure on us. We're taking a have fun

and do the best we can type of attitude."

The feature of the UW-RF Invitational last week was the 14 personal records that various members of the Falcon team set.

Jen Pontius had one of the more impressive performances. The junior set a building and school indoor record in the 20 pound weight with a throw of 48-4 1/4.

Jenifer Freund also had a strong showing. The multi-talented junior set five personal bests, placing fourth in the high jump and 55 hurdles, fifth in the long jump and 600 meter run and seventh in the shot put.

"She had a career day," Kropp-Wagner said.

The Falcons outdistanced second-place Carleton by a score of 177-141.

Other first-place finishers who helped the Falcons in their victory were Theresa Barthel (800 meters), Missy Walz (400 meters), Jessica Ellinghuysen (200 meters) and Karianne Wold (High jump).

Although the Falcons have experienced much success this season, the team should be even more successful in the years to come.

"I expect brighter and brighter things in the future as we get more recruits," Kropp-Wagner said.

UW-RF top finishers
4x200 relay
1. UW-RF 1:52:74
800 meters
1. Theresa Barthel 2:26.14

Track • 7

Bowen characterizes men's hoops season as disappointing

Mark Olson
Sports Editor

The prognosticators in the preseason predicted a year similar to the one that the 1994-95 UW-River Falls Falcon men's basketball team just completed. But for Falcon head coach Rick Bowen, a 14-11 overall record and 7-9 WSUC mark was nowhere near the high prospects he had for the squad.

"This past season was a disappointment and was not what I expected or wanted," Bowen said. "I expected to be better. I thought we should have been better."

-Head coach Rick Bowen

Some of the ninth-year coach's ex-

pectations included an 18 win season and a trip to the NCAA tournament.

"You have to look at several things as to why it didn't happen," Bowen said. "We were too inconsistent and we made too many mistakes. We also never quite came together as a cohesive unit."

As a result, the Falcons finished tied for fifth with UW-Stevens Point in the WSUC.

While the team did not fare as well

as Bowen had hoped, the Falcons did have their sixth straight winning season, something that has not been accomplished at UW-RF since the 1930's

"I'm pleased that we have established some stability to the program," Bowen said. "When I came here, I wanted to establish some consistency of success. I did not want to ride a roller coaster. I wanted a bad season to be 14 or 15 wins."

The Falcons began the 1994-95 season looking like a team that would struggle just to win 10 games, limping to a 3-4 record through the first seven contests of the year.

Then winter break came, and the time may have saved UW-RF from having a disastrous season.

"We practiced two hours twice a day," Bowen said. "We got an attitude and tempo established then that we should have had the first day of practice in November."

The Falcons proceeded to win eight of their next 10 games.

"If I could have done something

Men's hoops • 7

Bemidji eliminates Falcons from NCHA playoffs
Selection committee to determine River Falls' NCAA tournament fate Sunday

Jamie Molitor photo

Falcon forward Scott Bachinski and Bemidji St.'s Omer Belisle face-off Feb. 24 at John Glas Fieldhouse. River Falls went on to shutout the Beavers 3-0. Bemidji St. came back Saturday to win the series.

Jamie Molitor
News Editor

The Falcons were on the road again last weekend against NCHA powerhouse Bemidji State. The Falcons saw a series that would be decided by a mini-game, but, unlike the Eau Claire series, River Falls was on the losing end.

"We played very well, Bemidji is arguable the best team in the west," head coach Dean Talafous said. "So to shut them out on Friday night was a huge accomplishment. On Saturday it was 3-2 with only four minutes left, so we played them very evenly. This was the best we've played Bemidji in five to six years."

River Falls won the Feb. 24 game 3-0 but lost Saturday 5-2 and then lost the mini-game 2-0. River Falls now awaits to see if it will receive a NCAA tournament bid, which will be decided after this weekend's championship games between Stevens Point and Bemidji and also the MIAC championship between St. Thomas and St. Mary's.

River Falls 3, Bemidji St. 0

River Falls started out its weekend series with a 3-0 win over the Beavers. The Falcons played their style hockey

to near perfection, and it seemed as though the Beavers were reduced to trying to get under the Falcons' skin. The Falcons' shutout was their fifth of the season and the second of the season for Jeff Heil.

River Falls was up 2-0 after the first thanks to goals by Ryan Alstead and Chris Coakley. Alstead was set up by Aaron Arf and Kelly Melton on a three on two breakaway that gave Alstead an opportunity at Robin Cook's five hole. Coakley was fed by the Mauer-Schauer connection that gave the Falcons a 2-0 lead.

The Falcons and the Beavers had a scoreless second period, but both teams had several opportunities to score. Strong goaltending kept the score unchanged. The Falcons added one more goal at 16:07 in the third when Mauer took the puck from the face-off and scored to wrap up the scoring.

Heil faced 34 shots and made 34 saves on the night, while BSU's Cook saw 24 shots and stopped 21. The Falcons went 0-3 on the power play, and the Beavers were 0-1. River Falls had three penalties for six minutes and the Beavers had seven penalties 30 minutes.

Hockey • 7

FALCON PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

MEN'S BASKETBALL: Christopher O'neal played his best game ever as a Falcon against Stout. The 6-foot-8 center dominated the Blue Devils for 29 points on 12-15 shooting and 17 rebounds. "We got the ball inside and did some nice things," Falcon head coach Rick Bowen said. "Christopher O'neal was outstanding."

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL: Rita Hurtgen led the Falcons in scoring in their loss to Stout Feb. 22. Last week's WWIAC player of the week scored 26 points on 8-11 shooting, including 10-12 from the line. Hurtgen also had 11 boards in 32 minutes of action.

HOCKEY: Mike Schauer had a goal and an assist on the weekend, which is impressive if you consider the fact that the freshman was sick with the flu for several days. "He had a courageous performance this weekend," head coach Dean Talafous said.

GYMNASTICS: Merilee Healy qualified for nationals as an individual in the all-around. Only the top seven in all-around compete at nationals. She also placed first in the all-around at the WWIAC meet last weekend with a 35.03.

WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD: Jennifer Pontius set a field house record in the 20 pound weight throw at the Knowles Building Saturday. She also set a school record with a toss of 48-4 1/4. She placed first. In the shot put Pontius finished sixth with a toss of 35-10 1/2. Jennifer Freund set five personal bests Saturday at the Knowles Building. She placed fourth in the high jump with a 4-8 3/4 effort, fourth in the 55 hurdles in 9.47, fifth in the long jump with a leap of 14-8 1/2, fifth in the 600 in 1:52.5 and seventh in the shot put with a toss of 35-8. "Jennifer had one of the best days I've seen for an individual," Falcons coach Kristi Kropp-Wagner said.

