Candidates announce SGA election platforms

Kunze and Koenke

Leadership and involvement have helped lead David Kunze to a highly successful first year as Student Government President. "As President this year, I have had the experience of learning and understanding how the system works," said Kunze. "This experience is an advantage in that it will allow me to start getting things done right away, if re-elected SGA President. It will save time and energy and allow students to see the results a lot quicker."

Jeff Ledger (Ying) has a skill for ferreting out the (real) reason behind the superficial mayhem that can blind our student governing body and cause us to make unfair decisions. Ledger gets under the skin of this institution, fighting for the right of student voice. He has proven himself in the past as a man with a mission to protect that right.

Last semester he fought to maintain control over fee increases and the jurisdiction of Information Technology by heading a task force to look into the problem. That task force mandated a forum to provide a mechanism for students to voice their concerns.

Koenke, a junior, also has a background of strong involvement in leadership positions at UWSP. He has held positions as Wing President and Hall President. "As a sophomore, she was the Special Events Chairperson of the Resident Hall Association (RHA). She is currently the Vice President of Public Relations at RHA.

"This experience has helped me realize how things work, what needs to be done, and how to get things accomplished more effectively and efficiently," stated Koenke.

As a team, Kunze and Koenke plan to use their background of experience to get things accomplished in the future for the student body.

The student body is our main focus, we exist for them. We plan to use our experience to improve student life for the students of today and of the future," stated Kunze.

The objectives, which were accomplished in the past and set for the future, were made with the students as the key focus. Informing students on exactly where their money is going was just one goal that was accomplished. This was done by including a breakdown of segregated fees along with their tuition bills.

"In the future, we plan on continuing to provide a list of segregated fees and monitor how student money is spent," said Kunze. "We plan to continue making sure that student money is spent on the students."

Another accomplishment includes placing a pedestrian crossing sign and larger crosswalk between the Health Enhancement Center and the academic buildings.

A campus lighting policy requiring all lights burned out to be replaced within seven days, was also enacted. In the future, Kunze and Koenke plan to create an even safer campus by implementing a campus community watch.

Kunze and Koenke plan to set the ball rolling for funding for skywalks over University Center as a Student Union. A fund will be established to increase the incentive for students to report events going on around campus. It will be set up so that anyone reporting violent campus crimes or crimes causing damages of excess of $25 to University property will receive a $25 reward, if the person is convicted.

"Everything I promised in last year’s campaign has either been accomplished or started,” stated Kunze. Along with creating a safer environment, they also plan on completing the ‘Course Source’. The ‘Course Source’ is a major objective of ours. We are going to do what we can to get it cast in the fall,” said Kunze.

It will include course syllabi for all classes along with how many, and what types of tests are administered. It will also include the number of books to be purchased and the number of written papers required.

As a means to improve communication between the students and their government, they plan to continue the extensive outreach/grass roots network that has already begun. This will allow them to better meet the goals of the student body.

"We need to be able to remain in touch with student needs in order to accomplish what they (the students) want and need," stated Koenke.

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Alexander Schultz (Yang) is the balancing figure on the ticket. He has ventured through the halls of education here at UWSP for five long years. As a result of his venerable political involvement began early for Kunze. In high school, he was a member of the student senate and was also involved in the Youth in Government program.

He has been involved in SGA since coming to school at UWSP. Before being elected President for this school year, he held the position of Executive Director.

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As a student of this university, they have forsaken the power and influence students rightly deserve as customers of education. As a result of dysfunctional structuring and poor communication within organizations and the student collective, students have lost sight of our unique sense of community which makes this university what it is.

Ledger and Schultz are convinced that immediate action must be taken. Therefore, they propose the following platform as an agenda to combat the present condition of apathy, noncommunity, inefficiency and ignorance on this campus.

