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**Bridge over flooding water**



Kyle Weaver / Student Voice

Following 80 degree weather on Tuesday afternoon, rain rolled into town late Tuesday night. N lot behind Hathorn Hall flooded; cars were relocated to O -Lot, Ramer Field and city streets.

**LDPB allocates funds for 03- 04**

**Funds allocated by LDPB (by committee)**

- Campus Media Budget: \$53,500
- Diversity Awareness: \$19,210
- Entertainment: \$40,000
- Leadership and Training: \$4,000
- Musical Arts : \$10,900
- Recreational Activities: \$12,500
- Special Events: \$14,400
- Student Organizations: \$30,000
- Theatrical Arts: \$28,000
- Wyman Series: \$39,000

**Total: \$251,510**

**Kyle Weaver**  
Viewpoints Editor

The Leadership Development and Programming Board (LDPB) recently announced its Student Segregated University Fees (SUF) allocations for the 2003-04 academic year.

The Board, which is made up of representatives from 10 committees, allocates the fees based on student organizations funding requests.

The Board divided up \$251,510 in student fees for next year.

LDPB Chair Jared Liston said the goal of the Board is to ensure that student fees are divided fairly.

"We try to be as equitable as we can," Liston said. "It's difficult but it gets done."

Individual requests for funding from recognized student organizations are separated into one of the 10 committees of the Board. Each committee then puts together a budget proposal for the Board to review. The Board then votes on committee allocations. Committees then divide the funding to student organizations

as needed.

Liston said the Board's decisions are based on the number of annual budgets, past allocation numbers, carrying balances and programs operating budgets.

However, the allocation process was not without problems.

Two committees, Musical Arts and Theatrical Arts, lacked representation with the Board, Liston said.

"We've had problems recruiting and retaining members for those committees," Liston said. "We've gotten the word out, but there seems to be no interest."

Nevertheless the two committees were funded.

"We didn't think it was fair to not fund them," Liston said. "We still need those programs."

Briana Nelson, a Board representative from the Special Events Committee said that making the allocation decisions was actually a process of "friendly amendments."

"It was a process of looking at your own budget and offering what

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**Self-injury: a way to cope with pain**

**Eric Henning**  
Assistant Editor

With the alternative band K's Choice playing in her darkened bedroom, Kristen runs a scissor's blade across her arm, pressing hard. After breaking the skin, she squeezes the cut to make it bleed more. It feels good. It feels really good.

The blood that flows out of the cut, and the pain it causes, gives Kristen an automatic release from the overwhelming stress she is feeling.

Kristen is a self-injuror.

The goal of self-injury is to alter one's mood state, accomplished by inflicting physical harm serious enough to cause tissue damage, said Gretchen Link, a UW-River Falls personal counselor.

Though self-injury may seem atypical, Kristen is a typical student at UW-RF. Nothing about her leads you to believe she would deliberately cut herself with scissors, but if you look closely, you might notice faint scars on her forearms. It is surprising there are so few scars, considering that at one point she had 12 to 13 cuts on each arm. At the height of it, she was cutting herself twice a week.

Kristen hasn't cut herself on a regular basis in two years, but does occasionally relapse when she feels overwhelmed and isn't able to cope with her feelings any other way.

Though Kristen cut herself, self-injury can be done through many other methods, including pulling out hair, biting, burping, hitting their head or fists or on a wall, picking at the skin, and breaking bones. Cutting is by far the most common method.

Kristen is not alone.

It is estimated that 2 to 4 percent of the general population engage in some form of self-injury, with 18-to-22-year olds most likely to self-injure, according to an article published in the Journal of College Counseling last fall.

UW-RF student Heather carved 'HATE' into her upper left arm with a razor blade when she was in 7th grade. The word is still faintly visible, though more recent scar lines obliterate it. She doesn't remember why she chose the word 'hate,' but

the reason she cut herself that day was not any different from other cutting sessions she's had before or since.

For most self-injurors, it is a way of coping with feelings they can't verbally express, Link said.

Self-injury is a reaction to a deeper, more troubling problem. Depression is common amongst self-injurors. When they feel overwhelmed, they self-injure. It becomes their personal way of coping with their emotions and ends up being the way they express their feelings. Often times the more overwhelmed they are feeling, the deeper the cuts go.

"A misconception is that people think it is self-savage, but for people actually going through it, they need that, even if it looks completely savage," said UW-RF student Tina, who asked that her real name not be used. "It's something you need to do to get through things."

Cutting provides a release from overwhelming feelings and stress, Link said.

Heather compares the release cutting provides to crying, but instead of tears, blood is shed.

"It [cutting] was a pleasant thing after dealing with all those other overwhelming feelings," Heather said.

One of the hardest concepts for someone from the outside looking in is to understand that a deliberate cut doesn't have the level of pain one might expect. It does not feel like a paper cut.

"When you are going through periods of numbness, just to be able to feel something is a relief," Heather said.

"You get into a state where you need to see the blood to see that you are alive," Tina said.

Cutting can also be a way to take control over an aspect of a self-injuror's life. Tina sees this as one reason she cut herself.

"When everything else is spinning out of control, the one thing you can control is what kind of marks you make on your skin," Tina said.

Tina has scars on her wrists, upper arms, shoulder, stomach, legs, and knees. Most came from razor blades.

See "Self-injury" on A6

**Photographer tells stories of dismay**

**19-year-old documents struggles in third world countries.**

**Anna Permann**  
Staff Writer

For many students their teenage years consisted of school, sports, and hanging out with friends. But for 19-year-old Daniel Cheng Yang, a graduate from Harding High School in St. Paul, his childhood was spent traveling the world to politically and socially distraught areas and third world countries.

For the Diversity in the Media Series, UW-River Falls asked Yang to speak about his experiences at a refugee camp in Kenya. Yang visited the camp of Kakuma a number of times, each time documenting, by photograph, the struggles of the refugees and the native people, the Turkana.

Yang has had no experience as a photographer professionally, and no training. However, his work has still been displayed at the Louve Museum in Paris, as well as Grand Central Station in New York and Yokahama, Japan.

His father is a refugee from Laos, and his mother is of the Ojibwa people. He grew up learning about the hardships of both groups, Yang said.

Throughout his childhood he trav-

eled with his parents to countries such as Cambodia, Laos, Tibet, El Salvador and Cuba. His parents thought it was important that he understood the troubles of these areas of conflict.

Each time they traveled they made it a point to stay with traditional families instead of in hotels to get a glimpse of the people's lives. His father had many connections.

He said he remembered being in grade school when the genocide in Rwanda happened, and watching the news waiting to see coverage. He became curious about how the news media chose to cover the stories they do.

He figured the most he could do was learn more about the situation, so that became his focus, at age 11.

Then in 1995, he had the opportunity to travel to Rwanda. He recalled it was still horrific.

"There were mass graves everywhere, I knew that on trip that I wanted to get the word out about what was going on," Yang said.

When he was a freshman he decided to focus on Sudan. He did in depth studying on the civil war that took place between the North and the South. This was also the first time he was able to travel to Kenya, to the Kakuma Refugee Camp. He was only 15 years old.

The United Nations flew him there after he called the Nairobi office in Kenya describing what he wanted to accomplish. They provid-

See "Yang" on A6

**eSIS registration tips**

•To register you must log onto eSIS. You cannot use the SOAR system to register. Get to eSIS by clicking on the current students link.

•To register click on "self-service", then "learner services" then "academics."

•Before registering you must receive your registration PIN from your advisor or there will be a hold on your enrollment.

•By entering your PIN you will remove this hold.

\*Unlike SOAR, which requires you to enter your PIN every time you add/remove classes, you only have to enter your

PIN one time. Enter your PIN under the registration PIN link and then hit "submit."

•Verify the hold has been removed by clicking the "view my holds" link.

•To begin registering, click "enroll, add, swap."

•Click on the semester you need to register for.

•Enter the "class number" in the appropriate field or use the "lookup" button to search for courses.

\*If registering for a course with a lab, register for the lab, not the course.

•It is important to hit the submit button after you have selected all classes you wish to enroll in.

•If done correctly, you will get a "success" message.

•If you receive an "errors found" message, you have not been enrolled.

•If a class is full, it is important to hit "delete" in the row so eSIS will not continue to try to enroll you in the class.

•For additional help visit [www.uwrf.edu/registrar/esi](http://www.uwrf.edu/registrar/esi) tutorial or call the Registrar's office at 425-3231

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Graduation regalia** is now available at the bookstore. Stop by and pick up your graduation cap and gown.

**Student job opportunities with the athletic teams** for the fall semester. If interested contact Kevin Bullis at 425-3138 or via email at kevin.w.bullis@uwrf.edu or

**The deadline for the Collegiate Inventors competition** is June 1. For more information visit [www.invent.org/collegiate](http://www.invent.org/collegiate).

**Do you want to be in a sub-committee or interest group** regarding the needs of vegetarians on our campus? If so, please contact Gerda Benedict at 425-4663 or [gerda.h.benedict@uwrf.edu](mailto:gerda.h.benedict@uwrf.edu).

**Do you miss your pet while at college?** If so, volunteer at the Pierce-St. Croix Humane Society. For more information call 426-5535 or visit their Website at [www.adoptablepets.org](http://www.adoptablepets.org).

**Men's Rugby.** If interested in participating in a fun spring sport like Rugby, contact Kevin at 426-0777.

**If interested in participating in the University Veterans Club,** contact Mike Foley at [micheal.o.foley@uwrf.edu](mailto:micheal.o.foley@uwrf.edu).

**If interested in participating in the Paintball Club,** contact Chad at [chad.r.goetsch@uwrf.edu](mailto:chad.r.goetsch@uwrf.edu).

**Minnesota artist Mary Bryan's** watercolor artwork is on display until April 30 in the Harriet Barry Gallery, Davee Library.

**English Honor Society, Sigma Tau Delta's Recommended Literature** ballots are posted outside KFA 265. Members are invited to vote on the best literature taught at UW-RF.

### EVENTS

**Final Campus Immunization Clinic** for this academic year is April 30 from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. in the Kinnickinnic Room, Student Center.

**A student reading** is April 24 at 3:30 p.m. in the Library breezeway. Student readers are scheduled along with open mic.

**The 6th Annual Campus & Community cleanup** is April 26 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Registration packets are available in the Leadership Center and if you have any questions, contact Nikki Schoenemann at [nicole.d.schoenemann@uwrf.edu](mailto:nicole.d.schoenemann@uwrf.edu).

**A school Psychologist and ASD teacher** from Forest Lake School district are coming to talk about autism on May 6 and 6:30 p.m. in 118, Wyman Education building.

**An Exhibit of hand blown glass** created by senior Matthew Heindl is on display April 22 to 28 in the Chalmer Davee Library, during regular hours.

**Diversity organizations** come together to fight hunger in the community until May 14. Collection boxes are around the campus where you can donate non-perishable food items.

**Walk for the animals** is on May 3 at 10 a.m. at Hoffman Park in River Falls. For more information contact Alli Uphill at [allison.a.uphill@uwrf.edu](mailto:allison.a.uphill@uwrf.edu).

**The College of Arts and Sciences Awards Reception** will be held May 6. The dessert reception will begin at 6 p.m. in the KFA lobby and Gallery 101, and the awards presentation will start at 7 p.m. in the Abbott Concert Hall.

**The Piano Ensemble Concert** is May 11 at 8 p.m. in the Abbott Concert hall. This event is open to the public and admission is free.

**Tonic Sol-Fa** is playing at River Falls High School on April 23 at 7 p.m. Tickets are sold at Lighthouse Coffee, St. Bridget Church, Lehl Chiropractic, or via phone at 425-1870.

**Habitat for Humanity is sponsoring Habistravaganza** April 27 from 12-4 p.m. at the River Falls Golf Course. For more information or tickets contact Amanda Frank at 425-4713 or Kate Russeth at 425-3776.

