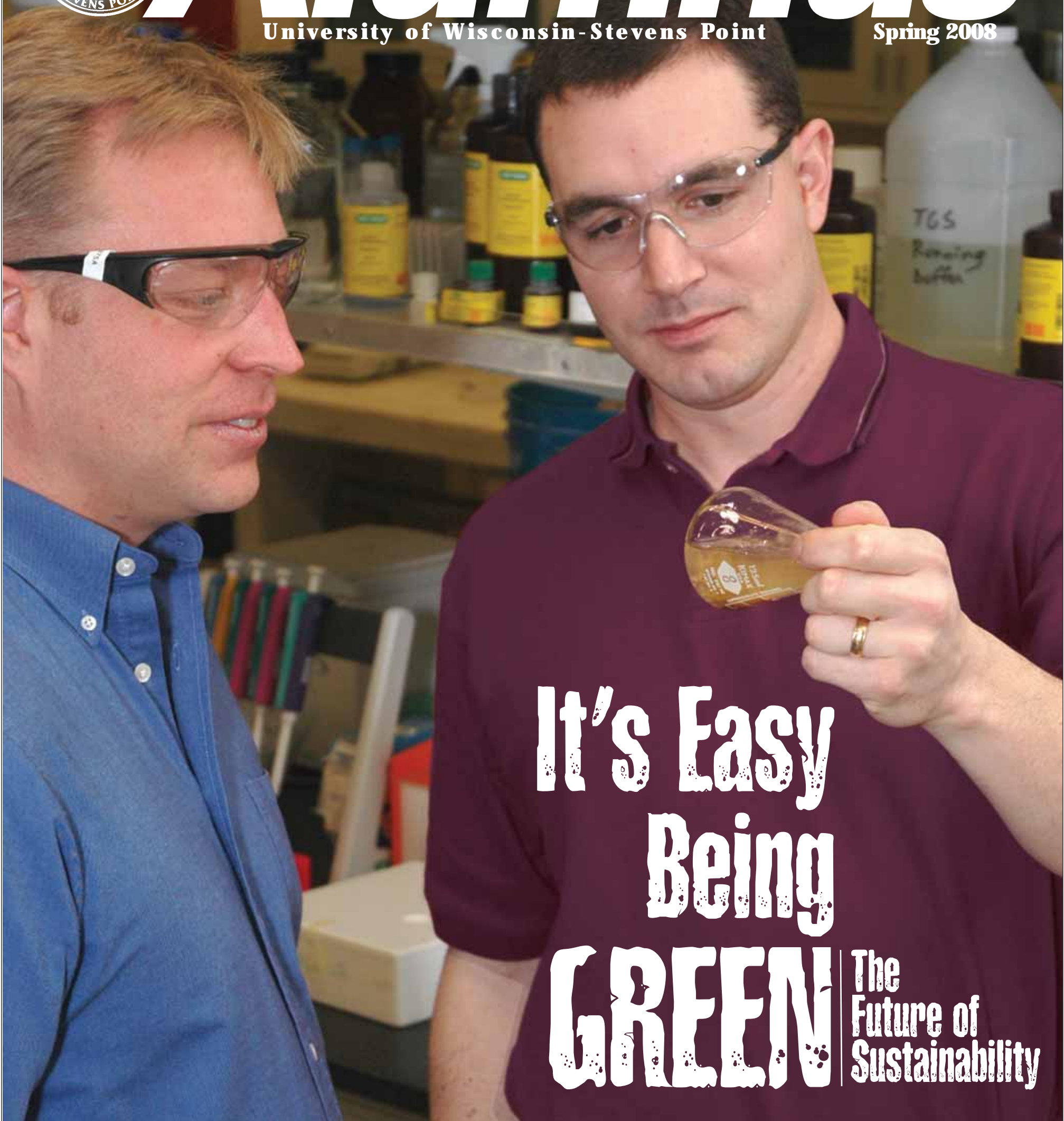




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The Alumni Association Board of Directors and Alumni Affairs staff gathered last fall during Homecoming. The group includes, with officer's names bolded and former board member's names italicized, in the back row, from left, Katie Carlson, assistant director of Alumni Affairs; **Shannon Loecher**, '93, Minneapolis, Minn., past president; David Bruha, '82, Wisconsin Rapids; **Mary Wescott**, '75, Stevens Point, president elect; Jeff Buhrandt, '00, Madison; Andrew Halverson, '01, Stevens Point; **Cindy Polzin**, '01, Madison, member at large; Tom Klismith, '80, Plover; John Jokela, '89, Schofield; **Grant Winslow**, '89, De Pere, member at large; **Ray Oswald**, '97, Milwaukee, vice president; *Al Barrows*, '49, Stevens Point; *Scott Thomas*, '88, Jacksonville, Fla.; Tom Girolamo, '82, Mosinee; Gordon Faust, '58, Waunakee; *Warren Lensmire*, '50, Stevens Point; and **Patrick Braatz**, '84, Portland, Ore., president.

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On the cover:

Eric Singaas (left) and **Don Guay**, '96, (right) UWSP professors in biology and paper science and engineering respectively, are working together on processes needed to create biofuel from wood pulp. (For more on their work, see page 4.)

This issue of the *Pointer Alumnus* will focus on UWSP's recent efforts to be a sustainable campus in a sustainable community. Singaas and Guay's research is just one example of the many ways UWSP is working to sustain and protect the earth's resources.

Look throughout the issue for examples of sustainability efforts at UWSP and ways you too can "go green."

It's Easy Being Green

At UWSP: The Wisconsin K-12 Energy Education Program (KEEP), located at UWSP, has successfully reached over 2,500 teachers throughout the state through graduate-level courses and materials, helping increase the quality and quantity of energy education for over 200,000 K-12 students in Wisconsin.

At home: Keep your tires inflated to save on gas and change your car's air filter monthly to reduce carbon dioxide emissions.

Go to www.stopglobalwarming.org and find specific ways to take action for a more sustainable world.

Alumni benefits increase with GradMed®

UWSP alumni now have an additional benefit from their alma mater – short term health insurance.

GradMed® is available for new graduates, alumni and their families to fill the gaps between graduation and a first job, insurance changes due to divorce or when children are no longer students and can't be covered by a parent's plan.

Information on GradMed® and the other many benefits for UWSP alumni may be found at the UWSP Alumni Association Web site at www.uwsp.edu/alumni/alumnibenefits.aspx.

Dear UWSP alumni and friends,

UWSP has long been a trendsetter in the higher education landscape. From its roots as a co-ed campus in 1894 to leading the way for paper science and environmental education as well as working for a total wellness approach in education, UWSP has built itself around the best interests of the students, friends, families and the community.

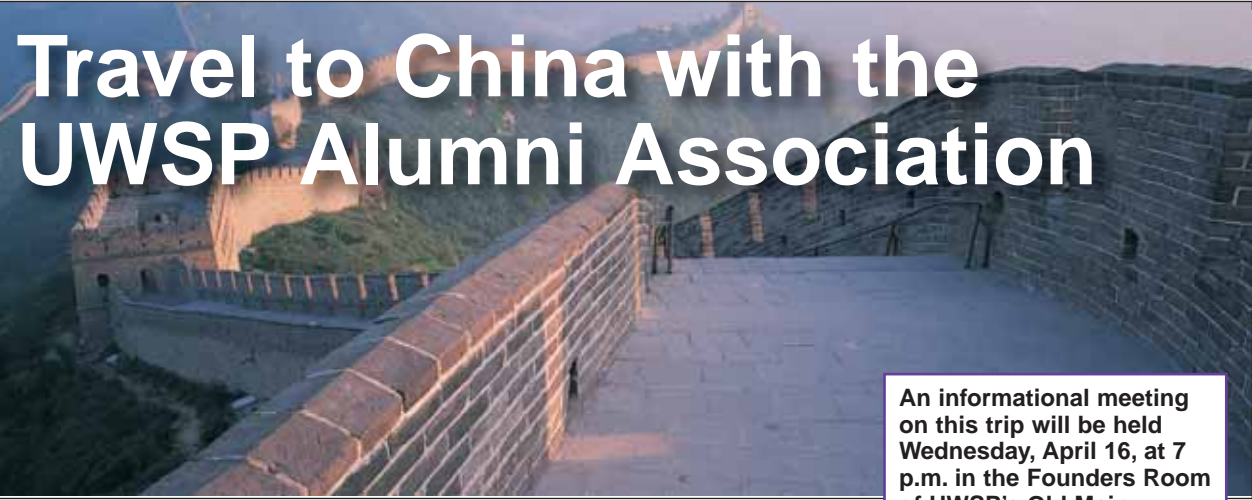
Given this rich history of leadership and innovation, it came as no surprise when Governor James Doyle announced in September 2006 that an initiative to move four UW campuses off the energy grid in the coming years would include our alma mater. UWSP has already been moving in this direction for several years. We are home to an environmentally conscious student body that is supported by a strong eco-minded community. While not entirely off the grid yet, the campus is already home to solar panels, mandatory recycling (I even remember my friends being fined for having recyclables in the regular trash bags!), bioswales, and two eateries on campus that are almost exclusively organic, sustainable and supplied by locally grown foods. UWSP also continues to be the largest purchaser of green energy among the UW schools.

While the students, faculty, staff and community are doing their parts in Central Wisconsin, our alumni are also having a positive impact on the global climate, from those who make the choice to living green to alumni who devote their careers to environmental research and education.

It is humbling to see the Pointers of yesterday and today uniting to enact change to ensure the future of our environment and our world. UWSP is making its mark as part of the global solution, and that's a distinction of which we can all be proud.

Laura Gehrman Rottier

Laura Gehrman Rottier, '02, director of Alumni Affairs



An informational meeting on this trip will be held Wednesday, April 16, at 7 p.m. in the Founders Room of UWSP's Old Main.

In a city more than seven centuries old, the ghosts of the past linger in the Ming Tombs, the Summer Palace and the Temple of Heaven. In this city, a wall can be seen for miles and dragons perch like angels. Every taste and sensation is as different as east is from west. Welcome to Beijing, China.

The UWSP Alumni Association and UWSP Foundation are sponsoring an eight-day trip to Beijing from Thursday, Nov. 13, through Thursday, Nov. 20. The trip includes first-class accommodations for six nights at the Capital Hotel in the heart of Beijing, six breakfasts, two lunches, a welcome gathering, professional guides and tours of Tiananmen Square, the Forbidden City, the Great Wall and Ming Tombs. The trip is \$1,299 per person, double occupancy or \$1,799 per person, single occupancy. A \$130 Visa fee is extra, as is an optional two-day excursion to Xi'an.

Airfare is extra and may be purchased for \$1,099 for departures from Central Wisconsin Airport, Green Bay, Milwaukee, Madison, Chicago or Minneapolis/St. Paul. This includes all hotel transfers via deluxe motor coach, luggage handling and tips, airline fuel surcharges, taxes and security fees.

2008 UWSP Alumni Association Milestone Reunion

June 20-June 22

Alumni to celebrate milestone reunions this summer

For the second year in a row, three UWSP classes will join together to mark a milestone in their years as alumni.

Members of the graduating classes of 1958, 1983 and 1998 will mark their 50th, 25th and 10th college reunions respectively with an activity-filled weekend at their alma mater from Friday, June 20, through Sunday, June 22.

"I've never before experienced different generations of alumni sharing milestones through a reunion," said **Patty Dreier**, '82, Stevens Point, a member of the Milestone Committee. "It really gave me a strong sense of the flow of time and how every university student contributes to building a future for those students who follow. Celebrating our shared university heritage was a blast."

Many of the milestone reunion activities will be held in the newly remodeled Dreyfus University Center (DUC) for the first time, as the center was under construction last summer.

A 50th Reunion Brunch kicks off the weekend on Friday, June 20, from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Alumni Room of the DUC. A social will be held there as well from 5-6:30 p.m. for all alumni, followed by a performance of the Jump Ship Blues Band in the DUC Encore Room from 8-11 p.m. Other activities on Friday include a genealogy workshop and a visit to the UWSP archives.

Activities on Saturday, June 21, include rock wall climbing, a campus and DUC tour, the milestone picnic on the front lawn of Old Main, a planned giving seminar, canoe trip down the Plover River, workshops on positive psychology and chemistry, a wine tasting, city tour, study abroad reunion and Clam Lake/Treehaven reunion. The evening will end with an all-alumni milestone social, awards dinner and program in the DUC Laird Room from 5:30-8:30 p.m., at which alumni may record their memories of UWSP.

On Sunday, June 22, a farewell reception will be held at the Ramada Inn from 9-11 a.m.

In addition to these activities, a scavenger hunt will be held, with winners announced at the Saturday evening program. A separate track of activities for children may be offered at an extra cost if there is enough interest.

The weekend registration fee is \$95 per adult for the 50th Reunion Package, \$75 for the Milestone Package or \$65 for the Saturday and Sunday Package. The fees include meals, workshops, socials, entertainment and tours. The canoe trip will be an additional \$15 per person.

Milestone reunion attendees may stay in a block of rooms reserved at the Ramada Inn (formerly the Country Springs Hotel) or on campus in a double or single room in air-conditioned Steiner Hall.

Information on these options, fees and all registration information and forms may be found at www.uwsp.edu/alumni/MilestoneReunion2008.aspx or by calling the Alumni Affairs Office at (715) 346-3811.



Three classes marked milestone reunions last June, as 1957, 1982 and 1997 graduates and their families came to Stevens Point for activities, fun and fellowship. They all enjoyed a picnic on the front lawn of Old Main (top) and took part in alumni college workshops, including a chemistry demonstration. The classes of 1958, 1983 and 1998 will celebrate milestone reunions this summer from June 20-22.

