Minority population escalates

by Tony Gindt  
Staff Writer

The University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point increased its population of minority students and faculty this fall.
The greatest increase was in the student ranks—up 34 percent—with Southeast Asian-Americans, notably the Hmong, accounting for the most gains, followed by Hispanics. 

Loretta Webster, associate vice chancellor for the advancement of cultural diversity, said the student minority count went from 192 in the fall of 1988 to 234 this fall.

New freshmen and transfer students increased from 76 to 82, so most of the improvements were the result of retention of existing students.
The overall change far exceeded the institution's own goal for a 10 percent gain.

Success did not come easily, according to Affirmative Action Officer Mary Williams. The recruitment of minority faculty and staff is becoming increasingly arduous, she added.

The problem is that the pool of minority people trained for positions in higher education is small.

Nonetheless, several more new hires raised the total minority faculty to eight and the academic staff total to seven. In those two groups, 11 of the appointees were recruited in the past two years and Williams credits the existing faculty for making that happen.

The number of women faculty/staff, which the university also has been asked to increase, went up significantly this year, accounting for 32 of the new 68 new appointees.

Alan Haney dean of the College of the Natural Resources turned in one of the most impressive minority women hiring records of any campus unit. But he was reluctant to accept plaudits.

A "good deal of it was serendipity," he explained. There are few black foresters with Ph.D. degrees, and UWSP hired one whose career had previously been in Canada. The forester's credentials appeared to be the best among the applicants, Haney reported, and when he was invited for an interview, it was a welcome surprise to learn he was also a member of a minority group, the dean said.

Another success story was the hiring of a woman with a Ph.D. in paper science engineering, another rarity in the profession. Seem her husband wanted a career in industry and she in education. He was, therefore, hired by Consolidated and UWSP was fortunate, Haney continued, to recruit her. A third woman became a tenure-track professor after taking a leave from the university as an instructor to earn a Ph.D. in natural resources.

The UW System has given Stevens Point a new long-range minority hiring quota. It's higher than a goal previously in force, calling for 18 minority faculty and more than a dozen academic staff members by 1992. Williams says special efforts will be made to retain existing minority employees while the new recruitment continues.

Meanwhile the UWSP Chancellor, Keith Sanders, was pleased with the increase in the student minority population.

"The campus has responded well to minority students," he said, "I'm pleased to be here where it is open to change."

On the subject of increasing the number of minority faculty and staff, Sanders noted that UWSP has had some success, but recognized that the university must work harder in the future.

Sanders agreed that the pool of qualified minorities is small. "We must increase the pool by having more minority graduates," he stated.

Looking again at the minority students, the number with roots in Southeast Asia increased from 26 to 51. Many of them are from the continuing expanding Hmong settlements in Stevens Point and Wausau.

The black population grew from 52 to 64 while the number of Hispanics went from 32 to 40. A slight decline was recorded among Native Americans from 52 to 79.

Webster said the intent of the Design for Diversity program here and elsewhere in the UW System is to benefit the entire population, not just minorities. "This helps everyone grow and to learn how to look at the world from a whole new perspective," she observed.

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Dreyfus appointed to Board

By J. Patricks  
Contributor

Former UWSP chancellor and former governor of Wisconsin Lee Sherman Dreyfus was recently named a member of the University of Wisconsin system Board of Regents. These are some of his ideas on the new position, and its future.

Pointe: A lot of people don't even know what a regent is. Fill us in.

Dreyfus: "The regents are a group of people chosen to represent the best interests of the University of Wisconsin system. Each year, two people are picked to hold a seven year term. There are a total of 15 regents, so there is no major turnover problems. As for what they do, the best metaphor to describe it is that of a corporation. The UW system is a corporation with the regents being the board of directors. The product would be the students, and the producers are the faculty. The regents, therefore, have the say as to what, where and how. They make the management decisions."

Pointe: Your resume was pretty stacked going into this.

Legislators support lower drinking age

by Bill Ellifson  
Contributor

Students finally had a chance to voice their opinions on the drinking age Monday night and very few students chose to do so, (I guess this is no Oshkosh.)

"Monday was the debate titled 'Is the 21 Drinking Age Law Helping or Hurting Us?'. It consisted of a panel of eight representatives: 3 against 21 and 5 for 21. Those opposed to 21 included Mayor Scott Schultz, State Rep. Stan Grenzynski and President of the United Council of UW Students, and UW Student Governments President James Smith. Those for the 21 drinking age included Chris Jacobs of MAD.D, Dr. Tom Rowe a Psychology professor here at UWSP, Rev. Bob Barnes of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Dennis Hughes of the Transportation, and Dr. Anne Schier who works with drug and alcohol dependants.

The moderator was Bob Huelsen of UWSP.

It was conceived that Wisconsin and most of the other states would still be 19 if the federal government had not held the $14 million a year in state highway funds hostage for a 21 drinking age. Jim Smith called this "sloated prohibition against the 19-21 year olds."." Reg. Gruszynski added "If a 19 year olds gets caught drinking, he is tried as an adult, not a minor. This inconsistency is where many of the problems lie." Mayor Serykus said that "raising the drinking age didn't solve any problems, it moved the problems from the bars to the residence halls and residential areas."

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Jacobsen accusers SSA

by William Horton

It is intentional to break the Wisconsin’s state open meeting law or not? That was the question being discussed on a Tuesday afternoon meeting with DAF, ELLP, Madison and Student Government, Pres. Brenda Leahy and Senator Mikalsen.

Many probably heard that the issue was over SSA not funding the Jacobsen. No, that wasn’t the issue, but it was important. Madison accused the entire Student Government of breaking the Wisconsin’s State Open Meeting Law. The law states that “the student senate is bound under parliamentary authority or Robert Rules to conduct a meeting in a proper manner.” The Public Relations believes that the Senate isn’t bound by the law.