**Attention students interested in Broadcast Journalism:** A seminar that will bring together students and professionals to explore the opportunities in the broadcast industry will be held April 26 at the J.F. Friedrich Center, UW-Madison. For more information, contact Michelle at the WBA office at 1-800-236-1WBA.

**Senior Art Majors Display** will be held April 28 to May 2 in the Chalmer Davee Library's Harriet Barry Gallery.

### MEETINGS

**College Republicans sponsor weekly pro-American rallies.** If interested meet at May Hall Thursdays at 4 p.m.

**Society for Undergraduate Research, Scholarly and Creative Activities (SURSCA)** will meet April 24 at 5 p.m. in 425, Agriculture Science building.

**Society for Human Resource Management** is holding a workshop and meeting on April 23 in the Blue Room, Rodli Commons. The workshop is from 2 to 5 p.m. and the meeting is from 5 to 6 p.m. If interested please contact Vicki and [vicki.j.lee@uwrf.edu](mailto:vicki.j.lee@uwrf.edu).

**A new organization** is looking for people who like to play, or would like to learn how to play frisbee. For more information contact Jacob Connell or Ashley Ryan Hawke at 425-4743.

**Informational meetings for the Winter Interim in Mexico** are May 6 and 7 at 4 p.m. in 140, KFA.

**A Tactile-enriched environment in Gallery 101** features several graduating senior artists. The gallery hours are Monday-Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., 7 to 9 p.m. and Sundays from 2 to 4 p.m. in KFA.

**Campus Ministry Network** has weekly ecumenical prayer gatherings Wednesdays at 5 p.m. at the St. Thomas More Chapel.

**Amnesty International** offers two peace marches to incorporate all opinions. One march will meet on Cascade Avenue at 4:30 p.m. and the other march will meet at Veteran's Park with candles to express their concern for our troops. Both marches will meet after the march at Veteran's Park for a silent vigil.

**Habitat for Humanity** meets every Thursday at 7 p.m. in the International Room of the Student Center.

**Inter Varsity Christian Fellowship** meets every Thursday at 7:30 p.m. in North Hall Auditorium.

**Campus Crusade for Christ** meets every Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the International Room. For more information contact [cc4cuwrf@hotmail.com](mailto:cc4cuwrf@hotmail.com)

## Academic quadrathlon team ties for second

**Leslie Shuler**  
*News Editor*

UW-River Falls tied for second in the regional Academic Quadrathlon competition in Des Moines, Iowa, mid-March. The American Society of Animal Science and the American Dairy Science Association sponsored the competition, which attracted 16 teams from major Midwest land-grant agricultural universities.

Tying for second with the University of Illinois, UW-RF was one point behind the first place team from Iowa State University. The UW-RF team, consisting of animal science majors Ann Grey, Carrie Kavanagh and Abe Mach and dairy science major Jayme Fisher, placed second in the oral presentation, third in the written exam and laboratory practicum and seventh in the quiz bowl.

The four-part competition, which covers production animal agriculture, includes questions and exercises that deal with management, nutrition, physiology, breeding and genetics and health of dairy cattle, beef cattle, swine, sheep, poultry and horses.

Team advisor and animal science professor Gary Onan said the team performed exceptionally well.

"We routinely do well in this contest, but this year's team performed better than usual," Onan said. "I think this attests to the quality of education our students receive at UW-RF in the animal sciences. Our competition in this contest included many of the most prestigious agricultural universities in the U.S. and we competed very effectively against them."

Kavanagh agreed. "It makes you realize the quality of education we are getting for the money that we are spending," Kavanagh said. "Many of the other schools had classes and practices devoted to preparing for the competition, and we were able to compete simply from what we've learned in our required/elective courses."

Fisher pointed out that although UW-RF is small the education is still good.

"It is nice to know that even though we are a small school, our teachers take the time to make sure we get the best education," Fisher said.

"Student should know that we do get a good agricultural education at UW-RF," Mach said.

In order represent UW-RF, the team had to compete at the local level.

"We didn't have to do a lot to prepare for the competition because our last several years of course work had us prepared," Kavanagh said. "We reviewed a few notes from classes that we felt were most relevant to the competition."



*Submitted Photo*

CAFES students Abe Mach, Ann Grey, Carrie Kavanagh and Jayme Fisher tied for second place with the University of Illinois in an animal science academic competition in Iowa in mid-March.

Mach agreed. "Everything was what we've learned in our classes and in our agricultural life in general," Mach said. "Dr. Onan and Dr. Jilek also deserve a lot of credit for guiding us during the event, they put a lot of effort into making this an enjoyable time."

The team's greatest strength was their ability to work together and enjoy themselves, Kavanagh said.

"Since we were able to stay relaxed throughout the competition we had an advantage over many of the other schools who were too uptight," Kavanagh said.

## Adoption, volunteering at Humane Society

Students who miss their pets while away at college encouraged to volunteer. Also must consider all responsibilities if adopting.

**Maisha Downey**  
*Photo Editor*

Whether its cats or dogs, almost everyone loves animals. And if students miss their pets while at school River Falls Humane Society director Dawn Fleming encourages UW-River Falls students to volunteer at the Humane Society in River Falls.

"Volunteering is the best way to be around the animals without having a life-long commitment."

Volunteer applications are available at the shelter. Positions are filled at a first come first serve basis so there could be a wait for a particular position.

These positions include helping at area pet store adoption days, grooming or walking the dogs, as well as brushing and playing with the cats. There is also a fundraising committee and an education committee that promotes the shelter in the community.

Fleming encourages all students to consider helping out but also says students should consider the life-long responsibilities before adopting any pet.

Fleming warns all potential adopters that cats can live up to 25 years, while dog's life spans range from 15 to 20 years.

For the safety of the shelter animals, Fleming said people must meet set standards before adopting. She also has the right to refuse to give them a pet if she doesn't feel they will properly care for them.

The basic requirement for adoption is an established home environment or written permission from a landlord. Fleming cautions renters that housing that allows pets is hard to find.

She said this is the reason the average cus-

tomers of the Humane Society of Pierce/St. Croix are families and older couples. Fleming said students rarely adopt from their shelter.

Another reason Fleming said, is that adoption prices are too expensive for the average college student.

Spayed or neutered dogs adopted at the River Falls shelter cost \$200 and cats are \$135. Those animals who have not had the surgery are \$110 for dogs and \$75 for cats. Owners are responsible for getting the animal spayed or neutered.

"People have lots to think about," Fleming said. "How long they will have a pet and what they are doing after college. Sometimes personal plans don't make room for pets."

UW-RF graduate Amy Schultz got her four-month-old Beagle, Gracie, two years after finishing college.

"I lived off campus for two and a half years," Schultz said. My roommate had two cats and I considered getting a dog, but I wasn't responsible or rich enough."

Schultz learned quickly that a dog can be expensive. Gracie got sick the first month she was with her owner and spent time in an animal hospital.

Schultz said she was surprised at the \$150 vet bill.

Gracie currently lives with Schultz and her boyfriend, who owns his own house.

"It helps knowing we have a fixed home for her," Schultz said.

Aside from her full-time job, Schultz says taking care of the dog is just as much work, just without pay.

"It's comparable to having a child," she said. One thing Schultz said she could live without is the strict time schedule Gracie has set for eating and sleeping.

"I like her until 5:30 a.m., when she wakes up every morning to go to the bathroom," she said. "It's like clockwork, and I can't tell her to go back to bed."

During her lunch breaks from work, Schultz drives home to feed and walk Gracie. After work she spends quality time with her and puts her to sleep around 10 p.m. each night.

With eight pets of her own, junior Karyl Hylle considers herself one of the few responsible college-age pet owners.

Hylle lives with her two dogs Ocho and Shelby and her cat J.T. She also has five horses that she keeps at a boarding stable on the edge of River Falls.

"I adopted Ocho last May from the Humane Society in town," Hylle said about her 1 1/2 year-old Beagle-Blue Heeler mix. "I just told the staff that I wanted a medium size dog that worked well with livestock and would travel well in my truck."

Hylle noticed Ocho showed signs of anxiety when she left for school or work.

This past January she used the Internet to find another dog to keep him company.

"I found Shelby, a Red-Heeler at the Eau Claire Humane Society," she said. "Ocho and I drove to see her. I knew they were a perfect match."

Hylle remembers a couple months before adopting her second dog when she was unsure Ocho would need a companion. She also realized how expensive having a pet could be.

Ocho was struck by a car on a freeway near her parent's home last January. He broke his spine and spent more than four months at the University of Minnesota's small animal hospital. Ocho underwent surgery to reconstruct his spine with pins and rods.

"Luckily my parents paid for all of the medical costs," Hylle said. "It's freaky how expensive the bills got to be."

The smallest of her pets, J.T., an orange tiger striped cat requires the least amount of attention. "J.T. loves playing with the dogs," Hylle said. "He was just a kitten when I got him, so he isn't scared of much."

Hylle credits her Animal Science minor as the reason she has so many pets.

She said she has all of her pets included in her future plans.

Hylle said she plans to move to a farmhouse in Hugo Minn. after she graduates. The property includes three acres of land where she plans to keep her five horses.

"There's no doubt the animals will go with me no matter what happens in the future."

Fleming feels most student's futures aren't as stable as Schultz and Hylle.

"Adopting a pet is just like taking care of another person," Fleming said. "A good rule is if you don't want kids, you probably don't want pets."

### Student Senate

## Senate supports faculty evaluation revisions

*Motions pass for use of open-ended questions; improving accessibility of results*

**Angie Schumacher**  
*Staff Writer*

Student Senate passed two motions Tuesday night at its meeting to support the use of open-ended questions in addition to the mandatory questions used for student evaluations of faculty. Senate also passed a motion to support making the evaluations public and more accessible to students.

Faculty members were not present to defend their stance on the issue.

The first motion states: Whereas in the spirit of Shared Governance, students should have a say in the promotion, tenure and merit pay of faculty that affects them, and whereas because surveys are used to evaluate faculty for promotions, tenure and merit pay, and open-ended questions would benefit to the process, and whereas these open-ended questions will give the students a say in the evaluation and, whereas these open-ended questions should be forwarded to the committee or persons that evaluate for promotions, tenure and merit pay because such decisions should be based on open and rational feedback, therefore, be it resolved that Student Association Student Senate is in support of open-ended questions in addition to the mandatory questions for the faculty.

The second motion states: Whereas reflection on past student evaluations of faculty is a benefit to current students and, whereas by law such information is supposed to be made public and, whereas the current status of

these past evaluations is confusing, incomprehensible, and unclear, therefore, be it resolved that Student Association Student Senate is in support of demanding the person in charge of preparing these evaluations for public display, make them more accessible in the library, more student-friendly, and accompanied by the concurrent evaluation.

#### In Other Student Senate News

—Finance Director Emily Wenger said she has information and guidelines for student organizations wanting to request money before the end of the year. Requests can include additional money needed for projects or events, as well as start-up money for new organizations. Contact Wenger in the Senate office for more information.

—Diversity Issues Director Lisa Weinreich said that Unity in the Community will take place April 23 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the student center mall area. The day includes an all-campus picnic lunch, student organization tables and carnival events. Scheduled events include Dred I Dread at 11 a.m., Heart of the Earth Pow-Wow at noon and Shangoya at 1 p.m.

—Women's Initiatives Director Jodi Jabs said the Chancellor's Safety Walk, hosted by Chancellor Ann Lydecker, will be April 24 from 4 to 5 p.m. Lydecker will demonstrate the use of the blue emergency lights and show the safest walks on campus.

The next Student Senate meeting is April 22 at 7 p.m. in the Regent's Room of the Student Center.

