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Bob Woodward reveals presidential history

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Friday, May 2, was the third annual UW-River Falls Rising to Distinction Scholarship Benefit with a keynote address featuring Pulitzer Prize-winning writer, Bob Woodward.

Woodward is an assistant managing editor for the Washington Post where he has worked since 1971. According to his website, he won his first Pulitzer along with many other American journalism awards for his reporting on the Watergate scandal. His second Pulitzer win was for his reporting on the aftermath of the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks.

“Having this year being the 40th anniversary of the Watergate break-in seemed to make it the right time for Bob Woodward,” said Chris Mueller, assistant chancellor of University Advancement and president of UWRF Foundation.

Mueller said that Woodward has about 20 speaking engagements a year, so the University was lucky and thankful that they were able to have him come to campus for the benefit.

Woodward spoke to approximately 394 audience members Friday night in the Abbott Concert Hall in the Kleinpell Fine Arts building about his journey as a journalist and his 17 books, as well as his experience interviewing and reporting on eight presidents.

“It’s hard to find out what really goes on; in other words, everyone puts out smoke screens. The message managers now in the White House, any institution, in Congress, try to control things and they have more authority and there are more of them and they’re more insistent. You call the White House and you say ‘I’d like to ask about this,’ if you are a regular reporter, and the first thing you get

back from the White House is ‘why is that a story?’ trying to discourage coverage,” Woodward said. “So, it takes a lot of time.”

Mueller said that the development committee of the foundation board spends 12 to 14 months working on the next speaker for the Scholarship Benefit. The event’s proceeds support the Falcon Scholars Program that currently has a campaign to raise \$20 million by June 30, 2016. Bill Boehm, campaign chair, gave a campaign progress report during the event. As of March 31, 2014, a total of \$15.012 million has been received in pledges and donations.

“The comments this year were very positive from those who attended,” Mueller said. “Some times you don’t know what you’re going to get when the person shows up and I thought that his presentation was really fabulous because he went through 40 years of presidential history.”

Mueller said that Woodward hit a mark and really told stories that audience members may not have heard or read otherwise in the news. He said that the way Woodward linked together the different U.S. presidents that he covered over four decades was intriguing.

Woodward said that while there are difficulties being in journalism, there are also perks.

“Being a journalist is the best job in the world,” Woodward said. “If somebody came from Mars and spent a year in the United States, went back to Mars and they were asked by other Martians who in the United States has the best job? They’d say the journalists because we get to make momentary entries into peoples’ lives when they’re interesting and get the hell out when they cease to be interesting.”



Kathy M Helgeson/University Communications

Bob Woodward speaks in the University Center about his career as a journalist for his keynote address for the third annual UWRF Rising to Distinction Scholarship Benefit.

Groundbreaking of Falcon Center takes place



Sam Mayberry/Student Voice

Wisconsin State Legislature Representative Dean Knudson, Student Senate President Tony Sumnicht, UWRF student Skyler Harmon, UWRF student Logan Boettcher, Chancellor Dean Van Galen, Campus Planner Dale Braun, UW-System Kate Sullivan, Campaign Chair Bill Boehm, Senator Sheila Harsdorf, Ayers Associates Architect Raivo Balcunas and UWRF Foundation President Chris Mueller are amongst the first group of participants in the groundbreaking ceremony for the Falcon Center. This event took place at 2 p.m. on May 2, 2014, outside of Hunt Arena.

Professor analyzes recent minimum wage legislation

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While legislation was passed in Minnesota in support of a higher minimum wage in April, Wisconsin workers are not likely to see an increase in minimum wage any time soon, said Davida Alperin, professor of political science at UW-River Falls.

Minimum wage is a harsh reality for many college students who are struggling to support themselves, while paying for tuition to better their education and skills. About 24 percent of minimum wage earners are between the ages of 19 and 24, according to a national study published in 2013 by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

President Obama proposed an increase in minimum wage of \$10.10 in November. A number of states have followed Obama’s lead and approved an increased minimum wage.

The legislation recently passed in Minnesota approved a higher minimum wage of \$9.50 by 2016. However, Wisconsin still has a minimum wage of \$7.25.

While Alperin is in favor of a minimum wage increase, she said she believes education should be made more accessible to all individuals, in order to create a more skilled labor force. She said the state of Wisconsin specifically needs to invest more into education by providing more funding for colleges and grants for students.

“We need to provide equal opportunities,” Alperin said. “I don’t think we do that.”

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics study, 4.1 percent of high school graduates earn minimum wage. That percentage drops to 2.3 percent for those who have a bachelor’s degree.

Logan Kelly, a professor of economics at

UWRF, said he believes systemic problems are to blame for economic inequality. Kelly said minimum wage is “treating the symptom, not the problem.” He said he believes the problem lies within the system, since a number of primary income earners do not have the skills necessary to provide for their families.

“Let’s relook at training,” Kelly said. “We haven’t had a shakeup in education in a long time and it’s time.”

He said he thinks the model of receiving education, working and then retiring is outdated. Kelly believes workers should be periodically trained throughout their careers to allow them to compete in the job market.

“The four-year degree is the new eighth grade education,” Kelly said. “Not everyone wants or should have to go to college.”

In regards to actually increasing the minimum wage, both Kelly and Alperin said there

are advantages and disadvantages.

“With every economic policy there are tradeoffs. Someone is harmed and someone is benefitted,” Kelly said.

Kelly said an important aspect to consider in regards to an increase is that there are several types of minimum wage earners. For example, a minimum wage worker could be a high school student or could be a mother supporting her children. He said he believes the problem is that many primary income earners in Wisconsin are trying to survive and support their families off minimum wage.

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, 45 percent of minimum wage earners in 2012 were over 25.

“People who are working should be able to earn enough to have basic necessities,” Alperin said.

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Newly colonized fraternity joins UWRF

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The UW-River Falls community became more accepting of diversity this past March when Delta Lambda Phi, a fraternity that emphasizes equality among sexual orientations, was colonized.

While there are 30 active Delta Lambda Phi chapters across the United States, the Delta Lambda Phi colony at UWRF is the first nationally recognized group of its kind in the entire state of Wisconsin. It is composed of 14 members and recently joined the other seven fraternities and sororities at UWRF.

“It’s showing that this campus is willing to step forward and be a positive change when it comes to social justice and it’s a good way to show that we are accepting of the gay community,” said Michael Stewart, a member of Delta Lambda Phi.

Stewart said that a lot of work was put into colonizing the fraternity and the entire process took more than two years. While the organization was previously recognized by the university as Delta New Alliance, it was not until recently that it was colonized, or recognized by the national Delta Lambda Phi organization. Nathan Elness, graduate student intern for Student Life, has supported the group through the process of becoming colonized.

“One thing that I think they will provide for this campus is a lot of education,” said Elness. “Not a lot of students probably know a lot about individuals who are members of the gay, bisexual community and so this group having that focus and really focusing on equity for all students has an opportunity to do a lot for this campus and kind of bring that to the forefront of everyone’s attention.”