Final Scott Schultz golf outing set for August 11

Having raised more than \$40,000 in scholarship funds, the Scott Schultz Memorial Golf Outing will be held for the last time on Monday, August 11.

The event will be held at Glacier Wood Golf Club in Iola, with men's, women's and mixed gender competitions and hole prizes and surprises for all. Alumni and community members are encouraged to get their four-person teams together and register with the Alumni Affairs Office by calling (715) 346-3811.

Over its eight years, the Scott Schultz Memorial Golf Outing has established three scholarships: a \$1,000 award through the UWSP Foundation for an incoming freshman and two \$500 awards through the Portage County Community Foundation, one for a Stevens Point Area Senior High School student and one for a Pacelli High School student.

"Our family has been blessed to have known so many people who have shown their love to the Stevens Point community and have donated their time and money to help us create these three scholarships," said Mary Schultz Anderson, Scott Schultz's widow. "Scott felt that it was vital for our youth to be able to continue in the educational process. It was his wish for us to help those who need it."

Schultz was a 1971 alumnus who served as Student Government Association president while a student and was the mayor of Stevens Point for seven years. He later worked in the UWSP Foundation and was executive director of the Community Foundation of Portage County when he died suddenly at age 51. The scholarships acknowledge incoming students who, like Scott, have provided outstanding service and leadership to their school and community.

"Scott did so much for the university and the community during his life, it is appropriate that we honor his memory and his contributions with these scholarships," said golf outing committee member John Jury, a former UWSP administrator and Schultz's longtime colleague.

"I would like the committee, our sponsors and golfers to know how grateful we are for everything that they have done," said Schultz Anderson. "We still feel the pain of not having Scott with us, but this event has lessened the feeling."

It's Easy Being Green

At UWSP: A "green roof" on one section of the University Library offers five different drought tolerant plants that provide an extra layer of insulation for the building and evaporative cooling in the summer, reducing energy usage and rain runoff as well as improving air quality by trapping and absorbing nitrous oxides, volatile organic compounds, and airborne particulate matter.

At home: Insulate your home, saving 2,000 pounds of carbon dioxide and \$245 a year.



(Left) Alumni met in Hollywood, California, to screen alumnus and film producer Chris Burgard's, '84, documentary film, **BORDER**, a documentary about the line between the United States and Mexico line and the problems it causes both countries.

(Below) Andrew Scherer, '07, Mesa, Ariz., threw the first pitch at the Cubs vs. Brewers game in Mesa on March 4. A UWSP alumni social and tailgate, hosted by Mesa's Mayor Keno Hawker, '69, was held during the game and included some singing on top of the Cubs dugout during the 7th Inning Stretch!



Alumni helping future Pointers with admissions

A new program between the UWSP Alumni Association and the Admissions Office partners alumni with accepted students in hopes to help these students decide to attend UWSP.

The alumni admissions volunteers are given the names of about 10 students who either share their major or minor or live in the same geographical area. The volunteers call or e-mail the students and share personal stories and fond memories of UWSP.

"Our hope is that these prospective students come to see UWSP as not just a place, but as a family they want to join," said **Laura Gehrman Rottier**, '02, director of Alumni Affairs.

"Most of them were very friendly and happy to hear from me," said volunteer **Laurie Schaefer**, '00, Milwaukee. "I had a good time talking to all of them."

More student names will be ready for volunteers this spring. If interested in joining this effort, contact the Alumni Affairs Office at (715) 346-3811 or e-mail alumni@uwsp.edu.

UWSP meeting the challenge of **Being Green**

Kermit the Frog said it best when he sang, “It’s not easy being green.” Even so, for decades UWSP has heartily embraced the challenges created by a changing environment and the ever growing needs of a consumer population. From the 1930s when conservation education was being taught to future teachers by Fred Schmeekle, through today, as our professors research biofuels and students lead sustainability efforts, UWSP has and continues to enjoy “being green.”

In 2006, Governor James Doyle named UWSP one of four UW System campuses targeted in the state’s energy independence project. By pursuing renewable energy options and aggressive conservation efforts, these campuses aim to be completely energy independent by 2011.

Of these four campuses, UWSP uses the most “green” energy. NatureWise renewable electrical energy powers 22.85 percent of the campus and 56.69 percent of the residence halls. These units of energy are paid for by the Student Government Association, campus administration, Residence Hall Association and Residential Living office.

This is in addition to the use of solar panels on three residence halls, rain gardens, low flow plumbing fixtures, high efficiency lighting, photovoltaic window panels, a huge recycling and surplus reuse program and many other conservation efforts on campus.

The task set before the campus by the governor is being handled by UWSP’s Sustainability Task Force, created last fall and led by **Bob Oehler**, ’87, the new director of Facility Services, and College of Natural Resources student Colleen Kiefer.

Chancellor Linda Bunnell has named sustainability the theme of the current academic year. In 2007 she was one of the first 100 university leaders to sign the American College and University Presidents Climate Commitment. This contract committed UWSP to the pursuit of climate neutrality to avert the impacts of global warming.

More recently, Bunnell was called upon to chair a session on campus sustainability at the national meeting of the American Association of State Colleges and Universities in San Francisco, and will have a commentary on sustainability in the association’s upcoming magazine.

“Our university enjoys a strong reputation for its commitment to the environment, rooted in our leadership in natural resources conservation,” Bunnell noted. “We’ve taken many steps toward sustainability within our facilities that place us at the fore among American universities. We are fortunate to have a supportive student body as we move forward toward the goal of energy independence.”

So what exactly is sustainability? More than just putting your recyclables at the curb each week, “being sustainable” refers to the ability to meet the needs of the present while living within the carrying capacity of supporting ecosystems and without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.

Oehler simplifies it, saying “It’s an economic, environmental and social movement aimed at encouraging planetary thinking.”

By being a sustainable campus, UWSP encourages a sustainable community, where students, faculty, staff and residents not only use renewable energy and make decisions that support a sustainable earth, but learn how to continue these efforts for the future.

So just like Kermit, UWSP is quite happy being green... as is the next generation who will reap the benefits of the work being done today for a more sustainable campus and planet.

Professors active in biofuel efforts

Two UWSP faculty members, alumnus **Don Guay**, ’96, and Eric Singasaas, are working on a way to create a biodiesel fuel from wood that has energy potential close to that of gasoline.

Guay, an assistant professor of paper science and engineering in the College of Natural Resources, is a wood chemist and Singasaas, an associate professor of biology and forestry in the College of Letters and Science, is a plant biologist, but the two are working together in a new multi-college collaboration at UWSP, the Wisconsin Institute for Sustainable Technology (WIST). Once this biodiesel is developed, the two plan to manufacture it on a commercial scale. UWSP has applied for patent protection for this process.

Both have recently received grants to continue this work. Guay received a \$49,018 grant from Hydrite Chemical Company, a privately held company based in Brookfield, to studying a process to liberate glucose from cellulose for the production of biofuel.

Singasaas received a \$25,139 grant from American Science and Technology of Wausau, a research and development firm based in Chicago, to research a method of creating a bio-chemical pathway where terpenoids (such as isoprene) could be used in the manufacture of noncarcinogenic products ranging from fuel to the rubber in sneakers.

According to Gerry Ring, chair of the Paper Science and Engineering Department at UWSP, biofuels created by wood can be made in local pulp mills with a wide range of wood waste, helping the economy by creating new jobs at these mills. He also lauded the use of wood as a sustainable material since forests are a renewable resource.



Eric Singasaas (left) and Don Guay, ’96, (right) are collaborating on a process to create biofuel from wood pulp.



Oehler enjoys his vocation, avocation at his alma mater

Bob Oehler, ’87, feels fortunate to be where he is right now. He returned to his alma mater in October as UWSP’s director of Facility Services, and he’s able to work toward something he feels strongly about - sustainability. “I’m lucky,” says Oehler. “I have my vocation in facilities and my avocation in sustainability, all right here at a place I love. It’s pretty cool.”

Over the last six years, Oehler had been working to make two high profile campuses in the University of California (UC) system sustainable and energy efficient.

He was a sustainability coordinator and management services officer at UC-Merced while it was still in the planning and construction stages. When it opened in 2005, it was the first campus in the world to build to a minimum Silver Standard within the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED-NC) Green Building Rating System™, he said.

He then took the position of director of Housing Operations Maintenance and Environment at UC-Berkeley. He was part of the Chancellor’s Advisory Committee on Sustainability as the campus’ “green” programs were being recognized nationwide. Several of Berkeley’s residences featured a multiple Environmental Protection Agency award winning sustainable living demonstration room, apartment and suite. It also became national news when the campus dining program was certified organic and selling “Snickers” candy bars was disallowed in the dining and retail operations.

But when the UWSP position opened up in 2007, Oehler knew he wanted to return to Point. Despite his work at high profile campuses, he realized that UWSP was doing much of the energy conservation and recycling work he had only dreamt about in California.

“Getting this job at Stevens Point was a blessing,” he said. “I came back to Point because of the people here and the work I enjoy. The bonus is that the sustainability effort is something I believe in and I knew it was already being practiced in a very natural way here with many opportunities in our future.”

At UWSP, he co-chairs the Sustainability Task Force with senior Colleen Kiefer, the Environmental Issues Director for the Student Government Association. This group of students, faculty and staff work to meet the initiatives set by Governor Doyle and the American College and University Presidents Climate Commitment.

A native of Green Bay, Oehler says that deciding to come to UWSP after his family moved to the area “was one of the best decisions of my life.”

While he was a student, he was a member of the Reserve Officer’s Training Corps (ROTC),

University Activities Board and Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity and started the University Bicyclers and Triathletes Club. He was also a resident assistant, assistant hall director and member of the summer orientation staff.

“I recall Chancellor Marshall introducing the orientation staff as ‘the cream of the crop,’ I realized I was in good company and part of influencing the new generation of students as many had done for me when I began,” Oehler said. That influenced him to consider university administration as a career. He earned a master’s degree in higher education administration at Michigan State while he was an officer in the United States Army.

His first job in higher education was at Ithaca College in New York, where he was a residence director. He also worked as assistant director of operations at the UC-Irvine before working at UC-Merced and UC-Berkeley.

In addition to sustainability, Oehler’s other avocation is creating models of cars, airplanes and military equipment. For two years he worked as the national marketing and product development manager for Tamiya America, a Japanese model manufacturer, and he continues to serve as a consulting U.S. editor for Tamiya Model Magazine International and a book series consulting editor for historical publisher, Osprey Publishing.

His wife, Valery, who works for the Office of the President for the UC System, will be moving to Stevens Point this summer with their two children, Kendall and Jakob.

Master Plan Phases

Phase One, 2007-2013

Waste Management Center
Maintenance & Materiel addition
Military Science addition to HEC
Storage addition to HEC
New “suite-style” residence hall by 2010
Academic-Science building constructed in Lot X by 2012
Schmeeckle Environmental Learning Center
Remodel one existing residence hall per year
Enhanced parking in Lots R and K

Phase Two, 2014-2019

Child Care Center
Student Services Center razed, replaced with parking
Delzell Hall razed, replaced with parking
Parking structure west of Lot E
Rebuild Fourth Ave.
Moses Creek bioswales and stormwater management
Relocate and reconfigure student recreation fields
Construction of multipurpose sports/recreation facility
New residence hall by 2014
Raze Hyer Hall

Phase Three, 2019-2025

Academic building to replace Science Building
DeBot Center replacement

It’s Easy Being Green

At UWSP: Selling items through UWSP’s Surplus Store has saved more than 3.5 million pounds of reusable materials from a landfill.
At home: Plant a tree and create clean air while ridding the earth of 2,000 pounds of carbon dioxide a year.

UWSP Master Plan approved by city



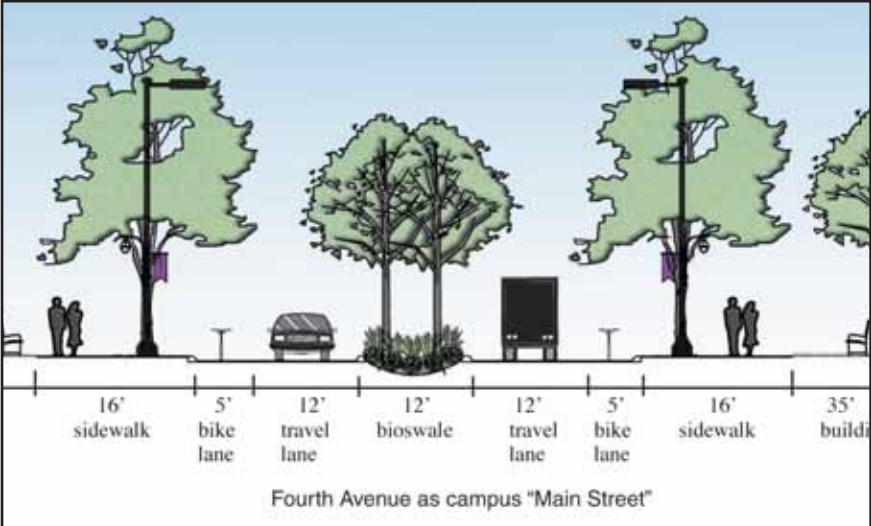
UWSP’s Campus Master Plan, the 25-year road map to campus development that includes a sports arena, Fourth Avenue median, campus expansion and a parking ramp, was unanimously approved by the Stevens Point City Council in November.

UWSP also helped create the Old Main Neighborhood Association to maintain communication with area residents throughout the development process and other issues of mutual concern, with Tom Miller of UWSP University Relations and Communication acting as a community/university liaison.