PLATFORM PRIORITIES
1) Empowerment
   -provide an airwave of "student Bill of Rights”
   -restore student power, "Take Back the Right"

2) Environment
   -push for renovation of the University Center as a Student Union
   -improve campus landscape
   -provide for skywalks over Fourth Avenue
   -safety, safety, safety

3) Renewal
   -improve structure of SGA
   -set the ball rolling for restructuring of other organizations
   -improve interdepartmental communication
   -build stronger links between student organizations
   -attain greater efficiency within all organizations

4) Enlightenment
   -create a student information base
   -update and pursue student issues
   -educate the student body for awareness of complaints and comments
   -provide an arena for complaints and comments
   -professor evaluations
   -course source
   -transfer student issues
   -tuition cap
   -quality re-investment
   -comprehensive software environment
   -tuition, tuition, tuition
   -improved advising
   -as facilitators of student rights, they vow to do all within the power of the SGA office to achieve these goals. They will act in the best interests of all students, motivated solely by the desire to empower, educate, and reunite this university.

As a token of our conviction to the cause, they will accept NO SALARIES, nor will they spend any more money than is necessary for this campaign.

They also will not restrict themselves with the titles of president and vice-president, but rather that of co-facilitators in the endeavor of student betterment.
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by Lincoln Brunner

Contributor

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Spring Break rescues us from hell week

by Kevin A. Thays
Editor in Chief

FINALLY. This long, dreaded week from hell is over. It's time to blow this Pop-sicle stand--Spring Break is here.

It's amazing. We look at our calendars as if they are the clocks of a lunch-countdown and we're the jittery astronauts heading for the moon.

As far as many of us are concerned, Spring Break began Monday. And if we put two and two together, we get four, right? Wrong. We get 22--that is, together, we get four, right?

Now those of you who don't have thousands of dollars in the bank and rely on the campus organizations to provide your fun at a fraction of the cost, look out. Your fun may be going down at a fraction of the cost, look out. You can afford it, can't you?

Many students might agree, you can't have fun without money right? Those of you going on Spring Break, I'm sure are nodding your heads yes. And those of you who frequent the Square--I bet you're not arguing either.

by Pamela Kersten
News Editor

Money, money, money--it's what makes the world go 'round right?

I'm sure many student organizations on campus can relate with that, especially now that their budgets for next year have been slashed.

Those organizations that made it through the annual budget hearings with only a few scrapes and bruises, or maybe even with a smile and a pat on the back, maybe you'd be nice enough to provide those who didn't with a few Band Aids.

You might have just cut your own pocket books in half, because it may cost you twice as much to go anywhere if UAB can't afford to help.

So now who needs the Band Aids? My whole point here senators, is do you realize what you're doing?

I understand that the budget requests totaled approximately $150,000 more than you had to give, and I'm sure a lot of the cuts you made were justified.

All I have to say is maybe, just maybe you overlooked a few things that might be important to more students than you think.

Now it's our chance students to let Senate know what we really think.

Here's the number, 346-4592. Let's call the Senate office. They'd love to hear from us, I'm sure.

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Well someone better send them a box of Band Aids, they got cut right where it hurts, in staff salaries--$3,300 worth. But that's just a drop in the bucket, right Student Senators?

Let's imagine that the bucket is filled with the many programs UAB puts on every year instead of the $336,000 Senate had to divide up between all campus organizations.

If there was no quality comedian to go on to Saturday night? And what if, uh-oh, no relatively cheap SPRING BREAK package was available?

Now Senators, how many of you are heading to Panama City? And how many of you might want to go on Spring Break next year? If any of you do--surprise!

The second group includes the "traveler wanna-be's" who stay in Wisconsin to work themselves out of debt. They make money and achieve a tan from fluorescent ceiling lights.

These students come back to school all excited because they realize how much more fun college is than the work world.

And finally, we have the "couch potato" group. These students are true believers in pure relaxation. They sit in front of the tube with a remote in one hand and a beer in the other.

A periodic change in scenery is always a must for this group. They look forward to coming back to UWSP because they miss the old view.

Life is rather stagnant for this group. However, it is particularly exciting for them to know that the TV and refrigerator haven't moved.

Regardless of what our destination is, we all long for a well-deserved vacation.