All Greek organizations at UWRF welcome members regardless of sexual orientation, but Delta Lambda Phi offers an additional choice for those in the GLBT community. Stewart said that he enjoys being a part of the fraternity because he believes it gives students more options when deciding to become a part of Greek life.

“What I enjoy personally is the fact that I have brothers. College is about making friends and trying new experiences,” said Stewart. “I have put so much work, time, money and just so much effort into this organization. To finally be able to see it come to fruition and ac-

tually gain national attention and recognition from national office is really exciting.”

The Delta Lambda Phi organization was founded in 1986 in Washington, D.C., according to the Delta Lambda Phi website, by a man who felt there were limited options for gay men who were interested in fraternity life.

Stewart, along with two alumni of UWRF, Jared Lee and Andrew Sisulak, originally created the interest group that led to the creation of Delta Lambda Phi over two years ago. Stewart was in charge of public relations for the interest group.

“I made as many phone calls as I could. I messaged everybody I could think of trying to get members to start this interest group,” said Stewart.

The organization has come a long way since its beginning and expects to be recognized as a chapter, or fully-established fraternity, within the next two to three years. The group is also considering becoming dual-school based and welcoming members from Chippewa Valley Technical College once it gains more

funds. While there is currently not a sorority on campus exclusively for those who belong to the lesbian community, Elness said it is a possibility for the future.

“I would say at this point in time anything really is possible for this campus,” said Elness. “We are at a point where we need to stabilize the groups that we have, so getting Delta Lambda Phi to a point where they are stable and functioning at the same level as other groups before we kind of move forward with any other groups, but it would be interesting to see a coed organization on campus and kind of what that could really do for this community.”

After the members are officially initiated next fall, Delta Lambda Phi plans to host a variety of charitable and diversity programs. Stewart said the group hopes to collaborate with local charities and socio-cultural organizations on campus, like Gender and Sexuality Alliance and the Student Feminist Organization.

Students who are interested in joining the fraternity can reach out to members of Delta Lambda Phi in person or find contact information on their OrgSync page. The fraternity will also be participating in the Involvement Fair next year to promote their organization.

News briefs

Professor receives 2014 Advisor of the Year

David Bonko, assistant professor of Marketing Communications, has been named the 2014 UW-River Falls Advisor of the Year.

The award for Advisor of the Year was established in 2000 to recognize an outstanding faculty advisor with nominations by graduating seniors and alumni. Those nominations are then considered by the Faculty-Senate Advising Committee, which makes the final selection.

Student billing office to use new vendor for eSIS

The UW-River Falls Student Billing Office will use a new vendor, Heartland Campus Solutions ECSI (ECSI), for financial aid and overpayment refund processing beginning May 12, 2014. Students will receive an email from easypathrefund@ecsi.net on or after May 12 explaining how to sign up for direct deposit on the ECSI site. This change requires all students, even those currently enrolled for refund direct deposit, to enter their bank routing and account numbers in the ECSI system.

Students are encouraged to sign up for direct deposit using the new site as soon as possible after receiving the email from ECSI to avoid refund delays. Refunds will not be processed by the Student Billing Office the week of May 12, 2014, due to the conversion of refunding systems.

‘Toss for the Cause’ event raises \$800

Students in the UW-River Falls marketing communications program recently put on a “Toss for the Cause” event, a beanbag tournament on behalf of a River Falls charity (Assistance & Resource Center Inc.), ARC, as part of their non-profit organization class.

The event “Toss for the Cause” was hosted by the students and took place at Junior’s Bar and Grill on Thursday, May 1. The event consisted of 32, two-player teams competing for prizes the class members received from local businesses. The event the class also included a silent auction during the event, minute to win booth that had featured games as well as live music from UWRF student Jon Atwell.

ARC volunteers were appreciative of the student’s efforts. Once the event was done

they told one of the student, “Thank you and the rest of your team for all of the time and effort that went into making ‘Toss for the Cause’ such a success!”

This semester they chose to have the proceeds go to ARC. Their ARC’s mission is, “to provide short term financial assistance to members of the community to help meet their basic needs and provide access to additional resources.” The non-profit organization last year helped over 870 individuals who were struggling to obtain help with rent, utilities as well as household and personal use items. Through donations and funding for non-profits, the organization is always looking for help to move forward in business and community. The organization is available to anyone who may need that extra bit of help to get back onto their feet.

For more information about ARC, please visit: <http://www.arcriverfalls.org>.

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Professor receives 2014 outstanding faculty award

Brian R. Smith, professor of horticulture and state extension commercial fruit specialist, received the 2014 Outstanding Faculty Award at the 48th Annual Awards Banquet in the College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences at the University of Wisconsin-River Falls on April 24. This is the highest award bestowed upon a faculty member in the college.

The awardee is also honored nationally with the Teaching Award of Merit from the North American Colleges and Teachers of Agriculture (NACTA) in recognition of meritorious efforts in college teaching.

Upon receiving the award, Smith directed his comments to the students in attendance with a quote in German from the German poet and dramatist Christian Friedrich Hebbel, “Nichts in der Welt Großes ist je ohne Leidenschaft erreicht worden.” (Nothing great in this world has ever been created without passion.) Smith centered in on how intellect gets you to a certain point but that it was his passion for plant breeding and teaching was the driving force that got him where he is today.

Since arriving at UWRF in 1988, Smith has held a split appointment: 67 percent teaching in the horticulture program and 33 percent Cooperative Extension to support commercial fruit growers in the state. Over the years, he has taught eight different horticulture courses, including a general education course he co-developed, “Plants and Society.” He has an

active fruit research program and engages students in his work, teaching them the methodology of research.

Writing in support of Smith’s nomination for the award, alumnus Russell Sawyer shared, “I learned the science behind the reasons why and how the different cultural practices are used and then took that information back to my family farm. The amount of information that can be picked from his brain is unbelievable. Ask Brian any question and he will have a solution and a life experience relating to the question.”

Smith’s fruit research program focuses on the development and evaluation of new fruit cultivars hardy enough for the upper Midwest. Smith is a co-developer on seven patented raspberry cultivars, the sole breeder of the BlackIce™ plum, and has several strawberry, plum, and apricot selections in the plant patent pipeline. He has also initiated an Aronia melanocarpa (chokeberry) breeding program. Aronia is native to Wisconsin and is a new fruit crop for the state. His research work has attracted nearly \$900,000 in extramural funding over the years.

As an extension specialist, Smith develops and delivers educational and research presentations to a diverse client base including growers, master gardeners and extension colleagues.

“Brian is very well known and respected within the fruit industry across the state. He has taught literally thousands of adult learners,” wrote Kevin Schoessow, agriculture development agent for Burnett, Sawyer and Washburn counties. “From my experience, he embraces the purpose, vision and values of UW-Extension and the Wisconsin Idea: ‘Bringing University Research to the People of Wisconsin.’”