The Master Plan was initiated by Chancellor Linda Bunnell in the fall of 2005, with Ken Saiki Design, Inc., an award-winning Madison-based firm that has created campus plans for UW-Madison, UW-Oshkosh, UW-Green Bay and UW-Whitewater, leading the work. A steering committee was formed and several listening and planning sessions were held in 2006. Three primary themes emerged: sustainability, wellness and becoming a 24/7 campus.

Specific goals include enhancing the image of the campus, showcasing its academic strengths, encouraging informal spaces, bringing people to campus, developing Fourth Avenue as the campus “Main Street,” connecting the campus and the city, accommodating current and future space needs, reducing parking’s impact and drawing the nature of Schmeckle Reserve into the campus.

“The main goal of the master plan is to enhance the unique character of UWSP and offer forward thinking about growth and development over the next several decades,” said Bunnell. “This plan looks beyond the present to potential long-term campus needs.” For more information go to www.uwsp.edu/admin/busaffairs/facplan/cdp.htm.



Trainer leaves a legacy of conservation

Photo by Dennis Yockers



Betty and Dan Trainer at the TNR naming ceremony November 3.

Remembered for his positive and inspirational influence on the education of more than 5,000 natural resource professionals in the United States and across the globe, UWSP College of Natural Resources (CNR) Dean Emeritus Dan Trainer died on December 8 at age 81.

One of Wisconsin’s most recognized and respected conservationists, Trainer was honored in November when the CNR building at UWSP was named for him.

The Daniel O. Trainer Natural Resources Building (TNR) bears the name of a man who, as dean of the college from 1971 to 1988, is recognized for making the college the premier undergraduate institution of its

kind in the nation. He helped establish hands-on field experiences for students at Treehaven, the Central Wisconsin Environmental Station and Schmeckle Reserve, and developed opportunities for students to travel overseas for international experiences. He also served as acting vice chancellor for a time.

For many students and colleagues, Trainer was a mentor and a friend.

“Dan’s greatest contribution was his teaching and mentoring of students, faculty, citizens, and resource professionals through five decades of involvement in Wisconsin conservation,” said Christine Thomas, current CNR dean and a former student of Trainer’s. “He took his place in the line of great conservationists. He led by example. He remembered his roots. He inspired others to be their best and contribute however they could. He approached life with enthusiasm and good humor. He was part of the flow...and he has prepared each of us to take our turn.”

Trainer saw his own accomplishments through the lives of those students, who fanned out across the country and beyond after their education in Stevens Point.

“In many ways, my impact on the environment was through the students,” he said. “We prepared them to go out and work on the front lines. Those students were able to go anywhere, and we took great pride in helping them to get through school. They’re like extended family. I never met one who wasn’t proud to be a Point graduate.”

His work in conservation continued after he retired from UWSP, as he helped develop the nationally acclaimed Green Circle Trail in Stevens Point and protected the Plover River watershed. He was a founding member of Intra-State Recycling, a pioneer recycling group in Stevens Point. He also served numerous state and local boards, including the Wisconsin Natural Resources Board. He won the William C. Hansen Distinguished Service Award from UWSP in 2007.



Among Dan Trainer’s conservation accomplishments:

- Member and vice chair of the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Board
- Chair of the Wisconsin Natural Resources Foundation
- Established the first Wildlife Society chapter in the state at UWSP
- Member of numerous state wildlife and civic organizations
- Won the Distinguished Service Award of the Wildlife Diseases Association
- Cited as one of 20 who most influenced hunting and fishing in Wisconsin by the Wisconsin Outdoor Journal
- Formed a citizens recycling group in Stevens Point before it was required
- Helped create the 30.5-mile Green Circle around Stevens Point
- Founded the Plover River Alliance
- Created the CNR Rendezvous to raise scholarship funds
- Inducted into the Wisconsin Conservation Hall of Fame in 2006
- Began a natural resources scholarship endowment

A Princeton native, he served in the U.S. Navy at the close and after World War II. He earned degrees at Ripon College and UW-Madison. Before he came to UWSP he was already known as an international expert in wildlife diseases for his work on the veterinary faculty at UW-Madison from 1960 until 1971.

His many accomplishments were recognized when, in 2006, Trainer was inducted into the Wisconsin Conservation Hall of Fame located in the Schmeckle Reserve Visitor’s Center.

As a speaker at the building naming ceremony, Stevens Point writer and Trainer’s friend Bill Berry commented, “Trainer had that ability to seize the moment and he was also ahead of his time. Add to this the thousands of people, young and old, who have benefited from Dan’s counsel, good humor and special smile, and you have the makings of a real hero, not just in the field of conservation but in the even more important field of human relations.”

Looking back on a distinguished career, Trainer said, “I’ve always had the best job in the world – natural resources and young people, and all in the state of Wisconsin.”

He is survived by his wife, Betty, and their children, Patricia and Daniel. Memorials may be made to the UWSP Foundation for the UWSP Daniel Trainer Scholarship Fund.

UWSP opens center in Wausau

A new UWSP center opened in Wausau in November to offer professional development and certificate classes in a variety of business-related subjects for residents in north central Wisconsin.

The Center for Leadership Excellence & Economic Development, located in the Jefferson Street Inn complex at 200 Washington Street in Wausau, fills a regional need with a Leadership University, management certificate program, executive coaching, executive personality assessment, business counseling, GIS market identification, peer roundtables and financial training. The center's technology-enhanced classroom is available for rent for meetings of up to 50 people.

"The center has been established as a catalyst in creating a region with strong leaders who will spur economic growth," said UWSP Chancellor Linda Bunnell. "We look forward to offering many opportunities for leadership growth to the business community of Wausau and all of Central Wisconsin."

Bunnell said the center also promotes collaborations between UWSP and UW-Marathon County and North Central Technical College.

The center's design received a Bronze Award from the Wisconsin Chapter of the American Society of Interior Designers. Pat Kluetz, professor of interior architecture at UWSP and an ASID member, accepted the award for her design work as well as that of several UWSP staff members.

For more information on the center, call (715) 843-5333 or go to www.uwsp.edu/leed.



UWSP Chancellor Linda Bunnell (center), along with Northcentral Technical College Dean Lori Weyers (right) and UW-Marathon County Dean Sandi Smith (left) celebrate the grand opening of the Center for Leadership Excellence & Economic Development with a ribbon cutting ceremony in November.

It's Easy Being Green

At UWSP: UWSP's Resource Recovery and Reuse program has recycled nearly 36 million pounds of everything from aluminum to waste oil over the last 18 years.

At home: Take shorter showers or install a low-flow showerhead, as showers account for two-thirds of water heating costs. Save 350 pounds of carbon dioxide and over \$100 a year.

Division of Business and Economics changes colleges

The Division of Business and Economics will relocate from the College of Letters and Science to the College of Professional Studies beginning July 1.

The reorganization was recommended by the Faculty Senate and approved by Chancellor Linda Bunnell.

"This move strengthens our campus by allowing us to meet the changing needs of our students and the region," said Mark Nook, UWSP provost and vice chancellor for Academic Affairs.

Noting that Central Wisconsin's economic development organization, Centergy, identified that a high quality business program was vital to the regional economy, Bunnell said, "In the end, our business division will be nationally accredited and able to compete for top students and faculty with the underlying goal of providing business graduates for the region and the state."

Pointer Alumnus

Café promotes healthy eating through local foods



Denise Brennecke and student Tonya Konkol, Amherst, prepare food in the CPS Café.

If you are what you eat, UWSP students, faculty and staff are healthier and more sustainable because of the locally and organically grown foods they enjoy at the College of Professional Studies (CPS) Cafe.

Located on the first floor of the CPS building, the café offers sandwiches, salads, soups and hot dishes prepared with eggs, meats, fruits and vegetables grown and raised at farms in Central Wisconsin.

All the menu items at the café are planned and prepared by manager Denise Brennecke as well as students learning all aspects of the food service business, from buying and cooking to serving and managing, in a class taught by Associate Professor Jasia Steinmetz.

A self-proclaimed "foodie," Brennecke sought to bring more local foods to the café when she became its manager in 2006.

"Our students go on to work in hospitals and schools," she said, "so it's helpful for them to know about the healthy aspects of locally grown foods."

Brennecke has sought out many local farmers and businesses to supply the café. She buys seasonal, local produce and freezes it for use in the winter. She buys local organic potatoes as well as meats from local farmers that are all organic, free range and nitrate free, and uses local meat processors. She also purchases eggs from a local farmer and buys organic and "fair trade" coffees.

This not only supports the local economy, she says, it provides better quality foods that don't need to be grown to "ship well" or may be too ripe or not ripe enough when they are transported.

"It's also important to cut down how far food has to travel," she said. "Transporting goods from far away contributes to global warming through carbon dioxide emissions. It also makes more use of packing materials."

Buying locally also eliminates eating processed foods and helps people see their food as something more than just fuel for their bodies, said Brennecke. "People are also more apt to try something new when it's fresh and locally grown."

The café is also able to offer more options for vegetarians or those with food allergies or restricted diets.

According to Steinmetz, buying local foods generates both economic and physical benefits for everyone in a community.

"For every dollar spent by consumers in local markets, three dollars goes back into the local economy and the growers in your area. Buying local food not only creates sustainable systems in your area, it tastes better and is better for you."

Trivia 39: Trivia Invasion

"Trivia 39: Trivia Invasion" is the theme of the 2008 trivia weekend, broadcast Friday through Sunday, April 11-13, on the UWSP campus radio station, WWSP 90FM.

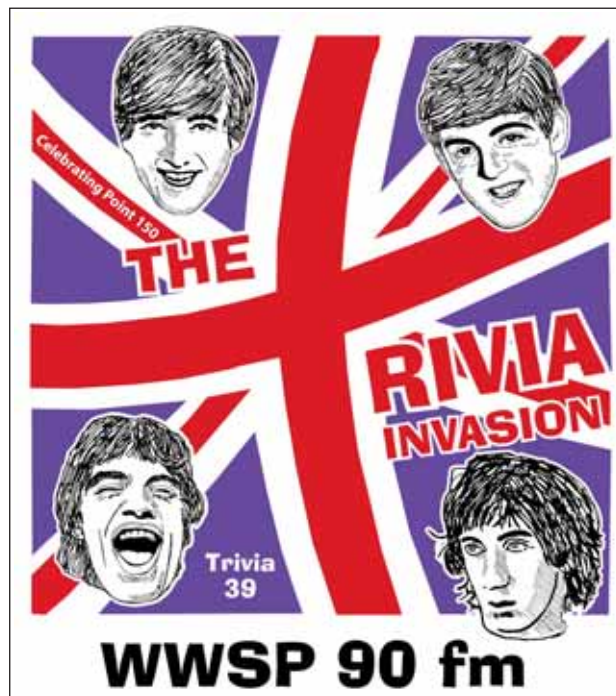
The annual competition is hailed as the largest in the world. The 54-hour contest officially begins on Friday when the first question is read at 6 p.m. Eight questions are read each hour and teams have the length of two songs to call in with their answers. Team standings are read twice during the weekend. Teams can also participate in the Trivia Parade through campus on Friday at 4 p.m.

Registration is \$30 per team and must be completed in advance at the 90FM studios between Monday, April 7, and 6 p.m. on Friday, April 11. Trivia merchandise will be on sale at the studios.

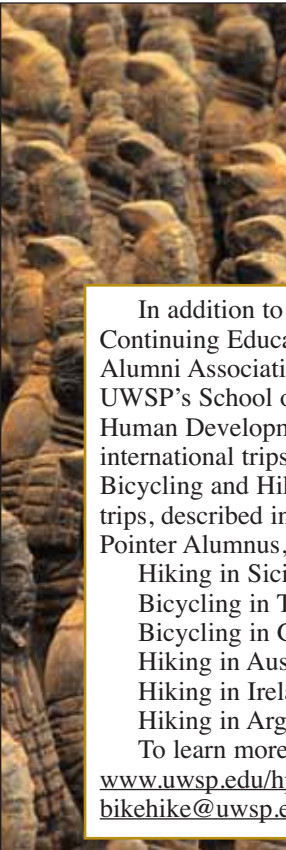
Teams may also play by listening to the contest through streaming audio from 90FM. For information on playing online, complete rules, a listing of teams and a registration form, visit www.90fmtrivia.org.

Now a Stevens Point institution, Trivia began in 1969 when 16 teams wrote questions for each other to answer. In 1970 the event was broadcast on 90FM and met with great public support. Today, the contest has grown to include nearly 500 teams responding to more than 450 questions over the course of the weekend. It has even been recognized by Chase's Calendar as the largest of its kind in the world. It draws people to Central Wisconsin from as far away as Europe and has attracted the attention of USA Today, the Chicago Tribune, and the quiz show Jeopardy.

The documentary Triviatown, filmed during the 2004 Trivia weekend, debuted in 2006 and won Best Film at the Wisconsin Film Festival in Madison and Best Documentary at the Westchester (New York) Film Festival. Directed by Brit McAdams and Patrick Cady, it was screened at the Central Wisconsin Film Festival in Stevens Point in November 2006, at which time it was proclaimed "the official movie of Stevens Point."



UWSP Continuing Education offers trip to China



In addition to trips to China sponsored by Continuing Education and the UWSP Alumni Association and Foundation, UWSP's School of Health Promotion and Human Development is offering six international trips in 2008 as part of the Bicycling and Hiking Adventure Tours. The trips, described in the last issue of the Pointer Alumnus, include:

- Hiking in Sicily, May 23-June 2
- Bicycling in Tuscany, Italy, June 12-29
- Bicycling in Germany, June 28-June 13
- Hiking in Austria, July 19-August 2
- Hiking in Ireland, Sept. 11-25
- Hiking in Argentina, Nov. 17-30

To learn more, go to www.uwsp.edu/hphd/bikehike or e-mail bikehike@uwsp.edu.

