

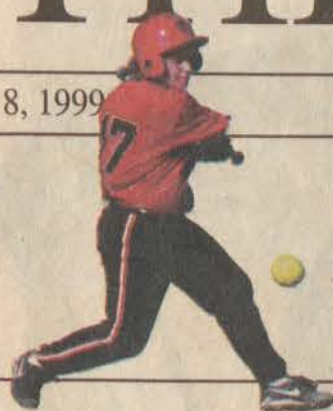
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Showers and cool with a high near 50 and lows in the high 30s

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Saturday: A chance of rain or snow with temperatures in the low 40s

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For complete weather coverage, turn to the weather section on page A10.

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Former professor passes away at age 91

Historian, storyteller wrote about local history

Max Date
Assistant News Editor

Walker D. Wyman, a well-known and admired historian, storyteller and professor on the UW-River Falls campus, died in Green Valley, Arizona last week. Wyman was 91.

Many who knew Wyman during his 41 years as a UW-RF professor remembered him as a person who, despite all of his literary accolades, was always concerned with others ahead of himself.

"(Walker) was always interested in 'you'," said journalism department chair Mike Norman. "He was a genuinely modest person...he always tended to downplay his own achievements."

Wyman had 23 books published during his lifetime, including "Frontier Women" and "Wisconsin Folklore." Wyman's most recent book, "Great Legends and Stories of Mid-America," was published

shortly before his death. Wyman's work focused on the folklore associated with the hunters, fishermen, frontiersmen and women of the Upper Midwest.

In 1979, Wisconsin Governor Lee Dreyfus named Wyman Wisconsin's first "Honorary Folklorist." Norman said that Wyman's success as a writer was due in part to his stories of ordinary people.

"To a large extent, everyone can relate to the stories he told," Norman said. "He was a great speaker and storyteller...he loved to sit around and spin tales."

The UW-RF University Press, which Wyman founded, still receives thousands of requests for his books, especially "Frontier Women," which remains one of his most popular books. Wyman's books were somewhat of a family affair: many of them were illustrated by his wife Helen.

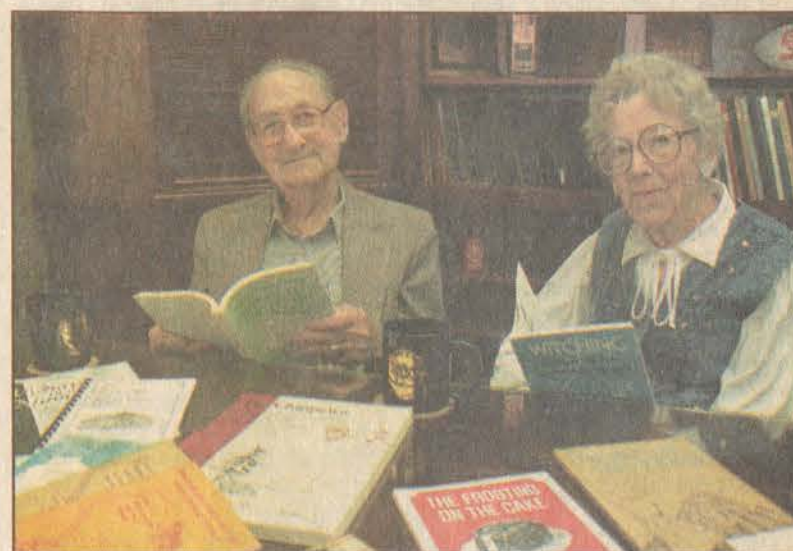
But Wyman's campus contribu-

tions spanned much further than just the literary world. He was also very active politically, including a prominent role in the Pierce County Democratic Party. Former Political Science Chair Ray Anderson remembered Wyman's concern with freedom of speech during McCarthyism, as well as his concern for the less-fortunate of society.

"He was scared of McCarthyism undermining the First Amendment," Anderson said. "(Walker) was a liberal Democrat...he thought that government should be judged by what it does for the least fortunate. He believed that the homeless, poor and unemployed were the people who needed help."

Wyman's fascination with folklore and local history rubbed off on the people that he came in contact with. Tim Ericson, a UW-RF History graduate, said that spending

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Courtesy of UW-RF Photo Services

Walker Wyman and his wife Helen relax with some good books. More than 20 of Wyman's books have been published during his lifetime, a life dedicated to telling stories, writing about the people of the Upper Midwest and always thinking about others ahead of himself.

Painting a future with Habitat



Submitted Photo

Rachel Day (right) and Kirsten Swenson paint a Habitat for Humanity house they helped to build in South Carolina during spring break. UW-River Falls students traveled to North Carolina, South Carolina and Pennsylvania to work on Habitat projects. For students' experiences on the ventures, see page A6.

University preps to trap millennium bug

IT Services says campus network is almost ready for the year 2000

Jessie Sampair
Staff Writer

Students crossing their fingers in hopes that the millennium bug will erase their tuition balance may be disappointed, but the rest of campus may be relieved to know that the potential Y2K problems at UW-RF are for the most part, under control.

"Generally, I'm comfortable with the status the campus is in," said Gary Smith, Director of Information Technology Services.

He said the University has been working on the Y2K problem for almost a decade.

"We should be well prepared," Smith said.

The Y2K bug is essentially a

programming oversight in which many computer-chip controlled technologies misread the year 2000 as 1900 resulting in a wide range of potential problems. Problems can occur in everything from coffee makers to banking systems.

IT Services Associate Director John Nierengarten said the University's mainframe computer, which stores student records among other things, should be problem free by Jan. 1.

Nierengarten and Smith both said the biggest threat to the campus and the city is from external sources such as utility companies who may not have fixed their Y2K problems.

Neither St. Croix Natural Gas Company or River Falls Public Works and Utilities could be reached for comment, but Smith said the utility companies have assured him their problems are in

See "Y2K" on page A3

Lawsuit highlights importance of UW-RF background checks

Suit settled out of court

Jenny Murphy
Assistant Editor

A malpractice lawsuit that was filed against a former UW-River Falls psychologist was settled out of court this week.

The lawsuit was brought against Karen Burgoyne, Ph.D., in 1997 by three former students who stated they were falsely led to believe they were victims of sexual abuse while being counseled by Burgoyne, according to court records.

Records state that Carmen A. Burgess of Roger, Minn., Jennifer R. Rockhill of St. Paul, Minn., and Amy L. Sholund of Cambridge, Minn. were treated by Burgoyne at the University Counseling Center between October, 1993 and January, 1996. Burgoyne also has a private practice in River Falls at the River Valley Psychological Services, 117 E. Pine Street.

A jury trial was set to begin at the Pierce County Courthouse in Ellsworth on Monday, April 5. However, the lawsuit was settled with prejudice and signed by Judge Robert Wing on that date, according to court records. The settlement amount is unknown.

UW System schools vary on employee reference check policies

Dan Hilsen
Viewpoints Editor

A malpractice lawsuit filed almost two years ago by three former UW-River Falls students was settled on April 5 at the Pierce County Courthouse in Ellsworth.

This case, against a former University psychologist who was accused in the lawsuit of inserting repressed memories into the former students' heads, has brought to the forefront the value of quality search and screen committees and reference background checks in the hiring process for University positions.

In the Feb. 11 issue of The Student Voice, the front page article on the lawsuit contained a statement on background checks by Dr. Dan Ficek, who is a school psychologist.

The article said "Dr. Dan Ficek... said no background checks are done for psychologists before they are hired at the University. Ficek said the University reviews employee credentials but doesn't

further investigate potential faculty and staff members."

UW-RF Dean of Students Roger Ballou clarifies this statement about the University's hiring procedure by saying "anybody we would hire... we would want transcripts for starters, an employment history which would all have to be verified, letters of reference although the employee chooses who those come from."

Transcripts are important because the University can then verify if in fact the applicant has the degree they claim to have.

Once the search and screen committee has identified candidates who have potential for the job the committee asks the candidates for letters of reference. When the committee receives those reference letters they perform reference background checks.

Letters of reference are important in the hiring process. But, as UW-Madison Director of Counseling Consultation Services Bob McGrath points out reference letters are easy to come by.

"People with questionable backgrounds usually can get two or three people to give them good credentials," McGrath said.

UW-Whitewater University Health and Counseling Services Associate Director Dr. Richard Schlafer has the same line of think-

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In-your-face anecdotes



Heidi Simes / The Student Voice

Edgar Davis told a story of his experiences as a school teacher in Japan on Wednesday night at Brandy's. He gave to a meager crowd of UW-RF students a performance to think about for hours, even days later. His story made the crowd laugh out loud, and in the same sentence, feel remorse. Echoes of his powerful voice boomed down the halls. Every eye focused on him the entire hour and ten minutes he entertained. His stories moved rapidly from teaching, to sleeping near Buddha altars, to dancing with an erection with a young girl at a nightclub. Davis is a globally-unified speaker.

BRIEFS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

STUDENT READING in the library breezeway on Friday, April 16 at 3:30 p.m. Five scheduled writers will read poetry and prose. This will be the last student reading for the semester. For more information, contact Kate Phernetton at 426-0325 or Jenny Brantley at jennifer.s.brantley@uwrf.edu.

UWRF DANCE THEATRE will present its annual Spring Concert April 14 through April 17 at 8:00 p.m. in the Davis Theatre on the UW-RF campus. The concert is under the technical direction and lighting design of Mr. Troy Dixon. Tickets are \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for children and students. Tickets will be available from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. beginning Monday, April 12, running through Friday, April 16, as well as each performance evening from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. For more information, call 425-3131.

GRADUATING SENIORS/EXIT COUNSELING federal regulations require all graduating seniors and transfer students who have had school loans at UW-RF attend an Exit Counseling Session. This session provides students with information needed in order to repay student loans. The sessions will be held in the President's Room of the Student Center at the following times: Friday, May 7 from 1:00-2:00 p.m.; Monday, May 10 from 10:00-11:00 a.m.; Thursday, May 13 from 2:00-3:00 p.m. Students are required to attend only ONE of these sessions. Anyone unable to attend is asked to contact the Office of Financial Assistance to make alternative arrangements.

GUADALAJARA EXCHANGE PROGRAM spend a summer or a semester in Guadalajara, Mexico! Guadalajara Exchange Program applications are available at the Office of International Programs, 104 North Hall, for both Summer 1999, Fall 1999 and Spring 2000. Some knowledge of Spanish is required. Deadline for Summer and Fall 1999 is April 15. Deadline for Spring 2000 is October 1.

ST. MARTIN'S COLLEGE EXCHANGE-LANCASTER, ENGLAND offered Fall '99 or Spring 2000 in St. Martin's College-Lancaster, England. Applications for this program are due April 19. Contact the Office of International Programs in 104 North Hall for information and application materials or call (715) 425-4891.

DISCONTINUED TEXTBOOK SALE at Textbook Services from now until finals week. Textbooks are available in all subject areas at prices ranging from 25 cents to several dollars per copy.

RIVER FALLS CAMPUS AND COMMUNITY CLEANUP, an all-day volunteer-a-thon, will be held on April 24. It promises to be a rewarding day filled with fun and friends. Register NOW! Material available at the Information Desk in the Student Center.

SCHOLARSHIPS

THERE ARE MORE SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE. PLEASE SEE THE OFFICE OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE, 122 SOUTH HALL.

SCHOLARSHIP FOR THERAPIST PROGRAM, sponsored by the American Business Club. Deadline for application is April 15, 1999. Applicant must be a Junior, Senior, or graduate student majoring in physical, occupational or speech & hearing therapy. Apply online at www.ambucs.com.

ROBERT H. RUMLER MBA SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM, sponsored by Holstein Association USA. Deadline for application is April 15, 1999. Applicant must have a Bachelor's Degree in dairy production or equivalent to obtain a Master's Degree in business administration. Applications are available in the Office of Financial Assistance, 122 South Hall.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN, sponsored by the Appleton Branch of AAUW. Deadline for application is April 15, 1999. Awarded to a woman who graduated from high school in Appleton, Neenah, Menasha, Kaukauna, Kimberly, Little Chute, Wrightstown, Freedom or Seymour, Wisconsin, who is a full-time student in her junior or senior or enrolled in a graduate school. The student must have maintained a high scholastic record. Applications are available in the Office of Financial Assistance, 122 South Hall.

ERNE GUENTER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP, sponsored by the Milwaukee Chapter of American Society for Metals. Deadline is April 23, 1999. Applicant must be pursuing a degree in science and/or engineering and have a genuine interest in a career in the metals/materials field. More information and applications are available in the Office of Financial Assistance, 122 South Hall.

DAMM-WEAVER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP, sponsored by the Eau Claire County Mental Health Association. Deadline for application is May 1, 1999. Applicants must have been a resident of Eau Claire County for at least one year, and is pursuing a career in the mental health field. Applications are available in the Office of Financial Assistance, 122 South Hall.

TONY VELONIS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP, sponsored by the Society of Glass and Ceramic Decorators. Deadline is May 15, 1999. Applicant must be a student in a glass, ceramic or related curriculum including engineering, design or art. Applications are available in the Office of Financial Assistance, 122 South Hall.

THE RICHARD C. SCHEERENBERGER SCHOLARSHIP, sponsored by the Wisconsin chapter of the American Association on Mental Retardation. Deadline for application is April 26, 1999. Applicants must be graduate or undergraduate students preparing for a career in the field of developmental disabilities. Applications are available in the Office of Financial Assistance, 122 South Hall.

THE ELDON ROESLER SCHOLARSHIP, sponsored by the Wisconsin Agri-Service Association. Deadline for application is April 30, 1999. Applicants must be a Wisconsin resident and must have completed a minimum of one year of study in an agriculture discipline. Applicant must also have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0, and can demonstrate, in written form, qualities of leadership, academic ability, and financial need. Applications are available in the Office of Financial Assistance, 122 South Hall.

THE LAVON H. COOPER SCHOLARSHIP, sponsored by the Robbinsdale Cooper Parent Organization. Deadline for application is May 1, 1999. The applicant must be a graduate of Robbinsdale, MN District 281 and in their junior, senior, or graduate studies year at an institution of higher learning. Applications are available in the Office of Financial Assistance, 122 South Hall.

MEETINGS

THE EARTH CONSCIOUS ORGINIZATION (ECO) meets every Thursday at 5 p.m. in the St. Croix Room of the Student Center. Anyone is welcome to attend. For more information, contact Jennifer Decker at 426-0027.

THE STUDENT SENATE meets every Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the Regent's Room on the second floor of the Student Center.