MEN'S TENNIS: Singles-Paul Peltier, the number one singles player for the Falcons, had one of the stronger matches against St. Cloud and won his match against Macalester. Peltier defeated his Macalester opponent, 6-3, 7-6 (7-5) and lost to his St. Cloud opponent, 6-1, 6-1. **Doubles-Joel Hickman and Mike Toland**, the number two doubles team had wins against Macalester and Bethel. Against the Royals, the pair took a 6-2, 6-2 win and against St. Cloud the two lost, 8-1.

Men's track team warms up at Bethel Invitational

Conference indoor final at UW-Oshkosh next on Falcons' agenda

Steve Peterson
Assistant Sports Editor

The UW-River Falls men's track team spent last Saturday warming up for their last WSUC indoor conference meet at the Bethel Invitational. "It was a pretty good meet," said assistant coach Gordy Lenneman. "We are running well at the right time."

The Falcons took on several MIAC schools, including Hamline, St. Johns, Carlton and Macalester. Even though the Falcons are young team they were able to compete against the MIAC's best. Junior Marshal Flom finished fifth in the 55 meter dash, and sixth in the 200. Both of his times would have qualified him for the MIAC conference final, but Flom will have to face speedsters from Wisconsin instead. Vince Reis won the 600 yard dash, a race that is not included in the WSUC conference. Ward Berndt finished close behind in second.

The 4x200 team cruised to a first place finish with a time of 94.11, three seconds ahead of the next team. Freshman Adam Grusynski vaulted himself to new heights, clearing a per-

sonal best 14 feet in the pole vault. Lenneman was optimistic about the Falcon's chances in the conference final, even though the Falcons lost two All-American from last years

squad and "potential All-American" distance runner John Krupa due to the decision to cut men's track. Lenneman and head coach Jim Benick are the only coaches for the men that are left from

a year ago. Former student and track competitor Scott Hanold has taken over coaching the jumpers, and former All-American Falcon Kevin Syverson is now the distance coach. Both new coaches also coach the women's team. "We had a good sophomore class

last year," Lenneman commented. "It really made a big impact (when several runners left)."

But even without the experienced runners, Lenneman said he has still enjoyed coaching this year. "Some of these guys can really run," he commented. "The guys that are out here still competing are great. It's rewarding to see their dedication to the sport."

Falcon Top Finishers
55 meter dash
5 Marshal Flom 6.81
200 meter dash
6 Marshal Flom 23.49
300 meter dash

6 Steve Peterson 38.67
400 meter dash
3 Dan Dale 51.80
600 yard dash
1 Vince Reis 1:17.46
800 meter run
7 Tim Nelson 2:06
1000 meter run
6 Peter Page 2:44
1500 meter run
7 Joe Speich 4:18
55 meter hurdles
2 Jason Weber 7.89
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1 UW-RF 94.11
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Handrick 5.775
High Jump
9 Jason Weber 5-8
Pole Vault
Adam Grusynski 14-0
Shot Put
5 John Pfänder 44-5
35# weight
2 Dave Huebner 49-1
5000 meter rin
2 Frank Arend

Men's tennis team still looking for first victory

Jamie Molitor
News Editor

The UW-River Falls Falcon men's tennis team dropped to 0-5 after home losses to Macalester College, Bethel College and Division II St. Cloud St. the past week.

The Falcons lost 5-4 to Macalester Feb. 22 at the Knowles Building. There were several close matches according to head coach Jan Tomlinson.

"We had three three-setters going," Tomlinson said. "We didn't pull any of them. We have to start pulling the three-setters. I didn't feel like we played well. We were down and that's one of the reasons for the loss to Macalester."

"It will be interesting to see what happens when we play them there this coming weekend."

The Falcons continued their homestand Feb. 25 against Bethel and St. Cloud, losing 4-3 to the Royals and 7-0 to the Huskies.

"We played better against Bethel and St. Cloud," Tomlinson said. "We didn't have any pivotal three-set matches against Bethel, and St. Cloud is tough. They're Division II and undefeated so far."

RESULTS

Macalester 5, River Falls 4
Singles

#1 Peltier, River Falls, def. Anauthon, Macalester, 6-3, 7-6 (7-5).

#2 Gutman, Macalester, def. Hickman, River Falls, 2-6, 7-5, 6-4.

#3 Martin, Macalester, def. Zwiars, River Falls, 6-2, 4-6, 7-5.

#4 Toland, River Falls, def. Crosby, Macalester, 5-7, 6-3, 7-5.

#5 Duliere, Macalester, def. King, River Falls, 6-4, 6-1.

#6 Rose, River Falls, def. Ziegenfuss, Macalester, 6-7 (4-7), 6-0, 6-0.

Doubles

#1 Anauthon/Gutman, Macalester, def. Peltier/Zweirs, River Falls, 6-3, 7-6 (7-5).

#2 Hickman/Toland, River Falls, def. Robertson/Ziegenfuss, Macalester, 6-2, 6-2.

#3 Rickers/Hong, Macalester, def. King/Smith, River Falls, 6-4, 4-6, 6-3.

Bethel 4, River Falls 3
Singles

#1 Trick, Bethel, def. Peltier, River Falls, 6-1, 6-1.

#2 Posey, Bethel, def. Hickman, River Falls, 2-6, 6-1, 6-4.

#3 Zwiars, River Falls, def. Schmidt, Bethel, 6-4, 6-4.

#4 Peterman, Bethel, def. Toland, River Falls, 6-4, 6-4.

#5 King, River Falls, def. Huber, Bethel, 6-4, 5-7, 6-2.

#6 Rose, River Falls, def. Wylie, Bethel, 7-6 (7-1), 6-1.

Doubles

#1 Trink/Posey, Bethel def. Peltier/Zweirs, River Falls, 8-5.

#2 Hickman/Toland, River Falls, def. Schmidt/Peterman, Bethel, 8-1.

#3 Gaston/Wylie, Bethel def. King/Smith, River Falls, 8-4.

Exhibition-Mugnason/Tarmon, Bethel, def. Braaten/Warner, River Falls, 8-2.

St. Cloud 7, River Falls 0
Singles

#1 Larson, St. Cloud, def. Peltier, River Falls, 6-2, 6-4.

#2 Lohr, St. Cloud, def. Hickman, River Falls, 6-4, 6-1.

#3 Tanerg, St. Cloud, def. Zweirs, River Falls, 6-1, 6-4.

