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by Katrina Miles

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The Political Science Club is a open debate and discussion of tics trom the local community. The main difficulty at the State University of the Kurgan this fall was that the director who runs the school left. When the director wasn’t there no one else had any authority. "I had to operate there with my office back to Chicago...complaining about what we didn’t have in Russia. Then the Russians since I faxed these letters home would translate the letters before they were sent. They would call the rector who was in Columbus Ohio, and he would tell them what to do."

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A Russian could believe that the secret police were as stupid as they were made out to be during the coup. "Every Russian I talked to thought that the secret police knew enough to shoot Yeltsin and close down the radio sta tions, and close down the newspapers and do what they like," says Yatzeck. "They’re done that for over seventy years, that they had suddenly thought of how to do that struck Russians as so very strange."

They didn’t believe for a minute that there was this great upwelling of democratic feeling against the hardliners in the Soviet Union at that time. The time spent in Russia had a traumatic effect on Yatzeck although he’d visited there several times before.

"To boil down a very complicated experience which I am still trying to understand...Russians now are liv ing by means of their con nections,” connections from the time before communism. The people who are running Russia now are the same people who ran it under communism. When Russians use the word 'democrat', they use it cynically. "Democrats- what they mean is a communist who realized in time that he’d better start talking democratically if he wanted to stay in power."

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From the Editor's desk

The second week of the second term has arrived and the students of Lawrence are busy getting back into their individual routines. Winter Break is now behind us and we have returned to the friendly confines of Lawrence University.

Each time I leave Lawrence and return home I enter into another world. Lawrence has a collection of individuals that are very much the same. For the most part, we all come from a similar economic background and schooling, our meals are provided for us and we have the opportunity to sleep in a warm bed. We all realize that the world outside of Appleton is far more complicated than the one that we live in every day. The people attending Lawrence all, for the most part, are willing to coexist with one another, whether it be at parties or in the classroom. People are tolerant of one another. Outside of Lawrence is a different matter. People are not as tolerant and little events explode to create prejudices.

Inside Lawrence, there are no incidents of violence related to a racial prejudice, for that matter there is little violence at all. What am I try to point out by making these simple observations? The world of today has placed far more obstacles in the way of success than what we will learn in our four years at Lawrence. If one is to succeed in our world of today a formal education, like the one Lawrence offers us, is not enough. One must also learn how to live in a world where people are working for their own advancement. Everyone attending Lawrence, whether they like it or not, are here to further their education. Within our community everyone is looking to achieve a similar goal and no one is competing against another. In order for one to become successful in the outside world one must have a worldly education.

The world that we will eventually all enter into is much more competitive and hostile than the one we have the privilege of living in today. It will be difficult to achieve the economic means to live like you do now. A Lawrence education does not guarantee anyone a successful job. My point is, the education of an individual includes more than what Lawrence has to offer and living in our cohesive community is difficult, soon we will all have to fend for ourselves. Life will become more complicated than a final exam.

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Opinions

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Less than twenty years ago when the United States experienced a serious oil crisis, we soon learned that gasoline has become our Achilles heel. We are no closer to self-sufficiency today than we were in the 1970’s. The American car market was introduced to small, fuel efficient cars of reasonable quality—made in Japan. What did the American automobile industry do? They continued producing landbarges like the Ford LTD and the Chevrolet Caprice Classic.

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The casualties of war
by Angela Roskop

When countries go to war, emotions rise high. Crude and shoddy, these questions are temporarily answered in order to give us a reason and a cause for which to fight. Coming out of a conflict, we can examine the situation and determine whether the cause was sufficient to account for the losses.

A year ago this week, Congress authorized the use of military force against Iraq and Saddam Hussein. Going into Operation Desert Storm, the United States had the goals of keeping liberty and freedom behind them in attempting to free Kuwait. Protesting the war was an unsafe and dangerous act. A year later, America is still on alert. We can conceivably attack again—and what will we do if and when he does? Hundreds of American and thousands of Iraqi lives were lost. But I think that by far our greatest and most extensive loss was the environment.

Wars, always cause a great deal of environmental damage, but in this case the damage is astounding. To begin with, hundreds of thousands of barrels of oil have spilled into the Persian Gulf, destroying an immense amount of life that relies on the shallow, heavily saline water. We see now the deaths of thousands of birds as well. This alone throws the ecosystem in the desert way off balance. According to National Geographic, a quarter of a million barrels of oil are spilled each year just from the oil business and it takes five years for all of the pollutants to pass through the Strait of Hormus and into the ocean. Add the extra oil spilled as a result of the war, and it creates a very destructive mess. Cleanup crews simply cannot work fast enough.

