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Cuts could come if proposal fails

Students will vote next week on activity fee rate hike

By Mike Kemmeter
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

According to a high ranking UW-Stevens Point official, the university has a trio of options facing it with the student activity fee.

Students will have part of the say next week when they vote on a referendum that would raise the fee \$20.00 for the 1999-2000 academic year.

The results of the referendum will go in front of the Student Government Association, who will ultimately decide if the raise will go through.

If the fee increase is ap-

ACTIVITY FEE RATES AROUND THE STATE

	Current	If approved
UW-La Crosse	\$213.70	\$213.70
UW-Platteville	\$177.00	\$177.00
UW-Stout	\$163.20	\$163.20
UW-Superior	\$160.69	\$160.69
UW-River Falls	\$153.00	\$153.00
UW-Eau Claire	\$133.60	\$133.60
UW-Whitewater	\$128.52	\$128.52
UW-Oshkosh	\$111.47	\$111.47**
UW-Stevens Point	\$95.90	\$115.90

**UW-Oshkosh is discussing a fee similar increase

proved, students will then be able to attend athletic, arts and Centertainment events for free.

Student voting booths will be set up in the University Center on Tuesday Oct. 27 and Wednesday Oct. 28 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. There

will also be a booth in the Debot Center both days from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Executive Director of Student Development John Jury said that the rate hike is one of the three options.

"We could cut programs, which we don't want

to do," Jury said. "We could raise prices, but that diminishes (attendance)."

Students attending athletic events currently pay three dollars for a ticket, while the cost of Centertainment events vary from one dollar to \$3.50.

Arts performance ticket costs also vary in the areas of music, dance and theatre from two to five dollars.

According to the breakdown of the activity fee proposal, unless cuts are made, athletics is projected to lose \$10,000 in the 1999-2000 academic year.

"We'd have to re-trench," UW-SP Athletic

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General studies coming to Point

By Jen Lueck
NEWS REPORTER

A new program released on Oct. 9th will give students in Central Wisconsin the chance to study around their work schedules and still receive a bachelors degree.

The program, which was designed by administrators and faculty from UW-Stevens Point, UW-Marshfield and UW-Marathon, will allow students to receive a general degree by staying in their home communities and using a shared learning experience.

Students can pursue a degree that is not major specific and emphasizes reading, writing, analysis and critical studies. "Your place, your time" is the program's motto.

Supporters believe this will be quite beneficial for some students. Bill Meyer, Provost/Vice Chancellor of UW-SP said, "It is an ideal choice for students who are already busy with jobs and family."

Students would be able to attend several different locations among Central Wisconsin and work

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Feingold, Neumann square off

By Kyle Geltmeyer
NEWS EDITOR

Editors Note: The U.S. senate race between Russ Feingold and Mark Neumann is a heated one. I interviewed Neumann by telephone from Washington, but Feingold was unavailable. Feingold did speak at UW-Stevens Point on Monday, so I am piecing Feingold's speech and Neumann's interview together in this article. - KG

During his speech on access to higher education, Feingold expressed his concern about keeping the pell grant, student loan, work study, and Americorps programs available to students.

"(Times are) a lot different now than (they were) when I was a young man. Back then if you did the work and you got good grades, you knew even if you came from a poor or even middle-income family that if you (qualified) your education would be paid

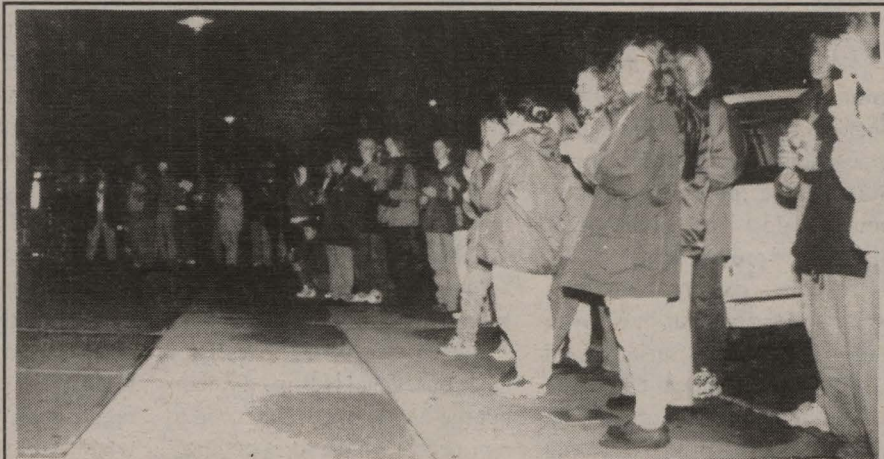
Elections '98

for. You knew that there would be a scholarship (or) very reasonable loans available," said Feingold.

He pointed out that some members of the government want to eliminate these programs. "Many members of Congress who were more than happy to use government loans and

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Remembering Matt Shephard



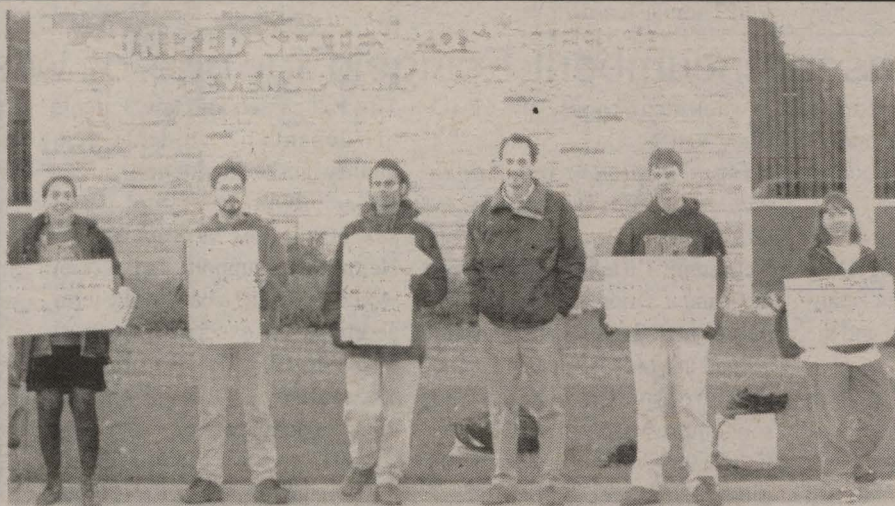
UW-SP students participated in a candlelight vigil last Thursday in memory of the murdered homosexual Wyoming man. (Photo by Kris Wagner)

Voter drive a success

By Janel Jones
NEWS REPORTER

The campus voter registration drive came to an end this Wednesday, with Uniting Students organizers Andrew Halverson and Eric Scharenbroch very happy with its success.

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Protestors assembled outside of the Stevens Point Post Office Monday for a "Day Without the Pentagon." (Photo by Douglas Olson)

Post office site of Pentagon protest

By Christina Summers
NEWS EDITOR

In an attempt to get "A Day Without the Pentagon," The War Registers League protested outside of the Stevens Point Post Office on Monday.

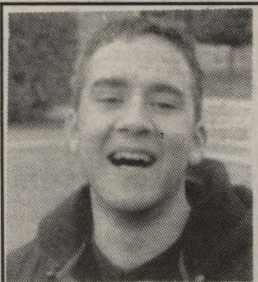
The group claims that if the Pentagon shut down for one day, saving the United States \$1.7 billion, the money could be used for human needs such as Pell grants for college students, housing for the homeless and salaries for teachers and health care workers.

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THE POINTER POLL

Photos by Douglas Olson, Cody Strathe and Nathan T. Wallin

What is your favorite bar in Stevens Point and why?



Jimmi Banoe
JUNIOR, PRE-CHIROPRATIC

"Witz End because I can ride tanked on my bike there."



Nick Morrow
JUNIOR, BIOLOGY

"Trackside. We own the bar on Thursdays."



Rob Sturrock
SOPHOMORE, BUSINESS ADM

"Friendly. A foose table, tweeker free. Hey, it's a friendly place."



Danelle Oakerson
SENIOR, ART

"Buffy's because I stick to the floor and can't fall over."

Non-trad office finds a new home

By **Pramela Thigesan**
NEWS REPORTER

The UW-Stevens Point Non-traditional Student Office is now located next to the Point Card Office off of the Wright Lounge in the University Center.

The office aims to provide non-traditional students with resources and support while pursuing their education.

Non-traditional students can receive information on campus activities, financial aid, scholarships and entrance requirements at the office. Suggestions on child care options and academic advising is also available.

The student assistants working at the office observed that the new location has brought in more people.

"The people who come into our office with questions have

doubled, we even have part-time students coming in for help," Marge Newby said.

The office, which is run by UW-SP students, was set up in the early 1980s and is funded by the Advising Center and the non-traditional Alumni.

It has also played an important role in recent years in the enrollment process of nontraditional students through effective orientation programs.

Protest: Picketers plea for a Pentagon shutdown

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"As we gather here this afternoon, the Pentagon itself has been completely surrounded by thousands from across the United States since the early morning hours," said Linda Smith, organizer of the protest.

"We have gathered to demonstrate solidarity with those who have shown great fortitude and taken this educational campaign to the steps of the world's best known symbol of militarism," said Smith.

According to Smith, the military eats up 49% of the budget, forcing us to wonder where to find

the funds for real threats to world peace, such as poverty, disease and hunger.

Smith said that it is time to halt the militarization of our society and to show by example that cooperation is better than competition.

The event, which lasted from 3:30 p.m. to 6 p.m., drew in many supporters.

"This is a wake-up call for those on Capital Hill and throughout the nation that we do need to reprioritize our list for spending," said UW-Stevens Point student Angie Gonzalez.

"I hope that some good will come out of this, even if it is only

others becoming aware of what citizens are thinking."

"We can stop the next arms race before it begins. We can build security through social justice. It is time to proclaim the peace and proclaim 'A Day Without the Pentagon,'" said Smith.

Also at the protest was a counter demonstrator.

"Those people over there are not living in the real world. To think that if we got rid of the Pentagon and our military that the whole world would be peaceful is totally crazy. The only way the United States is going to stay strong is with a strong military," said Thomas Knowlton.

Senate: Neumann tries to unseat incumbent Feingold for one of Wisconsin's seats

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(grants) as a ladder to climb up when they were going to college, have now repeatedly decided to pull that ladder of opportunity out behind them." This was in reference to the fact that bills have been introduced to eliminate the financial aid programs that he has supported.

In closing Feingold said, "Whatever it takes, higher education should not deteriorate into something only the higher classes can participate in, it must remain

open to all who are qualified."

Feingold's visit was one of several on his tour of Wisconsin campuses. K.G.

The following is what Mark Neumann had to say about HMO healthcare reform, student financial aid, late-term abortion and the environment.

K.G.: What is your view on changing health care in regard to HMO's?

Neumann: (I'd like to) make all health insurance premiums fully tax deductible. Companies then could give a check to employees

and let them choose the HMO (they want).

K.G.: What have you done to help college students receive financial aid?

Neumann: I'll tell you what I have done and it's more significant than pell grants. Last year I was involved in a tax-cut measure. (The measure gives) freshmen and sophomores back \$1,500 of the first \$2,000 they spend towards tuition. It also gives juniors and seniors 20 percent of the first \$5,000 they spend on tuition back. This will help students get money back.

Campus Beat

Monday, Oct. 12

- A student's bike was stolen from the east bike rack at the Debot Center.

Tuesday, Oct. 13

- A Thomson Hall resident found a note on her bike that if she locked her front tire instead of the frame, it would be stolen.
- Three bikes were locked to a railing on a ramp in between the CNR and Science buildings, obstructing handicap access. The bikes were tagged by campus security.

Wednesday, Oct. 14

- Numerous people called to complain about Gideons handing out Bibles. The Gideons had received prior permission.
- An individual was threatening people in the Quant fieldhouse and refused to leave. The Stevens Point Police Department was called.

Friday, Oct. 16

- Someone along Illinois Ave. was throwing bricks from a moving car at parked cars
- A men's red Schwinn mountain bike was found in the 600 block of Isadore Street.

Saturday, Oct. 17

- Someone was found passed out in a bathroom on the third floor of Neale Hall.

Sunday, Oct. 18

- A loud firework, possibly an M-80, was lit off near the East service entrance road near Thomson Hall.

Protective Services' Safety/Crime Prevention Tip of the Week

- The use of skateboards and roller blades are prohibited in campus buildings and within 20 feet of doors and entryways according to UWS 18.06(29) of the Wisconsin Administrative Code. They are also not allowed on ramps, stairs, curbs, ledges, loading docks, benches, or in parking lots on campus. The current fine for these violations is \$141.50. Remember, pedestrians always have the right of way.

This bill passed into law. Parents of (dependent) students also qualify (for the deduction).

K.G.: What are your views concerning late term abortion?

Neumann: I supported a bill (that would have put) a ban on late term abortions. An exception (was put) into the bill (that would have given) a choice if the mother's life (was) endangered.

What are your opinions regarding protection of the environment?

Neumann: (The) environment is

the top priority. When making environmental decisions, we need to use common sense. If a new rule or regulation (is proposed), we need to do a cost-benefit analysis before (we) enact new rules or regulations.

The two took part in a televised debate last Friday evening in Madison. More information on these two candidates and where they stand on important issues is available on their web sites, www.neumannforsenate.com and www.feingold98.org.

THE LATEST SCOOP

WORLD NEWS

TUZLA, BOSNIA

• Hundreds of Bosnians congregated for a second day in front of the town morgue Tuesday in hopes of discovering lost relatives among the remains of 274 bodies excavated from the country's largest mass grave.