#4 Feddema, St. Cloud, def. Toland, River Falls, 6-1, 6-4.

#5 Larson, St. Cloud, def. King, River Falls, 6-0, 6-3.

#6 Machl, St. Cloud, def. Rose, River Falls, 6-2, 6-1.

Doubles

#1 Larson/Feddema, St. Cloud, def. Peltier/Zweirs, River Falls, 8-0.

#2 Lohr/Machl, St. Cloud, def. Hickman/Toland, River Falls, 8-2.

#3 Tanerg/Flack, St. Cloud, def. King/Smith, River Falls, 8-4.

March Madness



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The UW-River Falls Falcon women's hockey team won their third consecutive conference championship this year and have qualified for their fifth straight state tournament appearance. The Falcons finished the regular season with a 20-0-0 conference record and a 22-2-0 overall mark. The state tournament takes place March 16-19 at the Bloomington, Minn. Ice Gardens.

Hockey / Beavers bounce back Saturday night to take series

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"This was our best performance of the year," Talafous said. "They have some of the top scorers in the league, so it took a real team effort on defense to stop Bemidji. This is the first time in a very long time that someone has shutout Bemidji on their own ice."

River Falls 2 0 1-3
Bemidji St. 0 0 0-0

Bemidji St. 5, River Falls 2
Bemidji St. 2, River Falls 0 (mini-game)

The Falcons looked to pick up one more win Saturday night to take the series from Bemidji and advance to the NCHA championship game, but the Beavers had other plans for the evening. Bemidji went back to their

style of physical hockey and snatched the series from River Falls.

The first period saw Bemidji get physical and take a 2-0 lead on an Aaron Gunn breakaway for the first BSU goal. Craig McKechney poked home a rebound shot for the Beavers for the second goal.

With a couple seconds left in the period, Jeff Hubbard wound up and fired a power play slapshot from the far blue line to make it a one goal game. BSU goalie Cook lost the puck on its way to the net.

After a scoreless second period, the Beavers added another goal early in the third when Eric Monsrud popped in a rebound shot.

Two minutes later the Schauer-Mauer connection teamed up along with Brian Savage to convert the sec-

ond River Falls power play. The score brought the Falcons within one goal. Schauer smashed home a shot on the stick side of Cook, making it 3-2.

The Beavers then picked up another goal at about the halfway mark of the third from Jim Logan. The Beavers then added an empty netter by Eric Fulton, despite Coakley's attempt to be the goaltender. Bemidji's win sent the series to a mini-game.

Bemidji jumped out to a 1-0 lead in the mini-game just four minutes into the period. They would then add an empty-net goal with under a minute left in the contest to take the 2-0 victory and an opportunity to face Stevens Point in the NCHA championship game.

Heil faced a total of 32 shots and made 27 stops. In the mini-game, he

faced seven shots and stopped six. Cook saw 25 shots and stopped 23. He saw only two shots in the mini-game and stopped both attempts. The Falcons where 2-5 on the power play, while Bemidji was 1-1. River Falls again had only three penalties for six minutes and Bemidji toned things down a bit with seven penalties for only 14 minutes on Saturday night.

"They (Bemidji) faced elimination and they responded," Talafous said. "We stayed with them, but it just wasn't meant to be."

River Falls 1 0 1-2
Bemidji 2 0 3-5

(mini-game)
River Falls 0-0
Bemidji 2-2

Women's basketball

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gap and eventually tied the game at 64 with 2:59 remaining after Landish connected from downtown.

Down the stretch, free throws would be key, as they were the entire contest. The Falcons entered the game seventh in the nation in Division III free throw percentage, but were uncharacteristically inconsistent Wednesday night, shooting a season-low 46 percent from the charity stripe.

However, River Falls clung to a three-point lead after senior Rose Delorme, playing in her final Falcon game, hit one of two free throws. Whitewater's Michelle Fischer answered with two clutch shots from the line to pull the Warhawks within one at 71-70 with 21 seconds left.

Loija missed the front end of a one-and-one which set-up for an exciting finish.

The entire Williams Center crowd knew that Landish would handle the ball during crunch time, and Thelen's thinking was no different.

Whitewater inbounded the ball to Landish who dribbled around the perimeter looking for the open shot, but instead she hit sophomore Laura Spielvogel down low with a pass just over the outstretched arm of Hurtgen to lay-in her only two points and the

game-winning basket with one-tenth of a second remaining.

"We thought they'd go to Landish and she made a great play," Thelen said. "It just wasn't meant to be. When you get to this point, you need a bit of luck on your side."

"I give a lot of credit to our four upperclassmen. We've achieved a lot and made a lot of believers this year. We snuck up on a lot of people this year and we represented our school and program with a lot of pride."

Spoop continued her hot hand against the Warhawks as she led the Falcons with a game-high 25 points, including 5-6 from behind the arc. Spoop averaged 21.3 points in three games against the Warhawks this season.

The Falcons will lose only one player, Delorme, heading into next season—a season that Thelen has high expectations for.

"A loss like this is really tough, but it gives us the confidence that we know we can win the conference," Thelen added. "If we don't win it next year, I think we'll feel like we didn't accomplish our goals."

"And with Rita being a senior and Dawn and Holly having a year of experience, there is no question we can win the national championship next year."

Men's hoops / Program faces the challenge of rebuilding

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over again, I would have been a hell of a lot tougher a hell of a lot earlier," Bowen said.

The extra work paid huge dividends for players like Christopher O'neal, who especially performed strong down the stretch. The 6-foot-8 senior center led the team in scoring with a 13.8 average. His 7.7 rebounds also were tops on the team. O'neal will certainly receive consideration for first-team all-WSUC.

Marcus Knox led the team in assists with 4.4 per game and finished second in scoring with a 12.3 average. Luke Madsen looked like a shooting star in the first half of the season, but he faded in the end and finished with an 11.8 average.

Howard Crutcher and Kevin Cummings provided their normally good defensive effort, while Nick Kuehl and Diangelo Tyler were key role players for the Falcons throughout the season. Rodger Freeman, Chad Meschke and Chris Ward all came off the bench to make valuable contributions.

Unfortunately, this collection of Falcons just did not seem to jell.

"This particular group never completely came together," Bowen said. "If we were to play five or six or 10 more games, I'm not sure it was going to happen."



Rick Bowen

With Crutcher, Knox, Kuehl, O'neal and Tyler all graduating, a big chunk of the Falcons will have to be rebuilt for next year. The whole situation presents a major challenge for Bowen.