When asked Mr. Madison or Sen. Mikalsen? Mikalsen said that he hasn’t violated any laws, because they met every requirement as listed in the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law, except for not advertising in a recognized newspaper, but feels it should be noted better on WWSP and WSPT.

Mikalsen said he placed everything on the agenda, twenty-four hours prior to the date. The only thing the agenda was not forth time, place, date, and what going to be discussed under Mike Roberts availability.

Mikalsen late last week gave a Department of Advertising at Wisc. Madison said they are requesting that people who initiated it be impeached under their own constitution engaging in illegal activities under the name of SSA or the University of Wisconsin.

Mikalsen stated, that it isn’t the responsibility of individual in SSA to meet the open meeting laws under Sec. 19.84 public meetings.

"By communication from the chief presiding officer of governing body of such person designee for designee to the public."

Brenda Leahy said the Jacobin wasn’t notified or allowed to speak, because he was on a speaker list and the Senate didn’t make it around to him to hear his response.

Madison said the Senate is in violation of having to go to a particular interest to the Jacobin. The Senate can be sued or fined depending on it which the decision is made in court.

Leahy said, Madison could have signaled a motion to respond, to anything that wasn’t clear. Madison questioned if it was intentional to break the Wisconsin Open Meeting Law.

Madison spoke with Leahy earlier and asked for her to drop the veto of reconsideration, because they received funding from Chancellor Sanders. Leahy couldn’t veto a motion of reconsideration notice, only the final inact.

The Senate meets the Thursday after to override or accept the veto. The Parliament tells them what to do. The Senate was told the veto went to Y. The Senate accepted and couldn’t change one interpretation.

If the Senate cut the speaker off intentionally, which DA Bill Marat is checking into and is expected to give a written recommendation of action the case can end up in court.

Madison said if their decision is valid he would take the decision to the Jacobsen for further actions.

If invalid no action would be taken, but court is favorable, but students would end up paying court fee for the Senate screw up.

Mikalsen said, if they accidentally broke the law they would be glad to solve the problem.

Madison and Mikalsen agreed not to go to court, but decided to have the Chancellor to make the final decision.

-Leahy believed that the debate over the funding is a waste of time. She said time, can spent on other important issues and doing the best for the students.

Mikalsen justified, the presiding parliament and chair don’t know what the hell they are doing. He said the presiding should have the knowledge of what is going on and she is irresponsible. She should do more to conduct an organized meeting better also she should read more about the "Robert Rules."

Madison doesn’t care about the funding. He only wants the Senate to take responsibility. Mikalsen agreed to the same thing but both Mikalsen and Madison disagrees on intention.

Dreyfus

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this rises, pressure will be put on the taxpayer. There is also pressure on each campus to use money allocated to them more efficiently and effectively.

The problem is people tend to look at higher education as a governmental cost. It should instead be looked at as an investment. People with a college degree will get a higher paying job and will therefore, pay more taxes.

Point: What is your opinion of the enrollment cap?

Dreyfus: ‘Tis not a new idea. I capped the enrollment at UWSP for three years when we hit 9,000 students. We wouldn’t get any more money from the state, so having more students would have just diluted the educational experience.

The enrollment cap is a good idea because if we allow any student to enroll at any university they want to, certain campuses would become more popular very quickly. You build buildings, add faculty and then its not the popular campus anymore. We can’t afford a system that is so inefficiently used. There are 165,000 students in the UW system. If they all suddenly decided to attend UW Madison, it would cause a big mess. The enrollment cap keeps things even."

Point: What other concerns do you have?

Dreyfus: "I have big concerns about the way we are approaching minority recruitment. I think the goal of just getting minority students to attend our schools is off. There is a shrinking pool of minorities available. Right now it seems we are taking this limited number and trying to attract them from one campus to the other."

We can’t divorce ourselves from the problem. To say, we

Mary Weller, Director of Advertising at Sentry Insurance

Forum to feature Advertising Director

There’s a lot more to you than a resume. Mary Weller, the Director of Advertising at Sentry Insurance will address this and other issues Wednesday, November 1, at 7 p.m. in the Communication Room of the University Center. Everyone is invited to attend.

Weller, a graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Madison, has been with Sentry since 1976. Weller heads the Corporate Communications Department which involves both advertising and public relations activities on a nationwide level.

In her presentation Weller will answer questions such as: What do executives look for in graduating seniors? What can make someone stand out from the crowd? How important are grades? What do you look for when you interview new graduates?

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Why oh why must Christmas be in October! (Is December too unseasonal?)

by Blair Cleary  
Editor-in-Chief

Well, tis the season, not the Christmas season, although I noticed last week that they were putting Christmas lights up over at the Centerpoint Mall (just in time, too, Oct. 17), but the Halloween season.

Not that this has any real effect on the stores. To them, it is the Christmas season. Or at least the start of the Christmas season. They still, technically, have to get rid of some of that annoying Halloween stuff. I suppose they have to save a little room for Thanksgiving stuff as well but since that isn't much of a seller, unless you happen to be a food store, they won't leave it all that much space.

Think about it, any day now you get to see pictures of Santa's naughtily happy red nosed fat face, his happy reindeer, his happy wife, the happy elves, and even happy parents happily going deep into debt to buy their happy kids a $1,000 talking doll that they will be sick of anyway after a few happy hours of play. They are not just pasted up in just a few stores, but all over. Their're up in nearly EVERY store. And we get to look at them for at least two months.

