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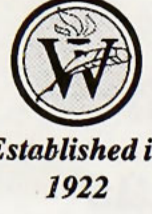
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Managing editor of *The Winonan* fired Two WSU students shot after car chase

By **MAGGIE McCALLUM & DAVE ADAMS**
 Co-News Editors

Bryant Scott was fired as managing editor of the *Winonan* Thursday at a special meeting of the paper's publishing board.

The decision was made in light of Scott's eight day absence from the paper.

The publishing board discussed Scott's enrollment status because he had not been enrolled for the majority of winter quarter and had made cash advancements last fall quarter.

The disappearance of Scott for eight days prior to the meeting, missed deadlines and subsequent fines were the major conduct violations the board took into consideration when deciding his status. Scott had been unreachable to any *Winonan* staff members for more than a week, leaving the staff with his responsibilities.

Scott went to the publishing board meeting and explained that he would be enrolled and would like to keep his position as managing editor.

Scott said that he had done a lot for the paper and put in a lot of time and effort over the past year and a half as the managing editor.

"I don't want to give up," Scott said.

Registrar Stewart Shaw, who was asked by Scott to attend the meeting, explained to the board that Scott did have a special arrangement for his late registration.

"We make the occasional exception," Shaw said.

The board then dismissed the issue of Scott's enrollment status and discussed the cash advances, missed deadlines and his disappearance.

According to Scott, the cash advances were taken against money he assumed he would earn during winter



Bryant Scott



David Boehler

quarter. He didn't believe it was wrong because he believed he would be officially enrolled for winter quarter, thereby, earning the money he borrowed.

By not being officially enrolled as a student, Scott could not technically receive any paychecks for winter quarter, according to the *Winonan* constitution and the rules governing state wages paid out to student help employees.

The \$2,050 in fines for missed deadlines were briefly discussed by Scott who explained the reasons the paper

went to press late, and that proper measures had been taken to rectify the situation so there would be no more late fines for not going to press on time.

Scott explained his disappearance as a reaction to being afraid of the consequences of not being enrolled, and that he was trying to work out his financial matters and enrollment status with the school.

"I was extremely scared," he said.

Scott also explained that he felt like he was being accused of doing something criminal or inappropriate.

"I wasn't trying to pull some type of scam," he said.

Scott said he would understand being fired if he had purposely tried to defraud the board or the university.

Winonan editorial staff members at the meeting presented a letter to the board recommending the termination of Scott due to his disappearance. The *Winonan* editorial board members

stood firm with their recommendation to let him go due to his absence, despite Scott's explanation.

"I think it was definitely right to fire him because of his behavior for those eight days he was gone," said *Winonan* staff member David Hruby.

"It didn't matter about the enrollment, if he would have worked with us through all of this he would still be here."

As a result of Scott's termination, sports editor David Boehler was appointed interim managing editor for the remainder of the year.

"On a personal level I didn't want to see it happen," said Boehler. "But, if I was in his position, I would expect the same consequences handed to me."

"I think it was fair because everything got discussed," said *Winonan*

By **DAVE ADAMS**
 Co-News Editor

Two Winona State University students were shot and injured early Saturday morning after a lengthy car chase.

The two students, whose names have not been released, were allegedly shot by 24 year-old Roger Allen Wolter, of 166 Olmstead St.

Both victims were shot with buckshot, one in the neck and face, the other in the lower legs.

The incident occurred at approximately 1:30 a.m. Saturday morning.

The victims went to the Winona Law Enforcement Center to report the incident. From there they were taken to Community Memorial Hospital where they were treated and released.

According to Sergeant Donald Walski of the Winona Police Department, Wolter is currently being held in custody at the Winona County Law Enforcement Center.

Wolter, who is also a student at Winona State, was chased by the two victims through Winona, across the river bridge into Wisconsin, and back into Winona.

According to Walski, the two victims caught up with Wolter outside his house between Third St. and Fourth St. after he had gone inside and grabbed a shotgun.

Walski said the victims saw a person walking on the sidewalk carrying a shotgun. They got out of their car, and then Wolter fired at the ground in front of them, spraying them with buckshot and lodging 50 to 60 pellets in the leg of one of the victims and multiple pellets in the face and neck of the other victim.

Wolter was arrested at approximately 10 a.m. Saturday morning after police obtained a search warrant for his residence and recovered the shotgun police believe was used in the shooting, according to Walski.

No charges have been filed against Wolter yet and the Winona Police Department is still investigating the incident.

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On-campus smoking to be eliminated

By **KEVIN BECHARD**
 News Reporter

The steps toward making Winona State University a completely smoke-free campus are underway.

The university has been making policy changes regarding its indoor smoking areas to meet the guidelines of the Minnesota Clean Indoor Air act, which prohibits smoking in public areas.

These changes have been occurring at a very slow pace on this campus, with the most recent change taking place in Somsen hall two weeks ago. The last indoor smoking area in Somsen was changed to a no smoking area.

According to Karen Northam, administrative assistant to University President Darrell Krueger, "As of Feb. 1, Somsen hall eliminated all remaining smoking areas inside the building."

Somsen was the only building on campus besides Kryzsko commons which had a designated smoking room during the past few years. The old boiler room and the loading dock area were the only designated smoking areas inside Somsen.

