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## It's all relative: weekend event welcomes families

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The annual UW-River Falls Family Day took place Nov. 5, allowing students and their family members to spend the entire day together enjoying several different events held on campus.

Miriam Huffman, the involvement coordinator for the Leadership Center, said this was the third consecutive year the Family Day event was held. It had been held in years past, but it just recently became a revived tradition. This year's events

were sponsored by the UW-RF Student Senate.

UW-RF senior and Student Senate President Nick Cluppert and his mother were present at many of the Family Day events.

"My mom attended and she enjoyed the different events that took place," Cluppert said.

Some students invited their siblings to UW-RF for the weekend as well.

"My two younger brothers were here for Family Day," Vang Lor said. "For us, it was more like a brother weekend."

Students and their fami-

lies were able to register for Family Day online. There were approximately 200 people signed up prior to the registration that took place on campus.

Registration for Family Day took place in Hagestad Student Center. A registration fee of \$20 per person included the tailgate lunch, athletic events, a T-shirt and admission to comedian Tracey Ashley's performance Saturday evening.

"There are a lot more events this year that appeal to the families," Huffman said of the day's planned activities.

The seventh annual Turkey Trot 5 kilometer run or 1 mile walk, sponsored by the health and human per-

formance department, was held Saturday at the Ramer Field Gazebo.

Not only did individuals from the community participate in the event, but a number of different campus staff members participated as well.

"The dean ran in the 5K, along with one of the area superintendents we work with," associate dean of COEPS Mary Manke said.

Debra Allyn, a professor in the health and human performance department, was pleased with the participation in this year's Turkey Trot.

"We had 160 participants," Allyn

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Jen Dolen/Student Voice

A comedian entertains students and their families as one of the Family Day activities.



Unofficial Falcon Hockey cheerleader Gary Schwingle and Cassie Ludwig embrace after Schwingle proposed to Ludwig during Saturday's men's hockey game.

## Proposal on ice

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For a moment the crowd at Hunt Arena stood silent. "I only have one question, so hurry with the answer because I have to pee. Cassie Lynn Ludwig ... "

"Will you marry me?" the crowd said.

After being together as a couple for three years, UW-River Falls students Cassie Ludwig and Gary Schwingle made it official.

But Ludwig's "yes" came in an unusual arena for proposals. Hunt Arena to be specific during the Falcon Hockey Game. Schwingle, known as an unofficial UW-RF hockey cheerleader, had been planning the proposal since March 2005.

His first accomplishment was the design of the ring.

The ring is white gold with a princess cut diamond surrounded by two pear-shaped emerald stones.

"Green is my favorite color," Ludwig said.

Schwingle then wrote a poem for his fiancé-to-be that would be read on the ice rink floor between the first and second period of the hockey game. The poem was all about her, with a hint of humor added.

"Gary made us laugh, and even cry during the poem," Molly Murtaugh, a friend of the couple, said. "It was very Gary-esque."

The final proposal arrangements were made in September. Schwingle contacted Steve Stocker, rink manager, to ask permission to use the ice.

"Steve was a big help during the preparation process," Schwingle said. "I couldn't have done it without him."

Schwingle made arrangements for family and friends to attend the game to watch the occasion.

As the first period of hockey wound down, Schwingle was ready to ask the big question.

"I was sitting in the parent section with my family and Gary came over and told me he needed to show me something," Ludwig said. "I had no idea what was going on."

Ludwig said Schwingle was making his way into the hockey rink through the penalty box.

"I hesitated to go. I was pulling back because I didn't want to go on the ice," she said.

Ludwig then saw a red carpet that had been rolled out by rink employees, it was at that moment she realized what was happening

"We walked out, and I was honestly in shock," Ludwig

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## Increasing writers' future worth

### Journalism department expands curriculum

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The journalism department at UW-River Falls has re-arranged its curriculum to offer students more opportunities to explore the variety of technology required in the field.

"The Internet is bringing all the different technologies together," said Colleen Callahan, journalism department chair. "The journalist needs to know the variety of technology."

The change did not occur overnight for the department. It took about five years to have everything completed, Callahan said.

When making the changes, three key aspects contributed to make it effective, Callahan said. The students need to be marketable after graduation, which means employers look for more than one area of expertise. If a student knows both online writing and print writing, they will be more valuable to employ over time with the constant change in technology, such as the Internet.

"We worked hard for several years to create the curriculum to reflect (the change in technology)," said Pat Berg, a journalism professor.

A second aspect for the change is to prepare students for the job market, Callahan said. The new curriculum demands a student to learn more than strictly print, through technology - such as the Internet, broadcast and radio - that is used in other areas of journalism.

"The journalist needs the knowledge of all the varieties of technology," Callahan said.

The third aspect gives more choices to the students to learn in areas they are interested in, Callahan said.

Originally, a student would choose an emphasis to be put on their major - print or broadcast. With the emphasis, it did not allow the students to explore other areas of journalism, Callahan said.

The print emphasis was strictly learning how to write for a newspaper, and the broadcast emphasis was how to write for TV and radio.

The journalism department does not have the emphasis for majors anymore, Callahan said. The new arrangement of classes will let students decide what they want to choose for an area of study.

"It will give students more choices," Berg said. "They don't have to stick with just print or just broadcast."

This fall semester is when the change for freshman and half of the sophomore classes was implemented, Callahan said. The juniors and seniors will not see the change on their Degree Audit Report.

Callahan has taught at UW-RF since 1986, and said there has never been an entire change in the journalism department curriculum, like this one. Classes may have been dropped or added,

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## Phones become staff member's calling

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As many great stories do, this one begins with love.

Alexander Graham Bell wanted to marry the deaf daughter of a man who would only allow it if Bell made improvements to the telegraph. Bell began working on improvements, and in the end, invented the telephone.



Al Murray

Now lovers, or anyone else needing to, can communicate through the telephone.

Al Murray, supervisor of UW-River Falls telecommunications, has a museum of phones in his office, which is similar in size to a residence hall study lounge.

He has more than 55 phones that he started collecting out of curiosity when he was young. He said he "was a small boy from a small town, and I wanted to feed my curiosity."

Murray wanted to create an office where he could take his "love of telephones and still be

professional for the community."

What he has done is create a space where a walk through telephone history is visual and hands on. Around the room there are phones and posters for phones displayed.

"This is more than just a job," Murray said. "It's a passion."

The job is servicing the campus community of about 6,000 with "99.995 percent accuracy," he said.

The passion is one that Murray said is vital because of our society's dependence on the dial tone.

"The telephone is all about communication, it's a social force," Murray said. "It lets us exchange ideas and get an instantaneous exchange of information."

One of Murray's phones, a crank phone, is more than 100 years old and can still make calls to another phone in the office that he restored from his parents' basement. Both phones are wooden and mounted on the wall.

Attached to the phone from his parents is a lightning protector that he salvaged from the chancellor's office.

Also on display is "the only pay phone on cam-

pus" Murray said.

Whenever a phone call is made to Murray's office, the pay phone will ring. To make calls out on the phone, quarters can be inserted, but Murray said he doesn't charge for it.

In the office there is an old switch board purchased from a LeSueur, Minn. hospital.

Pointing to the plug marked "Morgue," Murray said, "This is one you never want to be transferred to."

He also has rotary phones, one is a green color. Murray said everyone on campus used to have a green rotary phone. That was a time when departments had only one or two lines and no voice mail systems.

Residence halls did not always have phone lines in each room.

When Murray was a student at UW-River Falls, there was only one phone in each wing of the halls.

He recalled a time when he called the women's wing to talk to a woman he was interested in and another woman answered and she "shouted:

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Kirsten Farrar/Student Voice

Al Murray shows off his old switch board purchased from a LeSueur, Minn. hospital.



VOICE SHORTS

LOCAL

University ‘Vision and Values’ meeting

Members of River Falls and the surrounding communities are invited to the UW-River Falls “Vision and Values” town hall meeting on Nov. 15 in the Davis Theatre of the Kleinpell Fine Arts Building at 4 p.m.

The meeting will also be broadcast live on Cable Channel 19. The results of the University’s vision and values survey will be discussed along with opportunities for conversations and questions. One focus of the discussion will be the survey results’ implications for the University’s mission.

The survey, which was accessible in October through the UW-River Falls Web site, included seven questions. The University is inviting all members of the River Falls community along with the region and all students, faculty and staff at UW-RF to attend.



Veterans Day observance at North Hall

The UW-River Falls Veterans’ Service Office along with American Legion Post 121 will host the annual Veterans Day observance on Nov. 11 at 11 a.m. The service will take place on campus at the flagpole on North Hall’s lawn. UW-RF’s observance of Veterans Day will include an invocation, flag-raising ceremony, ceremonial rifle volley and the sounding of “Taps.”



Mark Kinders, UW-RF director of public affairs and member of the Marine Corps from 1968 to 1972, will also be speaking at the event. Kinders was also a part of the Presidential Security Detail for Air Force One at the “Western White House,” the private home in San Clemente, Calif., of President Richard M. Nixon. For more information, please contact the UW-RF Veterans’ Service Office at 715-425-3529.

REGIONAL

Controversial Bible study at UW-Eau Claire

A UW-Eau Claire policy prohibiting resident assistants from holding Bible studies in their dorm rooms is causing controversy. According to the River Falls Journal, the debate started when UW-Eau Claire’s associate director of housing and residence life sent a letter to a resident assistant after it was noted that he was holding Bible studies in his dorm room.

Deborah Newman stated in the letter that while the RA is welcome to hold Bible studies outside of his hall, he is considered a staff member in the hall and must refrain from the practice. In response, RA Lance Steiger contacted the Foundation for Individual Rights in Education and on Oct. 1, FIRE sent a letter to the university asking it to lift the Bible study ban. Rindo stated that UW-Eau Claire is reviewing its policy and has contacted the UW System legal staff.



Roads to be cleared using prevention methods, more efficiency



New equipment that keeps state highways safe in the winter is moving to rural Minnesota after being concentrated in the Twin Cities.

According to the Lake Elmo Leader, one of the newest methods is a solution sprayed on pavement up to two days before ice is expected to prevent ice from forming. It used to be a Twin Cities-only tool, but now will be used elsewhere Minnesota Department of Transportation officials said Tuesday.

Another technique that will be used is the “pre wetting” of ice-melting chemicals. Curt Goebli of MnDOT said that if a solution is sprayed on the salt-like chemical before being spread on roads, it melts ice quicker and sticks to the road better.

Officials released figures showing that state snow-plow operators last year usually beat their goals for clearing Twin Cities highways, but fared worse on rural highways. On the busiest Twin Cities freeways, the average time it took to clear them last winter was 1.5 hours. On rural roads, it took an average of 10.3 hours to reach bare pavement.

NATIONAL

First bilingual school in Georgia to open

JONESBORO, Georgia — A school board has voted to open a public elementary school where students will be taught to be equally proficient in English and Spanish by fifth grade. According to CNN, Unidos Dual Language Charter School, which is scheduled to open next fall, is believed to be the first of its kind in the state. It won’t target the immigrant community by teaching English as a second language, but aims to teach both languages together to classes equally divided between English- and Spanish-native speakers. Hispanics make up nearly 8 percent of students enrolled in the state’s public schools this year, according to a report released last week by the National Council of La Raza, the largest U.S.-based Hispanic advocacy group.

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SENATE

Utility bill electrifies Senate

Rising utility bills give rise to concerns about tuition hike

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An electric buzz came over the Student Senate meeting Nov. 8 after talks about high campus utility bills caused concern for future tuition hikes.