Smith has received numerous awards for his contributions including: the Paul B. and Robert Dykstra Faculty Excellence Award in 2012 from UW-River Falls for his role in research, creative and scholarly activity; the WiSys Technology Foundation Innovation Scholar Award in 2006 for his exemplary work in the development of the BlackIce™ plum; and he was named a Wisconsin Idea Fellow in 2004-05 by the UW-System for his extraordinary public service on behalf of the University.

For more information, contact Smith at 715-425-3345.

UWRF bestows 2014 Agricultural Award

Terri Dallas, vice-president of information and public relations for Cooperative Re-

sources International (CRI), was honored as the 2014 Wisconsin Distinguished Agriculturalist by the University of Wisconsin-River Falls College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences (CAFES) at their awards banquet on April 24.

Dallas has been with CRI for 28 years and in her current role for the past 11 years. She manages a staff of 18 in her division, which is responsible for membership, public relations, customer service and web-based initiatives.

Dallas is a past member and president of both the Wisconsin 4H Foundation and the Wisconsin Club Lamb Association Board, and a current member of the Wisconsin Farm Technology Days Board, the Wisconsin Cooperative Network Board, the Cooperative Foundation Board and the Wisconsin Agricultural Education and Workforce Development Council. In addition to her contributions to the dairy industry, Dallas is respected for her leadership in her local community. She has volunteered for nearly every FFA, dairy promotion and 4-H activity in Shawano County. Dallas is a long-time 4-H leader and has served on several key committees.

In his nomination letter, R. Douglas Wilson, chief executive officer of CRI, noted that through these various roles Dallas has “touched thousands of Wisconsin agricultural producers and youth. In agricultural cooperative work and youth work, she would be among the most sought after people to help guide programs.”

Dallas has been a strong supporter of agriculture at UWRF. Through her efforts, CRI was the first donor to the UWRF Dairy Learning Center. More recently, she has worked with faculty to provide student scholarships for reproductive physiology training.

At the awards banquet, Dallas offered some advice to students and future agricultural leaders, “stay in agriculture and give back to those organizations that have gotten you to where you are today.” She noted how the “cow” helped her succeed by teaching her hard work and determination. She went on to say that everyone has their own “cow” and she encouraged them to volunteer and give back to that “cow.”

The Wisconsin Distinguished Agriculturalist award was established in 1970 to recognize individuals who have provided leadership, service and other contributions to the broader agricultural community. A charcoal sketch of each honoree hangs in the Agriculture Hall of Fame in the Agricultural Science building on the UWRF campus.

For more information, visit <http://www.uwrf.edu/CAFES/Awards.cfm>.

River Falls Police/UWRF Police Department

April 26

- Spencer Andrew Mccosh was fined \$263.50 for underage consumption at Johnson Hall.

May 2

- Jace Allen Marek was fined \$515.50 for underage consumption - third offense at Grimm Hall.

Editor’s note: Information for this section is taken from University Police and River Falls Police Department incident reports.

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UWRF Career Services aids new alumni

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New UW-River Falls alumni will be faced with exciting possibilities upon graduation this May, but a number of upcoming graduates will also cope with the challenges of a competitive job market.

While recent graduates are confronted with many changes, finding a job to fit their skills and interests will be of highest concern to several alumni. Bachelor’s degree holders between the ages of 20 and 24 held an unemployment rate of 8.7 percent in January, according to data from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

There are resources on campus, however, to help these recent graduates move out of their parents’ basements. Professionals in Career Services and Alumni Relations are specifically focused on providing support and engagement opportunities for graduates.

“We are very dedicated to working with students after they walk across the stage,” said Melissa Wilson, director of Career Services.

The Career Services office is open year-round and alumni can take advantage of its resources for free, even after graduation. If recent graduates are struggling to find jobs, they are able to get help with job searching, resume and cover letter review and interview preparation, among other services.

Wilson said relevant work experience is becoming increasingly important in the competitive job market. She said many who are unemployed after graduation did not obtain sufficient internship or other work experience while in college.

“A college degree is no longer enough to warrant entry-level jobs,” Wilson said.

Senior Nicholas Peterson will be graduating from UWRF this May with a computer science degree. He said he wished he would have completed more internship experience and gotten more involved prior to graduation. He said that fear of the un-



Desi Danforth/Student Voice
Assistant Director of Career Services McKenna Pfeiffer and junior communicative studies major Stephanie Gabbey conduct a career counseling session. In this session Pfeiffer assisted Gabbey in developing her resume.

known held him back from gaining more experiences in college.

“The biggest thing I’d like to get across is don’t let fear take control. Take charge,” Peterson said.

While the job market is competitive, recent data suggests that some aspects of the economy are improving.

Data shows that employers expect to hire 8.6 percent more graduates this spring than in the spring of 2013, according to a study conducted by the National Association of Colleges and Employers.

Many college graduates are making the choice to complete an internship after graduation to gain relevant experience. Wilson also said it is important to engage in leadership, volunteer and global experiences while in college to enhance resumes. She also said networking is extremely important for college graduates.

Daniel McGinty, director of Alumni Relations, also said networking can lead to

jobs for recent graduates.

“Make sure to use your network to the best of your ability,” McGinty said. “Faculty can serve as a bridge to get your foot in the door.”

McGinty said Career Services is an important resource for graduates, along with networking events hosted by Alumni Relations. There

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are over 12,000 alumni who have established accounts with Alumni Relations and a number of these individuals attend networking events, McGinty said.

Graduates of UWRF are presented with a unique opportunity, since all graduates automatically become members of Alumni Relations free

of charge because Alumni Relations is non-dues based department.

McGinty said that the Alumni Relations office has conducted surveys to measure alumni engagement. Of 40,000 alumni, 8,500 have been engaged with UWRF after they graduate. Alumni are engaged with the University in many ways and through a variety of channels.

All alumni have access to a n n u a l newsletters, including Falcon Features, a print publication, and Falcon Online, a web-based publication. Alumni Relations also hosts between 55 and 65 events each year. Members can engage with others through the alumni Facebook page and LinkedIn account.

While 21 percent of alumni are engaged with the Univer-

sity through different means, McGinty hopes to expand the network.

“We need to do a better job getting our hands around social media networks,” McGinty said.

The UWRF Foundation, which is a department that partners with Alumni Relations, is also working to raise funds to support many areas at UWRF, including the alumni network. Its Rising to Distinction Campaign, which was launched in 2012, has already gained over \$15 million in donations.

He said that the UWRF Foundation and Alumni Relations work together to build an alumni network. If alumni are more engaged with the University, they are more likely to donate funds. In turn, alumni programs are funded through donations.

McGinty hopes that the Alumni Relations office will continue to grow in upcoming years and provide even more resources for graduates. He is currently the only full-

time employee in Alumni Relations, but receives additional assistance from employees who work with special events and data reporting.