Yes, we've been bowling for Spring Break like dogs with pinched tails.

We're loose now. It's time to run!
Students discover themselves through travel

Remember us? We're the group of Pointers participating in a semester abroad program to Toulon, France. We'd like to extend a warm "Hello! Yes, we're alive!" to our friends and family.

Toulon, located on the southern coast of France, is absolutely beautiful. It is surrounded by three huge mountains (yes, bigger than Rib Mountain) and is right on the Mediterranean Sea. The weather is great! It's almost always sunny and during the day it's 60-70 degrees. But it's still "winter" here so the people dress appropriately. They're amazed to hear how cold it gets in Wisconsin.

We are all staying with families, which is a great environment. Also, we've gotten to know each other very well in the group since share similar experiences.

What is it like to spend a semester in a foreign country? Everyday life is a challenge. Simple things, such as mailing letters, buying clothes, and asking for directions become major events when attempted in a foreign language.

To the foreigners at UWSP, we empathize with your situations, as we are now the foreigners.

Living in France has brought out some mixed emotions. Often we are frustrated because we can't always express ourselves or can't understand what others are saying. Also, we find it hard to fit in - it is so obvious that we are Americans.

On the contrary, we feel wonderful over little things: Starting a conversation with a French student, understanding our families, figuring out the bus system, touching the Mediterranean sea.

Our academic center is called "La Grande Tourrache" and is adjacent to the university in Toulon. It's associated with a small business school which has secondary-school attached.

We have special classes that we attend together, which are about the same difficulty as in Point.

The French cuisine is excellent! Food is high on their list of priorities, but it's the quality of the food they value, not the quantity. The meal includes careful preparation, the proper wine, and good conversation with the entire family present.

In the U.S., food often just fills a physical need. The French eat pretty much the same kind of food, but prepared differently. They eat rabbit often like we eat chicken in the U.S. The French also eat crepes, which are really good and easy to prepare in a variety of ways. The only really nasty thing we've experienced are anchovies - YUK! Fruits and vegetables are plentiful and so is bread - yes, you often see the French carrying one or two loaves with them like in the movies.

Next I'd like to dispel the biggest myth Americans have about French people. They are NOT snobs! As a result, they are very nice and patient with us when we talk.

One day on the bus a French woman turned around and welcomed us to Toulon. She asked us a few questions and wished us a good trip.

Of course, once in a while we come across someone rude or impatient, just like foreigners in the U.S. do.

What shocked us about France? Well, they treasure their dogs, and take them everywhere: malls, stores, restaurants, and they go potty everywhere so you have to watch where you walk.

The French have tiny, compact cars which they drive incredibly fast on very, very narrow roads. The French wear a lot of black and black leather. To them, black clothing is very elegant. We are also surprised to see the amount of American influence in France. They wear Levis, Reeboks, Nike.

The French eat at McDonalds.

Some discover nothing but trouble

In 1992, almost 3000 American citizens were arrested abroad - many of them violating local laws regarding the use of alcohol in public and the behavior associated with it.

As the time approaches for summer breaks, many college students are getting ready for that long planned trip abroad. For some, the trip will become a nightmare and they will end up in a foreign jail.

Many young people will go to popular resort areas and overindulge in alcohol, assuming that because the atmosphere appears "more laid-back than the States," such conduct will be overlooked by the local authorities.

Some people also assume that they are immune from prosecution in foreign lands because they are American citizens.

The truth is that Americans are expected to obey all laws, and those who break foreign laws face severe penalties in some countries.

In the past, American college students have been arrested for being intoxicated in public areas and for other violations.

Once an American leaves United States soil, U.S. laws and constitutional rights no longer apply.

U.S. consular officers can visit jailed Americans to see that they are being fairly and humanely treated, but cannot get them out of jail nor intervene in a foreign country's legal system on their behalf.

Remember, getting too relaxed while in another country can do more than ruin your vacation; it can land you in a foreign jail.