Senate President Nick Cluppert said he met with Director of Facilities Management Waldo Hagen last week to discuss means of keeping campus utility bills down.

Cluppert said during the previous budget cycle UW-River Falls was over on its utility bill, but the legislature let it slide.

“If that happens again it’s unlikely the legislature would do that,” Cluppert said.

Early predictions for this year’s utility costs are around \$160,000 more than last year, Cluppert said. Higher energy prices and the addition of the South Fork Suites are just some of the reasons for this year’s higher costs.

Cluppert suggested students in residence halls should work on ways to keep electric bills down. He added that in the ‘80s there

was a competition between halls to see which building could achieve the lowest bill.

Some senators had other suggestions.

Senator Joshua Duley suggested keeping lights in campus buildings off when they aren’t in use.

“All the lights in Rodli don’t need to be on at two in the morning,” Duley said.

Other academic buildings such as Ag Science have lights on throughout the night as well, he said.

Senator Jim Vierling said the campus is working on other solutions like motion-sensor activated lights for bathrooms.

If utility bills continue to rise, the campus as a whole would be looking at a tuition increase, Cluppert said.

Other Senate news

• Gay-Straight Alliance Co-Chair Audrey Liquard addressed the Senate with concerns stemming from harassing post on a UW-RF student’s Facebook account.

The posting on Facebook offensively refers to gay people and explicitly refers to harming them. Liquard said the person who uses the account has already been talked to but some damage has been done.

Renovated park gives downtown fresh look

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Veterans Park officially opened again on Nov. 5 after nearly two years of renovations. The Riverway Park Partnership was eager to show off the work they had done to the rundown park.

“It’s a big improvement, no question about it,” said Tom Garfin, co-chair of the Riverway Park Partnership. Garfin said he and others involved with the project put in countless hours since starting the project in 2003.

The project was put in motion by residents in town who wanted to “bring the river back into River Falls,” Garfin said. The park is located between Main Street and the Kinnickinnic River.

The city decided Veterans Park was the best way for the group to do it.

The group estimated it would cost \$175,000 to revive the park, Garfin said.

However, due to unforeseen obstacles and the use of better

project didn’t have to pay for.

The park was intended to reopen on Veterans Day (Nov. 11) of last year, but the work had to be halted because of winter and a lack of money, Garfin said.

“It’s better to wait and get good materials than do it on the cheap,” Garfin said. He said the benches weigh nearly 300 lbs. and should last more than 100 years.

Residents are noticing the change.

Assistant Manager of Foster Sports Aaron Everson said the park will help with the downtown atmosphere.

“We’re kind of excited about it,” he said. “It was a park that needed a shot of life.”

He said he hopes it will get people to walk around more, but right now it might be too cold for most residents.

Mayor Don Richards said the river has a lot of potential to breathe more life into downtown.

“It’s an excellent contribution,” Richards said. “The river has great potential.”

Richards spoke during Saturday’s ceremony.

“I am very pleased with it,” he said.

Richards said the city donated \$10,000 towards the project.

Still, Garfin said the park needs more work.

“We are still working to pay the bills,” he said.

He said he would like to see the walls on either side of the park lit and the sidewalk on the west side of the park lit with indirect lighting.

Other residents have said the pentagon-shaped monument is backwards because it currently faces the park, and not Main Street.

Donations can still be made, Garfin said.

For \$250 a donor will get their name carved into a brick that will be placed in the park, Garfin said. There are approximately 60 bricks left.

Regardless of the little bits of work to be done, Garfin said he

Liquard said some of the members of GSA are scared by the comments.

“It’s not a political issue,” Liquard said. “It’s just to show that these ideas should not be tolerated.”

Liquard asked members of the Senate to wear pink triangles with slogans on them to promote “anti-hate” towards gays, lesbians, bisexuals and transgenders. The pink triangles will be worn Nov. 14-18 and are being provided by GSA.

Liquard said the triangles will be available in the Senate office located in the Leadership Center.

• Vice President Liz de la Torre told the Senate there is one remaining spot open to attend the Women’s Leadership Conference at UW-Eau Claire.

UW-River Falls has 39 people registered to attend the conference, which is the largest delegation in the UW System aside from UW-Eau Claire.

“I think that’s something to be proud of,” Cluppert said.

The conference will be held Nov. 18-20 in Eau Claire.

Student Senate meets every Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the Student Center’s Regents Room.



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UW-RF student Madalyn Krizek sits in the recently reopened Veterans Park near her apartment in downtown River Falls. Krizek was unhappy when old trees were cut down, but is happy new ones were planted.

is happy it’s done. He said he is most proud of “the amount of collaboration and cooperation from the town.”

“It was a pretty big project,” Garfin said. “I hope young and old and everyone in between uses the park.”

RIVER FALLS POLICE/PUBLIC SAFETY

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Nov. 2

Jennifer M. Terry reported the theft of a 10-speed pink Magna women’s mountain bike to Public Safety around 7 p.m.

Terry told officers she had parked the bike in the bike rack on the east side of the Student Center around 6 p.m. but did not lock it. Terry said she noticed the bike was missing when she returned around 6:25 p.m.

The bike, valued at \$75, was later found by officers in a bike rack between Stratton and Prucha halls around 8:40 p.m.

The bike was identified by Terry and returned to her.

Nov. 4

Cheyenne N. D. Mallo reported the theft of a UW-River Falls parking permit for O-lot to Public Safety around 3:40 p.m.

Mallo told officers that she had parked her car in O-lot Oct. 30 but did not lock the doors because her key does not unlock the door. Mallo stated she returned to her car Nov. 4 around 3:30 p.m. to find she had received four parking citations and her parking permit missing.

The parking permit was valued at \$133.

— An assault on an 18-year-old male UW-RF student occurring sometime on the night of Nov. 4 was reported to the River Falls Police.

The victim told police officers he had allegedly been assaulted by

four men on the south side of Grimm Hall.

The victim told officers a group of six people had yelled at him through his dorm window asking to be let into the building.

According to police reports, there was only one man waiting outside of the doors when the victim got to the lobby. The victim stated while attempting to let the man into the building the man became verbally abusive and began shoving him.

The victim said three other men joined in the fight grabbing and punching him for several minutes before running towards South Fork Suites.

The victim stated to officers that he did not feel the issue was a big deal.

— A 17-year-old male was issued a fine of \$248 for underage consumption in Prucha Hall.

Nov. 5

Thomas J. Wegner, 19, was issued a fine of \$248 for underage consumption in Johnson Hall.

Nov. 6

Richard A. Gallagher reported damage to his bike parked outside of Crabtree Hall to Public Safety around 11 a.m.

Gallagher said he had placed his bike in the rack on the southeast corner of the hall at noon on Nov. 5.

When he returned on Nov. 6 the rear wheel and rim had been bent. Gallagher told officers that he was going to take off the wheel and get the bike repaired on Monday.

Damage was estimated at \$50.



# Student Union on way to becoming new student hub

## To facilitate all student life

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Construction of the new Student Union continues on schedule and as progress is made, it becomes easier for the UW-River Falls community to visualize what will soon become the heart of campus.

“As you come in the main entrance, the building will be very open,” said Jim Murphy, facilities engineer for UW-RF. “The south face of the building is going to be almost all glass.”

Students entering through the main doors will immediately step foot into a great hall. Some of the most visually

stimulating parts of the building are its fireplace, which has extensive stonework, and atrium, Murphy said.

The western portion of the union’s first level, facing the Wyman Education Building, is set to house a retail dining area, while the residential dining area is on the eastern side.

The second level of the building will be designated to the bookstore on its east side and convenience store on the west, both accessible from the north end of the building.

The Leadership Center will have an exposed ceiling and visible beams, and will be located on the south side of the second level. An entertainment center with a small stage and presentation area will also be on that floor.

On the third level of the building

above the entertainment center, balcony seating will be available. That area will be connected by bridge to the third floor banquet hall, which has a high ceiling of nearly two stories.

The fourth floor of the new union will be home to a multimedia center with theater seating above the entertainment center, as well as storage space and a catering kitchen on the side of the banquet hall.

A 90-foot by 60-foot multilevel basement will serve as the largest mechanical room on campus. The size is essential to handling airflow through the kitchen area, Murphy said.

In total square feet, the new student union will be larger than the combined spaces of Rodli Commons and the Student Center.

But for now, the Student Union is still a work in progress.

Students will see a roof on the building soon. The last columns will be poured on its fourth floor Nov. 11 and “as soon as that cures, they can start putting the roofing structure up,” Murphy said.

Currently, the construction company is focusing on getting most of the building enclosed before winter so heat can be provided for workers and equipment won’t rust or be affected by dirt, rain, or snow. Murphy said it’s possible that temporary walls will be placed in areas that need to be accessed by large equipment throughout the winter.

The retaining wall that is currently being constructed on the western side of the building facing Wyman will be completed mid-November.

While no major delays have occurred, there are still some big decisions to be made.

“The biggest issue we have to contend with is when we will shut down Rodli and Hagestad,” Murphy said. “We should be able to serve students right up to the last minute of fall semester.”

Facilities management would have preferred to make the transfer during the summer months, but Murphy said it would have caused problems with the camps and summer classes that are on campus.

The student union will be open January 2007. Decisions over what will come of Rodli Commons and the Student Center have yet to be completed.

## Curriculum boost: Expansion

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but nothing compared to the change this fall, she said.

The new curriculum has classes that combine both print and broadcast to give students both a feel for print and broadcast, Callahan said. Students may like radio, but not want to learn broadcast, so they have an opportunity to try print or even online writing.

With the new curriculum, the opportunity for students to explore any area of journalism is now more approachable than the past without the emphases.

“When students graduate, they are going to have the experience in all the areas of journalism,” Callahan said.

Students in the journalism department will now be in classes together more often than before, Callahan said. Students will have opportunities to work together and collaborate on projects.

As an example, Callahan said it is an opportunity for students to combine print and broadcast, using the strengths of each technology as one final result.

Online writing is one of the largest growing forms of journalism and has a specific style compared to writing a newspa-

per article, Callahan said.

The department added a new class to teach students, who are interested in online writing, how to edit for online.

Juniors and seniors can take the online editing class, if they can fit it into their schedules and really want to take the class, Callahan said.

Callahan said the difference in the curriculum for the juniors and seniors will not affect if they are missing any new information. The classes all have the same material just a new name and a combination of two previous classes.

“The students will be in classes with other students working with other emphasis like broadcast,” Berg said. “It is very important aspect as to what the real world is like.”

### New/redesigned classes:

\*Principles of Journalism (110)

\*Production course (122/123)

\*Information gathering (201)

\*Print or broadcast writing (202/203)



Kirsten Farrar/  
Student Voice  
**Al Murray shows-off his pay phones which all calls are made to his office go through. The pay phone runs off quarters. Murray’s collection not only includes old rotary phones, but also older cell phones.**

## Murray: Museum displays evolution

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“Lois, there is a man on the phone for you,” Murray said.

Murray explained the importance of keeping all of the old phones, which he said are very similar in technology to the original telephone.

“For those of us knowing where we’ve been, it makes us

attuned as to where we’re going.”

And the phone continues to move forward into the future.

“What the future of phones is going to be like in 10 years, I don’t know, I could guess though,” Murray said. “I know we will still be talking.”

Holding up a pencil, Murray said the basic technology of a phone hasn’t changed. If the basic ingredient in a pencil, carbon, were compressed it would transmit vibrations similar to a phone, he said.

