

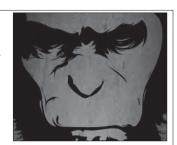
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Jerry Kill, University of Minnesota head football coach, inspires millions of epileptics with his continued passion and skill in his work.

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'Dawn of the Planet of the Apes' brings a new reign of apes.



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'Peter/Wendy' hits UW-River Falls stage

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A beloved story since it first appeared on stage in 1904, Peter Pan has captured the hearts and minds of many generations.

The play spurred J. M. Barrie to write a novel of Peter Pan's adventures, entitled "Peter and Wendy," which was published in 1911. Both the play and novel brought Barrie much wealth and fame

The UW-River Falls University Theater production put on Jeremy Bloom's play adaptation of Barrie's novel called "Peter/Wendy," which includes elements from "Little Bird." Not to be confused with the Disney version, Peter/Wendy ran from Dec. 4-6 and opens again on Dec. 11-13.

The story is similar to the classic tale of Peter Pan, but with a contemporary twist. The play focuses on Wendy Darling (Lauren Morris) and her new friend Peter Pan (Danielle Formanek). Wendy is taken to "Neverland" where children never grow up. The children of Neverland long for a mother and Wendy decides to take on the task.

Meanwhile, an evil Captain Hook (KC Stowe of Minneapolis) and his right-hand man, Smee, (Kendra Yarke of East Bethel, Minnesota) are trying to get rid of the notorious Peter

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The cast members include: Anna Head as Tinkerbell; Maddie Dooher as Tiger Lily; Vanessa Agnes as Mrs. Darling; Nathan Cameron as Mr. Darling; Danielle Bebus as Mermaid/ Pirate; Emma Meyer as Mermaid/Lost Boy; Josh Gustafson as Lost Boy; and Luke Murphy as Lost Boy.

Nicholas Ambroz is stage manager and Lisa Miske is assistant stage manager.

"We all have some sort of acquaintance with this story, its done in a way people can really take it and run with it," said Jeremy Bloom, who wrote Peter/Wendy.

On Friday, Dec. 5, there was a discussion after the performance with Dooley and Bloom. Audience members could ask Bloom questions about his play and talk with cast members about their roles.

"There was a disconnect from Peter, almost a sense of carelessness, different from the cartoon," a student audience mem-

"The lost boys' blindness is a physical symbol of how lost they really are," said a cast member.

"Nostalgic and dreamlike as if you were a child, the mood and atmosphere and lightning really helped set the tone," Head

Peter/Wendy used balloons in the production to represent the potential for flight, for adventure. The reminder that at any time, with the right thought, we could go soaring off into the unknown. All it takes is a happy thought.

"The heart of the story is from the perspective of a child," Bloom said.

Skating and dodgeball help students' finals stress

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With the last week of classes and finals looming over students, Campus Recreation and Sport Facilities along with Residence Life put on two big events last Friday to help relieve some stress.

The events were "Falcons on Ice" in Hunt Arena and a dodgeball tournament in the Knowles Center which were both Mardi Gras themed. Free skates and free climbing were offered to students that presented their student ID while Mardi Gras attire was handed out to all participants and the winning dodgeball team won the famous campus intramural t-

There were 180 skate rentals handed out with close to 205-220 people in attendance at the rink, according to Assistant Director of Recreation Tiffany Gaulke.

Center) and I have always wanted to try skating so I thought it would be a fun event to go to," said UW-River Falls freshman Krystina

Residence Life came up with the Mardi Gras theme as they try to find a fun theme ever year for their events. Intramural Supervisor Elizabeth Edd said she felt like students had a lot of fun with the theme.

It is no surprise the Falcons on Ice event was a success as open skating at UWRF has been a mainstay on campus for years thanks to cheap prices provided to students that are hard to beat anywhere else.

UWRF students can skate for free during open skate hours and rent either hockey or figure skates for \$2.00. To find out when open skate is offered students can check on the UWRF master calendar found on uwrf.edu.

Fourteen teams participated in the dodgeball tournament and Edd said after intramurals took a year off from dodgeball last year nament."

that people were excited it was back this year. "I think people really missed not having dodgeball last year," Edd said.

Edd said it is always hard to tell how many people will show up when an event is held on a Friday night but was happy to see how many

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people did show up.