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Although this trip was not billed as one where trade negotiations would be discussed, that is just how it turned out. With the recession starting to face us on the eve of the next presidential election, Bush had to find a way around his weaknesses—domestic issues. What better way than to blame the Japanese for the recession? Certainly the Japanese are not guilt-free; there is a huge trade deficit with Japan. But Bush's move to take with him the big guns from the auto industry suggests that the Japanese are being seen as the main reason for the troubles the American auto industry has been experiencing. The truth is, for the most part, the American auto industry brought its own problems upon itself.

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General Motors, the largest corporation in the world, announced, coincidentally on the eve of Bush's trip, that they were going to lay off 74,000 auto workers. The reason? Quite truthfully, a loss of market share to the Japanese (and maybe a bit to Ford). So isn't it a loss of American jobs that we are taking away American jobs? Not quite. All of the American Automobile companies are increasing the amount of parts and even entire cars produced outside of the country. This is what is causing a loss of jobs in the United States.

It cannot be denied that the American auto industry is making improvements. The introduction of the Ford Taurus in 1985 showed that the United States can still produce a world class automobile. This reasonably priced, well designed car landed such a blow to Chrysler and GM that they are still trying to recover. Despite this success, it seems that the United States is still lagging behind. Flip through the pages of any consumer or car magazine and you will find that Japanese cars are consistently rated higher in quality and economy.

The 1992 Honda Civic VX is a perfect example of how the United States is lagging behind in auto technology. This all-new model makes more horsepower and weighs more than the '91 model and yet it gets better fuel mileage. The United States produces nothing that even comes close to this.

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Who's responsibility is health care?

by Katy Holmgren

I am thinking of not voting in the 92 presidential election. Since turning 18 I have usually voted, even taking time to get absentee ballots, because I was taught that voting was a responsibility we good citizens have. It is right and good for people to take part in the electoral process and make their view heard. I wonder though, if voting really makes our views known or rather lends an aspect of credibility to our political system that we do not intend.

For me to vote for any particular candidate gives the appearance that I support that candidate and would like to see him as our president. The more votes one candidate gets, the more popular support he thinks he has. Unfortunately, in our political system, the reality of voting results is far from the actual consensus of the American people, a lamentable degeneration of democratic ideals.

I turned 18 just before the '88 election and was excited about voting in my first presidential election. When I think back, however, I realize that I did not have many options. Only Bush or Dukakis—what a choice. In the last four years, all the way down how they have both succeeded brilliantly at mess ing up what ever they were supposed to be doing; Bush on domestic is sues and Dukakis in Massachusetts. When I cast my vote for Bush (don't blame me now, I was in high school) it was not to say I wanted him as president, but more of a frustrated resignation to make the only choice I was left with, the lesser of two evils. Since then, in national and state elections, I have been forced to continue this trend of selecting not my personal choice for office, but the candidate I thought would do the least damage. Is it worth my vote?

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Fundamentalists Scare Algeria into Scrapping Elections

On the eve of democratic elections, Algeria's High Security Council suspended the constitution and declared it was taking over "all matters that could threaten public order and state security." Elections were halted to prevent a take-over of the parliamentary body by the fundamentalists who gained 168 seats in the first round of elections on December 26.

Elections took place after President Chadli Bendjedid resigned after 13 years in power. Government buildings in Algiers are being protected by Army tanks. The Islamic fundamentalists who have gained appeal among young, unemployed, rural men, see the fundamentalists as offering "the hope of a new division of wealth."

Bush is Back

After trade talks with Japanese Prime Minister Miyazawa, Bush has returned to find his support diving in the polls. According to a recent Gallup poll, Bush's approval rating is at a low of 69% from a one time high of 99% after the Gulf war.

Ignoring the polls, Bush, campaign communications director, Will Fulks, stated, "George Bush has been declared dead more than once by Elvis Presley. This campaign is just another Democrat Demonstrate in Moscow

Rising food prices pushed 5,000 Moscows to the Kremlin's doors to criticize the handling of the economic crisis by Russian President Yeltsin. Much of the crowd was composed of members of the Communist Party calling for a return to state sponsored price controls, which Yeltsin lifted on January 2 in favor of evolution to a market economy. There have also been reports of more such demonstrations in other cities of the Confederation of Soviet Republics. Trade Deal with Japan Won't Stop Plant Closings

General Motors Corp., Chairman Robert Stempel says that although possible trade concessions will help the struggling U.S. automakers, his company's current closings will proceed as planned. Japanese companies hedged in import 30,000 more U.S. cars a year and buy more U.S. parts. This would double their current imports of U.S. autos. Last year G.M. purchased $1 billion worth of Japanese vehicles and parts for cars built in North America; G.M. sent several hundred million dollars less in goods to Japan. G.M. will close 21 plants in the next 2 years. Go figure.