"Hat!" you think "I'll just hide out at home for two months and only go and shop when absolutely necessary." Why, I don't have to hide at home and use ALL of thousands of cheap useless Christmas trinket decorations that I never liked anyway, you think smugly to yourself. Then, bored after a few hours of feeling smug about beating Christmas, you turn on the television.

What comes into view? Why, it's any one of 30 children's Christmas specials. Although one or two of them, such as Charlie Brown's Christmas and Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer, are classic, the rest of them, like Pee Wee Herman's Christmas in the Yucatan Peninsula, are to children's entertainment what cholesterol is to healthy blood circulation. Shaken, you flip the channel.

You look at the set again.

You see the Osmond Family celebrating their own special Christmas together. Quickly, you again flip the channel. Now you see a special "Eight is Enough Christmas reunion." Gag! You try just one more time. You see a commercial for a record, oops sorry, "CD", with the top 40 Christmas carols as sung by Wayne Newton and your other "all time favorite" performers. Shaken to your core, you black out.

When you wake up, you decide to go for a nice drive instead of chancing the radio stations. Jumping into your car you head downtown. On the way you see that in many stores they don't restrict gaudy Christmas decorations to the interior. Oh yes, billboards, store windows, and even outside displays brim over with the same "Master Card and Visa", because Santa doesn't come every day, and he doesn't take American Express type of message.

With a sigh, you resign yourself to your fate.

If I was Santa I would send my elves all off to a law school where they could learn copyright and slander laws. I would then send them out to get any Fortune 500 company, or for that matter, ANY company with a decent profit figure that misquoted me or used my likeness without my consent. Even if I didn't win any cases I would run them up enough in legal fees to give them pause.

Seriously, I see no reason the Christmas season has to start in October! Most people don't even think of doing any serious Christmas shopping until after Thanksgiving. Why don't they start the old ad blitz then? Perhaps Christmas would mean more to we non-kids if it came once a year instead of one sixth of the year.

Oh well, by December 15 we can all go downtown and look at the Valentines day stuff. Scrooge was right. Bah Humbug.
I've been there

Your feature article about the Peters Rock seminar took me back to 1982, when I was the high school paper editor. After angrily sitting through their presentation, I wrote an angry letter to the editor more than your reporter did.

The original AC/DC was my favorite band, and Bon Scott was my hero even before he choked to death on his own vomit. 'Highway to Hell' was an anthem for my best friend and I. We would get high, have a few drinks, and drive 100 mph down country roads. As the song said, there were no stop signs or speed limits to slow us down. The last time I heard about my friend he was in prison for robbery.

Rock music was more than just a put-on for me. It didn't force me to do anything, but it sure made me think about doing a lot. I used it to justify things that I knew were wrong. Getting high and listening to my music was more important to me than any parents or anyone else.

The albums that I valued so highly are gone now. I'm left with memories of what I consider to be wasted years. I still have problems and make mistakes, but I have turned to God for direction in my life. I am very thankful for the forgiveness and hope that I have through faith in Jesus Christ.

Tom Cunningham

Give the students a Christmas too

The parking problem at this school is really beginning to bother me. The first area of concern is how the Parking Services decide on prices for tickets. It seems that these lofty fines are a type of fund-raising done to improve the school's wallet size. From the looks of the parking lots, it definitely is shown that the money is not going to parking lot upkeep. During the winter, it takes the maintenance crew hours and sometimes days to clear the parking lots. They must be getting paid by the hour.

The second area of concern is in regard to courtesy. I have parked in lots for night hours many times. Recently, I received a ticket for parking in a lot at 6:30 p.m. When I looked at the car at my site, I noticed that all but one had valid parking permits for that lot. Is there a certain time that it is legal? You don't see the city police saying, 'Well, hand-icapped parking is legal from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. for anyone.'

I'm wondering why our ticketing is different from that of the police department. This difference makes me wonder if this is actually a fund-raising scheme for a Christmas party for employees at the George Stein Building. Ticket all or don't ticket any. By taking a stand, you might reduce unnecessary fines and allow the students to have Christmas too.

Eppy Epperman

Food: another rebuttal

I am writing in response to Stephanie Whiting's brilliant account of the wonderful variety of foods available for our consumption at Debob and Allen "choice-eating" centers.

First of all, that suppose since all lunch meals are low fat turkey you offer no other type of lunch meat. Secondly, those 'whole grain breads offered at every meal' are stale 95% of the time. The only time they are not stale is during the first and last week of a semester.

Finally, the only thing you do in your response is list all the healthy aspects of breakfast and the saduc bar. Are you saying that no one eats anything else? I find that hard to believe.

You offer ham and cheese every single day. Maybe we would have more variety. And have you ever looked at the meats, especially the ham? It is so fatty and hideous that I had notions of bringing it to a Chemistry or Biology teacher to be analyzed. Why not? What did you do to kill all this animal food?

I realize that the food service doesn't make the food, they just get it from a private company, but you don't have to stand up for it. The food is horrible. The potatoes are old the day you make them and the macaroni and cheese tastes, I think, what plastic might taste like.

How dare you say that you offer 'hotel style' meals. First the nACHOS are drenched in is inexceasable. Has anyone in the food service ever had REAL nachos? I'm glad that Wellness helps with the food. They're the ones that asked in the LAQs if we ever came into contact with unnecessary radiation.

I bothered to look at the ham- borgers after I took a bite and then I questioned myself as to whether this meat came from a gorilla or a kangaroo, or whether it was a reject from McDonald's. I would not call that healthy by any stretch of the imagination. And the pizza had freezer burn!

Next time you respond to a question about the quality of the food, please answer the question fully. Telling about the wonderful brunch breakfasts does not answer the question about how healthy the food is.

name withheld

To the editor,

As a student of UWSP, I assume I have been given rights and fair treatment. Within the past week I have gained a concern about the actual fairness of this campus.