"We had a good turnout for a Friday night event," Edd said. "We were happy with how many people there were. All the teams were excited and even showed up early to the tour-

While many students can be found studying and finishing up projects this time of the semester it is still important to have events like this on campus to give students something to get their minds of schoolwork, even if it is just for a little bit.

Campus recreation holds events like this all year long in order to give students a fun option to stay busy while also enjoying time with friends and relieving some stress. Senior Nathan Reckard who has competed in intramurals all four years at UWRF talked about that earlier this semester.

"Intramurals helps me relax, lower stress and keeps my competitive nature going," Reckard said.

With one week of finals left followed by a much needed J-term break for students, Edd said she hopes students will remember about intramurals next semester, "I think every student should join intramurals."

Art fair brings in customers, students to appreciate work





Maggie Sanders/Student Voice

Left: Senior Julian Gelhaye looks around at the art sale that took place in the Kleinpell Fine Arts building. Gelhaye majors in glass and is one of the students that sold their art at the "Annual Art Sale" in Gallery 101 in from Dec. 1-10. Right: Volunteers Lisa Vang, Emily Harrison, Mary Harrison and Jenn Angell help watch over the sale and sell items at the Annual Art Sale.

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New innovation hub to aid UW System faculty

The UW System is partnering with the Association of American Colleges & Universities (AAC&U) on a new initiative that will create a state-based, faculty-led "innovation hub" focused on advancing curricular reforms that lead to deeper student engagement, retention and graduation.

AAC&U's new Faculty Collaboratives project more specifically aims to support faculty members through a multi-state network as they improve the learning of highly mobile students from diverse backgrounds who often transfer across multiple institutions in their college careers.

The UW System will receive \$117,800 over two years to support the innovation hub, which will build faculty capacity for leadership and engagement with proven practices and frameworks focused on general education reform, as well as the assessment and transferability of student learning outcomes and proficiencies. The initiative also focuses on achieving higher levels of retention and graduation for first-generation, low-income and underrepresented minority students.

Supported by a grant from Lumina Foundation, the project is part of AAC&U's Liberal Education and America's Promise, or LEAP Campaign, a national public advocacy and campus action initiative promoting student learning outcomes that both educators and employers endorse.

The UW System is part of the first cohort of states and systems, along with LEAP partners in California, Indiana, Texas and Utah. Another five states will join the project's second

In 2005, the UW System became the pilot partner with AAC&U on the LEAP Campaign. Since then, LEAP Wisconsin has become synonymous with the UW System's quality agenda, providing a blueprint for the essential learning that UW System students need as they prepare to take their places in the twenty-first century knowledge-based, global

Mental health grant awarded to Wisconsin

The Wisconsin Department of Health Services today announced that the state has received a \$5 million "Now is the Time-Healthy Transitions" grant from the federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration to provide services and supports to young adults with, or who are at risk for, serious mental health conditions.

The grant provides \$1 million in funding annually for the next five years.

"The purpose of this program is to improve ess to treatment and supports for young adults," said Secretary Kitty Rhoades. "A large number of individuals in this age group need these services, but often fail to seek help. They may fall through the cracks and not receive the assistance they need to assume safe and productive adult roles and responsibilities."

The Department will use the grant funds to develop and launch "Project YES!" (Youth Empowered Solutions) in Jefferson and Outagamie counties. County staff as well as ser-

vice providers and community groups in these counties will work together to better serve the young adult age group.

Through Project YES! young adults and their family members will have active roles in identifying how to achieve the goals of the

Project YES! has the following three goals: 1) Increase awareness of mental health issues and needs of young adults ages 16 to 25. 2) Expand the number of young adults aged 16-25 who receive age appropriate, culturally competent and evidence-based behavioral health treatment and support services. 3) Improve young adult engagement as well as promote successful transitions to adulthood by developing and implementing local and state policies and practice changes.

Project YES! is based on "Project O-YE-AH," a successful young adult transition program developed in 2009 by Wraparound Milwaukee, a system of care created by Milwaukee County for children with serious emotional, behavioral and mental health needs and their families.

Project YES! complements Governor Scott Walker's \$30 million investment in Wisconsin's mental health reforms in the current biennial budget, including the expansion of comprehensive community services and coordinated service teams.

Ag student places third at research conference

UW-River Falls student Jacob Zwiefelhofer of Bloomer, Wisconsin, placed third in the nation in the research poster competition with his poster, "Working to Achieve Drift Control for Emerging Dicamba Technologies" during the Students of Agronomy, Soils, and Environmental Sciences (SASES) conference in Long Beach, California, Nov. 1-3.