Lawrence student achieves Rhodes Scholarship honor

The Lawrence student who would be a strong candidate for a Rhodes Scholarship.

"One of the things I particularly respect about Peter is his diversity of talents and skills and the energy with which he tackles his responsibilities," Brandenberger added. "Lasted summer, Peter and I collaborated on a research project that is now coming to fruition in a paper written by Peter, I'm sure. It's a physics research journal."

"This is the most distinguished, and most highly competitive of all scholarships so we're all very proud of him," said Lawrence University representative of the Rhodes Scholarship Program.

The scholarships were established in 1902 by the English philanthropist. He hoped the scholarships would contribute to world understanding and world peace.

Room for growth

by Bobb Karthol

As most of you probably don't know, the Lawrence London Study Program was recently improved by the relocation of the London Study Center. Rumors conflict as to the actual reason for this change, but rest assured that the new building is free of rats and in no danger of collapsing.

The new building is, in fact, quite comfortable. A typically Victorian terrace flat in the Royal Borough of Kensington, it was first used by Lawrence fall term. As one of the students who helped to break it in, I can testify that it truly adds to the appeal of the London Program. I underwent little of the suffering I'd been forewarned of; the building was clean, the furniture new, and the showers even worked, most of the time. The Centre also boasts some of the largest rooms available at Lawrence, complete with kitchen facilities. As doubles, they are palatial, even large enough to make a slightly cozy triple when necessary.

A nice room is, of course, one of the least motivating reasons to study abroad. The opportunity to travel and gain a broader cultural background are strong incentives to leave Appleton, and London provides countless less opportunities to fulfill these desires. Students can take day-trips to any number of sites, historical and otherwise.

And where culture is concerned, London is full of it. In addition to the hundreds of historic pubs and churches which dot the city map, theaters and museums are abundant, as are pockets of ethnic variety, complete with fascinating shops and restaurants.

The London program can range anywhere from a week long. Experiences such as these provide a few of the reasons for students to spend time studying elsewhere. If any students are thinking of traveling, I urge them to consider London. Chances are, they won't be disappointed. And to any students who hadn't thought of taking a term or two, think about it again. The London program is one only of many opportunities available to Lawrence students who wish to escape Appleton for a while. Go ahead and get off campus. A pub crawl in London beats cruising the Ave any night.
An exercise in building community

Student nominees are sought for participation in An Exercise in Community. On Saturday, January 25 and Sunday, January 26, up to forty Lawrence students, faculty and staff will participate in a workshop entitled An Exercise in Community. The goal of the exercise is to improve the quality of community at Lawrence University. In the context of pluralistic community that we have at Lawrence, the workshop is intended to extend our concern on the values that sustain community and find ways to make Lawrence more wholesome and inclusive. By addressing questions of values and interpersonal effectiveness, we hope to impact the total campus community. The more immediate objectives are:

1. to empower participants to respond to issues of prejudice, alienation, and social isolation through knowledge and understanding of the problems and effective ways of discussing issues;

2. to articulate and affirm the institutional values that support responsible free speech and respect for difference (cultural, racial, gender, and sexual preference);

3. to move participants to take responsibility for improving the quality of community at Lawrence and to identify ways that they may act in support of their convictions;

4. and to develop a model for leadership training that college faculty, staff, students, and community leaders may use to organize workshops for other groups with whom they have respective sub-communities. Workshop leaders will be Lawrence faculty, staff, students, and a facilitator from the National Training Laboratories, Patrick Jimmerson, Ph.D. The workshop program, following an NTL model, calls for local identification of the issues, local leadership, and commitment to locally defined solutions and action plans. This model emphasizes Lawrence University faculty, staff, students, and staff leadership, shared responsibility for identifying the issues, goals, decisions, and actions on the basis of consensus.

The Saturday program will start with introductions and a team building exercise, followed by small group discussions on the assigned reading and on the identification of goals for improving the quality of community at Lawrence. After this, there will be a large group discussion leading to a consensus on goals for improving the quality of community at Lawrence University, action plans, and to the identification and scheduling of follow-up activities.

Among the follow-up activities will be the training of Residence Life Advisors, student leader teams, and students and staff who participated in one of the community building workshops will be the principal organizers and facilitators for a series of inter-group dialogues that will take place once or twice each quarter.

These Lawrence community members, through the auspices of the Multicultural Affairs Office and LUCC, will also take on the task of initiating a program of off-campus weekend retreats for Lawrence students and representatives of student organizations to seek common ground and purpose.