Public Safety

# Computer memory chip stolen; fire started at Lab Farm 1

Aaron Kenealy  
Staff Writer

April 15 a 128 MB memory chip was stolen from a computer in South Hall. The memory chip was \$60.

April 14 a hit and run to a vehicle in L-lot caused \$50 in damages to the hood.

April 13 a burglary occurred at 417 Crabtree Hall. a debit card, social security card a phone card and \$60 to \$80, were stolen from one of the resident's wallets which was found in the room.

April 13 a Grimm Hall R.A. called Public Safety because of a possible underage drinking situation. Upon arriving, officers went to room 413 where both inhabitants, Nathan E. Stewart, 20, and Anthony L. Ahlers, 19, came out of the room and were given Breathalyzers. Both

tested positive and were cited \$225.

April 12 Public Safety was called to McMillan Hall where an R.A. witnessed two male subjects later identified as Mark J. Anderson, 19, and Douglas M. Rusch, 19, stumbling in the hall smelling of alcohol.

Officers entered the room after arriving and both Anderson and Rusch admitted to drinking and were cited \$225 for underage drinking.

April 12 Public Safety was called to McMillan Hall by an R.A. who noticed a male subject stumbling in the hall. When they arrived, officers were sent to the room and entered. They found Ryan W. Alwes, 19, and smelled the distinct odor of intoxicants on him. He admitted to drinking and was cited \$349 for second offense underage drinking.

April 11 Public Safety Officers were called to second floor Hathorn Hall where a female subject was

vomiting in the bathroom. When they arrived they found Jessica L. Dahlheimer, 20, and Elizabeth C. Albrecht, 19, near the water fountain. Both smelled of intoxicants and were given Breathalyzers. Both were then cited \$225 for underage drinking.

April 10 two minors were arrested for starting a fire with gasoline and lighter fluid at Lab Farm 1. Although the fire department was called, no damage was reported from the fire.

April 9 a River Falls Police Officer, while on patrol, witnessed a male subject throw a blue cup on the ground near the South Fork bridge. Upon contacting this individual, Ryan D. Mulso, 20, the officer noticed the smell of alcohol on his breath. Mulso refused to take the Breathalyzer but was cited \$286 for second offense underage drinking.

## Body beauty by brush



Maisha Downey / Student Voice

Barb Lind, sophomore gets an airbrush tattoo Monday at the Shared Governance Fair. Students were also able to get their caricature drawn for free.

# River Falls resident establishes CAFES scholarship program

Recipient will volunteer with Kinnickinnic River Land Trust

Tiffany Shelman  
Front Page Editor

Tim Huston, a River Falls resident, recently awarded \$25,000 to UW-River Falls an endowed scholarship.

An endowed scholarship is a principle amount of money gifted to the University foundation who then invests it for growth, said Bill Rost, Assistant Chancellor for University Advancement.

"It is that sum of money plus its growth that we take five percent out and distribute for a scholarship," Rost said. "We never invade the principal and as a result it remains to work in perpetuity providing scholarships forever."

The scholarship will first be awarded in 2004-05 and will go to a student from the College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences (CAFES). The selected student will work as a volunteer with the Kinnickinnic River Land Trust (KRLT).

KRLT works to maintain the quality of the Kinnickinnic River as the population of River Falls grows. KRLT works cooperatively with landowners and the community to conserve resources like clean water and wildlife.

Huston, a member of the publicity committee for KRLT, came up with the idea to use the scholarship money for the project in conjunction with fellow member and UW-RF plant and earth science professor, Kelly Cain.

"I floated the idea with the intention of trying to increase KRLT's visibility and effectiveness through strengthening its relationship with the University," Cain said. "Due to our already strong support of KRLT projects by students engaged with service learning, independent studies and internships, it simply made sense for KRLT to take advantage of scholarship opportunities for the sake of the students, the river and the community."

Rost said he and Huston sat down to outline the specifics of the scholarship.

"He shared it [the outline] with his family, most notably his father, who has a keen interest in environmental affairs," Rost said. "We are extremely pleased to bridge Tim's love for the Kinni, his involvement with

the Land Trust sustaining and preserving the Kinni, while involving succeeding generations of UW-RF students in maintaining it as a viable environmental jewel."

The KRLT endowed scholarship will be selected by the CAFES scholarship committee and will be awarded to a senior at UW-RF majoring in environmental science, conservation or land-use planning. Priority will go to students who also have a minor in hydrogeology.

Cain said this scholarship will help to alleviate students' needs for funds.

"It allows a student to truly focus on their studies on behalf of themselves and the river," Cain said. "I unfortunately see way too many students having to compromise their academic progress due to the need for basic financial support."

Rost said this scholarship will not only help students with funds but link them to the KRLT.

"This endowment will forever link a student annually with the Kinni and the Kinni to the University," Rost said. "It will always be there to help the KRLT do its work in preserving this beautiful resource."

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—Bill Rost,  
Assistant Chancellor for University Advancement

This type of scholarship helps to expose the high quality of work Environmental Science and Management (ESM) students do, Cain said.

"Scholarships of this nature recognize the ESM program for the true asset that it is to the University and to the community," Cain said. "Tim and his family's generosity is evidence of a heartfelt commitment to enhancing the quality of our local water, air, soil and wildlife resources and a fundamental ability to think beyond one's personal well-being to the well-being of the community."

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### Editorial

## Large budget allocations for good reasons

The budget for student organizations recently were allocated by the LDPB and the Campus Media Budget Committee (CMBC) received the largest chunk of the change with more almost \$54,000.

The CMBC is responsible for delegating funds to four media outlets at UW-River Falls: The Student Voice, WRFW, Focus on U and Prologue.

Why so much money for only four programs? Simply put: operating costs.

The Voice alone costs more than \$30,000 per year to operate. And since student funded organizations rarely receive the amount of money they ask for, the Voice receives less than is actually needed. It is the same case with the other CMBC organizations and probably holds true for all other organizations at UW-RF. Voice operating costs include printing, staff salaries, supplies, new computers and unexpected expenses, among other things.

WRFW operates with severely outdated equipment that is in need of repair and maintenance on a regular basis.

Receiving such a large amount of money is crucial to the operation of the campus media, which is an important entity on campus.

The CMBC, along with all other committees on campus must submit a detailed budget describing anticipated revenue and expenses for the entire year. The money allocated is all used for a good purpose. Nothing is wasted. Things are cut right down to the wire.

Students have the right to know where their money is being spent. It's too bad that not many of them know they can access this information.

The budget allocation information is available at the Leadership Center and is public record. It is also outlined in detail on page A6.

If students are curious how their money is spent, looking at the allocations is a good thing to do, not to mention interesting.

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## 'Uncool' columnist fights trendiness

It has been pointed out to me that I am not cool. I am not cool because I don't own a cell phone, I don't wear brand name clothing, and I drive a mini-van. You know what? I really don't care. If I have to own a cell phone to be "cool," then there is clearly something wrong with the definition of cool. Don't get me wrong, I'm not attacking any of those good people out there who own cell phones and use them for legitimate purposes. I have wished for a cell phone many times in my life, particularly when my aging mini-van refuses to start, and I'm trapped in the parking lot next to North Hall. The reason I have never bought one, however, is simple: I am too afraid of turning into a cell phone monster.

You all know the type I'm talking about. The people who, for some odd reason, feel the need to use their cell phone at the most inappropriate times and places, like movie theaters. Now, I can understand forgetting to turn off the ringer before the movie starts, and I can forgive those people. It's the ones who go ahead and answer the phone that I get mad at. Do these people really have such important issues that they have to talk about them right then? Excuse me. I paid \$7.50 to watch Vin Diesel, not to listen to you fight with your mother over what time you have to be home.

Then, there are the nightclub or sporting event cell people. OK, you are in a bar, surrounded by people, and you can't hear the person standing a foot away from you. Do you really think you are going to be able to carry on a conversation on a phone in those conditions? Is it really that important? My theory is, with certain cell phone owners, it is less about the actual conversation, and more about impressing the rest

of us with how "cool" they are. But the worst of these power trips comes in the form of the bathroom cell-phoners. How insulting is it to talk to someone on the phone while you're in the bathroom? If you want to talk to me, do it later, after you are done in the bathroom. I just can't seem to carry on a conversation with flushing sounds going on in the background.

The sad thing is, I suspect most of

exception of Old Navy, most really "cool" stores are ridiculously overpriced. Now why would I pay \$20 for a T-shirt at Abercrombie when I can go across the mall and buy three shirts at a no-name store for the same amount as one name-brand? Plus, the cheap shirts don't have all that annoying advertising written all over them. I'm sorry, I just can't get over the concept that I'm paying them to advertise for

dressed guys. I could see the looks on their faces, "Oh, great, what is some soccer mom doing out this late?" I also got to see their surprise when I hopped out. Apparently, not too many hot chicks in low-cut shirts drive mini-vans.

Over the years, I have developed a rather interesting comeback to all the insults I get over my wheels. Whenever some pompous jerk in a tiny little sports car gives me grief, I just take a look at the size of the backseat of his car. Then, I put it in terms most guys can understand: which car would you rather have on a date, a sports car with no backseat, or a mini-van, where all the seats fold down? Usually, that shuts them up long enough for me to walk away. Yeah, like they are ever going to get a chance to ride in my mini-van after insulting it (and me) like that.

After careful consideration, I have decided that I am definitely not cool. I am cell-phoneless, brand-nameless and cool-vehicleless. Gee, what a shame. I just can't seem to find it in me to care. Believe it or not, I'm happy being out of touch, out of style and driving in the slow lane. Life is a whole lot simpler from where I sit, and a lot less expensive. No cell phone bill, no credit card debt from Abercrombie and my Toyota is paid for and gets 30 miles to the gallon. I may not be cool, but damn, I'm happy.

My real question is, why is "coolness" based on what we own? Do material possessions really define who we are? Sad to say, I'm beginning to realize the answer is yes.

Now, if you'll excuse me, I have to find a pay phone.

### BLYTHE CRISWELL

*"Believe it or not, I'm happy being out of touch, out of style and driving in the slow lane."*



these annoying cell phone monsters started out as decent people. They were just driven mad by the power of the phone.

So, there's one area where I'll never be "cool." Maybe I can be cool because of my clothes. Nope, I guess not. I just looked in my closet. I don't own anything by Abercrombie and Fitch, The Gap or American Eagle. Heck, I don't even have anything from Old Navy. I guess I can't be "cool" because of what I wear either. It's not that I really have anything against brand-name clothing; I just don't own any, for a variety of reasons. First of all, I'm too cheap. With the

them. Secondly, let's face it, I'm not what you would consider a conservative dresser. Most of the stuff at the name-brand stores just doesn't show enough cleavage for my tastes. Why pay exorbitant amounts, when I can get away with dressing cheap—in more ways than one?

All right, so my clothes aren't cool either. What about my wheels? Aren't they cool? Well, apparently not, judging from the sneers I get when behind the wheel of my Toyota mini-van. I pulled up at Boomer's bar the other night, and just for fun, I pulled into a spot next to a fancy car full of well-

## Gopher hockey rioters lack intelligence

Following the NCAA Men's Gopher Hockey championship, for the second consecutive year, fans rioted in victory.

Rioting in victory? I sat in a friend's living room as the pictures of fires, police in riot gear and people throwing rocks and bottles—the list goes on and on—were displayed across the television news.

What were these people thinking? As I sat there, my friend said, "Wow, cool, why don't things like that happen in River Falls?"

First and foremost I was dumbfounded about the happenings in Dinkytown. Then even more stupefying was the fact that my friend wished things would go down like that in River Falls.

Some explanations for the happenings not being prevalent here would be, UW-River Falls is a Division III school. We have a lack of fan support at sporting events. I would like to say that we are smarter than that, but this would be an exaggeration at best.