"Traditionally, we have always struggled to get the best Wisconsin high school players away from Eau Claire, Stevens Point, Oshkosh and Platteville," Bowen said. "Whether that is because of our lack of tradition or amenities, I don't know. That's one of the reasons why I have gone with so many transfer players."

Bowen has had much success with transfers. Players like O'neal and Knox are testaments to the fact. He will continue to accept transfers from

Gymnastics

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Kylander, who placed seventh. "We took apart her beam and worked a lot," DeLisle said.

This was the first year Kylander and Kris Koch, who finished ninth, competed in the all-around.

Most of the girls are fired up and ready to delve into spring training, but only after their well deserved four week break. After the break, spring training will include aerobic training, weight-lifting, swimming, and basic gym workouts.

"It will be more laid back," DeLisle said.

The team will then train until the

end of the school year.

River Falls scores from WWIAC

Vault - Merilee Healy, 8.4, Kris Koch, 7.85, Mandy Fuller 7.7, Debbie Rea, 7.6, Tricia Kylander, 7.3, Melissa Schaub, 7.1 Bars - Merilee Healy, 8.65, Tricia Kylander, 7.53, Amy Nelson, 7.45, Melissa Schaub, 7.3, Kris Koch, 7.15, Mandy Fuller 7.1.

Floor exercise - Merilee Healy, 9.28, Molly Foerster, 9.03, Tricia Kylander, 8.85, Amy Nelson, 8.35, Kris Koch, 8.25, Mandy Fuller, 8.2.

Beam - Merilee Healy, 8.7, Tricia Kylander, 8.65, Kris Koch, 8.6, Molly Foerster, 8.55, Mandy Fuller 7.25, Debbie Rae, 6.0.

Track

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4x400 relay
1. UW-RF 4:15.01
1,000
3. Laurie Sina 3:17.55
3,000
4. Carolyn Obermeyer 11:23.5
400
1. Missy Walz 1:03.47
600
2. Laura Albright 1:43.45
200
1. Jessica Ellinghuysen
55
4. Stef Haase 7.91
55 hurdles
4. Jennifer Freund 9.47
Long jump
1. Missy Walz 16-8 1/4
20 pound weight
1. Jen Pontius 48-4 1/4
Shot put
3. Kris Katzmark 37-4
High jump
1. Karianne Wold 4-10 3/4

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Attorney and environmental activist speaks about BGH

Controversial issue raises concerns on campus prior to, during discussion

Genne McAndrew
Staff Writer

Attorney and environmental activist Andrew Kimbrell spoke on campus this week on the bovine growth hormone, BGH. But before Kimbrell arrived on campus, some in and around the campus community were speaking out about him.

"The phone has been ringing fairly steady from people who want more information about Mr. Kimbrell and where he stands on the issue of BGH," said Kaye Schendel, director of student activities. She said that callers were concerned with Kimbrell's anti-BGH stance.

"This issue is very controversial," she said. "It would be comparable to if we were presenting a speaker on abortion."

Although the issue is controversial, Schendel felt that it would be a good topic, considering that the University has a strong agricultural program.

Schendel said most of the phone calls she received were mainly from people wanting to get more information on Kimbrell.

"All of the complaints have appeared to not have come from students or faculty, but they are from off-campus people."

Most of the callers would not leave their names, she said.

One corporation that works with the development of BGH did call the student activities office and request a forum change.

"They wanted the opportunity to present their side of the story," Schendel said. "They thought a debate-type format would better serve the audience."

The Wyman Lecture Series, who sponsored the event, had already entered into a contract with Kimbrell and a change in format was not possible.

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-Chris Laib,
UW-RF student

UW-RF student Chris Laib serves on the Wyman Lecture Series and was instrumental in getting Kimbrell to speak.

"I'm glad that this is stirring some controversy," Laib said. "We recognize that people have some pretty strong feelings about this topic and we have taken some precautionary measures."

The precautionary measures included designing the speech to allow both sides of the issue to emerge.

Campus Security was also notified about the controversial nature of the event.

Schendel said she thought the format was appropriate and that even if people are for or against BGH, the speech gave them more information to make a sound decision.

Laib stressed that even though the Wyman Series committee had booked an environmental lawyer, the committee has not expressed one opinion or the other. "We're simply providing an opportunity for discussion on a controversial topic," he said.

Kimbrell, a graduate of the New York University Law School, has devoted much of the last four years to litigation and legislation on the regulation of emerging technologies.

He is currently the Policy Director of the Washington based Foundation on Economic Trends, where he works with the foundation's president, Jeremy Rifkin, who is a well-known environmental activist.

In the past year, Kimbrell has been involved in education and litigation on the Greenhouse effect and serves as Counsel for the Greenhouse Crisis Foundation.

He has also been featured on radio and television programs including the "MacNeil-Lehrer News Hour" and the "CBS Morning Show."

He has testified before numerous congressional and regulatory hearings and has been a featured speaker at biotechnology conferences. He is also a contributor to the *Utne Reader*.

Steve Peterson, Assistant Sports Editor
Adam Knutson, Staff Writer

The controversy surrounding the use of bovine growth hormone (BGH) came to the forefront at UW-River Falls Feb. 28 when the views of environmental lawyer Andrew Kimbrell and students collided.

"I question the Wyman Series for paying someone to come here whose facts are wrong," said UW-RF student William Eberle. "The American people have already made up their mind—there has been no decrease in milk consumption." Over 200 UW-RF students, faculty and community members listened to Kimbrell's explanations on the dangers of BGH and other technologies.

"Technology is never neutral," Kimbrell said. "Every technology represents power. The question is, is that power appropriate?"

Kimbrell called BGH "the flagship product of agricultural biotechnology." He is currently involved in litigation pending against Monsanto, the only company that has a BGH product approved by the Food and Drug Administration. An estimated 5,000 to 10,000 farmers use Posilac, the product containing BGH, also known as synthetic bovine somatotropin.

Kimbrell added that he had three main concerns about the product, including economic impact, animal health and anti-biotic residue.

"The danger to the consumer is increased antibiotics in milk," Kimbrell

explained. "It is a legitimate concern. My opinion is that it is unsafe for cows and should not have been approved."

Veterinarian Skip Olson, who works for Monsanto as a technical advisor said he feels Monsanto's product is safe.

"I had to make a decision on this product (before he went to work for

facts for over an hour. All of the question and answer period was spent commenting on the BGH controversy.

Kimbrell also faced criticism for his membership in the "Beyond Beef" campaign. He responded by saying he called for a 50 percent reduction in beef consumption, not a 100 percent reduction.

"I think everyone could afford to eat less red meat," he said.