The basic components in Bell’s

1876 phone were batteries and the carbon transmitting mouth piece sending a current through wires and reproducing the same sound on the other end through to a receiver - and they’re the same today.

His museum does not stop with 1950s rotary phones; there is also a display of cellular phones. Ranging from models with a cord carried around in a bag to ones used by Zach Morris on television’s “Saved by the Bell” to current Nokia phones.

Now, Murray challenges people to count the number of people

seen talking on their cell phones while walking around campus.

He said lives require a dial tone, “everything we do revolves around the dial tone.”

Senior Katherine Lossing, seen talking on her cell phone while on campus, said “Oh, I’m on it all the time, I have to be to get things done and to be efficient.”

Murray said with new technologies like computers and the internet the telephone is the most important. “It’s still the primary way we talk to another human being.”

## Family Day: Events offered

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said, adding that it was the highest turnout for the event in the past 5 or 6 years.

Proceeds from the Turkey Trot were donated to the Red Cross to support the Hurricane Katrina victims.

Those who attended Family Day were invited to the Falcon Foods open house. Families could tour the plant and purchase meat and cheese and ice cream made by students.

UW-RF students and their family members also took advantage of the new facilities tour. Those on

the tour were taken through the new residence hall, South Fork Suites, and informed of the construction progress of the new student center.

An indoor tailgate lunch was held for students and their families to take a break from activities and enjoy a meal of hamburgers and brats and take part in face painting and caricature drawings.

The tailgate lunch was one of the only opportunities for attendees to see the success of Family Day as all of the participants congregated in the Falcon’s Nest of the Student Center.

“I enjoyed the tailgate party because you could really visibly see how many people attended Family Day at that event when everyone was together,” Cluppert said.

Family Day participants had their choice of

sporting events to attend throughout the day. The Falcon football team was in action against UW-La Crosse and the swimming and diving team competed against Lawrence. Both the men’s and women’s hockey teams also had games on Saturday. The women’s team competed against Augsburg while the men took on Gustavus Adolphus.

For dinner, event coordinators held a “take your student to dinner” event, in which parents were encouraged to take their students out to eat off-campus.

“It allows students to take a break from the usual meal plan food,” Huffman said.

In lieu of sporting events, families could also attend the University Theatre’s performance of

Rocky Horror Picture Show or the comedy of Tracey Ashley.

“My brothers enjoyed the comedian a lot. The comedian, Tracey, picked on my youngest brother, Ger, and he felt special,” Lor said. “After the show, Ger got a hug from Tracey. He thought that was cool.”

Family Day is a good way for parents and siblings to get an idea of what the life of a college student is like.

“I think that Family Day is a great event and tradition on this campus,” Cluppert said. “It really gives us a chance to show off our university to the parents. It allows students and parents to participate together in activities that take place on campus.”



Jen Dolen/Student Voice

**Gary Schwingle and Cassie Ludwig stand together as a newly-engaged couple. Schwingle had been planning the proposal since last March.**

## Proposal: “Yes!”

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said.

Schwingle started reading the poem, and at the end of the poem, the crowd said in unison, “Cassie Lynn Ludwig, will you marry me?”

Schwingle said, Stephen Grandpré, another unofficial UW-RF hockey cheerleader, and Ludwig’s brother Peter handed

out pieces of paper informing everyone to say “will you marry me” at the end of the poem.

After she said yes, the newly-engaged couple walked off the ice with their song, “I miss you” by the Honeydogs, playing in the background.

But the surprises weren’t done.

As Ludwig was walking, she ran into a familiar face she wasn’t expecting.



“My dad was supposed to be deer hunting this weekend,” Ludwig said. “After walking off

the ice, I saw him, and started bawling.”

“I didn’t think I was nervous until I saw my dad and he asked to look at my hands,” Schwingle said. “They were shaking.”

Schwingle arranged for Ludwig’s high school friends to attend the hockey game as well. One of Schwingle’s friends from Louisiana even flew up for the occasion.

The wedding is expected to take place the summer of 2007.



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EDITORIAL

# Local needs overlooked in grand scheme

Every year people looking to aid people in need travel hundreds of miles to offer support, learn or lend a helping hand. This year is no different. Thousands of organizers are funneling efforts to the Gulf Coast region to restore the hurricane-battered states. Others will travel to foreign countries on mission trips or to cities like New York to learn about HIV retention. However, options do exist locally for people interested in making a difference. Throughout the week of Nov. 14-18 the Campus and Community Fighting Hunger and Homelessness organization will be sponsoring Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week. While this is a national event, it provides a local opportunity to raise money for people who are without homes.

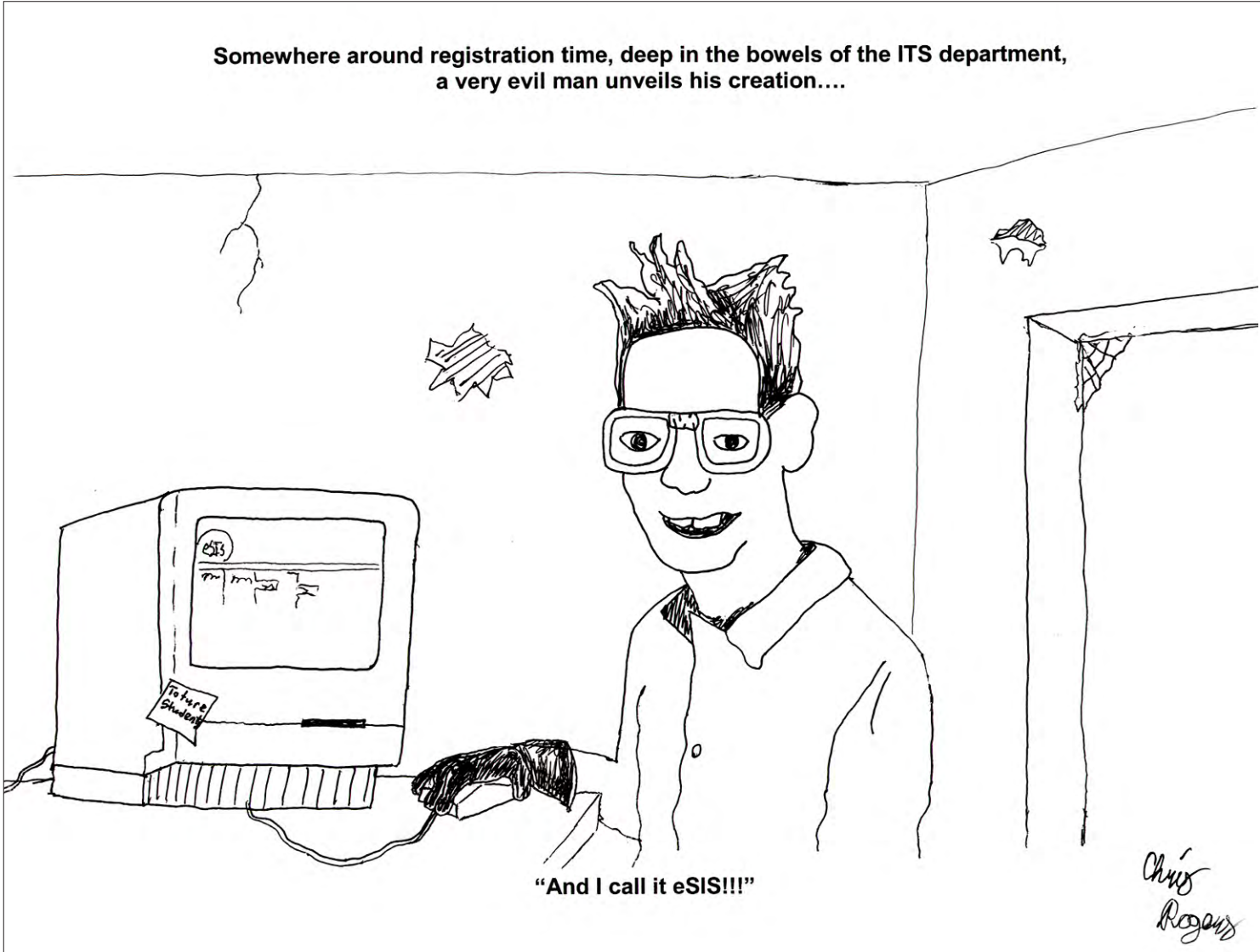
This is just one example of philanthropy opportunities available in the River Falls area. On a university campus it is understood that most students do not have much money for taking mission trips to Africa or donating to the Red Cross. Students can donate in other ways such as working as a bell ringer for the Salvation Army during the holiday season. Other programs like Habitat for Humanity and local blood drives or donations to the local food shelf are just as meaningful as traveling to Louisiana to help hurricane victims. But those that are willing to travel to the Gulf Coast - and have the time and money - can participate in a University sponsored trip over J-term and spring break. During J-Term a select group of applying students will get to travel to the Gulf Coast region for disaster relief aid. Although the trip only costs \$100, a great deal of time and effort will be put in by these students to help relieve some of the burden they've endured in the south. The giving ability of this campus is amazing and should continue as we approach December and the upcoming holidays. This time of year offers up many chances to donate money, food, gifts or time out of your day. We as a University should all be thankful for the opportunity for education or a full-time career. This year we should take some time to reflect on our own lives and evaluate how we can all give back to the local community and world.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Columnist lacks content creativity

I try to be a patient person. My friends would describe me as relaxed and easy going. However, now I'm fired up. Reading the *Student Voice* becomes a worthless, disgusting experience as soon as I finish reading Jon Majak's weekly column. Majak does nothing but write about his pathetic life of failed relationships, mixed with a little gay porn. I find it revolting that some of the things he writes are actually printed in the *Voice*, like describing how many times two guys had sexual intercourse and then making a joke of it. If I wrote a column and declared that one of my friends had sexual intercourse with a woman six times in one day and made light of the fact that I wondered how she could walk, that story would never make it into a newspaper. Another disturbing column by Majak was his piece on being invited to a sex party. The analo-

gy of a man being passed around from one man to the next as if he were a casserole, is repulsive. This kind of smut belongs in some sleazy chat room, a dirty magazine or, better yet, unsaid. This analogy does not belong in the *Voice*. Majak's column is just a running diary of smut. All the other columnists at the *Voice* at least make an effort to inform or offer advice from time to time. Majak just writes the same crap from week to week. It would be nice if someone could impart to him that just writing about your own life does not make you a journalist. Majak writes for the pure purpose of gaining shock and awe attention. Additionally, he thinks his quick quips and puns add to his stories. All they do is jumble up his already pointless and hard to follow plot. Majak, why don't you start keeping your personal diary personal, and start writing a column that actually has something to offer the students at UW-River Falls.

Dan Lauderdale  
student

### Spaghetti feeds many for fight against cancer

Last year a single mother of four from Florida was diagnosed with cancer. She was accustomed to her life of paying bills and helping with homework. Nothing could have prepared her for what was to come. She, like thousands of others, couldn't afford proper treatment for her life-altering disease. She was forced to take out loans from friends and family just to live long enough to see her 6-year-old child graduate from kindergarten. However, there was something different about this woman's life. She lived in a community of givers. Townspeople and community members gathered together to give this woman another chance. They raised enough money to give her the treatment she needed to hold onto life. River Falls has this chance. Teresa Peterson is a River Falls community member supporting

a freshman UW-River Falls student. Teresa has cancer. We, as students and supporters of the River Falls community, are now given the chance to help carry the burden of hospital bills. We have the opportunity to lend a hand. All that entails is a \$5 ticket to a spaghetti dinner. There will be an all-you-can-eat spaghetti dinner sponsored by Alpha Sigma Alpha benefiting Teresa Peterson on Sunday, Nov. 13. The dinner will take place from 1 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the River Falls American Legion. In addition to the dinner, there will also be a silent auction. Local stores and shops have donated gift certificates and merchandise for fund-raising to help Teresa battle her disease. Please use this opportunity as a way to show your support. Everyone can make a difference. Everyone can help. Remember Nov. 13 as the day you chose to help Teresa fight cancer.