Rioting in victory, although seemingly silly, doesn't just happen with Gopher fans. "Celebratory riots" have occurred in Tucson, Ariz., Columbus, Ohio and College Park, Md.

Is this seriously how people view sportsmanship these days? What happened to the good 'ol days when people tailgated, yelled and

cheered at games and went home to a small celebration of friends and family?

A sports sociologist from the State University of New York at Brockport, Merrill Melnick, said these riots happen in part because fans identify so deeply with their team.

I am a die-hard Falcon fan. If I could I would hang out with

once a thrill, Melnick said.

Find a hobby, people. There should be no reason for grown adults—I am in no way saying mature, this is obviously not the case—to deface public and private property to get a thrill.

Unfortunately the celebratory riots were also met with similar experiences in New Hampshire. The losing team's fans rioted as

night, becomes insulted by another and the testosterone level fills the room and an inevitable fight ensues, right? Same idea except these people were just too involved with a sporting event.

So what can people and universities do to prevent rioting after sporting events?

I think the U of M had the right idea by planning ahead with extra police enforcement and the "Operation Night Cap." The U even had a free viewing party at Mariucci Arena, door prizes were awarded and it offered an alcohol-free setting, yet it still didn't prevent the riots or looting.

Melnick suggests schools should impose a "death penalty" of sorts for students involved. Some schools such as Ohio State University and University of Maryland at College Park plan to expel anyone caught rioting; a zero tolerance policy.

Sure these things will work but not until after the fact.

Here's an idea maybe we could teach our children right and wrong, consequences of actions and even a little maturity. These things need to be prevented before happening and the first step should begin with the students.

Sportsmanship and love for a team shouldn't involve fires and looting. Find another outlet.

### TIFFANY SHELMAN

*"If I could, I would hang out with Freddy every day, but there is no way I would go out and tip cars over and light them on fire to show my support."*



Freddy every day, but there is no way I would go out and tip cars over and light them on fire to show my support.

Melnick also said sports become an outlet for fans that go to an uneventful 9 to 5 job each day. The games are an opportunity to experi-

well. At least they had something to be pissed off about and were acting in such a manner, but this isn't a good excuse either.

Was alcohol a contributor? Of course it was. We have all been at those parties where one guy, who has been tipping them back all

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# Human lifestyle, culture cause war



CHUCK SWEEN

Now that the war is winding down, I think I have refined my views enough to articulate them coherently in a column. The conclusion that I have come to is that this war, and all wars, are not causes, nor are they solutions. They are effects. They are the effects of effects ad infinitum. Of course, that isn't entirely true, because all effects have a cause. What is that cause? I will deal with that question in due time. In the meantime, any professional in crisis management will tell you that, whenever possible, you deal with causes rather than effects. You don't deal with the madman in a crowded room with a gun. You make sure that person can't get a gun, or can't gain access to a crowded room, etc. Why don't we start dealing with the causes of wars?

While the latter question may seem simple, brief contemplation will show you it is not. What is the cause? Saddam Hussein is in control of weapons of mass destruction and is wielding power gained through the suffering and oppression of the people below him? No. In some ways, that statement could be applied to our president and be equally true. I assert that the sociopolitical climate of Iraq is merely another effect. The cause is much, much deeper. The cause of this war, and all wars, is the same cause of racial turmoil, political unrest, religious oppression, depression, suicide, anxiety attacks, and others too numerous

and depressing to list. Major world religions teach that humans are fundamentally flawed. If we were not, we wouldn't need the salvation-centered infrastructure of religion. I don't buy the "flawed humanity" theory. Humans are no more inherently flawed than mice, fish or bacteria, but we are living a way of life that is flawed. Western culture is centered around a lifestyle that does not work for humans. If you would like proof of that, watch the evening news. Our "news" is just a string of human behaviors provoked by our dissatisfaction with a way of living that doesn't work for us. Our culture is the neglected younger sibling that kicks the dog but doesn't know why. We are the teenagers in a stale relationship that fight every night but hang on because they don't know anything else. We are headed toward a cultural breakdown and don't know what to do. Are we surprised that this leads to problems?

If you buy that, you want to know what we can do. I struggle with this every day. I struggle with this when I'm at my preschool and watch parents drop off their children to be raised by me. I struggle with this when I have a room full of individuals and I ask them to eat, sleep, defecate, urinate, play and listen when all their friends feel like it. Apparently, the benefits of dual incomes outweigh the drawbacks of children raised by strangers. Are we surprised that this leads to problems?

What can we do? Daniel Quinn wrote, "The world will not be saved by old minds with new programs. It will be saved by new minds with no programs." We can start by changing our minds.

*"We are the teenagers in a stale relationship that fight every night but hang on because they don't know anything else."*

# Supporting troops should take priority

I know that these days there is no shortage of coverage on the war of people letting you know what they think of the war. Whether it is omitting the word 'French' and replacing it with 'freedom' or people taking to the streets with signs and voices chanting their anger with President Bush. You really can't escape it. I was thinking that I would give you a change of pace and share my opinion on something non-war related. But, I can't. When it comes to the war in Iraq or the war on terrorism, I have some really strong feelings.

I am the daughter of a soldier. My dad has proudly served this country for 24 years. His father and brothers also served at some time in their lives. My step-dad was in the National Guard as is one of my uncles and some of my cousins. The list goes on. All my life I have been surrounded by family and friends who have stepped up to the line and agreed to protect our country and our freedom with their lives by serving in one branch or another of the Armed Forces, so that we all could live our lives as we please. The reason I share this is because I feel that many people today just don't get the big picture and to them, ignorance is bliss and quite frankly, that makes me sick.

I fully understand that as Americans, we have the right to agree and disagree with anything that we would like. I also understand that we have the right to voice our opinions and protest whatever we'd like because after all, we are Americans and we are free. But have any of you who are against this war really taken into account how all of our freedom came to be? How we got the rights that we cherish so dearly today? Have you?

The answer is: we fought a war.

We fought a war to win our independence from England. We fought a war to remove the division of the North and South and to emancipate slaves. We have fought wars to protect countries from suffering the affliction of dictators such as Stalin, Hitler, Milosevic and others. Overall, we have fought so that you and I could pursue our dreams, or beliefs, and just live without having

Bush leading the way. It wasn't the most comforting thought to me. Before the war, protesting it made some sense to me. However, now that it has started, my uncertainty no longer remains. Whether or not we like war, we should be supporting our Commander-in-Chief. We should especially be supporting our troops who are there, not just to free the Iraqis, but for us. So that

threat on that freedom, not to mention the horror that he imposes on his own people. This war is an effort to stop that. It is an effort to procure our future and the future of those who come after us.

I know that this column might not change your mind. Many of you are hell-bent on making this war your Vietnam and you'll protest anything to do with it. That's too bad. This war isn't another Vietnam. Much like Vietnam, it has a purpose. If you disagree with it, protesting may get your voice heard and your face seen, but it won't change anything. The war is happening and it won't end until the Iraqis are free and our freedom is secure. If you are that unhappy, don't re-elect the government officials who deemed this war so. But most of all, I want to encourage you to support our soldiers no matter what your view is on this war. Not just because I have a personal vested interest, but because they have chosen to give their lives for you, me, and our country. They don't choose when and where they go to battle, but they did choose to protect us unselfishly so that we can live as we do. That in itself is an amazing decision and our soldiers deserve our respect and our support. I especially encourage you to support our troops, because some of those soldiers are our peers. They are students who have put their dreams on hold to make it possible for us to pursue ours.

So to all the soldiers, including the students who have already deployed and those waiting for the phone to ring to say it is your turn, I salute you. May the freedom we enjoy today, be there tomorrow and forever.



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*"People like Saddam Hussein pose a threat on that freedom... This war is an effort to stop that."*

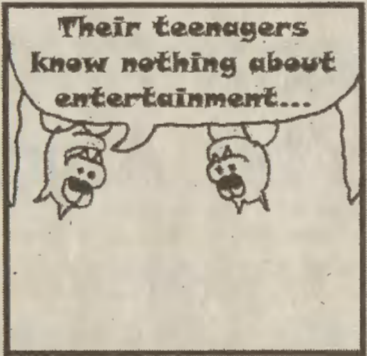
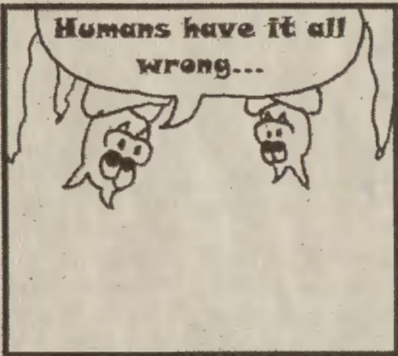
to worry about anything. Men and women who happen to be sons and daughters, husbands and wives, dads and moms not to mention neighbors, co-workers and fellow students, believe that we should be able to live the 'American Dream.' They have agreed to protect that right. If that means war, so be it.

I am not saying that we should go fight a war for just anything, but I am also not saying we shouldn't fight if it is called for. In the beginning I didn't necessarily believe we should be going to war against Iraq. I wasn't sure how I felt about going to war when we didn't have the United Nations backing and

maybe we'll never have to experience another Sept. 11. So maybe we won't have to live in fear about terrorism or any infringement on our freedom.

As Americans, we have come to take so much for granted. We have, in essence, become ungrateful, demanding brats and we like it that way. We like the fact that we can choose what we want to be or where we want to live or what we want to do. We relish the fact that we can choose whether or not to believe in God or how we want to worship. We like and demand the freedoms we are accustomed to. People like Saddam Hussein pose a

## M-T HEADVILLE



## Chris Rogers



## Letters to the Editor

### Sexual assault poster campaign explained

To the editor:

I am writing this letter to clear up some confusion over posters that were put up on campus last week. For the last two years members of the Gender Equality Council have put up posters of sexual assault statistics on campus. This is done to bring attention to the societal problem that is sexual assault in April, which is sexual assault awareness month and victim rights month. One of the posters stated, "When surveyed, fraternity men were much more likely than non-fraternity members to report that they believed that women enjoy physical roughness, secretly desire to be raped and enjoy being forced into sex." Unfortunately, the poster was lacking citation. This statistic can be found in the 1999 "Associations of Rape-Supportive Attitudes with Fraternal and Athletic Participation" by Scot Boeringer. It was printed in "Violence Against Women."

Obviously, fraternities on campus were concerned when they saw this poster. Let me be clear, our goal was to get people's attention; we want people to think about this and other disturbing statistical information concerning sexual assault. We were not stereotyping fraternity men. We simply posted a statistic. It is unfortunate that there is a stereotype that negatively portrays fraternity men because most are not violent, however, the stereotypes that fraternities such as Theta Chi have been fighting against are based on things like this statistic.

We may be fortunate at UW-River Falls. Fraternities such as Theta Chi are trying to improve their image through measures like going dry. This is commendable, especially when you consider that, according to a 2000 study in the Journal of Reproductive Medicine, an "analysis of a sample of urine drug test of sexual assault victims demonstrated that alcohol was present in 63 percent of the victims."

Another concern of the fraternities with regard to the first statistic was, "what about here? What are the

numbers for River Falls? Where is the documentation that this statistic is true here?" Well, we do not have numbers that say there is an epidemic of rape by fraternity men. We do not have statistics that rape occurs at all at UW-RF or in River Falls. That does not mean that rapes are not occurring. Please keep in mind that "only 5 percent of undergraduate women reported their sexual assault to police." (Schwartz, M., Leggett M., Bad Dates or Emotional Trauma-The Aftermath of Campus Sexual Assault. Violence Against Women, 1999).