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

Flushing less water down the drain

■ More than 450 new toilets were installed over spring break as part of a plan to conserve water throughout the UW-System

Jamie Jung
Staff Writer

Students may have noticed a new look to the bathrooms on campus after returning from spring break. A state project under Gov. Tommy Thompson called for the replacement of the aerators in University bathrooms. The new aerators begin an effort to conserve on water throughout the UW-System. According to Greg Koehler, supervisor of building maintenance, the new toilets use only 1.6 gallons of water per flush, compared to the older toilets that used 3 to 3.5 gallons per flush. The aerators, which were not even on all of the sinks before, slow the water down and only use 1.5 gallons per minute, as compared to the 3 gallons used

before. "These replacements were done under Gov. Thompson's Wisconsin Energy Initiative Phase III program out of Madison," Koehler said. "The replacements were done by the Honeywell Corp. and the project didn't cost UW-River Falls anything." Koehler said the funding for this project came from the state capitol, which is also responsible for paying the University's utility bills. "In the long run, this project will actually save money," Koehler said. "By replacing the toilets and conserving water, the state will have to pay less for utility bills." The project began on March 15 and was completed on Wednesday. Koehler said some of the replacement occurred during the school week, when it was convenient to do so, and the other replacements occurred during spring break. "We scheduled between 3-4 hours for the replacements in each bathroom," Koehler said. "Most of the time it didn't even take that long. We tried to do a majority of the project over spring break to minimize the inconvenience to students." "For example, the bathrooms

in Rodli Commons and Centennial Science Hall were done over spring break because they only have one bathroom per gender." They also needed flush valves in some of the urinals. "The project went very smooth and we didn't receive many complaints," he said. "We replaced about 480 toilets. This was a pretty good deal for us on campus. We got new toilets and didn't have to pay anything for them. We want to thank everyone for their cooperation."



Ice cream, you scream . . .

Melinda Domzalski / The Student Voice

The Academic Success Center hosted an ice cream social Wednesday. Elliot Karnov and Lucy Lussardo hand out ice cream to Monica Ramczyk, Jeremiah Pumke and Jill Katers.

CAMPUS SECURITY

Pigs have authorities squealing

Ben Schmitt
Front Page Editor

Swine are becoming popular items to steal. Two piglets were reported stolen from Lab Farm 2 on March 26 and were later recovered in the lobby of Crabtree Hall.

A number of car stereo thefts occurred over spring break, but not on campus.

On March 28, an in-dash Alpine compact disc player was reported stolen from a 1991 four-door Chevrolet at Wasson Court in River Falls, as well as a Pioneer in-dash CD from a 1994 Chevrolet in the same location. That same day, a JVC in-dash car stereo was reported stolen from a 1988 2-door Pontiac, also on Wasson Court.

On March 29, a portable Discman was stolen from a 1991 four-door Honda at State Street, and another in-dash CD player was reported stolen from a 1990 two-door Nissan, also on State Street.

The final theft reported was on North 8th Street, according to the River Falls Police Department. A Pioneer in-dash stereo was reported stolen from a two-door 1990 Volkswagen, and an attempted theft was reported on the street, involving a 1991 Chevrolet and an in-dash car radio.

In other news, a Rossignol snowboard and boots were stolen from a vehicle in the N Lot on March 19.

On March 29, damage to a dining room table was reported in May Hall.

The following were cited for underage consumption of alcohol: Ken B. Fritz, 19, on March 25; Alison M. Godfrey, 18, on March 19; Nicolas D. Frank, 18, Brian N. Helzer, 19, Daniel J. Rock, 19, and Aaron R. Johnson, 19, all on the same date. Nathan C. Carrier, 20, Bryant P. Hardy, 19, Michele J. Campion, 20, Emily Ann Hoppenjan, 20, and Kipten Rahn Martin, 20, were all cited for underage alcohol consumption in response to a noise complaint.

The Beer Meter

Weekly drinking total: 11 tickets

Semester drinking total: 81 tickets

*On campus Underage consumption tickets for UW-RF students (source: Campus Security)

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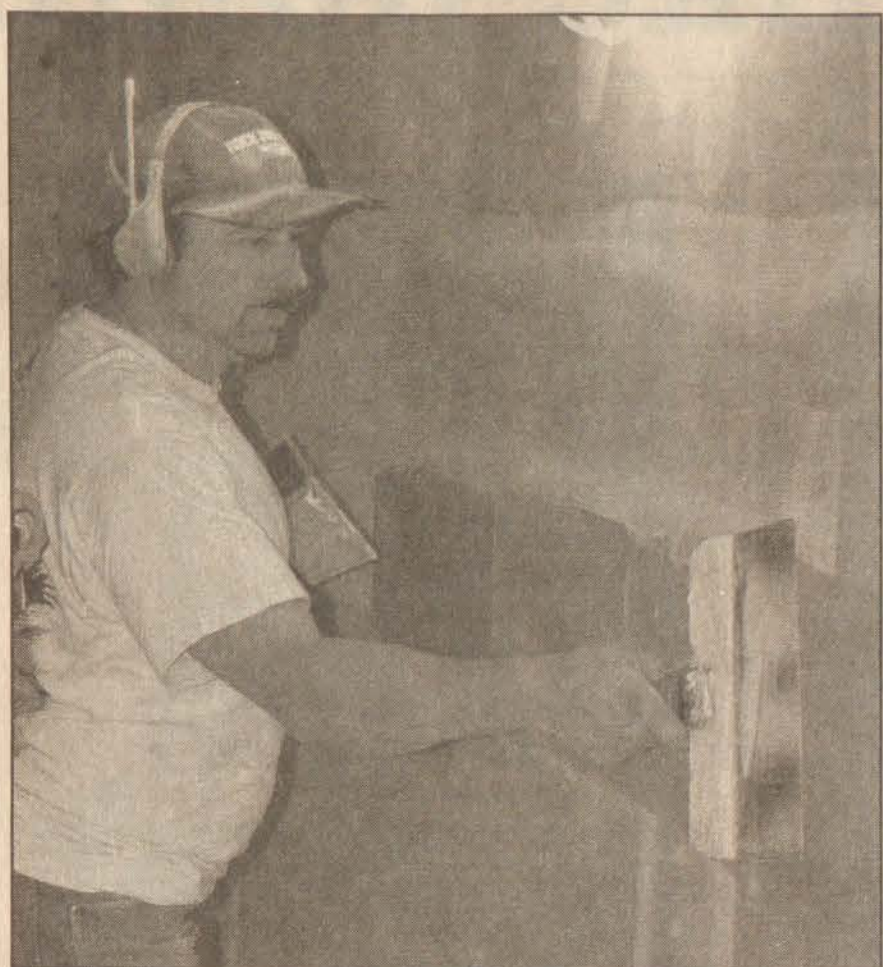
Internet security concerns senators

■ The availability of information about students through the internet brings discussion to the student senate

Max Date
Assistant News Editor

Coming off of spring break, the UW-River Falls Student Senate found themselves with little to talk about and fewer senators to talk about it with. Many of the Senate's absent members spent Tuesday evening at Road Crew and Resident Assistant training, and the Senate adjourned in just less than 25 minutes. The issue of Internet security on campus was brought up by Tony Bredahl, a member of the Web Management Committee. Some parents expressed concern with the type of student information that is available on the University web site, specifically permanent phone numbers and addresses. "Some people feel that there is too much information available to the outside community," Bredahl said. Bredahl suggested that the permanent address access should be limited because of possible harassment. However, the legality of the information wasn't in question, he added, saying that addresses and phone numbers are public information. "It's not that it's not appropriate," he said. "It just might be too much information." Several suggestions came up during the discussion, including weighing the idea of Internet versus Intranet. Bredahl said that it would be possible to make the added information accessible on-campus, but not available off-campus. Several senators suggested that a password system could be implemented so that all students and faculty could get the extra information. Any non-University person could get the added information from the student or the Registrar's Office. In other news, Senator Amy Jurgens recommended that the Student Affairs & Academic Services committee look at the issue in the next few weeks. The issue will be resolved by next month while the University redesigns the web site. Student Senate will meet again next Tuesday evening at 7 p.m. in the Regent's Room of the Student Center.

Spackling South Hall



Bradon Eytcheson / The Student Voice

Mike McCann, job foreman, puts up drywall on the third floor in South Hall in preparation for classrooms that will be added there.

Spring fling formal Stratton hosts dance

■ Students are invited to attend a formal dance this weekend in Stratton Hall

Jamie Jung
Staff Writer

UW-River Falls residents can get decked out and dance the night away at an all-campus formal this weekend.

On April 10 the Stratton Hall Council, the East Area Council and the West Area Council will sponsor an all-campus formal from 8 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at Brandy's.

According to Melissa Marius, East Area Coordinator, there was an annual all-campus formal held the weekend after spring break by both Hathorn and Stratton Halls until two years ago.

This year's dance, with the theme "A Moment in Time," is being coordinated by a Stratton Hall committee with funding from the two area councils.

"This is a formal event, held for those students living on campus and their guests," said Betsy Wag-

ner, hall manager for Stratton Hall. "We also have sponsorship from some of the businesses in River Falls. We will have door prize drawings throughout the night, with prizes such as gift certificates."

The cost to attend this event is \$5 per couple or \$3 for an individual and tickets can be purchased at the Stratton Hall front desk from 3 p.m.-12 a.m. or at the door.

"We are hoping that 200 people will attend," Wagner said. "So far we have sold about 20 couples tickets, which is about 40 people and I know some people who are coming that haven't bought their tickets yet."

The Right Sound, a River Falls disc jockey, will provide music for the event, Chartwell's will be catering food platters, and the bar in Brandy's will be open.

Money raised from the event will reimburse the area councils, and if there is a profit, it will be added to the Stratton Hall budget.

"This is a formal event," Wagner said. "We would appreciate that those who attend dress appropriately. The men should wear suits and ties and the women should wear appropriate dresses."

Y2K / crash preparation

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check.

Nierengarten and Smith concede that it would be impossible for ITS alone to safeguard the entire campus because there are devices in some departments that ITS doesn't know about.

"It is the department head's responsibility to take care of those issues," Smith said.

Just as each department must prepare itself, each campus in the UW-System must as well.

Smith also serves as UW-RF's chief information officer representative to the UW-System Council of chief information officers. He is responsible for communicating information technology news, including Y2K issues, to the River Falls campus. As part of his duty he established a new chief information area on the UW-RF Internet site.

The UW-System encouraged schools to deal with Y2K by providing information and urging them to make contingency plans.

As a result of these efforts most schools are dealing with Y2K. Some schools, including UW-RF, write their own software so they can make Y2K corrections themselves.

However, schools like UW-Platteville that have purchased a lot of their software from outside sources may be at the mercy of the specific software company's ability to service them.

Regardless of UW-P's problems, life there and on other UW campuses should run smoothly during the first days of 2000, Smith said.

Nierengarten seems to agree.

"It is not going to be the downfall of western civilization, but there will be some glitches."

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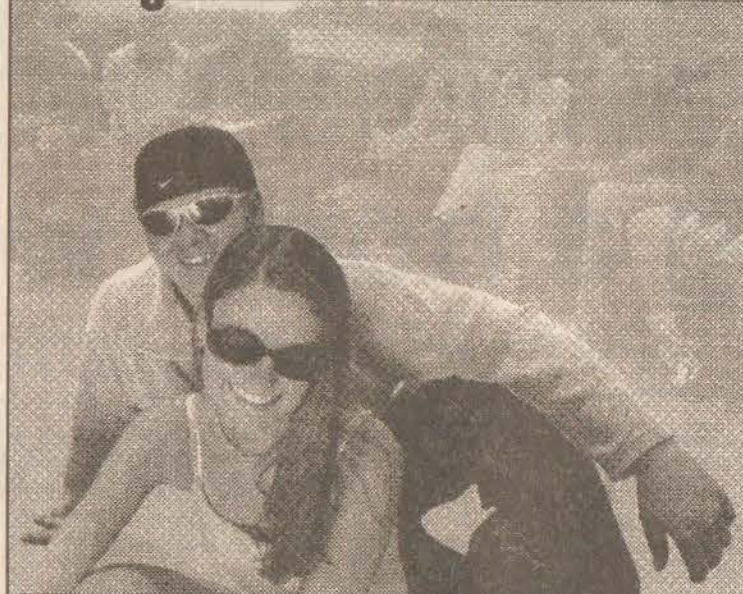
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Sarah Doyle
News Editor

A large number of people enter their first landlord/tenant arrangement while in college. These young students find themselves signing leases, paying rent and making repairs.

Student Laura DeRuiter said she didn't know what to expect when she signed the lease for her apartment.

"I learned really quick what to expect," DeRuiter said. "I almost ended up having part of my security deposit withheld."

River Falls Code Enforcement Officer Dave Hovel said the security deposit is a big concern for many people.

"Tenants have to enter their leases with good communication with their landlords," Hovel said. "That way tenants will feel comfortable bringing up issues that are unclear to them."

Hovel said for students a good leasing experience can depend largely on how well the location is chosen.

Choosing a place to live

Kate Heldsman of Apartment Search in St. Paul, Minn., said when looking for a place to live, people should take many things into consideration.

"Price is usually the biggest factor," Heldsman said.

People need to decide how much they can afford. Heldsman suggested creating a budget being careful to include costs such as phone, cable and utilities.

Hovel, in cooperation with Residential Services Director Larry Testa and the Student Senate, created a guide to off-campus living. In it he suggests students consider how many roommates they want to live with. The guide states students should make decisions ahead of time about smoking, alcohol use and visitors.

Location is another important part of looking for a place to live Hovel said. The convenience of being close to campus, a laundromat or grocery store can make a large difference if transportation is limited.

Before moving into a place, tenants should visit it to look for problems.

Hovel said areas to concentrate on include the walls, light fixtures, ceiling, garbage disposal, dishwasher, faucets, bathtub, windows and mailbox.

"Make sure to check for paint chipping away, dirty carpet and crumbling cement," Hovel said.

Signing a lease

Once a place is chosen, the next step is to sign a lease. Hovel said leases should be read over carefully.

"The lease has to say the beginning and termination dates, rent amounts and due dates," Hovel said. "It should also include any penalties for

late payments, something in regards to pets and it should contain a statement regarding the security deposit."

The guide to off-campus living suggests a lease should state whether a person can sublet and who is responsible for caring for the yard, shoveling snow or cleaning the hallways.

Other items that should be included are: a statement about who pays utilities and garbage disposal, any restrictions on noise level or parties, and any special services received from the landlord.

Heldsman cautions accepting verbal promises from the landlord such as an intent to repair an item.

"Make sure any verbal promises are included in the lease," she said. "Get it in writing."

"Don't forget to find out how and when to renew the lease," Heldsman said. "You don't want to end up out on the street."

Security deposits

Most rental housing units request a security deposit from their tenants. The deposit is a safety net for landlords in case the tenant causes damage to the apartment or moves out prior to termination of the lease.

The amount required of a security deposit varies from place to place, but often is the equal to one month's rent.

The off-campus housing guide recommends tenants discuss with their landlord under what circumstances the deposit will be withheld and how to get it back after vacating the unit.

After vacating and giving notice to the landlord, the landlord then has 21 days in which to return the security deposit to the tenant. If the landlord fails to do so, the tenant can sue for twice the amount of the deposit in small claims court, according to the guide.

Hovel said tenants should look for clauses in their leases which would specify deductions from the deposit for services such as carpet cleaning.