Lawrence students are invited to nominate other students to participate in the workshop and the follow-up activities. You may also nominate yourself. To nominate a student please send a note to Dean Herbert Perkins at Alumni House listing your nominees. You may also give your list directly to Linda Fuerstenberg, director of the program. Deadline for nominations is Wednesday, January 15, 1992.

WASHINGTON SEMESTER PROGRAMS:

There will be an important informational meeting for all students interested in the 1992 Washington Semester Programs on Monday, January 26 at 7 p.m. in the Alumni Room of Main Hall. Information will be available from the returned Washington Semester students, or from the Washington Semester Campus Director, Mr. Longley, Main Hall 302, phone ext. 6673. The application for the program is January 31.

(Yatzek cont. from p. 1)

When Americans come to Russia they talk to people on the upper middle class. "They ran things before, are running things now and as far as I'm concerned will be running things in the future," said Yatzek.

Although Russians are politically better off than they used to be, they are concerned with surviving the collapse of the soviet economy. "I live in Yatzeck left Russia on December 13th, and says that before he left nobody was starving. What you see now was never before seen are homeless people, and people, with babies, begging. "There were certainly people with economic difficulties, but they were not allowed on the streets."

The people who were formerly running the black markets are now the people who know best how to run a free market economy. Everything has been in some sense used up except the raw materials. To use the raw materials, the miners get the money and they need it badly," says Yatzek. Up until now at least the Russian table wasn't accepted outside the former Soviet Union as real currency.

There were times when the necessities of life were hard to come by such as toilet paper, light bulbs and even food. Yatzek says that the people would give to them the things that they didn't even have for themselves.

The Russian students, Yatzek said, were very much like the Americans for leaders that he encountered while directing the program. The students attended the universities to get a degree in hopes of getting a better chance at economic success. "Even with the American economy as it is Americans have a better chance of economic success. "Even with the American economy as it is Americans have a better chance of economic success," says Yatzek.

Although this may paint a dark and desolate picture of a shelf of what was the former Soviet Union, Russia was not without it's high points. The things that Professor Yatzek and his students liked was the Russians continual willingness to welcome foreigners as guest. "It doesn't seem in their nature to hold a grudge against Americans for having a better standard of living than they have for themselves."
Banana Jr.
by David Pellier

Dear Macintosh Classic, Plus, and SE Owners,

Fifty. That's my ballpark estimate of the number of Mac Classics, Pluses, and SEs owned by LIU students right now. For those of you who own any of these models, I have some advice regarding System 7 - don't get it.

System software is the stuff in your System Folder — it's the meat and potatoes of your Mac. System 7 is simply Apple's upgrade from the past system software (we were up to version 6.0.7). Last spring, around the time the Classic and LC models came out, Apple introduced the new system with tremendous hype and hoopla. You've probably seen the System 7 logo all over software and magazines and the like. It promises fantastic new capabilities (some of which are even useful), but unless you're capable of translating PMMU or know you're going to be on a network, you might not be aware of the drawbacks.

Essentially, there are only three major features (the rest are somewhat superficial) introduced by System 7. The first is "virtual memory." What this means is that, instead of running out of memory, you can designate part of your hard drive to act like memory. Unfortunately, neither the Classic, the LC, the Plus, nor SE can use this feature due to lack of a special computer chip.

Second is the feature of "File sharing." This is the capability of letting other people on a network of Macs use space on your disk drive. What Apple doesn't tell you is that file sharing will slow your Mac to the speed of a slug. Besides, since there's no campus network yet there's no sense file sharing (unless your roommate has a Mac as well in which case you could share between the two).

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So what's my advice? If you own a Mac Classic, Plus, or SE, don't let anyone pressure you into getting System 7. Until software starts coming out that won't run under systems earlier that System 7, you're much better off as you are.

THE LAWRENTIAN Top Ten

Least Popular IM Sports

10. Traying Up Union Hill
9. Library Climbing
8. Playing for any Colman Hall IM team
7. Track Lobbing
6. Armadillo Blushing
5. Javelin Catching
4. Jello Wrestling...with Mrs. March
3. Ominously Boarding
2. Hanging out with Mike Stewart
1. Synchronised Chancy Tossing

Features

Taking a look around

The Outagamie County Museum (photo by Roger Duson)

The Outagamie County Museum lists among the most ignored of Appleton's attractions by Lawrence students, though it has many educational and historical exhibits open to be admired and is only a few steps off the west end of campus.

The museum looks at the history of the Fox River Valley from an economical and technological point-of-view. The beginnings of the valley in the 1840's was primarily an agricultural period. By 1880, the papermaking industry grew and began to dominate the area, and the valley began to grow, and continues to grow every year.

The history of the area is depicted through such exhibits as the recreation of the office of Dr. Tyler, a local physician, and of a bank.

