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IMPORTANT DATES

Thursday, February 9, 6 p.m., 2100 Student Union Love & Money

Wednesday, February 15, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m., The Bluffs Rm, Student Union Summer & Part-Time Job Fair

Wednesday, February 22, 6 p.m., 3110 Student Union Spring Break or Spring Broke?

Thursday, February 23, 6 p.m., 3110 Student Union Game Night!!

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Summer and Part-Time Job Fair

Do you need a job while you're in summer school? Are you still looking for that perfect summer job? Come to the Summer Job and Camp Fair. This Job Fair will be held on **Wednesday**, **February 15** from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. in The Bluffs Room, 2110 Student Union.

Meet with summer camp employers from throughout the United States who are seeking employees. You can also meet with on- and off-campus employers who are looking for summer or part-time employees. No pre-registration is required for students.

The event is co-sponsored by the UWL Career Services and Financial Aid offices. Career advisors will be onsite and ready to assist you.

Don't Wait! Pay Your Bill On-time

Paying your university bill on-time can save you money.

Any balance that is still owing on the date the bill is due will receive a finance charge of **1.25%** which will be added to the balance due when a new bill is generated. Since new bills are generated each month, if the bill is still not paid by the next due date, another 1.25% will be added to that new balance.

In addition to the finance charge, failing to pay your bill can prevent you from registering for next semester which could mean not getting classes that you need to graduate. Plan ahead and pay ontime.

Ask Earnest

"Dear Earnest, Am I required to make payments on my federal student loans now?"

Federal student loans do not require a payment until 6 months after a borrower is no longer attending school at least half-time. Federal Unsubsidized loan have interest accruing from the date that the loan is disbursed. Once a student has been assigned to a federal loan servicer, they are able to inquire on the servicer's website to determine how much interest has accrued. Paying the interest "as you go" will save money in the long run as students go into repayment. At the time of repayment, any interest that isn't paid will capitalize onto the loan and from that point forward, you are paying interest on the interest.

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Spring Events

Cooking on a Budget -

Tuesday, January 31 – 6 p.m., 3110 Student Union

Must-see cooking demonstration by students like yourself! Learn how to save money by cooking and preparing food at home!

Love & Money -

Thursday, February 9, 6 p.m., 2100 Student Union Did you know that your background, upbringing, and money mindset play a large role in how you think, spend and save money? Learn more about handling money within our relationships.

Spring Break or Spring Broke?

Wednesday, February 22, 6 p.m., 3110 Student Union

Vacations are expensive. Want to make sure you have more than just sand dollars in your wallet? Plan your spring break with us ahead of time so that your visits to the coastlines won't be so costly.

Game Night!

Thursday, February 23, 6 p.m., 3110 Student Union Students will compete with and against others to become the champion of the night and may win more than bragging rights. Games that have been played in the past include: bingo, trivia and Minute to Win It tournaments.





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Prom Dress Resale

The It Make\$ Cents! Prom Dress Resale is back and we want to sell your dress! You name the price and keep the money when it sells! ReCycle, ReUse, and REPROM!

Dress Drop Off & Pick Up (Angell Hall basement):

February 15-16 3 p.m. – 7 p.m. February 17 12 p.m. – 5 p.m.

Dress Sale (3310 Student Union):

Saturday, Feb. 18 – 9:30 a.m. – 4 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 19 – 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Questions? Contact Lexi Schmidt at 414-213-4634 or Schmidt.alexand2@uwlax.edu.

SCHOLARSHIP RESOURCE CENTER (SRC)

College scholarships aren't just for people with high GPAs and great ACT scores! Some scholarship organizations have decided to offer scholarships based on unique talents, unusual interests, creativity, etc. These scholarships range from simply unique to a little strange, but all of them are worth applying for if you meet the requirements. Any scholarships you get now will decrease your college payments in the long term. Here are just a few:

- **Jif Peanut Butter** holds the Jif Most Creative Sandwich Contest as a fun way to award students preparing to enter college. The award includes a scholarship worth \$25,000, as well as a Jif Peanut Butter Basket worth \$50.
- **Duck Brand** products holds an annual contest to see who can make the best Prom outfit from Duck Tape. The winners receive a \$5000 Scholarship.
- The Annual **Create-A-Greeting Card Scholarship** from The Gallery Collection is a great way to get \$10,000 for college. Competitors must design the front of a greeting card to be designed for business and consumer use.
- The **American Association of Candy Technologists** awards A \$5000 scholarship to a recipient who has a demonstrated Interest in confectionery technology.

Check out the SRC website for more interesting offerings.

New Student Union & New Credit Union

Hopefully by now you have had a chance to tour our new student union building which has been named **Student Union – The U**. Cartwright Center is now officially closed and all services have been moved to the new building.

The University of Wisconsin Credit Union (UW Credit Union) branch has moved to Room 1057 in The U. Their regular hours during the semester will be 9:00am – 5:00pm. UW Credit Union offers all banking services to meet your needs including checking and savings accounts, debit cards for those accounts as well as money management assistance. Stop in and check them out.