Hovel also said landlords are required to give tenants a list of deductions from the previous leaser's deposit. The money deducted from the deposit should have gone to pay for any repairs and the new tenants are not responsible for those damages.

One way to safeguard against unfair deductions is to make a checklist and go through the rooms and mark off damages already in place with the landlord or manager. Both the tenant and the landlord should sign the checklist.

"This makes the landlord aware of any damages that need repair and helps give the tenant some security," Heldsman said.

Building Codes

Numerous housing codes surround any building. All landlords are

required to have their dwellings meet certain expectations.

"Apartments are required to have licenses, which are usually hanging inside the building," Hovel said. The license signifies that the building met housing codes when the license was obtained.

Codes as listed in the asdlskdsdf say that all dwelling units must be supplied with water heating, heating facilities and garbage and rubbish disposal.

The lskdf said basement bedrooms must have natural light reaching it. Dwelling units are required to flushable toilettes and a bathtub or shower.

There are requirements for the general safety of dwellings as well. Foundations, floors, wall, ceilings and roofs must be "reasonably" watertight and rodent proof and kept in "good repair."

The owner of the unit is responsible for maintaining clean and sanitary conditions in public areas. The owner must also ensure all doors or windows opening to the outdoors be equipt with a screen from May 1 to Oct. 1.

Insects, rodents and other pests are the responsibility of the owner of the dwelling if they are affecting more than one unit. If only one unit is affected, the occupant of that unit is responsible for the extermination.

If utilities are paid by the landlord, their repairs fall in the hands of the landlord. However, tenants are responsible for their repairs if they are paying the bills directly.

Tenants do not have the right to withhold rent payments until repairs are made. Hovel suggests giving the landlord written notice of a problem.

Tenants are obligated to dispose of garbage in a safe manner, use all electrical and plumbing fixtures in a proper manner, not destroy or damage the premises.

In the same regards, the landlords also have obligations. They must comply with all building, health, housing and safety codes, make all repairs and keep the premises in habitable condition. They must supply running hot and cold water and a reasonable amount of heat.

Tenants may only be evicted if they violate the lawful terms of the rental agreement or their sanitary obligations, if the rent is not paid by its due date or if the tenant refuses to vacate the unit when the agreement terminates.

Heldsman said the best way for a tenant to be protected is to be smart.

"Use common sense," Heldsman said. "Keep your eyes open and look at everything."

Tenants can get more information or advice about their apartments by calling the Housing Inspector at 425-6715.



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The Student Voice

In searching for a place to live off-campus, Code Enforcement Officer Dave Hovel suggests looking at the quality of maintainace in public areas. Worn stairs and crumbling stoops are just some things to look out for.



Finding a home with stiff competition

Sarah Doyle
News Editor

Roommate wanted! Female, non-smoker. Share a bedroom in totally furnished apartment. . . . Sound familiar? This is just one of the many flyers posted around campus advertising the need for roommates.

Although there are a lot of people looking for roommates, Residential Services Director Larry Testa said many students looking for a place to live have become frustrated.

"I've had students ask me for a place to live (in residence halls) because they were not able to find something (off-campus)," Testa said.

"But there are a large number still looking." And the signs are continuing to be posted.

River Falls Code Enforcement Officer Dave Hovel said there is a large amount of rental housing in the city. The problem, he said, is being able to obtain a vacancy at the desired times, particularly September.

Jesse Smith is looking for a roommate for next year. He said the problem is students are looking for places to live that are empty.

"No one wants to move in with people already living there," Smith said. "I've had responses from several students. Most were looking for a place for more than one person."

Student Lisa Sticha disagrees. She currently is looking for an additional roommate for next year as well and is advertising by posting signs throughout campus.

"We've had a lot of responses," Sticha said. Sticha and her roommates now have the task of narrowing those responses down.

Sticha said she had no problems finding a place to live for this school year. She called early in September looking for an apartment and was guaranteed one immediately.

Nearly 55 percent of the housing units in River Falls are rental, Hovel said. This is well above the average 25 percent for cities across Wisconsin.

One reason for this high percentage is the large influx of college students from the University.

UW-River

Falls has an enrollment of more than 5,000 students. Only first and second-year students are required to live on campus.

Students attending college typically have three choices when finding a place to live: live in a residence hall, commute from home or get a place off-campus within River Falls.

Therefore, most upperclassmen are looking and competing with the population of River Falls and each other for any of the 2,000 plus rental units that come with a roof and running water: apartments, houses, trailer homes, rooms for rent.

This spring, enrollment reached a record high of 5,302 students largely consisting of first and second-year students, Testa said.

According to Testa, the increase of students during this school year resulted in more than 70 students living in temporary housing, such as study lounges, last semester. That problem has been remedied, and it is not anticipated to reoccurr next year.

However, enrollment is continuing to increase. The University is addressing the housing shortage by building a new residence hall. The hall will create 240 additional beds. When it is completed, the University anticipates there will be an excess of 100 beds available when enrollment reaches its capacity of 6,000. The new hall will hopefully be completed by the fall semester of 2002, Testa said.

In the mean time, however, students still need a place to live. Earlier this year, Chancellor Gary A. Thibodeau stated that he hopes to retain 40 percent of the 6,000 students enrolled in

the year 2001 in on-campus living. That means 3,600 students will not be living on-campus.

But with this new residence hall, students wanting a place to live will be able to have it here on campus. Testa said the University has been able to provide housing for all students who have desired it in the past. He wants to be able to maintain that same policy in the future.

"I don't want to have to turn away students looking for housing like other colleges are starting to do now," Testa said.

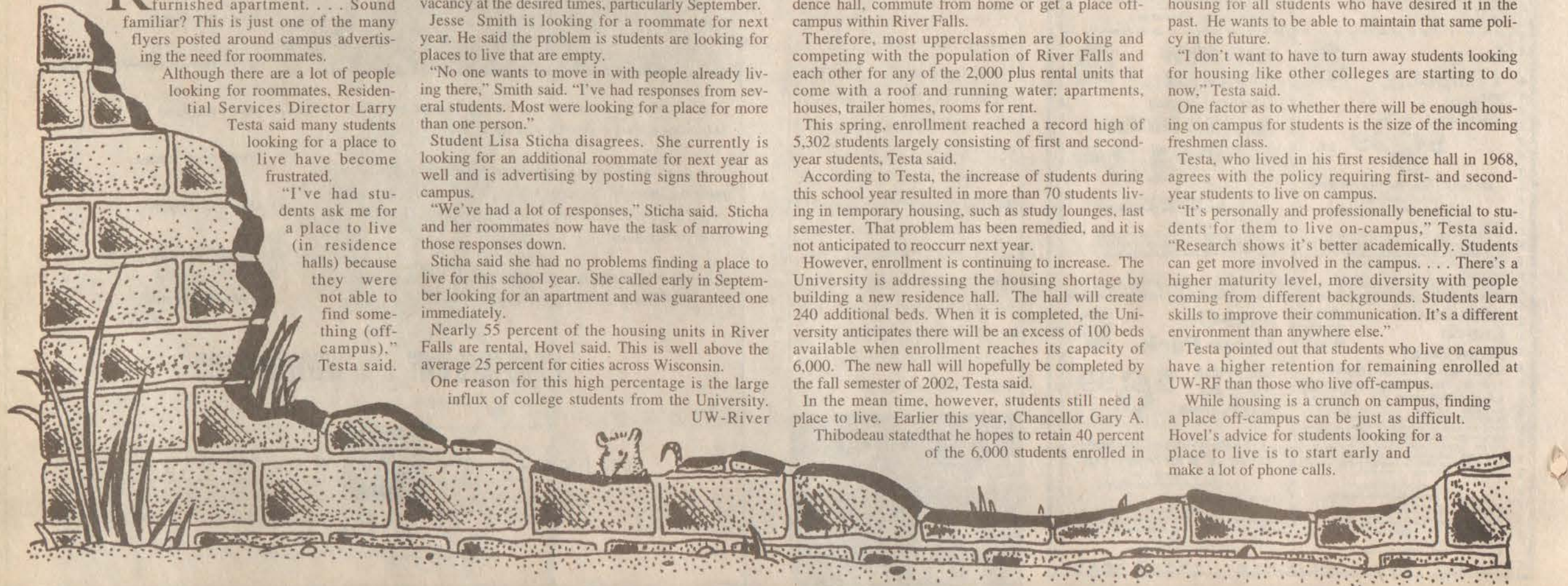
One factor as to whether there will be enough housing on campus for students is the size of the incoming freshmen class.

Testa, who lived in his first residence hall in 1968, agrees with the policy requiring first- and second-year students to live on campus.

"It's personally and professionally beneficial to students for them to live on-campus," Testa said. "Research shows it's better academically. Students can get more involved in the campus. . . . There's a higher maturity level, more diversity with people coming from different backgrounds. Students learn skills to improve their communication. It's a different environment than anywhere else."

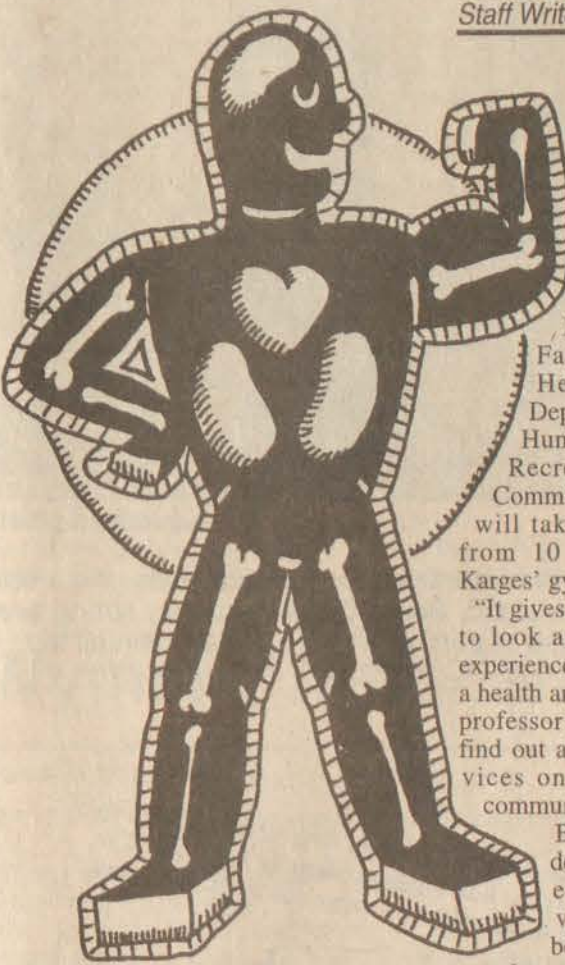
Testa pointed out that students who live on campus have a higher retention for remaining enrolled at UW-RF than those who live off-campus.

While housing is a crunch on campus, finding a place off-campus can be just as difficult. Hovel's advice for students looking for a place to live is to start early and make a lot of phone calls.



A chance to get fit

Buying his way to the top



Jessica Wiegrefe
Staff Writer

Students can get their fat pinched, learn to use a condom or practice tae kwon do at next week's health fair.

Students are invited to attend the Health and Wellness Fair hosted by Student Health Services, the Department of Health and Human Performance and Recreation and Wellness Committee. The Health Fair will take place on April 14 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in Karges' gymnasium.

"It gives people an opportunity to look at health as a holistic experience," Betsy Barrett said, a health and human performance professor. "Students will also find out about the different services on campus and in the community."

Barrett said many student minoring in health education will be providing information booths on topics such as substance and alcohol abuse,

dental health, mental and emotional stress, cardiovascular health, tips on distinguishing fact from fiction, facts about contraceptives and STDs, cancer prevention, nutrition and organ donation.

"The more information people get on health, the better they can take care of their bodies," said Jeremy Fisk, a senior majoring in Physical Education. Fisk will be in charge of the organ donation booth.

Besides student information booths, other services will be available from local health-related agencies, businesses and organizations such as vision and hearing screenings, blood pressure checks, safe sex kits, condom demonstrations, pet therapy, health food samples, stress management, bicycling and nutrition.

Interactive demonstrations will include swing dancing, yoga, tae kwon do, juggling and aerobics.

Almost everything is free at the Health Fair. However, there will be a \$5 charge for cholesterol screening for faculty (free for students) and possibly the massage therapist.

Door prizes will include water bottles, t-shirts, gift certificates and first-aid kits.

Jessica Wiegrefe
Staff Writer

For some students, studying two hours to take a test may seem like a lot. Tom Weiss studied for more than two years.

Weiss, UW-River Falls Purchasing Director, recently earned the status of Lifetime Certified Purchasing Director.

According to the National Association of Purchasing Management, the certification signifies the continued pursuit of education and contributions to the profession. Certification also assists management in identifying professionals who demonstrate a specific level of knowledge and experience.

It usually takes up to five years for a purchasing director to recertify. This is broken down into 50 percent experience and college courses and 50 percent testing. Now that Weiss has received this certification he will not have to recertify again.

Weiss did a lot of preparing for the test. The test itself had four sections and each section took about two and a half hours to complete. Weiss took it over a two-year period, one section at a time.

"It was a very difficult test," Weiss said.

He said it was all multiple choice and all of the answers listed were correct and he had to figure out the one that was the most correct.

Weiss traveled to St. Scholastica University and the University of Minnesota-Duluth to complete the test.

In 1984, Weiss became the Director of Purchasing at UW-RF. Through the years, the job has grown to include risk management, postal services and capital inventory.

"I buy goods and services the University uses," Weiss said. "Sometimes I use the central stores and office supply."

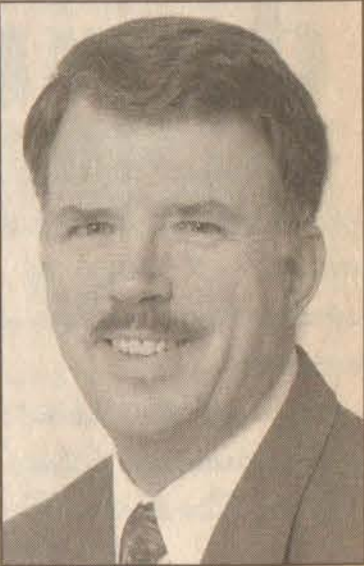
In 1990, Weiss earned his master's degree from UW-RF in Supervision and Leadership.

Weiss has also been a member of the Army Reserves since his junior year in college. After two years, he was promoted to the rank of colonel, an achievement he is very proud of.

"Continuing my education in both the Army and civilian sector has been very valuable," Weiss said.

Weiss said the best part of his job is dealing with the faculty and staff. They are the ones that come to him with requests.

"It's like detective work. I like finding what they need," Weiss said.



Tom Weiss

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Habitat students knock on wood during spring break

They spent the week painting and framing houses, putting mud on drywalls, planting grass seed, putting in insulation, building railings, painting base boards and bending metal. A group of 26 students from the Habitat for Humanity organization spent spring break helping those in need across South Carolina, North Carolina and Pennsylvania.