A UWSP short-term study tour will be offered over next year's winter break, presenting an opportunity to experience the "Culture of China."

The non credit program for adults of all ages, the "Culture of China" trip will be offered by UWSP's Continuing Education December 27 through January 16, 2009. The group will be led by George Kung, retired professor of math and computing at UWSP. Fluent in four dialects of Chinese, this will be Kung's ninth tour.

Participants will gain an understanding of China's cultural contrasts. Highlights will include Buddhist temples, a river cruise, a visit to a silk factory, Wuyi Mountain, coastal Fujian Province, and the island of Gulangyu. The group will also visit the Terra Cotta Warriors in Xian, the Great Wall, the Forbidden City, Tian'anmen Square and the Olympic Stadium in Beijing. This tour will include explorations of relics from the past and scenic landscapes as well as modern cities.

"This was the trip of a lifetime," said Judith Dukes, a member of last year's tour. "The whole group was like one big family, with George and [his wife] Sunny setting the tone. Everyday was more special than the next. I saw things I never imagined, and things I imagined I'd never see."

The estimated cost is \$4,599, including round trip airfare from Chicago, lodging, flights within China, most meals, group ground transportation, entrance fees, guide fees and instructional costs.

Space is limited, so early registration is recommended. For more information about the program, travel and accommodations, contact Kim O'Flaherty, UWSP Continuing Education, at (715) 346-2426 or koflaher@uwsp.edu.

Wildflowers guide published by UWSP



A new field guide about the state's wildflowers has been published by the student-run publishing company at UWSP, Cornerstone Press.

"Wildflowers of Wisconsin and the Upper Midwest: A Comprehensive Field Guide for Amateurs and Professionals" was published by the Editing and Publishing class in the fall.

An extensive guide to Wisconsin wildflowers, the book covers 1,087 species with more than 2,000 color photos, 300 line drawings, detailed descriptions, current county distribution maps and simple-to-use guides. In addition, the book has both common and scientific names and includes an extensive glossary with many pictures.

The book was written by Merel Black and UWSP Biology Professor Emmet J. Judziewicz and may be preordered online at www.uwsp.edu/english/cornerstone. Bound for field use, the book is \$35 including tax and shipping costs.

Black's interest in wildflowers was fostered as a volunteer at the UW-Madison botany herbarium, where she wrote and implemented a database system of label information for the plant specimens. In 2002, she upgraded and managed the Web site for the Robert W. Freckmann Herbarium at UWSP.

Judziewicz received a doctorate in botany from UW-Madison in 1987. He has done field work for the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, the National Park Service, UW-Madison and UWSP. He also assisted The Nature Conservancy in regions of the Midwest, including the Apostle Islands National Lakeshore, Isle Royale National Park, St. Croix National Scenic Riverway, Door County and Grand Traverse Islands in Lake Michigan. Judziewicz has collected over 10,000 plant specimens in Wisconsin.

University supports walking marathon

UWSP is working with other community and statewide health providers and health promoters to support the fourth annual Walk Wisconsin walking marathon on Saturday, June 7.

"Walk Wisconsin" is just one of the ways the community is encouraging Wisconsinites to take more responsibility for their own health. A Kid's Walk Wisconsin with shorter distances will take place the evening of June 6.

In the first three years of the event, more than 4,500 participants have walked collectively more than 56,000 miles on the beautiful trails in and around Stevens Point. In this fourth year, committee members have set 25,000 miles as a goal. In addition to the 26.2 mile marathon, a 13.1 mile half marathon and 6.5 mile quarter marathon are also offered.

Organizers believe that in training for a distance walk, participants will become positively addicted to this simple, inexpensive and extremely beneficial form of exercise. "Walking is an exercise that can be enjoyed by

most ages and ability levels," says John Jury, retired UWSP Centers director and Walk Wisconsin Committee member. "It is a great active way for families and friends to spend quality time together, while improving their health."

As in years past, the 2008 event will be held on National Trail Day.

This is NOT a race. It is simply a challenge intended to encourage a healthy lifetime habit. All participants will receive a sports pack, water bottle, event shirt, numerous nutrition stations, a finish medallion, a finish line picnic and, of course, good old fashioned Stevens Point hospitality the entire day. For more information or registration forms, call (715) 342-2969 or go to www.walkwisconsin.com.

This is a great way for alumni friends to get together and see wellness lessons in action, says Jury. For group lodging opportunities, contact the Stevens Point Convention and Visitors Bureau at (715) 344-2556.

FACULTY NEWS BRIEFS

Faculty and staff were awarded more than \$7 million in grants during fiscal 2006, with the CNR garnering 78 percent of the campus total.

Michael Dombeck, '71, master's '74, natural resources, testified before the U.S. Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources in January, giving perspective on reforming a U.S. mining law created in 1872.

Anne-Bridget Gary, art and design, was a presenter at the International Ceramic Magazine Editors Association Conference in Xian, China, last fall. She uses Asian techniques in teaching ceramics.

Michael Hansen, '79, Stevens Point, received the Meritorious Service Award by the North Central Division of the American Fisheries Society in December. He was nominated by **Patrick Schmalz**, '97, master's '99, Aitkin, Minn., and **Jessica Doemel**, '97, master's '00, Marquette, Mich.

Patricia Kluetz, interior architecture, received the American Society of Interior Designers' highest state honor, the Chapter Educator Medalist Award, in September. The award is only given when a state has a qualified candidate.

Ron Zimmerman, '74, Amherst Junction, and **Jim Buchholz**, '00, Stevens Point, directors at Schmeckle Reserve, are serving as consultants on interpretive center plans at Denali State Park in Alaska; Black Kettle National Grasslands in Cheyenne, Okla.; Illinois Route 66 from Chicago to St. Louis; and Rib Mountain State Park in Wausau.

From classroom to library: faculty books

Richard Barker, foreign languages, published "The Long Trauma of an Andalusian Town: Republic, Repression, War, Postwar" after years of research and oral history collecting in Castilleja del Campo, Spain. The book tells about the small town's experiences during the Spanish Civil War and following dictatorship.

Daniel Breining, '92, Stevens Point, foreign languages, completed his second book, "Mexican Theater and Drama from the Conquest Through the Seventeenth Century," while on sabbatical in 2006. The book, published by Edwin Mellen Press, discusses the use of theater by Spanish conquerors to convert indigenous populations to Catholicism.

Tom Johnson, anthropology, along with his wife, Helen, published "Also Called Sacajawea: Chief Woman's Stolen Identity," which documents that American icon Sacajawea was a Shoshone-Comanche Indian woman named Paraivo.

Benjamin Percy, English, received national acclaim in literary and film circles across the country for his second book, "Refresh, Refresh." His screenplay of the same name has been accepted by the Sundance Institute. The book is a collection of short stories depicting the lives of rural Oregon's mostly poor communities impacted by the war in Iraq.

Rixey Ruffin, history, published "A Paradise of Reason: William Bentley and Enlightenment Christianity in the Early Republic," through Oxford University Press. The book examines the struggle of faith and reason as it unfolded during the 18th-century Enlightenment, or Age of Reason.

David Williams, political science and philosophy, is getting good reviews for his recently authored book, "Rousseau's Platonic Enlightenment," published by Penn State University Press. "David Williams offers a carefully researched and well-argued case for Rousseau as a latter-day Platonist," said Laurence D. Cooper of Carleton College. "Readers who care about Rousseau and his role in the unfolding of modernity will want to read this book."

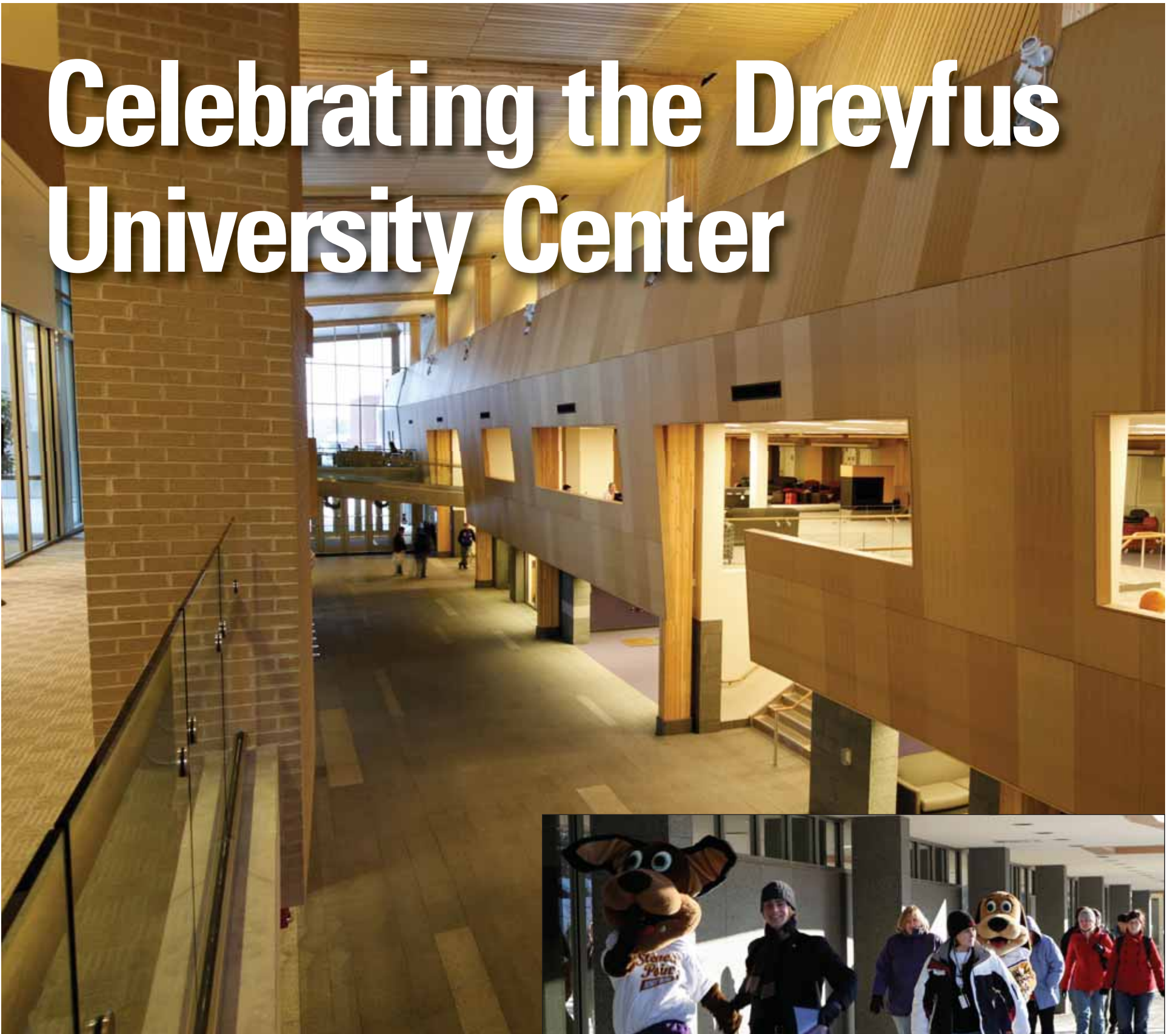
It's Easy Being Green

At UWSP: The solar panels on Knutzen or Pray Sims residence halls could replace the amount of BTU's (energy units) used to heat two households in Central Wisconsin for one year.

At home: Switch to a tankless water heater. Your water will be heated as you use it, and you save 300 pounds of carbon dioxide and \$390 per year.



Celebrating the Dreyfus University Center



The Dreyfus University Center was officially named for Governor and UWSP Chancellor Lee Sherman Dreyfus on October 12. Students dressed in red vest T-shirts greeted the Dreyfus family (left) and guests enjoyed red vest cookies. The new center held its grand reopening on January 22, with Stevie and Stephanie Pointer receiving the keys to the building from the contractor and leading students and other attendees into the building (above). For more photos of these events and the center, go to www.uwsp.edu/news/DreyfusCenter.htm

Lee Sherman Dreyfus, The Students' Chancellor 1926-2008

Remembering “The Students' Chancellor”

Remembered fondly as “The Students' Chancellor” at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, Lee Sherman Dreyfus became the campus' ninth president in October 1967. At a time when students were protesting the Vietnam War and holding beer riots, he knew he needed to stay visible and accessible to them. He began wearing a red vest with the promise that he'd keep it on until the war was over. It stayed on and became his signature.

While chancellor, Dreyfus visited students in their residence halls and stopped downtown to chat with them. He ate lunch at the university center, got to know many students by name, taught communication classes and worked closely with the Student Government Association. He was the first chancellor to allow students to decide how to allocate their fees.

“Dreyfus was ahead of his time,” said former SGA president **Jim Hamilton**, '76. “He gave students a voice that was envied across the state.”

At the merger of the UW System in 1974, Dreyfus' title was changed to chancellor. His 11 years as president and chancellor of UWSP were ones of unparalleled growth and change.

In 1977 Dreyfus announced that he would seek the Republican nomination for governor and took a leave of absence to run his campaign. He won the election and was inaugurated as Wisconsin's 40th governor on the front lawn of Old Main on Jan. 1, 1979.

After his term as governor he was president of Sentry Insurance Corporation then began a career as a national speaker and member of the Washington Speakers Bureau. He served as a member of the UW System Board of Regents from 1989 to 1996 and as interim state superintendent of the Department of Public Instruction in 1993.