More than 350 undergraduate students from universities around the nation attended the conference including 16 members of the UWRF Crops and Soils Club.

The conference program included tours, business meetings, social events, keynote speakers, a research symposium and contests. The SASES conference is held in conjunction with the annual joint meeting of the American Society of Agronomy (ASA), the Crop Science Society of America (CSSA) and the Soil Science Society of America (SSSA) that draws more than 5,000 professionals to the various sessions.

Associate professor of geology and soil science Holly Dolliver accompanied the students to the conference and participated in the professional meeting. Her presentation, "Long-Term Effects of Agriculture on Soil Organic Carbon in Western Wisconsin," was featured in one of the sessions of the SSSA division. Dolliver's research was a collaborative project with Jabez Meulemans, a 2013 graduate of UWRF currently in graduate school at the University of Hawaii.

Ray Cross proposes **UW System reform**

UW System President Ray Cross is calling for a series of internal reforms in the UW System, including an outside review of administrative operations and a thorough reex-

amination of student fees, as part of continuing efforts to more closely align the university with the needs of the state.

Cross presented his package of proposed reforms to the UW Board of Regents last Friday.

"We have started work on a new strategic plan for the UW System, but in the meantime, we continue to look for new reforms that we can accomplish on our own to heighten both our efficiency and our effectiveness while maintaining the quality of what we do," Cross

Other reforms Cross is proposing include driving down the number of required credits to graduate; new approval processes for capital building projects; a review of electives and courses with lower enrollments; developing guidelines for non-instructional workloads; reforming the presidential, chancellor, and vice presidential search process; and creating a new system-wide hotline to report waste, fraud and abuse.

"Assuring the quality and affordability of a UW education for our students and their families is one of our top priorities," Cross said.

Adding that a goal of reforms is to leverage the System's resources, talent, and ideas to enhance investments in the classroom.

"Innovation and technology provide us with new opportunities to rethink how we do things," Cross said. "We intend to work in collaboration with faculty and other stakeholders, including the Legislature, to ensure that any reforms we enact are done appropriately, effectively, and responsibly."

Adult Smoking at record low in state

The Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) announced today that the state's adult smoking rate is at the lowest rate ever recorded in Wisconsin.

The adult smoking rate is at 18 percent, a two percentage point drop from 2012, and is consistent with the national smoking rate of 17.8 percent recently announced by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CD

The data from the Wisconsin Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System Survey (BRFSS) also shows that smoking rates remain high among specific groups. For example, the survey found that 33 percent of Wisconsin residents who are low income or have less than a high school degree still smoke.

Meanwhile, sales of tobacco to underage youth also declined in 2014 to 6.4 percent; down from 7.3 percent in 2013. The Department credits responsible retailers and available resources for that decline.

In addition, the 2014 Youth Tobacco Survey (YTS) by the UW-Milwaukee Center for Urban Initiatives and Research found that while youth smoking was down, the use of smokeless tobacco products among high school youth increased from six percent in 2012 to nearly ten percent in 2014. The study also found that the use of e-cigarettes by Wisconsin high school students was 75 percent higher than the national average.

Resources are available for Wisconsin resi-

dents who want to quit tobacco, including the Wisconsin Tobacco Quit Line at 1-800 QUIT NOW, which offers free help and medications. Since 2001, the Quit Line has fielded more than 200,000 calls.

Health officials encourage flu shots

"Influenza Vaccination Awareness Week" is Dec. 7-13, so health officials remind Wisconsin residents that getting a flu shot remains one of the best ways to protect yourself and your family against getting the flu and potential complications.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, everyone aged six months and older should be vaccinated annually.

Influenza levels are rising, with some 192 influenza-associated hospitalizations, including children, adolescents and adults, already reported in Wisconsin so far this influenza season. Of those hospitalized with influenza, 63 percent were aged 65 and older.

Influenza can range from mild to severe, and in some cases can cause life-threatening complications. Symptoms can come on quickly and include fever, headache, dry cough, sore throat, nasal congestion, body aches and tiredness. If someone does get the flu after getting vaccinated, it is more likely to be a milder case.

To get your flu vaccine and vaccine for your family, contact your health care provider, pharmacy, local public health department or tribal health clinic, or go to www.flu.gov to find a flu vaccination center near you.