In September of 1993, President Krueger released a memo stating that in one year, the smoking areas would be phased out of Somsen as part of an agreement that the building would be 100% smoke free.

During the first week of February, Krueger followed up on the agreement and prohibited smoking in the old boiler room and the loading dock.

"Right now, all academic buildings on campus are smoke free," said Dr. John Kane, vice president of student affairs. "But because the dormitories are part of the revenue bond and are relatively private, we are unable to totally eliminate smoking from these buildings."

The only way to limit smoking in the dorms is to reduce the number of smoking rooms and make sure that students sharing smoking rooms are both smokers, according to Kane.

Kryzsko soon to be smoke-free also

Progress has been made around campus, such as eliminating smoking in offices, but people can still smoke in designated areas of Kryzsko commons.

"We are in a process of phasing out smoking in Kryzsko," said Joe Reed, student activities director. "Smoking was recently banned in the student union, and probably within a couple of years, it will also be prohibited in the MTV lounge. It's more of a gradual process, and so it will take some time to totally eliminate it."

Kane added, "There has been some talk about eliminating one of the smoking rooms, but a final decision won't be made for a while."

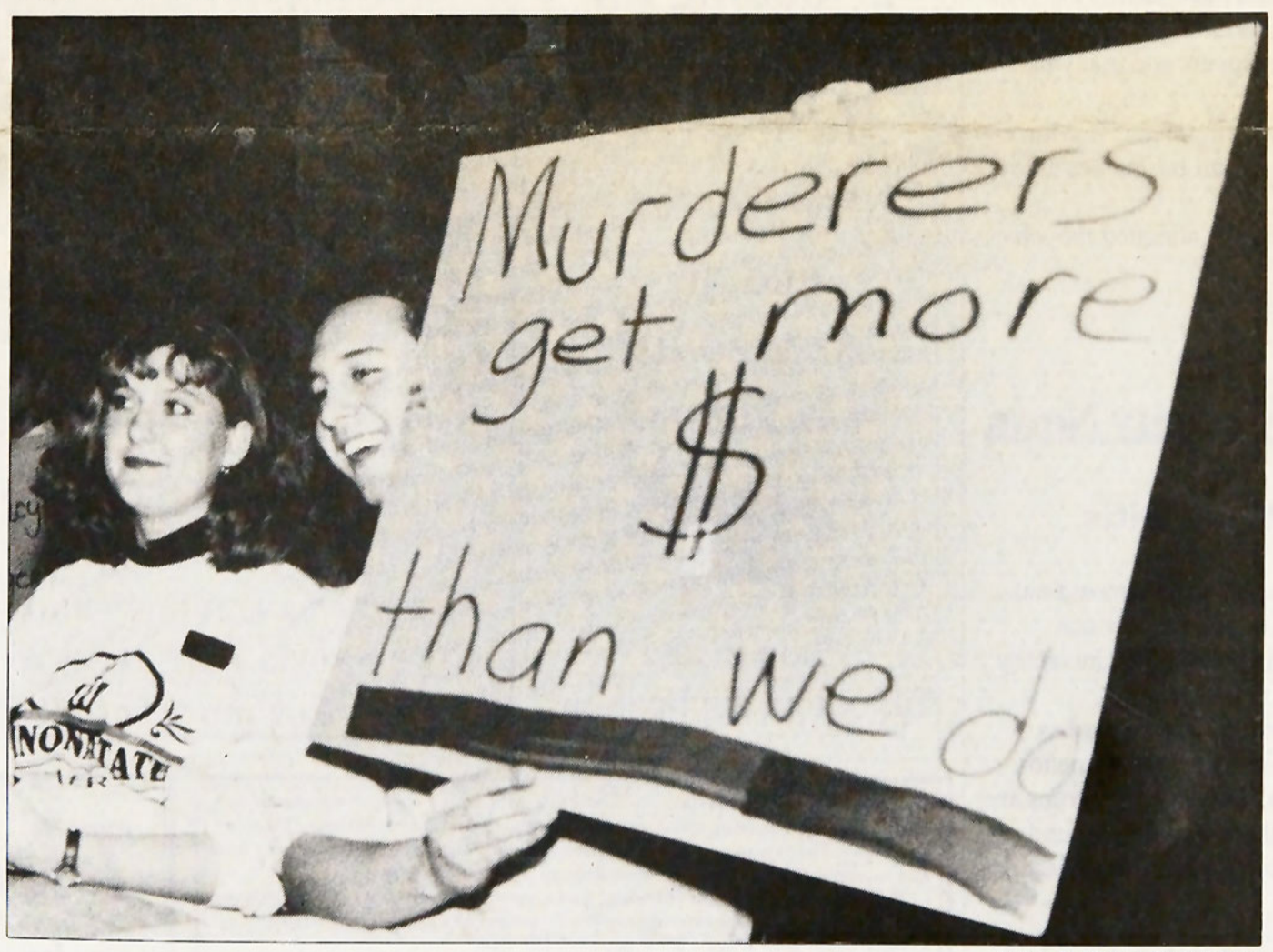
A plan to phase out smoking in Kryzsko commons started with the elimination of smoking in the Smaug, and the creation of the two smoking rooms off the Smaug in 1992. Then, in 1993, smoking was banned in the lower hyphen.