Over the years, Dreyfus and his wife, Joyce, contributed generously to the UWSP Foundation. In 2001, at the dedication of a plaque that marks where he took the oath of governor in front of Old Main, the couple presented the foundation with \$100,000, establishing the Dreyfus Speakers Series Endowment to bring outstanding and inspiring speakers to UWSP. The Dreyfus University Center was officially named in honor of The Students' Chancellor in October 2007.

Governor Dreyfus died peacefully at his home in Waukesha on January 2, 2008, at the age of 81. He is survived by Joyce, his wife of 61 years; two children, the Honorable Lee S. Dreyfus Jr. of Waukesha and Susan Dreyfus-Fosdick of Eagle River; six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Keep the Red Vest rolling

Governor Dreyfus loved and mastered the art of communication, and because of his passion as a speaker, he and his wife, Joyce, established the Dreyfus Speaker Series in 2001 to expose students to public speaking at its best.

“The Dreyfus Speakers Series is not about politics, personal beliefs or specific issues, it's about learning and experiencing the art of oratory,” said Dreyfus. “I am passionate about everyone learning to READ and WRITE; to SPEAK and LISTEN. I am told that life is short but I think...it is WIDE. It is important to add to your storehouse of experiences, and one of those is to listen and be enthralled with a fine speaker.”

The Dreyfus Speakers Series Endowment campaign through the Division of Communication hopes to raise \$1 million to endow this series and attract first class speakers annually.

“An investment in this endowment ensures that future generations will be inspired by speakers like Governor Dreyfus,” said CJ Robinson, director of development for the College of Fine Arts and Communication.

For more information on making a donation to the endowment, contact Robinson at (715) 346-3056 or CJ.Robinson@uwsp.edu.

Lee Sherman Dreyfus was sworn in as governor of Wisconsin by Portage County Circuit Judge James H. Levi on Jan. 4, 1979, on the front lawn of Old Main. A monument now stands in front of Old Main commemorating the occasion. (Portage County Gazette photo)

Alumni remember Lee Sherman Dreyfus

As a 1974 graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, I want to express my gratitude to Chancellor/Governor Dreyfus for his contributions and efforts in making UWSP a great place to obtain a degree from. As a working student, selling office equipment, he not only bought things from me but he was also kind, considerate, and instrumental in helping me become a better person/salesperson. He made UWSP fun for all students. May his RED VEST be a continued inspiration for all who have proudly graduated from UWSP.

-Mark Hadley, '74, Wausau

I met Lee Dreyfus in a bar. In fact, a lot of students met Lee Dreyfus in a bar, not because he was a drinker but because he wanted to meet his students on their turf and that is where he knew they would be.

As was his mindset, he made no judgment about this happenstance, it was what it was. I was a student at UWSP from 1968 to 1976 and was fortunate to know Lee Dreyfus very well. Back then I was a student leader, so had many opportunities to interact with him. And, although we disagreed on almost every issue, he was never disagreeable. One of the greatest lessons I learned from him was, in fact, the ability to disagree with someone and still respect them.

As chancellor he gave students an enormous amount of power over their own lives and finances, a practice much disdained by his fellow chancellors. I asked him once how he came to embrace this philosophy and he told me this. He said, “Jim, I've seen 19 and 20 year olds lead platoons into battle. I know they are capable of making good decisions if just given the chance.”

God bless you Lee Dreyfus. Rest in Peace.

-Jim Hamilton, '76, Stevens Point

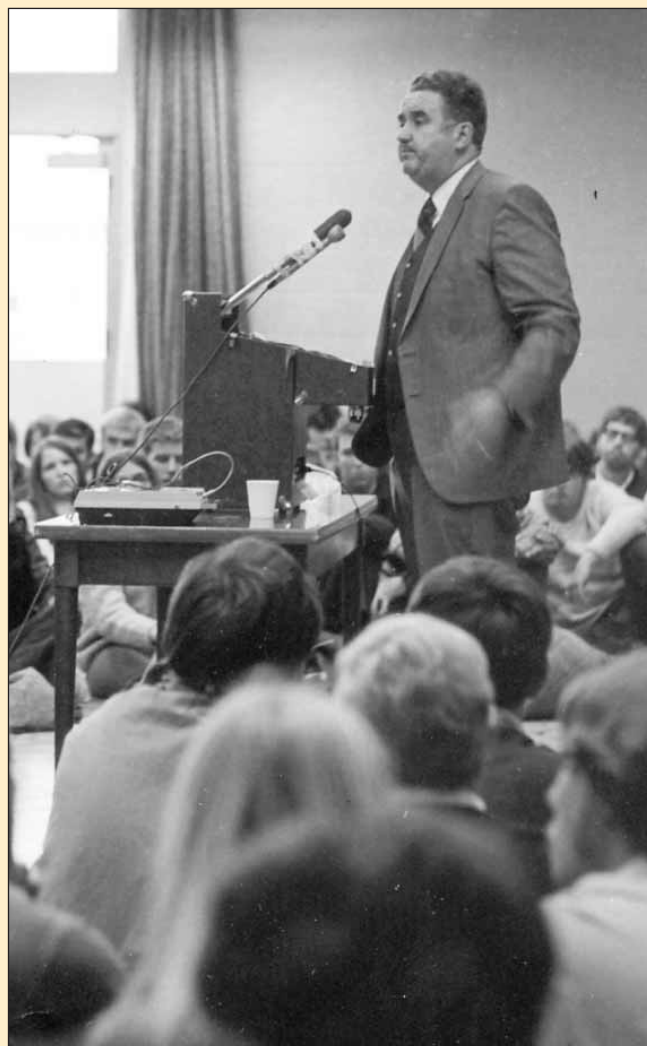
We are saddened by the death of Governor Lee Sherman Dreyfus - our “Students' Chancellor.” Chancellor Dreyfus was a man of great reputation who left a huge footprint on the educational and political landscape of Wisconsin. He made us feel welcome to the United States and to UWSP in particular. He inspired us to work energetically toward accomplishing our objectives. He was a “best friend” for all international students and he knew us on first name basis. He will be missed dearly by all of us whom he nurtured and inspired and by others who knew and admired him. We wish his family well!

-Dr. Greg Okoro, '78, Stone Mountain, Ga.

My deepest sympathies to the Dreyfus family. Wisconsin has lost a true statesman and a great person. I had the great honor to work with Governor Dreyfus during my years as a member of the Young Republicans. I was honored to have him tape a television commercial many years ago when I ran for the State Assembly. I had worked up some copy and he told me he had an idea while we were taping, I turned to him and ripped up my copy and said, “Governor, whatever you have written has got to be better than what I wrote.”

As president of the UWSP Alumni Association Board of Directors, I had the honor this fall to be present at the naming ceremony for the Lee Sherman Dreyfus University Center, an honor bestowed upon him as he is known as the “Students' Chancellor.” There will never be another Wisconsin Governor like Lee Sherman Dreyfus! Go in peace good friend!

-Patrick Braatz, '84, Beaverton, Ore.



Lee Sherman Dreyfus talks with students in the 1960s in the old Wisconsin Room of the University Center that has since been remodeled and renamed the Lee Sherman Dreyfus University Center in his honor. (UWSP Archives photo)

Annual Campaign enables students to succeed

Thanks to the support of UWSP alumni, parents and friends, the Annual Campaign for Point raises nearly a half million dollars per year to directly benefit UWSP students and campus programs.

“The Annual Campaign is making a personal impact on the lives of many students,” says **Deb Anstett**, ’74, director of development for the UWSP Foundation. “We awarded \$571,000 in scholarships last year.”

One of these scholarships is the Alumni Honors Scholarship, given to incoming students in the top five percent of their high school graduating class who show leadership qualities and are nominated by guidance counselors.

Britta Binek, a UWSP senior from Verndale, Minn., was one of the recipients of this scholarship. The biology and Spanish major is also a member of the swimming and diving, track and field and cross country teams and the Future Alumni Association, and the scholarship allowed her to participate in athletics at UWSP.

“This scholarship allowed me to focus more on my academics and athletics, rather than worrying about working to pay for college,” she said. “It is possible that I would not have chosen to attend UWSP if I had not received this scholarship as an incoming freshman.”

Senior music major Jessica Ryan of Schofield was able to improve her violin playing skills through the Alumni Honors Scholarship she received. A member of the Central Wisconsin Symphony Orchestra and a teacher of violin and viola, Ryan was able to attend summer music camps for the last two years with the additional funds. “The fact that I received extra help as an undergrad will make it easier for me to pay for graduate school,” she said.

It’s Easy Being Green

At UWSP: The Noel Fine Arts Center features photovoltaic windows on its south side. The amount of electricity generated by the photovoltaic panels is equal to an overall annual average of about 104 watts of continuous power, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. That would power eight compact florescent lights continuously.

At home: Air dry your clothes and save 700 pounds of carbon dioxide and \$75 a year.

Alumnae offer nature-based wellness

Founded by alumnae **Patty Dreier**, ’82, Stevens Point, and **Judy Butcher**, ’87, Plover, EarthWonders LLC® is partnering with UWSP’s School of Health Promotion and Human Development to offer the Nature-Inspired Health Promotion and Wellness certificate on Friday, April 18.

This first-of-its-kind certificate program will be held from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the UWSP Dreyfus University Center.

Attendees will learn about the evidence-based research behind the nature-human health connection as well as understand how to apply nature-inspired practices in their life. There will also be an overview as to how the certification will increase marketability for today and future.

The certificate program is aimed at university students or professionals in the fields of health, environmental education, youth programming, public health, psychology, long term care, parks and workplace wellness.

The cost is \$150. The course may be taken for undergraduate or graduate credit. To register or for more information, go to www.earthwonders.net, e-mail earthwonders@charter.net or call (715) 321-0227.

EarthWonders LLC® was created to spearhead the movement to integrate nature-based health and environmental wellness, principles, products and practices into everyday life, workplaces and communities to improve the health of people, organizations and the planet.



The Sustainable Agriculture in Communities student organization founded the Campus Garden in 2006. Located next to the UW Credit Union on Franklin Street, the garden is managed by students and produce is sold and donated locally.

Students, alumni help bring trees to campus for Earth Day

Students for Sustainable Communities, an environmental student organization, will mark Earth Day this year by planting 60 large trees on the UWSP campus.

More than 75 student volunteers will help the organization plant oak, pear, apple, spruce, tamarack, cherry and flowering crab trees on Tuesday, April 22. The trees will be placed across campus, including the front lawn of Old Main, near DeBot Center, adjacent to the Health Enhancement Center and the baseball fields. The trees were purchased through the UWSP Sustainability Reserve Fund, funded annually by student fees.

The trees will be purchased from Eco-Building and Forestry, a company owned by **Tom Girolamo**, ’82, and **Kathy Clarke-Girolamo**, ’83, Mosinee. The couple will assist students with materials and planting on Earth Day. The company donated 12 large trees to campus last fall.

“We can help reduce the effects of carbon emissions simply by honoring our former governor, Gaylord Nelson (Earth Day founder), and the legacy he left behind,” said Kevin Hite, treasurer for Students for Sustainable Communities. “Earth Day is an opportunity to enhance the world around us and simply plant a tree.”

The organization hopes to sponsor an Alumni Adopt-A-Tree program on campus for next year’s Earth Day, said Hite.



Chris Brindley, ’93, (left) and Tom Girolamo, ’82, of Eco-Building and Forestry, LLC, plant one of 12 donated trees near the College of Natural Resources building with the help of student Matt Cantlon.

OF WISC CLASS NOTES

British teens visit UWSP with their teacher, a UWSP alumnus



Many UWSP alumni who are teachers have brought their high school students to their alma mater to attend classes or experience college life firsthand.

But very few come more than 4,000 miles and across an ocean to do so.

For the second year in a row, **Ian Plant**, '04, a native of Hull, England, brought some of his physical education students from Beckfoot School in Bingley, England, to UWSP in February so they could learn more about North American physical education and sports. Aged 17 to 19, the 10 students are the equivalent of high school seniors in the United States. During their five days in Stevens Point, they stayed with host families and spent a lot of time on campus.

"It's not only a cultural exchange," said Plant, "it's a way for them to study for their exams. When they returned home, they took a test about the differences between English and North American sports and physical education," he said.

While at UWSP, Plant, his students and two other Beckfoot teachers observed sports such as wrestling, hockey and basketball, shadowed athletic trainers, attended health education classes and even explored the human anatomy lab and its cadavers. They also visited Stevens Point Area Senior High School and marveled at its size.

The trip began in Milwaukee, where they took in a Bucks game. After their visit to Stevens Point, the students spent a day in Chicago then returned home.

"They learn so much about education and about themselves, too," Plant said. "I hope they came away from this trip aspiring to bigger and better things as well as having gained knowledge and an acceptance of different cultures."

Plant says he spent six of the best years of his life as a student at UWSP. He first came to campus as a coach of a soccer camp and stayed after being recruited for "American football" by UWSP Coach John Meich. "He asked me to be a kicker," he said. He played that position for a year and also served as the assistant women's soccer coach and as student manager of the intramural program.

Plant looks forward to another trip to UWSP next year and hopes that Stevens Point students will someday reciprocate and visit the Beckfoot School. "This could become a large exchange program for UWSP or SPASH students."

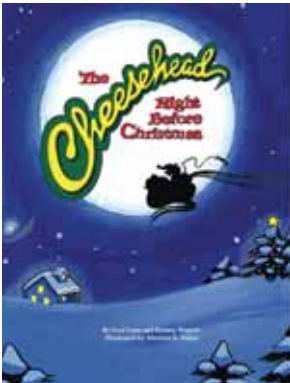
Meanwhile, his students had the time of their lives, he says, enjoying the friendly people of Stevens Point, American food and especially all the snow.