Health officials also suggest these impor-

- Wash your hands often with soap and water, or use an alcohol-based hand
- Cover your cough or sneeze with your upper sleeve, and try to avoid touching your face with your hand. If you use a tissue, throw it away after one use.
- Use your own drinking cups and
- Avoid being exposed to people who are sick with flu-like symptoms.
- Eat nutritious meals, get plenty of rest and do not smoke.
- Frequently clean commonly touched surfaces (e.g., doorknobs, refrigerator handle, telephone, faucets). If you think you have the flu, call your doc-

tor. Stay home, rest, drink plenty of liquids, and avoid using alcohol and tobacco.

For more information, visit http://www. dhs.wisconsin.gov/communicable/influenza/.



River Falls Police/UWRF Police Department

Monday, Dec. 1

- A welfare check was performed in South Fork Suites around 9 a.m.
- A bicycle theft occurred outside the University Center around noon.

Thursday, Dec. 4

- Two unwanted contact reports were filed between 3-4 p.m. on cam-
- At about 9 p.m. an incident involving marijuana and marijuana paraphernalia was reported in Johnson Hall.
- Around 10 p.m., a domestic dispute incident occurred, also in Johnson Hall.

Friday, Dec. 5

At 9:50 a.m. an unconscious female was reported at Grimm Hall.

Saturday, Dec. 6

At 2 a.m. a controlled substance report was filed in the Kleinpell Fine Arts building. This incident involved the possession of marijuana and smoke in the building.

Sunday, Dec. 7

Two property damage incident reports were filed concerning vandalism on Cascade Avenue that occurred in the early hours of the morning.

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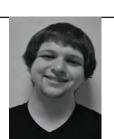
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Newest 'Planet of the Apes' merits re-watching on recent DVD release



Ryan **Funes** Reviewer

Humanity is near extinction, the world is returning to nature, and we (humans) are not the dominant species as we once thought, for in "Dawn of the Planet of the Apes," a new civilization is rising, and probably the best "Planet of the Apes" film so far revolves

From last we saw of him, the intelligent ape Caesar has led his new family to the Redwoods of San Francisco, and for 10 years now has lived a peaceful life with his ape brethren, even fathering a son.

Peace is disturbed though, when humans are found to be living in the far-off city, and desperation has led them to the apes. Already something to note in this film is the beautiful approach to the cinematography, which takes advantage of its excellent art design to show off how advanced the apes have become over these 10 years.

Art design aside, the main thing audiences will immediately latch on to in this film is the main ape Caesar, played by Andy Serkis ("The Lord of the Rings" trilogy).

For a long time now I have not seen a performance like Serkis' here; he plays Caesar with such a high degree of responsibility, seeming to weigh all his options and try to make peace with the humans.

During the few times that he does speak,

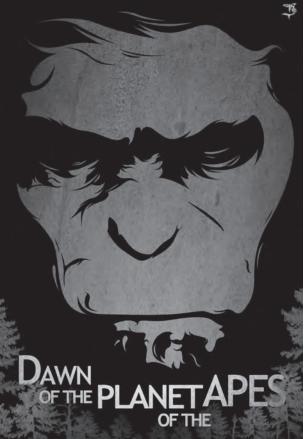
the whole movie audience comes to a hush to hear his clear words, punctuated still by the amazement that he can speak.

Where there is Caesar, whose struggle becomes real and sympathetic to the audience, there is his counterpart in the film; not a human but one of his own, Koba.

A chilling performance is found in this ape, who was an escapee from the previous "Rise of the Planet of the Apes" film, whose unwillingness to forgive humans for what they've

done to him packs an almost terrifying message as his actions in the film inspire fear among his fellow apes and birth terrible

A scene later in the film marked by billow-





Actors Jason Clarke ("Zero Dark Thirty") and Gary Oldman ("The Dark Knight Rises") do their jobs well, getting across the loss felt by all of humanity in this bleak world, searching for a source of power for their

ing fire and an operatic score had me experiencing genuine fear and awe.

Much of the greatness in the apes' performances is the excellent motion capture utilized in the film.

WETA Digital was the team behind the visuals, and they bring an almost revolutionary job to the film. Some scenes made me believe that an actual ape was there on screen, conversing with humans and screaming in anger.

This is not to say the humans don't do their part in the film.

Ryan Funes is a junior journalism student who enjoys all facets of popular culture and would love to report

dwindling lights. But this somewhat betrays

the film in that the apes and their world are

so fascinating that you want to see more of

Despite this, their presence is welcome and

even admired at how they are portrayed with

a good ratio of different races and genders, as the last of humanity should be portrayed, and

I'm thankful for that consideration.