Dani Weisensell  
student

# RF shows bias in leadership

For most of you, the content of this column isn't new. Unless you're blind, you already know how liberally-biased universities are. Studies show a staggering five to one ratio of liberal versus conservative faculty nationwide. Sadly, many Americans don't care. Some argue they don't see the evidence. Here's some evidence. On July 25, UW-Eau Claire's Associate Director of Housing and Residence Life, Deborah Newman, sent a letter to resident assistants holding Bible studies in their dorms. Regarding the Bible studies Newman wrote, "We specifically explained to RAs that we do not want this to occur." The letter closed by saying, "If this activity were to occur again this year, you would force us to institute disciplinary action." And this school promotes diversity? This has happened at UW-River Falls as well.



Joey White

Three years ago a resident assistant was told he couldn't hold a Bible study. Rather than argue, he let it go. I was an RA last year and led a Bible study in my room. Ask my former residents if they felt uncomfortable. Ask them if I harassed them to come to the Bible study. Then ask them if they could turn to me "in a crisis, for information, or for support" or if they felt "judged or pushed in a direction that does not work for them," as Newman's

letter said. According to her, I couldn't have adequately fulfilled my job's responsibilities. We can't have RAs who may judge or push someone in the ambiguous "wrong direction." I presume an RA who would do that would have conviction, right or wrong. That means I should have been denied the job for my political involvement. Oh, but that's right; that's what happened. When I applied, I was initially rejected. The reason given by the former east area coordinator was, "Some people in the Leadership Center were concerned that you're in the College Republicans."

It's okay to hire gay people, though some would be uncomfortable going to them for support. It's okay to hire college democrats because the Leadership Center agrees with their philosophy. I agree that nothing's wrong with hiring them. But hire a republican or someone who holds a Bible study in their room? That's not someone we want leading students. Eventually I got the job thanks to RAs who resigned, opening a spot for me. But that hasn't been the case for everyone, including last year's desk assistant of the

year, who was turned down in favor of younger, less-qualified applicants. He says he's applying again and he's not taking his College Republican involvement off of his resumé. I wish him luck, but I have little faith he'll get the job. Some of the Leadership Center staff, both conservative and liberal, are great to work with individually, but are apparently outnumbered or completely change when they're in committee meetings. I've worked for the Leadership Center, often called the "Liberal Center." I've been repeatedly assured of their neutrality. Then I've seen their actions. I've seen and heard speakers they've brought to campus, telling me my religious beliefs are wrong and that the Iraq war is horrible, among other things. I don't expect to hear the other side. And at this point, I have trouble expecting the Leadership Center to change. It's the same on most college campuses. The case at UW-Eau Claire is just one example of left-wing fanaticism that has overrun universities nationwide. Americans must unite in defense of free speech, fairness, and equality. No, the world isn't truly fair. It never will be. But considering that our public universities are supported by a country that stands for liberty and equality, isn't it about time they start showing it?

I've worked for the leadership center, often called the "Liberal Center." I've been repeatedly assured of their neutrality. Then I've seen their actions.

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# Hygiene issues Team unity outweighs critics linger in halls

In the past couple weeks, I’ve noticed a disturbing trend throughout the UW-River Falls campus.

No, I’m not talking about underage drinking, public urination or the theft of lawn gnomes. I’m referring to the lack of personal hygiene in the residence halls.

I realize that many of you may be living away from home for the first time and no longer have the restraints of parents bugging you to be clean on a consistent basis.



Hans Hage

I guess, I’d say that at least 40 percent of men don’t wash their hands after using the bathroom. This is simply disgusting and wrong.

Not washing your hands after using the bathroom can spread not only cold germs, but hepatitis A, meningitis and infectious diarrhea as well. If you’re not concerned about spreading germs, at least consider how bad it makes you look.

Ladies, don’t you find it gross that many of the guys you’re cuddling with don’t take the time to scrub after using the bathroom? Men, why would you want to be known as that gross guy in psychology who never washes his hands?

I’ll end my little hygiene rant by pointing out a final pet peeve of mine. I understand that “Thirsty Thursdays” can get rough, but try not to show up to class Friday mornings reeking like you’ve been puking up beer all night. Brushing your teeth doesn’t take that long, but if you can’t find the time, try chewing some gum or gargling some mouthwash.

The smell of cigarette smoke is another thing you should consider covering up. Aside from the whole lung cancer and emphysema thing, there’s a reason most of the people in the United States don’t smoke. Cigarettes absolutely reek to almost everyone who doesn’t make a habit of being around them.

Take my advice and freshen that breath.

I understand you are your own person, and have the right to your own personal hygiene habits. These are just suggestions to help us get along as we attempt to coexist in the same environment with one another. A little bit of common courtesy can go a long way towards making this a better place for us all to live in.

Nov. 12 marks the end of an era. I will be playing in the very last football game of my life.

Some people may be thinking, “So what? Big deal.” But like my teammates, I have been playing football for half of my life. I have dedicated a lot of time to football and the teams I’ve played on because of my love for the sport.

Realizing my football career is rapidly coming to an end, time for some reflection is needed. Throughout the week leading up to our final game on the road against UW-Whitewater, I will look to my teammates and ask the question, “Why do we do it?”

During my time here, I have dealt with a sprained ankle and knee, hyper-extended elbow, displaced vertebrae in my lower back, a compressed vertebrae in my neck, as well as numerous bruised muscles, cuts, headaches, sprained fingers, etc.



Nate Cook

And I’m a lucky one. I’ve witnessed my teammates play through concussions, broken bones, torn knees and shoulders, dis-locations, as well as one player who had a bone in his finger broken and protruding from his skin.

Why do we do it?

Since my career at UW-River Falls began in 2001, the team has won 15 games and lost 33. We have dealt with too many close losses and blow-out losses to mention. We’ve sat through countless Sunday film sessions watching ourselves lose to a team we played the day before.

Why do we do it?

We’ve come to expect our team entering Ramer Field not to the roar of a huge crowd in attendance but rather the mind-blowing silence accompanying an empty stadium. Unlike the amazing student section at Camp Randall, which is among

the loudest and craziest in the country, we’ve grown accustomed to the absence of a noticeable student section with the exception of a few brave souls.

Why do we do it?

We’ve sat and listened to other students bash and bad mouth our team.

“Your players are just too small!”; “Why doesn’t your defense ever stop your opponent?”; “You’d win if you passed the ball more!”; “What you need is a different coaching staff.”

We have sat and dealt with a student body which has been largely negative towards our team rather than supportive.

Why do we do it?

We’ve sacrificed countless hours of our lives practicing, weight-lifting, running, studying game or practice film and reviewing play assignments while we could’ve been spending more time on our class work, making money to help pay for school, or dedicating our time to our friends, family and girlfriends whom we often

neglect.

Why do we do it?

We’ve heard critics of our team claim that we have no chance to win when we go against the undefeated WIAC Conference Championship team UW-Whitewater on Saturday.

We have heard voices from students, online message boards and other teams all with the collective opinion, “You have no chance to win so why bother?”

With all the doubt we receive, why do we do it?

Well, why do I do it? Because we are not just teammates on the field, we are friends and brothers.

Because every time I step on the field with my teammates I feel the greatest sense of camaraderie. Because I know everyone of us is going to give a 100-percent effort every play for each other. Because we’ve had plenty of ups and downs and we are going to finish our season with the greatest game yet.

Why do we do it?

Because we are a team; we are the UW-RF Falcons.

## THE CONWAY EXPERIENCE

# Hunting brings more than meat

Haway and like many other Wisconsinites, I am excited and ready for it to begin. But I hear a lot of people talk about how they do not like hunting and the slaying of innocent animals.

Hunting is not just about the kill; it also has a lot of other things that are wrapped up in it.

The opening day of deer hunting starts out at 5 a.m. and is always the same for me.

My dad wakes up first and then wakes my brother, my sisters and me. We then put on as many layers of clothes as the weather calls for and maybe grab a cup of coffee and a quick sandwich.

All of us then go out into the woods and sit in our stands until we get cold. We then meet up in the house and eat something. If



Jason Conway

someone shot a deer, we hang it up on the porch.

It has been the same routine every opening day for the last 12 years I have been hunting. To my family, the hunting season has the same get-together potential as any other holiday. Hunting season opener is a holiday to us and we treat it as such.

You could ask any of my family members if hunting is just about the kill and they would probably all say the same thing. Its just about hanging out with the family and, if the opportunity arises, maybe get a deer.

We also have friends and relatives come up during the week to either hunt or to just be with the family because this is a really good time to see us all at the same time. What I am trying to say is we are not just out for the kill, we come together and celebrate this holiday.

This is the average hunting household in Wisconsin and I believe that most homes have about the same feelings about hunting

season. It is a way of passage into manhood in the area where I grew up and it was a great thing to do.

After my first hunting experience, I went to school and my friends talked about if we got a deer or about the one that got away. Either way, all the kids, even most girls, had this experience. I believe it shapes you as a person.

We are not out there to shoot anything we see. If we get a deer, all of it is used and we eat the meat from it.

Hunters are thankful for the deer providing meat to the family. When I was young, venison was all we ate during the winter.

In the end, I personally love sitting in the woods and relaxing. If a deer comes into sight, I sometimes shoot. Other times I watch and let the deer go.

Deer hunters are not maniacs with guns just killing anything they see, but instead regular folks who would like a full freezer for the winter.

Hunting season is not just an event in my family. It is a holiday.

# Campus vandalism portrays bad student image

It’s amazing how much respect people have for others’ property. Just look at the courtesy they have.

They leave their considerate gestures behind for everyone to see. They are the tipped trash cans with garbage strewn around them. They are the bikes with bent rims and missing seats. They are the front tires chained to the racks — without the bikes behind them.

I went out to my car this weekend and found my radio antenna bent down



Katrina Styx

to one side so that it pointed directly at the tire of the car next to mine. Try bending one of those back. It’s not easy.

I’ve heard stories about people urinating on cars in the middle of the night. I’ve heard stories about vandalizing cars parked on the road.

I’ve been told about the ones who tear pictures off Residence hall doors. I’ve had countless offensive pictures and phrases written on my own dry-erase board. A short walk

down the hall proved that others were being forced to deal with the same thing. I couldn’t tell you how many markers have been stolen from my door, but maybe my roommate could.

Take a walk around the local parks and you’re sure to find all sorts of graffiti — names and slogans painted on a wall and carved into most any wooden fixture.

I don’t understand how people can simply go out and willfully destroy a part of someone else’s life. Better yet, I don’t understand how they can feel no remorse.

Not only do we have all the stresses of school and social efforts, now we

have to worry that anything left outside our rooms will be destroyed.

In college, I have seen the best in people. Unfortunately, I’ve also seen the worst. This display of public disregard is one of the worst.

My bike stays in my room because it’s too expensive to submit to public treatment. I’ve seen more expensive bikes locked up outside. But just because it’s chained properly to the rack doesn’t mean it’s safe.

People aren’t that considerate.

Much of campus vandalism occurs at night when the perpetrators are drunk. But that’s no excuse.