Although they spent much of the week working, they also spent time sightseeing, swimming, tanning, hiking and meeting new people. Students Heidi Mathison, Jeff Wilson, Karen Timp and Nora Bedard share their experiences below.

Pennsylvania

York

We toured the Gettysburg National Military Park and National Cemetery and a Civil War museum. We also toured the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, and the Vietnam Veteran's Memorial in Washington, D.C. and the Harley Davidson Motorcycle Final Assembly Plant and Antique Motorcycle Museum in York, Penn.

The UW-River Falls Habitat group attended the dedication for the homes of three families at a church in York. This was my first dedication. The service was very simple, yet emotional for me. The children of two families read scripture verses from Proverbs (24:3-4 and Hebrews 3:2-4). The president of York Habitat welcomed the UW-RF group as visitors and thanked us for being there to help them provide adequate housing for the community of York. The mayor of York also spoke to us after the dedication, personally thanking us for coming a long way to help York Habitat out.

Bibles were presented to each family by their sponsors, and a prayer was offered to bless their homes.

Each family had a few minutes to express their happiness and gratitude to God, their families, friends and volunteers.

I was touched that I could be a part of this group even though I was from the Midwest. I felt such a connection between the York community and myself even though I was a stranger. Everyone was so friendly and expressed such an attitude of caring. I felt like I was at home. In a small way, the success of York Habitat for Humanity group was my success.

York Habitat started in 1984 and has built about 34 houses since then.

-Karen Timp



Pennsylvania

York

What a week! I was expecting to be hammering nails the whole week, but that expectation was not fulfilled. Instead, I got the chance to plant grass seed, put mud on the drywall, sand the mud ... and have fun! I got to stand on stilts and attempt to put mud on the ceilings!

As a group we learned more than just a few skills. We had an awesome supervisor that was very inspiring. He reminded our group that we were giving our time to someone in great need. We were making a difference in somebody's life forever, and not too many college students do that over their spring break. Our busy week was filled with laughter, jokes, stories, but most of all, purpose.

-Nora Bedard



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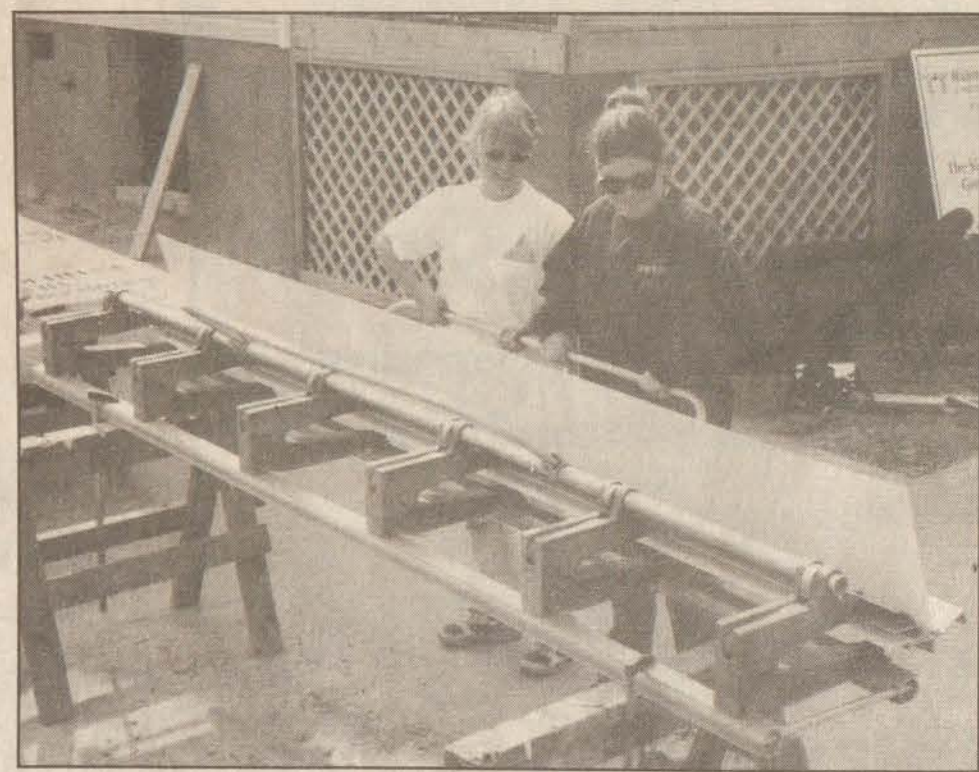
Jason Nelson (right) and Jeff Wilson framed the exterior walls of a Habitat for Humanity house in John's Island, South Carolina during spring break week. They worked on the house as part of UW-RF Habitat's annual trip.

South Carolina

John's Island

It was Friday afternoon when all seven of us packed into a minivan for our long venture down to South Carolina. A minivan becomes very small when everyone has baggage, sleeping bags, etc. The first night we spent in a church just outside of Chicago. On Saturday we drove out of Illinois, and through Indiana, Kentucky, Tennessee, North Carolina and finally arrived in South Carolina Sunday morning around 6 a.m. Our group stayed in a house on John's Island on the southern coast of S.C. We were in a small community that was entirely built of Habitat for Humanity houses. It wasn't long before the kids of the town heard we arrived, and were knocking on the door wanting us to come out and play. After numerous games of hide-and-go-seek, we took off for Kiawah Beach in the afternoon. Monday morning we started our work for Habitat. We began with painting the first coat of the inside of a house that had already been started by other Habitat groups. In the afternoon we drove to a different site and began making preparations to frame up a house. We got all the exterior and interior walls completed. Framing is one of the most exciting parts of Habitat because you can see instant results in a short amount of time. Many group members had never framed a house before, thus making it a very educational experience. We got to meet and work along side the future homeowner. She was grateful to us and full of hope for her children and their futures. We also had a lot of free time when we weren't building. Tuesday and Thursday nights were spent in downtown Charleston. We took in the exciting night life Charleston had to offer with shops and dance clubs. Friday was our day off. We went to two different beaches and worked on our tans/burns. We watched fishermen catch sharks off the pier, swam and watched surfers on our day off. We headed back to River Falls Friday night at 6 and arrived here Saturday afternoon around four. It was nice to get our and stretch the legs. This Habitat for Humanity trip was a perfect way to take a break from school. We got to travel across the U.S., meet new friends, build hope for a homeowner while learning valuable skills, and of course, hang out at the beach.

-Jeff Wilson



Kelly Manthei and Heidi Mathison bend trim for a Habitat for Humanity house in High Point, North Carolina. Though they worked hard, the groups traveled to various tourist attractions and had a lot of fun!

Sawing, Swimming, Sharing; John's Island, South Carolina



North Carolina

High Point

Another destination for Habitat spring breakers was High Point, North Carolina. Our group of seven: Kelly Manthei, Sara Whitty, Emmitt, stuffed our big red University van and left UW-River Falls Friday afternoon, March 26. On the way we stopped in Cincinnati and Hanging Rock. Next, we headed to High Point and to the house we would stay at. We stayed with a pastor and her husband in their beautiful home. Monday morning we got up early to get to the Habitat house and start working. The house was on a cul-de-sac with about 20 other habitat houses. The neighborhood was very diverse with African-American, Caucasian, Ethiopian, and Among families. Throughout the week we put insulation in the crawl space, built railings on the front porch, painted base boards, and bent metal for the trim around the house.

It wasn't all work, though. Every day, we were outside soaking in the sun rays. We met a lot of new people and I don't think there was a moment all week when we weren't laughing and having a good time! Habitat trips are an inexpensive and fun way to spend your spring break. And the satisfaction you get from helping a family in need is an incredible feeling. We headed back to UW-RF Thursday night and after a slight delay to replace the shredded alternator belt, we were home Friday afternoon.

-Heidi Mathison



Spring break trip headaches

Spring break, those two little words conjure up images of sunny destinations where the beer flows like water and the party never ends.

The image is not a far-fetched one according to the multitude of posters plastered on billboards around campus, but unfortunately the reality is a little less perfect and a little more expensive than tour companies like Surf and Sun Tours would have you believe.

I was one of the thousands of college students who spent last week in sunny Cancun, Mexico. And I was one of the tens of thousands who overpaid for one of those "great" deals through College Tours, otherwise known as Surf and Sun, Mexico Tours and Student Tours.

More than two months ago I, and two of my friends, sent in a \$75 non-refundable deposit to reserve a spot with this tour company. In a little more than a week we had our confirmation form returned with a request for \$750 to be paid as soon as possible.

We were ecstatic. This was my senior year and the only spring break trip I would ever go on. The three of us sent in our money right away, anticipating the week of our lives.

I will admit to a large degree of stupidity and naivete on my part. I should have researched the company on my own, I should have checked with a travel agent. But it just seemed so simple to go through a tour company. Just send in your money and they will arrange for your hotel, your flight, transportation to and from the airport, meals and plenty of free drinking and par-

ties.

A reality check was not long in coming. After we sent in our money, College Tours all but disappeared from our lives.

When we still hadn't heard anything a week before we were scheduled to leave I began to get a little worried. I phoned, I faxed, I left messages, not one was returned. I began calling at 8 in the morning. Every time I tried the lines were busy.

The one time I did get through I got a recording that related information about trips that left more than a month prior. Then I was put on hold for an hour. I finally hung up in disgust.

On the Thursday before we were supposed to leave I had a breakthrough. I actually got to talk to a real person. The man on the other end told me that the tickets were sent out the day before and they should arrive via AirExpress that day. He also told me that we would leave on Sunday and come

home the following Sunday.

The tickets arrived. I was only slightly worried when I noticed that the airline we were chartered to fly was Sky Trek, an airline I had never heard of before in my life. I searched for it on the web, nothing. I looked in the phonebook, nothing. I told myself that it didn't mean anything when a public airline was completely unknown.

Amazingly enough, the plane showed up on time. The trip was looking up.

We arrived in Cancun on time and found the bus that would take us to our hotel. A Surf and Sun representative was on the bus, one of the only two we would see all

week. She welcomed us to Cancun and promptly asked for an extra \$100. She claimed that this was the best way to go. We would get to go on a booze cruise and attend parties that would normally cost us \$45 each to attend. Parties that we had been led to believe would be

included in our package. We paid the \$100.

Sixty of it was for a booze cruise that I learned later would have only cost us \$30.

I should be grateful that we at least got our hotel room without any hassle, and I did get a free T-shirt so I suppose I shouldn't complain.

Our return flight was scheduled to leave at 10 a.m. the following Sunday. The shuttle was supposed to pick us up at 7:45 a.m. We checked out and we were ready to go. The only problem was there was no one else in the lobby and our tour representative had magically disappeared. Slightly worried, but determined to make the flight, we ended up paying a taxi to take us to the airport. Two hours of asking everyone at the airport finally earned us the information that last Thursday our flight had been changed to 1:30 p.m. that afternoon. Yet no effort had been made to contact us and no sign had been posted.

Our flight departure time came and left with no sign of a plane. Finally we heard on the PA that our plane would arrive at 6:30 p.m. At 8:30 p.m. we eventually dragged ourselves onto the plane.

I don't regret going, and I did have fun while we were there, but I went home a whole lot wiser.

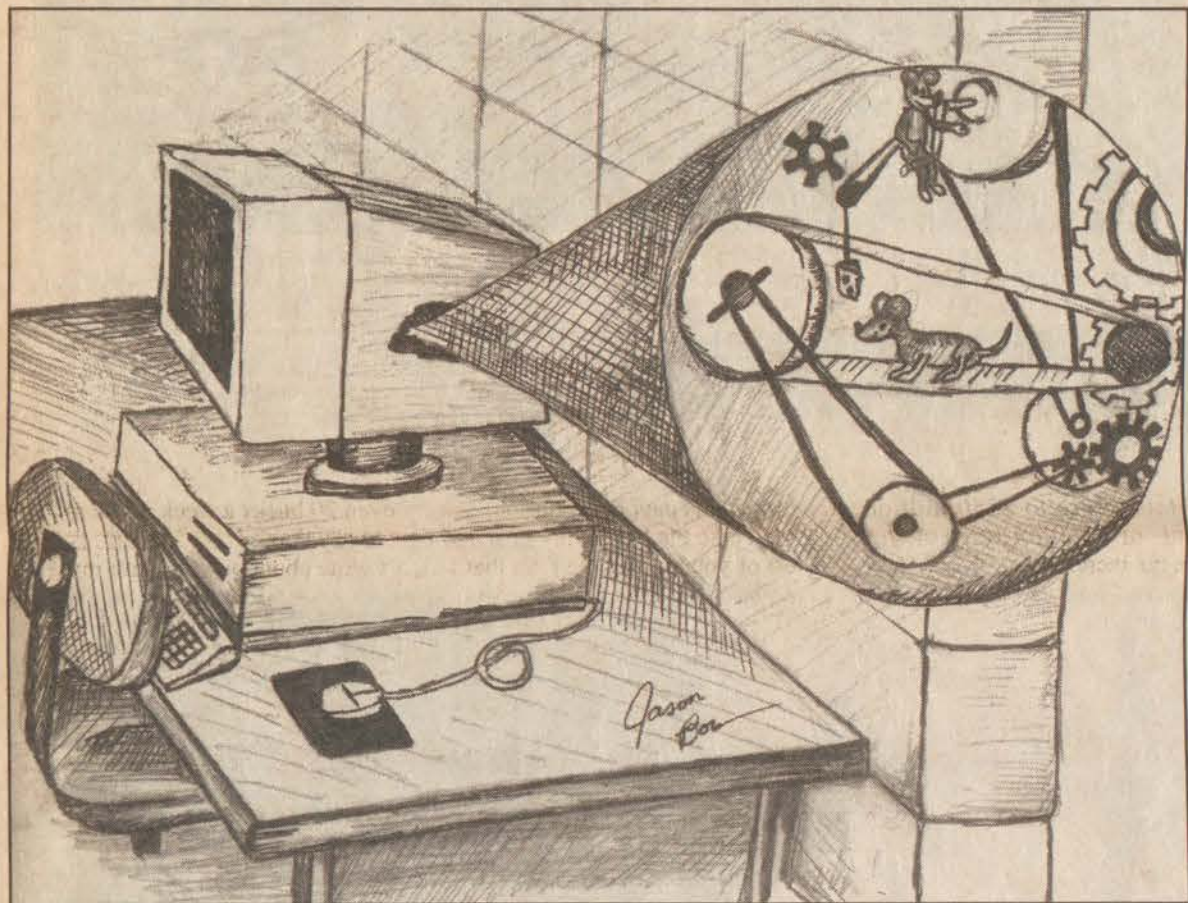
I keep remembering the chant that filled the plane on the way home, "Surf and Sun sucks, Surf and Sun sucks." Two hundred college kids couldn't have chosen a more accurate phrase.

JENNIFER EBERSPACHER

"I will admit to a large degree of stupidity and naivete . . ."