The bodies of the victims were found earlier this month in the eastern village of Glumina. Experts believe the victims were killed early in the 1992-95 war, but since the bodies were well preserved, they are easier to identify.

JERUSALEM

• The armed wing of the Islamic militant crusade Hamas took responsibility Tuesday for a grenade attack by a Palestinian Monday that injured 64 Israelis, mostly soldiers.

The attack on Monday at the central bus station in the southern city of Beersheba permeated a sense of foreboding over the peace summit in the United States, where Israeli and Palestinian leaders are gathered in hopes of reaching a new interim peace deal.

NATIONAL NEWS

WASHINGTON, D.C.

• Microsoft Corp. fought back on Tuesday against the government's antitrust case, claiming it had done nothing wrong and was not obligated by law to be easy on competitors.

The U.S. Justice Department and 20 states filed suit in May accusing Microsoft of using its dominance in computer operating software to defeat rivals and to seek control of the market.

Microsoft is accused of trying to get its smaller rival, Netscape Communication Corp., to agree to split the browser market. When Netscape declined, Microsoft withheld vital information about how Netscape could make its software compatible and recruited other top companies to help conquer them.

HOUSTON

• Torrential rainfall forced thousands of people in south Texas from their homes Tuesday, killing at least 15. The rainfall began on the weekend and caused rivers to flood cities and farmland.

Stranded residents were helped from rooftops and trees by helicopters from the Coast Guard and the Texas Department of Public Safety.

LOCAL/STATE NEWS

STEVENS POINT

• A 21-year-old Plover woman will spend 45 years behind bars for murdering a 20-year-old Rosholt man this summer.

Esmeralda Rivera received the maximum sentence from Portage County Branch 2 Circuit Judge John Finn on Monday. Rivera pled guilty to a reduced charge of first degree reckless homicide in the June stabbing death of Brad Kromrie. She was originally charged with first degree intentional homicide.

According to the preliminary hearing testimony of Rivera's boyfriend Dave Thompson, Rivera and Kromrie got in an argument at her trailer home in Plover. The three had been playing cards and drinking beer, and Thompson said Kromrie had asked to spend the night. When an ambulance arrived, Rivera said Kromrie had fallen on a knife. Autopsy results showed the wound was homicidal.

MERRILL

• A 10-year-old girl was killed by a school bus Monday when she tried to retrieve something from under the vehicle. The young girl first got on the bus and without the driver knowing, then hopped off to get something she had dropped.

GREENFIELD

• State officials Monday gave Mount Carmel Health and Rehabilitation Center four months to shut down and relocate its 504 residents.

The facility has been plagued by serious problems for months and failed to pass a follow-up inspection when 21 new care violations were found.

Multicultural events coming to Point

By Erin Sundell
NEWS REPORTER

The office of Multicultural Affairs at UW-Stevens Point is presenting "Experience the Colors," a cultural education arts series.

Five events will take place throughout the year representing the five major multicultural groups

served on campus; Native American, African American, Asian, Southeast Asian, and Hispanic Americans.

Starting the series, on Friday, October 30, in the UC Melvin Laird Room, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. is a Native American group named Thunderchief.

UW-SP faculty member Francis Steindorf will perform traditional Native American songs as

a member of the band

"Students should come because it will be entertaining and enlightening. Experiencing new and different events helps shape your picture of the world," said Ron Strege, director of Multicultural Affairs.

Tickets are on sale at the Quant Gym ticket office for \$3.00 or \$2.00 with student ID.

Jazzin' it up in the Basement Brewhaus



This jazz band can be seen every Wednesday night in the Basement Brewhaus. See story in Features. (Photo by Douglas Olson)



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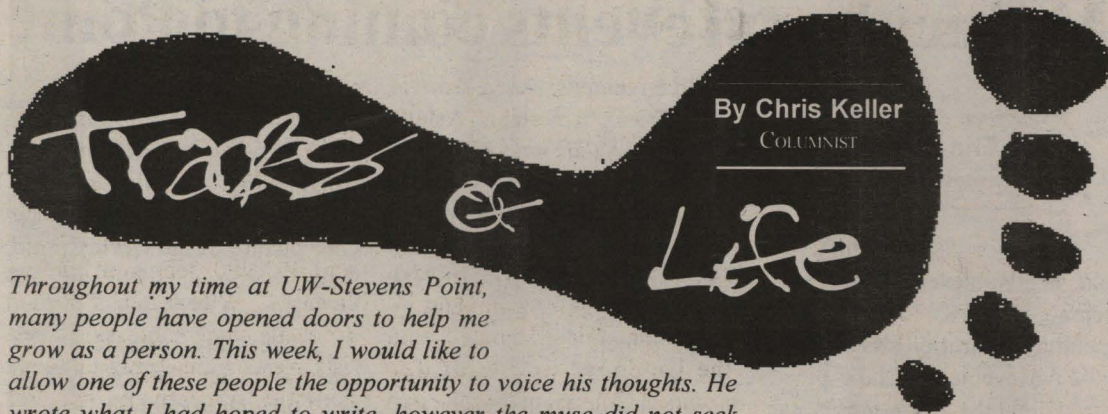
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Throughout my time at UW-Stevens Point, many people have opened doors to help me grow as a person. This week, I would like to allow one of these people the opportunity to voice his thoughts. He wrote what I had hoped to write, however the muse did not seek solace on my shoulder.

If for some reason, you take offense to these words, go home and gaze into a mirror, because if the truth hurts, you might have an idea why you've taken offense.

I give to you Eric Scharenbroch, a man with an open mind, and a person whom I feel honored to call a friend.

Kerouac, Frost, Dostoyevsky, Monet, Matisse, Dylan... Finish this list if you want, or maybe you know, as well as I, that it can't be finished, and will be added to until the end of time.

What do these people have in common? To begin to answer this profound question, let us first explore what they were not.

These people did not worry about being the first person to thumb through the new Ambercrombie and Fitch catalog; they also were not "That Guy" who would only rock out to the latest fads in music. In fact, fad did not apply to their existence.

These people did not go out and get "loaded" every Thurs.,

Fri, and Sat., because it was the only thing to do. Actually, they did drink and use drugs many times, but probably in lamenting the meaningless toilings of their blind surroundings.

These people would not complain about boredom. Why? Because they saw what an infinite vastness lie just underneath the surface of this gaudy reality. They didn't depend on others to give them entertainment, direction, or happiness, for they knew they were the only person capable of supplying that.

These people were restless, yes, but for a different reason. They loved life. They lusted for the miracle embodied in the gift that life is.

In fact, these people actually suffered — yes suffered. They

tasted and savored the real flavor of existence and had to look on as everybody just gobbled up their time on earth and went on their merry way towards their imminent end, never quite certain what the journey was all about, and maybe not even caring.

What am I saying? Well, maybe I'm saying that many people around me exhibit tendencies toward pop-culture-guided, running-around-in-circles like a headless chicken existence. Maybe I'm saying that life is whatever you put into it; that in order to live big, you need to live BIG!

Do you know what I'd really like to see? I would like to see people get excited about something; get really excited and passionate enough to stand up on a pedestal and cry out to others, even if they don't listen! Live life, don't just bat it around like a cat to a chew toy.

Of course, I could just be crying out to a deafened crowd.

Fighting for free speech

Dear Editor:

I was recently a victim of government suppression. And I really don't blame those who directly silenced me. I blame the setup of the system. Pure and simple, I was infringed of the right of free speech.

The incident I am referring to is the abrupt halt I experienced on my WWSP radio program, *Creative Art*, on October 13. I was reading a poem I entitled "I Hate the FCC." The program director found my programming inappropriate and shut me down prematurely that evening.

Granted, I am extremely controversial. I have a bold and moral message to be told, and it will be told. I challenge the ills and idiocies of the system. I see what I am doing as good.

I have a heartfelt belief that commercial radio is a puppet for government and corporate interests. I believe through subtle means, these two powerful oppressive groups mold commercial radio to ultimately assure the promotion of their best interests. Naturally, any voices contrary to the dominant regime will be suppressed as discreetly as possible, to limit detection.

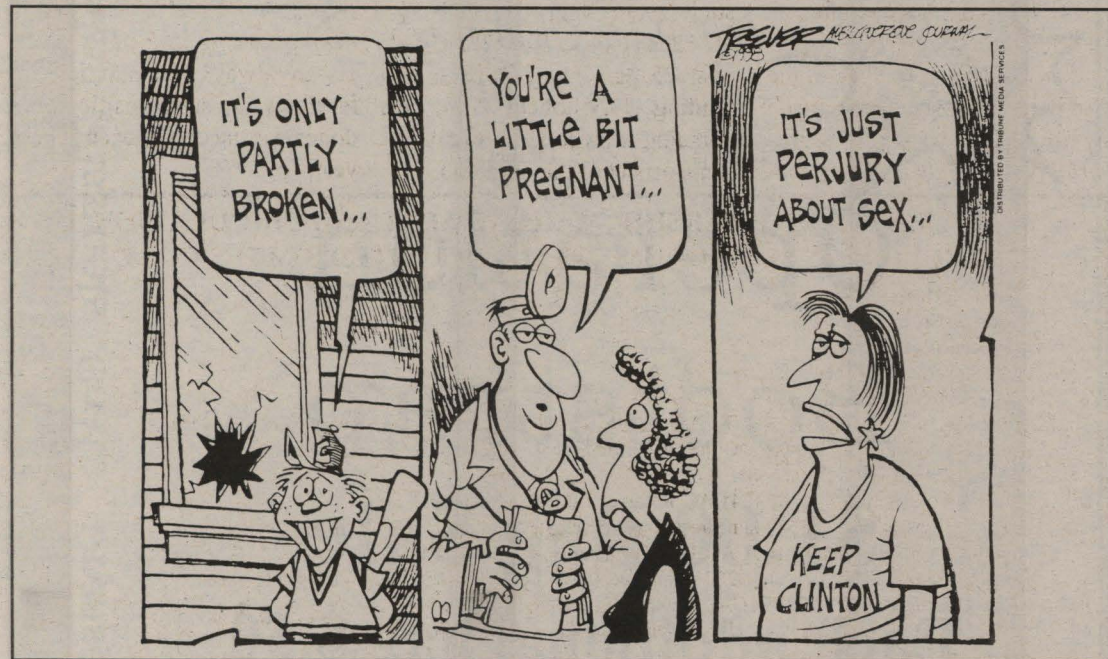
Free speech exists to protect political dissidents like myself. Although free speech does protect such things as pornography, its main purpose is protect anti-government, anti-majority opinions, in other words, unpopular opinions. Popular opinions don't really require such protection. Likewise, political speech serves as a far greater threat than pornographic material. The very nature of today's radio environment is intensely hostile to the concept of free expression.

If a person is unable to criticize the government or the Federal Communications Commission in particular, things are really screwed up. If I cannot read an anti-FCC speech on the air, there is no free speech. When I was suppressed, it just proved that only government complimentary and capitalist complimentary pieces have the possibility of airing. However, they would like you to believe otherwise.

Pirate radio is an awesome art form. The uninhibited uncensored pirates produce wonderfully artistic programs. Programs to stimulate the mind, not muddle in the mind. In the United States of America, a person is a criminal because they operate a radio with red tape and try to use free speech.

It cannot be understated how dangerous this suppression is. Furthermore, no one can say the FCC doesn't suppress, I am total proof that it does.

--Andrew Bushard
UW-SP student



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From the Editor's desk



Students do care about what's going on

By Mike Kemmeter
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

As students, we often hear that we don't care about anything that's going on around campus and more so, the nation and the world.

However, a vigil last Thursday night showed once again that UW-Stevens Point students do care.

Approximately 200 people attended a candlelight vigil that night in memory of a man beaten to death allegedly because of his sexual orientation.

This incident, thankfully, didn't happen here or in the state, but almost halfway across the county. People still came out on a Thursday night, some putting the Green Bay Packers game aside, to express their opposition to hate crimes.

And that remembrance of Wyoming student Matthew Shephard isn't the only time students have shown they care.

Last spring, an African-American student moved to another residence hall on campus after a series of racial incidents. The student, who did not return to UW-SP this year, had racial remarks written on his room's message board and had a racist message on his answering machine.

This one hit extremely close to home and once again, people responded.

More than 200 people marched through campus several weeks later to show support for unity and diversity at UW-SP. The group made a stop at the Debot Center for a "speak-out" against racism and held a rally at the Sundial.

While these students fought against hate, a new group on campus is showing too, that people care about what's going on.

Uniting Students, which formed this fall, is trying to get students to express their voice and vote. And over the last several weeks, the group deputized its members to register voters and then got hundreds of these so-called apathetic students to register.

No too shabby for a bunch of college kids that don't care about anything, huh?

Outdoors section unfairly singled out

By Matt "Bert" Ward
AND THE OUTDOORS STAFF

Last week's issue of *The Pointer* contained an editorial by Mrinendra Raj Sharma, the president of AITP (Association of Information Technology Professionals).

Its purpose was to inform *The Pointer* staff of his displeasure concerning our inability to cover a Computer Information System career fair, which was held on Tuesday, Sept. 29 in the U.C..

Upon reviewing page three of the September 24 edition of *The Pointer*, it is our conclusion that students were adequately informed about the event in question.

Mr. Sharma is correct in the fact that no follow up article was written on the event, however earlier this semester a similar student career fair was held by the College of Natural Resources in the U.C. which also resulted in no follow up article.