Kimbrell also criticized several other new experiments taking place including several instances of scientist inserting human genes into animals. He said 24 human genes are now being placed in animal's permanent genetic code.

"How many human genes are okay?" Kimbrell asked.

Once such incident was "Pig 6707," an experiment in which human growth genes were inserted into a pig. He said the experiment "went awry," creating a pig that was "bowlegged, arthritic, and had trouble standing up." Kimbrell said the scientist who was in charge of the experiment justified the experiment by saying, "there will be some crash-and-burn for a while."

Kimbrell said he was pleased with the audience's participation.

"It was great," he said. I do a lot of public speaking and this was one of the most involved, interested groups I've ever talked to.

"There were some sharp questions," Kimbrell said. "I think that shows the passion of the issues by the audience and their concern for the family dairy farmer."

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-Andrew Kimbrell,
environmental lawyer

Monsanto," Olson said. "Is it safe for humans? I made that decision very early. Is it safe for cattle? My decision was very well researched, and it is unequivocally safe in my opinion."

"It's whose material you believe," said student John Pfinder. "Both his (Kimbrell's) comments and the audience's comments were good."

Matt Buescher said the problem is with education. "The general public doesn't know enough about BGH," he said.

After the 90 minute presentation the audience questioned Kimbrell and his

College students with learning disabilities gain assistance to make the grade

Sunni DeNicola
College Press Service

He was taunted in school for being "stupid" until he won respect on the football field. He served in Vietnam. He met the President. Now his life is being told in a movie.

Forrest Gump? No. Chuck Roseberry is a 46-year-old grandfather, college sophomore and football player, who only recently learned he has dyslexia, the learning disability that affects reading.

Early on, Roseberry decided he had been "born stupid."

"I hated school," he says. "I couldn't figure out why everybody else could do this (school work), and I couldn't. I had to get my affirmation on the football field."

His dream was to play college football. But, while confident of his athletic ability, he believed he was not smart enough for college, so he did not go.

More than 25 years later, as Roseberry was heading to the Gulf War, he and a buddy talked about dreams. "We were having one of those 'woulda, shoulda, coulda' conversations," says Roseberry. After hearing Roseberry's story, his buddy commented, "Chuck, you're not stupid: it sounds like you're dyslexic." Roseberry had never heard of dyslexia.

When he came home, Roseberry enrolled at Kutztown University in Pennsylvania. He purchased duplicate course books, giving one set to his fiancée, Abbie, who read the text onto tapes, which he later played as he followed along in his own copy. It was a struggle, but he and Abbie persisted. He also was tested for learning disabilities. His friend was right. He was diagnosed with dyslexia and "the remnants" of attention deficit hyperactive disorder (ADHD).

Once his diagnosis was official, he was able to receive assistance from Kutztown in the form of taped books, extended time for testing, tutors and permission to record lectures.

Many people associate learning disabilities (LDs) with young children, but more than 10 percent of the population have LDs, including college students. LDs "garble data" at some point during information processing, according to Norma Jo Eittington, director of learning services at Georgetown University in Washington. This can affect concentration, perception, visual and auditory sequencing, skills linking perception to movement, orientation in time and space, short- or long-term memory, language skills and abstract reasoning.

"There is a perception that all learning disabled individuals are dyslexic and 'switch letters' when reading or writing so that WAS is processed as SAW, or DOG as GOD," said

Eittington. "The reality is that no two college students are exactly alike in how their particular disabilities manifest in their daily lives. Dyslexia is only one of the complex diagnoses that may be applied to LD individuals."

For example, ADHD (also called ADD) affects 3 to 5 percent of the



population, mostly males. In about half the cases, it continues past childhood. It is a broad term that describes a set of behaviors, primarily short attention span, hyperactivity and impulsiveness.

But having an LD does not mean a person cannot learn. As more is being

discovered about LDs, methods are being developed that allow for alternative forms of learning. With some accommodations, many people with LDs can successfully complete college.

"In most cases accommodations can be made that are not lowering the standard of the institution in any way, but merely

nied access to programs receiving federal funds because of his or her handicapping conditions. "This includes students with learning disabilities. In 1993, several colleges were cited by the Office for Civil Rights for refusing to make academic adjustment, such as allowing extended time for tests or providing taped textbooks for students with LDs.

But unlike the equal access laws that apply to public elementary and high schools, this law does not mandate specific services. That is why it is critical for college students to make their disability known and identify assistance they need.

For students whose impairment is largely auditory, Eittington said listening to a lecture and processing information rapidly enough to take clear notes are insurmountable tasks. These students might use note taking services or be allowed to tape lectures. Similarly, for those who have difficulty processing print, taped texts are available through Recording for the Blind.

Eittington says a student might request a slight change in the way he or she is tested, for example, by being given more time to complete an exam or being given an oral, instead of written, exam. For a person whose eye-hand coordination makes handwriting difficult, a word processor might be used. If a person has ADHD, he or she might be allowed to take the test in a private room with no distractions.

tions.

A college may also allow a student more time to complete the degree without changing any of the course requirements. College students with LDs usually have to work much harder than other students, re-reading assignments, making a dozen drafts of papers or preparing daily outlines for each class. This often means the student may not be able to carry a full course load.

However, all this assumes students are aware that they have a disability. While many of us may assume disabilities are discovered in childhood, these "hidden handicaps" often go undiagnosed.

Eittington says most of the LD students she sees were not diagnosed until college. "These students are very bright and can mask it until confronted with the faster pace and higher level of college."

Many students with LDs have above average IQs and automatically developed some compensatory skills to get them through high school. They may also be exceptionally good in one area, but weak in others. For example, they may be very articulate in class discussions but unable to complete a written test. It may not be until facing the rigorous demands of college that they come to realize they have a problem. If the LD is diagnosed, it can keep the student from being overwhelmed and dropping out.

U.S., Canadian farmers agree to cooperate on ethanol development as its popularity rises

Courtesy of the Associated Press

An American company is reportedly promising to work with Canadian farmers to develop ethanol, the gasoline additive made from corn.

Canadian press reports that Norm Jones has told Ontario corn producers' association that he thinks ethanol is winning consumers over.

Jones, who heads Growmark Incorporated of Bloomington, Ill., thinks that means opportunity for

farmers on both sides of the border. Jones' farm supply and grain marketing firm is a part owner of UCO Petroleum, which markets ethanol in Ontario.

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USDA scientists believe they may have a new way to eradicate fruit flies.

The researchers have been studying a combination of commercial dyes for use as an insecticide.

The red and yellow dyes they're looking at are already commercially marketed in cosmetics and medicines.