Rats! The server is down again



Jason Borman/ The Student Voice

EDITORIAL

Attention vandals and thieves

Quit stealing stuff you morons! Why is it that people feel so compelled to steal and damage things? The vandalism and thefts occurring in campus parking lots is getting out of hand.

In March alone, a student had her tires slashed in the E lot. Pants, a school bag and a JVC in-dash compact disk player were stolen from lot N. In the K lot, a Sony CD and Kenwood car stereo player were stolen and a car window was broken. Well, the point is made.

Now the question is why?

One explanation could be boredom. Well, that could explain the vandalism at least. Yes, River Falls is a small town, but face it, the entertainment value in vandalism has to be limited. Causing damage to other people's personal property is stupid. It is expensive and tacky. If revenge is the motive for the vandalism, then it's pathetic and petty. Let's just say we're not in high school anymore.

Theft is the other problem running rampant on campus. Again, why?

Money is definitely not a factor because any people who seriously believe they can make a realistic income by stealing a few CD players must not be a math major. So that leaves the motive of desire. The need to have the unattainable. The I-don't-have-it, therefore-I-take-it theory. Sorry, it doesn't work that way, or it shouldn't anyway.

Someone paid money for those items. It could have been a gift or maybe that person worked their butt off putting in overtime during the summer to get the perfect stereo system. Either way, IT'S NOT YOUR PROPERTY! Maybe the money could have been better spent on an alarm system, but it's stupid that such a need exists in the first place.

And what is going on with the silverware? Vandalism, or theft, whichever one applies, no one really wants to pay \$30,000 for new silverware. It's absurd that the problem has gotten so out of hand that we have to pay so much. Just think, our next tuition increase could have been avoided.

Save us all money. Stop stealing and destroying property that you don't own. Our money is better spent elsewhere.

"Causing damage to other people's personal property is stupid. It is expensive and tacky. If revenge is the motive for the vandalism, then it's pathetic and petty. Let's just say we're not in high school anymore."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Columnists should clean up their act

Dear Student Voice Columnists,

I am writing this letter in regard to several columns which have appeared in our student newspaper, such as the column written by Derek Anderson on "Larger Breasts Don't Bring Happiness." Let me begin by stating that this article was disgusting, distasteful and not information we as a campus care about or need to know. First of all, Derek Anderson comes across in his writing as a total pervert and one person I would steer clear of as a student on this campus. Furthermore, after reading his article I cannot decide whether a clear point was ever made. And for what purpose is such an article being written? Is it being written for entertainment or to allow our student body to discuss and read about articles that are important and informative to us?

In Anderson's article, I found that he seemed to contradict himself quite a bit. First of all, he states that Cleavage culture is taking a wrong

turn in our society. On the other hand, he seems to be buying every single magazine that displays breasts. Then he says, breasts bring unhappiness, yet he seems to enjoy talking about them, along with his childhood experiences of peeping at them in magazines. And it is not until the end of the article that he states breasts are not for men, but are milk producing agents serving the purpose of feeding babies. More importantly, the major drawback of breasts is cancer.

Let me just say, it is not just Anderson's column which comes across as disturbing. In the past few weeks, the paper ran a column about the art of swearing, masturbation, torching the flag and who-know's what other useless and uninformative subjects. Basically, what this is telling me is that there is nothing else going on in the world more important. Plus, the topics and writing demonstrate that the time and effort put into the columns has greatly declined. I think the student body deserves more interesting and less foolish topics to read about and maybe

the columnists at The Student Voice should rid their garbage brains and learn how to write about real topics. Honestly, would a real journalist looking for a job put a column about a disgusting topic like these in their portfolio? Since I have worked at The Student Voice, I know radical topics in columns are chosen to get a strong reaction from the student body, however I think the columnists there need to separate sensationalistic trash that they have been writing lately to more opinion forming topics. Instead of Anderson writing a topic on commercialization of breasts, he should have concentrated on the issue of breast cancer awareness and/or education. Even a better topic would have been, how breasts are seen as a toy for men in our society.

My concern is The Student Voice has gone overboard with too many disgusting and unimportant sexual topics. Get some class!!!!

Thank you,
Amy Carrell

LDPB clarification

To the Editor:

I'd like to make a couple of corrections to last week's editorial on the actions of the Leadership Development and Programming Board. The correct name of the committee is the Recreation and Wellness Committee, not the health and wellness committee. I serve as the vice-chair of the committee not the chair. I was attending the meeting due to the fact that our chair, Lana Isaacson, could not attend. Also to use the word allocations implies that everything has been decided, there was nothing to take away from anyone as no one has officially received any funding. Please remember that the money is appropriated to each committee not to each organization. The Campus Media Budget Committee is free to do what it wishes with it's \$49,000.

Sincerely,
Amy Sweeney
Vice-Chair, Recreation and Wellness Committee

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America, following Kosovo crisis for all the wrong reasons

Like most of the UW-River Falls students who weren't sitting pool-side somewhere in Mexico over spring break (no doubt watching scantily clad bronzed figures while sucking drinks with umbrellas in them) I went home for Easter.

I ended up talking with a friend about his inability to crack the job market. The problem, he was sure, was "all that affirmative action nonsense." So maybe nonsense wasn't the word that he chose to relate his disillusionment with American capitalism, but that is neither here nor there. Personally, I don't agree with him, and chalk his misfortune up to his being one of the laziest people that I know. But it was interesting to hear the mind of a bigot at work. His message was simple, being either a woman, or of another persuasion than Caucasian male is no longer simply a demographic, it's a job requirement.

Now, you can all choose to boo and hiss me if you want. Whether or not I feel the same way doesn't matter, though I don't. I'm guessing that you realize this, even though I'm sure that a couple of you mob frenzied automatons out there have probably already put a white robe on me and called me the Grand Dragon.

My vanity would like to believe that I'm not some insecure fool who's straining against what he believes to be a system of oppression.

Let's face it; we live in America, a nation where the only real systems of oppression are in our own minds. One of those lessons that they teach you in kindergarten is, whether you like it or not, even if you don't like the other person, you still have to treat them with the same respect that you would like to be treated with. In other words, we're all in this thing together, so we might as well get along.

This is why the little shindig in Kosovo bog-

gles my already addled mind. I've been talking with a lot of UW-RF students, and the general consensus is that something must be done to stop Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic. This little Hitler-in-training is committing genocide and he must be put down like the rabid animal he is. The suggestions on what to do with him vary from throwing him in some sort of political prison, to something with a horse and a rope and a tree.

The modern day political method of bringing him to justice is through force. Therein lies one of lives little ironies...We have to bomb them into being peaceful. You know, this crazy fellow with wild white hair named Albert Einstein

you can count them on one hand - American soldiers were captured, and are now being held as prisoners of war by the Serbs.

What is America, especially the American press so concerned about? This is the juicy bone that they've been waiting for. Here is something to draw in the reader, now we have a face to put with the troops. This gives the media and the public a rather strange, if not distorted, rallying point.

We all know the truth: it's war over there, and in war there are casualties. These three American soldiers - shown beaten and bruised - made headline news everywhere, the front-cover of Newsweek, and now they are famous. Meanwhile, Clinton is delivering very pointed statements to Milosevic regarding the POW's safety. Suddenly the press has declared that the lives of these three outweigh the lives of half a million people.

I have been told by some, that this is because of several large factors that I was apparently ignoring. The first is because these three soldiers are Americans; the second because they are Americans, and yes the third is the same reason. I'd be willing to bet that - and nothing against them if they are - these three soldiers are Christian as well.

The majority of the ethnic Albanians are Muslim, a factor that some might also count as important.

The facts: We all live in one world, we are not all Americans, and not everyone fits into the mold of Christian, male and Caucasian. By placing the importance of the three Americans over almost half a million, we are showing the world that we are once again promoting one section of the world's population. This group is then given artificial and superficial importance and standing, and the rest of the world is somehow just supposed to get by.

NEIL RHINES

"It's war over there, in war there are casualties."



once had something to say about this...

"Peace cannot be kept by force. It can only be achieved through understanding."

Ah, but what did he know?

Anyways, because of this policy, America has joined NATO forces and we're now bombing the hell out of Serbs. Never mind how effective, or ineffective these methods are, there are many people that are dying. And there are hundreds of thousands of ethnic Albanians running for the shelter of their neighbor's arms, and receiving little comfort. That is why it angers me that some Americans ignored this issue until three -

all at least partially funded by taxpayer's money.

The Milwaukee Brewers are one of these teams. Next April they will move into Miller Park, their new state-of-the-art home. Miller Park is a natural grass stadium with a retractable roof that has the look of an old park and the accommodations of a new one. The price tag of Miller Park will total close to \$250 million. Sixty-four percent, or \$160 million, of that money comes from tax increases.

I am neither a Twins fan nor a Minnesota resident, but as a baseball lover, I feel sorry for the Twins. I hear stories from the past about the Twins' great heroes who played in the Met. I remember going with my little league team to watch the Brewers and Twins play in 1991. I remember the electricity that filled the Metrodome every time Kirby Puckett stepped into the batter's box.

How can an organization, which was once so full of pride, compete with the rest of the league while they remain in the Metrodome? This year the Los Angeles Dodgers will pay one player, Kevin Brown, \$15 million to pitch. At the same time, the Twins look to cut their total payroll to about \$15 million leaving them a club full of youth and inexperience to battle the big market monsters like the Yankees and Braves.

Let's end this joke. It is time for Minnesotans to step up to the plate and support their team and a new outdoor stadium.

JASON BORMAN

"How can an organization, which was once so full of pride, compete with the rest of the league while they remain in the Metrodome?"

also makes children more likely to participate in sports. Plus, at \$4 a ticket, it is cheaper to watch Major League Baseball than to go to the movies.

As the Cleveland Indians (Jacob's Field) and Baltimore Orioles (Oriole Park at Camden Yards) have demonstrated by becoming big spenders, new parks equal new revenue. Within the next year, five other teams will attempt to duplicate their success by christening new fields,

Music: the tune of a lifetime

While growing up, I wasn't exactly considered the star athlete on the little league baseball team.

I didn't play hockey like a lot of my elementary and junior high school friends did. I tried my hand at tennis in the eighth grade, but I ended up injuring it while battling for the top exhibition spot on the team, below the singles and doubles players.

My forte hit me in fifth grade when I signed up to play saxophone in the school band.

I have always considered music a constant love in my life, even while playing sports in my earlier years. I think my parents began to realize it before I did when they saw me dancing in the living room to Bruce Springsteen's "Born to Run" and The Who's "Who Are You" records at three years old.

In my opinion, every person should become involved with music in some way, shape or form. Don't get me wrong, though; playing sports is great, and definitely beneficial for handling stress, taking a break from the toils of a job or school, or just spending some time with friends and getting exercise. I love to play golf and softball with friends during the spring and

summer months.

But music is something that you can enjoy your whole life. It can be pretty arduous playing a game of football when you're in your later years, losing control of your water.

Great jazz artists such as trumpet players Dizzy Gillespie and Miles Davis both continued to write great

to be that proficient to play great music. Simply learning an instrument and picking it up every so often can be very rewarding, relaxing and a good medium through which to channel those creative impulses.

Venting one's creativity is another reward that comes with playing

player and listener is very important.

And most important of all, playing music is fun. It's fun to work with other people in a high school band, college band or small group. I play in a rock group with some other friends from high school. It is a challenging but enjoyable experience writing and playing music with your friends. It can also be a great source of income, so I've heard. We've been stiffed many times, but getting gigs is still worth it.

I avidly play the sax to this day, and I am involved with a couple of University ensembles. I find that jazz music is the most fun to play and listen to, because mostly it is based on improvisation.

As I further my music studies at the University through a double major, I urge everyone to study some aspect of music. Whether it be learning an instrument for the first time, picking one up that is lying in the closet, forming a band or writing songs; everyone should study some aspect of this art. Plus, the females dig it. Well, so I've heard.

BEN SCHMITT

"Like poetry and theater, playing in front of people allows the performer to implant a certain mood and feeling in the listener's mind."

music in the early 1990s. Both began their careers in the 1940s, and have made countless recordings up until their deaths in 1991 and 1992. Many of their works have become standards in jazz, which many small groups and big bands still continue to play.

This isn't to say that everyone has

music. Like poetry and theater, playing in front of people allows the performer to implant a certain mood and feeling in the listener's mind.

Part of the job of the musician is to make the audience feel what they are feeling while performing. That communication between the

Eat the rich

Hi kids, I'm baaack! I promise that I will not bring up any of my dark and dirty secrets this week. I'm trying my darnest not to pigeon-hole myself as a writer.

So, I hope that everyone had a good break and you're all having fun bursting water blisters.

I spent four days in 85-degree weather, with constant light and several foreigners around me. Except, I wasn't sipping daquiris in Mazatlan; I was packaging metal pipes at Associated Engineering with people named Jorge.

Which brings me to my points. 1) Appreciate your college education. 2) I hate rich kids.

Note: I am ranting again, and I'm somewhat full of hostility towards the wealthy, since I am a recovering T.T. (Trailer Trash).

First, if I were fortunate enough to have my parents paying for my education, I would have spent my free week getting REALLY drunk somewhere warm instead of just working somewhere warm. And dirty. And loud. And with a "languages that I don't understand" type of atmosphere.

No, I was not among those little Edina "pretty kids" who had mommy and daddy flying them first-class to the Caribbean for fun and sun. The same kids who have their parents paying for them to get a 1.78 GPA, semester in and semester out. The same kids that usually give us poor kids herpes (but their parents can afford the Valtrex).

Now, I really shouldn't complain. If I got a 3.0, my parents would front the bill. And I'm really smart, so it wouldn't be that difficult. But I'm also really lazy. So I pay. It's the people that sit there and say, "Oh shucks, I don't have enough to buy any Ambercrombie & Finch shirts. Darn, I'll have to go to American Eagle. They're like so five minutes ago."

M A X D A T E

"I would like to slap these little Mallrats around for a few days..."



I would like to slap these little Mallrats around for a few days and give them all designer underwear wedgies. You know who you are.

Which brings me to my, um, first point. Anyone who takes the college experience for granted should sent camping with Slobodan Milosevic. I don't mean to sound parental here (God forbid), but how would you like to work at Associated Engineering in beautiful LeHillier (God must have had an off day) Minnesota? Before you say 'yes,' here's what I did for 10 hours a day: wrapped black-painted metal in foam. Over, and over, and over again. Did I mention that it was dusty and hot and loud and, (gasp!) there were people there wearing clothes from Kmart! NO!!!

Now, I really don't have anything against these people. Some were kinda dirty, some smelled really bad, and a couple were convicted felons, but overall they were good people, I guess.

Hell, I even drank with one of them (but then again, who don't I drink with?). But the whole time that I worked, I kept thinking, "I want to go back to school." Associated Engineering made school look like a date with Britney Spears.

I guess what I'm trying to say is that each kid at UW-River Falls who has their parents paying for tuition, rent, or even 20 bucks a week in the mail should take the time every now and then to say thank you. I'm sure that most of you are bummed out that I didn't write about playing with myself, but oh well. Occasionally, I like to think too, though I hope it's not becoming a habit.