This year, smoking was banned in the student union games area, the old smoking rooms adjacent to the new cafeteria and the conference rooms in the east cafeteria.

According to Reed, the MTV lounge and possibly one of the smoking rooms off the Smaug will be eliminated.

The Minnesota Clean Indoor Air Act requires the elimination of all indoor smoking areas in public places, with the exception of some restaurants and bars.

The truth hurts



Winona State Student senate members Ann Cox and Sean Rahn, right, participate in a rally during Student Lobby Day in the capitol last Wednesday. To attend the next Lobby Day on March 15 contact student senate. More photos pg. 6.

Winona couple asks students for adoption help

By **MAGGIE McCALLUM**
 Co-News Editor

"We are hoping you can help us make our dream of parenthood come true."

For many couples the miracle of having a child is just a dream, but with the help of others that dream can come true.

Larry and Julie Krauss, residents of Winona, have been married seven years and are childless. They are hoping that someone will help them with their dream of having a child. They are taking huge steps to find this person.

The Krauss's are going through and Independent Adoption Resource Center (IARC) to find a birth mother for their child. After three years of infertility treatments the couple found the IARC in Minneapolis and went to them for help.

"We wanted to go to an independent agency because we get to pick the mother of our child, and she can pick the parents she wants," said Larry. "In an agency situation the child may be in foster care for up to a year, we want the baby home with us."

80 other couples are using the IARC as well. The center has a book with letters, written by the prospective par-

ents to the birth mother, explaining what environment they will provide for the child.

"We would like to welcome your child into our lives with open arms and warm hearts. We have a lot of love to share with that special child," states the Krauss's letter.

The Krauss's have been looking for the past year for a child. They express interest in college students who may be pregnant. They hope maybe someone on the WSU campus can help them end their search.

"College students tend to give their babies away because it's in their best interest at that point and time," said Larry. "High school students tend to want to keep their babies."

The Krauss's are willing to accept anyone willing to give up their child. They hope to have a Caucasian baby or even one with a mixed ethnic background.

"We aren't prejudice, we are looking for the child's best interests. Living in the community we are in it would be hard for a black child," said Larry.

Through independent adoption the couple will pay for all medical expenses during the pregnancy as well as any out pocket expenses. They also take care of any and all legal fees that arise through

the adoption process.

If the birth mother does not have a place to live the IARC in Minneapolis does have housing for the mother during the pregnancy.

The Krauss's do want the child to have contact with the birth mother.

"I guess we will decide when the birth mother meets us, it sounds weird but if we don't get along then she probably won't give us her baby either," said Larry.

The Krauss's do not have legal power to restrict the birth mother from any activities while she is pregnant. Though her actions do play a major role in their decision.

"If the birth mother is out boozing it up and smoking pot then we probably will give up the child, it's sad to say," said Larry.

The Krauss's both are ready to take any steps necessary to gain this child. It has been exactly a year since they have started their search for a child. The couple feels that they aren't a walking billboard but they will take whatever steps are necessary to find a child.

"We would like to raise your child to value the importance of honesty, respect, trust and family. We would very much like to be a part of your child's future."

Commencement speaker search narrowed to five

By **MEG RYAN**
 News Reporter

The list of candidates for commencement speakers for the 1995 WSU graduation ceremonies has been narrowed to five finalists. By Friday, the two speakers for the May ceremony will be chosen.

The five finalists, selected from a field of 13 semifinalists, are Roschelle Christiansen, Lori Edwards, Melanie Neumann-Schultz, Bret Reynolds, and Clare Uthke. On Monday, each finalist gave a 10-minute speech to the Student Senate Academic Affairs Committee. Today the committee will present the final two speakers to the Student Senate and they will then look to President Darrell Krueger for the final approval.

"I wanted to deliver a motivating speech to people who are more than just an audience," Christiansen, a communication studies major, said. "They're the friends and family and faculty who have been a major part of my life for the past 4 years. I wanted to give them something back. It would be a great honor."

Uthke, a public relations major, cites loyalty to WSU and love of public speaking as her motivation for auditioning. "I feel that public speaking is one of the best things I do," Uthke said. "It's a way I can pay back the University for what it's given to me. Being selected

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News Briefs

Professor publishes third book

Winona State University English professor Emilio DeGrazia has recently published his third book, *Seventeen Grams of Soul*. The book is described as "a collection of short stories about people who are sad, sick, old, and dying."

The book is available through the publisher, Lone Oak Press of Rochester, Minn. The price is \$9.95 plus \$2 for shipping and handling.

DeGrazia's other two works include *Enemy Country* and *Billy Brazil*. They were published by New River Press and met with much critical praise and acclaim.

Nursery school enrolling

The Winona State University is currently enrolling for the 1995-96 school year. The nursery school has two sessions, both meet from 9-11. The first session meets Monday Wednesday, and Friday, and then the other meets Tuesday Thursday.

Children must be three years old by Sept. 1 1995, to attend. The nursery school is accredited by the National Academy of Early Childhood Programs.

For more information call 457-5368.

Honor Band comes to WSU

The Winona State University Music department hosted the 17th annual High School Honor band performance this past weekend.