He encourages graduates to reach out to Alumni Relations to keep their records updated and their contact information current.

Career Services has also been expanding their efforts on campus, in order to prepare students for the job market before they graduate. There has been an increase in collaboration between academic departments and Career Services staff to prepare students for graduation.

Wilson said that Career Services markets a “don’t cancel class policy” to professors. Instead of cancelling classes for various reasons, professors are able to have Career Services professionals give presentations to their students. Professors have also been scheduling more regular classroom visits from Career Services.

“Without classroom visits, these classes would not have the opportunity to hear from Career Services representatives. It’s a great opportunity,” Wilson said.

While there has been an increase in the amount of classroom presentations by Career Services, Wilson said the department is continually looking for areas of expansion and improvement. Each year the office tallies the number of visits to the different colleges at UWRF. If Career Services notices that a particular college is not conducting as many visits, their office reaches out and markets their services.

In addition to providing classroom visits, Career Services professionals also make an effort to reach out to new students and families during New Student Registration and Week of Welcome. They collaborate with New Student and Family Programs to market their services.

“I think we do a good job of getting our word out,” Wilson said.

Minimum wage: Minnesota lawmakers propose increase

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Freshman David Heflin said he believes a higher minimum wage would be beneficial for those who cannot afford healthcare. However, he said he was concerned about the possibility of higher income taxes as a result of an increased minimum wage.

Another aspect to consider, said Kelly, is whether or not a minimum wage earner works for a small or large business. He said that an increase in minimum wage could lead to unemployment. For example, if the minimum wage was raised to \$10 an hour, there will be some people who do not have the training and skill to make their work worth \$10 and could become unemployed.

“Small businesses have less ability to absorb minimum wage changes. I’m less concerned about large businesses. However, small businesses may go out of business,”

Kelly said.

Alperin also said one disadvantage of minimum wage is that some employers will have to cut positions because they cannot afford to pay higher salaries. While employers would have to pay their employees more, she said employers would be benefited in the long run because a minimum wage increase could reduce turnover.

“If people are paid a better wage, they will want to stay longer,” Alperin said.

Alperin also said she believes an increase in minimum wage would support the economy, since minimum wage workers would have more money to spend. Taylor Burden, a freshman at UWRF, also said he supports a higher minimum wage because he believes an increase would stimulate the

economy.

Another important point to consider, Kelly said, is the effect of minimum wage on price level and inflation. He said he believes a higher minimum wage should increase the real earnings of low-income workers.

“I think there are a lot of hard-working individuals who are not getting an adequate salary,” said Davida Alperin, professor of political science.

able to earn more.

Senior Alie Leonhart said she is unsure of her stance on a minimum wage increase.

“I don’t know if it would help the economy or not,” Leonhart said. “The money has to

come from somewhere so people would have to pay more.”

In regards to actual implementation of an increased minimum wage, Kelly said he would like to see a graduated system with different wages for minors and adults. However, this graduated system might lead to inequality in the job market among different age groups, he said. Alperin said she is opposed to a graduated system because it could lead to an “us against them mentality.”

Alperin also said that there is a stereotype among minimum wage earners that they are not hard-working. However, she said that the economy will always include lower and higher earning jobs, no matter how hard-working an individual is.

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Student Senate to offer movie nights in University Center starting fall

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Next fall semester, UW-River Falls students will have another option for a weekend activity.

On April 29, Student Senate unanimously passed a motion which allocated \$8,000 to fund a “Student Senate Cinema.”

“The purpose of the cinema is to provide more weekend programming, as well as a healthy alternative for students,” said Senate President Tony Sumnicht.

The cinema will run one movie four times each week. Every weekend there will be two showings on Friday and

two on Saturday. The cinema will be in the Kinnickinnic Theater in the University Center.

“We plan to show pre-DVD movies. Movies that are out of theaters, but not on DVD,” Sumnicht said.

In its editorial last week, the Student Voice listed some concerns with the cinema. Chief among those concerns was how the cinema would affect the River Falls Theatre.

“The concern primarily for us is the Falls Theater. The theater is an important aspect of River Falls both in town and for the UW-River Falls campus. Not only is it a low-cost activity for students, the

theater also works with campus in several ways.

The theater provides us with movie tickets each week for our feather search in the Student Voice; the theater also has worked together with residence halls such as Hathorn Hall to provide a free movie showing for those living in the hall,” the editorial said.

The theatre raised its ticket price this past summer from \$3 to \$4.

Despite the fact that the cinema will be playing movies at night on both Friday

and Saturday, Sumnicht said the cinema should not be in competition with the River

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Falls Theatre.

“I discussed this with the Director of Student Life [Paul Shepherd]. About four years ago they used to show movies in the Falls Theatre like we plan to do. The relationship with the theater didn’t

change, because we are not showing brand new movies,” Sumnicht said. “They will be high quality movies, just out of the theater already.”

Junior Nicky Broeske said that she may utilize the cinema, but it would entirely depend on the movie.

“It depends on the movie,” Broeske said. “If it was a new movie that’s supposedly good, then probably yes I would go, but if it’s one that’s been out for a while, then no.”

The \$8,000 allocated to the cinema is mean to encompass all of the fees for the cinema. Students would not have to contribute any money toward

the cinema.

“In order to show the movies publically we have to pay for copyright. So we did a whole budget with previewing movies, and we came out to \$8,000. What happens with that is that we pay the copyright fee, and a small fee for each day it is shown. We came out to that \$8,000,” Sumnicht said.

Sumnicht added that the \$8,000 is only for the fall semester. Senate will review the cinema near the end of fall semester to see if there is enough student interest in funding it for another semester.

EDITORIAL

Finals week, graduation lead to reflection of past year

The last issue of the Student Voice is out and finals week has arrived. The thoughts of summer have migrated from being dreams to being a reality. For those lucky seniors, including three of us on the editorial board, graduation is just a little over a week away.

We would like to send out our support and encouragement to students during this stressful time of the semester. Use this weekend to prep yourself for your exams so you do not spend sleepless nights cramming. From personal experience, it is better to get an adequate amount of sleep than to stay up all night studying. That fear of bobbing your head during your exam, fighting to stay awake, could certainly become a realistic battle that you may not win.

For those who are graduating, we understand that the “senior slide” may have kicked in about four months ago. However, you are almost done, do not get defeated now. Saturday, May 17, will arrive fast and soon you will be walking across that stage wondering where the time went. All of those countless hours slaving away over papers, projects and tests will pay off as soon as you get that diploma.

Once you are done with those dreaded finals, summer break will walk back into your life. While having fun over the summer is a must, it is also important to use your time wisely. Finding internships, jobs or anything that will help set you up financially and with experience for your major will surely make you sigh in relief once fall semester creeps up. Seniors who are graduating can use this summer to find jobs or internships in their fields.