At the films base, that connectivity

the film work so well. The "Apes" films

between all people of Earth is what makes

and their stories have always meant to be a

reflection of humanity and how far we've

a way to show how apes and their treat-

come. Stories of the films have always found

ment of humans reflect how we all deal with

foreign forces and the unknown in our own

In many ways, the film's plot shows that

two worlds can be so alike, but that it's the

actions of individuals, both good and bad,

that change the world and other's ways of

thinking, that have the capacity to inspire

It may seem odd that I review this film

only after it is released on home media,

but for a film that touched me in a special

way when I saw it last summer, I felt it was

A film like "Dawn of the Planet of the

Apes" makes you glad that films can excite

and make you think about our world to this

altruism and hatred in every heart.

deserved.

them than the humans.

any and all of it one day. Ryan's main interests lie in ani-

University of Minnesota football coach Jerry Kill wins award while spreading epilepsy awareness

Daniel Saunders

Guest Columnist

Jerry Kill, the head football coach of the University of Minnesota, won the Big Ten Coach of the Year from both the vote of the Big Ten coaches and the national media.

Kill, as I do, suffers from epilepsy, which has created a very public atmosphere for the issue to be discussed. It has been 15 months since Star Tribune sports reporter Jim Souhan published an article ridiculing Minnesota Athletic Director Norwood Teague for supporting Kill's coaching position during his public bout with epilepsy. In regards to Big Ten football, epilepsy in Minnesota, and the perception of Kill, much has changed in the past 15 months.

The Gophers stunned many Big Ten fans with an exceptional season, taking second in the Big Ten West and coming close to playing for a Big Ten title.

The Minnesota state legislature, in attempt to help patients who have severe cases of epilepsy, passed a bill to legalize the growth of a strain of medical marijuana that has a low concentration of tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) and a high concentration of cannabidiol (CBD), the molecule known to significantly decrease seizure activity.

Most visibly, Kill is no longer known as the Big Ten coach who rewards Gopher fans with "the sight of a middle-aged man writhing on the ground," as Souhan depicted in his piece.

In late May of this year, I had two invasive brain surgeries at the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota, in an attempt to control my epilepsy. After a life changing seven days with half my skull in a freezer, my recovery

The product of the surgery, although not optimal, made a positive difference to my seizure activity and view of my condition. The surgeries brought me to my most vulnerable point, establishing a situation where my only option was to move forward in a

positive and confident manner, and hope my family, friends and employers would

The restrictions that come with epilepsy are not so different from my peers on campus at the UW-River Falls: the feeling your freedom is being restricted such as the inability to drive; or lingering college debt; or the paranoia of possible negative outcomes, like having a seizure in public; or failing a class; and a loss of hope that stems from the unknowns of a condition or a broken relationship. All are examples of situations we all face. So it goes, one has to make the best of what they have, as us Midwesterners do.

The difference for Kill between now and late 2013 is not only that the Gophers have been winning, but also that an episode in the spotlight of TCF Bank Stadium has not occurred. Kill still has epilepsy, whether in the public spotlight or not. In my experience as an epileptic, I realized early on that it makes your condition easier to deal with if you can carry it in full stride. Kill walks with epilepsy as if it were as natural as the fingerprints he was born with.

Kill is the Big Ten Coach of the Year who has fought through uncontrollable obstacles. A Big Ten Coach of the Year who has been seen at his most vulnerable point, and come back showing character traits a fan would be grateful for if their team's leader exemplified them. A figure for epileptics to look up to and say, "why can't I do that?"

As a person who struggles with epilepsy, the frustration with the condition often does not come from my epilepsy. Much of the frustration comes from the thought that between the moments your brain creates energy causing epileptic seizures, the condition bleeds into your mental capacity to be a fully functioning member of society.

Because of Kill and Teague, many people across the state and country have realized this is not true. I wish to congratulate Kill on being the Big Ten Coach of the Year, and thank him for openly confronting **UW** River Falls

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EDITORIAL

Importance of maintaining good study habits cannot be understated

With the close to yet another semester here at UW-River Falls comes another full docket of finals for each and every full-time student.

Finals week is not exactly a fun time for students, or instructors for that matter, but it's an opportunity to grow as a human being by overcoming obstacles and persevering through stress and homework overload, while trying to maintain a healthy lifestyle.