Dr. Lee Mendyk, WSU band director initiated the event in 1979 and has organized it every year since. This year the band was comprised of 80 students representing 23 schools in Minnesota and Wisconsin.

The program also included a performance by the WSU Symphonic Wind Ensemble.

Job Fair '95 a Big Success

For those who claim that a four year degree is not the key to finding a good job they should have visited the 1995 Job Fair on Feb. 5 at the Minneapolis Convention Center. All 130 booths were filled with employers and many had been put on a waiting list.

The fair was the largest consortium job fair in Minnesota and it attracted recruiters from small businesses as well as Fortune 500 companies.

Approximately 175 WSU students attended the job fair.

Minnesota State University News

Mankato battles Meningitis

An outbreak of a highly contagious and almost fatal disease of bacterial meningitis has been raising much concern on the Mankato State University campus.



The MSU health department has been monitoring students that come to health services to catch any symptoms and rush vaccination to the university if the disease is found on campus. Over 4000 high school students have been vaccinated.

Course fee unfair at SCSU

Students who took karate at St. Cloud State University are finding extra fees that they don't want.



The two credit physical education course has an extra \$65 charge. The fee was explained to students to be the instructor's salary and two months worth of free karate lessons at the instructor's studio.

Due to budgetary problems many other instructors at SCSU are paid by added course fees. Students are finding this unfair as the university should have a better means of payment.

Moorhead charging computer fees

Moorhead State University is joining the rest of the MSUSA system by charging a flat fee for computer usage on campus.



The MSU student Senate has agreed to the charge as long as additional staff is added to the computer facilities and improvements are made. The fee would be the same as at many of the other Minnesota State University's.

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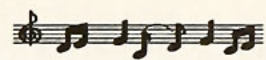
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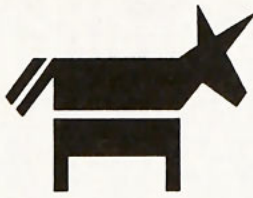
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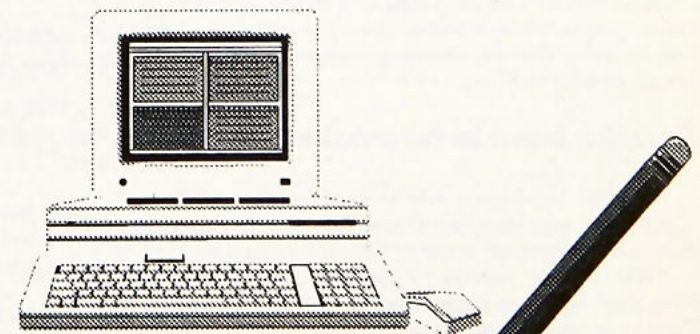
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Student directory angers some students

By ANGIE HAAS
News Reporter

Winona State University students are questioning the publishing of personal information in the 1995 student directories put out by student senate.

The questions have risen because students do not feel they were properly informed on the printing of the directory and whether they wanted their personal information printed. The directory has students permanent phone numbers and addresses published as well as their school address and telephone number.

During a student senate meeting on Feb. 1 a Faith Oberlander, a resident assistant from Lourdes Hall explained to Student Senate that her residents were upset because of the distribution of the student directories. Students felt that they were not properly informed on the publishing of what is considered personal information.

"We really weren't expecting any problems," said student senate treasurer Jessica Hoffman.

There are a few students in the residential halls who are not happy with the newly publicized student directories.

Amy Rouillard an elementary education major and Lori Peters a psychology

major are two students who are not pleased with the student directories. "At freshman orientation they should explain this fact more and be more specific in what the block means," said Rouillard.

Students had the opportunity, when they were at freshmen orientation to have a block put on their student records. If a block was not put on the information then, the information is considered public.

"We feel bad for any inconvenience and we are sorry," said Hoffman. "We feel we went through all the proper channels and that we didn't do anything wrong."

At the student senate meeting senate claimed to have made students aware of the student directory coming out and at the winter quarter pre-registration, and at that time students had the opportunity to decide if they wanted their name and number in the student directories or not.

"Being at registration I was so frazzled after standing in line, you're in there to get your classes, you're not noticing other things going on around you," said Rouillard. According to Rouillard she was not even aware of the student directory coming out.

Peters, main concern with the directory is that people may get a hold of her personal information that she doesn't want people to have. "I get enough harassing calls I don't need any that would promote

more," said Peters.

According to Peters, the residential halls are not allowed to give student information out unless the person knows the first name and last name of the person, or knows the first name and the room number of that person.

Senate explained that the residence hall privacy act did not block out the students information in the registrar's office. The information is available there unless students have their name blocked in the registrar's office as well.

At the student senate meeting senate explained that the directories are just like phone books and that information is public information. Many other major universities have the same type of directory published every year without any problems.

"I think since we haven't published the directory for a few years it came as kind of a surprise," said Hoffman. "Students need to understand the data privacy act, if you are in the dorms and they don't give out your number people can still get it."

Next year senate plans to work with the Inter Residence Hall Council to prevent further misunderstandings and problems.

Fired

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advertising manager and board member Debbie Vogt. "The issue was not about enrollment, but about him being gone."