Above, students from the Beckfoot School in England enjoy the rock climbing wall at UWSP while their teacher, Ian Plant, '04, takes photos in the background.

Below, the students enjoy their visit to the United States.



2000s



Amanda Baker, '07, Hudson, created the illustrations for "The Cheesehead Night Before Christmas," a book written by Fred Lane and Romey Wagner that parodies "Twas the Night Before Christmas" with Wisconsin traditions and culture such as Packer mania, cheese and polka. Baker said she infused her drawings "with the spirit of what I consider to be Wisconsin, kind of goofy and marching to the beat of their own drummers. It has a Northwoods, go-outside-and-have-fun-in-the-snow kind of mentality."

Andrew Belonger, '07, and Kirsten Belonger, Appleton, announce the birth of their daughter, Grace Ann, in November.

Emily Magestro, '07, Green Bay, is an interior designer with the firm Short Elliot Hendrickson.

David Majewski, '07, Greendale, is a fitness consultant with 2nd Wind Exercise Equipment and president of MajicPortal & Associates, www.majicportal.mychoices.biz.

Kyle Marinoff, '07, Rawlins, Wyo., is a stewardship technician with Conservation Seeding and Restoration Inc. in Rawlins.

Angela (Samolinski) Marschke, '07, Plover, is a homemaker. She and her husband had a baby last year.

Chelsey Ross, '07, Waukesha, works in the Advancement Office at Marquette University in Milwaukee. She won the 2007 National Gold Key Award of the Public Relations Student Society of America for her work as the past president of the UWSP PRSSA chapter.

Jordan VanProosdy, '07, Eau Claire, is a mathematics teacher at Chippewa Falls High School and will marry Shea Melanson in June.

Sam Weber, '07, Charleston, S.C., is a member of the Resident Acting Company at the Charleston Stage in Charleston. He has performed lead roles in *Gershwin at Folly* and *Tick...Tick...Boom!*

Evi Lim, '06, Madison, is an associate research specialist with the Cellular and Molecular Arrhythmia Research Program within the UW-Madison Department of Medicine.

Adam Mueller, '06, Tomahawk, is a process engineer at PCA in Tomahawk. He and his wife, Megan, were eager to move back to Wisconsin after living in California. "Wisconsin has always been home to us," Adam says.

Ashley Schmitt, '06, performed in the North Shore Music Theatre's performance of *Les Misérables* in Beverly, Mass.

Elizabeth VanWieringen, '06, Plover, married Chad Orlowski last June in Stevens Point. Liz is a program coordinator with Wisconsin Women's Health Foundation in Stevens Point.

Daniel Gutierrez, '05, Milwaukee, is a member of the national tour of *Chicago*. This May the tour will appear in La Crosse and Platteville as well as Peoria, Ill. For more information, go to www.chicagothemusical.com.

Javier Alaniz, '04, and his wife, **Kristine (Buchholz) Alaniz**, '02, Vanuatu, South Pacific, are Peace Corps volunteers at the Ekiye village in the Republic of Vanuatu, an island nation east of Australia. Javi is organizing baseball leagues for the children of the area. His blog may be found at nohspeak.blogspot.com and he can be reached by e-mail at vanuatubaseball@gmail.com.

Ruthie Baker, '04, Astoria, N.Y., says she "is living the dream" in New York City, auditioning for theatre work as well as working as a personal assistant and tour leader.

Carrie (Sassman) Heiting, '04, and her husband, **Eric Heiting**, '06, Davenport, Iowa, were married last July. Carrie teaches German at Bettendorf Middle School and Eric is an assistant teacher at Positive Parenting Day Care and an insurance salesperson with Combined Insurance.

Daniel Hetzer, '04, Madison, is the lead designer for the Bontrager line for Trek bicycles. He and **Jessica (Schleis) Hetzer**, '05, were married in October.

Gini Jones, master's '04, Oshkosh, is in the communication Ph.D. program at Kansas University and was a member of a panel on the history of rhetoric at the National Communication Association meeting in Chicago last fall.

Michelle Van Schyndel, '04, Woodhaven, N.Y., is an actress in New York City. Her education at UWSP was applauded by one of her directors recently so she sent a thank you to Professor Steve Smith of the Theatre and Dance Department, saying, "I'm having a ball out in NYC and it's in part because of you and your teaching."

POINTER MEMORY



"I was there the year Point had the Asia flu. We the healthy and firemen carried the sick to St. Mike's Hospital across the street from our dorm, which I think was Delzell Hall. Jiggs Meuret and his cousin, Big George Meuret, were a couple of lifesavers. Ammie Ammunsen and Brian Mielke (my roomie) and a large group of guys would bring food back from the cafeteria for the ones who had 104 degree fevers and lower. Those with above 104 went to the hospital."

John Freimuth, '58, Palos Heights, Ill.

It's Easy Being Green

At UWSP: The UWSP campus recycled 69,980 pounds of glass and plastic in 2007.

At home: Replace three frequently used light bulbs with compact fluorescent bulbs and save 300 pounds of carbon dioxide and \$60 per year.



Dancing to the Top

Adriane Fang, '1994, New York, N.Y., was presented with a “Bessie,” a New York Dance and Performance Award, at the annual ceremony in September. A dancer with Doug Varone and Dancers in New York, she was praised for “uncannily encompassing minute detail and wild abandon so effortlessly and dancing with disarming naturalness.” Fang will be a featured speaker at the 2008 Melvin Laird Youth Leadership Day at UWSP April 21.

Aaron Felske, '00, (left) will perform in Celine Dion’s International Tour in 2008. Felske was a dancer in her Las Vegas show as well.

Jessica Hallam, '94, Los Angeles, was selected for the 2007 Music Center artist educator program at the Performing Arts Center of Los Angeles County. She joins a team of artists to instruct dancing classes throughout art programs and schools in L.A.

Candace Jablonski, '02, New York, N.Y., has been a member of the Radio City Music Hall Rockettes Company for the past two years.

Eddie Oroyan, '01, Minneapolis, Minn., dances with the Shapiro Smith Dance Company in “Anytown” and with the Southern Theatre in Minneapolis. Eddie was named dance artist of the year in the Minneapolis City Pages and given an honorable mention in the Star Tribune.

Eli Kranski, '03, Santa Monica, Calif., is an actor in Los Angeles. His latest film, *Holding Trevor*, featured on IMDb.com, is screening at national and international film festivals. He made his film debut in *Demon Resurrection* and has appeared in several off-Broadway shows.

Jeremy Krueger, '03, Glendale, Ariz., will graduate from Arizona College of Osteopathic Medicine and begin his residency in internal medicine at the University of South Florida Tampa General Hospital in June.

Amy Petersen, '03, and **Micah Rahn**, '03, Brooklyn, N.Y., were married in June 2007 in Sorrento, Italy, then cruised to Italy, Greece, Croatia, France and Spain. **Chris Kay**, '03, and **Anthony Galaska**, '03, were in the wedding party. Amy is a marketing coordinator for Kohn Pederson Fox Architecture in Manhattan and is pursuing a master’s degree at New York University Stern School of Business. Micah is a field project coordinator for Electronic Theater Controls in Manhattan.

Jessica (Blazek) Jacques, '02, Green Bay, married Joe Jacques in 2005. The couple has one daughter, Julia. Jessica is assistant director for Outreach Programs in the Alumni and Parent Relations Office at St. Norbert College in De Pere.

Kelli (Zittergruen) LeDuc, '02, Williamsburg, Va., is a comprehensive planner for the county of New Kent, Va. Previously she was a planner in Hamilton, Mont. “UWSP prepared me in a number of ways, both personal and professional,” she says.

Molly (Mann) Michel, '01, Milwaukee, married Kenneth Michel, Jr. last May. That same month, she opened Mthree Studio, a photography and design business in Milwaukee. Find out more at www.mthreestudio.com and www.mthreestudio.blogspot.com.

Harrison Frank, '00, Winston-Salem, N.C., received a doctor of medicine degree from Jefferson Medical College at Thomas Jefferson University in Philadelphia. He is now completing a presurgical and orthopaedic residency at Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center in Winston-Salem.



TKE Alumni Association honored

The Apollo Alumni Association of UWSP’s Tau Kappa Epsilon (TKE) Fraternity was presented with the 2007 TKE International Fraternity Educational Foundation Medal of Excellence during its UWSP Homecoming annual meeting. The group was honored for having the highest percentage of members who donate to the TKE Educational Foundation. Presenting the award was **Tim Taschwer**, '63, Indianapolis, Ind., a past president of the foundation.



Michael Begler, '89, Waukesha, designed a new Interior Architecture Lighting Lab in room 307 of UWSP’s College of Professional Studies and donated its state-of-the-art lighting fixtures and lamps. The room was dedicated in October. Michael owns Enterprise Lighting Ltd. in Waukesha.



Delta Zeta alumni gathered for a reunion in Door County in July and look forward to another reunion in July, 2010, says **Kathie (Jung) Vavra**, '72, Sturgeon Bay.



Alexis Ludewig, '73, Arbor Vitae, co-authored *101 Great Classroom Games* (McGraw-Hill) with her sister, Amy Swan, a school psychologist. The book is now in its second printing and is available in bookstores, Amazon.com and other online retailers. Alexis, who teaches third grade in Land O’Lakes, says “UWSP established the joy of teaching in me, and I developed the self-discipline that saw me through this project.”



Bryan Sullivan, '98, and his wife, **Jennifer (Boyles) Sullivan**, '98, Milwaukee, welcomed Eleonora “Ella” Grace in September and were quick to introduce her to UWSP and Stephanie Pointer at Homecoming.



Evan Bohnen, '86, Marietta, Ohio, is assistant vice president of advancement at Marietta College. Previously he was director of advancement at Radford University in Virginia. He and his wife, Tonia, have twin sons, Grant and Alex, pictured above, whom he calls “future Pointers.”

1990s

Cassandra (Janowski) Barnhart, '99, and her husband, John, Liberty, N.C., completed the building of their home by themselves in May. Sandy is working on a master’s degree in public health leadership at the University of North Carolina, where she works as a research associate in the Department of Ophthalmology.



Jeana Magyar-Moe, '98, Stevens Point, an assistant professor of counseling psychology at UWSP since 2003 and a licensed psychologist, was the distinguished faculty speaker at UWSP’s fourth annual University Evening last fall. Her presentation focused on positive psychology, the study of the strengths and virtues that enable individuals and communities to thrive. Through service-learning volunteer projects, her UWSP students have raised \$10,000 for the

Salvation Army and Habitat for Humanity in two semesters. In addition, Jeana was an invited presenter at the 2007 Global Well-Being Forum and 2008 Positive Psychology Forum. She was contracted to publish a book with Elsevier Academic Press and elected as chair of the Positive Psychology Section of the American Psychological Association. Jeana talks about her work in a UWSP video at www.uwsp.edu/benchmarks.

Darla (Engwall) Allen, '98, Nekoosa, and Eugene (Kitowski) Allen were married in June and have a son, Thomas Cash. Darla is a librarian for Portage County and Eugene is a chef. Alumni attending the wedding included **Stephanie Feldner**, '98; **Adam Poskozim**, '97, and his wife, **Jessica (Nelson) Poskozim**, '99; and **Eric Heeren**, '99.

Rachel (Foster) Baumgartel, '98, Westminster, Colo., is a Viewpoints columnist at dLife.com, a Web site dedicated to the needs of those with diabetes. She also works full time at a small IT products supplier in Boulder, Colo.

Sam Handley, '98, Chicago, is a member of the apprentice program with the Lyric Opera of Chicago for the 2008-09 season. He earned a master’s degree in vocal performance at UW-Madison and a doctorate at the University of Houston. He has also served an apprenticeship with the Santa Fe Opera and Merola Opera in San Francisco.


Lisa Johnson, '97, Chicago, is engaged to Douglas Bakker. Lisa is the gallery manager for the Kovler Family Foundation.

Heather (Skumatz) Sthokal, '97, and **Randy Sthokal**, '98, Waupaca, were married in September.

Jessica (Johnson) Yung, '97, Saint Paul, Minn., and her husband, Andy, announce the birth of Grady Ga-Yuee in March. He joins big brother Quentin.

John Hagengruber, master’s '96, Moren, Wyo., manages 700,000 acres as the Buffalo District ranger at Bridger-Teton National Forest in northwest Wyoming, adjacent to Yellowstone and Grand Teton national parks. Previously he was a manager at Bighorn National Forest in Sheridan, Wyo. He and his wife, Shari, and their four children (including identical triplets) “enjoy looking out the window and seeing the Grand Tetons,” he says.

Susan Gunderson, '95, Plover, has joined with a fellow retired UWSP employee, Barbara Borski, to form Love Creek Designs. The two design one-of-a-kind jewelry, hosting shows at their studio, private parties and at juried art shows across the state. For more information, call (715) 340-0732.



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“A memory...Little Joes, Wisconsin River Yacht Club...50 degree parties at Iverson...The Red Lantern...hitchhiking to Poor House, Brat Barn, Rudy’s and beyond...nuff said...you can’t remember these? Then you are too young or forgot your alma mater...can remember these?...then you graduated.”

Steve Younk, '74, Sussex

David Williams, '91, Bethesda, Md., is vice president of North American sales for Brivo Systems LLC in Bethesda. He and his wife, Kathy, had a son, Jacob, in November.

Patricia Koppa, '82, Manitowoc, has been the register in probate and court commissioner for Manitowoc County for the last 10 years. She is on the Records Management Committee of the Wisconsin Supreme Court.