If you’re getting drunk, you need to

be responsible enough to make sure you have someone along who won’t allow you to commit crimes. It may be fun at the time, but you’re damaging others belongings. You may be costing them a lot of money.

Thoughtlessness is not something that should be associated with college students. We’re supposed to be the ones with more education. We’re supposed to be the ones that companies look for to fill the best positions. We’re supposed to be setting an example for those to come after us.

Is the vandal the one that employers should seek? Is that the kind of person we want the next generation idolizing?



Steve Bais, sophomore

“Everything that I wanted is or has been fixed. I have no complaints so far. The reason I came to this school is because I liked it all. We should have a men’s golf team, though.”

## STUDENT Voices



Meera Patel, junior

“Parking, we definitely need more parking spots. There should also be more diversity and culture groups at the school.”

# What is something UW-RF should improve on?



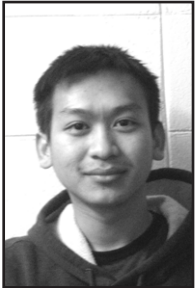
Vanessa Percy, freshman

“More activities are needed. Especially on weekends so there is more to do. The food flex plan costs more and they shouldn’t.”



Maya Peterson, sophomore

“More involvement in the recreational programs. There are many, just not a lot of people know about them. They have to let people know about it.”



Vang Lor, junior

“Parking. I wish we had a ramp or something behind North Hall. But that would be expensive. It’s hard and it’s an issue that needs to be worked on.”




Matt Campeau, freshman

“They should provide more things to do. More things for people to do around town and allow skateboarding everywhere.”



# Cassie tells all: The truth about mascots; badger to gopher



**Cassie Rodgers**

In my last column I got to discussing a little bit about mascots, and how the choosing of which is a very painstaking and thought out process. Or is it? Looking at the teams that UW-River Falls plays, and even our own falcon, it is hard not to smile at least a little bit. There are the Stevens Point Pointers.

People who go to that school will argue that hey, it's a dog. Yes it is a dog, but there is not some cool story about a German short-hair pointer who randomly pointed at a pile of dirt and that was where the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point was built. It is just redundancy at its best. And for the most part, that is what most mascots are: redundant. The MIAC has several of these, with the St. John's Johnnies, the St. Olaf Oles and the Gustavus Adolphus Gusties. River Falls is not immune to this trend, think about it, Falls, Falcons, no stroke of genius involved there. Sometimes it is not a good idea to take the

**Minnesota chose the gopher, a noble creature if ever there was one, and made it Golden.**

school's name too literally, as anybody from Blooming Prairie, Minnesota, will tell you (Go Awesome Blossoms!). There are some mascots whose names are so bizarre, that they almost require a footnote on every player's uniforms. The infamous Michigan high school mascot, the Watersmeet Nimrods, is one example. Their mascot earned them a commercial on ESPN and appearances on talk shows. Apparently, Nimrod is a biblical hunter, in case you were still wondering and too lazy to look it up. I know, it happens, that's why I'm here.

Mascots have actually been a big part of the news the last decade or so. There is a lot of controversy over mascots who have a connection with Native Americans. Some states, including Minnesota, have completely eradicated mascot names which have any connection with Native Americans. Other states continue to let their decades old mascots stand, like Ohio, whose

professional baseball team in Cleveland has a caricature of a Native American on their uniforms, equivalent to the Sambo-type drawings of African-Americans which make everyone indignant today. Most colleges try to choose something, often an animal, which represents their state. Minnesota chose the gopher, a noble creature if ever there was one, and made it Golden. Wisconsin chose the badger, which at least could beat something up, and then put a turtle-neck sweater on it. The best animal mascot is probably the Banana Slug of the University of California-Santa Cruz, which

was a reaction to all the fierce animals being adopted by other schools. They may not have long claws or razor sharp teeth, but really who wants to mess with a bright yellow slug that looks like someone just sneezed it out? I, for one, will say no to that.

With so many schools at several different levels all over the country, it is hard to be unique. Often when you try, it turns out pretty disastrous. Mascots are something you are going to live with forever. I think it is safe to say that nobody knows what a Blugold is, it isn't anything, just some nicely coordinated colors.

# Hitting the hardwood: Falcons set hopes high



The Falcon men's basketball team scramble for a rebound at a recent practice. Fresh off a loss to the Division I Wisconsin Badgers, they are warming up for their regular season debut. The Falcons open their season Nov. 18

**After exhibition against Badgers, Falcons looking forward to season**

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The UW-River Falls men's basketball has officially commenced getting the season going. The wait is over for all fans in anticipation.

The Falcons have four players returning from last year that started for the Falcons; juniors Hans Hoeg, Nick Hall, and Eric Kossoris, and sophomore Ryan Thompson. They lost Jeff Holt from last year, whom was an all-conference player.

Coach Rick Bowen doesn't see this as a problem though.

"We had a young team last year," Bowen said. "We are much improved, even without Jeff Holt."

Last year, the Falcons had a record of 8-17. Thirteen of those losses were in conference play.

"We were a really young team last year," sophomore Ryan Zylstra said. "There were freshmen from last year that had huge roles that most freshmen wouldn't have."

Freshman Erik Olson agrees.

"We feel that we are just as good as all the teams in our conference," Olson said. "Last year we were just too young, now we have experience to back us up."

Zylstra agrees.

"We match up better this year," Zylstra said. "They will be very interesting games because we can compete with them."

Since practice started, the Falcons have looked for some strengths in their team that could help them throughout the season.

"We have a great back court,"

**"Last year we were just too young, now we have experience to back us up."**

Erik Olson,  
Basketball player

Olson said. "The players back there have a lot of experience."

Zylstra said the biggest strength that the team has is "endurance."

Bowen is very pleased with the work ethic that his players are performing. He said that he is "impressed by the hard work of the players."

They do have weaknesses too, Zylstra said.

"We still have a young team," Zylstra said. "But our young players have experience because of last year."

Last Sunday, the Falcons traveled to Madison to play an exhibition game against the Wisconsin Badgers. The Falcons lost the game by the score of 79 to 52.

"Playing the Badgers was a once in a lifetime thing," Olson said. "We had fun playing against them."

Zylstra said he had fun too, but also looked at the learning aspects of it.

"The Badger game gave us some good experience," Zylstra said. "Playing against a division I team really helped us out."

Hoeg led the team last year in points per game and rebounds per game. He had 12.4 points per game and 4.4 rebounds per game. He also led the nation in free throw percentage with 93.4 percent.

The first regular season game at home is on Nov. 18 against Concordia-St. Paul in the Karges Center. The Falcons are ready to put on a good show.

# Keeping up with the Badgers

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On March 20, the Wisconsin Badgers battled the North Carolina Tar Heels in the quarterfinals of the NCAA Tournament. The Badgers took the game down to the wire and lost 88-82 to the eventual National Champions. Four players from the Tar Heels team are now playing in the NBA.

The Badgers didn't take the floor again until Nov. 5 when they faced off against the Division III UW-River Falls Falcons.

Last year, the Badgers played an exhibition game against UW-Platteville, also of the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference. The Badgers defeated UW-Platteville 78-44. UW-Platteville finished the season as the WIAC Conference co-champions, going 13-3 in conference. They shared the title with eventual Division III national champions, UW-Stevens Point.

It is possible to derive comparisons between the Badgers and the Falcons; they both play in tough conferences, they both play in Wisconsin and they both play basketball. Beyond that, the comparisons are minimal.

Prior to the game the Falcons enjoyed a pre-game meal at a restaurant in their hotel and had some down time to rest and relax before the game against the Badgers.

Falcon players Ryan Thompson and Tim Pearson dis-

cussed the game in their hotel room before the game.

"I can't believe we're playing the Badgers," Thompson said. "I thought this day would never come."

The Falcons entered the game with an understanding that the game was going to be very difficult to win.

"We came in with no illusions," Head Coach Rick Bowen said.

He also talked about what the Falcons could take out of playing a Division I team like the Badgers.

"I see no downside whatsoever," Bowen said. Bowen also said it is important to play difficult games against teams such as the Badgers and Concordia-St. Paul, a Division II team that the Falcons will host on Nov. 18.

The game marked the return of Bowen to Madison, he was an assistant coach with the Badgers from 1982-86, when he took over the head coaching position at UW-RF. Current Badgers Head Coach Bo Ryan was an assistant with Bowen for the 1982-84 seasons.

The Falcons began the first half timid, but opened up well on defense, holding the Badgers to three points in the first 3:30 of play.

The Falcons were held scoreless by the stingy Badgers defense until 15:50, when sophomore Ryan Zylstra knocked down a short jumper on a pass from teammate Hans Hoeg to give the Falcons their first basket. After 15:19 in the

first half the Falcons trailed 10-2.

The pace remained the same as the first half continued. Eric Kossoris hit a jump shot to give the Falcons four points, but the Falcons trailed 20-4 with 11:17 remaining in the half.

As the half wound down the Falcons began to come back. Hans Hoeg and Erik Olson each hit three-point baskets and Zylstra knocked down a couple free throws with 1.8 seconds remaining in the half to give the Falcons an 8-3 run. The teams entered the half with the score 41-17.

In the second half the Falcons continued to stay with their Division I, Big Ten opponent.

With 11:12 to play, after Falcon sophomore Cory Rondeau blocked Taylor, the score was 60-37 and Falcons had outscored the Badgers 20-19 in the second half.

The Falcons stayed with the Badgers for the remainder of the game and it ended with the Falcons falling 79-52.

Badgers head coach Bo Ryan praised the Falcons in a press conference after the game.

"We were playing against the tenacity that you might not see later [in the season] ... River Falls didn't care who they were playing. They just played hard, got after it, and were very aggressive," Ryan said.

Hoeg led the Falcons in scoring with nine points, shooting 3-8 from the field. Zylstra started at

# PUSHING THE PUCK



Falcon sophomore, Wade Harstad, takes the offensive against a Gustavus defender last Saturday night. The Falcons came up one goal short in the game and losing 4-3.

Jen Dolen/Student Voice



Men’s hockey ties and loses on weekend

The Falcons took on a pair of extremely tough MIAC teams this weekend and came away with a tie and a loss.

The tie came against St. Olaf, who dominated most of the game. St. Olaf jumped out to an early lead with two goals. The first period ended with a forbidding score of 3-1.

The third period saw a huge Falcon rally, with senior defenseman Mike Salmela scoring a go-ahead goal. St. Olaf tied the game up and sent it into overtime. The game ended in a 5-5 tie and sophomore goalie A.J. Bucchino had 37 saves.

Saturday night the Gustavus Adolphus Gusties came to visit Hunt Arena and beat the Falcons 4-3.

Senior goaltender Andy Scanlon had 29 saves in the 4-3 loss.

The Falcons take on Augsburg at 7:05 at Hunt Arena on Saturday.

<b>November 5 results</b>					
<b>Gustavus Adolphus</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>UW-River Falls</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>First period</b>					
15:22 GA - Havemeier (1), (Dusich)					
<b>Second period</b>					
10:51 GA - Ollila (1), (unassisted)					
15:04 RF - Kostiuk (1), (Adams, Salmela)					
<b>Third period</b>					
01:02 GA - Dusich (1), (Keseley)					
03:39 RF - Venasky (1), (Tiberio, Norman)					
03:25 GA - Keseley (2), (unassisted)					
03:56 RF - Borgestad (2), (unassisted)					
<b>Goalkkeeping (min-shots-saves)</b>					
GA - Witkowski 60:00-41-38					
RF - Scanlon 59:24-33-29.					
<b>November 4 results</b>					
<b>UW-River Falls</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0-</b>	<b>5</b>

Women’s hockey goes 2-0

The UW-RF women’s hockey team came away with an incredible 3-1 victory against Gustavus Adolphus, who is ranked No. 3 the nation for Division III according to the U.S. College Hockey Online.