The museum recently won a national award for their "Tools of Change" exhibit depicting the types of tools used in the area through the changing time and industry. Other exhibits include "Hats and the Women Who Made Them", which takes a look at fashion, as well as a small local industry, and the ever popular Houdini exhibit. The Houdini exhibit traces his life history touching on aspects of his career, his expertise as an escape artist and his affinity for debunking frauds.

As well as being a museum open to the public, the museum functions as an archive and reference library for the area. A huge reference collection consisting of thousands of photos and other records are maintained, all of which relate to the history of the county and to the paper-making industry as a whole.

The museum is often busy running educational programs for the local schools and the community as a whole. The typical visiting class is asked why Wisconsin is called the Dairyland state, and why the local team names are things like the Papermakers, and they often do not know. They are then taught the history of their community through the various exhibits and programs. At the end of the visit they will be asked the same questions again, but by this time they are able to answer them.

This spring a new exhibit will open which will concentrate on behind the scenes magic. One of the highlights of the show will be the contents of one of Houdini's trunks from which he escaped. The show will deal with current behind the scenes magic, not just that of Houdini.

While the museum is primarily supported by the county, about 40 percent, they do have a strong endowment, and they often receive federal grants. For the first time they have begun charging an admission price, but it is a very reasonable $2.25. Their increased visitation and tremendous sales at the gift shop has also helped their budget, but they are undergoing renovations which are rather costly.

The hours of the museum are Tuesday - Friday 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Saturday 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday 12 noon to 5:00 p.m., and the stop is interesting and well worth the time and the slight cost.

Food For Thought

by Scott Fuller

I certainly can't complain about the food I've been eating lately. Ever since finals ended, I've been able to eat when ever I've wanted to, prepared the way I want it and legibly, but the closer I've got to the real subject of the letter, the more jumpy the words got on the page. Words and phrases started to appear that had no relevance — he was falling in and out of reality, and then clearly written in 1/8 inch block letters was the word BAND-AID. Apparently, while munching through a healthy (?) serving of spaghetti he found a band-aid infiltrating his sauce.

That story is true. As sad as it may be, as disgusting as it may be, it did happen. A few years ago most of us believed that nothing like this could ever happen. The maker of the letter, however, can attest to the fact that it did.

Some say that this article is unfounded. These people do not see the true meaning that dictates this column. You see, I'm just trying (and it worked mind you) to elicit some response from this sad and apathetic campus. After all what is more central to each and every one of us than food? Change! Action! Brotherhood in a cause! Can't you imagine it, standing on the bow of the Social Ship of Change, me, Thoresen, and Martin Luther King Jr. leading the way to a better world for all!!
Rush is here, and freshmen get to find out that there are a to pay for all those parties that they attended during first term— you have to join the group if you want to continue going to the parties. I am not saying that this is a Greek policy. I am just expressing the feeling that many freshmen get when confronted with rush. The formal round robin, the private parties that you get invited to after you have been "evaluated," and the bids which seem to say "we like you enough to have you join our group, and you can only join if we invite you" are concentrated into a week's time. The potential Greek must make some big decisions with little time to think about them. One has to decide which group one likes, and whether or not to join that group. But that is not how it works. The fraternity picks the member, not the other way around. Let's look at this aspect of the Greek System. Let's say that there is a Freshman, we'll call him X, and he has decided that the goal of his social life is to be a member of Fraternity Y. He goes through rush, and all the fraternities except Y invite him to their parties later in the week, and all the fraternities but Y send him bids. Why? Because even though X liked Frat Y, the members of Frat Y thought that X would not fit into their group. Consequently, X joins another fraternity, and spends the rest of his days senselessly disliking Frat Y for not picking him. Sure, fraternities and sororities are not just about sealing yourself into a group and classification (Greek, Member of Y). They are also about making friends with other people, simply because they are members of other groups. Likes and dislikes and forms with other people just because they are Greek, means with just your Greek brothers in your Greek house, and friendship with other people just because they are Greek. To be fair, I should mention that "a fraternity or sorority builds character, leadership skills, and sense of responsibility to community." My roommate just pointed out that Paula Abdul thinks that "Rush Rush" is the best thing in the world. Well, maybe not as good as Vibeology, but close. But I've never really liked Paula Abdul, and you should think carefully before rushing to follow her advice.

Think about why you want to join a Greek society. Is it because if you don't join, some people won't be your friends anymore? That is not real friendship. Is it because you want to go to the parties? Guess what? You can go to them, and if you can't, then throw your own. If, however, your reason to join is that you think it will be a valuable part of your college experience, go for it. Just do everyone a favor—try not to lose contact with the rest of the campus. You can lose some friends that you never really had until you miss eating with them at Downer. Really.
Prize-winning pianist, Garrick Ohlsson, to perform at Lawrence
The Lawrence University Artists Series presents American-born pianist Garrick Ohlsson on Friday, January 24 at 8 p.m. in the Lawrence Chapel.