What we do know is that every year at Take Back the Night women come forward and talk about how last year, last semester, last month they were raped on campus or in the community. We all must understand that there is a stigma about reporting sexual assault. Victims of sexual assault are often afraid they will not be believed, although according to the Department of Justice, only 2 percent of sexual assault reports are false. And, unfortunately, they are potentially blaming themselves because, according to the Schwartz and Leggett article mentioned above, one-fourth of victims do blame themselves. If you're concerned about these statistics in any way they can be found at [www.wcasa.org/pages/camp.html](http://www.wcasa.org/pages/camp.html).

Let me end with this: consider attending Take Back the Night. Our goal for the night is to bring the campus and community together to unite people in efforts to end violence against women and men. Rape is not gender specific and men can unfortunately be victims. Everyone is affected when a rape occurs from the individual to their family to their friends. Take Back the Night is April 24. We start at 5:30 p.m. The highlight of the night will be at 7:15 p.m. when the microphone is left open for members of the audience to share how sexual assault or domestic violence has affected their lives. I hope to see you there.

Theresa Zirbel, student

### Conservative opinions defended; column criticized

To the editor:

Many students and faculty have written articles in the past few issues of the Student Voice labeling Dave Misselt, Jake Duesenberg, the Bush administration and others as racist, bigoted, sexist and uneducated. After reading my response I'm sure they will gladly slander me in the same way. However, the average independent, "mainstream" person needs to understand that these types of criticisms come mostly from people of the so-called "progressive" movement. These groups include liberals, left-wingers, the "greens," socialists, most elected Democrats and some elected Republicans. Although it may seem like these opinions represent some type of majority, this political movement mainly congregates within urban areas, college universities, mass media and government institutions. UW-River Falls is no exception.

Liberalism 101: Divide people into as many "victim" or special interest groups as possible. Pit one group against another using race, sex, religion, ethnicity, occupation, income level, sexual preference, the "environment" or any other issue you can come up with. Claim that you are out to solve all inequalities and right every wrong of history.

Tell people that you will fight for their "rights" and for "justice." Convince people that their current lot in life is due directly to the actions or inactions of someone else and not the result of their own decision making process. Create government programs funded with working people's sweat and labor (taxes) and give special treatment

To the editor:

As I stated last week, I am a strong supporter of the U.S. administration and our troops across seas. Like many other sectors in this great country, both of these groups are diverse. The presidential administration has two major international players that are black; Secretary of State Colin Powell and National Security Advisor Condoleezza Rice. And like the rest of the cabinet, I support and respect these two individuals.

On a larger scale, there are thousands of men and women in uniform that are considered

To the editor:

In response to the story, "Rookie reporter cuts teeth, learns lessons." Reading that was such a big waste of my time I had to say something. Seriously, the headline should read, "Student reporter scared of police"

Honestly, suck it up.

As a police reserve, may I suggest for an educational experience that all of you reporters go

to these selected "victim" and interest groups. Reinforce lack of personal responsibility and sense of accomplishment by making these groups perpetually dependent on taxpayer aid even if the government program doesn't yield the intended results. Advocate that the United States becomes part of various "one world" international government bodies that don't respect the constitutional freedoms that we hold so dear. Condemn any form of violence or war even if it is necessary to protect us or our country from attack. Criticize and demonize anyone who even slightly questions or disagrees with your agenda as racist, sexist, bigoted, hateful, uneducated, anti-environment or a warmonger. Dictate that their opinions should be censored. Feel really good inside (warm fuzzy) for all of the injustices you have fought against with your "well educated" opinions.

Repeat the process again and again.

The truth: America's strength is our united belief in individual freedom, private property, free exchange of goods and services (capitalism), national sovereignty (borders), representative democracy (elections) and the rule of law.

These and other constitutional protections made us the freest and most prosperous country the world has ever seen. It's true that we all come from "diverse" heritage and are a very cosmopolitan nation. But our unity is our strength, not all of our extraneous differences. That's why all of this preaching about "diversity" is so perverse. Who really cares what color you are, which religion you belong to (if any), who you chose to sleep with or how much money you make. Aren't

minorities in the United States. These soldiers, Marines, airmen and seamen have my utmost respect. They dedicate their lives to fighting for our country. There is absolutely no reason to distinguish these people because of race. Latin, Asian, and black soldiers are just as effective and valuable as white soldiers.

When one looks at history, minorities have been fighting in our armed forces since back in the revolutionary days. Although many did not receive the same rights as the rest, they still fought for American democracy. Today, the U.S. military teaches diversity by a color-blind standpoint. In

down to your local police station and request a ride-a-long day. If you are going to take the time to burden officers by trying to gather information while they are involved in a high-risk situation, you'd better at least know how to act and compose yourself in the situation.

Better yet, try riding with the Minneapolis Police Department, might I suggest the 4th precinct during the dogwatch shift. You may not get a gun call like the one you experienced,

we supposed to judge people by the content of their character and not by all of these external characteristics that are promoted so heavily?

Do you believe in the strength and unity of American constitutional ideals? If not, there is an entire "international global community" out there who doesn't either.

Most nations of the world have large and bureaucratic governments that suppress the freedom of their people. Take your pick. Socialism, communism, dictatorships, warlords and monarchies dominate the rest of the globe.

People flock to the United States to avoid this oppression and get their piece of the pie. It's called the American Dream.

That is why it is so important to protect our nation from both international and external threats so we can continue as an example of freedom and prosperity for the rest of the world.

It's time to re-examine what political movement we are each a part of and where it is taking us. The rest of the world has set an example of heavy-handed government regulation, taxation and favoritism based on race, religion and class that our forefathers fought so hard to break away from. America has set a better example. Let's end the jealousy, fear, spite, hate and class warfare and stop pitting one group of Americans against another for political gain. Find a more noble cause.

Jesse Spelbrink, student

the Army, everyone's color is referred to as green. Racism is dealt with on a zero tolerance policy.

I commend the military and other organizations in this country that take color out of the picture. The United States is heading in a positive direction. We are beginning to limit discrimination and put racism aside. The principles that this country was founded on are being practiced by all people. That's why when it comes to supporting the men and women who make this country great, I am colorblind.

Jake A. Duesenberg, student

although that is likely, I am sure there will be at least one call that will scare you poor sensitive reporters.

Know what you are dealing with before you get in the middle of it, because I can assure you that you were at no time placed in a life threatening situation as exclaimed.

Joseph Sikorski, student

Yang

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ed drivers and security as well.

"In the beginning I didn't have a goal to have a book published," Yang said. "I just wanted to do something."

For funding Yang said he asked people and scraped together enough money. He made lectures and sold pictures. After the first trip, film director Oliver Stone heard of Yang's work and contacted him because he needed to film a camp for one of his movies. They went together, and after that Stone funded the project.

There were 120,000 South Sudanese Refugees at the camp as well as the indigenous people Turkanas.

Some of the refugees were referred to as "lost boys." The lost boys were boys between eight and 10 years old who were off guarding the cattle while their villages were attacked. They fled and

took care of each other until they reached northern Kenya and Kakuma.

Originally, the camp was for these boys.

During four years, Yang took five trips to Kakuma to document the refugees.

"I feel a big change when I'm over there, unlike anywhere in the world," Yang said. "I've grown up over there. I feel a little bit more jaded. Now I can look straight to the problem and not get sidetracked by distractions."

He remembers his most challenging picture: A man who had just been shot dying in the street.

"I wasn't sure if it was appropriate, but at the same time I wanted to show all aspects of life for these people living there," Yang said. "So I decided to take the picture."

When he was a senior in high school, he wanted to find a publisher who would accept the story idea of the Kakuma camp. He said he went page by page through the phone book.

Finally, Pangea Publishing out of the Twin Cities agreed to publish his work. But he needed to find someone to write a forward. Yang said he thought of the Dhali Lama, because he himself was formerly a refugee. They sent the idea to him, and the next day the Dhali Lama faxed him

a forward.

But along with the glory came pain.

He remembers playing video games with his friends.

"One of them said that he would hate to be me," Yang explained, "because at 17 I wrote a book and the Dhali Lama wrote the forward for me. He said that things can only go downhill from there."

Yang is now a freshman at the University of Minnesota double majoring in Political Science and American Indian Studies. He often does lectures and shares his experiences with different campuses.

He currently has plans for another book. The next will be about street children of the world and the political leaders in the countries they live in.

"I want to take pictures of the children and interview them, and then interview the government leaders as well and compare them," Yang said.

He is unsure of what he wants to do when he graduates. But he does know that he must feel strongly about whatever it may be.

"I have to feel very passionate about what I am doing," Yang said. "Otherwise it never turns out right."

LDPB

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cuts you could," Nelson said. "It was very peaceful."

The most difficult part of the process is choosing between different programming requests,

Nelson said.

"Every program is so beneficial to students," Nelson said. "But you only have so much money to work with."

Self-injury

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Cutting can end up being one of the most ordered and calm aspects of their lives.

In the midst of chaotic events, cutting was the one peaceful part of her life, Heather said.

"There's so much going on in our lives - it's the only control we have," Kristen said.

The urge to self-injure never really leaves.

"I think it's something that will always be there, but it's something I can control," Heather said. "It's something I don't really want to do anymore."

The last time Heather cut herself, sometime last year, she did not feel the familiar rush.

The rush a cut brings—sometimes from the release of endorphins, other times just the feeling of being in control—is often what keeps people cutting themselves. It is a high of sorts.

"It's exactly like drugs in some ways because it's something you need to do in order to get by after a while," Tina said.

Even the first time they cut themselves, they knew it was not the ideal way to handle their emotions.

Tina admits to feeling ashamed the first time she cut herself, but after a while it seemed more acceptable to her.

"People that do it don't want to do it, they just don't feel like they have a choice," Heather said. "It is so much easier than dealing with the [emotional] pain."

All three have since learned about new ways to cope with their feelings.

The idea is to redirect the desire to self-injure into a more healthy

activity, Link said.

Heather might take a walk, or talk to a friend. She will sometimes smoke, though she is not a smoker, because she feels it is more acceptable to the public as a way to cope.

Tina went through two psychologists, a counselor, and medication before her renewed faith in God helped her resist the urge to cut herself. But she too does not think the urge will ever completely go away.

"It creeps back after a while, because it is really imbedded in you," Tina said.

If Tina makes it through April she will have been clean for a year.

Because self-injurers often go to great lengths to hide their wounds, it may not be immediately apparent to family and friends, but when others find out, it is best to be direct. If the topic is hinted at or avoided, it reaffirms the cutter's belief that it is taboo, something that should be kept hidden, Heather said.

Friends and family need to understand that cutting is a reaction to a deeper emotional or psychological problem that is often not even understood by the self-injurer. The worst thing to do is threaten or yell at a self-injurer, as that will create more stress and will likely lead to another cutting incident. The best way to help is to just be available to listen, Heather said.

Perhaps one of the biggest misconceptions is that self-injurers want to commit suicide. In fact, it might be more of a way to avoid suicide than to commit it. By releasing stress through cutting, the feelings that lead to suicide disappear. It ends up being a way to survive to the next day.

"We're not trying to kill ourselves," Tina said. "We're just doing this because we're stressed and we need some way to deal with it and we're not sure what other way."

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A cutter's story

Mary, a UW-River Falls junior who asked that her real name not be used, first cut herself when she was 15 years old. She wasn't trying to commit suicide; she was just looking for a release. She was a sophomore in high school and classes weren't going well. Cutting was a way for her to express her feelings and frustration.

That first cut came after a breakdown during class. After she got home, she wondered what it would feel like to cut herself. She sharpened a kitchen knife, lifted her shirt up, and slit a cross into her stomach. It was incredibly painful, but the mental pain went away. It felt good, though she felt guilty.

Three years later Mary burned herself with a curling iron. She wanted to know what it would feel like. It didn't hurt physically, but again it took away her emotional pain.

Mary has cut herself many times, always with steak knives, and always in private. She cuts when she feels so overwhelmed she can't handle the pressure anymore. Once she cuts, she can only feel better. Cutting changes her mental state for the better, and cleanses her worries.