The publishing board voted to terminate Scott on the basis of his week-long absence. The vote was six for the termination and one abstention. Student Activities Director Joe Reed abstained because he was not a voting member of the board and was only sitting in for Charlie Zane, the financial ad-

visor of the Winonan.

"I think it was fair," said Sean Rahn, board member and student senate president. "If I were to leave for a week without telling anyone I would probably be up for impeachment."

Scott responded to the decision with respect but disagreed with it.

Cindy Killion, a member of the publishing board, nominated Boehler to the position of interim managing editor for the rest of the year. The vote passed unanimously.

"Although I was pretty much sure that I would be the replacement," said Boehler, "I was surprised at the whole process and glad Cindy Killion nominated me."

Boehler stepped in as managing editor during Scott's absence and expects some changes as the interim managing editor.

"First and foremost we will meet deadline," said Boehler. "At the same time we'll meet the highest standard quality for our newspaper."

Speaker

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would mean everything to me. It would be the perfect topping to my college career - like icing on the cake."

According to Nic Palumbo of the Student Senate Academic Affairs Committee, a graduation speaker applicant had to be a graduating senior with a GPA of 2.5.

"We want to have a speaker who represents the majority of good students at WSU," Palumbo said. "The way we look at it, you need a 2.5 to

graduate anyway, and most programs require at least a 2.5. Otherwise, we made it open to almost anyone who wanted to turn in an application."

Palumbo said there was some debate concerning what to do about this year's new policy of two ceremonies. The committee decided to let the two final speakers choose which ceremony each will speak at.

"We will leave it up to the speakers to figure it out," Palumbo said. "Ideally, each speaker would relate directly to the students they will be

speaking to, but we decided to simply take the two best overall speakers."

The finalists seemed to be content with how auditions were run.

"I'm really happy with the selection process, how they didn't restrict liberal arts majors from speaking at both ceremonies," Uthke said. "The way they handled try-outs was really great."

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Give smokers some rights

No Smoking.
It's typical '90's. The politically correct thing to do. It's the firefighter replacing the fireman. It's the woman wearing the pants in the family.
No smoking.
Going stride for stride with up-to-the-minute health kicks, Winona State University recently eliminated smoking from Somsen Hall. Now the only building where smoking is allowed is Kryzsko Commons, and that too will soon be smoke free.
WSU has gone a bit too far in keeping Joe Camel away from campus.
At last check, smoking cigarettes was legal. Fine, make some rooms smoke free. But all of them? Marlboro Man's rights, in a way, have been fringed upon.
On our campus, where does one go to have a cigarette in February in between six hours of classes? If we see the installation of more bathrooms on campus, we'll definitely know the answer.
Cigarettes might be a poor excuse for a tension breaker or stress reliever, but when a student is study-

ing for exams and can not have one little cigarette because it is illegal to smoke in every nook and cranny of this university, there is something wrong.
Students aren't the only ones affected. There are faculty and other workers who work eight hours a day and can't even light up in their own office.
But people here adjust. And dress warmer. It is entertaining to see the ice sculptures outside of Minne smoking away in sub-zero temperatures, albeit their lips blue and frozen to the butt of the cigarette.
They unite together, using body heat to stay warm to get the satisfaction of that one cigarette. But maybe some day this camaraderie will also be put out like one of the 200 butts in the ashtrays outside of buildings here.
It is illegal to smoke in Maxwell Field. It is an outdoor stadium, but yet some people feel a smoker sitting next to them is hazardous.
This being the case, there might be a time when smoking on campus—even outside—will be eliminated.
If ads for security guards with that eye for sneaky smokers appears, we'll know the answer.

U-PAC deserves a chance

A case of Corona, a case of Heineken, and a case of Amstel light beer are just a minor portion of the requests that the band Cheap Trick included in its contract when it came to Winona State University last year, a dry campus.
The University Programming Activities Committee (U-PAC) has had to deal with several contracts of this sort when trying to find a band for 1995.
While students continue to complain about U-PAC and the lack of a band, there are many things that should be understood before the mouth is opened and a complaint spews out.
The process for getting a band is easier said than done. The first thing that must be considered is that there are only two days in the entire school year that can be used for a band.
McCown gym has men's basketball, women's basketball, baseball and softball practices and many other activities that reserve the gym. Naturally the athletic activities have priority over a concert in an athletic facility.
Another common phrase heard muttered on the WSU campus is, "Why don't they get the band for Springfest?" The answer is simple, WSU does not have an outdoor facility resembling Poplar Creek in Chicago or the Marcus Amphitheater in Milwaukee.
If U-PAC were to host a big-named band in the Lake Park pavilion, it would cost more to set up a waterproof sound stage than it would to pay the band. The other problem would be the Springfest jinx. Look-

ing to the past two years there has been a jinx on the weather. If it were to rain the band would not play but would still be paid. Why pay a band around \$20,000 not to play?
Springfest is considered a free university event. If a big-named band were to come to Springfest, tickets would have to be sold. How many students would buy a ticket if they could sit outside the fence and enjoy the music just the same without paying?
U-PAC has currently made bids on several alternative bands, including the Indigo Girls, Violent Femmes, Big Head Todd and the Monsters, and the Blues Travelers. All of these bands have been prospects but are not in the area on the dates the gym is available. Currently U-PAC has sent out a bid for Hootie and the Blowfish and they are waiting for a response.
Once a response comes, the Blowfish still have a contract to negotiate which may include anything from a case of Jack Daniels to a bag of Green M&Ms.
U-PAC has come to the decision that if it doesn't get a band lined up before spring break, they will not have a band. U-PAC will have a comedian come instead. The comedian would be in the ranks of the ever popular Adam Sandler, who was a big hit both on the stage and downtown in 1992.
The moral of this story is simple, the mouth shouldn't open until it knows of what it is speaking about. U-PAC is working hard to get a band between bids, negotiations, and various other concerns. There is only so much a small university organization can do.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Korder's column Contest tarnished needs response