Recently a very good friend of mine who I only know as a calm, polite, and kind person, was accused of something very serious. He is accused of something he did not do. A complaint was falsely alleged to Student Conduct, and without even hearing what he had to say, he was automatically assumed to be guilty.

I really do believe that a threat so serious as to be kicked off a campus shouldn't be overlooked as this one has been. What I would like to be able to understand is why his friend hasn't been fairly listened to. Isn't there the possibility that someone, out for revenge, would openly lie in order to get someone they dislike kicked out of school?

I would like to believe that this situation wouldn't want an innocent person convicted of something he hasn't done. Please consider my concerns and I truly hope that the system of Student Conduct here would keep their minds open to both sides of the story and not just one.

name withheld

Jacobs, why not diversity?

So the SGA took away your funding and now you're left out in the cold like so many other fledgling organizations. Now, when I read the sixth issue of the Jacobin, you sit around whining about it like a bunch of third graders on a bus with no heat.

When your organization came to campus I thought, 'Great! We finally got something here that will promote change and stir up some excitement in this otherwise bland institution.' Unfortunately, all I've heard is a bunch of children crying for an allowance.

It's obvious that you people are talented, so why don't you take to heart what Thomas Jef- ferson said, "Truth comes from diversity?" If SGA won't give you cash, put your collective heads together and figure out a way to get it yourselves.

Eppy Epperman

Freedom From Fear

I'm crazy with this grief. Only now do I realize the things I've seen, the things they feel, Are' much more than beyond belief.
The Bishop says we are on the brink. It seems we have lost our capacity to clearly think. It's true each puzzle has its missing link. But the king washes his hands and smiles, as black dissolves Down the sink.

No one heard what the Bishop said. When it's white on black...and black is red. Passive resistance has much to show but to some, Not as much as a stones throw!

Many a war has been fought for glory But glory is not the issue here. It's much more than that fear. Freedom want what freedom lacks... Freedom from fear Freedom from lies Freedom without compromise.

I've only seen the hurt they feel— Wounds to a dark soul that will not heal. So when the head comes off in spite of the hat— There's no freedom, only fear in that.

I ask this question, me to justify, my empty soul yet to satisfy— When judgement arrives for the government to heed, Will it step back and let compassion lead? M. Knopp

This poem was inspired by the movie "Witness to Apartheid", which brought to light the struggle of the black South Africans, lead by Bishop Tutu, against an oppressive government.
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Waste-to-energy meeting set

University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point faculty, staff and students are invited to attend an informational organizational meeting related to the proposed waste-to-energy project involving the campus and three central Wisconsin counties.

The meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 6, in the University Center's Wright Lounge beginning at 7:00 p.m. At the meeting representatives of local county government and campus administration will provide a status report of the proposed waste-to-energy facility involving the campus. Concerned members of the campus community will be invited to become involved in the ongoing review of the project's feasibility.

As it is currently conceived, the project involves pooling residential solid waste from Portage, Waupaca and Washburn Counties. The waste will be processed to create refuse-derived fuel (RDF) which would be burned on campus to supply electricity and steam for heating.

According to Greg Diemer, chancellor for business affairs, the purpose of forming a review group is to provide interested faculty, staff and students with a means for keeping up-to-date and to voice any concerns the project proceeds through the feasibility analysis.

If established, a review group would be an informal coalition of interested individuals and campus organizations. Portage County staff have indicated a willingness to work with such a group and provide all information related to the feasibility analysis as it becomes available.

Diemer said the effort is an attempt to create awareness and get concerned people involved at an early stage in the review process.

Processing of RDF involves separating non-burnables such as glass, metal and aluminum out of the waste and creating burnable pellets consisting chiefly of paper and plastics. The pellets would be transported to the campus power generation plant and burned either in combination with coal derived boiler or in a specially dedicated boiler to be constructed.

It has been estimated that

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ECO-BRIEFS

by Timothy Byers

Staff Writer

Paul McCartney says he is "just another bloke interested in saving the planet." In August the ex-Beatle announced that he would devote his upcoming world tour to promoting Friends of the Earth (FOE). FOE is an international environmental group that advocates the wholeness of life and the universe. At least twelve nations will be included in the tour and local FOE chapters will be included with the McCartney appearances. The U.S. leg of the tour will begin November 27 in Los Angeles.

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Food is carried in trucks from many diverse and rural places in the United States to urban areas. Did you know that the practice of "backhauling" is increasing and the cargo is garbage? It is not unusual for truckers to want to haul loads back to their origin points, but more and more food trucks are taking urban garbage back to "landfills in rural areas. This practice is not illegal and truckers say "garbage is a dream commodity" that pays better than hauling food. Congress is looking into this health implications of this activity.

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The Soviet Union's Chernobyl nuclear accident was a great disaster, but there was a worse one in Russia. In 1957 a reactor at the Kyshtym Industrial Complex resulted in the evacuation of 10,000 citizens, the movement and burial of tons of contaminated soil, and the declaration of the surrounding 70 square miles as "unfit for human use." Why haven't we heard about this one before? The accident, place, and 10,000 residents didn't officially exist until the new Soviet openness of recent times.

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The much ballyhooed "drug war" of the Bush administration is but one of many attempts to stem the flow of drugs into the U.S. Now it seems that there are more dangers than being caught with drugs. The U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) has found that up to 10% of marijuana sold is loaded with paraquat and glyphosate. These are two toxic herbicide compounds used overseas to kill marijuana plants and funded by the U.S. government. Paraquat can cause irreversible lung damage if ingested.