It has been a month since she last cut herself. This time, like always, she wore long sleeved shirts and kept her hands in her pockets to hide the wound. She doesn't want to draw attention to herself. After all, she doesn't cut for attention; she cuts as a way to cope with her feelings.

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STUDENT VOICE

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## OPINION



RYAN BRINKS

## Double standard?

Inside the sport of auto racing, particularly NASCAR's Winston Cup, the competition is as equal as you can possibly hope to get it. Already in 2003, a different driver has celebrated in Victory Lane for each of the series' first nine races. NASCAR is pounding on the door of history, seeking a record-tying 10 different winners at the end of next Sunday's (Apr. 27) Auto Club 500 in California.

However, disparity reigns on another front in NASCAR, or at least it appears that way. Fresh off the Virginia 500 at Martinsville, homestate race fans sported a distinctly Southern trademark, the Confederate flag. Now, before we go any farther, I have two questions to pose:

1. Is the Confederate flag still perceived as the symbol it once was or has it evolved into an icon of Southern pride irrespective of slavery? One has to wonder about the prevalence of such a symbol throughout the South if it indeed retains racist potency.

2. Is the Confederate flag tied in some way to the sport of auto racing and is thus appropriate to be flown? After all, NASCAR was born and raised on the very dirt of the deep South.

Whatever the answers may be, it's a reality - but, I might mention, it's one that NASCAR politically does not support.

NASCAR has a ban on the flag for all of its licensed products, a ban that includes cars and drivers' suits. On the other hand, some individual tracks where NASCAR races don't have the ban. Tracks, like fans' freedom of expression, are out of NASCAR's control.

Some would merely look at the composition of auto racing and cry discrimination. For example, ESPN.com reported the Virginia 500 started no women nor blacks. But NASCAR claims it is working toward diversity. While they didn't qualify for last Sunday's Martinsville race, several women have broken onto the scene of Winston Cup or Busch Series racing. And the leading African-American racer competes in the ranks of the Craftsman Truck Series, which stands as a C-squad of sorts in the mainstream stock car racing world.

With due respect for NASCAR, however, opportunity for minorities isn't nearly as accessible as other sports. For one, less than 200 drivers compose those top three tiers of auto racing, where other minority-lacking sports, like hockey, employ participants in the ballpark of 750 for the top-tier talent level alone. And with an investment of double-digit millions in each driver every year, it's hard for anyone to break into a team.

I'd just as soon see the Confederate flag vanish from the auto racing scene, but in order to fully realize what kind of impact

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Sophomore Holly Olson slides into second base at Ramer Field a week ago Thursday as the Falcons suffered two losses to the Blugolds of UW-Eau Claire.

## Falcons slide into WIAC schedule

### Falcons split at UW-Stout Tuesday

#### Sports Information

The Falcons split a WIAC twin bill at UW-Stout Tuesday afternoon.

The Blue Devils won the first game, 2-1, and the Falcons won the second, 3-0.

In the first game, the Falcons scored one run on six hits and made one error. UWS scored two runs on five hits and made no errors. UW-RF scored its run in the sixth and UWS scored both of its runs in the second. In the sixth Abby Keene singled with one out. After another out Keene stole second and scored on a single by Emily Evans. Keene finished 2-3 with the run scored. Anna Poulter, Amanda Moxon and

Tiff Blumer also had hits. Moxon had a double. Amy Brooke took the pitching loss. She went the distance and allowed the two runs, both were unearned. She walked none and struck out three.

In the second game the Falcons had three runs on five hits and they made two errors. UWS had three hits and made no errors. UW-RF scored once in the fifth and twice in the sixth. In the fifth, Moxon doubled with one out. Holly Olson ran for Moxon and advanced to third on an infield out. Meghann Mulligan then singled Olson home. In the sixth, Poulter led off with a triple and Keene followed with another triple that scored Poulter. Brooke then reached on a fielder's choice and then stole second. Keene then scored on a passed ball. Poulter finished 2-4 with a run scored. Keene was 1-4 with a run scored and one

RBI. Devanie Bigalk went the distance on the mound for the Falcons and got the win. She struck out three and didn't walk a batter.

The Falcons are now 12-14 overall and 3-5 in the WIAC.

**FASTPITCH**

**Falcons vs. Superior**

**APRIL 24, 3 P.M.**

The Yellowjackets have just one WIAC win so far this season. UW-RF will attempt to keep it that way.

**RAMER FIELD**

### Falcons initiate conference play with 2-4 record

#### Sports Information

The UW-River Falls softball team had a busy and important week playing its first six WIAC games of the season.

Thursday the Falcons dropped a doubleheader to UW-Eau Claire, 2-0 and 4-1. During the weekend the Falcons played in the first of two WIAC Cluster Tournaments at Stevens Point. The Falcons split in games on Saturday and Sunday.

Saturday the Falcons opened with a 1-0 win over UW-Whitewater, but then lost a 5-3 decision to UW-Platteville. Sunday the Falcons topped UW-Oshkosh, 2-1 in eight innings, but then lost to UW-Stevens Point, 4-3.

Tuesday the Falcons played another WIAC doubleheader at UW-Stout. Thursday the Falcons will face UW-La Crosse at Ramer Field in another WIAC twin bill. The first pitch is set for 4 p.m.

Against Platteville, UW-RF scored three runs on nine hits and made one error. UW-P scored five runs on eight hits and they made two errors. UW-RF scored two runs in the first and one in the fifth. UW-P scored a single run in the first and two in the fourth and fifth innings. Amanda Moxon was 2-4 with one RBI. Anna Poulter and Emily Evans were both 2-4 with one run scored. Each had doubles. Tiff Blumer, Meghann Mulligan and Melissa Turbak also had hits for the Falcons. Leah Vanderploeg took the pitching loss for the Falcons and is now 1-2 this year. She worked 4 1/3 innings and allowed five runs, three were earned. She walked three and struck out four. Katie Larson got the pitching win for UW-P, which is now 15-10 overall and 7-0 in the WIAC.

Against Whitewater, UW-RF

scored its only run in the top of the seventh on four walks. Meghann Mulligan walked with one out. Frances Hilpisch, running for Mulligan, advanced to second when Melissa Turbak grounded out. Emily Rodgers walked and both runners advanced a base on a passed ball. Poulter then walked to load the bases. Abby Keene walked to score Hilpisch with the only run of the game. Poulter went 2-3 at the plate and stole two bases. Mulligan finished 2-2 and Emily Evans was 1-3,



Jens Gunelson / UW-RF Photo Services

Sophomore Tiffany Blumer misplays a hit to left field Apr. 10. The Falcons lost 2-0 and 4-1 to UW-Eau Claire.

with a double. Devanie Bigalk went the distance on the mound to get the win and raise her record to 5-3. She allowed just two singles, one walk and struck out six.

The Falcons opened with a 2-1 win in eight innings over Oshkosh. UW-

fourth. Rodgers was 2-3 at the plate. Poulter was 1-2 with a run scored. Amy Brooke (1-3), Moxon (1-4), Mulligan (1-3) and Turbak (1-3) also had hits. Brooke went the distance on the mound to get the win and raise her record to 5-7. She

## Kennedy, Felling pace outdoor efforts

### Outdoor track and field underway

#### Sports Information

The UW-River Falls men's and women's track and field teams competed at the St. Thomas Invitational Saturday afternoon with several athletes turning in good performances for the first outdoor meet of the season. No team scores were kept.

Two members of the men's team won individual races. Weesayma Kennedy won the 200 meter dash in 21.99 and Jim Felling won the 10,000 meter run in 36:14.68. Eric Nordgren was second in the 10,000 in 37:18.94.

Erik Olson placed third in the discus with a toss of 40.2 meters and he placed seventh in the shot put with a put of 13.72 meters. Andy Poturcha placed seventh in the 110 meter hurdles in 17.97.

For the women, Jill Crandall placed second in the high jump with a leap of 1.65 meters. Katie Mitchell placed fourth in the 100 dash in 12.83 and fourth in the 200 dash in 26.71. Steph Dura placed fourth in the shot put with a put of 11.68 meters, fourth in the javelin with a toss of 30.26 meters and sixth in the discus with a 36.11 meter effort. Jen Leis placed second in the hammer throw with a toss of 45.77, fifth in the discus with a toss of 37.28 meters and sixth in the shot put with an effort of 11.52 meters.

Sunday Sarah Thull and B.J. Poore competed in the St. John's Decathlon/Heptathlon meet. Thull placed ninth with 2,391 points and Poore placed 11th with 2,470 points.

Saturday the Falcon women's team will compete at St. Olaf while the Falcon men will compete at Carleton. Action starts at 11 a.m.

allowed one unearned run. She walked two and struck out five.

In the loss to UW-SP, the Pointers scored four runs on five hits and made one error. UW-RF scored three runs on five hits and made two errors. UW-SP scored twice in the first and sixth innings. UW-RF scored all three of its runs in the first. Keene was 2-3, including a triple. Poulter was 1-3 with a run scored. Evans and Blumer also had hits and Mulligan had one RBI. Bigalk took the pitching loss to lower her record at 5-4. She went the distance and allowed the four runs, none were earned. She struck out four and did not walk a batter.

In the first game against UW-EC, The Blugolds had two runs on six hits and made one error. UW-RF was scoreless on three hits and committed no errors. UW-EC scored both of its runs in the third inning when Jannah Grinnell hit a two-run homer over the left-center field fence. Brooke took the pitching loss working all seven innings. She walked two and struck out eight. UW-EC's Kim Czaplga got the win. She also went the distance and allowed no walks. She struck out five. Keene went 2-3 at the plate with two doubles. Moxon had the other UW-RF hit.

In the second game UW-EC scored four runs on eight hits and they made one error. UW-RF scored one run on five hits and they made two errors. UW-EC scored single runs in the first and fifth innings and two in the fourth. UW-RF scored in the fourth. With two outs, Moxon doubled to right and she later scored on an error. Bigalk worked 6 1/3 innings and allowed eight hits. She allowed four runs, two were earned. She walked one. Vanderploeg worked the final two outs and didn't allow a base runner. Andrea Neuville went the distance and got the win for UW-EC. She allowed the one unearned run. She walked one and struck out four.

## OPINION



DAN SCHULTZ

## Let's celebrate

"You just won the national championship. What are you going to do now?"

"I am going to burn down Disney World."

That should be the new slogan after teams win their respective championships. As usual, Minnesotans didn't want to be left out of the fun. After the University of Minnesota men's hockey team won the national championship for the second consecutive year, drunkards thought it would be a great idea to start burning down Minneapolis, starting with "Dinkytown" near campus.

For some odd-reason the fans of the teams that win, not lose, burn down their towns in celebration of the win. Los Angeles has gone through this for the past three years with the Los Angeles Lakers winning the NBA title. The riots ensued last year despite the fact that you would assume people would learn from the massive destruction and harm on the local economy as, this act continues to wreak havoc upon the community.

The only part I enjoy is watching the footage of the riots taking place. I mean, come on, who doesn't like seeing the lower half of the gene pool attempting to jump through flames of massive bon fires? Why stop them? This is natural selection at work."

Finally, I liked seeing the new reporters KARE-11 had on the scene. One was positioned near a burning dumpster getting his camera man nearly into the burning inferno despite the pleas of bystanders. The other was having more problems dealing with the apparent alcohol-induced horny college students making gestures behind the female journalist, all but humping her. WCCO didn't do much better, putting a reporter miles away from the action. I don't want the reporter in the flames but if you are going to have a "stand-up" at the scene at least have something to look at in the shot, not just the dark of night.