Memories you have made throughout the year are always fun to reflect back on as you pack up your room for the summer. Think back to the friends you have made, the experiences you have had and the knowledge you are walking away with. Not to get too cheesy, but these are the years that are helping you most to set you up for the rest of your life.

The main goal of being at UW-River Falls is to get an education. However, the memories do not just come from sitting in class. It is also the times you stayed up until 3 a.m. chatting with your best friends, making melted crayon art in your dorm study lounge and sprinting to the University Center for Late Night with just enough time to spare before it closed, that you will look back on as well.

Thank you for reading the Student Voice this semester. We wish you all the best of luck on finals and for the graduating seniors, congratulations.

Liberal Arts education, college campus better prepares us for life

Rachel Molitor

Columnist

I am sure people have heard other people comment on the usefulness of a college education. It costs a lot of money, a lot of classes do not have to do with your job and some classes do not teach you much. A teacher I know has commented that when they look back on their college experience they only use one or two things from it. That teacher believes a better teacher education would be to simply put a person who want to be a teacher in the classroom. They could just follow a teacher around to learn how real world teaching works.

Think on it for a minute. What would make a better teacher? A purely classroom setting with a lecture on the finer points of teaching or an in-class interaction with kids under the supervision of an experienced teacher? One setting would provide theatricals while the other would provide real world facts. You wouldn’t need to guess what teaching strategy works best for you and your students; you would know. You would have experience dealing with kids who misbehave or have special needs.

Now maybe I have you convinced and maybe I don’t. If I am uber convincing perhaps I have seniors thinking of burning up their diplomas. But don’t light them up yet, there is hope! (Though if you feel frustrated with that

expensive piece of parchment while job hunting and loans looming, I recommend making a copy and burning in effigy.)

There is a reason we go to college, particularly a liberal arts university. One reason mentioned a lot is that it makes well-rounded individual. Although it is a frequently said, it is nevertheless a good reason. Honestly, do you want a country filled with people who only about their job matter? How dull would that be?

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the Middle East?” “Well since $E=mc^2$ I believe...” “How about medical marijuana?” “The history of marijuana is an interesting one...” It would be awful. Continuing to receive a broad range of education helps us to relate to a broad range of topics. Common facts about the world would be lost if everyone only focused on job-related studies. An educated populace is generally more tolerant and less prone to mob mentality.

Another benefit of going to college is the non-school skills that you develop. Many of us had challenges learning how to live with another person in a confined area. We learn how to take responsibility for ourselves since we no

longer have reminders from parents or siblings to make us get to bed on time, eat healthy, and do our homework. Our lives are determined by our own actions and we are forced to make sure we don’t stay up till 2 every night or only eat chicken and fries from Pete’s Creek. In my opinion, college dorm life is an excellent stop towards complete independence. We still have people around us, a meal plan, and some rules. It helps us to adjust to being on our own without actually being on our own.

It also is important to note that college is not a pure-lecture format. If you have been in the Agriculture Engineering Building, you will know they bring in farm equipment in to work on. Future teachers are required to have observation hours. Market Communication majors need an internship. The university does offer experience for students and also a knowledge base to work with this experiences. It is the best of both worlds.

Finally there are a large number of opportunities in going to college. Organizations and campus jobs can give you a professional edge that may not be available if you just went straight into the job market. In today’s up and down economy, we frankly need any advantage we can get. Developing skills beyond your field of choice can increase your hirability.

You never know what the future might bring, and by going to a liberal arts college, you will be prepared for whatever life throws your way.

School choice directs students’ life path

Jack Haren

Columnist

The University of Wisconsin River Falls has been the fourth stop in my collegiate journey. After high school, I traveled to Bozeman, Mont., for my freshman year as a film student and to finally snowboard on a real mountain. I was living in dreams. I still describe my time there as not actually being real. The fulfillment and satisfaction of being on top of the diverse Bridger mountain range was enough.

I realized that powder was for down the road and that I should concentrate on rail and street riding while I am young and can take more of

a beating. The high cost of out-of-state tuition was not personally sustainable there anyway. So, I moved back and dabbled with a few community college classes and commuted to the University of Minnesota-Twin Cities for a class as well.

I took a complete semester off to only work. Slanging honey all day bored me so much that it made me look in the direction of River Falls for journalism. By this time, I had gotten my feet wet with professional style filming and reporting for the newspaper. Journalism was a way to learn a range of skills while being more practical in terms of job availability than pursuing the film industry, so the switch made sense. I subleased into River Falls with two unknown roommates for

spring semester and have not yet looked back.

This school and community took me by surprise. For one, the tuition was the lowest I could find in the area. I had heard the great professors may leave to other institutions for better positions and pay, but many stay because of how truly great the spot of River Falls is.

Suddenly, my first semester is closing here at the University. This place was a hazy, far out, Wisconsin town that I knew nothing about growing up in the infamous city of Hastings across the border. That haze has completely lifted and I look forward to staying.

The university setting is remarkable and it has really focused me.

Bruce Lee once said “If

you always put limit on everything you do, physical or anything else, it will spread into your work and into your life. There are no limits. There are only plateaus, and you must not stay there, you must go beyond them.”

I believe that happiness is the constant improvement of one’s life. Set your goals high, because if the path becomes twisted, you still grew to a higher level and new place of understanding. If you simply continue the relentless pursuit, then you are successful. Mistakes are made and struggles will be fought, but this is part of learning.

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If you had to eat one type of cereal for the rest of your life, what would it be?

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Sam Mayberry
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“Cocoa Krispies, because they’re full of chocolatey deliciousness.”



Amanda White
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“Lucky Charms, because they’re magically delicious.”



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“I do like Captain Crunch a lot; I used to eat it at swim meets.”



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“Trix because silly rabbit, Trix are for college kids.”



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“Reese’s Puffs, because it’s like dessert for breakfast.”



Melissa Reichert
Junior
Communications

“Chocolate Cheerios!”



Katie Zehm
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“Honey Nut Cheerios, because they’re sweet and I just like them.”



Hayden Bosch
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“Bran flakes, to keep my thighs in check.”

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Track, field team competes at WIAC outdoor championships

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The UW-River Falls men’s and women’s track and field teams competed at the WIAC outdoor championships on Friday and Saturday in Oshkosh, Wis. Both teams finished in eighth place, but two Falcons set school records, one placed first and countless others set season highs and qualified for the national tournament.

The lone Falcon to place first was sophomore and long-distance runner Beth Riihinen, who earned first all-WIAC honors. Riihinen, who competes in the 10,000 meter run, finished the race with a time of 37:32.39.

“We had a race plan going in and Beth ran it to perfection,” said Scott Sekelsky, assistant coach and distance coordinator. “She was not going after a personal record but rather an individual conference championship. She stayed patient and ran a great race, I am very proud of her.”