The week before finals week is no cakewalk either, as some of you probably already realize. A plethora of essays and presentations are asked of us before the big, bad finals. Stay focused and on task--finish one assignment at a time.

Next week will likely be an important one for freshmen who have yet to endure a week of finals. It gets easier from here, trust us. With each finals week comes more self-confidence in one's ability to handle difficult scenarios that will come in handy

Remember to take a 10-minute break after every hour of studying or typing. Staring at a computer screen for an extended period of time can be very harmful to your eyes and brain. Spread out your study sessions over the entire weekend--don't cram on Sunday night or Monday morning because it simply doesn't work. Food gives you energy, especially healthy food, so eat well for the next seven days. Energy drinks are great for staying up to 5 a.m., but not great the night before a final.

Get fresh air after an especially long study session. Yes, it's cold outside, but sitting inside for 12 hours straight should certainly warm your body up enough for a quick late-night campus walk. Don't forget to ask your loving parents for a "finals care package," which can be purchased at universityparent.com. Maybe mom or dad can make a care package themselves, instead of forking out \$35 for junk food, popcorn, and microwavable macaroni

Being positive is one of the most important aspects to having a successful finals week. If you study hard than you will not have to worry about the results.

Remember: no excuses, play like a champion. We would like to say good luck to all Falcons for finals week, and congratulations to each graduating senior for successfully completing your collegiate journey.

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New Music Ensemble dazzles crowd

At 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 2, in the William Abbot Concert Hall, the New Music Ensemble did a series of six music performances: "Suite," "Hummingbird Songs," "Loch Spell," "A Stray Cat Asleep on the Roof in the Spring Rain," "Shakey Ground," and "Forever."

"Suite" for alto saxophone and guitar, the first performance, had almost a film noir feeling to it; a simple, yet bittersweet piece.

"Loch Spell," a flute and harp duet, a hard piece to classify, but it carried a beautiful Celtic tone, and that's something worth hearing.

"Shaky Ground," a 70s funk/rock song, originally written by The Temptations, was excellently covered.

Finally, an original work written by Derek Westholm, "Forever," a song about leaving your mark on the world, and being remembered, is an upbeat and influential rock piece, with a modern punk rock overtone.

Although the performances were all well executed, there were two that stood out from the rest. The "Hummingbird Songs" performance was a series of several pieces designed to imitate various bird sounds or other sounds in nature, and to the musically uninclined it may have seemed like utter chaos. In this performance there were always at least one or several keepers of tempo, either clapping or tapping a variety of wooden instruments called wood blocks, claves, and guiros.

"A Stray Cat Asleep on the Roof in the Spring Rain," a Japanese haiku, performed by Hannah Scheele on harp was by far my favorite performance, and the one I found the most strange and interesting. To play this piece, Scheele used a screw driver against the strings to create an artificial sound that is supposed to represent a sound of raindrops hitting a surface. The piece had an incredible and natural feeling to it, almost enchanting.

From saxophone and guitar, flute and harp duets, to chaotic, instrumental imitations of natural sounds, to your typical modern rock music style, this is an interesting ensemble to keep an eye out for in the future.

Joe Westphal UWRF journalism student

Recap of recent events closes semester

Before I begin, a quick shout-out to my fellow graduating seniors and super seniors--we did it!

We survived "x" number of years of higher education and emerged, perhaps not unscathed, but supposedly ready to tackle the world. Cheers everyone and may you walk without any embarrassing stumbles this weekend.

By the time you are reading this, we will have less than a week left of the fall 2014 semester. Yikes, that went fast. Let's look at the semester in retrospect; and if you feel like attempting to put it to the tune of 'We Didn't Start the Fire,' more power to you: Year in China, ISIS threat, Scotland stays, Hong Kong vote, NFL domestic violence, Secret Service falls, air bag recall, U.S. Ebola, Ides of October, Canadian violence, World Series giants, Republicans stand, comet lands, same-sex rulings, Mexican students vanish, not enough evidence, Hagel severance, I can't breathe, illegals don't have to leave, and the beginning of the holiday season.

And that, in a nut shell, is a recap of the major events of the last few months. Any bit of it would probably be a good starting point for a discussion or paper in the months and years to come so if you need a jump off point for conversations with family, take your pick.

Now that you remember what happened, go back to studying, writing, or even some much needed sleeping. Good luck with your finals and have a great Holiday Season.