The first period ended in a 1-1 tie, and that was the score until the beginning of the third period, when freshman forward Sara Halseth scored one minute into the period. The final goal of the game was an empty netter from sophomore forward Kelly Jensen.

Saturday,the Falcons played Augsburg. There were no goals until the third period Halseth scored a goal, with the assistance of junior defenseman Jenny Wallace. With the score tied at one and only seconds on the clock, junior forward Jenna Scanlon saved the game from overtime with a game winning goal. The Falcons won the game 2-1 and are now 2-0-0 on the season.

<b>November 5 results</b>					
<b>Augsburg</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>UW-River Falls</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>First period</b>					
No scoring					
<b>Second period</b>					
No scoring					
<b>Third period</b>					
03:55 RF - Halseth (2), (Wallace)					
16:46 Aug - Keller (1), (Johnson)					
19:43 RF - Scanlon (1), (Anderson, Halseth)					
<b>Goalkkeeping (min-shots-saves)</b>					
Aug - Bockmann 60:00-25-23.					
RF - Lindner 60:00-12-11.					
<b>November 4 results</b>					
<b>Gustavus Adolphus</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>UW-River Falls</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>First period</b>					
05:52 GA - Peterson (1)					
13:43 RF - Hurley (1), (Dyslin, Wallace)					
<b>Second period</b>					
No scoring					
<b>Third period</b>					
01:01 RF - Halseth (1)					
19:20 RF - Jensen (1)					
<b>Goalkkeeping (min-shots-saves)</b>					
GA - Hurley 59:02-10-8.					
RF - Lindner 60:00-46-45.					

Successful season comes to an end

The Falcon soccer team ended their season with a 2-0 WIAC semifinal loss to the number one team in the conference, UW-Eau Claire, on Friday in Eau Claire.

UW-Eau Claire scored twice in the second half to beat the Falcons. UW-Eau Claire outshot the Falcons 23-8. Goalie Hanna Tvedt made a season high 13 saves in the match. The Falcons only had two shots on goal.

Senior Sarah Carlson, juniors Amy Jensen and Ashley Peterson and Hannah Tvedt made the 2005 All-WIAC soccer team. Carlson was awarded even further, with the WIAC Soccer Player of the Year and also the Scholar-Athlete.

The Falcons end the season with a 12-4-3 overall record.

<b>November 4</b>					
<b>Period</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>			
<b>UW-River Falls</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0</b>	
<b>UW-Eau Claire</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2</b>	
<b>First half</b>					
No scoring					
<b>Second half</b>					
72:05 EC - Satre (Smith)					
81:38 EC - Meisinger (Foltz)					
<b>Goalkkeeping (min-go-saves)</b>					
RF - Tvedt 90:00-2-13.					
EC - Weirick 45:00-0-1; Rivard 45:00-0-1.					

Football loses final home game

The UW-RF football team lost to the UW-La Crosse Eagles, 40-25, in their last home game of the season.

The Falcons were the first to strike, putting points on the board with a 38-yard field goal from junior Spasmir Bodurski. UW-La Crosse got on the board with a two-yard touchdown pass. The first quarter ended with a 13-5 score.

The Falcons scored a rushing touchdown, the first half ended with a 13-11 score.

The second half was dominated by the Eagles and turnovers.

The Falcons were not able to make the most of their turnovers and learned a hard lesson.

“There were a lot of good things,” coach John O’Grady said. “We are a young group but we were able to play physically and make some real strides.”

The Falcons will finish the season with a road game at UW-Whitewater.

<b>UW-Lacrosse</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>UW-River Falls</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>1st Quarter</b>						
10:27 RF - Bodurski 38 yd field goal, 12 plays, 52 yds, TOP 4:33, LC 0 - RF 3.						
02:36 LC - Esser 2 yd pass from Schumann (Cornellier kick), 17 plays, 74 yds, TOP 7:52, LC 7 - RF 3.						
01:24 LC - Schultz 2 yd run (Cornellier kick blocked), 4 plays, 18 yds, TOP 1:06, LC 13 - RF 3.						
01:24 RF - Simonson PAT return, LC 13 - RF 5.						
<b>2nd Quarter</b>						
09:31 RF - Wolff 4 yd run (Wolff pass failed), 4 plays, 14 yds, TOP 1:40, LC 13 - RF 11.						
<b>3rd Quarter</b>						
09:09 LC - Kettenhofen 11 yd pass from Schumann (Cornellier kick failed), 12 plays, 72 yds, TOP 5:51, LC 19 - RF 11.						
06:00 LC - Geldernick 14 yd run (Cordes kick blocked), 4 plays, 30 yds, TOP 1:12, LC 25 - RF 11.						
<b>4th Quarter</b>						
13:04 RF - Anderson 4 yd run (Bodurski kick failed), 12 plays, 65 yds, TOP 5:04, LC 25 - RF 17.						
09:24 LC - Wagner 4 yd pass from Schumann (Swanson pass from Schumann), 7 plays, 59 yds, TOP 3:29, LC 33 - RF 17.						
02:16 LC - Swanson 23 yd pass from Tennes (Cornellier kick), 5 plays, 35 yds, TOP 2:30, LC 40 - RF 17.						
00:08 RF - Grover 12 yd pass from Wolff (Anderson rush), 8 plays, 68 yds, TOP 2:05, LC 40 - RF 25.						
<b>Visitor</b>						
<b>Home</b>						
First Downs 27 16						
Rushing						
Passing						
Total Offense						
Fumbles-Lost						
Interceptions						
Penalties						
Possession						
<b>Individual leaders</b>						
<b>Rushing (attd-yds)</b>						
LC - Geldernick 27-90; Wilcox 11-46; Schumann 2-15; Hall 6-14; Westpfahl 1-10; Solis 2-4; Schultz 1-2; Donoval 1-1.						
RF - N. Anderson 24-95; Wolff 14-76; Affeldt 3-38; Ward 1-5; Secrist 3-5; DeBruin 1-1; Kroll 1-minus 1.						
<b>Passing (cmp-attd-yds)</b>						
LC - Schumann 20-24-0-214; Tennes 1-2-0-23.						
RF - Wolff 5-11-0-48; DeBruin 1-1-0-14.						
<b>Receiving (catch-yds)</b>						
LC - Kettenhofen 6-55; Everson 3-59; Killoren 3-31; Schultz 3-26; Wagner 2-15; Esser 2-13; Swanson 1-23; Donoval 1-15.						
RF - Anderson 2-26; Affeldt 2-10; Hansen 1-14; Grover 1-12.						
<b>Tackles (Solo-Assist)</b>						
LC - Janke 5-5; Kiefer 2-5; Larsen 4-2; Buswell 4-2; Vitkus 4-1; Wollak 4-1; Ihde 2-2; Neitzel 1-3; Filo 3-0; Ulrich 2-0; Cordes 1-1; Schmidt 0-2; Gartzke 0-2; Kratcha 0-2; Teeples 1-0; Swanson 1-0; Schultz 1-0; Nondorf 0-1; Pilczewski 0-1; Diei 0-1; Lezama 0-1.						
RF - Nesvig 8-8; Agrimson 4-11; Dorner 4-5; Buker 3-6; Larson 2-5; Jordan 2-0; Acosta 3-3; Hasse 2-4; Neumann 2-2; Retzlaff 1-3; Hanson 3-0; Baillargeon 2-1; Hampton 1-1; Hoglund 0-2; LeRoy 0-1; Wolf 0-1.						

Swimmers fare well in home meet

Dual meet against Lawrence proves a success for Falcons

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After having a weekend off from competitions, the UW-River Falls Falcons men’s and women’s swim teams were back in action this past Saturday.

The Falcons hosted a home dual meet against Lawrence University at the River Falls High School pool.

The women won the meet, but unfortunately the men lost.

“The women won 119 to 93,” head swim coach William Henderson said. “We were anticipating a closer meet, but everyone swam extremely well against a very good team.”

Three of the women also won two individual events. Danielle Mandich, Whitney Thompson and Sara Cannady were those

three. They were all also members of a winning relay.

Unfortunately, the men didn’t have as successful of a Saturday.

“The men lost 144-63,” Henderson said. “But I was pleased with the way the races were swum.”

One of the reasons for the large margin of defeat is the fact that River Falls has no divers able to compete. That gave Lawrence an 18 point lead early on.

“We have no boards on our campus,” Henderson said. “The divers would have to go to the high school to train.”

However, the Falcons have some hope in the near future for gaining some diving points.

“We have one diver,” Henderson said. “He is not eligible until next semester and right now he is going over to Macalester a couple times a week to train.”

The Falcon men also had some positive aspects during their weekend meet against Lawrence.

Ryan Smaaguard and Matt Banz each placed first in one

race and took second in another.

Macalester’s men and women are always very strong in the MIAC conference. This season has proven to be no different. The women have won two away meets against Hamline and Concordia Moorhead, while the

**Women**  
**November 5 results**  
**UW-River Falls vs Lawrence University**

**UW-RF top finishers (event/time/score)**  
1. Thompson, Cannady, Sandeberg, Mandich, 200 yd Medley Relay - 1:59; 1. Thompson, 200 yd freestyle - 2:07; 1. Mandich, 50 yd freestyle - 25.89; 1. Cannady, 200 yd IM - 2:24; 1. Mandich, 100 yd freestyle - 57.54; 1. Thompson, 100

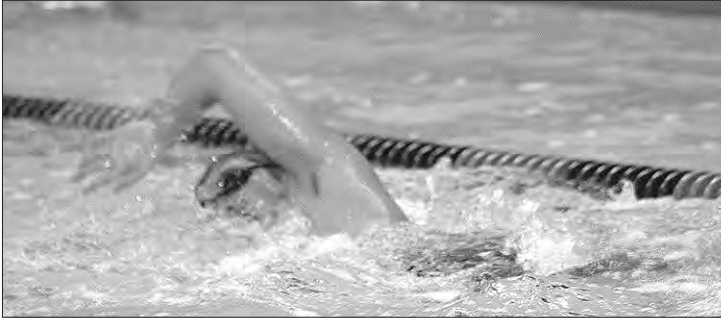
men’s team will not have their first meet until Friday night against St. Thomas.

This weekend, the Falcons travel to Macalester in an attempt to beat one of the better teams in Minnesota.

yd backstroke - 1:06; 1. Cannady, 100 yd breaststroke - 1:12.

**Men**  
**November 5 results**  
**UW-River Falls vs Lawrence University**

**UW-RF top finishers (event/time/score)**  
1. Smaagard, 100 yd butterfly - 58.08; 1. Banz, 100 yd freestyle - 51.45.



Kirsten Farrar/Student Voice  
A Falcon swimmer practices for the meet against Macalester.

Hoop dreams



Kirsten Farrar/Student Voice  
The Falcons women’s basketball team works on a drill at their recent practice. Their first game is on Nov. 18.

Falcons women’s basketball aims high

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The women’s basketball season will be getting underway in just one week, and the Falcons can’t wait to get on the courts.

“We started practicing on Sept. 15,” senior captain Miranda Biteler said. “It started out a little bit slow, but we’ve progressed a lot and we’re a lot better now.”

The team has almost an even mix of returning players and new. There are seven returnees and six players new to the Falcon program.

Biteler, along with Traci Reimann and Melanie Preiner are captains for the 2005-2006 squad. And they have very high hopes for the season.