Warren Jacob, '80, Los Angeles, Calif., is an attorney with Reed Smith LLP, a real estate practice in Los Angeles. Warren earned a law degree from the University of Southern California (USC) Law Center and a master's degree from the USC Graduate School of Business. He is a member of the Bar in both California and Wisconsin. Previously he worked for O'Melveny and Myers LLP, in Los Angeles.

1970s

Mary Pat (Linton) Kleven '78, Bellevue, Neb., an active member of the Big Muddy Fiddle Club, won first place awards in both twin and trick fiddling at a regional competition near Omaha, Neb., in October. She and her husband, Emery, co-own KP Communications, a network of farm news, weather and market reports that air in four Midwestern states. Mary Pat is also a legal assistant for Alegent Health in Omaha and an adjunct faculty member at Metropolitan Community College, teaching medical law and ethics. She volunteers as a court appointed special advocate in Sarpy County, working with children who are the victim of abuse and neglect. She and Emery have six children.

Todd Tift, '76, Carpentersville, Ill., works for Weber Grill and is a conservation volunteer. He met his wife, Sandy, while on a semester abroad in England. They were married after three days and returned to Point where he finished his degree. The couple then lived in England 23 years before moving to the United States. As the creator of the Stevens Point Rugby Football Club, he calls the club "an achievement that I feel has affected more people than anything I have ever done." He also notes that his local supermarket carries Point Special.

James Sarkis, '75, Sturgeon Bay, reports that The Regular Guys from Hansen Hall (74-77) reunited in Door County last summer after 31 years. Hosted by James, the group also included **Jim "Ivan" Haeni**, '77, Walworth; **Roger "Rog" Braun**, '75, Waupun; **Dan "Cute" Valiquette**, '76, Holmen; **Mike "Killer" Kilgas**, '77, Scottsdale, Ariz.; **James Hartley**



Joan Ballweg, '74, Markesan, a state representative for the 41st Assembly District, was one of 24 appointees to the Federal Emergency Management Agency Region V Advisory Council, which serves six Midwestern states. Joan is also chair of the Assembly Committee on Homeland Security and State Preparedness for the 2007-09 Legislative Session. She has served as chair of the Legislative Council Special Committee on Disaster Preparedness Planning and the Speaker's Task Force on Avian Flu.

Jacqueline (Edkins) Fritsch, '74, Plymouth, retired in January after more than 33 years of teaching elementary art in the Sheboygan area school district. She earned a master's degree in adaptive art from St. Norbert College in 1998. She now enjoys art, quilting and her grandchildren, and plans to travel with her husband, Allen, when he retires.

Sandra (Menzel) Ripplinger, '74, Boulder, Colo., is assistant superintendent of schools in Boulder County. She earned a master's degree in elementary administration at the University of Colorado-Denver and served as an elementary principal before her promotion.



Henry Bongers, '73, Janesville, was awarded with the Distinguished Service to Safety Award by the National Safety Council (NSC) last fall. Henry is senior manager of safety and security for Kerry Americas in Beloit and an active member of the NSC. He volunteers with the Red Cross and is a Disaster Safety Officer with the Federal Emergency Management Agency, assisting with natural disasters and the Columbia shuttle tragedy.

Rick Kaminski, '72, Starkville, Miss., was selected as a Fellow of the Wildlife Society and was named by Outdoor Life magazine as one of the 50 most influential people in the wildlife field for his research on waterfowl ecology and management. He is an associate dean and professor of wildlife ecology at Mississippi State University.

Bob Wundrock, '72, Verona, has posted footage of the 1971 UWSP track team on YouTube at www.youtube.com/watch?v=Salxm5-U-k. Now retired, Bob is editing and posting films he produced while he was a student and a member of the track team.

1990s

Patrick Maney, '69, Chestnut Hill, Mass., is dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at Boston College. Previously he chaired the History Department at the University of South Carolina. He holds a Ph.D. from the University of Maryland.

Jerry Guyant, 65, Richmond, Va., a real estate developer, donated two conservation easements to the Northern Virginia Conservation Trust in Loudoun County, Va., near Hillsboro. He and other co-owners are also in the process of donating 150 more acres.

Scott Mori, '64, Bronx, N.Y., the Nathaniel Lord Britton Curator of Botany at The New York Botanical Garden, won the David Fairchild Medal for Tropical Plant Exploration for 2007 from the National Tropical Botanical Garden. He is an expert on the Brazil nut family and lowland Amazonian flora. He is an adjunct professor at the City University of New York, Columbia University and Yale University.

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Faculty obituaries

Duaine Counsell



Duaine Counsell, '49, La Crosse, an associate professor emeritus of health, physical education, recreation and athletics (now health promotion and development), died Dec. 24 at age 83.

He joined the UWSP recreation faculty in 1957 and was head football coach for 11 years, leading his 1961 team to a conference championship. He also coached basketball, wrestling and track and also taught courses in driver training, safety education and physical education.

He received the UWSP Distinguished Alumnus Award in 1988, the same year he retired after 31 years at UWSP. A special events room in the Health Enhancement Center bears his name. In retirement he owned and operated a family business, Parsons Trading Post, in Lake Delton.

Counsell served in Germany in the U.S. Army during World War II. Later he earned a master's degree at UW-Madison and did an extensive doctoral study at Indiana University. He was married to Wanda Tofson for more than 50 years before she died in 1998. A daughter also preceded him in death. His second wife, Donna, and a daughter survive.

Roger Fisher

Roger Fisher, Stevens Point, an assistant professor emeritus of sociology, died Dec. 2 at age 83.

He was a member of the U.S. Army then earned degrees at the University of Illinois before coming to UWSP in 1964 to teach courses in general sociology, formal organization and community sociology. He retired in 1996.

His wife, Marjorie, preceded him in death and one son survives.

Thomas Nevins



Thomas Nevins, Stevens Point, a retired professor of theatre and dance, died Nov. 21 at age 69.

Nevins came to UWSP in 1979, directing more than 100 plays, developing an improvisation class and teaching combat techniques and speech dialects. He also directed the Madrigal Dinner and won an American College Theatre Association award. He retired in 2002 and was a teacher for the Learning is Forever (LIFE) program.

Previously he taught at Villanova University, Vanguard Schools of Pennsylvania and Quincy University. He earned degrees at Villanova and Quincy universities.

His wife, Jane, and three children survive.

Russell Nelson

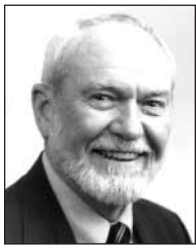


Russell Nelson, Shillington, Wyo., professor emeritus of history, died Jan. 17 at age 80.

Nelson served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He earned degrees at UW-Madison then taught for UW-Extension and UW colleges in Wausau and Menasha. He came to UWSP in 1963 and taught Native American and colonial history for 35 years, helped develop two masters degrees and was a leader for the semester in Britain in 1976. He also co-authored a book about the mistreatment of Native Americans.

He retired in 1992, and in 2003 donated more than 1,600 books, albums, videos, CDs and tapes about history, music, art, film and cooking to the UWSP library.

Michael Sullivan



Michael Sullivan, Stevens Point, an associate professor emeritus of business and economics, died Dec. 6 at age 80.

He earned degrees at the University of Denver, UW-Madison and University of Colorado-Boulder. He worked for Mountain State Telephone Company in Denver, then taught at Idaho State College for one year before coming to UWSP in 1965. He retired from UWSP in 1994.

Sullivan served in the U.S. Army from 1945-1947. He was a private pilot and avid gardener, and he and his wife, Melba, built an energy-efficient home. She and five children survive. Memorials may be made in his name to UWSP Business and Economics Department or the Portage County Public Library.

Erol Tumer

Erol Tumer, professor emeritus of accounting, died of leukemia on September 5.

A native of Turkey, Tumer came to UWSP in 1979 then returned to his alma mater, Middle East Technical University in Turkey, to head the accounting program between 1983 and 1986. He returned to UWSP in 1986 then retired in 1999, returning to Ankara, Turkey. While at UWSP he coordinated the managerial accounting area and was on the Division of Business and Economics executive committee.

He participated in the Olympic Games in Rome in 1960 as a runner on the Turkish Olympic team.

Robert Weaver



Robert Weaver, professor emeritus of chemistry, died Feb. 13 at age 76. He joined the faculty in 1961 and retired in 1990. While at UWSP he was director of the medical technology program for nearly 10 years and chair of his department for nine years.

He earned degrees at Wesleyan College and the University of Maryland and taught at UW-Madison for one year.

He is survived by his wife, Janice, and four children. A memorial has been established in his name for the Chemistry Department.

Remembering alumni and friends of UWSP

Full obituaries may be found online at www.uwsp.edu/news/alumnus/obits

2000s

Kassi Dallman, '02, Chicago

1990s
Scott Holmes, master's '98, Schofield
Clifford Mancheski, '95, Stevens Point

1980s

David Westphal, '89, Fort Myers, Fla.
Tammy (Schmidt) Backaus, '88, Neillsville
Marlys (Gunderson) Matuszak, '86, Wausau
James Adamski, '85, De Pere
Mitchell Tomfohrde, '84, West Allis
Kenneth Engel, '83, Bellingham, Wash.
Dianne Huebner, master's '81, Plymouth, Minn.

1970s

Lynn Blajeski, '79, Green Bay
Richard Tekippe, '77, Cross Plains
Lois Cornelius, '77, Bowler
Arlene Simonson, '77, Wisconsin Rapids
James Salzman, '75, Fall River
Hal Hefti, '75, Stevens Point
Virginia Roeder, '74, Saint Paul, Minn
Dean Curran, '73, Elcho
Peter Konopacky, '72, Custer
Marion Holm, '72, Tigerton
Julie (Doubek) Zabel, '72, Las Cruces, N.M./Stevens Point
Lenore (Olsen) Jirovec, '71, master's '83, Stevens Point
Theodore Swanek, '70, Neenah
Patrick Giese, '70, Plymouth

1960s

Sue Carow, '69, Shoreline, Ore.
Lois (Sippl) Sickinger, '69, Ringle
Violet (Anderson) Handschke, '68, Nekoosa
Marion (McDonald) Hahn, '68, Merrill
Lorraine Braun, '68, Marshfield
Joan (Schroeder) Krause, '67, Seymour
James Kornowski, '66, Wausau
Dennis Arthur, '65, Rockwall, Texas
Rosemary Anglim, '64, Lyndon Station
Robert Krubsack, '63, Plover
Larry Fritsch, '63, Stevens Point
William Ruppel, '62, Soldiers Grove
Robert Beghin, '62, Wisconsin Dells
Joe Drefcinski, '62, Janesville
Carol Ketter, '62, Cedarburg
Beth (Towne) Johnson, '62, Waupaca
Clarence Herrick, '61, La Junta, Colo.

1950s

James Richards, '59, Oshkosh
Jack Krull, '59, La Crosse
LaVonne (Tellock) Drifka, '58, Stevens Point
Glen Zieher, '58, Wisconsin Rapids

Charles Nomady, '58, Tomahawk
Vincent Ackeret, '57, Medford
Claude Gabriel, '54, Manitowoc
Jean (Sarbacker) Schrank, '53, Cedarburg
Thomas Ackerman, '52, Algoma
Richard Lorenzen, '51, Hartford
Kenneth Veselak, '51, Antigo
Alan Bowers, '51, Wittenberg
Elizabeth Cychosz, '50, Whitefish Bay

1940s

Ethelyn Peterson, '48, Chicago, Ill.
August Bentz, '44, La Crosse
Earl Holm, '43, Tigerton
Lois Bastian, '43, Wrightstown
Linda (Born) Habermann, '42, McAllen, Texas
James Unger, '42, Oshkosh
Francis "Pat" Walsh, last attended '42, Fort Wayne, Ind.
Charlotte Reichel, '42, Shawano
Harold Humke, '41, Nekoosa
Elizabeth (Hannon) Malm, '41, Waukesha

1930s

Phillip Runkel, '39, Eugene, Ore.
Mary Ochs, '39, Portage
Frances (Bourcier) Benedict, '39, Springfield, Va.
Cecelia Dobbelaere, '39, Eagle River
Carol Hubing, '39, Schofield
Jane Warner, '39, Aptos, Calif.
Philip Worsencroft, '38, Wadsworth, Ohio
John Verrill, '38, Stevens Point
Inez (Jackson) Tibbetts, '38, Eau Claire
Edna (Earl) Cattnach, '38, Boscobel
Valeria Brown, '37, New London
Marie Hoslett, '35, Green Bay
Leo Lang, '35, formerly of Campbellsport
Edna (Bortz) Johnson, '35, formerly of the Town of New Hope
Dorothy (Hickey) Heldt, '35, Merrill
Marjorie (Pearson) Cook, '34, Tallahassee, Fla.
Loretta Zwachka, '32, Marshfield
Elizabeth Riendl, '32, Marshfield
Dorothy (Kuhl) Olson, '32, Oshkosh
Reuben Donner, '32, Chippewa Falls
Regina (Bashinski) Prodzinski, '31, San Francisco, Calif.
Mildred Sterr, '31, Safford, Ariz.
Ardine (Kleist) Burns, '30, Stevens Point

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Margaret Berg, Woodruff
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Ruth Lewis, Green Valley, Ariz.





Counsell to be inducted into WFCFA Hall of Fame

The late **Duaine Counsell**, '49, will be one of 22 inductees into the Wisconsin Football Coaches Association (WFCFA) Hall of Fame in a Madison ceremony on Saturday, April 5. For his obituary, see page 14.