Dear Editor:
Dean Korder's Feb. 8 column, "Vagina Rejectus," was too provocative to read without response.
For the record, I consider myself a moderate. If I err, it is in the interest of harmony between the sexes.
The lack of understanding between men and women is our legacy from the Garden of Eden. When God took the feminine qualities out of Adam and constructed Eve, the separation of male and female set the stage for aeons of misunderstanding between men and women.
In spite of the separation of gender, Eve enjoyed co-equal rulership with Adam for a time until she allowed the serpent to beguile her.
Since the eviction from Eden, women's position has steadily eroded through men's mismanagement of power and their lack of revelation of women's value as fellow human beings.
Women became property, ciphers until the mid-19th century when the social climate of western civilization favored reform. We women are humans desperate to regain our co-rulership status and are making a lot of mistakes along the way.
While it seems like women want too much too soon, can you really think so when comparing our present struggle to women's status since time immemorial?
Sometimes a social movement must swing out as far as its pendulum allows before it comes back to perfect center. I don't defend women that use men.
Such behavior is not worthy of anyone, male or female. When we are wrong, we must negotiate for peace.
All of us must keep striving for perfect oneness, whether sexual, social, emotional, intellectual or spiritual.
I totally agree with Korder's statement that solutions must come from all of us together.
If we as human beings do all we can to respect each other, while we, as Korder said "acknowledge our differences," then neither men nor women have to fear each other; we have true social intercourse.

Lenore Johnson
Junior

Contest tarnished

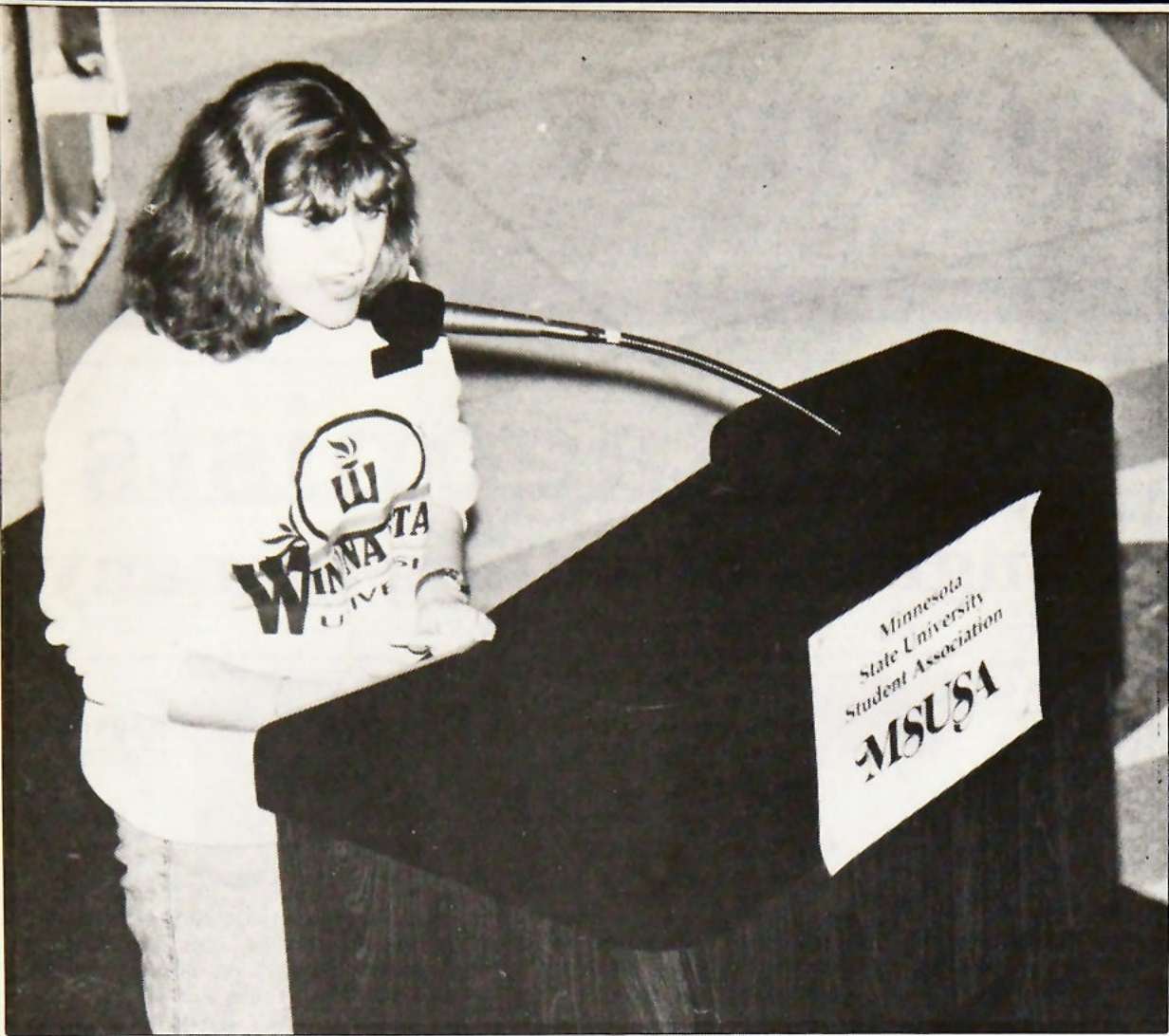
Dear Editor:
I participated in this year's Mr. WSU pageant and am not proud to say so.
Preparing with the organizers and other contestants was enjoyable and the event promised to be good fun for all—spectators and participants alike. Unfortunately, the affair was disgracefully tarnished.
Over all, I found the experience to be degrading. Considering the nature of the competition, I expected much attention to be on the male physique; but the show was ultimately disrespectful to women.
The inappropriate and excessive focus on sex and the blatant objectification of women exhibited at this event, particularly by one of the emcees, "Dirt," were beyond redress.
During the interview portion of the competition, "Dirt" (Chris Malek's nickname), who had much personal freedom in selecting the questions, asked one contestant: "Which half of a woman do you like better, the top half or the bottom half?"
Throughout the interviews, the contestants were led and probed for distasteful sexual innuendos. Even homophobia manifested itself during the discourse.
I do not mean to imply that Malek was the sole actor. Other participants, and even audience members, contributed to the degradation of both women and men.
I am pleased that the pageant was well attended. The proceeds were donated to the Winona Volunteer Services, and participation in extracurricular activity was encouraged.
It was unfortunate, however, that such disrespect was evident. The affair could have facilitated a broader student cohesion and school pride had it not alienated women and homosexuals.
The nature of this event requires a light-hearted approach for both participants and observers, however, this approach should not be equated with disregard for basic dignity.
The pageant could easily have been done in a much more respectful manner, while still preserving, if not enhancing, its comedic quality.
In closing, I must admit that I am not innocent. I participated in the entirety of the event, thereby effectively condoning the degradation.
I wish I had the presence of mind, at that time, to realize what was occurring and speak against it.