“We have the work ethic and all the components to be a successful team,” Reimann said.

The mix of the teams experience will help them immensely throughout the season.

“It’s nice to have a lot of experience, but also the new players are willing to learn,” Biteler said. “But sometimes it is difficult to mesh together.”

Coach Cindy Hovet returns at the helm this year, to lead the Falcons to hopefully a conference championship. This is Hovet’s sixth year as head coach. And the players have a lot to learn from her.

“She got inducted at the hall of fame at Stout, so she brings knowledge of the game to the team,” Biteler said.

Reimann agrees.

“She teaches us something new every day, she specializes our plays to apply to our strengths,” Reimann said.

Hovet was very flattered by her induction to the Hall of Fame.

“It was a great honor; it’s strange for me to think of me in it,” Hovet said.

Badgers: Loss a moral win for team

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center for the Falcons and finished the game with eight points and a game-high 12 rebounds, while playing 29 minutes.

“He has me very optimistic,” Bowen said, speaking of Zylstra.

Tucker, a preseason favorite for All-Conference led the Badgers with 18 points on 6-12 shooting and picked up a team-high seven rebounds in 21 minutes.

The Falcons left Madison with a blow out loss, but stuck with the Badgers in the second half, getting outscored 38-35.

The Falcons left town with somewhat of a moral victory. Bowen summed up the game at the press conference.

“We lost by 27 points, we’re happy,” Bowen said.

Bowen and Ryan both agreed that the event was a great experience for everyone. It’s a game that the Falcon players will never forget.

Varsity Sports Week

Friday, Nov. 11

Women’s Hockey at St. Thomas, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 12

Football at Whitewater, 1 p.m.  
Men’s Hockey vs. Augsburg College, 7:05 p.m.  
Women’s Hockey at Bethel, 4 p.m.  
Cross Country at Midwest Regional, TBD  
Swimming/Diving at Macalester, 1 p.m.

Standings

<b>Football</b>					
<b>WIAC Standings</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>			
UW-Whitewater (9-0)	6	0			
UW-Oshkosh (7-2)	4	2			
UW-Eau Claire (5-4)	4	2			
UW-Stout (6-3)	3	3			
UW-Lacrosse (4-4)	3	3			
UW-River Falls (3-6)	2	4			
UW-Stevens Point (3-6)	2	4			
UW-Platteville (1-8)	0	6			
<b>Men’s Hockey</b>					
<b>NCHA Standings</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>T</b>		
St. Norbert (4-1-0)	0	0	0		
UW-River Falls (2-1-1)	0	0	0		
UW-Stevens Point (2-1-0)	0	0	0		
UW-Superior (2-1-0)	0	0	0		
UW-Stout (2-2-0)	0	0	0		
St. Scholastica (1-1-0)	0	0	0		
Lake Forest (1-3-0)	0	0	0		
UW-Eau Claire (0-2-1)	0	0	0		



# Presentations get beefy in Mexico

## RF professor speaks beef quality at Mexican convention

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It is no secret that UW-River Falls has a very strong agricultural program in the College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Science (CAFES), and the word has gotten out around the world. Gary Onan, professor of plant and animal science, left Nov. 7 for Mexico to speak at a national convention about meat production.

"The presentation is for an association of meat packers," Onan said. "My topic is going to be 'factors that affect beef quality.'"

Onan specializes in meat production and his presentation will address the topic of "Beef Quality Assurance," a national program created by American cattlemen.

"Things like how to prevent bruising and how to inject antibiotics," Onan said.

Onan will be speaking at the University in Jalisco, a Mexican state located on the southwest side of Mexico.

Onan is spending about a week in Jalisco and its capital, Guadalajara, until Nov. 13. His presentation is scheduled for sometime in the middle of the week.

Onan will also be meeting with staff members of the University of Guadalajara to discuss their agriculture programs.

In a news update posted on the UW System Web site on March 11 Gov. Jim Doyle, representing the UW System, signed an agreement called the "Jalisco-Wisconsin Consortium" that will "encourage exchange, and collaborative research and contacts among our faculty, staff and students."

"There's a particular interest in agriculture because they have two campuses with ag programs," Onan said.

Onan is not the only UW-RF professor who has gone to Guadalajara for work. Tony Jilek, professor of animal and food science, spent his sabbatical last year doing work in

Jalisco.

Jilek was working in Mexico under an agreement that was made specifically between UW-RF and the Autonomous University of Guadalajara, a private university.

"UW-RF has an agreement since 1980 with the autonomous university," Jilek said.

Since Jilek spent so much time in Jalisco, when the University of Guadalajara asked him about having a speaker at a meat production conference, Jilek recommended Onan.

Jilek said Onan's expertise could provide conference members with an idea of what U.S. standards are for beef quality and explained there was a "tremendous breadth" between the current production systems being used.

## The Jalisco-Wisconsin Consortium will encourage exchange and collaborative research and contacts among our faculty, staff and students.

UW System Web site

"When you get down there you have a much larger variety of production systems," Jilek said. "Some are high tech and high efficiency, then there are some that are low tech and have low-level and rustic management."

Jilek also explained that Onan's visit could strengthen the bond the University of Guadalajara has with UW-RF.

"There's a faculty member down there who wants to come up here for training," Jilek said. "If they could meet up, it would be a great accomplishment."

Jilek also said that while he didn't want to put too much pressure on Onan before his trip, if Onan's visit went well "he might get invitations back."

Even though Onan is only in Jalisco for a few days, he plans on familiarizing himself with the Mexican culture.

"I am going to do a couple of tourist things," Onan said. "There is a festival in Guadalajara I am going to go to, and the weather should be nice too as long as it isn't too hot."

# Students raise money, spirits

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A new UW-River Falls organization on campus is giving hospitalized children in St. Paul something to smile about.

The Smiles 4 Kids organization travels to the Gillette Children's Hospital in St. Paul twice a month to visit children in need of a smile.

"We take bi-monthly trips to the hospital, it gives students on campus a real experience with the children at Gillette," Michelle Abts, co-president of Smiles 4 Kids, said.

So far this year, they have already taken two trips to the hospital in St. Paul, one on Oct. 12, and one on Oct. 24. They are planning two more trips in November.

"We have anywhere from four to eight students that go at a time," Abts said. "It keeps the time that we spend with the kids personal."

Smiles 4 Kids was developed last year by Jeremy Kalal, a former student at UW-RF, who was also a former patient at Gillette. The program was started to raise awareness on campus about children with special needs and to give students the opportunity to give something to the children.

The second annual Dance Marathon, the organization's major fundraising event, is scheduled for Nov. 12.

Dance Marathon is an eight-hour event which includes activities such as volleyball

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Gillette Children's Hospital  
Foundation

games, basketball games, and dancing, of course.

There are also individual activities that students can participate in such as the saltine cracker whistle, clothespins on skin, hula hoop, chubby bunny and the limbo. In order to find out what the cracker whistle and clothespins on skin are, you will have to attend the event.

The students who plan to participate in Dance Marathon are encouraged to sign up in groups of ten people. It costs \$15 per group to participate and this fee includes a t-shirt, breakfast, and a lunch of pizza and pop.

Each group is also asked to contribute \$150 to Smiles 4 Kids, either by donating the amount or raising the funds. This is why they suggest 10 people per group; Abts says it is not that hard for someone to donate

\$15.

Registration for Dance Marathon is already over, however they will be taking late registration until Nov. 11.

Last year, the Dance Marathon raised \$11,200.

The funds raised through Smiles 4 Kids helps fund the areas of the hospital that do not get reimbursed by insurance companies. This includes funding a 1-800 number and the family resource center in the hospital for people to use.

"I am so impressed with the dedication and commitment the coordinators and member of Smiles 4 Kids have for Gillette and the kids," said Christine Pulkrabek, senior development associate for Children's Miracle Network and Gillette Children's Hospital Foundation. "They coordinate every aspect of Dance Marathon - sponsorships, recruitment, entertainment, schedule. It is a huge job, and year-after-year they get it done, and done well."

The group and the individual who raises the most money receive prizes. The group will receive a free dinner at the restaurant of their choice. The individual that raises the most money will win a free hotel stay for one night at a hotel in the Twin Cities, which is provided by Gillette as a thank you.

If you would like to participate please contact Abts at michelle.abts@uwrf.edu.

# Destructive students leave city, University to pick up pieces

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On a late night a UW-River Falls student was inebriated and wielding a sword. On Main Street he swung the sword around and acted out sword tricks.

Adam Schmidt, the owner of The Route, a local bike shop, said it went too far when the student decided to stab the large glass storefront. He cut himself bad enough to leave a trail for the police to follow all the way to his door, Schmidt said.

"Now I get checks from these stupid restitution things," he said.

The average check from restitution for broken glass is approximately \$37 a month for three years. It seems hardly worth the time to him.

Broken glass has almost shattered relations between the University and the city. Storefronts have been broken, cracked and shattered after bar-close leaving hundreds of dollars worth of damage.

"I think there is a very serious problem here," Mayor Don Richards said.

In hopes of counteracting the drunken behavior the police have used a couple of plain-clothes officers, Police Chief Roger Leque said.

Plain-clothes officers caught a younger male student who threw a beer through the window of the Sunrise Tanning, said the manager Darlene Schueman.

"It's just very disheartening," she said. "You just keep asking yourself: Why?"

Schueman said she feels alcohol is more than likely the biggest factor.

She said besides the few bad apples, she really enjoys the students in the town.

"I wish they were more responsible drinkers," said Leah Gavin, pharmacist and co-owner of Freeman Drug.

She said the city knows Thursday is the drinking night, and the kids are going to get drunk and rowdy no matter what.

The city needs a stricter police force to counteract the rowdiness, Richards said. But the city doesn't have the ability right now.



Jen Dolen/Student Voice

**Owners of storefronts along Main Street are often victims of vandalism, often caused by people leaving the bars after bar close.**

"If the University views it as a serious enough issue they will convene on the issue," he said.

The University does view it as a serious issue, Chancellor Don Betz said.

"We have a code of ethics and conduct," Betz said. "We have a strong responsibility to support certain types of behavior."

Betz said curbing destructive behavior is very important to maintaining a good relationship between the city and campus.

"We have a good relationship now, but it could be better," he said.

Betz said the University is trying to be proactive with the problem.

The University addresses the problem with the Alcohol Tobacco and Other Drugs Coalition (ATOD).

The coalition has been proactive by advertising in local papers and around campus with posters. The coalition is sending a different kind of message to

of-age drinkers, said health education coordinator Keven Syverson.

The University has previously tried scare tactics to curb excessive drinking, but has

since shied away, he said. But it has now evolved into promoting a responsible drinking attitude, without shaming of-age students who do drink.

"It's the toughest issue on campus to address," Syverson said.

Syverson said he hopes the advertisements and common-sense will help students. But he said, "There is no magic silver bullet."

Betz said the responsibility lies on the individual.

He said he hopes people will identify someone as a potential problem and keep an eye on them.

"If they are really a friend they will help," he said.

Leque is quick to point out that not all the damage comes from students.

"You can't point a finger," he said. "The city of River Falls is a center of activity."

Non-student residents can come downtown and get out of hand, too.

"We draw an outside community," he said.

No one can say for certain how to put a stop to problem.

Richards said "it would call for the kids themselves to realize it, but you get drunk and forget about it."