Ohlsson is one of the foremost pianists of our time appearing regularly as a recitalist. Garrick Ohlsson has collaborated with such major artists as soprano Jessye Norman, clarinetist Richard Stoltzman, cellist Heinrich Schiff, and the Cleveland, Emerson, Guarneri, Takacs and Tokyo String Quartets.

During 1990-91, he recorded three Chopin CD's (beginning a complete Chopin cycle), and a Haydn CD featuring the "London Sonatas". His Telarc recording of the Busoni Concerto with the Cleveland Orchestra under Christoph von Dohnanyi was Grammy-nominated as "Best Classical Album of the Year" in 1990.

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Tickets are available at the Lawrence Box Office at $15 and $13.50 for adults, $12.50 and $10 for senior citizens and students. The box office is located at 115 South Drew Street, and it is open from 12:30 to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Saturday. Call 832-6749 for more information or to charge tickets on Visa or Mastercard.

Lawrence Arts Umbrella Feature "Present Music" Concert

"Present Music," the contemporary and critically acclaimed Milwaukee-based music ensemble, will perform at Lawrence University Wednesday, Jan. 15 at 8:30 p.m. in Harper Hall of the Music-Drama Center. Sponsored by the student-faculty supported Arts Umbrella, the concert will feature a new work by Roberto Sierra, composer-in-resident with the Milwaukee Symphony Orchestra. Under the direction of Kevin Stalheim, Present Music is currently in its tenth season. During the past ten years, the ensemble has earned a reputation as a vital part of Milwaukee's artistic community and is emerging as one of the leading forces in new music today.

In addition to Sierra's most recent composition, the evening's program will include "Bongo O" by Robert Sierra, "Four for Tango" by Astor Piazzolla, and "Shaker Loops" by John Adams.

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Lawrence presents retrospective exhibit by artist Alonzo Davis

Alonzo Davis will mount a partial retrospective of his woven canvas and paper paintings at the Wriston Art Center, Lawrence University. The show, "Strokes of Color: A Partial Retrospective" will be exhibited from January 10 to February 28, 1992.

Born in Tuskegee, Alabama, Davis later relocated to Los Angeles, California where he was raised and educated. He is now Dean of the San Antonio Art Institute in San Antonio, Texas. Davis holds an MFA and a BFA from the Otis Art Institute and a BA from Pepperdine College, both in Los Angeles. He has exhibited throughout the United States, Germany, Finland and Japan. His work is in corporate collections in Los Angeles, San Francisco, Oakland, Sacramento, Orlando, and Washington, D.C. Private collectors who own his work include Ed Bradley, CBS News, New York; Bill Crosby, New Monica; and Sidney Poitier, Los Angeles.

Featured in the exhibition will be the "Blanket Series" began in 1980. An inspired by American buffalo hides and the concept of blanket as "spirit catcher." The series evolved from paintings or stretched canvas to paintings on strips of cloth often suspended by cords connected at each corner or painted dawels. States Davis, "The Blanket Series" is not a literal but a conceptual attempt to weave the fabric of my life experiences. Although quilts, baskets, blackboard, hides, clotheslines, rugs, tags and dyed cloth are common cultural elements that I draw from in the Blanket Series,' I do not attempt to replicate these objects but use them as creative launching pads." Davis has also created a number of public art works and murals. The most famous is the Olympic Mural Series on the Harbor Freeway in Los Angeles created in 1984. A community arts activist, Davis has served as an artist in residence at public high schools and an arts consultant to the California Arts Council, the South Carolina Arts Commission, and the Association of American Cultures. The push and pull of creative drive and social responsibility are the hallmarks of Davis' life, creating ever-widening circles of collective arts activity.

Davis will be a visiting artist at Lawrence University from January 28 through February 1, 1992 where he will create an installation piece with the students and will deliver a public lecture about his work on January 28 at 7 p.m. in the Wriston Auditorium, Wriston Art Center. A reception for the artist is at 31-7-9 p.m.

For information about the exhibition or public lecture, please contact Tim Rodgers, Curator, Wriston Art Center or the Public Affairs office at Lawrence University. Contact Mary Lynn Perry, the artist's agent, to schedule an interview with the artist. She can be reached at (916) 933-4004 Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Pacific Standard Time).

The Wriston Art Center Gallery of Lawrence University is located just south of College Avenue on South Loue Street in Appleton. Gallery hours are Monday to Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and Sunday 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. The exhibition and lecture are free and open to the public.