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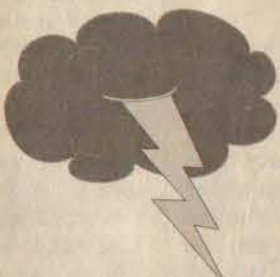
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FRIDAY



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SATURDAY



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SUNDAY



Showers
High 52/ Low 36

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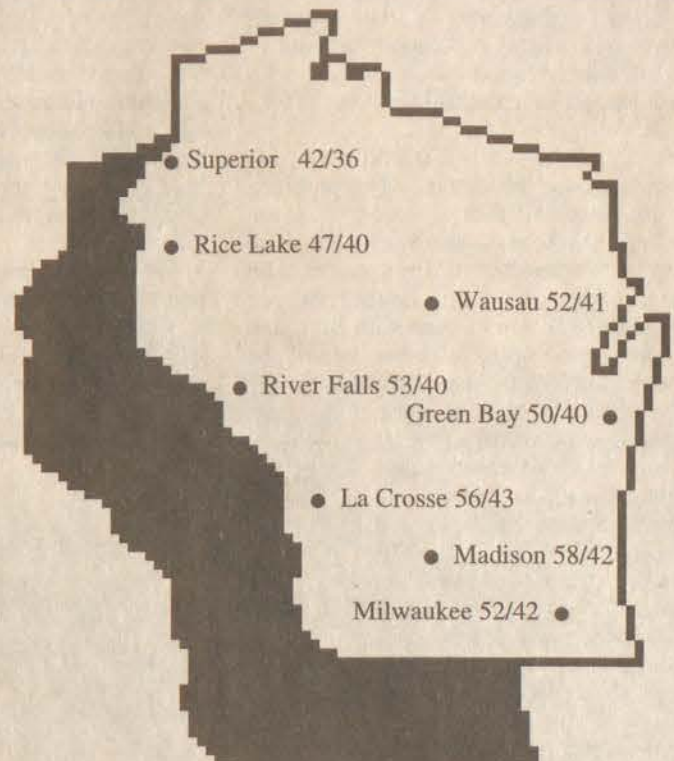
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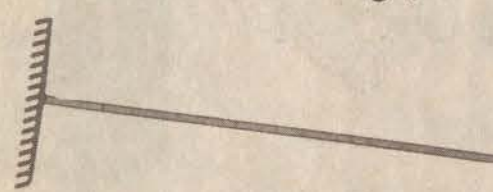
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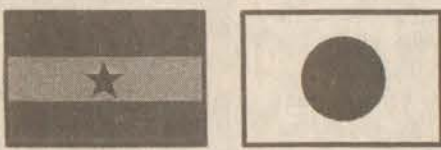


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JASON EGERSTROM

NFL draft forecast

Move over Mel Kiper, Jr. This is how the first round of the upcoming April 17-18 NFL Draft will really unfold.

1. **Cleveland** - Tim Couch, QB, Kentucky

2. **Philadelphia** - Akili Smith, QB, Oregon

3. **Cincinnati** - Champ Bailey, CB, Georgia

4. **New Orleans** (After a draft-day trade with Indianapolis) - Ricky Williams, RB, Texas

Despite recent reports, the Colts cannot afford to overlook glaring defensive needs to take Williams. Besides, Colts RB Marshall Faulk rushed for 1,319 yards last year and also was the Colts' leading receiver coming out of the backfield, catching 86 balls for 906 yards.

5. **Washington (from Carolina)** - Chris McAlister, CB, Arizona

A couple of teams may attempt to trade up here to take RB Edgerrin James of Miami before the Rams nab him at No. 6.

6. **St. Louis** - Edgerrin James, RB, Miami

7. **Chicago** - Donovan McNabb, QB, Syracuse

8. **Arizona (from San Diego)** - John Tait, OT, BYU

The Cardinals replace departed veteran offensive tackle Lomas Brown with the top-rated offensive tackle in the draft.

9. **Detroit** - Jevon Kearse, OLB/DE, Florida

10. **Baltimore** - Torrey Holt, WR, North Carolina State

The Ravens are in desperate need at the OT position, but with Tait gone by the 10th pick, offensive-minded coach Brian Billick takes the best playmaker available.

11. **Minnesota** (from Washington) - Anthony McFarland, DT, LSU

With the top two corners and QB Akili Smith gone, the Vikings focus on putting more pressure on opposing quarterbacks. Following the slow development of former No. 1 picks DEs Duane Clemons and Derrick Alexander, the Vikings opt to go inside.

12. **Indianapolis** (After the draft-day trade with New Orleans) - Chris Claiborne, ILB, USC

The Colts complete their blockbuster trade by moving down and drafting the top inside linebacker in the draft. Many slated Claiborne, who the Colts would welcome in the middle of perhaps the NFL's worst defense last year, to be a top five pick.

13. **Pittsburgh** - Troy Edwards, WR, Louisiana Tech

14. **Kansas City** - L.J. Shelton, OT, Eastern Michigan

15. **Tampa Bay** - Aaron Gibson, OT, Wisconsin

16. **Tennessee** - Andy Katzenmoyer, ILB, Ohio State

17. **Seattle** - David Boston, WR, Ohio State

18. **Oakland** - Daunte Culpepper, QB, Central Florida

19. **New York Giants** - Matt Stinchcomb, OT, Georgia

20. **New England** - Ebenezer Ekuban, DE, North Carolina

21. **Arizona** - Peerless Price, WR, Tennessee

22. **Dallas** - Patrick Kerney, DE, Virginia

23. **Buffalo** - Antoine Winfield, CB, Ohio State

24. **Miami** - Kevin Johnson, WR, Syracuse

25. **Green Bay** - Damien Woody, C/G, Boston College

With the return of injured starting center Frank Winters still in question, the Packers add depth at the offensive line - again. Green Bay may package a few of the team's

See "Draft" on page B2

California sun unkind to softball

■ Sporadic defense and inexperienced pitching cause Falcons to finish the annual spring trip 3-6-1

Troy Mallat
Assistant Sports Editor

The Falcons split a doubleheader with St. Thomas in the home-opener on Wednesday at Ramer Field.

UW-River Falls won the first game 8-7 and dropped the second game 9-1.

In the first game, the Falcons scored seven runs over the final two innings, including four in the seventh inning, for the come-from-behind victory.

Catcher Michelle May smacked a two-out, two-run scoring double in the seventh that score the tying and go-ahead runs. Second baseman Cindy Ostertag also had two RBIs in the inning.

Jackie Torson pitched 2 1/3 innings of relief for the victory. Torson gave up just two hits and no earned runs.

In the second game, the Falcons could only muster two hits, while the Tommies pounded out 10.

St. Thomas pulled out to an early 5-0 lead and never looked back.

Amanda Jo Decker gave up seven runs over 3 2/3 innings for the loss.

The doubleheader was the Falcons' first action since returning from the spring trip.

The sun, the sand, the surf, but more importantly, softball was the main reason the UW-River Falls softball team headed to California for their annual spring trip.

The Falcons finished with a record of 3-6-1 over the six-day trip that found them playing teams from California, New England and Minnesota.

The highlight of the week for River Falls was two drubbings of

St. Catherine's by scores of 14-0 and 15-2. The Falcons also beat Gustavus Adolphus, 8-4.

Despite winning only three games during the 10-game span, the Falcons played well offensively. As a team they batted .326. Six Falcons batted over .340 on the trip; two batted over .400.

Left fielder Michelle Hosfield led the team with a .472 batting average. First baseman Kara Malec hit .419.

Ostertag (.393), Abbey Butler (.393), Jenni Hosfield (.350), and Krista Kirkeeide (.344) all hit the ball well over the trip.

All six are returning players except for Jenni Hosfield.

Falcon softball coach Faye Perkins says she will now have to move Hosfield to the outfield to get the freshman playing time.

"You can't have someone batting .350 on the bench," Perkins said.

According to Perkins, Hosfield has been primarily a second baseman or catcher in the past, but should make a smooth transition to the outfield.

The Falcons even exhibited some power on the trip, hitting three home runs.

But inevitably, River Falls was plagued by inconsistent defense and inexperienced pitching.

The Falcons committed 26 errors over the course of the week.

"I was disappointed in the lack of consistency on defense," Perkins said. "Sometimes we played stellar defense and other times we couldn't pick up the ball and make a throw."

River Falls had four or more errors in three games; they lost all three, which were to La Verne, St. Thomas and Concordia-St. Paul.

"In the past, defense was our strong point, so it was frustrating to see that they didn't shut down the other team," Perkins said.

Last year, River Falls was fourth in the conference in fielding percentage.

"One important factor we're missing is leadership on the field. I don't have anyone step up in a positive, motivational, leadership pos-

"One important factor we're missing is leadership on the field..."

-Faye Perkins, Falcon head softball coach



Brandon Eytcheson / The Student Voice

Falcon shortstop Krista Kirkeeide tags out a St. Thomas baserunner in the second inning of the Falcons 8-7 win in the first game of a doubleheader Wednesday at Ramer Field. The Falcons dropped the second game 9-1.

tion," Perkins said. "In any sport, I think that's what it takes (to succeed)."

The Falcons showed some rust that their opponents didn't have. Most of the teams River Falls faced had played between six to 10 games before they showed up in the Gold Rush State.

Pacific Lutheran, who was the team's second opponent on the trip, had played 21 games before facing the Falcons. La Verne had played 16.

"Some of the mistakes we made we better not make after 21 games

under our belt," Perkins said.

Pitching, the Falcons showed their inexperience. Torson, Amanda Jo Decker, and Andrea Ellsworth all made their college debuts.

Torson and Decker each also recorded their first career wins.

"At the end of the 10 games, they realize what it's going to take to be successful," Perkins said. "All of them were outstanding in high school, but you can't get away with a fastball and change-up (in college). You have to change speeds."

According to Perkins, Decker was

the biggest surprise. The freshman used a very effective drop ball to lead the Falcons to a 15-2 win against St. Catherine's.

"They had a hard time hitting her, and when they did, they were beating the ball into the ground," Perkins said.

Sophomore Clare Peterson, the lone Falcon with pitching experience heading into the season picked up the club's other win.

"The whole pitching staff realized

See "Softball" on page B2

Falcons place 3rd at Stout Invitational Peterson wins 4 events

Sports Information

The Falcons placed third at the 11-team Stout Invitational held Friday in Menomonie.

The Falcons had a great meet considering just six athletes competed.

"Considering we brought only six athletes due to spring break, the kids were still able to rally and finish third. We got beat by just two Div. II teams, UM-Duluth and St. Cloud," coach Kristi Wagner said. "We are very excited about all our performances. Stacey White was solid in the shot, discus and hammer, as were Lisa Moore and Kelly Soczka. I've got to mention Brandi Long who placed first in the pole vault and established an outdoor meet record. We look forward to bringing the entire team together and hosting the first collegiate meet on our new outdoor facility this weekend."

Sarah Peterson had another great meet. She won four events: the shot put (41-11 1/2), the javelin (100-4), the long jump (17-0 1/2) and the high jump (5-6 1/2).

"The highlight of Sarah's meet was her meeting a NCAA automatic qualifying mark in the high jump. That also ties a school record," Wagner said.

She also finished third in the triple jump (35-1 3/4), second in the hammer (132-6) and 4th in the



Brandi Long

100 hurdles (16.39). She also helped the 4x100 relay team to a sixth-place finish in a time of 59.34.

Margaret Minke finished fifth in the 1,500 in 5:12.9. Long won the pole vault with a leap of 9-9 3/4. White finished second in the shot (39-3 3/4), third in the discus (123-1) and fifth in the hammer (126-4).

Lisa Moore was fifth in the discus (113-8), first in the hammer (147-8) and seventh in the javelin (78).

Soczka placed eighth in the discus (98-2) and sixth in the javelin (79-2).

Balks, errors haunt baseball's spring trip

■ The Falcon nine won their first two games of the young season on their 2-5 spring trip to the Cincinnati area

Jason Egerstrom
Sports Editor

The UW-River Falls baseball team hit the road on the team's annual spring trip March 26 and returned with its first two victories of the season.

The Falcons went 2-5 in the seven-game span, which included three doubleheaders, one against Div. II Northern Kentucky. According to Falcons first-year head coach Steve Block, the team could've easily went 4-3 on the trip as two of the Falcons' five losses were one run defeats. However, numerous mental errors prevented that from happening.

"We missed a lot of signs that let a lot of offensive opportunities slip away," Block said. "We missed two squeeze signs and had runners thrown out at the plate. I was most disappointed in that aspect because we need to be in control of the mental part of the game if we're going to win."

Northern Kentucky 14, Falcons 1

The Falcons committed six errors in the field, including five by new sophomore shortstop Nathan Brom, as the team yielded four unearned runs to their Div. II opponent.

Junior pitcher Dale LeMonds started and took the loss for the Falcons. In four innings of work, LeMonds allowed eight runs, four earned, fanned four and walked one. After Falcon relief pitcher Eric Bartholomew threw a scoreless fifth, Western Kentucky exploded for six runs in the sixth.

Falcon freshman reliever Eric Bounds didn't record

an out in the sixth as he faced four batters and served up four hits and four earned runs.

Second baseman Tim Johnson scored the only run of the contest for the Falcons on a third-inning single to left field by Brom.

Northern Kentucky 5, Falcons 1

The Falcons held a 1-0 lead after three innings of play in the second seven-inning contest of the two-game set.

Catcher A.J. Burr's second-inning double drove in right fielder Corey Martinson to give the Falcons a 1-0 lead. But four Falcon fielding errors proved costly once again as Falcon ace Tom Fitzgerald went the distance allowing six runs, two earned, on eight hits in six innings of work. Fitzgerald also struckout three, walked one and beamed another.

Freshman Michael Thompson committed two of the Falcons' four errors at third base.

Junior center fielder Nick Reimler went 2-for-3 with a walk while hitting in the leadoff spot for the Falcons. Senior first baseman Jeremy Weiss and freshman designated hitter Tony Zahradka also recorded hits for the Falcons.

Falcons 2, Wilmington (Ohio) 1

The Falcons earned their first win of the season while recording only two hits after freshman designated hitter Cory Martens scored the game-winning run in the fourth inning on a suicide squeeze play executed by sophomore outfielder John Peterson.

The Falcons scored both of their runs in the fourth after Martinson and Burr walked. Martinson scored when Martens reached on an error by the Wilmington pitcher. Martens reached third on the play while Burr was caught in a run down between third base and home plate for the inning's first out.

Then came Peterson's suicide squeeze.

See "Baseball" on page B2

SCOREBOARD

Overall WIAC Standings

WIAC BASEBALL (March 8)

	W	L
La Crosse (10-8)	0	0
Oshkosh (10-0)	0	0
Platteville (2-16)	0	0
Stevens Point (9-6)	0	0
Superior (6-6)	0	0
Whitewater (8-12)	0	0
River Falls (2-6-1)*	0	0
Stout (4-10)	0	0

* River Falls could not complete the second game of a doubleheader with Winona March 4.