Bret Reynolds
Mr. WSU 1995 Contestant

On-line tax filings

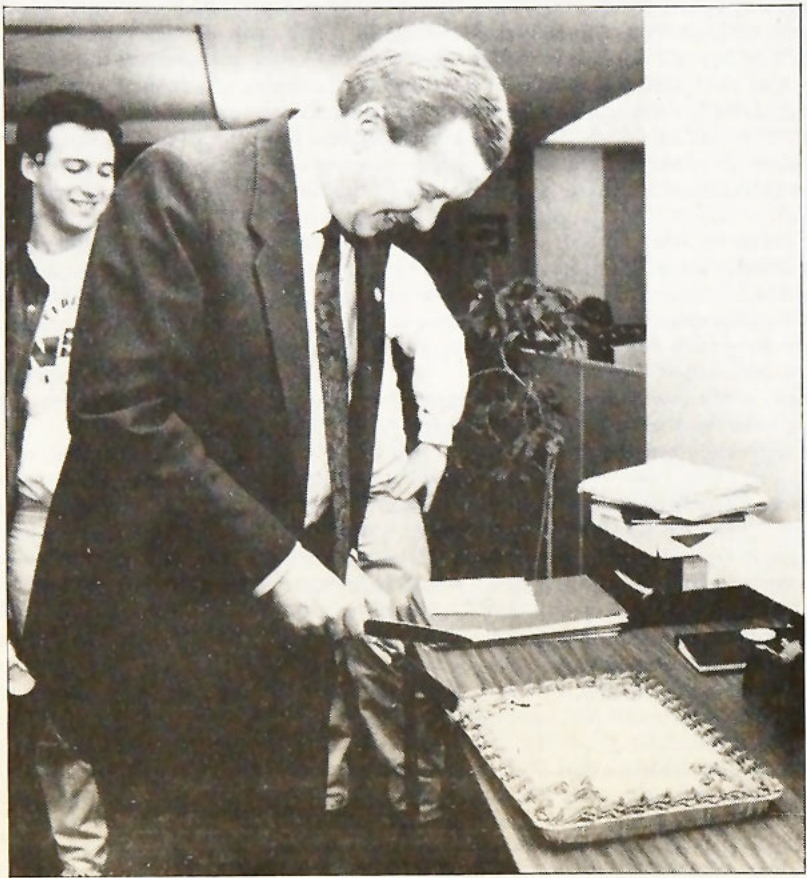
Dear Editor:
Personal computer users may find it easier this year to do their taxes.
The Internal Revenue Service has announced new opportunities for on-line filing of tax returns as well as for retrieving federal tax forms and publications on a personal computer.
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Subscribers should check with their on-line service about tax preparation software and transmission fees.
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The on-line service then transmits the return file to the IRS. The agency will notify the taxpayer through the on-line service whether the return is accepted or, if not, which items the taxpayer must correct.
After the IRS accepts the return, the taxpayer must mail directly to the IRS, along with any W-2 forms, a signed Form 8453-OL. This one-page signature document can be downloaded from the on-line service.
Each on-line subscriber may transmit up to three income tax returns. For example, a married couple could transmit their joint return and returns for two of their children.