This is primarily because we believe the most important aspect of a career fair is informing students of the fair's existence before it occurs, so students have the opportunity to attend and benefit from the information they provide.

The reason the Outdoors section is responding to the editorial is because Mr. Sharma had some inappropriate and unmerited comments referring to the Outdoors section. The first of the two derogatory statements made by Mr. Sharma was, "To the editorial board of *The Pointer*, cov-

ering a guy who caught a ten-pound muskie was more informational and important than an event that was put together by a campus organization."

The only question which comes to mind here is, "In what farfetched way is a computer involvement fair associated with the Outdoors section of *The Pointer*?" The second of the two derogatory statements made by Mr. Sharma was his concluding statement, "And most important, not all students like to read two pages on hunting and fishing."

Now the main question is, "How is this a summary or concluding statement?" and "Why is this the most important statement of an editorial based on the topic of computer technology?"

It is our conclusion as a group of writers that for some undisclosed reason, Mr. Sharma is unhappy with the Outdoors section of *The Pointer*. Mr. Sharma informed the Outdoors staff in a personal e-mail that, "out of 8,000 students attending this university 6,500 are not CNR majors. Now you tell me how wise and rational is it to have four pages of the University Student Newspaper dedicated to the interests of 1,500 students."

We looked into these figures which Mr. Sharma quoted, and currently there are 1,561 CNR majors and 615 biology majors out of the approximately 8,500 students attending this university.

These numbers conclude that over 25 percent of students attending UW-Stevens Point are pursuing a profession involving some aspect of the outdoors.

Also we are currently residing in a state that has a strong hunting and fishing background ingrained in its culture. Last year alone, the state of Wisconsin sold 509,374 resident fishing licenses and 497,990 deer gun hunting licenses. With a half a million residents alone expressing interests in each of these two outdoors activities respectively, it is our opinion that there is ample interest in the outdoors in Wisconsin.

Although Mr. Sharma has alerted us that technically 25 percent of *The Pointer's* information should consist of outdoors articles (since 25 percent of the students are "outdoors" majors) we are content with the two and a half pages we publish every week.

Also, the Outdoors section is not just dedicated to articles on hunting and fishing. As editor I make my best attempt to inform students of weekly CNR activities whether they concern the numerous societies it has, outdoor related activities and events, or the plethora of outdoors speakers our campus attracts.

If Mr. Sharma truly believes that we only print material that interests us personally and we decide what to print only on a "who knows who basis" as he so eloquently put it, we'd encourage him to attend our weekly meetings on Monday at 4:30 in Room 315 CAC.

Also if anyone feels that "It is sad we do not have the right people serving us," new reporters are always welcome and interviews for staff positions are done near the end of each school year.

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Turning time for lakes

By Matt "Bert" Ward
OUTDOORS EDITOR

As the peak of fall colors come to a close, we begin sensing the presence of winter and the inclement conditions it invokes. This late fall period is also responsible for triggering the annual cooling off processes of lakes known as turnover. Several occurrences aid in the turnover process.

Nightly temperatures declining into the 30s, increasing windy conditions, cold precipitation throughout the day and the decrease in photoperiod caused by the declining angle of the sun are the major factors which come into play.

Most natural lakes in Wisconsin have been stratified for the previous summer months, meaning they have developed a series of distinct temperature and oxygen related layers to which certain species of fish relate. With the encroachment of late fall, the colder surface water begins its descent through the warmer water below, which consequently rises.

The thermocline, which is the central area of temperature stratification in a lake, then becomes thinner. Eventually it ruptures and the turnover process officially is under way. The heavier cold water then descends through the water column, re-oxygenating the depths below.

The lake sediments often become stirred up at this time, causing the lake coloration to become rather turbid. This process also triggers various species of aquatic vegetation to die off and form free-floating mats of debris on the windward shore. Compiled with a distinct sulfur odor produced by the sediments, this is not the most aesthetically pleasing time to be on a lake.

It takes approximately ten days for the turnover process to complete itself and the lakes to become homogenized. Temperatures will then tend to stabilize in the upper 40s, and the clarity of the water dramatically improves. This is the official beginning of the cold water calendar period.

Currently the surface water temperatures in the Eagle River area are in the mid to upper 40s, Stevens Point area lakes are in the mid to low 50s, and the Madison Chain is in the high 50s. As one can see, the lakes in the northern part of the state have completed the turnover process and are completing stabilization, and the lakes in the central and southern regions are still in the homogenization process.

Water temperatures at this point in time will definitely be the key ingredient in deciding when and where to go fishing at this point in time. Just remember, this cold water calendar period is definitely worth braving the elements for, because it annually produces the largest fish caught each year. So bundle up for the elements, and get your camera ready for that fish of a lifetime.

Whitetail rut returns to woods

By Ryan Gilligan
OUTDOORS REPORTER

It may have taken a while, but fall is finally upon us. The brilliant autumn leaves are quickly disappearing, leaving only bare skeletons of the trees' twisted limbs against the sky. In whitetail country, the time of the rut nears once again.

It is a time long awaited by deer and hunters alike. For whitetail bucks, the peak mating season, otherwise known as the rut, has been the motivation behind the majority of their activity since the previous spring.

For hunters, the rut means an opportunity to face a drastically changed creature from the animals encountered during the early season.

Deer, especially bucks preoccupied by the mating season, become less cautious during this period. Also, more deer movement occurs during daylight hours, which also increases the hunter's chance of harvesting an animal.

On a biological level, the rut is an important aspect of deer behavior that helps guarantee that the population remains healthy.

The limited, rigidly timed mating season ensures that mass

numbers of offspring will be born simultaneously during the optimal time of year for survival, the spring.

As a result, newborn fawns face weather conditions that young animals can cope with and also have the entire summer to fatten up for the coming winter. Primarily, length of daylight hours dictates when the rut will begin. The shortening of daylight triggers the release of a hormone

antlers. They will also deposit their personal scent on these rubs with a gland at the corners of their eyes known as the preorbital gland.

Bucks will also make a series of "scrapes" during this time. These are made by pawing several square feet of the ground, scenting it with the gland between their hooves known as the interdigital gland, and by urinating over their tarsal glands located on their back legs.

The scrape created serves the purpose of advertising a given buck's sexual availability to nearby does, as well as establishing his dominance among other bucks.

So much effort will be expended in making scrapes, rubs and in mating that most bucks will lose between 20 and 25 percent of their body weight throughout the course of the rut.

Finally, though does don't make scrapes or rubs, they do signal their availability through urinating; sometimes on the scrapes made by bucks. This only occurs during a doe's time of estrus.

This time of peak breeding readiness lasts only about 24 hours. If a doe is not impregnated within that time she may repeat the process again in three to four weeks when she comes into estrus again, completing the rut cycle.



UW-SP student Josh Doty displays a doe he harvested during last year's bow season. (Submitted photo)

known as melatonin in both bucks and does. The release of this hormone causes the release of increased sex hormones, resulting in full rut. In this part of the country, rutting will usually peak around the first weekend in November.

During and around the time of peak rut, deer will advertise themselves sexually through several different methods. Bucks will create a series of "rubs" on trees in their territory by raking their

Shopping for earth-friendly products

By Lisa Rothe
OUTDOORS REPORTER

The last time you went grocery shopping, how thoughtful were you as you threw items into your cart? Did you check the nutrition label, or more importantly, did you check the label to see if the product was harvested or grown in an environmentally friendly manner?

According to the College of Natural Resources web page our university is "widely regarded as the leading undergraduate pro-

gram in natural resources in the United States." Exactly what does this reflect or say about our students' shopping habits?

"I shop by the pocket book. I don't have enough money or time to search for all the environmentally-friendly products. But true enough, I could make the time," admits Eric Scharenbroch, a senior at UW-SP.

I think it's safe to assume that as college students, many of us don't have a large paycheck every month. Rent, bills and our extra-curricular activities tend to take top priority. Like Eric, many of us don't have the time or resources to consistently shop earth-healthy.

An important question to ask ourselves is, by not shopping informed, are we inadvertently supporting companies that are causing the environment harm? Shopping healthier for food and cleaning products Karrie Perez, a second year senior, sees as having

great benefits, "it seems healthier and makes me feel cleaner inside."

Last year I wrote a series for *The Pointer* on organic farming that featured an organic farm in Amherst and highlighted grocery stores in the area that carried organic produce and products. For this series, I'm planning on targeting the key issues that present themselves whenever we pull out our wallet. Whether you're buying food, clothing, or even environmentally safe hygiene products it is important to know about the corporation you're buying them from, and in turn, who and what you are supporting.

"A lot of companies that say they're 'green' are suspect - it's a public relations ploy. I can't help but doubt any corporation that claims full environmental responsibility," finds Scharenbroch. Green companies, basically, are companies that create products from replenishable re-



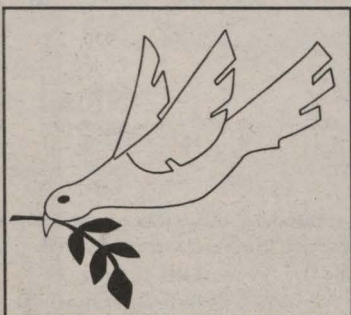
Stevens Point Area Cooperative offers "earth-friendly products to students (Photo by Doug Olson).

sources and exclude the use of animal ingredients or animal testing, giving back what they've extracted from the earth.

For example, Earth Friendly Products, a company based in Illinois, sells items ranging from cleaning products to a fruit and vegetable wash. Actively involved within the community, Earth Friendly Products supports local animal rights groups and

vegetarian organizations. John Vlahakis, president, says, "we do small things that we hope will grow larger in scale and contribute to a healthier planet."

Is a healthier planet possible in our corporate, materialism-driven America? Personally, my outlook is positive - in the upcoming weeks opinions from students and "green" companies will attempt to answer that question.



CNR receives over two million dollars

By Matt "Bert" Ward
OUTDOORS EDITOR

We have unfortunately witnessed an era in CNR history come to a close. No longer can College of Natural Resources students look forward to spending their summers at Treehaven peering through transits that once adorned the decks of the Nina, Pinta, and Santa Maria.

The equipment Christopher Columbus used in 1492 to sail the ocean blue will finally make its way to a historical society as new technology has been approved to be purchased to benefit students.

A new federal appropriations bill entitled, "Improving Natural Resource and Environmental

Management Capability via Technology-Enhanced Learning" was recently passed which will grant the CNR over two million dollars.

Congressman Dave Obey, Chancellor George, and Dean Phillips of the College of Natural Resources collectively informed students of this appropriation Wednesday.

The funds this bill provides will enable the College of Natural Resources to purchase computer-based technology and multimedia instructional systems at facilities such as the Treehaven Field Station, Central Wisconsin Environmental Station, Schmeekle Reserve, and on campus facilities located in the CNR building.

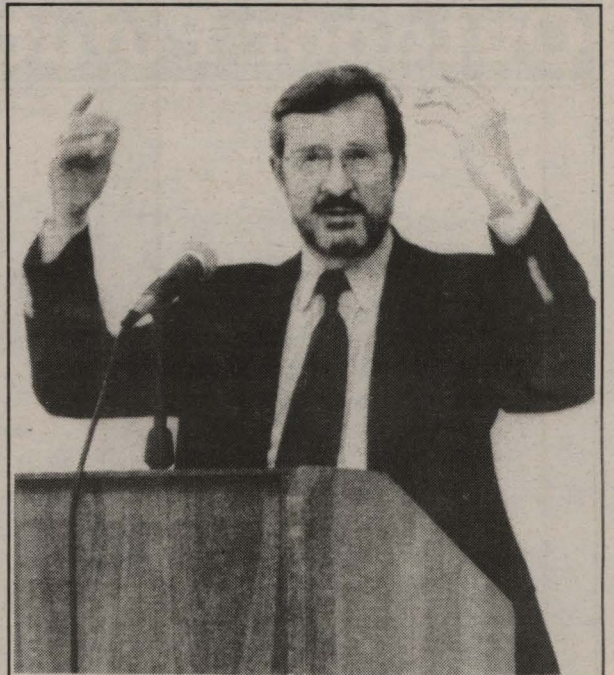
"This new instrumentation will greatly help our students to participate in innovative systems approaches for developing solutions to natural resource challenges in the environment," said Phillips.

Technology will be enhanced in all disciplines of natural resource majors including water, soil, wildlife, forestry, waste resources, paper science, human dimensions of natural resource management and environmental education.

The CNR's land information management program will specifically receive funding for GIS and GPS tools to broaden students horizons.

This new technology provided by federal funding will help

the College of Natural Resources in its goal of integrating the natural resource majors and generating a holistic approach of the environment, which will help students head into the 21st century.



Congressman Dave Obey made an appearance in the CNR Wednesday. (Photo by Nathan T. Wallin)

Goose population rising

By Joe Shead
ASSISTANT OUTDOORS EDITOR

Bill Wheeler, a wildlife manager with the DNR stationed at Horicon spoke about Canada geese Wednesday in CNR Room 170. His lecture entitled "Managing Wisconsin's Increasing Canada goose Population," dealt with Wisconsin's giant Canada goose population.

The giant Canada goose, which is the largest Canada goose subspecies, was thought to be extinct after being exploited by settlers in the late 1800s. In 1961, a flock was found in Minnesota. These geese have adapted so well to urban expansion that the Wisconsin population has now exploded to 100,000 birds.

Breeding pairs are now found in every county in the state. There are several reasons for their new breeding success. Giant Canada's brood sizes number from five to 10. They are able to effectively defend their goslings due to their large size. These birds also adapt very easily. This is what creates problems with geese. Large numbers of geese now live in urban areas, building their nests in backyards and even on top of 40-foot high buildings.