WIAC SOFTBALL (March 8)

	W	L
East Division		
Stevens Point (18-4)	2	0
Whitewater (15-3)	0	0
Oshkosh (7-9)	0	0
Platteville (9-7)	0	2
West Division		
La Crosse (9-5)	0	0
Eau Claire (13-6)	0	0
River Falls (3-6-1)*	0	0
Stout (4-12)	0	0
Superior (2-12)	0	0

* River Falls could not complete a game with Mt. Mercy April 1.

FALCON SPORTS CALENDAR

	April 9-15 1999	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Baseball			N'western 12 p.m.					
Softball		St. Olaf 3 p.m.				La Crosse 3 p.m.	Eau Claire 3 p.m.	
Indoor Track		UW-RF Invitational						

FALCON ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

BASEBALL—Pitcher: Shawn Coyle (So., Eau Claire, Wis.) pitched well for the Falcons in the team's spring trip. He pitched in two games and finished with a 1-0 record. His best outing was in the team's last game, a 2-1 win over Hanover. He went all seven innings and allowed just one earned run. He allowed seven hits. He walked one and struck out one. Hitter: Corey Martinson (Jr., Eden Prairie, Minn.) hit the ball well for the Falcons on the team's spring trip. Martinson went 4-25 (.160) and had some key hits. He had one double and three RBIs. He walked twice.

SOFTBALL—Outfielder Michelle Hosfield (Sr., Forest Lake, Minn.) played eight good games for the Falcons in California. She was 14-29, good for a .482 average. She scored nine runs, had two doubles and eight RBIs. She walked for times and did not strikeout.

WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD—Track: Margaret Minke (Sr., North St. Paul, Minn) placed 6th in the 1,500-meter run finishing in 5:12. "It was a great opening time for her," coach Kristi Kropp-Wagner said. Field: Sarah Peterson (Sr., Catawba, Wisc.) had anothe great meet for the Falcons. She won four events; the shot put (41-11 1/2), the javelin (100-4), the long jump (17-0 1/2), and the high jump (5-6 1/2). Peterson also set an NCAA autimatic qualifying mark in the high jump that also tied a school record. She also finished third in the triple jump (35-1 3/4), second in the hammer (132-6) and fourth in the 100-meter hurdles (16.39). Her 4x100-meter relay team finished in sixth place with a time of 59:34.

SPORTS SUMMARIES

BASEBALL

March 29 results

River Falls 001 000 0-1 6 6

N. Kentucky 202 406 x-14 13 1

SB—Martinson. S—Burr.

Pitching IP H R ER BB SO

LeMonds, L 4 8 8 4 1 4

Bartholomew 1 0 0 0 0 0

Bounds 0 4 4 4 0 0

Thompson 1 1 2 2 1 0

River Falls 010 000 0-1 5 4

N. Kentucky 000 203 x-5 8 1

2B—Burr. S—Brom.

Pitching IP H R ER BB SO

Fitzgerald, L 6 8 5 2 1 3

March 30 results

River Falls 000 200 0-2 2 1

Wilmington 000 100 0-1 4 1

S—Martens, Peterson.

Pitching IP H R ER BB SO

Simonson, W 7 4 1 1 1 6

River Falls 100 000 1-2 5 0

Wilmington 000 003 x-3 5 1

2B—Stokke, Thompson, Martinson.

SB—Reimler. S—Reimler, Bachman.

Pitching IP H R ER BB SO

Harris 3.2 2 0 0 3 0

Budworth, L 1.2 2 3 2 0 3

Bachman .2 1 0 0 0 0

March 21 results

River Falls 000 000 420-6 8 3

Mt. St. Joseph 020 022 001-7 10 1

2B—Zahradka, Mason.

Pitching IP H R ER BB SO

Eichten 5.2 7 6 6 4 4

Bartholomew, L 3 1 1 1 1 2

LeMonds 0 2 0 0 1 0

April 1 results

River Falls 210 100 0-4 8 2

Hanover 001 402 x-7 9 0

2B—Burr, Peterson. SB—Peterson.

CS—Reimler.

Pitching IP H R ER BB SO

Hoebner, L 3.2 4 5 4 1 0

Fitzgerald 2.1 5 2 1 0 1

River Falls 010 010 0-2 9 0

Hanover 010 000 0-1 7 2

S—Weiss.

Pitching IP H R ER BB SO

Coyle, W 7 7 1 1 1 1

SOFTBALL

March 28 results

Williams Coll. 300 001 3-7 8 2

River Falls 101 101 0-4 7 3

2B—Kirkeeide. SB—Randolph.

CS—Ostertag. S—Ostertag, Malec, May 2.

Pitching IP H R ER BB SO

Peterson, L 7 8 7 3 3 2

River Falls 000 000 -0 3 2

Pacific Luth. 220 112 -8 11 2

S—May.

Pitching IP H R ER BB SO

Torson, L 4 7 6 6 4 2

Decker 1 4 2 2 0 1

March 29 results

St. Catherine's 000 00 -0 6 3

River Falls 337 1x -14 12 0

2B—Ostertag, M. Hosfield, Kirkeeide.

3B—Ostertag SB—M. Hosfield, Butler, Ellsworth, T. Peterson 3.

Pitching IP H R ER BB SO

Torson, W 3 3 0 0 1 4

Ellsworth 2 3 0 0 0 1

La Verne 540 30 -12 10 1

River Falls 001 00 -1 4 4

2B—May.

Pitching IP H R ER BB SO

Peterson, L 1 4 5 5 0 0

Torson 3 6 7 6 2 0

Decker 1 0 0 0 0 0

March 30 results

St. Thomas 011 303 -8 11 2

River Falls 000 221 -5 9 5

HR—Malec. SB—J. Hosfield. S—May.

SF—Welch.

Pitching IP H R ER BB SO

Decker, L 3 8 5 3 1 2

Peterson 3 3 3 1 1 1

Conc.-St. Paul 440 002 2-12 16 4

River Falls 400 300 1-8 12 4

2B—Welch. SB—Butler. CS—M. Hosfield, Natterstad.

Pitching IP H R ER BB SO

Torson, L 1.2 9 8 7 1 1

Decker 3.2 4 2 1 0 2

Peterson 1.2 3 2 2 0 0

April 1 results

Mt. Mercy 010 123 2-9 9 2

River Falls 213 000 3-9 13 1

SB—Butler, M. Hosfield, Randolph, Ostertag. S—May, Garin.

Pitching IP H R ER BB SO

Decker 5.2 7 6 5 6 4

Torson 1.1 2 3 3 4 1

River Falls 510 100 1-8 9 4

Gus. Adolphus 101 110 0-4 9 4

2B—Hubers. SB—Ostertag, T. Peterson. CS—Ostertag, Natterstad. S—May

Pitching IP H R ER BB SO

Peterson, W 7 9 4 2 2 4

April 2 results

River Falls 720 000 6-15 13 1

St. Catherine's 100 010 0-2 10 8

2B—M. Hosfield, Kirkeeide, Malec 2.

HR—Malec. SB—Hubers, T. Peterson, M. Hosfield, Natterstad, Becker. S—T. Peterson

Pitching IP H R ER BB SO

Decker, W 3 4 1 1 2 2

Ellsworth 4 6 1 1 0 2

River Falls 111 002 0-5 9 2

Hamline 010 311 x-6 9 3

2B—Ostertag, May. HR—Kirkeeide

S—T. Peterson, J. Hosfield, Randolph.

Pitching IP H R ER BB SO

Torson 4 6 5 3 3 1

Peterson, L 2 3 1 1 0 0

Wednesday's results

St. Thomas 200 050 0-7 7 4

River Falls 100 003 4-8 12 4

2B—May. SB—Kirkeeide. S—M. Hosfield.

Pitching IP H R ER BB SO

Peterson 4.2 5 5 3 3 3

Torson, W 2.1 2 2 0 0 0

St. Thomas 005 200 2-9 10 1

River Falls 001 000 0-1 2 2

S—T. Peterson. SF—M. Hosfield.

Pitching IP H R ER BB SO

Decker, L 3.2 7 7 7 2 1

Peterson 2.1 1 0 0 1 0

Ellsworth 1 2 2 2 1 0

OUTDOOR TRACK AND FIELD

April 2 results

Stout Invitational

1. Duluth 154

2. St. Cloud 136.5

3. River Falls 115

4. Stout 108.5

5. Eau Claire 95

6. St. Thomas 69

7. Superior 26

8. N'western Track Club 13

Hamline 13

10. Platteville 10

11. Mt. Scenario 7

Draft

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six picks in the first four rounds to move up and take a dominating defensive end.

26. Jacksonville - Antwan Edwards, S, Clemson

27. San Francisco - Jon Jansen, OT, Michigan

28. New England (from the Jets) - Cecil Collins, RB, McNeese State

The Patriots will desperately be trying to package their two No. 1 picks to move up and draft Edgerin James to replace injured RB Robert Edwards.

29. Minnesota - Charles Fisher, CB, West Virginia

The Vikings may have a plan to trade up and take either Champ Bailey or Chris McAlister in the top 10. Why else would they have let CB Corey Fuller go without even making him an offer? If a trade doesn't happen, the Vikings fill the need at corner the best they can with this pick.

30. Atlanta - Cade McNown, QB, UCLA

31. Denver - Solomon Page, OT, West Virginia

Jason Egerstrom is a senior majoring in journalism

Baseball

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Sophomore first baseman Brad Stokke and junior infielder Chris Mason had the lone hits for the Falcons.

Falcon Matt Simonson earned the win on the mound for the Falcons. The sophomore yielded one run on four hits and one walk in seven innings of work. He also fanned six Wilmington hitters.

The team's defense also improved in the win as the Falcons committed only one error in the contest after booting 10 plays in their first two games on the road trip.

"We don't have a great team," Block added. "So we need to keep the number of errors down if we're going to compete."

Wilmington (Ohio) 3, Falcons 2

The Falcons' scoring drought continued in the night-cap with Wilmington. The team managed only five hits, three off the bat of Stokke. It was the first game on the trip in which the Falcons didn't make a defensive error, but it was a mental lapse that cost the Falcons the game.

With runners on second and third and one out in the bottom of the sixth, a balk was called on Falcon freshman reliever Tom Budworth, and the winning run for Wilmington crossed the plate.

"We had a couple of balks that were critical calls," Block noted. "They were bad calls. (The umpires) were just not used to our type of pick-off moves."

Budworth took the loss after allowing three runs and two hits in 1 2/3 innings.

Sophomore pitcher Mike Harris started on the mound for the Falcons and shut down the Wilmington attack by allowing only two hits and three walks in 3 2/3 innings.

In addition to Stokke's 3-for-3 effort at the plate, Martinson and Thompson each recorded a double for the Falcons. UW-RF hitters struck out seven times in the contest.

Mount St. Joseph (Ohio) 7, Falcons 6

The Falcons scored all six of their runs in the seventh and eighth innings of the nine-inning game to tie the contest at six entering the ninth.

But Mount St. Joseph rallied with three hits and a walk off Falcon relievers Bartholomew and LeMonds to score the game-winner in the ninth.

Bartholomew took the loss although he left the game after allowing a ninth-inning double. The extra-base hit was the only hit of any kind the freshman allowed in three innings of work.

Mount St. Joseph rocked LeMonds with two two base hits and a walk to plate Bartholomew's earned run

from second base.

Falcon pitcher Zac Eichten started and served up six earned runs on seven hits and four walks while striking out four in 5 1/3 innings.

A Martinson single in the eighth scored Stokke and Johnson to tie the contest at six. Stokke went 1-for-3 and scored two runs in contest while Johnson went 1-for-2, was beaned twice, walked, scored twice and drove in a run for the Falcons. Zahradka also doubled for the Falcons and drove in a run.

Hanover (Ind.) 7, Falcons 4

Led by two first-inning RBI singles by Zahradka and Thompson, the Falcons built a 3-1 lead entering the decisive fourth inning.

But Hanover scored four runs in the fourth on three hits and an error on Martinson, the Falcons right fielder.

Falcon pitcher Ben Hoepner started on the mound and tossed 3 2/3 innings, allowing five runs, four earned, on four hits, one walk, and three hit batsmen. But Falcon relievers couldn't stop the bleeding the rest of the way as the team blew the early 3-1 advantage.

Zahradka and Peterson each had two hits to lead the Falcons offensively.

Falcons 2, Hanover (Ind.) 1

Thanks to a solid pitching performance by sophomore Shawn Coyle, the Falcons were able earn themselves a victory in the team's final contest of the spring road trip.

The south paw went the distance, yielding one run on seven hits and one walk.

Coyle also had solid a solid defensive effort behind him as the Falcons did not commit an error in a game for only the second time on the trip.

Despite plating only two runs, the Falcons' offense had its most successful day of the road trip in tallying nine hits.

Burr, Johnson and freshman catcher Lucas Chase each had two hits for the Falcons.

With the score knotted up at one and the Falcons batting in the fifth, Mason reached on an error by the shortstop before Reimler singled. With runners at first and second, Martinson popped out to the shortstop. Burr then singled to right to drive in Mason, who represented the game-winning run.

"We hit some balls hard but right at some people early in the trip," Block recalled. "We didn't play well early so it was great that we could finish off on a good note."

The Falcons (2-6-1) were traveling to host Carleton College on Monday before scheduled to Mt. Senario for a doubleheader on Wednesday. However, both doule-headers were postponed due to rain and neither have been rescheduled.

Saturday at noon, the Falcons host Northwestern (St. Paul) in a doubleheader at Ramer Field.

Softball

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it will take all of them to be successful," Perkins noted. "It's not going to be one stellar pitcher."

Perkins says the key to the season will be to keep the runs scored against them down. Since most softball games are low scoring

affairs, it was shocking to see the Falcons lose games 7-4 (Williams College), 8-0 (Pacific Lutheran), and 12-1 (La Verne).

"We can't let them score eight runs, we'll never win a game," said Perkins. "We can't give up more than four runs a game."

TSV BASEBALL PICKS

AL East Yankees

AL Central Indians

AL West Angels

AL Wild Card Orioles

NL East Braves

NL Central Astros

NL West Dodgers

NL Wild Card Giants

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AL MVP Mo Vaughn

NL MVP Barry Bonds

AL Cy Young Roger Clemens

NL Cy Young Greg Maddux

AL Batting Champ Mo Vaughn (.348)

NL Batting Champ Tony Gwynn (.377)

AL Home Run Champ Albert Belle (60)

NL Home Run Champ Barry Bonds (56)

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Baby Boomer Sell-outs

I have always thought of Woodstock as the greatest rock show of all time. You had the peace movement, the Civil Rights Movement, and all of the other movements of the sixties coming together with the greatest music of the time. The two anniversary shows for Woodstock, however, are enough to make me want to kill.

Is this where the hippy generation has gone? How far to the right can we expect this generation to go? The baby boomers have gone from a legendary show of sex, drugs, and rock and roll to corporate sponsorship, ticketmaster fees, and an airforce base.