But the ag researchers have found that if mixed with a little light, the dye kills both Mexican and Mediterranean fruit flies.

If it works out, the mixture could become an alternative to malathion, currently the main insecticide used to control fruit flies.

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There's growing grassroots support for continuing the Conservation Reserve Program, which is up for renewal this year.

Nebraska Gov. Ben Nelson said more than 70 groups have signed a statement endorsing an extension. Those groups run the gamut from farm to sporting to environment organizations.

The CRP is designed to take environmentally sensitive cropland out of production so it can be restored by planting grass or trees.

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Melanie Waldoch

Columnist talks of Guatemalan experience



"I will never be able to communicate the emotional experience connected with visiting a third world country. It is something that must be seen firsthand."

There's another world out there. A world where a man lies dead in a city street. Where children shine shoes in town square for pocket change and women walk the country roads carrying water jugs home on their heads. There are hot dusty days filled with struggle that soon turn into night skies more perfect than a planetarium. I am just returning from this world which was once unknown to me, but that shall never be left out of my thoughts again...Guatemala.

As many might know from area news broadcasts at the top of the new year, the U.S. military is taking on a much needed mission. The mission, entitled Joint Task Force Timberwolf, began right away in January and will continue in full force through July. This mission is being accomplished with help from all branches of the U.S. military, and soldiers of the reserves, guards and active duty stations. It is a humanitarian mission to help the country of Guatemala in Central America.

Why Guatemala? Maybe it's because much of the countries focus is still in war, not in peace. Maybe to bring the Guatemala army a good role model to follow - to show them a military that accepts only men and women, not children, and places in their hands a meal and water, instead of a loaded weapon. Or maybe the U.S. is in Guatemala to bring money back into their country through new schools, clinics, bridges, wells, and the soldiers pocket books on their day off in the markets.

Frankly I can't explain the political ramifications in the humanitarian mission. After seeing the children's thankful smiles in return for a wink, and the parents sigh of relief after receiving much needed medical care for their family, I didn't really care about ramifications.

I will never be able to communicate the emotional experience connected with visiting a third world country. It is something that must be seen firsthand. I am just thankful I had the courage to join the military three years ago, and the courage to accept a mission in Guatemala.

My advice - take chances, you never know what rewards it may bring you.

UW-RF student named pageant 'Miss Congeniality'

Emily Rollings
Staff Writer

Knowing a few good jokes might come in handy someday, according to a pageant contestant who credits her humor with winning her the "Miss Congeniality" award.

Micheal Udovich, a 22-year-old UW-River Falls student from St. Croix Falls, was crowned "Miss Congeniality" in Wisconsin's "Fairness of the Fair" competition in January.

"I got up there, and I was the last one," Udovich said. "I was totally just a nervous wreck ... and I forgot everything. All I remembered was my name and my major. And then I forgot where I lived and everything like that. It was like 'Oh crap.' So then I just ... made a joke before I went up there, you know, like 'save the best for last,' and everyone was laughing."

Udovich said she was then asked to answer an impromptu question.

"My impromptu question was something about an ability that I wished I had," she said. "So I came back with a quick answer about being able to speak in front of people and everyone was laughing. I think it made a positive note instead because judges don't remember me forgetting, they just kind of remember me making fun of myself."

Udovich said she was nervous about being in front of 500 people and having to answer questions she couldn't prepare for.

"I was terrified," she said. "Just staring out at everyone was like 'Oh my God' because we didn't practice anything like that."

In the next part of the competition, everyone had to give a commercial speech, Udovich said.

"I got up and I had to sing mine," she

said. "So I sang a little song for a commercial and I was really nervous. I sang it to the tune of 'This Land is Your Land' because that was the theme of the night."

Udovich said she forgot some of the words and had to make them up as she went along.

She said she thinks she may have been voted "Miss Congeniality" by the 25 other contestants because her humor helped ease tensions during the competition.

"One day, right before the finals, we were all waiting up by the stage after lunch ... and everyone was so nervous," she said. "I went up on stage and grabbed the microphone and was telling jokes and everything and everyone was laughing. That's kind of what I did the whole time. I just made a lot of jokes and relaxed everybody, so maybe that's why (they voted for me)."

Udovich said her family and friends tease her about the award, so she doesn't tell many people.

"Dad always said he goes to the feed mill and they yell, 'Is that your daughter' ... or he'll go out and they're like, 'Oh, you're the queen's father,'" she said. "My dad kind of gets a kick out of it and I just get embarrassed."

Udovich said her first thought after being crowned was that it wasn't real. She said she was in shock.

She said she really didn't want to enter the competition, but a neighbor who is involved in the state competition convinced her to give it a try.

"He called me up (and said), 'Oh just enter, it'd just be for fun.' So I did it just to do it," she said.

Udovich said she is the county queen from June to June and "Miss Congeniality" from January to January.

Her duties include riding in parades, going around to the county fairs and representing the state.

Udovich said she probably wouldn't enter another competition like this one because of the stress.

"It probably would've been a lot of fun to just be down there and enjoy everything but the judges were always watching you," she said. "(They were) going through the halls walking. We had to eat with them. They wanted to be sure you took the right napkin and place it and everything. So I was nervous the whole time."

She said the judges were looking for someone who was outgoing and who worked well with people.

Udovich works at the Campus Security Office on campus and is majoring in agricultural economics and minoring in engineering.

BRIEFS

Art Exhibit. The Installation Works of Pearl Hirschfield will be shown in Gallery 101 Feb. 16-March 10. Hirschfield's works deal with contemporary political subjects and will be a stimulant for discussion about these issues and the role of art. The exhibit is being sponsored by the Wyman Series.

Foreign Film-Guelwaar. The film by Ousmane Sembene, one of Africa's most acclaimed directors, Guelwaar is a trenchant comic portrait of contemporary Africa. The story revolves around the mysterious death, and even more mysterious disappearance after death, of one Pierre Henri Thioune (called Guelwaar, the Noble One), a political activist, philandering patriarch and pillar of the local Christian community. To the horror of his fellow Christians, it is discovered that Guelwaar's errant corpse was misidentified and mistakenly buried in a Muslim Cemetery. It is a color film with English subtitles. The film's presentation is being sponsored by the University Film Society. Guelwaar is being shown March 3 at 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. in Abbott Concert Hall. The cost is \$3 for students and Seniors and \$4 for non-students.

Dance Theatre. The UW-RF Dance Theatre will be presenting its 1995 concert in Blanche Davis Theatre March 1-4 at 8 p.m. Admission is \$2.50 for students and children and \$4 for Adults. Call (715) 425-3114 or 425-3131 for more information.