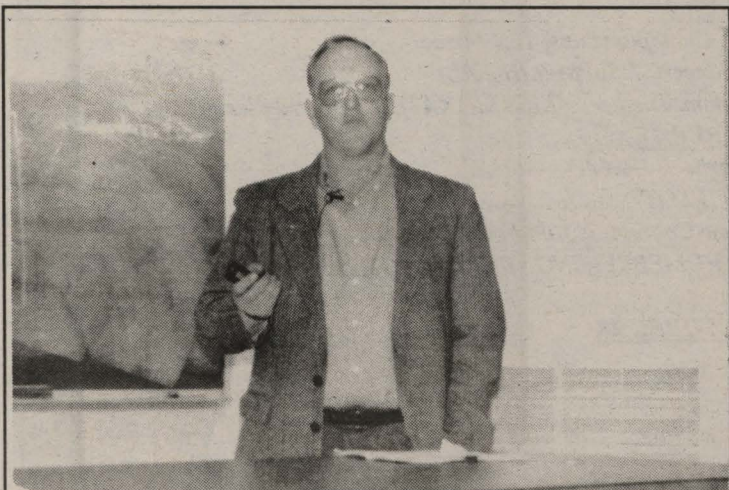
"They've gotten into swimming pools and swimming beaches. Their droppings pollute swimming areas. Golf courses are probably number one (as far as problems are concerned). It's hard to putt across a putting green when every six inches there are goose droppings," Wheeler said.

Giant Canadas are creating problems in rural areas as well. They feast on everything from farm crops such as corn and wheat to apples and even watermelons. So much crop damage is now taking place that this year Wisconsin increased the amount of money payable to farmers experiencing damage from \$5,000 to \$15,000. Farmers can also receive agricultural tags to shoot geese on their lands.

"The farmer does more goose management by accident than we'll ever do by intent," Wheeler said.

Several things have been done to try to curtail the exploding population. In years past, geese were relocated to Oklahoma and Kansas, but now these states have population problems of their own. Dogs are used to chase away geese on golf courses, but the geese simply

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WDNR Wildlife Biologist Bill Wheeler spoke Wednesday on goose management. (Photo by Nathan T. Wallin)

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Student Jason Sparks and father hold several ducks they shot in the Dakotas last weekend. (Submitted photo)



Baily, the yellow lab of student Chris Merklein, displays a ruffed grouse shot last weekend by Chris. (Submitted photo)

Buena Vista Project Underway

By Kent Cristian
OUTDOORS REPORTER

The UW-Stevens Point Student Chapter of the American Water Resources Association (AWRA) completed the first phase of the Buena Vista Project. Volunteers completed the first of many field studies Oct. 10. This is a two-year study aimed at looking at the surface water quality in the Buena Vista Marsh.

Field supervisors Tom Velat, Chris Huff and Josh Running oversee the field portion of the project. The research is conducted on four ditches with individual sites along each ditch for a total of 13 sites.

At each site a variety of measurements are taken. The group uses electronic current meters to calculate the discharge at each site. The volunteers record the temperature and dissolved oxygen with the aid of an electronic dissolved oxygen meter.

A peristaltic pump mounted on a rechargeable drill is used to pump water through a filter to bring the samples back to the university for laboratory analysis.

Finally, at each site physical observations are documented to help with the data interpretation.

The next phase of the project



UW-SP students Josh Running and Dante Solan collect water samples for AWRA. (Submitted Photo)

will be the laboratory analysis of the 13 samples. Currently, Associate Professor Bryant Browne is providing hands-on training to several student laboratory co-supervisors.

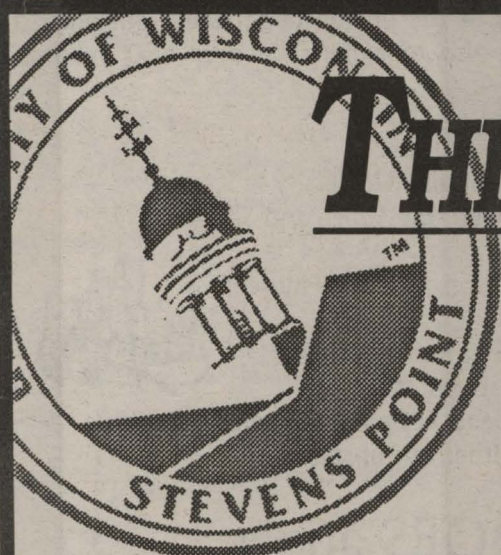
After the next field samplings, the student supervisors will then conduct the laboratory analysis with the help of volunteer lab assistants, passing on the knowledge to the lab assistants.

After the analysis is completed, the laboratory results are filed for the data interpretation portion of the project. Carrie Olson, data interpretation supervisor, is receiving computer training from Browne. As the data is received it is placed in public folder and saved to a backup disk. After the project

gathers a rather substantial data base, the members will interpret the data to evaluate the surface water quality in the Buena Vista Marsh.

Students gained valuable hands-on field experience, without the pressures of the classroom environment while doing this research. Project director Kent Christen was very pleased with the work the group accomplished. Every one of the volunteers should pat themselves on the back for a job well done.

The project is always looking for volunteers, so come to the field with us on Nov. 7 or Dec. 5 for the next sampling round. A sign-up sheet is located on the AWRA bulletin board on the second floor of the CNR.



THE WEEK IN POINT!

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22

NATIONAL COLLEGIATE ALCOHOL AWARENESS WEEK

Alcohol Awareness Week Prog.: FATAL VISION (See the Affect Alcohol Has On Your Eyesight), 11:30 AM-1PM (DeBot Center)

Concert Band Concert, 7:30PM (MH-FAB)

Mainstage Theatre Prod.: PIPPIN, 7:30PM (JT-FAB)

Central WI Area Comm. Theater: "KISS ME KATE", 7:30 PM (Sentry)

CPI-Concerts Presents: BILLY MC LAUGHLIN GROUP, 8PM (Encore-UC)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23

NATIONAL COLLEGIATE ALCOHOL AWARENESS WEEK

Men's & Wom. Cross-Country, UW-Oshkosh Dual (H)

Volleyball, North Central Tourn., All Day (Away)

Mainstage Theatre Prod.: PIPPIN, 7:30PM (JT-FAB)

Symphony Orchestra Fall Concert w/Guest Soloists, American Horn Quartet, 7:30PM (MH-FAB)

Central WI Area Comm. Theater: "KISS ME KATE", 7:30 PM (Sentry)

CPI-Center Stage Presents: JAZZ BAND, 8PM (Encore-UC)

CPI-Centers' Cinema Presents: SCREAM, 9PM & SCREAM II, 11PM (Allen Center)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24

Volleyball, North Central Tourn., All Day (Away)

Wom. Tennis, WIAC Championships, 12N (Away)

Swimming & Diving, Purple/Gold Meet, 1PM (H)

Football, UW-LaCrosse, 1PM (H)

Wom. Soccer, UW-River Falls, 2PM (T)

Hockey, Purple/Gold Game, 7:30PM (H)

Mainstage Theatre Prod.: PIPPIN, 7:30PM (JT-FAB)

Wind Ensemble Concert, 7:30PM (MH-FAB)

Central WI Area Comm. Theater: "KISS ME KATE", 7:30 PM (Sentry)

WWSP-90FM Radio Station Presents: JAZZFEST '98 w/RANDY

SAPIEN, 8:00 PM (Laird Rm.-UC)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25

Wom. Tennis, WIAC Championships, 12N (Away)

Combined Choirs Concert, 7:30PM (MH-FAB)

Central WI Area Comm. Theater: "KISS ME KATE", 4:00 PM (Sentry)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27

Wom. Soccer, St. Norbert, 3PM (T)

Volleyball, Marian, 7PM (T)

Wind Ensemble Home Concert, 7:30PM (MH-FAB)

CPI-Issues & Ideas HOMEBREWING MINI-COURSE, 5-9PM (Cafeteria-COPS)

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around their schedules.

The curriculum will be taught through a combination of one-on-one meetings and night and late afternoon classes.

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This degree will combine information from several different academic areas, creating a flexible achievement opportunity.

"The program fulfills the needs of students for whom sound written and oral communication skills, basic computer knowledge, and problem solving skills are especially important," said UW-SP Chancellor Tom George.

Goose

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relocate elsewhere. Exploders, which make loud noises, are used to scare geese, but they soon grow used to them.

"The best use of the resource is to try to provide hunting," Wheeler said.

However, hunting isn't a simple solution. Breeding geese in Wisconsin are generally giant Canadas. These geese are found here all summer and fall, while the vast majority of geese migrating through the state are a different subspecies known as the interior Canada goose. These geese breed and spend their summers on Hudson Bay. By the time the traditional Wisconsin goose season opens around Oct. 1, the interior geese have migrated into the state. Since the interiors outnumber the giants by 1,000 to one, most geese harvested are not giant Canadas and consequently their population is not greatly reduced.

The DNR proposed a solution by opening an early goose season starting Sept. 1 before the interior Canadas migrate into the state. This way, almost all the geese taken by hunters are giants. This early season doubled the harvest of giant Canada geese.

The solution hasn't been 100 percent effective, though. Many geese are located in urban areas where hunting is not allowed and those found in areas open to hunting quickly learn where safe refuges are. Many geese are able to seek refuge near Milwaukee and Chicago in places off-limits to hunters. This means the management problem is far from over.

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Volleyball

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"River Falls was a better team than us that day," Geiger said.

"I think they had three six-footers playing at anytime. They are a tough team that played very well."

Postseason hopes lie ahead for the 4th ranked Pointers, even after suffering the two losses.

A win against UW-Platteville would solidify their fourth place ranking and guarantee UW-SP their chance to host the first round of the conference tournament on November 3.

This weekend, UW-SP travels to Illinois for the North Central Tournament and additional regional action.

Football

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Wiese completed consecutive passes to Martin but went down with a knee injury on the second.

Aulenbacher entered and four plays later hit Fredrick with the tying score.

"Our offense is coming together," Miech stated.

"We've got a lot of young kids. At one point in the game we had five freshmen on the field."

The Pointers will carry their momentum into a 1 p.m. meeting with UW-La Crosse Saturday at Goerke Field.

UW-SP has not defeated the Eagles since 1976, including a 1987 victory that was later forfeited.

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the Tori Neubauer Invitational. Facing numerous team ranked in the nation's Top 25, the Pointers finished 13th with 311 points.

No. 3 ranked UW-Oshkosh won the meet with 91 points.

"My first impression was we didn't run very well," UW-SP women's cross country coach Len Hill said. "But at the same time, we got closer to teams that have beaten us."

Leah Juno paced the Pointers with a 26th place finish in 19:14. Lisa Pisca (38th in 19:29), Sara Holewinski (62nd in 19:51), Alyssa Garbe (90th in 20:12) and Erin Dowgwillo (20:15) rounded out the scoring for UW-SP.

Both Point teams head to UW-Oshkosh Friday for a final tuneup before the WIAC Championships.

Soccer

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by whitewashing UW-Whitewater in a 7-0 Pointer win.

UW-SP forward Laura Gissibl led her team with three goals, while Marie Muhvic had two goals and one assist.

Adding to the domination, Jenny Lushine and Michelle Mauel both found the back of the net to finish off the Warhawks.

Senior Jessica Wickesberg led UW-SP with a trio of assists.

By defeating the Warhawks, Point guaranteed themselves first seed at the conference tournament at the end of this month.

UW-SP will travel to UW-River Falls Saturday for their final conference showdown at 2 p.m. Point will wrap up their season at St. Norbert College on Tuesday.

INFLUENZA, or "FLU" is a respiratory disease caused by a virus. There are two main types of influenza virus, A and B. Each type includes many related viruses or strains, each slightly different from the others. Type A epidemics are generally more severe than those of Type B. Influenza epidemics usually occur between December and March each year. Influenza is spread from person to person when droplets of moisture from a person with influenza coughs, sneezes, or talks are inhaled by other people or transferred by hand to nose contact.

Influenza ranges from very mild to severe symptoms, depending on factors such as the influenza strain involved and the person's susceptibility and overall physical condition. Most people recover within a week although they may continue to have symptoms for several days beyond that, including cough and lack of energy. Influenza can last longer and cause life threatening complications in individuals with other serious diseases, the elderly, or in rare cases normal healthy individuals.

Influenza is not the common cold. Influenza is distinguished by high fever of 101 to 104, chills, headache, muscle aches, joint aches, and repeated coughing. Influenza can be complicated by bacterial pneumonia as well as viral pneumonia from the influenza virus. Individuals with diabetes, asthma, diseases of the lungs or heart or kidneys, or chronic diseases that weaken the immune system such as HIV infection are more prone to complications of influenza. The strains of influenza virus change frequently due to mutations that are occurring around the world. The genetic changes in the virus make the new strains capable of causing epidemics in populations of people who have not previously been exposed to those strains. The Health Center as well as other clinics around the world participate in a program to monitor the strains of influenza which are causing disease. The information acquired is analyzed by the Centers for Disease Control and new vaccines are developed over the summer to be available each autumn.

The Health Center will have a limited supply of vaccine available for individuals who wish to be immunized against influenza. Receiving an immunization usually results in a 70 to 90% decrease in your risk for getting infected with the influenza strains in the vaccine. The people at highest risk of complications from influenza include adults and children with chronic disorders, especially pulmonary and cardiovascular disease, elderly individuals, children and teenagers receiving long term aspirin therapy, people infected with HIV, household members who are contacts of those high risk individuals and people who will be providing care to high risk individuals including people working or volunteering in health clinics, hospitals, nursing homes, or day care centers. In addition, recommendations have been broadened to include anyone who wishes to reduce their risk of getting influenza.