Anyone seen the lineup for the 30th anniversary of Woodstock? It's the most nauseating group of musicians that I have ever seen.

You couldn't find two more whiny wenches than Jewel and Alanis Morissette. Why couldn't they have found women with something valid to say? Tori Amos would have been a great candidate, so would L7. The baby boomers had Janis Joplin, and we get Jewel.

The rock bands that are rumored to be there really fit the sellout feel of the whole show. Metallica was one of the more political bands of the eighties. When they saw how much money they could make by putting out crap that has no point, they became the biggest sellout band of all time. Aerosmith is so old they need walkers to get on to the stage, but if there's money in it for them they'll be there.

Dave Matthews Band, Sheryl Crow, Korn and Marilyn Manson are just in it for the money. These are the big names that are supposed to be representing rock and roll. Where are the bands that fit into the original Woodstock idea? Where are Pearl Jam, Alice in Chains, R.E.M. and U2? The only band rumored to be going that might fit into the original idea is Rage Against the Machine.

What is with the sponsors that are supposed to foot the bill for this? Were there corporate sponsors in 1969? I doubt it. I can't wait to see who will be sponsoring it this year. Look for "Gap Woodstock, How easy is this?" ads out soon. I bet you'll see ads like... "Tidy Bowl, The official toilet bowl cleaner of Woodstock 99. There weren't even toilets at the first Woodstock. The thing that angers me most about the '99 show is that it is being held at an Air Force Base that is used to house more than 400 nuclear warheads.

This is just about the sickest idea of all. The idea behind the original Woodstock was peace and people coming together. This one is about finding a place to park on the air strip and keep out people who didn't pay. There will be so much security that you probably won't be able to get any drugs in because they'll probably have drug-sniffing dogs to bite your balls off if you tried. You also know that there won't be any sex going on because you would probably be caught by one of the many security guards who would haul you off to jail.

In essence, the baby boomers who went to Woodstock in 1969 have decided that they will now make all the money they can by glorifying something that happened 30 years ago. What they're saying is that, "We had a really great time with sex, drugs and rock and roll and we made our point about peace, but it didn't work, so we elected Reagan and want to take all of the fun and meaning out of this great event that had no real positive impact on the future." If we were able to kill all of the Baby boomers now, maybe generation Y will have a chance to learn what their parents haven't.

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Meddling Melinda

Dear Meddling Melinda,

Over spring break I had a very creepy experience. For Easter my family got together for lunch. This was the first time my sister was to bring her new boyfriend over to meet our family. I was really excited for my sister because she hasn't dated anyone since she broke off her engagement with her ex-boyfriend last year. When he first walked into our house everything seemed to be going really well. He was nice, funny, and could carry on a conversation with my parents. But later on his nice turned into over friendly.

After lunch I went into the living room and started to watch some television. My sister was helping my mother with the dishes and cleaning up so her boyfriend came

into the living room to watch some TV. All of a sudden I got this creepy feeling he was staring at me. When I looked up, I caught him. I felt like he was undressing me with his eyes. I wanted to scream at him, but instead I left the room. It was just too creepy. For the rest of the afternoon I made sure I was never alone or in the same room with him. I have been wondering if I should say something to my sister about her creepy boyfriend. We're not that close and I feel really guilty because she just started dating again. What do you think I should do?

-Confused Sis

Dear Confused Sis,

Ouch, this is a tough situation. What you might want to do before telling your sister is talk your mother or father about the situation. If you feel this uncomfortable around the guy I think you should tell someone in the family that you can trust. The

two reasons for you to tell a family member are... one; you want to protect yourself, and two, they might be able to give you better advice. Since I don't know your sister very well, it's really hard for me to try to tell you what to do. But if you decide to tell your sister I suggest bringing someone with you that both of you would feel comfortable talking to.

There is one other thing you might want to do. The next time you see this guy and a situation like this arises, say something. Tell him, he is making you feel uncomfortable. Give him a chance to correct his ways. Sometimes, I don't think people realize how uncomfortable they make another person feel.

-Meddling Melinda

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The A-Train rolls into town

■River Falls Jazz Ensemble to perform Duke Ellington tribute

Saramha Quaidoo
Staff Writer

UW-River Falls Jazz Ensemble will be performing a concert in tribute to the 100th anniversary of Duke Ellington's birth on April 29, 1899.

"He is one of the century's greatest musicians and his jazz pieces are truly unique," said David Milne, an associate professor in the Music Department.

Milne will be conducting 16 students, who over the past year, have closely studied recordings of Ellington's work in preparation for the event. They will perform 10 original scores written by Ellington.

The students found learning the pieces a challenge because the older jazz styles are harder to reproduce, Milne said.

"The repertoire is so unique, it's a good experience for students to play them," Milne said.

The music will represent a wide range of Ellington's work that spans more than the 50 years he was a band leader. Some of the pieces that will be performed are "Caravan," "In a Mellow Tone," "Portrait of Louis Armstrong" and "Take the A-Train," Ellington's theme song.

Kim Brown, a broad area music major, has been working hard to learn trumpet solos in preparation for the concert. Brown has played the trumpet since the 5th grade. She finds Ellington's approach to music notable.

"Most significant is that he knew every person's (band member's) style, strengths and weakness; he used that to his advantage in everything he wrote," Brown said. "He could create so many different styles and do so many things with his compositions."

Edward Kennedy "Duke" Ellington began his career in his hometown of Washington D.C. In 1922 he moved to New York City where he and his band, the Washingtonians, played at the Kentucky Club and later the Cotton Club, where there were live radio broadcasts. His popularity built as radio became a



Photo from Duke Ellington on-line

large medium for reaching people. Ellington's work has been linked to the Harlem Renaissance during a growth of music and art in African-American culture in the 1920s.

Ellington's innovative growl-plunger technique is legendary. The unusual technique involves simultaneously singing through a brass instrument in addition to playing the note with the use of a plunger to create a waa waa sound, Milne said.

"The end result is close to the inflections of a human voice," Milne said.

Ellington allowed each of his band members' personalities to come through by allowing and encouraging improvisation. He wrote pieces reflecting the individuals instead of focusing on their instruments.

During Ellington's lifetime he witnessed wars, Prohibition, the Depression and the Civil Rights Movement. These situations increased his social conscience and he wrote many pieces depicting the struggles of African-Americans.

Much of Ellington's work involved presenting these plights into long musical compositions such as "Black, Brown and Beige," which was written in three sections. This piece was performed during Ellington's debut at Carnegie Hall in 1943.

"Black" concerned African-Americans at work and at prayer. "Brown" celebrated African-American soldiers who fought in the American Revolution and "Beige" represented the African-American music of Harlem.

The pieces "Emancipation Celebration" and "Ko-

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Events Calender

April 9-15



Saturday 10

"A moment in time"

-All campus 1999 formal

-8 p.m. at Brandy's

-\$5 couple, \$3 single

-tickets at Stratton Hall

Monday 12

Give Blood

American Red Cross

-noon till 6 p.m. in the River

Room

-sign up for appointment

Tuesday 13

Give Blood

-noon till 6 p.m. in the River Room

Global Hunger Awareness

Banquet

Habitat for Humanity

-6 p.m. Lutheran Mem. Church

-\$2 donation

Vince Morris

Comedian

-8 p.m. at Brandy's

Understanding Benfits

Package

-8 p.m. Presidents Room in the

Student Center



Horoscope Forecasts



Neil Rhines and Ben Schmitt
This week's forecasters of the future

Aries (March 21 - April 19)
Watch out, the warmer weather may bring out the insects that were living in your plaster walls. Spray your apartment with your cheap perfume, it drives everyone else away.

Taurus (April 20 - May 20)

Eat some sardine loaf, it will clean you out better than chocolate laxatives.

Gemini (May 21 - June 21)

Love doesn't make you blind, it makes you stupid.

Cancer (June 22 - July 22)

Spend your evenings studying your philosophy and watching reruns of such belated shows as Morton Downey, Jr.

Leo (July 22 - August 22)

Calm down this week. Take a last breather before the stress from the end of the year works you into a Beavis.

Virgo (August 23 - September 22)

Make a new friend in class this week, you never know when

they'll let you look over their shoulder during exams.

Libra (September 23 - October 23)

Do your homework outside, by the river, nude.

Scorpio (October 24 - November 21)

My crystal ball feels strange, it's oddly warm, "Oh, sorry Mrs. Johnson."

Sagittarius (November 22 - December 21)

Remember, it's all fun and games till someone loses an appendage.

Capricorn (December 22 - January 18)

Never mind the warnings your mother gave you about heavy metal, suicide and masturbation. You love it! Love it!

Aquarius (January 19 - February 18)

Be sure to cozy up to your professors, you never know when a little nookie will get you that well deserved A.

Pisces (February 19 - March 20)

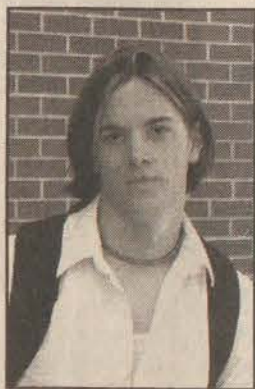
Be sure to drink your Ovaltine, and don't shoot your eye out.



By:
Neil Rhines

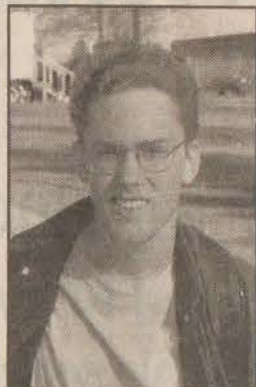
"POINTS OF VIEW"

How do you feel about the American soldiers being held as POWs?



Alex Schutz

"The lives of all the people in Kosovo are more important than three Americans."



Frank Horvath

"A faulty political statement that will backfire on the Serbians. It lends support to the NATO bombing campaign and the Americans position in it."



Andrea Just

"I think it's really sad. I'm against war. It seems sick to hold life for political gains."



Christine Block

"It's really unfair, they(Serbs) could decide to kill them at any moment if the war escalates."



Jessica Smith

"I don't think we should be over there in the first place. I feel really bad for their families."



Karolyn Knoll

"I think that they (the U.S.) should probably go in there and get them."

Adam Benedetto in the Bell View

Adam Benedetto is a senior majoring in English



to sleep because it is mythic in it's proportion. There's no need to refer to the Bible for great stories of inspiration when new ones are written every day.

Martin Luther King Jr. understood how precious our daily stories were. In his speech, "Remaining Awake Through A Great Revolution" he first mourns the

assassination of J.F.K and then says that the greatest tribute America could make to him would be to pass the Civil Rights Bill. Fortunately Dr. King was there to lead, not only African-Americans, but also, the entire country into living up to its Constitutional motto that, "All men are created equal."

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What the heck am I being taught at this school? Anything that's happened in the last 30 years I've had to teach myself. I'm getting a little worried because there seems to be a lot of inspirational stories from the 1960s that aren't being discussed in classes today. Over break I came into a few movies about Mohammed Ali and a tape of Martin Luther King's speech "Remaining Awake Through a Great Revolution."

One of the movies, "When We Were Kings" focused on how Mohammed Ali wasn't simply an incredible athlete, but a politician and a cultural leader. His moral objections to the Vietnam War placed him in history not only as a champion of the ring, but also a champion for black America. As he so plainly set forth, "No Vietnamese have ever called me a nigger. Why should I fight them?" His defiance of the government of the United States of America on sheer intellectual grounds made him a voice for all African-Americans in the country.

Later, when he fought George Foreman, he was able to unite black America with Africa. The sense I got watching the video was that Mohammed Ali was a great unifier of peoples and a great leader of humanity. A truly inspiring character.

But how many kids know about this story. I never heard this legend until now. And I'm 23 and that's too long to walk around ignorant of the people who shaped this country.

An education should consist of these legends and legendary characters.

Ali comes into the fight against Forman as an intelligent, articulate, powerful character predicted to get his butt kicked and the whole world is feeling sorry for him. Then he goes in the ring and takes punch after punch in the rope-a-dope until Foreman's all worn out. I like the way an African talked about this in "When We Were Kings," he says something to the effect of, "Ali was like a sleeping elephant. You can do anything you want around a sleeping elephant but when he wakes up you better watch out." "The Story of the Sleeping Elephant" should be something we all are told before we go

individual has never died. Not by hemlock, not by a sniper's bullet in Memphis.

Still, something seems to be missing today. I try to keep up with the newspapers and follow current events but it seems like there are no hero's occupying our attention on a national scale. People say they love Michael Jordan but he has never been in the forefront of leadership for African-Americans like Mohammed Ali. Clinton has never had the kind of devotion that Kennedy had, and when it comes to articulate leaders of social change I can't think of one who plays a role in my everyday life.

The problem is that I feel like I can't make sense of this country America, and this global community I was born into. Martin Luther King's words lived in my father once and this part of my father I must come to understand. And before my mother held me she held signs that protested the Vietnam War.

And today I sit at the great "table of brotherhood" with African-Americans, Vietnamese-Americans, Hmong-Americans, and American Indians and without ever saying a word we try to make sense of what our parents were doing 30 years ago and nothing seems clear. If this country is going to continue healing the great wounds of racism, and mourn our losses in Vietnam, and mend the distrust created at Kent State we must first find a way to communicate between generations. The legends can't be told and retold enough.

The stories of how he did this remain relatively unknown to my generation. (I'm certain that's a safe assumption to make). The marches, the speeches, the arrests and the entire ideology of the Civil Rights Movement is hardly ever discussed today. I get sick to my stomach thinking about how many times I've read "The Scarlet Letter," "The Iliad," or Thomas Aquinas for classes, when the ideas that existed 20 to 30 years ago have been completely overlooked.

The last 20 to 30 years are really the context

we're born into so I think it's important that we understand our place in history. A lot of people never realize that most contemporary events and statements paraphrase older statements. For instance, Socrates was sentenced to death but he could have avoided his own end by retracting his statements. He didn't and was killed. Likewise, Martin Luther King said, "If a man hasn't found something he will die for then he isn't fit to live." The idea that principles out live the

CRYPTOGRAM

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Last week's message: Stop stealing silverware from Rodli.

The answer to this week's cryptogram to be published next week.

Ellington

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Ko" are musical descriptions of slaves dancing in Congo Square in New Orleans

During Ellington's lifetime he wrote over 2,000 pieces that varied in genres. He wrote everything from ballads to instrumentals to full scale suites, and won an Academy award for a movie score and received the Presidential Honor Award from President Nixon. Ellington traveled extensively and was very popular in Europe

as well.

His music weathered many changes. When rock n' roll became popular in the 1950s, records sales dropped, but he continued to write and perform. Many times he had to finance the expenses himself.

The student Jazz Ensemble has played about five or six concerts this year.

"It's going to be the best one this year," Brown said.

The concert is free and will be performed at 8 p.m. on April 29 in Abbott Concert Hall in KFA.

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