There is an old tale of a cow burning down the great city of Chicago. The tale states that Mrs. O'Leary's cow accidentally knocked over a kerosene lamp thus leading to the great fire. Now I beg to differ on the truth to that tale. I would propose the cause of the fire was actually due to a local

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| SCOREBOARD                                                                                                                 |     |   |   |     |    |   |  |  |  |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|---|---|-----|----|---|--|--|--|
| Fastpitch Softball                                                                                                         |     |   |   |     |    |   |  |  |  |
| WIAC Standings (W-L)                                                                                                       |     |   |   |     |    |   |  |  |  |
| Platteville (17-12)                                                                                                        | 9   | 0 |   |     |    |   |  |  |  |
| La Crosse (17-6)                                                                                                           | 6   | 2 |   |     |    |   |  |  |  |
| Eau Claire (12-16)                                                                                                         | 6   | 4 |   |     |    |   |  |  |  |
| Stevens Point (17-10)                                                                                                      | 6   | 5 |   |     |    |   |  |  |  |
| Stout (12-13)                                                                                                              | 3   | 5 |   |     |    |   |  |  |  |
| River Falls (12-14)                                                                                                        | 3   | 5 |   |     |    |   |  |  |  |
| Oshkosh (5-16)                                                                                                             | 3   | 6 |   |     |    |   |  |  |  |
| Superior (7-9)                                                                                                             | 1   | 5 |   |     |    |   |  |  |  |
| Whitewater (10-9-1)                                                                                                        | 1   | 6 |   |     |    |   |  |  |  |
| Win - Guckenberger (9-4)<br>Loss - Bigalk (5-4)                                                                            |     |   |   |     |    |   |  |  |  |
| Player                                                                                                                     | AB  | R | H | RBI | BB | K |  |  |  |
| Poulter c                                                                                                                  | 3   | 1 | 1 | 0   | 0  | 0 |  |  |  |
| Keene cf                                                                                                                   | 3   | 1 | 2 | 0   | 0  | 1 |  |  |  |
| Brooke dh/p                                                                                                                | 3   | 0 | 0 | 0   | 0  | 1 |  |  |  |
| Evans 3b                                                                                                                   | 3   | 0 | 1 | 1   | 0  | 0 |  |  |  |
| Olson pr                                                                                                                   | 0   | 0 | 0 | 0   | 0  | 0 |  |  |  |
| Moxon ss                                                                                                                   | 3   | 0 | 1 | 0   | 0  | 0 |  |  |  |
| Blumer lf                                                                                                                  | 2   | 0 | 1 | 0   | 0  | 0 |  |  |  |
| Mulligan 1b                                                                                                                | 3   | 0 | 0 | 0   | 0  | 0 |  |  |  |
| Turbak 2b                                                                                                                  | 2   | 0 | 0 | 0   | 0  | 0 |  |  |  |
| Rodgers rf                                                                                                                 | 2   | 0 | 0 | 0   | 0  | 0 |  |  |  |
| Bigalk p                                                                                                                   | 0   | 0 | 0 | 0   | 0  | 0 |  |  |  |
| Totals                                                                                                                     | 24  | 1 | 6 | 1   | 0  | 2 |  |  |  |
| Pitching                                                                                                                   | IP  | H | R | ER  | BB | K |  |  |  |
| Bigalk                                                                                                                     | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0   | 0  | 0 |  |  |  |
| Brooke                                                                                                                     | 6.0 | 5 | 2 | 0   | 0  | 3 |  |  |  |
| April 15<br>Stout 000 012 0 - 3 5 2<br>River Falls 000 000 0 - 0 3 0<br>Win - Bigalk (6-4)<br>Loss - Kraft (3-9)           |     |   |   |     |    |   |  |  |  |
| Player                                                                                                                     | AB  | R | H | RBI | BB | K |  |  |  |
| Poulter c                                                                                                                  | 4   | 1 | 2 | 0   | 0  | 0 |  |  |  |
| Keene cf                                                                                                                   | 4   | 1 | 1 | 1   | 0  | 0 |  |  |  |
| Brooke dh                                                                                                                  | 3   | 0 | 0 | 0   | 0  | 0 |  |  |  |
| Evans 3b                                                                                                                   | 3   | 0 | 0 | 0   | 0  | 2 |  |  |  |
| Moxon ss                                                                                                                   | 2   | 0 | 1 | 0   | 1  | 0 |  |  |  |
| Olson pr                                                                                                                   | 0   | 1 | 0 | 0   | 0  | 0 |  |  |  |
| Blumer lf                                                                                                                  | 3   | 0 | 0 | 0   | 0  | 0 |  |  |  |
| Mulligan 1b                                                                                                                | 2   | 0 | 1 | 1   | 1  | 0 |  |  |  |
| Turbak 2b                                                                                                                  | 3   | 0 | 0 | 0   | 0  | 0 |  |  |  |
| Rodgers rf                                                                                                                 | 3   | 0 | 0 | 0   | 1  | 1 |  |  |  |
| Bigalk p                                                                                                                   | 0   | 0 | 0 | 0   | 0  | 0 |  |  |  |
| Totals                                                                                                                     | 27  | 3 | 5 | 2   | 2  | 3 |  |  |  |
| Pitching                                                                                                                   | IP  | H | R | ER  | BB | K |  |  |  |
| Bigalk                                                                                                                     | 7.0 | 3 | 0 | 0   | 0  | 3 |  |  |  |
| April 13<br>Stevens Point 200 002 0 - 4 5 1<br>River Falls 300 000 0 - 3 5 3                                               |     |   |   |     |    |   |  |  |  |
| Player                                                                                                                     | AB  | R | H | RBI | BB | K |  |  |  |
| Poulter c                                                                                                                  | 2   | 1 | 1 | 0   | 1  | 0 |  |  |  |
| Keene cf                                                                                                                   | 1   | 0 | 0 | 0   | 0  | 0 |  |  |  |
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| Player                                                                                                                     | AB  | R | H | RBI | BB | K |  |  |  |
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| Brooke dh/p                                                                                                                | 4   | 1 | 0 | 0   | 0  | 1 |  |  |  |
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| Win - Brooke (5-7)<br>Loss - Jakoubek (2-3)                                                                                |     |   |   |     |    |   |  |  |  |
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| April 10<br>Eau Claire 100 210 0 - 4 8 1<br>River Falls 000 100 0 - 1 5 2<br>Win - Neuville (2-5)<br>Loss - Bigalk (4-3)   |     |   |   |     |    |   |  |  |  |
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| Keene cf                                                                                                                   | 3   | 0 | 2 | 0   | 0  | 1 |  |  |  |
| Bigalk p                                                                                                                   | 0   | 0 | 0 | 0   | 0  | 0 |  |  |  |
| Vanderploeg p                                                                                                              | 0   | 0 | 0 | 0   | 0  | 0 |  |  |  |
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| Player                                                                                                                     | AB  | R | H | RBI | BB | K |  |  |  |
| Poulter c                                                                                                                  | 2   | 0 | 0 | 0   | 0  | 0 |  |  |  |

| FALCON SPORTS CALENDAR |         |                                      |         |         |          |         |                    |
|------------------------|---------|--------------------------------------|---------|---------|----------|---------|--------------------|
| April 18-24 2003       | Fri. 18 | Sat. 19                              | Sun. 20 | Mon. 21 | Tues. 22 | Wed. 23 | Thurs. 24          |
| Track & Field          |         | Women at St. Olaf<br>Men at Carleton |         |         |          |         |                    |
| Women's Fastpitch      |         |                                      |         |         |          |         | vs Superior 4 p.m. |

### FALCON ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

Jill Crandall

Women's Track & Field

(Fr., Roseville, Minn.)

Crandall provisionally qualified for the NCAA Div. III Meet in the high jump at the St. Thomas Invitational Saturday. She jumped 5-5 and placed second overall.



Jill Crandall

Jim Felling

Men's Track & Field

(Sr., Albany, Minn.)

Felling had a strong race in the 10,000-meter run at the St. Thomas Invitational Saturday. He placed first in a time of 36:14.68.



Jim Felling

### Schultz

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sports team winning its championship game and celebrating by setting buildings on fire. There is also the thought with conservationists that fire is good for farm and prairie fields. The fire brings a rebirth to the soil and area. Well, maybe that has something to do with the college idiots who tried burning down Hollywood Video possibly in hopes that a Blockbuster would crop up there during the summer.

My final tip for you college students is this, if you have a junk car or one that is reimbursed with your full-coverage insurance for attempted car-jacking or violence you'll be able to buy a new car. Just leave your car by the nearest sporting venue in which will win a championship and it is bound to be set a blaze or tipped over in fits of rage...I mean celebration. That's my take. I am out.

Dan Schultz is a senior majoring in journalism

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### Brinks

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that would have, I'd need to brush up on my Southern culture.

Give it some thought, and let me know what you think. In the meantime, enjoy the long week-end. At least NASCAR has some priorities straight. They take a break from action to celebrate the meaning behind Easter.

Ryan Brinks is a senior majoring in journalism

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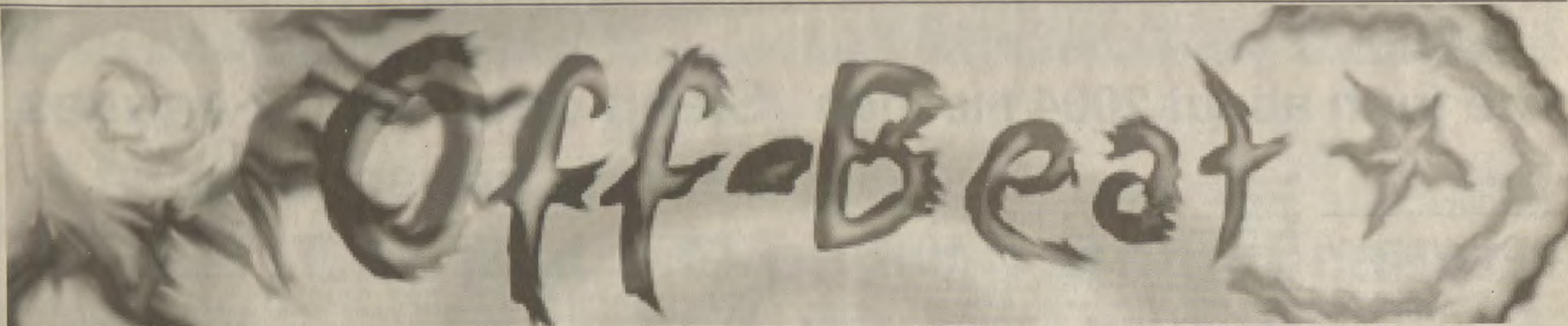
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MOVIE CRITIC

# Nolte unintentionally plays junkie in haphazard ‘Thief’

Chris Anderson  
Movie Critic

Not wanting to see overpaid man-child from years when Saturday Night Live wasn't funny teen male box office draw (notice I didn't say actor) Adam Sandler this week-end I went to the Lagoon Cinema and watched "The Good Thief."

"Thief" is directed by Neil Jordan, one of the best, or at least better, directors to show up in recent years with the film "The Crying Game" under his belt.

Unfortunately, it looks like Jordan is starting to sell out. The whole film is part of that growing and disturbing trend of independent films quickly becoming clones of their Hollywood counterparts (incidentally, thanks to corporate identification that proceeds this, like every other movie, Fox News Corp. owns the film).

For starters we have the well-known celebrity in the lead role, played by Nick Nolte.

Nolte plays a person who is a down-on-his luck junkie and gambler after many arrests and convictions.

"Thief" was finished before Nolte became the running joke on the "Tonight Show," and it is often painfully obvious that he had a problem with chemical substances during the making of the film (making you wonder if the screenwriters and/or Jordan quickly adapted the aging junkie aspect of Nolte's character, a French-American living in Europe named Bob Montagnet, to fit the actor's on camera incidents.)