Riihinen is on the bubble to make the national tournament, which is being hosted by Ohio Wesleyan University in Delaware, Ohio, but could still qualify. There are two more weeks for UWRF student-athletes to qualify; this week the Falcons will be in La Crosse, Wis., for the UW-La Crosse Eagle Open.

On the men’s side, sophomore sprinter David Paynotta had a record-setting Saturday in the 100-meter dash. Paynotta placed third in the race with a time of 10.64, breaking the school record of 10.74, previously held by Leon Headley (1962) and Gary Gray (1973). Paynotta has qualified to compete in the national tournament.

“My starts felt great for each race—that allowed for a strong finish,” Paynotta said. “All the credit goes to Coach Cole and the workouts that he prepares for us each week. What he does is working very well for us.”

Paynotta, who also shares the 4x100-meter relay school record

with three teammates, placed fourth in the 200-meter dash with a time of 21.9. Besting Paynotta was junior sprinter Jordan Crockett, who placed second with a time of 21.69, earning him second team all-WIAC honors.

“We were very excited and pleased to see David’s performance,” said Matthew Cole, head coach. “David’s going to nationals. I feel pretty comfortable about that.”

Crockett currently holds the 200-meter dash school record, set in 2012 as a freshman. Crockett’s time should be enough to qualify for the national tournament, while Paynotta’s time will be on the bubble.

Paynotta was not the only sprinter to break a school record. Senior sprinter Kimberly Lueck broke a 7-year-old 100-meter hurdles record held by Jessica Reed. Lueck’s time of 14.67 was nearly a full second better than her previous season best. Lueck placed fifth in the race, making it clear how difficult the WIAC is this season.

“Kim had a great race,” Cole said. “She really ran well in the preliminaries, and had an outstanding final race. She’s really high right now in the national rankings.”

Lueck has likely qualified for the national tournament, currently sitting in 26th place.

Both the men’s and women’s teams placed eighth out of nine teams, but Cole says that there is reason for optimism.

“I thought we competed well; they were relentless in their efforts,” he said. “I was very pleased how our student-athletes scored. I’m seeing good things.”

Freshman sprinter Sherahlynn Linkert placed fifth in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 1:06.26, and senior middle-distance runner Amanda Rothbauer capped off her WIAC career with a sixth-place finish in the 800-meter run with a time of 2:15.67. Rothbauer should qualify for the national tournament.

Senior Stephanie Walek had a solid Friday afternoon, placing third in the javelin throw with a distance of 128-10. Walek also finished eighth in the pole vault with a jump of 10-7, tying a season best. Walek will likely qualify for the national tournament as a javelin thrower, her specialty. Freshman Riley Claude placed sixth in the pole vault with a jump of 11-1, which tied a career best.

Sophomore sprinter Matt Griffin set a season high in the 400-meter hurdles preliminary run on Friday with a time of 54.44. Griffin earned fourth place with a run of 54.67 on Saturday. He is in good shape to make the national tournament.

Paynotta, Crockett, sophomore Tucker Malecha and freshman John Maillette finished fifth in the 4x100-meter relay with a season-high run of 42.21. The foursome is currently 0.07 seconds away from qualifying for the national tournament.

“I’m really looking for our men’s 4x100 to qualify,” Cole said. “This week and next week is our true test, and I think we can.”

Paynotta, who is looking to qualify for three national events, said that his relay team is confident heading into the next two weeks of qualifying.

“Our 4x100 team is coming along great,” Paynotta said. “We hope to be competing at the national meet in a few weeks.”

The WIAC outdoor championship was won by UW-La Crosse. The UW-La Crosse men’s track and field team has now won the WIAC championship a record 24 straight seasons. The women have won three straight. Playing in such a tough conference can often bring out the best in the competitors.

“The WIAC is the greatest Division III conference in the nation,” Paynotta said. “And that competition elevates all of our performances.”



Photo courtesy of Matthew Cole
Beth Riihinen runs a 10,000 meter run and was the only athlete to finish in first place the Falcons received this past weekend.

UWRF student athletes attend annual Falcon Awards Ceremony

The winners of the 2013-14 Falcon Athletic Department Awards were announced at the Falcon Awards Ceremony held Wednesday, May 7, in the University Center, according to UW-River Falls Athletics.

The female Emogene Nelson Athlete of the Year award went to softball player Hayley Buchanan. This is the second year in a row that Buchanan has won this award. Last year after the softball season she was named to the NFCA All-Great Lakes Region and All-WIAC first teams. Buchanan was named the team’s Most Valuable and Best Defensive Player after she hit .439. She holds the school record for hits (223) and is second in with a career .395 batting average. She earned the NCAA’s Toughest to Strike Out award last year. She struck out just once in 132 official at bats. She was also a member of the Falcon volleyball team for four seasons.

The male Don Page Athlete of the Year award winner is basketball player Ollie White. White, a senior and captain, was named to the first All-WIAC team after the 2014 season. He led the Falcons in scoring averaging 16 points a game. White was also named to the All-WIAC Defensive team in 2014 after averaging six rebounds a game. He led the Falcons with 31 steals. He was named the team’s Most Valuable Player after leading UWRF in scoring in 16 of the team’s 25 games. White was a member of SAAC for four years and was a student senator in the 2010-11 school year. He was also a team captain in the 2012-13 season and was named to the WIAC Scholastic Honor Roll in 2012 and 2013. He finished his career with 935 points and 435 rebounds.

The female Connie Foster Scholar-Athlete award winner is cross country and track and field student-athlete Hillary Geipel. She competed in the two sports for four seasons, ran in three WIAC indoor track and field meets, two WIAC outdoor meets and three WIAC cross country races. Last fall she competed in the NCAA Midwest Regional race. In 2014 she was named to the WIAC indoor track and field All-Sportsmanship team. Geipel has been named to the WIAC Scholastic Honor Roll three times and has earned Dean’s List honors after each semester. She has earned four UWRF academic scholarships and is a member of the Phi Kappa Phi honor society. Geipel has volunteered her time in several activities throughout her

career at UWRF. She will attend the University of Wisconsin-Madison School of Veterinary Medicine next fall.

The male George Field Scholar-Athlete award went to track and field student-athlete Scott Jensen. He is a two-time USTFCCA All-Academic selection and has been named to the WIAC Scholastic Honor Roll three times. Jensen has volunteered for the Big Brothers/Big Sisters and Feed My Starving Children organizations. He has been actively involved in the SAAC Trick or Treat For Canned Goods and is a member of the Beta Gamma Sigma National Honor Society. In 2011 he earned NCAA All-American honors in the 4x400 relay and was part of the 2012 WIAC Meet championship winning distance medley relay team. He was named the team’s Rookie of the Year in 2011 and is one of the team’s captains this year.