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The largest crop under cultivation in the mountainous Peruvian Amazon is the coca leaf. Rain forests in national parks and forests are under heavy assault in the region to supply the demand for coca in the United States. Up to 75% of the raw material for U.S. cocaine comes from this area. The final refining is done in Columbia. More than forests are destroyed though. Chemicals such as kerosene, acetone, benzine, and toluene are dumped in mountain rivers and cause the death of fish, amphibians, reptiles, and crustaceans.

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Recent disclosures show that the U.S. Agency for International Development (AID) has been conducting chain saw safety training for the Nicaraguan contras based in Honduras. Not only that but the agency has been supplying chain saws as well. This has lead to timber cutting by the contras that is changing the ecology of the area near Las Trojes. The contractors cut trees to make camps and also to sell the wood for profit. This is illegal according to Honduran authorities but they are powerless to stop the heavily-armed contras.

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"Exxon's decision to pull out for the season from the Prince William Sound cleanup won't wash out that easily. The oil company faces over 100 court battles based on the 11 million gallon accident. Some of the litigants are: the state of Alaska, the National Wildlife Federation, the Natural Resource Defense Council, and individual fishermen. The suits ask for cleanup of the devastated beaches and coastal waters, compensation for the deaths of thousands of animals, the impairment of recreational activities, recompense of lost revenues, and set aside of other lands for protection. This last is the first suit filed on behalf of the otters, eagles, salmon, parks, and wildlife refuges.

Corporations are often seen as faceless and unresponsive to citizen action. Ever since mass industrialization in the last century we have mistrusted big business, some times more than others. With so many dangers evident we are in an era of mistrust today.

The thought used to be that what was good for business was good for all, but the disclosure that two-thirds of Fortune 500 companies were convicted of serious crimes ranging from price fixing to illegal dumping between 1975 and 1985 should lead us to caution. Exxon's activities need to be carefully considered before they (and we) are let off the hook.

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Oil spills and other pollution in polar areas is worrying authorities concerned about the fragile ecology of those places. The Antarctic in particular is the scene of more and more human activity. Tourism has grown to the area and this has brought attendant impacts. Strict international guidelines are in the works for people who visit the Antarctic, but the biggest threats probably lie with mineral and petroleum exploitation of the area, if they ever happen.

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OUTDOORS

Pray-Sims duck hunters Chris Lucas, J.J. McClellan and Jeff Klemann display the rewards of a days' effort. Send your outdoors photos to the Pointer office in room 104 CAC.

(Photoby Jeff Klemann)
Minority

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Maria Coppinger, a 1983 graduate of UWSP who is originally from Colombia, has been appointed to head a peer adviser program and to develop a multi-cultural student center in the basement of the Park Student Services Building. The center will be a place for minority students to gather in social situations and also to receive special services, including tutoring.

Because of her abilities in using the Spanish language, Coppinger has a particular interest in working with area Hispanics and was responsible, according to Webster, for establishing new contacts for the university with them.

Sue Corn, a Menomine Indian who began work several months ago as a recruiter, has been given responsibility for getting students involved as peer recruiters and tutors.

Using a step beyond, a campus committee promoting cultural diversity is working on the development of a community mentoring program in which area residents will serve as mentors to minority students.

How receptive are minority students to invitations to study at UWSP?

"A majority of our students see this place as a good experience and are willing to promote it," Webster reports.

Hesham Odeh, a junior from Jordan, likes UWSP. He felt that the education here was good and the atmosphere was friendly. Odeh has no plans to transfer to another university.

Mui Mo Koo, a sophomore from Malaysia, also noticed a friendly atmosphere. She found the professors nice, people friendly and the campus size was not too big.

Reports continue to be received from time to time of students experiencing "stereotypical situations."

"The problems aren't overwhelming, and the students chalk them up for what they are, realizing they will probably always be present. But these students are getting to the point where they can say, 'This is not my problem—it's their problem,'" Webster said.

"After all," she continued, "global acceptance of different cultures and races is becoming a skill that we can't do without in order to succeed in this world. We must learn to accept each other, and it starts right here at home."

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FEATURES

Witches: wisdom, not black cats and broomsticks

by Mary Kaye Smith
Features Editor

A "witch" as defined by Webster's dictionary is "a woman or man supposedly having supernatural power: by a compact with the devil or spirits." Tom Kaufman, an ex-UWSP student who practices the philosophy of witchcraft, defines the term very differently.

The word "witch" is derived from wicca, an Old English term meaning wisdom, hence witchcraft is synonymous with craft of the wise. Far from being the Satanists they are often portrayed as, witches believe that what one puts out, one gets back in threefold, therefore, they attempt to direct their energies to better humanity rather than harm it.

According to Kaufman, much of what we believe about witchcraft is myth. Witchcraft, in actuality, is a holistic way of life that strives to balance the physical, mental, and spiritual aspects of an individual, rather than a type of Satanic ritual involving eyes of newt, black cats and broomsticks.

Witches are polytheistic, that is they believe in more than one deity. The two deities they believe the Satanists power manifests itself in are that of the god and the goddess.

Witches have no strict written dogma, rather they follow an oral tradition. They meet periodically in sabbats, meetings which usually involve one of their holidays. These holidays are based on the cycles of the sun and the harvest. At the sabbats, they ritualistically dance and sing to show worship to their god and goddess.

To become a witch, one must be initiated into a coven, which is a small, autonomous group of witches. Most covens belong to a network, a group of witches who communicate with eachother. These networks are not hierarchal like most religions. Each witch is in and of himself a form of priest. The networks all ascribe to the same holistic philosophy. Each coven, however, has its own set of rituals.

According to Kaufman, there are approximately 100,000 witches nationwide and 15 in this immediate vicinity.

Next week, Halloween, or Samhain as it is called by witches, occurs. Samhain is the last of the year's harvest festivals. It is the day when it is believed that the boundaries between the physical world and other worlds (ex. spiritual) are the thinnest. Thus, it is the easiest time for divination, the foretelling of the future.