The Health Center is planning to have an influenza immunization clinic on the following dates and times.

Wednesday, October 21st- 2:30 pm to 4:00 pm.

Thursday, October 22nd- 9:30 am to 11:30 am.

Tuesday, October 27th- 9:30 am to 11:30 am.

Thursday, October 29th- 9:30 am to 11:30 am.

Wednesday, November 4th- 2:30pm to 4:00 pm.

Friday, November 6th- 1:00 pm to 2:30 pm.

No appointment is needed, just come to the 1st floor, Delzell Hall, on one of the above dates.

**Jim Zach, MD
UWSP Health Services**

Spikers fight through WIAC Dogs find a way past Eau Claire

By Michelle Tesmer
SPORTS REPORTER

The UW-Stevens Point volleyball team held high hopes as they entered their toughest week of the season last Wednesday.

With four consecutive conference games ahead, the Pointers blazed their way through a challenging week, but without the end results they wanted.

The Pointers forced their first rival, UW-La Crosse, into a fourth game before falling (6-15, 11-15, 15-3, 7-15). According to Coach Kelly Geiger, La Crosse's height was too much to get around.

"We could not overcome

their height advantage that night," she said. "We didn't play our best match."

Turning around after their loss to the Eagles, the Pointers defeated UW-Stout at home Friday (15-12, 6-15, 7-15, 15-10, 15-5). In their first five game match of the year, the UW-SP victory pleased their coach.

"It was a great match! It helped get our confidence back up from Wednesday's loss," Geiger said. "We didn't let down."

The next day proved to be another tough challenge as Point faced UW-River Falls. Falling in four games (7-15, 9-15, 15-10, 10-15), height again played a role in the Pointer loss.

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Courtney Herreman (left) and Amy Smolcich warm up in preparation for their match against UW-Platteville Wednesday night. (Photo by Nathan T. Wallin)

By Nick Brilowski
SPORTS EDITOR

Perhaps they should be nicknamed the "Comeback Kids."

For the third time in their three wins this season, the UW-Stevens Point football team came from behind to defeat an opponent in the fourth quarter.

Host UW-Eau Claire was the Pointers' latest victim Saturday in a dramatic 27-26 victory.

Ryan Aulenbacher, replacing injured starting quarterback Curt Wiese, came on and threw a 40-yard touchdown to freshman Chad Fredrick with 3:07 remaining to tie the game.

Jason Steuck, who had a blocked field goal returned for a touchdown and a missed extra point earlier in the game, nailed the game-winning point after.

The Blugolds had a chance to win the game with five seconds remaining but Jeremy Braun missed a 27-yard field goal.

The victory raised Point's record to 3-2 overall and 2-2 in the WIAC.

"Our game plan," Pointer coach John Miech said, "was we had the ability to get behind their secondary and make big plays."

"We did it on the first series of the game and we spent the rest of the game trying every three or four plays."

The first big play came with 9:32 remaining in the first quarter when Wiese found a streaking Lance Gast for an 84-yard score.

Steuck's point after gave Point the 7-0 lead.

Eau Claire answered back with 1:08 to go in the opening frame as Eric Ostmo scored on a 23-yard pass from Sean Hoolihan.

Big play number two came with 6:13 left in the half when Wiese found a wide open Andy Martin on a 42-yard strike.

The Blugolds countered with a big play of their own 1:13 later when Steuck's field goal attempt was blocked and returned 79

yards for a touchdown by Chad Ludescher to retie the game.

Braun's 18-yard field goal with two seconds remaining gave the home team a 17-14 lead heading into halftime.

Eau Claire stretched their lead to 26-14 on an 8-yard run by Hoolihan and a 30-yard field goal by Braun with 9:46 remaining in the game.

UW-SP got themselves back in the game when Wally Schmitt scored on a seven-yard run following a blocked punt by Mark Fetzner.

"There were two big momentum swings (in the game)," Miech said. "The first came when we had the ball on the four yard line and had a field goal blocked and returned for a touchdown."

"The second came when we blocked their punt and had them reeling."

Point got the ball back with 5:06 to go at their own 46.

SEE FOOTBALL ON PAGE 9

Tennis slams two in trio of duals

By Jessica Burda
SPORTS EDITOR

Coming off three almost back-to-back dual meets, the UW-Stevens Point tennis teams looks to finish off their season.

Knocking off two out of the last three teams, the Pointers improved their conference record to 3-3.

Starting off their trio of meets last Wednesday by finishing off Lawrence University, Point shut down the Vikings 9-0 with a full varsity lineup.

Moving full steam into their next dual Thursday, the Pointers welcomed the UW-Oshkosh Titans to the Quandt Fieldhouse. Upsetting the dominating Titans, UW-SP clinched the 5-4 victory with a tough win by Point's Jenny Oelke.

"Oelke's match was the last

one to be decided," head coach Nancy Page said.

"And as it turns out, was the deciding match. She played a very smart match and just stuck to her game plan."

With two wins safely tucked away for UW-SP, the Pointers traveled to UW-Eau Claire. Facing a tough meet, the Pointers played well, but lost 8-1 against the undefeated Blugolds.

"Eau Claire is just overpowering," Page said. "I thought we played fairly well, but just got outplayed."

The bright spot in Point's loss was Heather Jannsen who took UW-Eau Claire's Lacy Littel through three sets before shutting her down (0-6, 6-4, 7-5). Jannsen is undefeated in her No. 6 singles matches.

Jannsen and her teammates must now focus on the WIAC championships in Madison this

weekend.

In singles competition, Jannsen is the number one seed among the number six singles, with Jen Derse seeded second for number fives, and Jenny Oelke taking fourth in her No. 4 position.

Additionally, Point's number two and three doubles teams are seeded second and fourth respectively.

Page believes her Pointers are ready for conference, while UW-Eau Claire may run away with the championship. But, coach Page is pleased with the team's standings heading in to the weekend.

"I'm pleased with how our team fared," she said, "All of those players will be playing someone who they have defeated during the regular season."

"This team has done very well, each player has improved throughout the season."

Men's soccer earns regional berth

By Krista Torgeson
SPORTS REPORTER

The UW-Stevens Point men's soccer team secured a spot in regional action Saturday with a 4-0 victory over Michigan Tech.

The Pointer offense dominated the match, firing 21 shots on goal.

Jim Wiezne found the back of the net first for UW-SP. Point proceeded with intensity as Ross Nelson scored off of Derek Bell's first of two assists for the match.

Shawn Bostad then brought the Pointers a comfortable lead, capitalizing on the third goal of the half.

The second half consisted of many defensive stops, as well as

the offense applying pressure.

Pat Bilot scored the final goal of the match, assisted once again by Bell.

Point raised its record to 3-1-6, which places them third in their conference, securing them a place in regional action for the first time

since 1995.

UW-SP begins postseason play Saturday in Blaine, Minn. at 11 a.m.

The tournament will continue throughout the weekend with the top three advancing to nationals in Arizona.

Club Sports and Schedules

Men's Soccer

UW-SP def. Michigan Tech., 4-0.
Point Goals: Bilot, Bostad, Nelson, Wiezne.

Point Saves: Wakefield (3).

Up Next: Regional Tournament in Blaine, MN., Saturday 11 a.m.

Men's Rugby

Marquette def. UW-SP, 32-15.

Point Tries: Bennington, Fietzer, VanGomple.

Up Next: At Green Bay, Saturday.

Women's Rugby

Up Next: At UW-Whitewater, Saturday, 1 p.m.

Women's Hockey

UW-SP def. UW-Madison, 3-0.

Up Next: Intersquad Blue/Black Scrimmage, Friday; U of M Twin Cities club team, Saturday 5 p.m. at K.B. Willet Arena.

Men's Lacrosse

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IN THE ZONE

UW-SP students need to adopt activity fee

By Nick Brilowski
SPORTS EDITOR

By now, hopefully the majority of UW-Stevens Point students are aware of the student-wide referendum taking place next Tuesday and Wednesday concerning the activity fee increase.

Unfortunately, most students are probably unaware of the seriousness of the issue.

For the 1999-2000 school year, the UW-SP athletic department stands to face a deficit of approximately \$10,000.

Though university officials won't comment, there stands a possibility that some programs may need to be cut if the referendum does not pass.

For a mere 20 extra dollars added on to tuition, students will be able to attend athletic and Centertainment events as well as theatrical performances free of charge.

UW-SP is currently one of three schools in the UW-System that charge admission to their athletic events, along with UW-Eau Claire and UW-Oshkosh. Oshkosh is currently considering adopting the same proposal.

Having grown up in Stevens Point, I can remember having to show up early to stand in line for tickets to attend a men's basketball or hockey game.

Over the past few years there has been a noticeable, steady decline in student attendance at these events. Part of the reason for this, I believe, is that students are less willing to attend an event for only five or ten minutes and pay the \$3 to get in the door.

If the resolution passes, students will only need to bring their student ID to the event to have it swiped at the gate. There will be no need to scarf up \$3 every time you want to attend.

UW-SP currently charges the lowest amount (\$95.90) of any school in the UW-System for an activity fee. Even with the increase, Point's fee would still be the second lowest behind only UW-Oshkosh (\$111.47).

In a survey taken by incoming freshmen this school year, only 12.7 percent felt that attending athletic events was unimportant. What this says is that students are interested in attending but for one reason or another, they aren't showing up.

It's time for the Quandt Gymnasium, the K.B. Willett Arena and other Pointer venues to get filled to the rafters once again.

These teams deserve your support.

Students will be able to cast their vote on Tuesday and Wednesday of next week at the University Center from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and at the Debot Center from 4 to 6 p.m.

Please take a couple minutes out of your schedule to cast your vote for the future of Pointer athletics.

Quote of the Week

“Maybe we're just not good enough. I don't believe that, but I just don't know.”

-- Green Bay Packers' general manager Ron Wolf after the team's disappointing 27-20 loss to the Detroit Lions last Thursday.

-Milwaukee Journal Sentinel

Cross country gears up for WIAC Invite

By Mike Kemmeter
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

The UW-Stevens Point men's cross country team is probably hoping that history repeats itself for a second time.

In both the 1996 and 1997 season, UW-La Crosse won the early showdown with the Pointers, only to see UW-SP win when it really counts -- the WIAC Championships.

History is halfway there again this season, as UW-L topped the Pointers 128-54 at the 21-team Jim Drews Invitational in La Crosse

Saturday.

Looking at the bigger NCAA Division III picture, No. 5 ranked UW-SP also faced then-No. 1 ranked North Central College (Ill.) and No. 7 St. John's (Minn.).

Both teams beat the Pointers, as North Central finished third with 138 points and St. John's was fourth with 146. UW-SP took fifth and UW-L was second, while UW-Madison won the meet with 17 points.

Even though the Pointers fell to the tough competition, UW-SP men's cross country coach said his team shouldn't be counted out.

"I think what the meet showed is there's not much difference between the top teams," Witt said. "In the top four teams (excluding the Division I Badgers), there was a 24 point difference. In a 21 team invitational, that's fairly miniscule."

Jesse Drake led UW-SP with an 11th place finish in 25:33. Matt Hayes (27th in 26:05), Dan Schwamberger (32nd in 26:11), Ryan Wenos (33rd in 26:12) and Nathan Mechlin (50th in 26:35) completed Point's top five.

The UW-SP women's team traveled to La Crosse as well, for
SEE CC ON PAGE 9

Kickers earn top seed in WIAC tourney

By Jessica Burda
SPORTS EDITOR

How do you describe the UW-Stevens Point women's soccer team? Well, two words will suffice.

Pure domination.

That's right, the Pointers have gone unbeaten in their conference and continue to do so.

Starting last Saturday, Point knocked off WIAC conference competitor UW-Eau Claire in a 1-0 away game.

The win assured the Pointers a third place regional ranking as well as a national ranking of 19th in the Division III poll.

"Eau Claire was up for the game," Head Coach Sheila Miech said. "We had beaten them in the last 12 games of competition. This game was for the first seed at the conference tournament (and) this put us ahead of them."

The win, however, took its toll on Point as both senior Kim Cwik



Pointer Michelle Mauel (left) tries to outrace UW-Whitewater's Jessica Weyer to the ball Wednesday afternoon. (Photo by Nathan T. Wallin)

and defender Jennifer Schmit left the game with sprained ankles. Despite losing two of her players, Miech wasn't worried.

Packing their bags once again, the Pointers traveled to UW-

Superior where they shut down the winless Yellow Jackets 8-1.

Never losing their focus, UW-SP celebrated their last home game

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The Pointer Scorecard

Football

UW-SP - UW-EAU CLAIRE SUMMARY

EAU CLAIRE, WI
OCTOBER 17, 1998

UW-SP	7	7	0	13	--	27
UW-Eau Claire	7	10	6	3	--	26

Team Statistics

	UW-EC	UW-SP
First Downs	21	9
Net Yards Rushing	156	15
Net Yards Passing	296	275
Total Net Yards	452	290
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	0-0
Penalties-Yards	7-51	9-51
Sacks By-Yards	8-21	3-26
Interceptions-Yards	2-5	3-41
Time of Possession	38:04	21:56

Scoring

First Quarter

UW-SP - Gast 84 yd pass from Wiese (Steuck kick), 9:32.