Recitals. The SCVMTA Honors Recitals will be held in Abbott Concert Hall March 5 at 1:30, 3:30 and 5:30. Concert. The UW-RF Jazz Ensemble/Jazz Improv Class Concert, under the direction of James Romain will perform March 9 at 8 p.m. in Abbott Concert Hall.

Recital. Joe Hagedorn will perform a Guitar Recital March 23 at 8 p.m. in Abbott Concert Hall.

Judy Gorman Recital. As part of the Wyman Concert & Lecture Series, Gorman will perform Monday March 27 at 7 p.m. in Abbott Concert Hall. Gorman's roots are in folk and blues, and are responsible for the distinctive flavors and textures that spice her pop sound. Gorman is one of the few musicians who makes her entire living from touring solo acoustic. Her music celebrates the role of women in music and spans the spectrum of musical genre. The concert is free to UW-RF students and the cost is \$5 for non-students.

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March 2, 1995

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr 19)

Once you figure out what the problem is, decide how you're going to fix it. Watch what you say. Dropping hints helps you get what you want. Make the needed time for yourself. This weekend: Quiet evenings at home with a loved one.

TAURUS (Apr 20 - May 20)

Others have been drawn to you and you are feeling good about it. You have the power to make or break someone. Be gentle when giving a co-worker bad news. This weekend: Let your guard down and have fun.

GEMINI (May 21 - Jun 21)

Others need to know that you will always be there for them. Your presence can mean more than anything you could say. Your popularity continues for a fourth week as people recognize you. This weekend: Will be full of surprises.

CANCER (Jun 22 - Jul 22)

Don't let others hang by a thread. Set the record straight and make your feelings known. Get all of the facts before you make accusations. This weekend: You may have to baby-sit a loved one who has too much to drink.

LEO (Jul 23 - Aug 22)

Your spying on people will get you

into trouble if you're not careful.

Buying drinks for others to get them to talk isn't very nice. Don't let your homework take control of your social life. This weekend: Don't work any harder than you have too.

VIRGO (Aug 23 - Sep 22)

Don't kick back with a beer in front of the tube until you've got all of your homework done. Enjoy the light load around the work place for the next few weeks. This weekend: Meet the old gang down town.

LIBRA (Sep 23 - Oct 23)

Others come to you for help. Be willing to do as much as you can. Doing things twice will make others extremely happy. A roommate problem works itself out. This weekend: Others throw themselves at your feet.

SCORPIO (Oct 24 - Nov 21)

Be careful of what you are taking for granted because some day it may be gone. If you put yourself into your work things will start turning around. Others appreciate your honesty. This weekend: You may have problems remembering it.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov 22 - Dec 21)

A friend may need some advice but

you're not sure of what they are asking. Don't use work as an excuse for not partying with friends. Try massaging your head to help your hair grow. This weekend: Cuddle with a loved one.

CAPRICORN (Dec 22 - Jan 19)

Be open and honest with the people around you. Don't shut others out if they come to you for advice. Your homework is starting to slip so buckle down now. This weekend: It's another wild one with your partner.

AQUARIUS (Jan 20 - Feb 18)

If you feel like you're standing in quicksand, you probably are. Find a way to solve your problems before they get too far out of hand. Turn to your friends for help and put members of the opposite sex on hold. This weekend: All plans go as expected.

PISCES (Feb 19 - Mar 20)

All aspects of your life are in line and will stay that way for awhile. You and your mate are growing closer. Plan a dinner party for a few close friends. Get caught up on your reading. This weekend: You'll feel like all eyes are on you.

Keep your eyes on the music sheets...



Marek Kucharski photo

Justin Slingsby, Allison Jakubek and John Hamilton master their string instruments during the UW-RF Community Orchestra and Symphonic Wind Ensemble Concert Feb. 27 in Abbott Concert Hall. The next appearance by the Wind Ensemble is April 7 in Abbott Concert Hall beginning at 8 p.m.

Bennett, Crow bring home the gold at 37th Annual Grammys

Courtesy of the Associated Press

Tony Bennett said winning the Grammy for album of the year is the "greatest moment" in his musical career and his life. Bennett's "MTV Unplugged" beat "The 3 Tenors In Concert 1994," Eric Clapton's "From The Cradle," Bonnie Raitt's "Longing In Their Hearts," and Seal's "Seal."

Bennett said it was a "victorious feeling to sing good American music and have this happen."

Sheryl Crow's "All I Wanna Do" won the Grammy for record of the year. The frothy song beat Boyz II Men's "I'll Make Love To You," Mary Chapin Carpenter's "He Thinks He'll Keep Her," Raitt's "Love Sneakin' Up On You," and Bruce Springsteen's "Streets of Philadelphia."

Crow also won the Grammy for best new artist, besting Ace of Base, Green Day, Crash Test Dummies and Counting Crows.

When Garth Brooks said "No Fences," he may be referring to limits on his popularity.

The Recording Industry Association of America said his "No Fences" album jumped last month to 13 million copies sold, setting an all-time high for sales of a country album.

Brooks' most recent release, is also doing pretty well—"The Hits" topped the five million copy sales mark in February. That makes it the best selling greatest hits album of the decade.

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Student volunteers use spring vacation to break away, help those less fortunate

Marco Buscaglia
College Press Service

The biggest challenge many students face during spring break is finding a way to get themselves out of bed and to the beach.

But for a growing number of students, the week off from classes is more than a chance to work on their tans. Students volunteering for alternative spring breaks say they're looking for an opportunity to do something different—and maybe make a difference at the same time.

"You always read about the kids going to Florida and South Padre, but you wouldn't hear anything about the students who went home to work at the local shelter for the week," says Michael Magevney, codirector of Break Away, a national organizer of alternative spring break programs for more than 350 schools across the country.

"But when the word starting getting out, more people wanted to get involved. Now it's becoming a legitimate option for a lot of students."

This year alone, students will be building houses, tutoring children, digging irrigation ditches, reuniting

families, repairing indoor plumbing and working on a wide variety of other projects.

Kim Kortokrax, a senior majoring in business at Indiana University, is headed to Atlanta this spring break to work at a daycare center for homeless children.

"I've already done the Florida thing during spring break, and I just feel like I'm at a point in my life where everything isn't about partying," said Kortokrax. "I would rather do something for someone else than spend money that I don't have on me."

Kortokrax will travel with several other members of IU's Business Students Involved in Community Service, an organization that organizes volunteering opportunities for students throughout the year.