Witches believe that the spirits of people who have passed on are out and about on this day. It is to them a form of "Memorial Day." Thus, they leave offerings of food to the spirits. They, also, ritualistically dance and sing.

So, it seems that Halloween is not the only holiday to have its symbolism and original purpose distorted to suit our culture's commercial whims. My conversation with Tom Kaufman has enabled me to see Halloween and the meaning embodied within it in a more realistic light.

Art Department skeleton still missing

by Kelly Kuhn
Contributor

No leads to the whereabouts of the skeleton stolen out of a locked cabinet in the Art and Design building. According to Rex Dorothy, chairperson for the Art Department, this sort of thing has not happened before, "we've lost things before, but never had anything stolen like this."

The skeleton was needed in the Art Department to be used as a learning tool to draw the musculature on one's bones, which Dorothy said was a common practice.

The skeleton stood about five feet six inches tall. Its value is unknown, but the replacement value is about $2,000, says Dorothy. It was made up of real bones and some pieces that are plastic. The stand it was attached to was taken and this worries Dorothy because, "it probably means it is not going to be found in good shape."

The skeleton was owned by the Art Department and was not insured. A reward of $100 is being offered by the Art Department and any one with information can contact Rex Dorothy at 546-2669. Dorothy also explained that it is possible that it was a Halloween prank but "they are just not finding it and we are just going to have to hope that someone can locate it for us."

UAB presents "Alter Ego" tonight

by Brian Loveland
Contributor

Tonight, UAB Concerts will present popular local band, Alter Ego. Alter Ego plays a variety of music, anything from progressive, original rock to your favorite cover tunes.

There are four members of the band which includes energetic showman Shane Totten, who plays guitar and is the lead vocalist. Totten teaches art at Medford High School. The band also includes Jeff "Wally" Walfentowski, who teaches math in Wisconsin Rapids. Preston Hill is on keyboards and also does some vocals. The bass player and vocalist, Chris "Ace" Ashenberg.

Alter Ego currently receives minor sponsorship from Point beer. This summer, they received second place at the WSPF sponsored, "Rivalry of Rock" contest.

The show has two special treats. It's a pre-Halloween dance, so come out "costumed in your most ghoulish costume."

Also, Alter Ego will be filming a video at the show. So, make sure to attend and be part of the fun. It's TNT, so it's free. The show will run from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. Hope to see you there.

Myth of local haunted restaurant debunked

by Mary Kaye Smith
Features Editor

Each community has its own share of ghost stories, whether it be the cemetery where spirits of the dead are said to roam or the eccentric old woman who claims to hear her dead husband rattling around in the kitchen at night. Stevens Point is no exception.

In recent years, a popular tale that has been circulating around this area surrounds a Plover restaurant, "The Sherman House." According to the lore, the restaurant is haunted. It has been said that many strange occurrences have happened there including glasses exploding, lights mysteriously flicking on, doors that have been locked being found unlocked, and unusual banging noises have been heard in the kitchen.

The story was at one time so popular that it made "The Milwaukee Journal" and a book about haunted houses. "The Sherman House" changed hands 3 1/2 years ago and has been renamed "The Cottage." According to the new owners, Case and Susan Van Cleef, the stories were "a bunch of nonsense."

The original owners, Tim and Louise Mulderink, according to Susan Van Cleef, concocted the tales to attract business. The Van Cleefs still receive calls and inquiries about the ghosts, especially at Halloween.

Susan Van Cleef said that they prefer to build their reputation on their cuisine rather than ghost stories. But she added that if anyone does still believe, they are welcome to dine on their upstairs balcony and try to catch a glimpse of the ghosts!
Date rape: a personal account

name withheld

The memories that are the strongest are also the strangest. The taste of Jamaican rum inside my mouth, the smell of his cologne; it had to be European, and of course, the feeling of his hot, sweaty body pressed down on top of mine. Sometimes I can still feel the cold metal of his belt buckle fall against my thigh and of course, the hair of the animal skin rug as I puffed and knotted it between my fingers every time his weight pushed into me. Funny, but the very first sign of tears welling up inside your eyes is never something you forget easily.

I didn't think something like that could ever happen to me. Even when it was happening, all I could feel was anger and confusion. I was strong; I was in control of my life. I was a sexually active and a woman who knew the facts, knew how to say no, and talk about birth control, and the risks of sex. I had enough confidence and self-assurance about my own sexuality that I could purchase my own contraceptives, use them regularly and correctly, and openly talk about it with my sexual partners. I was completely cut off from any relationship to the next, and through my years of living in some of the biggest cities in the United States, I thought I had seen just about everything.

Sexual assault at UWSP

by Steve Rehbe contributor

For most of us, sexual assault is something that appears in movies. It's ugly, in many of the movies that we see or notice when it rears its ugly head in the latest news story. But, believe it or not, it happens frequently just on about every campus in the United States, including our own UW-Stevens Point.

"Sexual assault occurs here on campus, but much of it goes unreported," said Don Burling, director of Campus Security. "Many of the victims are too embarrassed to pursue prosecution.

There have been five incidences of sexual assault reported on the Stevens Point campus from 1988 to the present. These figures are down from three years ago, when 12 cases of sexual assault were reported.

The high number of incidents in 1986 is believed to be due to an educational program administered to campus students. The program explained sexual assault and date rape and instructed students on what they could do to avoid and report incidences.

A national study conducted by Ms. magazine stated that 20% of college women surveyed admitted to have experienced some form of sexual harassment and 25% have been sexually assaulted or harassed by their professors.