The Gary Eloranta Falcon Award winner is women’s hockey player Kait Mason. The senior was a team captain in 2013-14 and has been a team leader in all four years of play. This year she helped lead the team to a 23-5-3 record and a team-best third place finish in the NCAA Tournament. She was named to the first All-WIAC team this year after being named to the first All-NCHA teams in 2011 and 2013. Mason has been a team representative in SAAC for four years and was named to the NCHA All-Academic team in 2012 and to the WIAC Scholastic Honor Roll in 2011. She was twice named a first team AHCA All-American (2011, 2013). She is the all-time leading scorer in Falcon history with 69 goals and 132 points.

The Newcomer of the Year award goes to women’s hockey player Paige Johnson. She was named to the first All-WIAC team and helped the Falcons to a third place finish in the NCAA Tournament. She was the team’s top scoring defenseman with two goals and 16 points. She finished sixth in the NCAA in scoring for freshmen defensemen. Johnson participated in the SAAC Trick or Treat for Canned Goods and helped in the local youth hockey goalie clinics.

Katie Batters was named the Comeback Athlete of the Year. Batters was injured in the team’s final game of regular season on Feb. 22. She missed two weeks of practice and four play-off games before returning to the lineup. She played in the team’s last two games of the season – at the NCAA semifinal and finals in Plattsburgh, N.Y. She had an assist in the team’s

4-2 loss to Norwich in the semifinals. In the game for third place the captain picked up the first assist on the team’s second goal of the game scored at 10:43 of the first period. Later she scored a power-play goal at 13:49 of the second period to give the Falcons a 3-0 lead. UWRF went on to win the game and the third place trophy. The third place finish is the highest ever by a Falcon women’s hockey team. After the season she was named to the American Hockey Coaches Association second All-America team.

The Team of the Year was the 2013-14 women’s hockey squad. The Falcons capped off an excellent season by placing third in the NCAA Championships. The third place finish is the best ever by a Falcon women’s hockey team. UWRF also won the inaugural WIAC Playoff Championship and finished the year with a 23-5-3 record. Seven Falcons were named to All-WIAC teams while Katie Batters was named to the second All-American team and Chloe Kinsel was named to the NCAA All-Tournament team. The Falcons lost three of their first five games and then lost just twice more in the last 26 contests.

The Play of the Year and the Performance of the Year awards were selected by fans in a poll.

The Play of the Year Award went to a tick-tack-toe scoring play by the women’s hockey team in the NCAA Championships third place game against St. Thomas on March 22 in Plattsburgh, N.Y., at 10:39 of the first period. Kait Mason scores a goal with assists to Katie Batters and Chloe Kinsel. The goal gives UWRF a 2-0 lead in the game the Falcons eventually won, 5-3, to win the third place trophy.

The Performance of the Year award was won by Christian George of the men’s hockey team. George scored the three goal hat trick in the team’s 3-2 overtime win over UW-Stout on Feb. 15 at Hunt Arena. His first goal came at 4:33 of the third period and tied the game, 1-1. He scored the second goal with just 1:02 to play in regulation to tie the game, 2-2, and got the game-winner at 3:24 of overtime.

Anyone may nominate individuals or events for the awards. A committee of Falcon athletic department administrators, coaches and student-athletes vote for the winners.

Previous UW-River Falls winners of athletics department Falcon Awards

Don Page Male Athlete of the Year	George Field Male Scholar-Athlete of the Year	Gary “Stump” Eloranta Falcon Award
2011 Jake Voeltz, Basketball	2011 Greg Klingelhut, Football	2011 Ashley Goettl, Softball
2012 Shane Manor, Basketball	2012 Jason Yule, Hockey	2012 Maranda Dohrn, Basketball
2013 Mike Sandle, Track	2013 John Schimenz, Football	2013 Ashley Goettl, Softball
2014 Ollie White, Basketball	2014 Scott Jensen, Track and Field	2014 Kait Mason, Women’s Hockey
Emogene Nelson Female Athlete of the Year	Connie Foster Female Scholar Athlete of the Year	Comeback Player of the Year
2011 Kait Mason, Hockey	2011 Rose Tusa, Softball	2011 Michelle Anez, Women’s Hockey
2012 Rose Tusa, Softball	2012 Carlin Bunting, Soccer; Katie Rydeen, Cross Country, Track	2012 Candy Hoelzel, Women’s Swimming and Diving
2013 Hayley Buchanan, Softball, Volleyball	2013 Carlin Bunting, Soccer	2013 Brittany Nordland – Cross Country, Track
2014 Hayley Buchanan, Softball, Volleyball	2014 Hillary Geipel, Cross Country, Track and Field	2014 Katie Batters, Women’s Hockey

‘The Amazing Spider-Man 2’ mixes solid action with uninspired story



Ryan Funes

Reviewer

The high-flying web slinger is back in theaters with “The Amazing Spider-Man 2,” though it might not be as amazing as the title describes.

Peter Parker has been living it up as Spider-Man. He stops all crime, is loved by all and is loved most of all by his girlfriend Gwen Stacy. All seems fine in the city that never sleeps until Peter saves one man. This man, Max Dillon, has craved all his life to be known and recognized, and after a freak accident turns him into an electrical monstrosity, he may have that chance.

But after Max destroys a whole New York block, Spider-Man has a new enemy to face. To make matters worse, Peter’s old friend Harry Osborn is back in town and is not doing well himself. Peter will need to gather whatever courage he has left and take full responsibility for the

destruction and chaos that will ensue from this new villain he faces, and the secrets that follow.

I had high hopes for “The Amazing Spider-Man 2” to be, if nothing else, an enjoyable film, just as any other Marvel film today. And while I did get that overall fulfilling feeling you get from other Marvel flicks, I was surprised to find that “The Amazing Spider-Man 2” had some glaring problems.

First, the good parts: “The Amazing Spider-Man 2” sports some good direction. At no point did I feel disoriented, and this shows best during its action-driven parts. Fights happen a lot in this film and each is competently done and entertaining.

Second, the acting: Andrew Garfield of course returns as Spidey, however I felt that this time around his acting ability was finally realized for the character. I truly felt that Garfield became the ideal Spider-Man we all know and love this time around. He is energetic, cracks jokes all the time and



deals with his problems as any teen would.

Along with Garfield’s performance, every other actor does a good job; Emma Stone is just as supporting as she was in the first film, and even Jamie Foxx does all right playing the nerdy but intimidating Max Dillon, later the villain Electro. There even get to be some truly sad and touching moments

between some characters, particularly Peter and Aunt May. Just do not be surprised by one extremely campy performance by an actor who only comes into play with a Rhino suit near the tail end of the film.

Now to talk about the bad parts of the film: while it does have some good performances and competent direction, the writing is a bit lackluster. Peter Parker and Gwen Stacy have a much more confusing relationship this time around that makes me question the point of their lover spats. Even some dialogue and the phrases

spoken by characters do not make a whole lot of sense. I found some lines of dialogue to be head-scratchingly weird.