"You don't really know who you're traveling with at first because there are so many of us in the major. By the end of the trip, though, you feel like you've made some friends for life," Kortokrax said. "You end up working on something that's really important with these people, and you can tell that means a lot in terms of your relationship."

Students pay less than \$100 for the

week, so lodging is usually pretty basic. "We sleep on gym floors or in church basements," she said. "We know before we leave that we won't exactly be in the lap of luxury."

Barbara Holcomb has been organizing alternative spring breaks for students through the Virginia Tech YMCA since 1986. She says that interest in the trips has grown each year.

"We can't even accommodate all the students who wish to go somewhere," Holcomb said. "Students are looking for new ways to spend their vacations and do something productive at the same time. These trips are the perfect outlets."

This year, Holcomb will be sending Virginia Tech students to four locations, including Ivanhoe, Va., where 15 students will help provide indoor plumbing in residential houses; and Washington, where 10 Tech students will work with the Center for Creative Non Violence in a homeless shelter.

In Tijuana, Mexico, five Tech students will work with children who crossed the United States border and were sent back. The students will work with the Home for Migrant

Workers to reunite these children with their families. Meanwhile, in Sasakwa, Okla., 35 Tech students will build log cabins and shelters for Native American communities.

This March, David Parker will head to Abiquiu, N.M., to help provide services and tutoring for a community of Native Americans. Parker, a sophomore at Wichita State University, will be one of five WSU students headed to a Navajo reservation for spring break.

"Certain people enjoy certain things. I enjoy working with people, so for me, this is a way to relax. It's a way to get away from everything else," Parker said. "It's satisfying, but it's relaxing, too."

Parker said he's not sure what his duties will be yet, but figures they'll range from digging irrigation ditches to raking leaves. "We'll do some tutoring on the reservation, too," he said. "There's a lot to do, but they are things that need to be done."

Rev. Richard Lewis, WSU's campus minister, organized the trip. While he admits that participating students gain a sense of service and accomplishment from their work, he says that's only half the story.

"It's a great way to learn about other cultures. There's so much tradition and history that really can't be learned from any textbook," Lewis said. "These students are walking by history, and they may not even know it."

Lori Garrett, coordinator of community services at Hood College in Frederick, Md., agrees. "Students get to see issues that affect other cultures firsthand, and that makes a lot of difference," said Garrett, who organizes community service trips for Hood students during academic breaks. "Even if students see something in their own town, it's much more real than reading about it in a newspaper. Social situations become much more urgent because all of a sudden they have a human face."

This March, Garrett will accompany 11 Hood students to Baldwin, Mich., where they will participate in a Habitat for Humanity project. Hood students will be building panels that will be used to construct houses during the summer.

Garrett says that alternative spring breaks may be growing in popularity because of the national attention that service programs like AmeriCorps are receiving.

"A lot of students want to do some sort of community service but they just can't squeeze it into their schedule," she said. "Taking the time to do something different during their time off is really remarkable. It's a sacrifice for the students, but it seems like no one really seems to mind."

For those students who want to transfer the source of their knowledge from textbook to terrain, Augustana College in Rock Island, Ill., offers an 11-day trip to Texas and New Mexico to study various geological sites.

"We try to get a good look at as much as we can," said Prof. Richard Anderson, organizer of the trip. "We are talking about places where the continent is pulling apart, so there are a lot of exciting things to see."

Anderson, who has spent his spring break with students every year since 1973, says the trip is available to geology and non-geology majors alike. "We'll be camping in state parks and seeing things that are incredibly different from anything we see around here, so it's a rewarding trip for almost anyone," he said. "It's not exactly a day at the beach, but we think it's a lot of fun."

Michigan student arrested for Internet message

Marco Buscaglia
College Press Service

A student at the University of Michigan has found out that while writing about killing someone may make for some exciting prose, it doesn't exactly endear you to others on campus or to the FBI.

Sophomore Jake Baker was suspended from school and arrested after he used the name of a student in a graphic story involving rape, torture and murder that he wrote and posted on the Internet on Jan. 9.

When UM officials learned of Baker's story on Feb. 2, they immediately ordered campus police to seize the 20-year-old student's identification card and evict him from his residence hall. Baker then was suspended from the university.

While waiting at his attorney's office on Feb. 9 for a hearing with the school's disciplinary board to seek readmission, Baker was arrested by the FBI for making an interstate transmission of a threat to injure another person. If the Boardman, Ohio, native is found guilty, he could face up to five years in prison.

During Baker's initial hearing, U.S. Magistrate Thomas Carlson said the student was "disturbed and danger-

ous" and ordered him held without bail. Baker is currently being held in Milan Federal Facility in Michigan.

Baker's troubles began when he posted his story on "alt.sex.stories," a USENET bulletin board. In Baker's story, he described himself and others breaking into the apartment of a female and beating, torturing and raping her. Baker wrote that the woman was "shaking with terror" throughout the entire incident.

David Cahill, Baker's attorney, said the UM student never had any intention of harming the female he wrote about. "Jake doesn't even know her," Cahill said. "He has never even said one word to her. They were in a large lecture class together, and he simply liked the way her name sounded."

Cahill said that his client is a victim of censorship. "We're talking about a typical college sophomore here who has never done anything wrong in his life," Cahill said, adding that the American Civil Liberties Union and Electronic Frontier Foundation would be getting involved with the case. "He's a linguistics major. He writes stories. That's not illegal by any stretch of the imagination."

Although both federal and UM officials say they can't discuss the case because it involves issues of federal privacy, Lisa Baker, a UM spokesper-

son, said that the university's actions are not about censorship, but about protecting the safety of its students.

UM officials and the FBI became involved after learning that the female in the story had the same name as one of Baker's classmates. According to Cahill, a UM graduate living in Moscow read Baker's story on the "alt.sex.stories" bulletin board, noticed the school's electronic address and called UM administrators to ask if the female was a student at the university. After a quick search revealed that she was enrolled in Ann Arbor and had taken a class with Baker the previous year, university officials decided Baker should be suspended while they determined if he was a threat to the student.

Acting under an order from President James Duderstadt that circumvents various policies if a student is placed in danger, university security immediately escorted Baker off the Ann Arbor campus.

Although Baker was scheduled to appear at a number of hearings with UM officials to see if he could be reinstated to the university, Cahill said both parties have decided to suspend any action on enrollment until the federal case is settled.

While being escorted back to prison after a recent arraignment hearing, Baker told reporters that he thinks he is being held without cause. "I haven't harmed anyone," he said. "I think this is a violation of my First Amendment rights and probably several other rights."

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