All five of the cases reported to campus security since 1988 have been second to fourth degree, which involves any form of sexual contact or sexual intercourse without the consent of that person.

The current campus policy leaves any prosecution action totally in the hands of the victim. The victim may report any violation to campus security, student conduct, or the Stevens Point Police Department.

The university offers counseling to sexual assault victims through the Student Life Department and encourages victims to report incidences and seek help.

'True West' opens this week

A production of Sam Shepard's play 'True West,' will open at 8 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 25, in the demolition at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point.

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TEKE barrel roll a success

Last Saturday, October 21, the Teke Rapp Epsilon fraternity held a barrel roll fundraiser at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point.

The money was raised by getting pledges on a per-mile basis. Over the period of 10 hours, the barrel was rolled a total of 75 miles. The route went through the city of Wisconsin Rapids, Port Edwards, Nekoosa, Mosinee, Wisconsin Rapids, and then to Stevens Point.

One of America's outstanding educational and entertainment centers, Sam Shepard has contrasted the modern life of California with the cowboy west of the 1800s in this comedy of character.

Starring in the all-student production will be Michael Coles, a junior theatre major from Sheboygan, who will portray the role of Austin, a senior theatre major from Baraboo, as Lee, Lee Soroko, who will portray the role of Austin, and Maureen K. Ebel, a senior theatre major from Milwaukee, as a special theatre student, as the mother.

Kyle White will return next week.
Waste
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the RDF generated would be sufficient to provide 80% to 90% of the campus' steam and 50% of its electricity needs.
Additional information about either the organizational meeting or the project is available by contacting Diemer at 346-2641 or Mike Stemple, Portage County solid waste manager, 592-4663.

New hours for range
The Dewey Shooting Range will expand its hours to 10am-4pm daily starting November 4. This is to better facilitate the rush of hunters sighting in their rifles before the start of the gun deer season.
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Wom. Soccer. Wheaton (Illinois)

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Graduate Recital: BRADY M. SEEGER. Saxophone. 8:15PM (MHC, FAB)

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SPORTS

Lady Pointers win state soccer championship

by Jeremy Schabow
Sports Writer

This past weekend pit the Lady Pointers against three teams at Lawrence for the State Tournament. Because of the intensified energy that abounded throughout the athletes and their terrific trål on field, the weekend resulted in triumph for UWSP and defeat for the opposing schools.

The first game on Saturday place UW-Whitewater as the Lady Pointers' rival. Success was all theirs as they championed over their opponent with a final score of 7-0.

Suzi Lindauer, Lynn Olson, Paula Welzlin, Heather Gotchak, and Barb Uphoegraft are credited with scoring the goals. Assists go to Joel Schultz, Lindauer, and Olson. Whitewater took seven shots on Point's goal while the Lady Pointers had 29 shots. Five saves belong to Mortenson. Coach Miech, excited about the outcome of both games, commented:

"We went into this tournament with plenty of confidence and enthusiastic desire. We had prepared hard both physically and mentally all season to come out on the winning end of this one. Our first game against Whitewater saw plenty of action from our whole team. We played fantastic, setting the tone for the next game against Division I, Green Bay.

The consistency of our players continued, we played hard and aggressive on defense, giving them little opportunity to score. Our attack was on today. Our passes were precise and controlled helping create numerous scoring opportunities."

The following day, Eau Claire challenged the athletes of Stevens Point and found out what defeat meant. Victory again, was achieved by the Lady Pointers, not even giving their opponents a chance for one goal. The final score - 2-0.

Uphoegraft and Lindauer each kicked one of the scoring goals and also made assists. Eau Claire had 17 shots on Point's goal while the Lady Pointers took 21 shots. Mortenson saved nine.

"On Sunday, we were more than pleased to be able to try and get revenge on a team that had beaten us twice already this season, by one point each game," Coach Miech said. It did not take much to get us motivated with that factor in the back of our minds. We wanted to win badly and we did just that. This was our first state championship ever in the history of UWSP, and we worked hard to achieve it."

The team's next games are on October 27 against Lake Forest College (Illinois), champions of the Midwest Conference. October 28 against another nationally ranked team, Wheaton College (Illinois).

The UWSP Women's Soccer team's championship weekend boosted their record to 13-4-1. The team will compete for Conference honors in the WSUC and WWIAA Championships at the Stevens Point Country Club. The men's race begins at 11 a.m., followed by the women at 12 noon.

Black cat crosses Ruggers' path, takes effort away

by Matt Murphy
Sports Writer

A game well played, but too many black cats in the bag. This spelled bad luck for the Stevens Point Rugby team, Saturday, as they travelled north to Marquette, Michigan, to take on Northern Michigan University.

Point displayed one of their best efforts this year, but to a few missed assignments in the first half, and a home- team 'referee' Point came up short. How short you ask? Well, short enough, 26-4.

The black cat came in the form of a 'referee' who happened to be a NMU player, and who consistently made unfair calls, which stopped Point from ever getting the ball rolling.

Point was denied a score early in the second half, again because of a bad call. Point's scrum pushed NMU at least five meters to secure the try, but the "air" claimed NMU fell on the ball first.

After another try by NMU, Point finally got on the board, as again, the scrum pushed their opponents across the 15m line as Mike "Pee Wee" Duffin fell on the ball. NMU scored late in the game to seal the victory up.

Lack of talk hurts lady Spikers

by Kevin Crazy
Sports Editor

The Lady Spikers, hosting two conference foes last Wednesday, realized the importance of communication and concentration, the hard way.

Point dropped matches to both River Falls (15-10, 11-15, 15-7) and Hawk's Nest (9-15, 11-15), and in doing so, dropped their conference record to 1-7 and 7-17 overall.

"During the matches we had one good game out of three," said Head Coach Nancy Schoe. "The problem seemed to be a lack of communication and concentration.