“The Amazing Spider-Man 2” also suffers from some inconsistent scenes, way too stereotypical situations and characters, an overload on villains and it is that same overload that takes away a lot from the ending of the

“The Amazing Spider-Man 2” really proves to be one heck of a mixed bag.

film and makes it feel rushed. “The Amazing Spider-Man 2” really proves to be one heck of a mixed bag.

On the one hand there is good action and some great character interactions, but on the other hand is a hokey plot that will make you ask “why.” I think I will leave it to you, the readers, to decide if you can sacrifice a bit of plot for great action in seeing “The Amazing Spider-Man 2.”

Ryan is a lover of all things movie, TV, video games and stories and wants to become a television writer someday. In his spare time he enjoys hanging with friends, tapping into his imagination and watching cartoons of all kinds

‘Under the Skin’ proves to be underground gem

Jack Tuthill

Columnist

“Under the Skin” is a film that can only be viewed in underground theaters, which is a shame, because this Scarlett Johansson thriller is a slow-burning, stylistic gem worth seeking out.

Johansson plays Laura, a mysterious, tight-lipped woman who suddenly arrives in Scotland and begins preying on lonely, naive men. From the opening scene, which can be placed somewhere between time and space, we come to understand that Laura is not from this world.

Laura lures men into her secluded, filthy, uninhabited “home,” where she collects their bodies for an unknown motive. She methodically collects one man after another.

But Laura does not act alone as she has help from an odd, leather jacket-wearing sidekick who cleans up after her mess. Similar to

other “alien” intruder films, the true reason for Laura’s presence on Earth is left uncertain for the majority of the film. We are never truly able to comprehend what Laura is trying to accomplish with the collection of these earthly bodies; we can only speculate.

The cinematic theme shifts from alien seductress to a bittersweet story about exploration and discovery as Laura tries to adapt to new her surroundings: a world that was not made for her species. She begins to doubt her reason for inhabiting our planet, and is faced with a decision of compliance or resignation.

The very last moments of the film are visually stunning and improbably heartbreaking. After 100 minutes of questions, theories and concerns, “Under the Skin” reveals its true identity to its audience in stunning fashion.

The film’s central themes and puzzling subject matter ultimately demonstrate purpose and produce a thought-provoking and skin-crawling finale.

Johansson, who is the only

experienced actress in the film, truly took a massive risk by accepting the role of Laura. She is asked to bare all on numerous occasions.

The film’s nudity may come across gratuitous to some, but I believe it is essential to the plot. Johansson’s character is one of inner conflict; she is in search of meaning and purpose, leaving Laura curious about her earthly body and its functions.

Unlike “Shame,” or even “The Wolf of Wall Street,” this film does not unnecessarily flaunt naked men and women across the screen to obtain cheap laughs or gasps, but instead shows both the ugliness and beauty of the human form and the human nature.

Stanley Kubrick fans will be delighted by the dark and colorful imagery, the pace and the tour de force performance by Johansson. Kubrick comparisons should not be given out lightly, but there are real similarities in “Under the Skin” with his early work, most notably “2001: A Space Odyssey” and “A Clockwork Orange.”



Jonathan Glazer, who is best known for the Oscar-nominated, Ben Kingsley drama “Sexy Beast,” is a director worth keeping an eye on. There are noticeable Kubrick and early Danny Boyle traits in “Under the Skin.” This is a film with raw dialogue, beautiful and authentic cinematography and dark themes.

“Under the Skin” is the first of six novels by Dutch-born fiction writer Michel Faber, who helped pen the script for the film. Those who have read the critically-acclaimed novel usually have a hard time categorizing it because of the genre-blended content.

“Under the Skin” is everything an art film should be: introspective, curious, visually striking and unnerving. The film leaves a lot of unanswered questions for us, the audience, to decipher.

What makes someone human? Is it our skin—the external appearance that people see every day and judge—or is it the individual inside?

You be the judge.

Renowned band conductor works with student musicians

Cristin Dempsey

Columnist

is working to squeeze in as many concerts as they can before summer comes.

While few still remain this year, music students and teachers alike can look back fondly on this year and what has been accomplished. Between guest conductors and composers, concert tours and various clinics, many can agree that this year was well worth it. The final May concert for the Symphony Band and University Band was no exception. They welcomed back guest composer Jack Stamp, performing a concert last weekend of his music. From the complex rhythms to the recurring themes, everyone was able to learn a thing or two from his music.

Stamp, originally from Maryland, is currently a professor of music, conductor and head of the music department at University of Indiana-Pennsylvania, which is where UWRF music professor. Gary Bird for-

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merly taught, thus creating a connection. He returned to IUP after doing his undergraduate studies there and receiving a bachelor of sciences degree in music education. He then went on to his graduate studies at East Carolina University, where he earned a master’s degree in percussion performance. Finally, he pursued his doctorate studies at Michigan State University, where he earned a doctor of musical arts degree in conducting.

One of the aspects of his doctorate studies that he will remember most fondly is studying percussion with Eugene Corporon. He owes much of his composition strengths during his college years to his two teachers, Robert Washburn and Fisher Tull. He also acknowledges everything he has learned from his music theory teachers during his years at IUP and East Carolina University.

Stamp has been an active faculty member at IUP for several years now; however, it is not his first teaching job. Before arriving at where he is now, he served on the faculty at Campbell University in North Carolina, where he is the chairman of the division of fine arts. Before that, he taught for several years at various public schools around North Carolina. In addition, Stamp has done more

than just teach. From 1988 to 1989, he served as the conductor for the Duke University Wind Symphony while the original conductor was on sabbatical. During this same time, he was also the director of the Triangle British Brass Band, leading them to a national brass band championship in 1989.

Because Stamp has continuously served as guest clinician, conductor, composer and adjudicator around the United States and Great Britain, he is very well-known in the music world. He takes pride in the leading military and university bands of the country commissioning his work. Two things that he is known for in his music are his love for baseball and writing dedications. The University Band performed his piece “Pasttime,” which is a variation of the famous, “Take Me Out to the Ball Game.” Symphony Band performed his pieces “Fireflight” and “Banddancing,” both dedicated to either an individual or a whole group. It was clear to us who he was about as a composer.

What band members also found interesting is that much of his music uses similar rhythms. They are all complex, syncopated rhythms, though seeing them repeatedly made us comfortable playing them. Some-

thing unusual for our band is that we were not able to work with Stamp until the day after our concert. While it was good to learn the music well before testing it with the composer, it was also a challenge since we did not know how he might want a certain section played or why he composed a particular piece. Regardless, it was still a great opportunity to work with Stamp and get a closer look at the music.

The year may be almost over, but the memories and accomplishments made throughout the year will not go forgotten as we depart for the summer. The UWRF music department had guest composers and conductors like every other year, but this year was especially unique, bringing in composers who are either quite familiar with the department or who are not even familiar with this country. We have learned valuable lessons in both music and in life with all of them, and we very much look forward to seeing what next year will bring.

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