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**Viking men lead at half, but fall to Ripon**

by Fred Andersen

The Viking men's basketball team showed the Ripon Redmen that they came to play in Friday night’s conference showdown, but the Redmen overcame a halftime deficit to defeat LU 71-64. Ripon jumped out to an early 18-8 lead when a spirited Viking rally turned the game around.

After a flagrant foul by Ripon’s Kory Schneider left the Vikes Ross Rynders on the floor for minutes, LU rallied, and seemed to be a lid on the basket on the Viking side. Ripon blew open a close game by taking a 15-point lead with two minutes to play.

A late comeback by the Vikings, taking a rare 4-point play by Todd Dembroski was not enough. The Viking loss dropped them to 4-3, including an 0-2 conference record.

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**Viking skaters drop to St. Norbert twice--6-5 and 11-2**

Despite goals by Sam Tijan and Chris Hermes, the LU hockey team dropped its second straight game with a 11-2 loss to St. Norbert at Tri-County Ice arena. The Vikings now sit with a 1-2-1 record heading into next weekend’s two game series with UW-Stout.

Russ Scott drives for a layup against Ripon Friday Photo by Roger Duncan

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**Viking women fall short twice, prepare for MC season**

The Lawrence women’s team has been involved in several close games through the early season, but the team has yet to show the consistent play that had been prevalent at Alexander Gym over a ten-year span which saw the Vikings go 77-15. Roberts also coached LU to the national semifinals of the NCAA Division III playoffs in 1986. He then stepped aside from his coaching and athletic directing duties in 1985.

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for 31 years. In that span, Roberts coached the football team for 18 seasons, including a ten-year span which saw the Vikings go 77-15. Roberts also coached LU to the national semifinals of the NCAA Division III playoffs in 1986. He then stepped aside from his football coaching and athletic directing duties in 1985.

Roberts will continue to coach the wrestling and track teams during the current season and the next season.

Roberts has told President Warch, however, that he will retire from Lawrence following the 1992-93 academic year. Rick Peterson contributed to this story.
Former coach Roberts takes over football, A.D. positions

by Fred Anderson

The vacancies of head football coach and athletic director have been filled at LU—at least temporarily. Ron Roberts has accepted both positions on an interim basis, and he has begun his duties as of January 1.

In making the announcement, Lawrence president Richard Warch said that Dean of Faculty Jim Dana and he would conduct a national search for the permanent replacement for Rich Agness, who announced his resignation in November. "Concerned about the continuity of the athletic program on the one hand and the status of the football program on the other," Warch said that Dean of Faculty Jim Dana and he would conduct a national search for the permanent replacement for Rich Agness, who announced his resignation in November. "Concerned about the continuity of the athletic program on the one hand and the status of the football program on the other," Warch said.

Ron Roberts is the new head football coach and athletic director; he replaces Rich Agness.

Women hoopsters finish 1-1 in Florida

by Mike Spofford

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The Vikings handled the ball very well on their Florida trip; they turned the ball over only nine times in each game. Rebounding continued to be a weakness for this year's Viking team. LU recorded a 24-rebound deficit on their two-game trip.

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The LU men's basketball team broke open a tie game with an 18-0 run and then cruised to an 83-59 win over the Milwaukee School of Engineering.

The Vikes were led by Joel Dillingham's 21 points, Ross Rynders' eight of nine shooting from the field, and Russ Scott's 18 points.
Viking men lead at half, but fall to Ripon

by Fred Andersen

The Viking men's basketball team showed the Redmen that they came to play in Friday night's conference showdown, but the Redmen overcame a halftime deficit to defeat LU 71-64. Ripon jumped out to an early 18-8 lead when a spirited Viking rally turned the game around. After a flagrant foul by Ripon's Kory Schneider left the Vikes Ross Rynders on the floor for minutes, LU rallied, and led by Joel Dillingham's 11 points, the Vikings took a 24-26 lead into halftime.

Russ Scott then hit two 3-point baskets in the beginning of the second half to bring the capacity crowd at Alexander Gym to its feet. The Redmen's Brad Alberts responded, however, with two long 3-pointers of his own, and with nine minutes left in regulation the game was tied. The shots then started falling for Ripon, while there seemed to be a lid on the basket on the Viking side. Ripon blew open a close game by taking a 15-point lead with two minutes to play.

A late comeback by the Vikings, including a rare 4-point play by Todd Dembrowski was not enough. The Viking loss dropped them to 4-3, including an 0-2 conference record.

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Viking skaters drop to St. Norbert twice-6-5 and 11-2

Despite goals by Sam Tijan and Chris Hermes, the LU hockey team dropped its second straight game with a 11-2 loss to St. Norbert at Tri-County Ice Arena.