UW-EC - Ostmoen 23 yd pass from Hoolihan (Braun kick), 1:08.

Second Quarter

UW-SP - Martin 42 yd pass from Wiese (Steuck kick), 6:13.

UW-EC - Ludescher 79 yd missed FG return (Braun kick), 5:00.

UW-EC - Braun 18 yd field goal, 0:02.

Third Quarter

UW-EC - Hoolihan 8 yd run (kick failed), 9:09.

Fourth Quarter

UW-EC - Braun 30 yd field goal, 9:46.

UW-SP - Schmitt 7 yd run (kick failed), 6:32.

UW-SP - Fredrick 40 yd pass from Aulenbacher (Steuck kick), 3:07.

Rushing: UW-SP - Schmitt 4-13, Fredrick 2-7, Gast 2-3, Kriewaldt 1-1, Aulenbacher 1-(minus 2), Wiese 11-(minus 7). UW-EC - Souhrada 12-93, Hoolihan 20-36, Jones 12-22, Buss 3-5.

Passing: UW-SP - Wiese 36-14-2 231 yds, Aulenbacher 3-2-0 44 yds. UW-EC - Hoolihan 36-22-3 296 yds.

Receiving: UW-SP - Martin 5-79, Gast 2-90, Fredrick 2-47, Gary 2-43, Ullsperger 2-10, Ward 2-0, Jones 1-6. UW-EC - Ostmoen 10-166, Buss 5-54, Crutchley 2-26, Jones 2-20, Hansen 1-13, Souhrada 1-9, Cornell 1-8.

The Week Ahead...

UW-Stevens Point Athletics

Football: UW-La Crosse, Saturday 1 p.m.

Soccer: At UW-River Falls, Saturday 2 p.m.; At St. Norbert, Tuesday 3 p.m.

Volleyball: At North Central Tourney, Friday and Saturday; At Marian College, Tuesday 7 p.m.

Tennis: At WIAC Championships (Madison), Saturday and Sunday.

Cross Country: UW-Oshkosh, Friday.

Hockey: Purple/Gold Game, Saturday 7:30 p.m.

Swimming: Purple/Gold Meet, Saturday 1 p.m.

Cross Country

JIM DREWS MAROON 8K

WEST SALEM, WI

OCTOBER 17, 1998

Team Standings

1. UW-Madison	17
2. UW-La Crosse	128
3. North Central (IL)	138
4. St. John's (MN)	146
5. UW-SP	154
6. St. Thomas (MN)	214
7. UW-Whitewater	238
8. UW-Oshkosh	243
9. Wartburg (IA)	246
10. UW-Eau Claire	266

UW-SP Finishers

11. Jesse Drake 25:33, 27. Matt Hayes 26:05, 32. Dan Schwamberger 26:11, 33. Ryan Wenos 26:12, 50. Nathan Mechlin 26:28, 60. Andy Bushard 26:35, 61. Mike Peck 26:35.

TORI NEUBAUER MAROON 8K

WEST SALEM, WI

OCTOBER 17, 1998

1. UW-Oshkosh	91
2. Nebraska Wesleyan	154
3. Augustana (IL)	157
4. UW-La Crosse	195
5. St. Thomas (MN)	216
6. UW-Stout	237
7. Wartburg (IA)	257
8. Washington (MO)	262
9. Macalester (MN)	266
10. Loras (IA)	278
13. UW-SP	311

UW-SP Finishers

26. Leah Juno 19:14, 38. Lisa Pisca 19:29, 62. Sara Holewinski 19:51, 90. Alyssa Garbe 20:12, 96. Erin Dowgwillo 20:15, 130. Marcie Fisher 20:45.

Women's Tennis

UW-SP - UW-EAU CLAIRE

EAU CLAIRE, WI

OCTOBER 17, 1998

Singles:

No. 1: Cope (EC) def. Oswald (SP), 6-1, 6-4.
No. 2: Lockner (EC) def. Byrne (SP), 6-0, 6-2.
No. 3: Hickman (EC) def. Renken (SP), 6-1, 6-1.
No. 4: Nelson (EC) def. Oelke (SP), 6-4, 6-2.
No. 5: Muellner (EC) def. Derse (SP), 6-1, 6-1.
No. 6: Pittel (EC) def. Janssen (SP), 0-6, 6-4, 7-5.

Doubles:

No. 1: Cope/Lockner (EC) def. Oswald/Oelke (SP), 6-2, 6-3.
No. 2: Hickman/Johnson (EC) def. Renken/Janssen (SP), 6-3, 6-3.
No. 3: Muellner/Dtot (EC) def. Byrne/Henn (SP), 6-2, 6-2.

UW-SP - UW-OSHKOSH

STEVENS POINT, WI

OCTOBER 15, 1998

Singles:

No. 1: Moser (O) def. Oswald (SP), 6-1, 6-2.
No. 2: Pelulik (O) def. Byrne (SP), 6-2, 6-1.
No. 3: Kleinschmidt (O) def. Renken (SP), 7-5, 6-2.
No. 4: Oelke (SP) def. Fischer (O), 6-3, 5-7, 6-4.
No. 5: Derse (SP) def. Korel (O), 6-2, 6-2.
No. 6: Janssen (SP) def. West (O), 6-3, 6-2.

Doubles:

No. 1: Moser/Pekulik (O) def. Oelke/Oswald (SP), 6-1, 6-2.

No. 2: Renken/Janssen (SP) def. Kleinschmidt/Fischer (O), 6-2, 3-6, 7-6 (7-5).
No. 3: Henn/Byrne (SP) def. West/Hart (O), 6-2, 2-6, 6-0.

Women's Soccer

UW-SP - UW-WHITEWATER

STEVENS POINT, WI

OCTOBER 21, 1998

UW-Whitewater	0	0	--	0
UW-SP	4	3	--	7

Scoring

First Half:

UW-SP: Gissibl (Davis, Wickesberg assists), 1:42.

UW-SP: Gissibl (Wickesberg assist), 16:39.

UW-SP: Lushine (Muhvic assist), 44:09.

UW-SP: Muhvic (Davis, Wickesberg assists), 44:34.

Second Half:

UW-SP: Muel, 55:59.

UW-SP: Gissibl (Wadel assist), 58:16.

UW-SP: Muhvic (Maas assist), 87:57.

Shots on Goal: UW-SP: 34, UW-W: 3.

Goal Saves: UW-SP: 1, UW-W: 13.

UW-SP - UW-EAU CLAIRE

EAU CLAIRE, WI

OCTOBER 17, 1998

UW-Eau Claire	0	0	--	0
UW-SP	0	1	--	1

Scoring

First Half:

No Scoring

Second Half:

UW-SP: Laura Gissibl (Wadel, Wickesberg assists), 51:05.

Shots on Goal: UW-SP: 24, UW-EC: 8.

Goal Saves: UW-SP: 6, UW-EC: 21.

Women's Volleyball

UW-SP - UW-RIVER FALLS

OCTOBER 17, 1998

UW-River Falls	15	15	10	15
UW-SP	7	9	15	10

UW-SP - UW-STOUT

OCTOBER 16, 1998

UW-SP	15	6	7	15	15
UW-Stout	12	15	15	10	5

UW-SP - UW-LA CROSSE

OCTOBER 14, 1998

UW-La Crosse	15	15	3	15
UW-SP	6	11	15	7

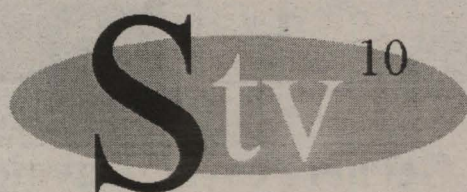
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10. Playaz Ball

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1. Mixed Nuts
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Indoor Soccer Top 3

1. Your Name Here
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3. Captain Morgan

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4. Baldwin
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- ⇒ The majority of UWSP students drink 4 or less times a month.
- ⇒ A mere 7% of UWSP students frequently drink because there's nothing else to do (which is an excuse often used by students to justify their drinking behavior).

Source: 1998 Alcohol and Other Drug Use Survey, UWSP

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FEATURE ESSAY

WHAT WILL YOU BE FOR HALLOWEEN?

By Cheryl Riehle
FEATURED COLUMNIST

Halloween is just a few weeks away—do you know what you're going to be? What an ironic question, huh?

When most "almost 21ers" think about Halloween, I would imagine you just think of little kids dressed in cute costumes going door-to-door asking for candy. Boy, was I wrong. When I was still in high school that definitely was the case, but once you enter college everyone seems to have grown young again.

All over campus I hear the same question: "What are you going to be for Halloween?" Now, before I go any further, let me clear it up for any freshmen or just completely naive people out there. On college campuses, you do get dressed up for Halloween but you don't go door-to-door asking for candy, not unless you *really* want to.

Instead, you go to "traditional" college "Halloween" parties. I cannot clarify that any more.

Last year, I remember some of the big costumes were the Men in Black or guys dressed as girls. So of course it got me thinking—what is everyone going to be and why this sudden trend toward acting like a kid again?

Well, on my search to find an answer, I turned to some people that I thought would be good sources—my friends. The overall response was this: if you think about college, everything you did when you were young you do once again. You make prank calls, you wear your backpack on both shoulders, you can't wait until you see your mommy again—so naturally dressing up in ridiculous costumes becomes fun once more.

There are some other obvious reasons that college kids get dressed up for Halloween and go to "Halloween" parties, but we're not going to go there.

Dressing up allows you to pretend that you are something other than yourself. You can go incognito so no one has a clue who you are, or you can just be cute or unusual. When you're in college, I've found, sometimes you just need to do something to unwind or relax. Get your mind off that midterm you have in two days that you haven't started to study for.

Dressing up for Halloween allows you to be a kid again. A time when you didn't have a worry in the world. It more or less adds a little bit of fun into an almost never-ending semester.

So okay now I know why everyone dresses up—now the question is what is everyone is going to be? I've heard many girls are going to be animals such as rabbits (not Playboy), tigers and mice. Girls, I think, feel like they are going to be "cute" when they dress up. I of course am going to be a unicorn.

The big consensus of men seems to be pimps. I can't quite figure that one out (actually, I guess I can). Also, old time gangsters and once again, girls. What is that fascination? Different report.

One thing that still baffles me is the fact that Halloween is supposed to be a scary time, yet so many people wear adorable costumes. What ever happened to a good witch or a dead guy covered in gore?

I guess when you are in college, creativity goes down. On the other hand, you could be like the majority of us who just cannot afford anything other than a \$4 headband from Target.

So anyway, if you are a little reluctant to dress up and act like a kid again, don't be. Throw a sheet over your head and be a traditional ghost. As soon as Halloween hits, you'll see that everyone is rediscovering their inner child and so should you.

I hope you all have a fun and safe Halloween!

Eds. Note- If you'd like to be a part of the "Feature Essay" section, simply email Nick Katzmarek at nkatz350@uwsp.edu with any ideas you have for the section. This is a forum for you- if you'd like your piece to be said, then grab the bull by the horns and say it! You can also reach the Features Editor at 346-2249. This column only works if you step up!

YOU'RE WRONG!

Is our education system based on "regurgitation?"

By Nick Katzmarek
FEATURES EDITOR

I know that this is somewhat redundant of me to say, but regurgitation makes me sick. I'll go right over the top and say that the least effective mode of education that I've run into in my many years at this institution would have to be rote recital and memorization.

While people say that this is the only way to learn some things, like history for example, I think that synthetic learning and analyzing the impact of historical decisions is a hell of a lot better way to promote understanding in students. I'd rather know **why** Germany invaded Poland than when. (1939?)

Reading things and analyzing them has always seemed like a vastly superior way of internalizing information. As an English major and student of language, there is obviously no way that I could learn the things that I do through memorization.

Do chemistry majors need to know the periodic table by heart? I knew it once, back to front, but I remember better that chemistry is fun when I'm doing experiments instead of slogging through pages of notes trying to remember that Oxygen is number eight. Give me a break.

So when it comes right down to it, give me a synthesis exam any day. Hey—it just means I don't have to study as much, right?



By Tracy Marhal
ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

"Regurgitation" is the education method I feel our American education system—at least the one I've been put through—is based on.

What I mean by "regurgitation" is the process of temporarily memorizing information so you can do well on a test or quiz, just pass the class, etc.

I frown upon this type of "teaching/learning" because it doesn't usually allow students to think and reason with the material, something that might make it stick in our brains longer. But rather (I'm guessing) it fills the niche of having to get through a certain amount of information in a certain amount of time.

I don't know that this way of education is anyone's fault, but if we are simply memorizing to forget, what are we paying thousands of dollars for? (Besides a document confirming we were here.)

There are some facts I think every student should know. For instance (history majors are excluded), what caused the Vietnam war? Congratulations if you can answer that, most of my peers cannot.

I guess I've learned a lot in my time at UW-SP, but most of it was not in a classroom. Perhaps "regurgitation" is a necessary vehicle for our socialization. I just hope in the future a more effective vehicle will be established.

Tastes of the Towne: The Mesquite Grill

By Ethan Meyer
RESTAURANT CRITIC

Elegant environment, great portions, and concise service are three things that my companion and I were treated to during our lunch at the Mesquite Grill.