Nolte is often so high and/or drunk throughout the movie he can barely say an



audible or coherent sentence. After Montagnet's friends in crime talk him into committing a grand heist at Monte Carlo, he goes cold turkey by handcuffing himself to the bed and throwing up for four days (if art reflects life you wonder why Nolte didn't ever try this himself) and for the rest of the movie he's either in withdrawal or clean, but he still talks and acts totally spaced out.

I'm sure several people involved with the making of "Thief" tried to send Nolte to therapy. Some others maybe even called for another actor, but this would be an expensive waste of film with Nolte's scenes on the cutting room floor and Nolte would get paid anyway for showing up and probably spend the money on drugs, but in this day and age it is pretty common to let celebrities do and get whatever they want.

*"Nolte is often so high and/or drunk throughout the movie he can barely say an audible or coherent sentence."*

If they do anything selfish, suspect, antisocial, or criminal we should follow Dr. Spock's advice for children with the same problems and look the other way. So it was probably a little more important that the people making the movie kept Nolte feeling happy, important and liking them.

It's bad enough that "Good Thief" cast a celebrity, let alone a celebrity with a drug problem those involved with the film were more or less ignoring, but then there's also a dopey romantic subplot involving a prostitute named Anne (Nutsa Kukhianidze) whom Montagnet falls in love with (even

though he's about twice her age) thankfully there are no nude bed scenes, but they do end up together in the end.

Like all prostitutes, Anne has a perfect hour-glass figure and an angelic face with plush lips and no wrinkles almost as if she was on botox. She is very good friends with her pimp, and can charm any potential Johns, whilst having very controlled substance use.

For some strange reason Hollywood, and now apparently independent films as well, never seem to realize that in the real world prostitutes are usually heavy drug addicts who are frequently beaten severely by pimps and Johns. Add to this what it would do to someone's body to have sex and sodomy one-hundred times seven nights a week, and it becomes a miracle that someone in the business would always remain a male standard of unattainable physical beauty.

The best actor in the film, and today in general, is Ralph Fiennes. Fiennes plays Tony Angel, the police official who always ends up arresting Montagnet and is quite sure something big is going down but can't quite figure out what and can't make any arrests until it happens.

Most of the good scenes in "Thief" occur when Angel haphazardly tries to follow Montagnet around, who in turn distracts him from the really significant events going on in the heist planning.

The only other good scenes occur with the supporting cast of oddball heisters such as two twins never seen together causing confusion and a former male terrified of spiders since his sex change.

"The Good Thief" could be considered the art house equivalent to "Ocean's Eleven." Though blatantly relying on celebrity drawing power, the latter movie was a little zip-pier with dialogue and direction than this



Courtesy Fox Searchlight Pictures  
Nutsa Kukhianidze stars as Nick Nolte's love interest in "The Good Thief."

(then Julia Roberts on an obvious overdose of botox showed up for romance and messed it all up.)

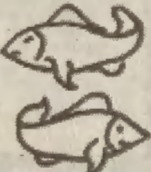
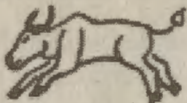
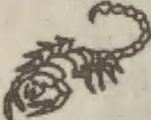
However, Jordan is a better director than Sodenbergh, so I hope he stops directing largely commercial material like "Thief" and goes back to the movies he used to make, and soon.

'The Good Thief'

Starring: Nick Nolte, Tchecky Karyo, Nutsa Kukhianidze

Rated: "R"

Rating: ☆☆

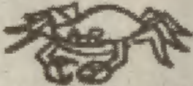


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by Katey  
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Horoscopes

By Staff Psychic Craig Corsten

Who got his groove back, but differently from Stella



AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)

I would eat General Tso's chicken every day if I had the chance. It's really tasty, a little bit spicy and is made from chicken so you know its got to be good for you. Take it from me, your life will start looking up if you eat more General Tso's Chicken.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)

You have a coat rack, but instead of hanging it up on the wall, you have it just kind of standing upright on the floor. When it is placed as so, you cannot hang coats on it. Try to hang it up on the wall, you'll find it's more effective that way.

ARIES (March 21-April 20)

You got to third level in Donkey Kong on your Atari 2600? That's great, nobody cares.

TAURUS (April 21-May 21)

You need to reconsider your liberal use of tabasco sauce. Not only does your breath constantly reek of a mix of vinegar and peppers but your teeth are turning this red color where it looks like your mouth is constantly bleeding. The bleeding mouth look is an instant turn off to the opposite sex.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)

You're wondering what happened to your coffee mug that has a picture of former Chancellor Thibodeau with a milk mustache. Wonder no longer. It's at the Student Voice office and I've been drinking tea out of it. It's turning brown, but I'm pretty sure I can get the stain out with some dish soap and elbow grease.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)

Just because you have extended experience with different types of soil doesn't mean that any of your friends give a damn about what kind of soil is best for growing turnips in. The above statement pretty much applies to all fruits and vegetables.



LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)

When your professor told you that you were starting to look like a goat, you laughed it off as some sort of joke. Indeed, it was quite funny. Funny because your professor was telling the brutal truth. Go see a barber this week.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept 23)

Your Myron Floren tribute album isn't 'moving as many units' as you thought it would. It's all good, you just gotta promote it more. Consider taking out ad time directly before or after "Lawrence Welk," Saturday nights on PBS. Even better, buy an ad from the Student Voice. Shameless plug.

LIBRA (Sep. 23-Oct. 23)

I know I've said this several times before, but handicapped parking spaces are for people with physical handicaps. If you have a physical handicap, then by all means. If you don't, well, karma is a real pain in the ass.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)

Your addiction to the Touch Tones on KDWB is troubling to your co-workers. I know KDWB was nice enough to set you up with backstage passes to Ja Rule, but if you weren't so worried about the touch tones you might produce some quality work for once.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)

I like corn on the cob too. But sitting out in Farmer Bob's field and 'fertilizing' it in April isn't going to make the corn come up any faster. It's probably just going to get you shot, because Farmer Bob likes to shoot people who trespass on his land.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 20)

If a place says that they close at 11 p.m., that means that they don't close at 11:05 or 11:04 or 11:03 or 11:02 or even 11:01. It means that they close at 11. Maybe even earlier than that. Please try to obey this simple rule. You'll find the people at McDonald's spit in your food a lot less if you don't keep them open later then they're supposed to.

The Student Voice is accepting applications for next semester for columnists, proofreaders and page editors. Stop by 304 North Hall for an application.

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## OPINION

# The truth about 2004 election Sleep deprivation causes serious consequences

**Craig Corsten**  
Offbeat Editor

It may be 19 months away, but before we know it the 2004 presidential election will be upon us. I know you're very excited about this, so I'll wait while you calm down...OK then. I've taken it



upon myself to help you become an informed voter. We're going to take a look at the many, many people who have declared they intend to seek the democratic nomination in the 2004 election. Hopefully I can help you sort through all the B.S. because there sure is a lot of it. I figure we'll start with the front-runners and work our way down.

## John Kerry

John Kerry is a senator from Massachusetts. As if that weren't thrilling enough, he's a decorated Vietnam vet with all sorts of medals. Like most people from Massachusetts he's a little bit on the shady side. He voted for the war on Iraq and now he attacks Bush on it. He seems to change his mind on his ancestry on a daily occasion. One day he's Irish, the next he's Jewish. Did I mention he's from

Massachusetts? People sometimes compare him to Kennedy, which is a good thing and a bad thing all at once. He's kind of ugly and lacks Kennedy's charisma, but he speaks his ever-shifting mind. Also a catholic, like Kennedy, but in no way an acolyte for the Pope. Relatively good guy in my book.

a product of a working-class family who went onto law school and made his millions as prosecutor taking on big business.

## Howard Dean

A real live doctor for starters. Dean is the Governor of Vermont (or as I like to call it "the 'other' Wisconsin") and the big liberal of the bunch. Making a big move in the polls due to him being the only major candidate who never backed the war in Iraq at any point. Deflects accusations of his being liberal by pointing to his record in Vermont, where they have a balanced budget, a surplus, low crime and top education. Hmmm. Not making an endorsement here.

## Dick Gephardt

Representative from Missouri is a former House Minority Leader. Has run for President several times now, but that doesn't seem to stop him from running again. Perseverance is a good thing. Kind of old and funny looking and just doesn't seem to have that "it" factor going for him.

## The Rev. Al Sharpton

Um, yeah. What can I say? Noted civil rights leader, who I would assume is only running to get his message out, since he knows he hasn't a chance. Appeared in the Adam Sandler film, "Mr. Deeds."

There are some other people running for the democratic nomination but I've hit the senior slide and don't really want to write about a bunch of people I know nothing about. That would require extra research. Ick. The field is wide open right now, so it you're a democrat you have lots of research to do if you want to make an informed vote in 2004. If you're a republican, I'd encourage you to do some research too. Your candidate in 2004 is shadier than all of these people combined.

## Joe Liberman

Try Bush Light. Connecticut's very own senator. Pretty much a republican, but he claims he's a democrat because New Englanders love democrats. His Jewish faith also raises a considerable hurdle for him, since somewhere along the way someone decided Senator is as high in government a Jewish man can go.

## John Edwards

Young senator from North Carolina who is said to have "boyish-good looks," much like me. He proved himself to be inept last winter when he made an appearance on Meet the Press, and looked like a total idiot, but nonetheless he is the leading fund-raiser so far among the candidates. Big-time supporter of the war in Iraq. Is a self-made man,

## Jen Cullen

Editor-in-Chief

When I look back on all the sophomore things I have done in my life, I would like to think sleep deprivation had a lot to do with them.

Accidentally getting washed in a car wash and thinking that the whole friends with benefits thing was a good idea...yeah, those were definitely because I was tired.

Attention college students: blame everything on lack of sleep.

Getting washed in the car wash wasn't really something that I am too ashamed of or something that can't be explained by anything more than my own stupidity. But, luckily for me, lack of sleep is always something I can fall back on when need be. After all, from what I have heard you are legally insane after not sleeping for three days. That explains a lot.

During our brief stint of warm weather this week, while driving around in a sleepless daze, I decid-

ed it was time to wash the salt off my car. I pulled up to the Shell station by Shopko and got in line behind a huge conversion van. I was hypnotized by the giant brushes, my cigarette and the warm breeze blowing through my open window; so hypnotized I rolled into the wash with the window down. Those cute swirling giant orange brushes aren't so cute when they smack you in the face. It was then, and only then, that I realized my window was down. No lie.

The second sophomore absurdity upon which a lot of my college career revolves is friends with benefits. Let's get serious about this little ditty. If you like someone enough to continuously reap the "benefits" of the benefits, then why not date the person?

The answer is simple: If you're not tied down to one "benefit" there's always the option of exploring other benefits. If you know what I'm saying.

But after a while the term "friends with benefits" basically renders itself useless because you're really

not friends anymore. Either something horrible happened and you hate each other or you're dating.

However, if you are mature enough and close enough to handle the benefits the way they were meant to be, you can end up with a much more open and close relationship. Not to mention some good memories and some awesome inside jokes.

Which brings me back to lack of sleep. The only reason people benefit from their friends is because they are really tired and don't know any better, really intoxicated and don't know any better or really lonely and know better, but just don't care. Let's face it, nothing is better when you are tired, drunk and lonely than a foot massage and a kiss.

But in the end, labels like friends with benefits have no point. Instead of trying to put a label on things why not just call it like it is. Use the other person when you need to; keep it a secret, make sure you shut the door and remember that temporary band-aids are your friend.

## Confusing talent



Maisha Downey / Student Voice

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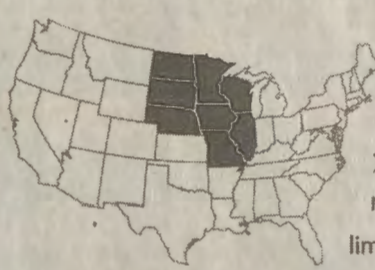
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