The Vikings now sit with a 1-2-1 record heading into next weekend's two game series with UW-Stout.

The previous Wednesday, the Vikings played a much closer game against the Knights.

St. Norbert needed an overtime goal to pull out a 6-5 victory over LU.

That game was the best game I've seen us play in a long while," senior captain Mark Hengeler said.

To Attend:

Wednesday 15
7:00
Women's Basketball CONFERENCE OPENER
Vs. St. Norbert
Hockey at Tri-County; Basketball at Alexander; Swimming at Rec Center; Hockey and Basketball: Fan Buses

Friday 17
7:30
Hockey

Saturday 18
1:30
Swimming
Triple Dual Meet
2:00 (changed time)
Hockey Vs. Stout

Sports

Viking women fall short twice, prepare for MC season

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LU's women's basketball team played nationally-ranked Cardinal Stritch College last Wednesday and came up just short, losing 42-38 in a hard-fought battle at Alexander Gym.

Despite holding their opponents to under 30% shooting, the Vikings fell for the second straight game against a highly-ranked opponent.

In their previous game, against Division II University of Tampa, the Vikes took the game to overtime before dropping a 73-69 decision.

The lead in Wednesday's game see-sawed throughout the second half, with LU holding a one-point lead after a Barb Huss turnaround jumper with 4:30 left.

After Stritch regained the lead, Lori Lubs, with three minutes remaining, hit a baseline jumper to tie the game at 36.

Stritch was able to hit the key shots down the stretch, however, and as a result, raised its record to 11-2.

The task did not get any easier for the Vikings on Sunday, when another top-notch team, Division II UW-Parkside, visited Alexander.

The Vikes held a two-point lead with 12 minutes to play on a Barb Huss lay-up, butParkside came through with a clutch three-point basket in the final minute to clinch a 60-51 victory.

Women's Statistics

Player fg af n vs ppm
O'Neill....56 31 38 25 16
Lofgren.33 23 11 10 11
Tomter...33 20 35 32 8
Huss.....18 13 31 4 5
Lubs.....17 4 31 18 4
Seegers.9 13 17 11 3
Gower....4 1 5 - 3
Crock....4 1 11 1 1
Steel...1 - 10 7 1
Nelson....1 12 1 0 TEAM:194 104 373 113 55

Opp......176 42 347 90 62

Stats updated as of 1/14

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for 31 years. In that span, Roberts coached the football team for 17 seasons, including a ten-year span which saw the Vikings go 77-15. Roberts also coached LU to the national semifinals of the NCAA Division III playoffs in 1981. He then stepped aside from his football coaching and athletic directing duties in 1985.

Roberts will continue to coach the wrestling and track teams during the current season and the next season.

Roberts has told President Warch, however, that he will retire from Lawrence following the 1992-93 academic year.

Rick Peterson contributed to this story.
Women hoopsters finish 1-1 in Florida

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The traditional intramural broomball competition will probably the best team we’ll see all year,” said head coach Amy Proctor. “It was a great team for our team. Everyone came together. Defensively everybody had a great game,” she added.

O’Neil scored the 1,000th point of her LU career on her way to leading the team with 29 points. She is the first woman ever at Lawrence to have a 1,000-point career.

Junior tri-captain Krista Tomter added eight points, while Lefgren also scored eight and pulled down a team-leading 10 rebounds.

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Graduated income tax should be abolished; the Sixteenth Amendment must be repealed. While the John Birch Society currently obeys the amendment because it is a part of the Constitution, they will strive to repeal it. Charity would be able to take care of the indigent, since Americans give sufficient amounts to charitable causes already.

The Department of Education should be eliminated because it dictates what all children should learn. Public schools should be community-run, as they were in the past. Any person who desires an education enough can get an education—the world does not owe anyone an education.

The John Birch Society is neither aligned with any political parties, nor "White Cause." The organization works solely for its own interests and priorities. The group is conservative, and members vote individually.

George Bush is not a good president because he is an "internationalist." The United States is more important than the United Nations.

The media depicts a distorted image of the John Birch Society. This hampers its efforts, and biases by many people against the organization.

The John Birch Society does not discriminate against homosexuals, and is not racist. Anyone may join the organization to defend the Constitution, regardless of his or her background; the society has many minority members, and predominantly Black chapters exist in several states.

The Fireside Chat lasted nearly two hours, and Mr. Fotheringham was forced to end the discussion to attend another engagement. His parting statement was, "we can build a better world if we assume more responsibility for ourselves."

Afterwards, a student said the speaker was "interesting, but kind of difficult to believe." Another student mentioned that the discussion "changed [her] views" about the John Birch Society.

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