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What was your most memorable moment during this semester?



UWRF men's hockey team still unbeaten at 10-0

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The UW-River Falls men's hockey team has continued its undefeated season into WIAC play; the Falcons are now 10-0 and looking stronger than ever.

The team opened conference play on home ice at Hunt Arena on Thursday, Dec. 4. The Falcons came away with a convincing 7-3 win over the UW-Stout Blue Dev-

The first goal came at 5:51 in the first period from Mitch Kontny with an assists to Taylor Burden and Jeff Bergh, which gave the Falcons a 1-0 lead. Then at 16:02 of the first period, captain Blake Huppert scored a goal, extending the Falcons lead to 2-0 on the power play with an assist from Mike Fazio and Burden.

The Blue Devils were able to get on the board at 4:26 in the second period with a goal from Justin Moody. He was assisted by Craig Lindegard and Jake Useldinger to cut the Falcon lead to 2-1.

It took until 11:14 of the second period for any player to find a way to put the puck into the net. Fazio scored the goal for the Falcons on a power play with an assist from Huppert and Burden to extend the lead to 3-1.

Useldinger got his own goal for the Blue Devils with an assist by Danny Ray at 14:14 in the second period on a power play. The Blue Devils then only trailed 3-2.

At 14:27, the Falcons had an answer to the Blue Devils score. Danny Hamburg scored an unassisted goal for the Falcons upping its lead to 4-2. Kyle Gattelaro got the last goal of the second period with an assist by AJ Jarosz at 17:37. The Falcons led 5-2 after two periods.

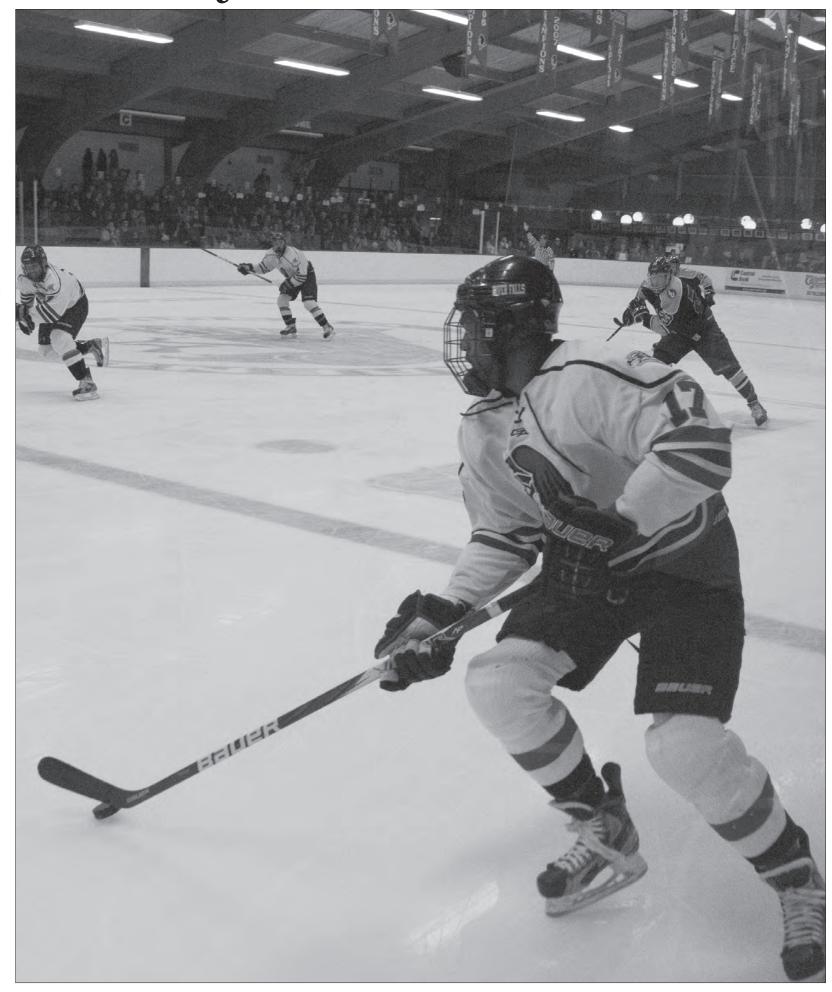
Kontny opened up the third period just like he did in the first with his second goal of the game. This time it was at 2:20 and he was assisted by Cory Lushanko and Bergh to give the Falcons a 6-2 lead.