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Last year, the IRS tested on-line electronic filing with CompuServe in nine states, including Minnesota, and about 300 people participated. This year, the on-line test is nationwide and has been expanded to 30,000 returns.
The IRS is also making hundreds of its most widely-used forms, instructions and publications electronically.
Three on-line services—CompuServe, AOL and GENie—as well as FedWorld, a government bulletin board, now offer these items to professionals and individual taxpayers.
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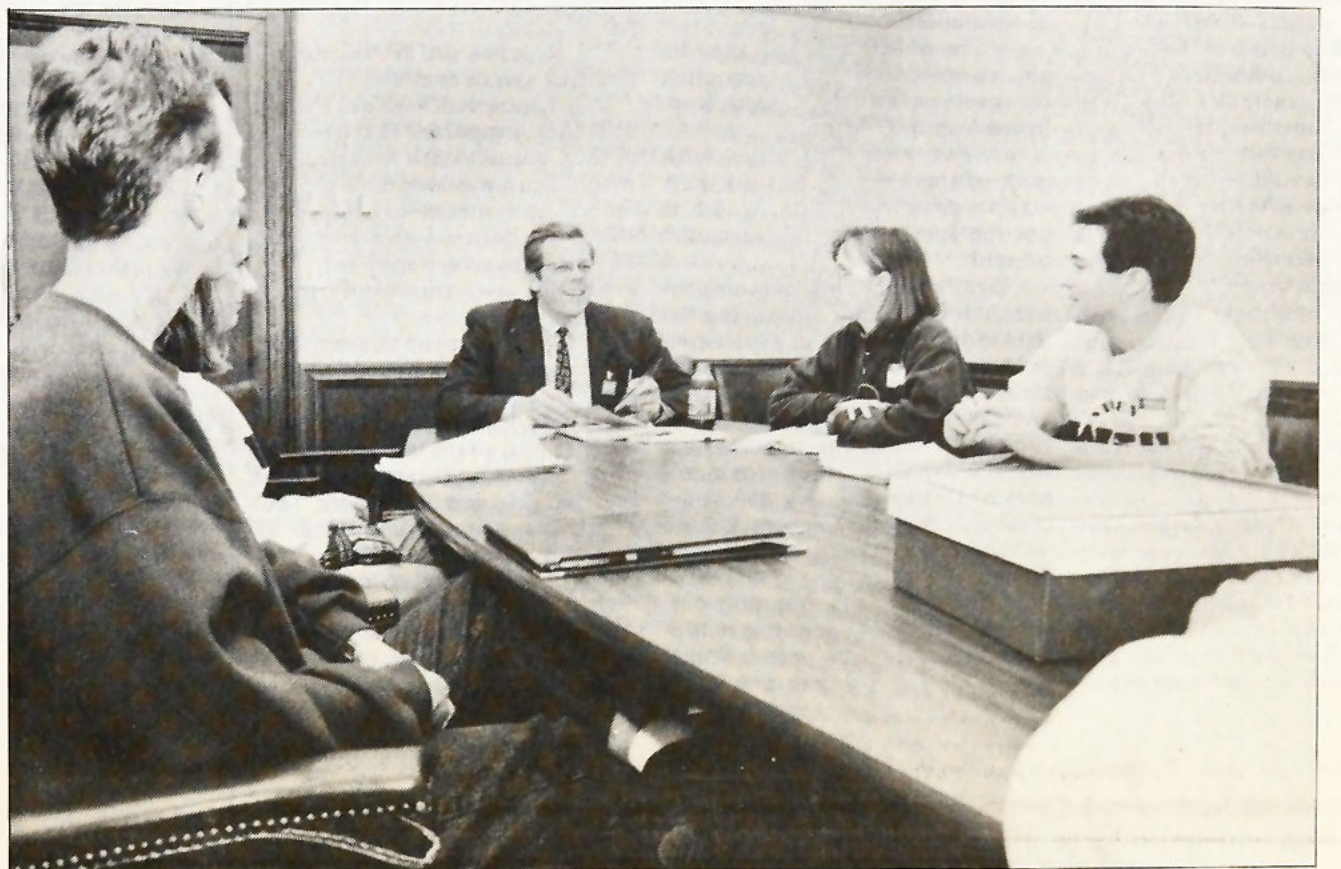


WINONA DAY!

Ann Cox, WSU student senate chair of legislative affairs, speaks in the rotunda of the capitol building.



Representative Gene Pelowski prepares to cut the birthday cake given to him by the WSU student senate.



Senator Steve Morse meets with WSU student senators in the capitol during Lobby Day.



"No money, no merger!" rang through the capitol building as students chanted to get attention during a rally held in the rotunda of the capitol building on Student Lobby Day last Wednesday.

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PERSONALS

FOUND!! A womans pair of prescription glasses with bronze frame and have a black case. They were found in in Somsen Auditorium and can be picked up in 109 Somson.

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