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Campus Calendar

Saturday, November 12

**All Day**  
Trombone Day at UW-RF  
Rehearsals and clinics begin at 9:00 a.m. Please invite friends and relatives to the 3:00 p.m. Concert. Contact Rick Gaynor at 715-425-3177 or richard.gaynor@uwrf.edu for more information.  
Location: Abbott Concert Hall, KFA  
Fee: Free

Sunday, November 13

**3 p.m.**  
The Woodwind Ensembles Concert, directed by David Milne, Pat O'Keefe, and Janis Weller will perform.  
Location: Abbott Concert Hall  
Fee: Free

Monday, November 14

**7-8:30 p.m.** - The Koran and the New Testament  
Current events have brought us face to face with the Muslim world. Gain a better understanding of the religion of Islam and how it compares to Christianity. Presented by Dr. Intiaz Moosa, UW-River Falls department of History and Philosophy. Part of the Community Lecture Series sponsored by the College of Arts and Sciences Outreach.  
Fee: Free  
Location: River Falls Public Library, Lower Level

Tuesday, November 15

**4-5:30 p.m.** - "Vision and Values" Town Hall meeting  
A summary of the "Vision and Values" will be presented. There will be the opportunity for discussion, questions and conversation.  
Fee: Free  
Location: Davis Theatre, KFA

**8 p.m.**  
A Brass Ensembles Concert, under the direction of Rick Gaynor, will perform.  
Location: Abbott Concert Hall  
Fee: Free

**8 p.m.**  
River Falls Underground, with a hip-hop theme.  
Location: Brandy's  
Fee: Free

Wednesday, November 16

**8 p.m.**  
The UW-RF Chamber Winds Concert, featuring UW-RF Music Faculty and Students, will perform.  
Location: Abbott Concert Hall  
Fee: Tickets available at the door; Adults \$5, Seniors \$3, all students \$2, 5 and under free.

**8 p.m.**  
Comedian: Robbie Printz  
Location: Brandy's  
Fee: Free

Thursday, November 17

**3:15 p.m.**  
A Convocation Student Recital will be presented by UW-RF music students.  
Location: Abbott Concert Hall  
Fee: Free

**5- 7 p.m.**  
Racquetball Clinic  
Learn from the pros, Sam Ryder and Kevin Graham both national or world champions will be at UW-RF to instruct, critique, hold an exhibition match and answer questions.  
Location: basement of Karges, UW-RF Racquetball Courts  
Fee: Free

BIRD DROPPINGS

Single and desperate

The item that follows is a parody and not to be taken seriously.

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With her friends going off to be happily married, Marry Sans decided it was time to find her fiancé before she graduates in December.  
“Well, I was dating this guy for like three weeks, but when I popped the question he laughed and went to the strip bar,” Sans said. “Guys are so afraid of commitment.”  
Sans said she is always the bridesmaid, but never the bride.  
Her friends said she is always the bridesmaid because they she will never be the bride.  
“She was a bride for Halloween, and it was funny,” said a long time friend. “Then she started to wear the gown every Saturday and make us pretend it was her bachelorette party.”  
The friend said she was getting sick of going to the bars with five-foot inflatable penises and blowing money at Chip-n-Dales.  
Sans proposed to one of her boyfriends at a medieval theme restaurant.  
“I didn’t even know her last name,” he said. “When I found out she was just carrying around a giant penis and not getting married, I thought ‘hell, I’m having fun tonight’.”  
He was wrong. She proposed the morning after. “I fled that place like a crime scene,” he said.  
Sans doesn’t seem worried about the lack of a husband. She said she is convinced someone out there is as desperate as she is.  
“The way I see it, someone will marry me because of the pity,” Sans said. “Well, that or for U.S. citizenship.”  
She said a rich, suave, Italian man would be great, but a Frenchman would suffice.  
Sans said she is also considering the mail order option.  
“I have heard of these catalogs where you could find the love of your life,” she said. “A lot of girls from America are willing to go to Antarctica for marriage.”  
The catalog is called *Uncle Sam’s Desperate Housewives*. It features women from the states who are willing to marry anyone for the right price.  
Sans has not committed herself to the mail order



Eric Ebert/ Student Voice

Marry Sans is desperate to find a husband before graduation and dings on to every guy, even though she is pushed away, in hopes that she will find happiness.

option just yet. She said she has taken her pictures for it though. She is very excited to show everyone her Glamour Shots. However, everyone was not as excited to see the pictures.  
“She showed me on our first date. Thought it was creepy. Bailed,” said a man who used to date Sans.  
Sans’ long-time boyfriend thought about proposing to her, but decided otherwise.  
“It hit me one day while I tried to figure out a cell phone plan,” Buddy Single said. “If I am scared to sign onto a cell phone carrier I probably shouldn’t be chained to some chick.”  
Single admits to having a problem with commitment. Similar to almost every other male.  
Single, a firefighter, war veteran, snake handler and polar bear wrangler, said he didn’t understand how people could get married.  
“It’s some scary sh\*\*,” he said.

Love ‘em or leave ‘em



Jon Majak

In life, there are certain things that I should never be resuscitated - interest in acid-wash jeans or Nick Carter’s solo career for example - and then there are some things that just can’t help but be brought back to life. Though my friendship with Ridley the Rugby Player had seemingly flat-lined, we recently got it out of its vegetative state. But while our friendship was going strong, Ridley’s interest in rugby had apparently taken a turn for the worst.  
“I quit my rugby team,” he told me. “That’s too bad,” I interjected. “And I’m thinking about taking up extreme fighting,” he continued. “Couldn’t you do something that isn’t such a health risk?” I advised. “You know, like extreme sewing or extreme bread making?”  
“Where’s the adrenaline rush in that?” Ridley countered with a smirk. And from one health risk to another, I decided to ask Ridley’s diagnosis on my current bout of The Russian-itis. “So are you two hitting it off

again?” he asked.  
“Oh who knows,” I replied. “It’s more like he hasn’t pulled out any of his old tricks.”  
“Not to sound like an ass,” Ridley began, “but does he have any new tricks?”  
“Well now he’s doing this nifty thing where he pretends like he’s a human being with a working heart,” I cracked. “But I do like this new guy, a bartender/philosophy teacher.”  
“Interesting combo,” laughed Ridley. “You should totally clone him for me.”  
“I will if you make me some of your wheat bread for me,” I replied. “Sounds like a deal,” Ridley nodded.  
And from a clone deal to a surgical ordeal, my friend Gavin recently had surgery, which definitely led to a cramp in his sex life with the cowboy, due to the strict orders that he was to not be the recipient of the cowboy’s affection for three weeks.  
Yet Gavin, never one to be patient even though he was one, found the antidote to this problem.  
“I got the cowboy to bottom for the first time,” he told me cheerfully. “How did you manage to swing that one?” I asked.  
“Beer and Vicodin,” he giggled. “Is that like the new millennium’s wine and roses?” I laughed.  
“But before that, he came down and took care of me after the surgery,” he

sighed. “And he was here for most of the day.”  
He paused for a moment.  
“I’m so glad he visited, not just because of the sex, and I’m sad he left,” Gavin said. “It’s just that I now realize I really do like him.”  
“Oh that’s precious,” I smiled.  
“I’m going to get some rest,” Gavin said. “I’m sleepy, took a couple Vicodin before talking to you.”  
“You in pain?” I asked.  
“Nope, just bored,” he replied with a laugh.  
I IM-ed The Russian to discuss our critical condition but before I could, he asked me a vital question: “Why do you even talk to me?”  
“I thought we were friends,” I replied with a sigh.  
There was this painful silence between us. I realized that trying to love a man who had the inoperable condition of being emotionally unavailable was another thing that didn’t need to be resuscitated. I pulled the plug on the one relationship I knew would take a lifetime of me supporting it to stay alive.  
Later that night, as I danced with my friends in the middle of the dance floor at The Library, I enjoyed myself more than before because I finally had a clean bill of relationship health. And when that happens, the best thing to do is to dance and find a new, better person to play doctor with.

Orange Smile

**Ingredients:**  
1 Egg  
2 tsp Grenadine  
10 cl Orange juice  
**Mixing instructions:**  
Shake egg, grenadine syrup, orange juice, and several ice cubes well. Strain into a small tumbler, serve with a drinking straw.

Mexican H'ors d'oeuvre

**Ingredients:**  
1 shot Tequila  
1 slice Jalapeno  
1 dash Tabasco sauce or Red hot  
**Mixing instructions:**  
Place the jalapeño on the bottom of a shot glass and fill the glass with tequila. Next cover the surface with Tabasco sauce or Red Hot and shoot it. Be sure to catch the jalapeno in your mouth while swallowing the rest. Chew the jalapeno separately, savoring the flavor, and swallow it. Olé!

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MITCH

By: Neng Yang





# Dodge this



Photos by Jen Dolen/  
Student Voice

**The second annual UW-River Falls Dodgeball Tournament was held on Nov. 7 in Knowles Center. In all 15 teams competed for the top prize and while only one team was the winner, all the teams showed off their skills to their opponents and had fun while doing it.**

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With the power of pink and the supreme ability to ‘dodge, dive, dip, duck and dodge’ the Pink Punishers - adorned in pink bandannas, arm bands and the slogan “we beat it up” - won UW-River Falls’ first ever dodgeball tournament held on campus.

With the success of last year’s tournament, which featured 32 dodgeball teams, Kurran Sagan, recreational leadership coordinator, decided to continue the event and hold a second tournament on Nov. 7.

The Knowles Center was filled with a constant spray of rubber balls and playful jeers as 15 teams such as the Swamp Donkeys, Team Shower, Matt Damon, and Chicks and Hicks, battled in this year’s tournament.

In the end, a team sporting the name A Few Off-Season Accusations, reigned victorious. Team-member Ashley Peterson said she felt good about her team’s performance.

Regardless of who took home the gold, students still said they enjoyed the competition.

“It’s a blast,” Nicole Crans of team Car Ram Rod - whose name came from the movie Super Troopers - said.

“I think it’s fun for a bunch of people to get involved with. You can take it as serious or as light as you want - just throw some balls at people,” said Nick Hall, member of the winning team for two

years in a row.

Not only was there a winner in the competition of athletics, but also aesthetics. A team called Scooby Doo Crew, with team members dressed as all of the characters from the popular cartoon and accompanied by their Mystery Machine, was awarded best costume based on originality, effort and overall aesthetics, Jessica Kopp, recreation manager said. The level of participation in the event showed that students welcome these types of recreational opportunities.

This event was a perfect fit because we had been looking for more ideas for single events to offer to students, Sagan said.

The idea for the tournament came from its popularity at other schools, and “obviously the movie sparked the interest,” Sagan said.

“Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story,” released in 2004, is about a group of people who enter a dodgeball tournament in order to win money to save their gym.

As far as actually playing the game of dodgeball, the rules are “not tough to learn, you can learn them on the fly,” Hall said.

The UW-RF dodgeball tournament rules, provided by Sagan, state that each team must consist of four to six players, with a minimum of two males and two females.

Opposing teams are lined up on opposite ends of a rectangular court divided in the middle, and balls are placed at center court. When a whistle is blown, the teams charge to retrieve balls without

going over the center line or contacting players from the other team.

Balls are then thrown at opposing players with the object of eliminating them. If a player is hit by a ball thrown by the opposing team, they are out of the game. If a ball is caught in the air, the player who threw the ball is out and one player from the team who caught the ball can rejoin the game.

The order of players to rejoin the game is sequential to the order eliminated. The winning team is the one to eliminate all opposing players.

This year’s tournament moved to the Knowles Center, from last year’s location in the Karges. Having the tight wall and boundaries in Karges last year was nice, Sagan said, but overall it worked out.