Useldinger was able to find the net one more time for the Blue Devils at 10:07 in the third period. He was assisted by Jordan Tredinnick.

At 14:37 of the third period, Ryan Doner was able to give the Falcons its final goal. He was assisted by Bergh and Gattelaro.

The Falcons outshot the Blue Devils 34-33, and went 2-3 on the power play, while goaltender Tanner Milliron finished with 30 saves.

"The guys got out of the gate really fast and I thought we set a really high pace in the game, we were moving really quickly, moving the puck well," said Head Coach Scott Freeman. "Although, early in the game we had a lot of turnovers, but



Jack Haren/Student Voice

Junior forward Mike Williams on the attack in UW-River Falls' 4-1 win over Lawrence University on Nov. 21 at Hunt Arena.

back and picking up their checks and things like that. So it was a really high paced game, a lot of hitting. The guys made some great plays and we were able to create a lot of offense--that was really encouraging."

The Falcons then turned around

we were kind of able to overcome and traveled to UW-Superior on shutout of the season. those defensively by guys coming Friday, Dec. 5. At 11:00 of the secof the game. He was assisted by Kontny and Mike Dietrich.

The Falcons won the WIAC matchup 1-0 over the Yellowjackets. Milliron made 37 saves in the game and registered his second

ond period, Doner scored a power in the first period and outplayed us play goal, which was the only goal badly, and as the game went on the second period we played better, and then the third period we got it going," Freeman said. "Doner scored a beautiful power play goal on a cross ice pass from Kontny and kind of one-timed it and it was a

great goal and it gave us the 1-0 "They took it to us pretty good lead. And Milliron played terrific, it was his best game of the season all the way through and made a lot of big saves for us and probably won the game for us."

> The Falcons defeated St. John's University 4-0 late Tuesday night for Milliron's second consecutive shutout for. UWRF is now 10-0.

UWRF women's basketball struggles with young roster

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The UW-River Falls women's basketball team is eight games into the 2014-2015 season and things are not going as well as the team was hoping as its record currently stands at 3-6.

This year's roster features zero seniors, and experience and leadership may become a bigger factor as the physical tools of the season add up as the year progresses. Last season's leading scorer junior guard Richell Mehus is back and is looking to lead the Falcons for the rest of the season. Guard Jessie Van Wyhe is the other lone junior on the team and the rest of the 12 Falcons consist of sophomores and freshmen.

The Falcons started its season on a high note by winning three of its first five games, but since its 56-48 victory over St. Olaf College the Falcons are on a five-game losing streak. Losing to the likes of Bethel University, Luther College, UW-Superior, UW-Eau Claire and UW-La Crosse.

The WIAC season is still young; the Falcons have only played three WIAC games, losing all three. Last year the Falcons finished eighth in the WIAC with a 4-12 record.

According to the WIAC preseason media poll, the Falcons were predicted to finish dead last in the conference. UW-Oshkosh is the early favorite to win the conference, the Titans are currently ranked 13th nationally and has a 6-1 record early into the season.

No other teams in the WIAC are ranked in the top 25 in the nation. UW-Whitewater, UW-Stevens Point, UW-Platteville and Superior are expected to be a few of the best teams in the conference.

The Falcons are one of the few teams in the WIAC that have featured the same starting five for every game. The Falcons starters have been: Kate Theisen, Taylor Karge, Mehus, Katie Messman and Van Wyhe.

Theisen, a sophomore forward, is leading the team in scoring averaging 11.4 points per game. Karge is not far behind, averaging 10 points per game. Karge also has a game high 21 points that was recorded on Nov. 25 against Bethel.

A majority of the basketball season takes place when there are not very many students left on campus. The Falcons have eight of the remaining 17 games that are being played during J-term. So when the rest of campus is at home relaxing the Falcons will be hitting the hard wood looking to improve its record. Time is in UWRF's favor as 13 WIAC games remain, six of which are home games.

The Falcons have two more games until they get a twoweek break around Christmas. The Falcons resume play on Dec. 30 against Gustavus Adolphus College.

With no seniors, two juniors, and a bunch of underclassmen, the Falcons may view this season as more of a building year. Next year however, the expectations will be different, all of the Falcons are expected to return and it will be a fun team to watch after all of the experience the team will gain after this season is over.



Fall 2014 UW-River Falls graduates

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