Counsell coached the Pointers football team for 11 seasons from 1957-65 and 1967-68. During that time he guided the Pointers to a 56-33-4 record, including a conference championship in 1960. His 56 wins rank him 17th all-time among WIAC coaches. Counsell also coached the Pointer baseball team for four seasons, compiling a record of 40-14. He was inducted into the UWSP Athletic Hall of Fame in 1980.

Fall Sports Recap



Pointer running back Mike Ferron is a sophomore from Racine.

Football

The Pointers won their first six games and had the third-longest winning streak in Division III at 10 games. They also had one of the top scoring offenses in the conference those first six weeks, averaging 37 points per game.

The Pointers scored a school-record 34 points in the first quarter vs. Iowa Wesleyan. Ryan Graboski tied a school record by connecting on four field goals in a come-from-behind victory over UW-Stout. Kasey Morgan became the eighth Pointer to participate in the Aztec Bowl. He and Brad Vickroy were both named first team All-WIAC performers.

Soccer

The women's soccer team had its 20th consecutive winning season. The Pointers finished second in WIAC and received an at-large bid to the NCAA Tournament, where they made it to the Sweet 16 through two thrilling games. The season ended with a loss to eventual national champion Wheaton College.

Amanda Prawat led the WIAC with 26 goals and 61 points, the second-most in a season in UWSP history. Kaylee Weise was second in the conference with 16 goals and 44 points and she led the WIAC with 12 assists.

Volleyball

The women's volleyball team ended the season winning eight of its last 10 matches. The biggest win of the season came against UW-Oshkosh, ranked fourth in Division III. The Pointers finished with 23 wins, which marked back-to-back 20-win seasons for the second time in 11 years.

Shelly Maus ended her senior season by breaking her own record for kills in a season with 504. She holds the school record with 1,715 kills in her career. She also set a school record for block assists in a season with 153.

Golf

The women's golf team had its most successful season to date, winning four invites and finishing no lower than third. The Pointers finished fourth in the NGCA Division III poll. Head coach Matt Interbartolo was named WIAC Coach of the Year for the second consecutive year as he led the Pointers to the WIAC Conference Tournament title for the first time since 1997, qualifying them for the national tournament for first time in school history.

Freshman Michelle Pascavis was the first player in program history and the second freshman in conference history to be named WIAC Player of the Year. The Pointers will compete in the national tournament May 13-16 at Centennial Oaks Golf Club in Waverly, Iowa.

Cross Country

The Pointer men finished sixth at the NCAA Division III cross country championships and second at the WIAC championships and the Midwest regional. Men's Coach Rick Witt was named the Midwest Region's Division III Coach of the Year by the United States Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association. Dominick Meyer placed 25th at nationals and earned himself All-American status.

The women's team won the Concordia (Wis.) Invitational and finished sixth out of 32 teams at the Midwest Regional, just two points behind fifth place UW-Oshkosh.

Tennis

The tennis team won eight of its last 10 dual meets, closing the regular season by defeating UW-Oshkosh 5-4 and then finishing fifth at the WIAC Championships. UWSP finished sixth overall in the conference, one point behind UW-Stout. The Pointers had three members place third at conference in singles action and also had one doubles team place third.

Sophomore Rachel Benn finished 13-5 at No. 1 singles and Senior Emily Bouche went 12-2 in singles action.

UWSP has two Academic All-Americans

It was a great season on and off the field for a pair of Pointer athletes. Football player Dustin Robinson and soccer player Meredith DeCaluwe join 36 other Pointers (33 in the last 9 years) as College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) Academic All-Americans, Robinson to second team and DeCaluwe to the third.

Robinson, a linebacker and chemistry and pre-pharmacy major with a 3.85 grade point average, led the team in tackles and was second in the conference. He is the fourth Pointer football player to be named an Academic All-American and one of two from the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC).

DeCaluwe has a 3.99 grade point average and majors in math education. She earned all-district honors for the third straight year. She was named the WIAC Judy Kruckman Scholar-Athlete in women's soccer this past season and led the Pointers to the NCAA Division III Sectional Semifinals. Her 45 wins in net are tied for the second-most in school history.

Winter Sports Season

Men's basketball

The men's basketball team won nine of its first 10 games, climbing to as high as second in the D3hoops.com poll. The Pointers picked up a big road win over fifth-ranked Augustana College and set a conference record with 18 three-point field goals against Carroll in the season opener. The Pointers finish the regular season with a 20-5 overall record and a 12-4 WIAC record. The team finished the season March 3 with a loss to Buena Vista University in the second round of the NCAA Division III Basketball Tournament.

Women's basketball



The women's basketball team wore pink and raised nearly \$1,000 for breast cancer awareness on "Think Pink" night vs. UW-Eau Claire.

The women's basketball team won 10 of its first 11 games and captured their second Surf n' Slam Classic Championship in San Diego. Laura Neuenfeldt was named Most Valuable Player and Haley Houghton was named to the all-tournament team. The Pointers climbed as high as 11th in the D3hoops.com poll and won 20 consecutive non-conference games. The Pointers ended the regular season with a 21-4 overall record and a 12-4 WIAC record. The team fell to St. Norbert College in the first round NCAA Division III Basketball Tournament.

Men's hockey

The men's hockey team, led by new head coach Wil Nichol, finished with a 14-9-4 record, ending the season with a loss to UW-Stout in game two of the NCHA Peters Cup Quarterfinals. The Pointers had an 11-game unbeaten streak during the regular season, the fifth-longest in team history. Brett Beckfeld was named to the NCHA First Team and the Pointers had seven members named to the NCHA All-Academic Team.

Women's hockey

The women's hockey team started the season on a 20-game unbeaten streak and had a 21-game unbeaten streak dating back to last season, the second longest in team history and the longest in all of NCAA women's hockey. The Pointers ended the season with an overall record of 22-3-2, a first place rank in the west region and third place at the NCHA O'Brien Cup Tournament after defeating Lake Forest College 4-0.

Wrestling

The wrestling team ended the regular season with a 15-6-2 record and a 5-1 conference record. Stevens Point took first at the Border Brawl halfway through the season. The Pointers finished in 10th place out of 60 teams at the NCAA Division III Wrestling Championships March 8. Craig Bollig placed third and Eric Bath finished fifth, both claiming All-American honors.

Swimming & diving

The men's and women's swimming & diving teams had another solid regular season with men winning two conference duals and three meets. The men are ranked 13th in Division III, while the women are ranked 18th. Chase Gross broke his own school record in the 100-yard butterfly early in the season. The men's team won its ninth consecutive WIAC Championship at UW-Oshkosh Feb. 21-23, while the women's team placed second behind UW-La Crosse.



APRIL

- Department of Music recitals and concerts**
All events will be held in Michelsen Hall of the Noel Fine Arts Center (NFAC) at 7:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted.
- Michael Keller/Molly Roseman faculty recital**, Sunday, April 6, 3 p.m.
 - Composers Concert**, Monday, April 7
 - Opera performance**, Friday, April 18 & Saturday, April 19
 - Flute Choir**, Monday, April 21
 - Wind Ensemble**, Wednesday, April 23
 - Soiree Musicale**, Friday, April 25, 6:30 p.m.
 - Jazz Ensemble**, Saturday, April 26
 - Campus Band**, Sunday, April 27, 3 p.m.
 - Mostly Percussion Ensemble**, Sunday, April 27
 - Concert Band**, Tuesday, April 29
 - Symphony Orchestra**, Wednesday, April 30

Alumni Association trip to Paris
Saturday, April 5-13

Department of Theatre and Dance: Danstage 2008
April 11-13 & 17-20
First Nighters – Friday, April 11, 5:30 p.m.
Studio Theatre, NFAC

Trivia 38: Trivia Returns
Alumni Trivia Cookie Walk
Monday, April 17, 1-5 p.m.
90 FM WWSP Trivia Contest
Friday, April 11-Sunday, April 13
Alumni Trivia phone shift
Sunday, April 13, 6-10 a.m.
Communication Arts Center

Anne-Bridget Gary: Walking the Corridor
April 13-27
Reception Monday, April 14, 4-6 p.m.
Carlsten Gallery, NFAC

1st Annual Kassi Dallman Short Play Festival
April 15-16, 7.30 p.m.
Live Bait Theater, 3914 North Clark, Chicago
rubicontheatreproject@yahoo.com

Alumni Association China trip informational meeting
Wednesday, April 16, 7 p.m.
Founders Room, Old Main

Alumni Association Board meeting
Saturday, April 19
Dreyfus UC

Laird Youth Leadership Day
Monday, April 21
Dreyfus University Center

Beyond BOW Field Day
Saturday, April 26
Mackenzie Environmental Center, Poynette
www.uwsp.edu/cnr/bow

Letters and Science Research Symposium
Saturday, April 26
Science Building

MAY

- Department of Music recitals and concerts**
- Combined Choirs**, Saturday, May 3 & Sunday, May 4, 3 p.m.
 - Jazz Ensemble**, Monday, May 5
 - Central State Chamber Orchestra**, Saturday, May 10

Department of Theatre and Dance: Baby
May 2-4 and 7-10
First Nighters, Friday, May 2, 5:30 p.m.
Jenkins Theater, NFAC

Portage County Cultural Festival
Saturday, May 3, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Stevens Point Area Senior High School

BFA Exhibition
May 4-16
Reception, Friday, May 9, 3-6 p.m.
Carlsten Gallery, NFAC

Chancellor's Leadership Awards
Tuesday, May 6
Michelsen Hall, NFAC

Alumni Association Awards Banquet
(Invitation only event)
Saturday, May 10

Alumni Association Senior Breakfast
Monday, May 12, 9 a.m.
Dreyfus UC

Albertson Medallion Awards
Friday, May 16
Dreyfus University Center

Spring Commencement
Sunday, May 18, 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.
Specht Forum/Sundial
(weather permitting)

Summer Session
Three-week session, May 27-June 13

Wisconsin Dells Alumni Weekend
May 30-June 1
Wilderness Resort

JUNE



Youth summer camps
June-August
Central Wisconsin Environmental Station
www.uwsp.edu/cnr/cwes

Walk Wisconsin
Kids Walk, Friday, June 6
Main event, Saturday, June 7
Stevens Point Green Circle
www.walkwisconsin.com

Special Olympics Summer Games
June 5-7
www.specialolympicswisconsin.org

Beyond BOW workshop
June 7-8
Central Wisconsin Environmental Station
www.uwsp.edu/cnr/bow

Wisconsin Aquaculture Association Alumni Event
Friday, June 13
Bayfield

UWSP Foundation Board meeting
Monday, June 16
Dreyfus University Center

Summer Session
Eight-week session, June 16-August 6
www.uwsp.edu/summersession

Alumni Association Milestone Reunion Weekend
10th (1998), 25th (1983) and 50th (1958)
June 20-22
UWSP campus

Point Arts Camps
June 22-28
Music or Studio Art
[www.uwsp.edu/cofac/ FineArtsCamp](http://www.uwsp.edu/cofac/FineArtsCamp)

Waupaca County Alumni Chapter Event
Tuesday, June 24
Chain of Lakes cruise

Minneapolis Alumni Chapter Event
Saturday, June 28
Baseball tailgate

July

Madison Alumni Chapter Event
Friday, July 18
Fromagination wine and cheese tasting

33rd Annual National Wellness Conference
June 11-17
www.nationalwellness.org

Milwaukee Alumni Chapter Event
July 16
Milwaukee River Brewery Boat Tour

Wausau Alumni Chapter Event
Wednesday, July 16
The Grand Theater tour and reception & Concert on the Square

2008 American Suzuki Institute, session one
July 27-August 2
www.uwsp.edu/cofac/suzuki

August

Appleton Alumni Chapter Event
date TBA
Social

Green Bay Alumni Chapter Event
Thursday, August 7
Tittletown Brewery social



Family Camping Weekend
August 8-10
Central Wisconsin Environmental Station
www.uwsp.edu/cnr/cwes

2008 American Suzuki Institute, session two
August 3-9
www.uwsp.edu/cofac/suzuki

Scott Schultz Memorial Golf Outing
Monday, August 11
Glacier Wood Golf Club, Iola

Summer BOW workshop
August 22-24
Treehaven Field Station
www.uwsp.edu/cnr/bow

September

Fall semester begins
Tuesday, September 2

October

Alumni Board Meeting
Friday, Oct. 10
Dreyfus UC

Homecoming 2008
Saturday, Oct. 11
UWSP campus

Athletic Hall of Fame induction
(Invitation only event)
Saturday, Oct. 11

UWSP Foundation Board meeting
Monday, October 13
Dreyfus University Center

For the most up-to-date information on Alumni Association events, to make reservations or plan your own events, go to www.uwsp.edu/alumni, call (715) 346-3811 or (877)764-6801 or e-mail alumni@uwsp.edu.

Tickets for campus events, unless otherwise noted, are available through University Information and Tickets, www.uwsp.edu/centers/uit, (715) 346-4100 or (800) 838-3378 or at the door if not sold out in advance.

Save the date!

Wilderness Resort Alumni Weekend
Nov. 21-22, 2008

Homecoming
Saturday, Oct. 10, 2009
Saturday, Oct 9, 2010

Trivia
April 17-19, 2009
April 16-18, 2010
April 8-10, 2011

It's Easy Being Green

At UWSP: A new course, Water 220 - Global Climate Change and Water Resources, taught by Katherine Clancy, discusses the effects of global warming on world water resources, climate change in the past millennium, case studies including Africa, India, North and South America, China and Japan, how availability of water

has shaped culture, agriculture, and diet, and how past and present stressors to available water have been dealt with in different regions.

At home: Buy local organic foods. You will reduce energy used to transport the items to the store as well as reduce water pollution from agricultural chemicals.