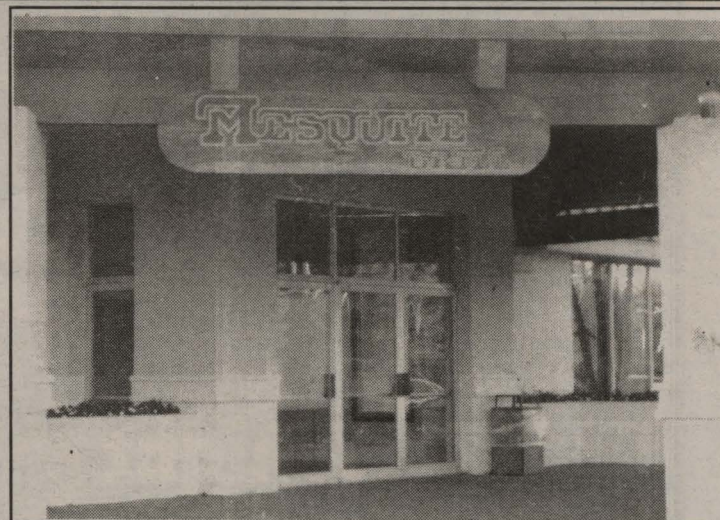
The soothing environment was very conducive to good conversation and was easy to relax in. As I perused the menu, I caught sight of the salad bar out of the corner of my eye. Fresh and full are the two things that came to mind. Available every lunch hour, it provided yet another enticing option for my enjoyment.

After some consideration, I chose the Reuben at the Inn and my counterpart chose the Taco Salad.

The lunch menu at the Mesquite Grill offers many other great sandwiches, including the ever-popular club, prime rib and the huge Burger at the Inn. A unique assortment of salads can also be found on the lunch menu including the Caribbean Spinach Salad, Chicken Caesar and such old standbys as the Chef Salad.

Our waitress was very efficient and quick to fulfill our every need, although I found her a bit impersonal. Our food arrived well within acceptable time considering that it was lunch hour.

I must comment on the mountainous Taco salad that was hauled from the kitchen, to the



The Mesquite Grill, located in the Holiday Inn Convention Center, is one of the more famous spots in Stevens Point. (Photo by Cody Strathe)

amazement of myself and my companion. As she ordered the salad, I wondered if she would have enough to eat because she chose to have the meat and guacamole excluded. However, my fears were unfounded.

My sandwich also was no small feat of culinary talent. Packed with enough corned beef to feed a large predatory animal, I was hard pressed to finish it.

I do have one complaint. I know that it should not be a priority of mine to have a drink with every meal, but when I visit a restaurant of this caliber I expect to have the option. Mortimer's offers many great taps including Woodchuck Apple Cider and Newcastle, which I was looking forward to indulging myself in.

I can say from experience that the dinner menu offers many awesome entrees—although it's soon to undergo a total face-lift, beginning in approximately one month.

All in all, my experience at the Mesquite was quite good. If you are in the mood for something a bit upscale, (or a great place for a date) this is a viable option.

Rating:

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Ethan Meyer has over three and a half years of experience in cooking around the United States and a total of 13 years in hospitality.

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Brewhaus features aspiring local talent

By Tracy Marhal

ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

It's seldom aspiring musicians receive a chance to play their music in a classy, trendy atmosphere for people who want to listen.

These set circumstances, however, are becoming less seldom thanks to the Basement Brewhaus' Open Mic Night.

Holly Williams, who coordinates the event says it provides good exposure.

"Well, it's a chance for any student to come down and show their talent; they have a captive audience," she said.

Open Mic Night is not designated solely for music (however, a piano is available).

Two mics are set up for those wishing to read their poetry, perform an acting scene, etc. Pretty much anything goes--well, not anything.

"I encourage any act to come down--except for strip teases," Williams said jokingly.

Williams, who is the Brewhaus' promotions coordinator, says the audience is very supportive, "Every one has a good time," she said.

Self-employed musician and frequent performer Mike White agrees.

White played cover songs and original music last year during the



Performers can strut their stuff during open mic at the Brewhaus on Mondays from 7-10 p.m. (Photo by Nathan Wallin)

scheduled Tuesday open mic slot and is a regular again this year.

"I do it because I enjoy making music and sharing it with other people," said White.

White is somewhat famous around the area for one song in particular.

"It's called Rocky Was a Tree Squirrel. It goes along with Neil Young's Rockin' in the Free World," White explained.

White says Open Mic Night is a good chance to entertain people.

He figures he's doing an okay job because, "people don't turn around and run the other way."

The Brewhaus is located in the basement of the University Center.

You can show off your talents in the "open" atmosphere Mondays from 7-10 p.m.

WORD OF MOUTH



EMPLOYEE WELLNESS

A Restorative Yoga session will be held on Saturday, Oct. 24 in the Yoga Studio from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The cost is \$60.

For more information or to register for this program, call 345-1113.

HAUNTED HOUSE

For the eleventh consecutive year, the residents of Baldwin Hall will sponsor a haunted house on Saturday, Oct. 31 to benefit Operation Bootstrap.

The public is invited to attend the event from 7 to 10 p.m. in the basement. Admission is \$1 or a nonperishable food item.

For further information, call 346-2276.

CONCERT

Billy McLaughlin will play the Encore tonight at 8 p.m. Tickets are available before the show for \$4 with ID and \$6 w/o. At the door, they will be \$6 and \$8.

JAZZ NIGHT

Centertainment Productions is sponsoring Jazz Nite Friday, Oct. 23 in The Encore at 8 p.m.

Featuring performances from UW-SP jazz students as well as an open mic session, Jazz Nite is an opportunity for aspiring jazz people to jam out.

Phone-a-Thon brings in needed dollars

Students call on alumni to sponsor university

By Dawnette Peek

FEATURES REPORTER

Imagine sitting at a desk for four hours each night calling people. Some people might think of this as telemarketing, but not these two UW-Stevens Point students.

In their third year working at the Phone-a-Thon, co-chairs

Leslie Hofstede and Jeremiah Dentz both agree that "it's a great job, convenient for the college student, great hours and most importantly, it's a good opportunity to help out the university."

The program is run through the Foundation, and was started in 1987. The kickoff date for this semester was September 28. It is a year-long program located in the basement of the Debot Center. It

runs Monday through Friday from 4:30 to 8:30 p.m.

What the Phone-a-Thon workers do is call alumni and "friends" of the university to ask if they would like to make a donation. Donations range from \$1 to \$1000 or more. The donations go anywhere the donor specifies (colleges, sports, etc.) or it can go to wherever the money is needed in the university.

Many of the donations go for scholarship funds. All the new signs that are around campus, some television sets in classrooms and other equipment are provided by the Foundation.

Terri Taylor, the director of Annual Projects and liaison for Phone-a-Thon, decided on a new approach this year. They sent out letters to alumni and "friends" before calling. By doing this, it makes them aware that the students will be calling them in the near future and sets a friendly atmosphere. The goal for this year is around \$158,000.

So, when you receive that scholarship, or see new signs or equipment around the university, think of the alumni, "friends" and the workers at the Phone-a-Thon and thank them. They are the ones that make it happen.

For more information, call Terri Taylor at 346-4027.



In the Debot Center, the phone-a-thon is hard at work to bring in funds for the university. (Photo by Douglas Olson)

School "Pointers"

DEALING WITH THE STRESS OF SCHOOL

By Jaime Goulet

WELLNESS REPORTER

Fall is officially here! The Green Bay Packers are playing again; the days are shorter and the air is sweeter; and yes, highlighted leaves are swaying on every tree.

What does this mean for us as students? One thing ... added stressors!!

Deadlines, increased studying, unpaid bills, jobs, tempers, mid-terms, new relationships, breakups, roommate disagreements, parties, family concerns and no time for anything. Sounding familiar? How can this all be happening? Isn't college supposed to be the "good life?" Relax- it still is and still can be.

College is an intense up and down, all around roller coaster ride that challenges us with constant changes. Changes aren't all bad, either. They can be uplifting and exciting experiences. But what about when changes are demanding or become pressures that lead to stress? How do you handle with or cope with that stress?

No one is immune to stress, but how one prevents and manages stress is the key to successfully combating against it. Here are a few tips to help you prepare for those seasonal college stressors and get you back into the "good life:"

- **Schedule time to play.** Find outside stimulation. Don't lose sight of your hobbies, have a movie night, play in the fallen leaves or join a club.

- **Get physical.** Stress adds extra energy to the body that needs to be released. So get moving or lifting three times a week for at least 20 minutes per session.

- **Laugh.** This is not only a physical benefit, but a psychological one as well. Laughing is an outlet for hostility, anger, anxiety and tension.

- **Relax.** Stop and smell the roses. Slow down or take a deep breath every now and then. It is OK to be aware of your surroundings and how you are feeling.

- **Prioritize.** Try to organize schedules from most important to least important and stick to them. Incorporating time management skills will create more time to do things that you would rather be doing.

Stress is unavoidable but definitely manageable. The above examples are only a few of the many types of stress management techniques used. It is up to you to find the anecdote that prevents or releases stress so you can totally enjoy your college experience.

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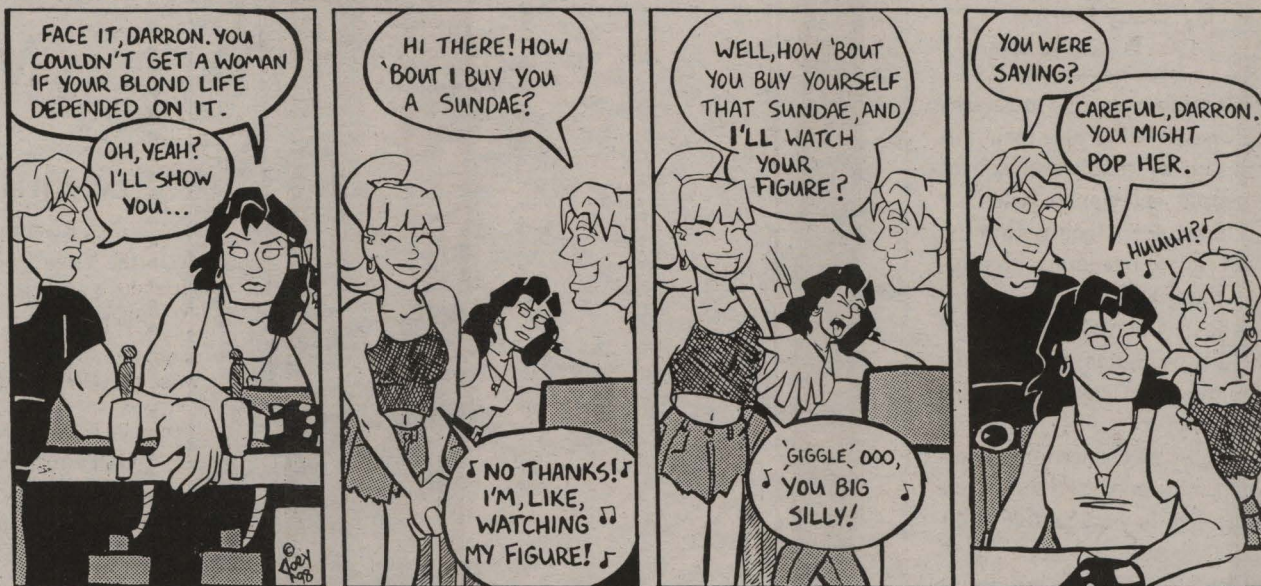
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All his life, Jim spoke from the heart. But his heart had the last word.