The Lady Pointers did seem to be heading in the right direction when they won the first game of the first match against the Falcons, but then the young, inexperienced team, seemed unsure of where they were going. "When you have a young team like we have, keeping your concentration is very important," said Assistant Coach Donia Champion. "We need to talk in order to help each other out, when we get quiet, we lose our concentration, and that's when we lose."

Top server for the Lady Pointers was Chris Rizas, 19'293. Jodie Geetel 36'167

The Stevens Point Football team came one step closer to the WSUC title Saturday afternoon, as they crushed UW-Whitewater, 45-14.

The Pointers made use of an unstoppable attack, paired with stingy defense, to raise their record to 3-1-1 in the WSUC and 5-1-1 overall, while dropping Whitewater to 2-3-0 and 4-3-0.

"The offense and defense played very well together," stated Head Coach John Miech. "When the defense made a big play to get the ball back, the offense made use of the situation and scored some points for us."

The "Angry Dog" defense held the Warhawks to only 303 total yards, but more importantly, only 93 total yards in the second half.

The defense also came up with three fumble recoveries, and stole three passes from Whitewater quarterback Joe Parish to give them a season-high six takeaways.

"The defensive players are really starting to get to know each other," said Miech. "They really have a feel in the second half and won down the Warhawker offense."

The Pointer offense was again led by quarterback Kirk Bauman, who had a high-powered aerial attack which netted 434 total yards (414 passing, 20 rushing), and 23 first downs. The WSUC's top-rated defense.

Dean Mochling and Barry Rose led the Pointer receiving corps, hauling in respective passes for 145 yards and 4 for 12.

Bauman continued to add to his impressive list of record-setting as he threw for six touchdowns, tying his previous school mark. Four of them came in the third quarter, which tied the NCAA-III record.

The 13th ranked Pointers will square-off against 7th ranked UW-River Falls Saturday afternoon at Goerke Field. The game is a must-win for Stevens Point if they wish to stay in the conference and the national tournament.

"By far, this is the biggest game of the season for us," said Coach Miech. "It's a do or die situation."

"The key to the game will be our defense getting the ball back from their clock-control style offense," stated Miech. "They have a strong running game which can eat up the clock and wear down a defense."

Kick-off is set for 2 p.m.
Point's slow games speed up tourney chances
by J. Patricks
Sports Writer

The UWSP Men's Soccer Club has only two games to win in order to gain their second berth in the National Col-
legeniate Club Soccer Association (NCCSA) National
Tournament.
The Pointers came closer this past weekend by picking up two more conference wins by defeating UW-Stout 6-0 and UW-La Crosse 2-0.
Against Stout, Stevens Point played a slower game than usual, but the weaker Stout team couldn't come up with anything that resembled an of-
ensive attack. Point's first goal was at 8:00, when Brendan McCarthy took a Dave Valentine pass and put it in the Stout net. McCarthy picked up his second goal of the game at 20:00 from a Korey Fischer pass.
The other Stevens Point goals came at 25:00, 33:00, 13:00 and 40:00 by Valentine, Tim Foye, Rob Ancan and Kris Sydow. They came off assis-
tants from Jim Fetherson, Robbie Prokop, Sydow and Valentine.
In the second game, even though UWSP played a bit slower than usual, once again, they came out on top. The two Point goals came at 15:00 and 35:00, from shots by Foye and Sydow, off assists from Valentine and Foye.
The win improved UWSP's record to 12-6 overall and 4-1 in the NISC conference. This weekend, they wrap up their season with two conference games. They face Winona State at 6:00 on Saturday and UW-River Falls at 3:00 on Sunday. Point has to win at least one game and tie the other in order to advance to the National Tournament November 10-12 in Lawrence, KS.

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Pointers struggle on Eau Claire and tourney courts

by Dean Balister
and Dan Wittig

The Lady Pointer Tennis team saw a lot of action last week as they competed in a dual meet in Eau Claire and in the NAIA District 14 Tennis Tournament in River Falls. In the NAIA District 14 tournament it was comprised as an open draw competition with single elimination. This tennis tournament was the qualifier for the NAIA National Tournament to be held in May, 1990, in City.

In the first round in singles competition #1 Chris Diehl received a bye, #2 Tammy Jandrey lost to Vandi Krouning of Eau Claire, #3 Kim Toyma lost to Sarah Frieder of LaCrosse, #4 Jane Sandwich lost to Ashlie Olson of Eau Claire, #5 Tammy Creed defeated Donna Magglet of Oshkosh and #6 Katie Imig received a bye.

In doubles competition in the first round #1 Linda Tomitasaka/Toyama defeated Sarah Frieder/Lori Jensen of LaCrosse, #2 Diehl/Jenni Cores lost to Mcloone/Amy Scheidt of LaCrosse and #3 Creed/Jamie Jensen received a bye.

In the second round of competition in singles play #1 Diehl defeated Tina Scheidt of Oshkosh, #5 Creed lost to Kathy McLoone of LaCrosse, #6 Imig defeated Sandy Rohr of Lakeland.

In the second round of doubles competition, Tomitasaka/Toyama defeated Shelly Braun/Tina Schmidt of Oshkosh and Creed/Jensen lost to Tanya Bryan/Tricia Stump.

Competing in singles competition in the third round, Diehl lost to Theresa Swensen of Eau Claire and Imig lost to Shannon O'Daye of Oshkosh.

In the third rounds double competition Tomitasaka/Toyama lost to Carla Garlough/Vandi Krouning of Eau Claire.

In the dual meet at Eau Claire UWSP was defeated 1-8.

Number 4 Jandrey was the sole victor for the pointers as she defeated Sharon Bauta in singles.
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