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By Joey Hetzel

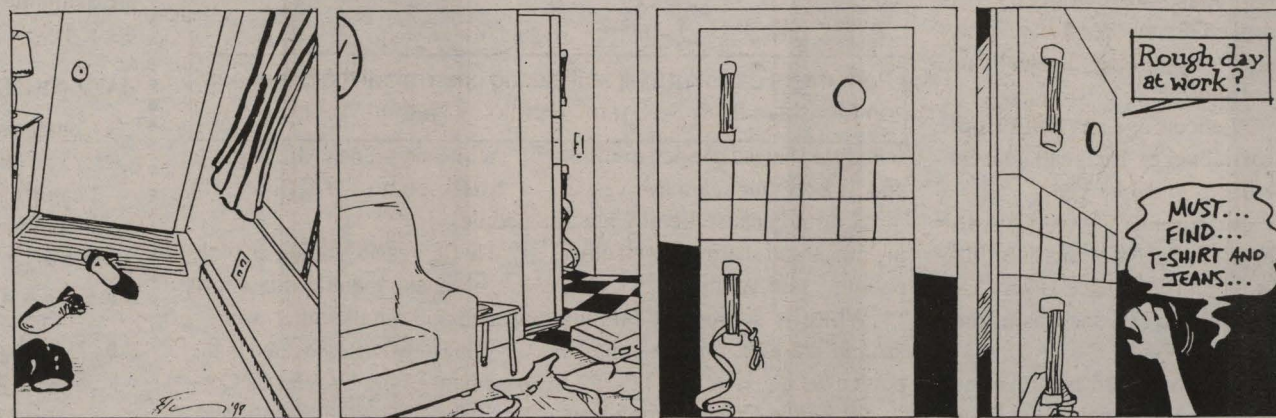


Jackie's Fridge

By BJ Hiorns



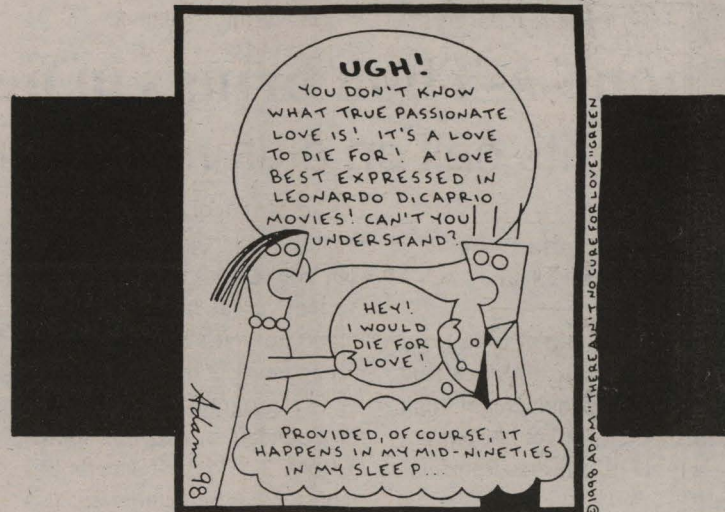
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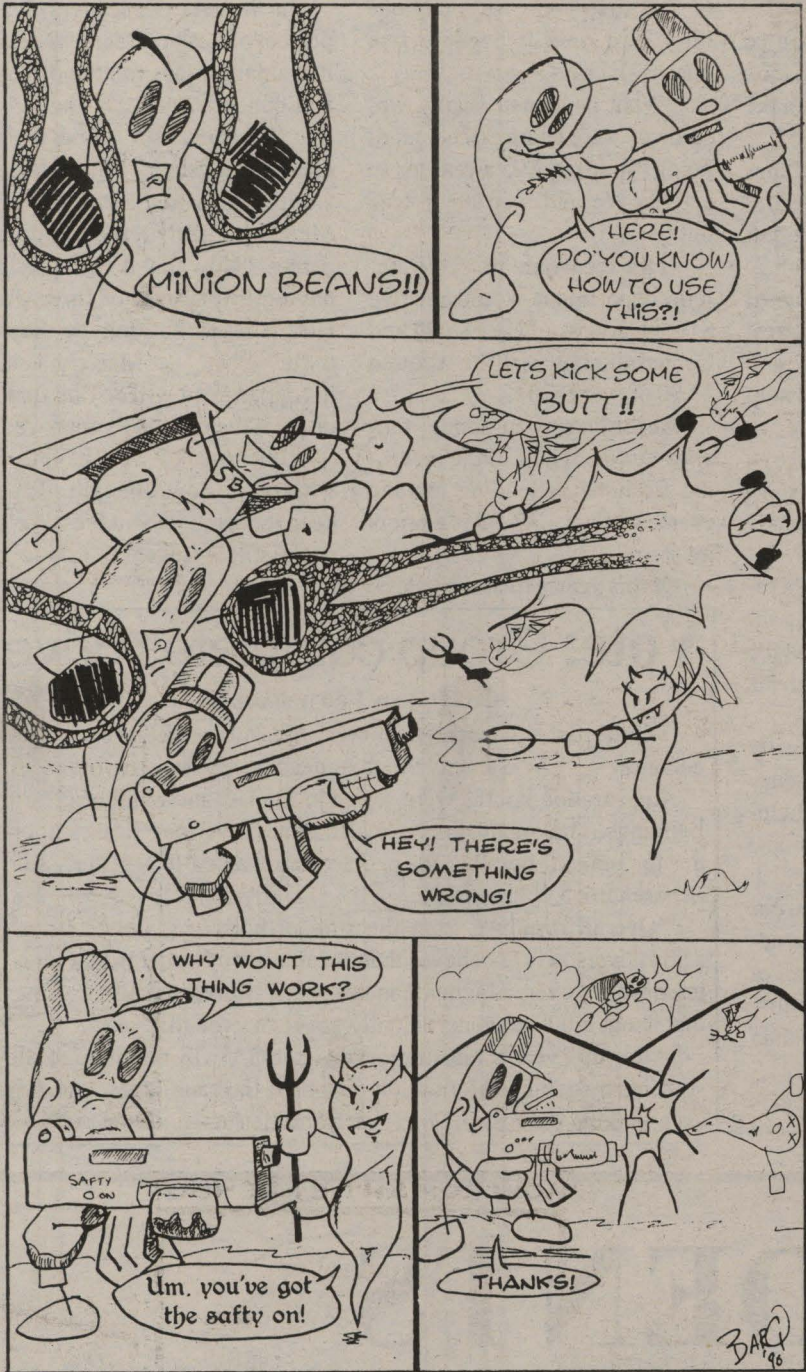


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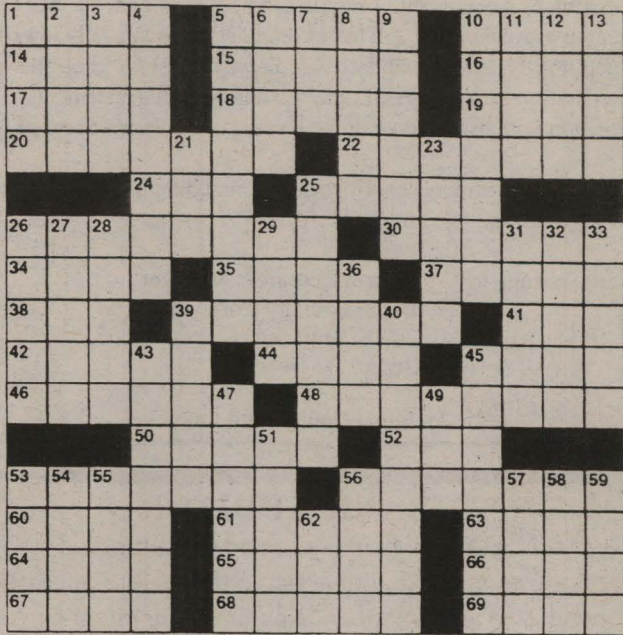


BEANS

By Mark Eisenman



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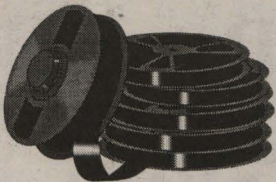


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Bullock, Kidman movie full of Magic

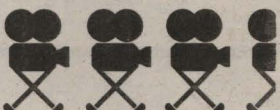


By Nick Katzmarek
FILM CRITIC

I love movies that manage to incorporate elements from several different genres. *Practical Magic* is one of those films. Containing fantasy, family and anguish, it blurs the line between sheer chick-flick and male-friendly fantasy. The movie has one of the finest casts I've seen in a while. The headliners are Nicole Kidman and Sandra Bullock as the main characters, but the real gems are to be found in the supporting cast. Stockard Channing of *Grease* fame and Kate Wiems (who I fell in love with in *Parenthood*) play two aunts that really make the most of their somewhat limited roles. Two other male actors fill out the rest of the cast as villain and police officer, respectively. Pre-

dictably, they are also the love interests for Kidman and Bullock, but the predictability is what makes it good, in this case. The plot is simple but elegant. Bullock and Kidman are sisters in a family that has always been able to perform magic. Bullock stays home to raise a family and Kidman flies the coop and gets hooked up with that guy — that turns out to be a big mistake. Bullock comes to the rescue and chaos ensues, resolved only by the family of witches and their non-believing neighbors. One of the cool things about the movie is that they talk a lot about details of being a witch without being cheesy. The movie plays on relationships to harness the females and tosses in enough special effects to snare the males they are with. The nice thing about this one is that there is something for everybody. Don't miss it — it's definitely a recommended film.

Rating:



Rentals

The Deer Hunter
(1978, 183 min)

Before *Apocalypse Now* and well before *Platoon* was Michael Cimino's 1978 Academy Award winning Vietnam picture *The Deer Hunter*. The film has less to do with the battle grounds of the war and more to do with the pre and post Vietnam feelings of five mill workers from Pennsylvania. Robert De Niro plays Michael, a simple man who enjoys the outdoors. De Niro is drafted to go to war with friends Steven and Nick (played by John Savage and Christopher Walken respectively — Walken won the best supporting actor Oscar). The feelings the three have before the war changes drastically and the effects war has on men is examined in this exceptional movie. Some critics feel the film was not as strong as 1978's other Vietnam movie *Coming Home*, but I disagree.

-Mike Beacom

Ghost of "Phish" returns



Phish
"The Story of the Ghost"

By Steve Schoemer
MUSIC CRITIC

Phun, phantastic, and phunky are all solid descriptions of *Phish's* latest release "The Story of the Ghost." The grooving funk-up sound that this critic feels was uncharacteristically absent on their last album "Billy Breathes" is back. The musical genius known as *Phish* is fueled by Trey Anastasio on guitar, Jon Fishman on drums, Mike Gordon on bass, and Page McConnell on keyboards. To name any one of the "phantastic phour" the lead vocalist would be unfair, since they all sing pretty equally. *Phish* has always been known for their ability to go off and jam for quite lengthy periods of time as well as their (this is going to sound crazy) simple yet puzzling lyrics. On this album, however, it seems that they took their lyrics and swam them down to a

deeper and in many cases darker level. The fact is that the lyrics are overplayed with the band's unique upbeat playing style which makes for a real interesting and enjoyable listen. I guess the reason I've always liked *Phish* in the past is that they have the ability to all take their instruments in different directions during a long jam, and then all at once bring the music back together to continue the song. Although they display this ability on the new album, it is much more reserved. Does this mean the band is selling out, trying to find more of a "radio sound?" I really don't think so. I think it probably means that the band is looking for more diversity in their music. "The Story of the Ghost" is a disc that is definitely worth looking into. It is full of the stuff all you loyal *Phish* fans have always loved with some new twists and turns to add to your delight.

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Fee: Students to vote Tuesday and Wednesday

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Director Frank O'Brien said when asked what he'd have to do if the proposal fails. "We'd have to look at what we're doing and make some decisions."

"Only about 33 percent comes from Student Government," O'Brien said. "Our reliance on soft money and ticket sales is high."

"For a long time, we've wanted to have our students get in for free. We want it for our attendance and obviously the money would help support our program."

Comparing the university to other schools in the system, UW-SP currently has the lowest activity fee of all nine campuses.

Of each UW-SP student's tuition, \$95.90 goes towards the activity fee. UW-La Crosse has the highest fee allotment, as students pay \$213.70.

"While we don't necessarily want to be like the Jones'," Jury wrote in the proposal, "it is helpful to look at what other schools are doing."

"Most of the schools in our conference already offer free admission to most events, and all of the other conference schools have a higher activities fee than we do."

Jury said a number of years ago, students at UW-SP decided

to do something philosophically different with the fee.

"At first it was we'll pay one buck and then it became two bucks," he said.

"What happened finally was students were being priced out of going. They pay \$95 a year for an activity fee and then are priced out."

If the fee would pass, the athletic department would receive \$10.00, arts would get \$5.90 and Centertainment will be allotted \$3.90 of every \$20.

According to an annual random survey of half of the incoming freshmen, attending athletic events while at UW-SP is a priority.

Of this year's freshman class,

only 12.7 percent said going to athletic contests was unimportant.

In the arts department, 27.9 percent of freshmen surveyed said it is unimportant to attend plays and concerts.

"We think it's going to increase attendance," Fine Arts and Communication Dean Gerard McKenna said if the proposal passes. "Now that the excuse (of having to pay two or three dollars) is taken out, maybe they'll try it."

McKenna said his department will be fine financially if the raise isn't approved.

"If it does fail, we'll have to do what we do now," he said. "We'll keep the same student fees. We're not destitute if we don't do it."

Vote: Group completes drive

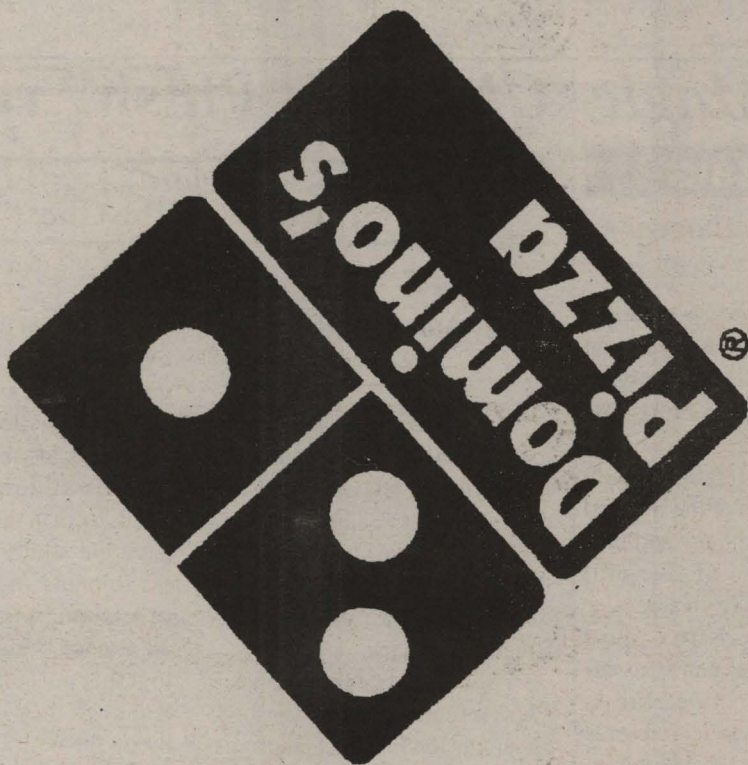
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For the past two weeks, members of SGA have been helping and encouraging UW-Stevens Point students to register to vote.

Registration booths were set up in the UC and in all academic buildings. The organizers have also gone to various classes in order to "make it possible for people who wanted to register," said Scharenbroch.

"Overall response from the student body was outstanding," said Halverson. He believes that the number of students that registered were, "overall higher than last year." Halverson also assumes that about 1,000 students actually got registered this year.

After this year's registration drive, SGA will continue to aid students by getting information out about the candidates. SGA is also working on possibly offering a shuttle service to the polls.

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