Women Earn a Place in History

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Movies miss out on potentially moving plots

by Dan Seeger

"Falling Down" may hint of a spectacular film, but those clues must be buried somewhere deep inside the movie. The film follows a disillusioned former defense worker whose frustration with the pressures of modern day American society boil over into a vicious and violent day on the streets of Los Angeles.

The character is known through much of the film only by the word on the vanity license plate on the car he abandons in the crush of an early morning traffic jam: D-FENS. As played by Michael Douglas, he is a powderkeg waiting to explode. D-FENS is angered by his inability to get a new job and views the world as a rotten place hopelessly out of sorts. On this terribly hot day he responds by taking a baseball bat to the displays inside a small grocery store that specializes in overpriced.

This begins a day which sees D-FENS, giving him clever one-liners to unleash after blowing away a phone booth and making all of his targets loud, obnoxious buffoons. It's as if the hatred that drives the main character spills out and consumes the rest of the film, tainting the message and connecting with the audience in a much more potent way than anyone making it probably intended.

"Falling Down" thrives on prejudice the same way the bit- ter political ads try to scare people with photos of criminals and scandalous rumors. In view of the film, D-FENS is lashing out at a world that hit him first.

The message that D-FENS may have responded in a reasonable way to this environment full of danger and rage may not have been what the film makers intended, but it is certainly what has resulted.

AMOS & ANDREW: If "Falling Down" is ultimately a failure as a film, at least it has enough substance to provoke discussion and debate. The with- less new social farce "Amos & Andrew" can't even boast that. Samuel L. Jackson stars as a Pulitzer-prize winning playwright who gets attacked in his own home by police officers who assume that he is a criminal just because he is black. Criminal Nicholas Cage is brought in as part of a contrived plan to get the cops off the hook for their mistake, leading the film to quickly degenerate into bland gags and misguided ex-aminations about the current state of race relations.

The two leads turn in blan- tantly awful performances, but the worst work comes from the sup- porting cast. This cast includes Michael Lerner sporting a head of bushy, silver hair, thick glasses and jumbo sweaters that make him look like he just dropped in on his way to auditions for "The Roger Ebert Story."

The movie gets bogged down in dated attitudes and bloated speeches. To make matters worse, there's not a laugh to be had. "Amos & Andrew" is the kind of film that gives comedy a bad name.

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DNR changes licenses
Expiry dates to become uniform

Wisconsin hunters and anglers are reminded that the Department of Natural Resources is adopting a uniform expiry date of March 31 for most fish and game licenses, according to Marilyn Davis of the DNR License Section.

All game licenses purchased in 1993 will be valid from April 1, 1993 through March 31, 1994.

However, as the transition is made, 1993 fishing licenses will be valid from January 1, 1993 through March 31, 1994.

In all following years, fish and game licenses will be valid from April 1 through March 31.

Trapping licenses are the only exception to this time frame. Trapping licenses will remain valid from May 1 through April 30 each year to coincide with the trapping seasons.

"Anyone who purchased Sport and Conservation Patron licenses last year paid a discounted fee to reflect shorter terms. These licenses necessary to make the transition to the new expiration date," Davis said.

"These licenses expire on March 31, 1993," Davis continued. "Fees for both of these licenses return to their normal rate of $38 for Sports and $100 for Conservation Patron for 1993 through 1994."

Sports license holders are reminded that trout stamps this year are valid from January 1, 1993 through March 31, 1994 to help in the transition to the uniform expiry date.

Current Sports license holders who trout fish prior to April 1 of this year will need to purchase the trout stamp for their current license.

"Since the stamp remains valid after sports licenses expire on March 31, anglers will need to carry their expired license with their new 1993-94 Sports license in order to trout fish. This overlap will be eliminated with the 1994 license cycle."

Turkey stamps are also in transition in 1993. Previously turkey stamps were issued in the fall and were also valid in the spring. That reverses in 1993 to a spring/fall stamp.

The 1992 Fall Turkey Stamp now being sold will be valid for spring and fall of 1993.

"The Department of Natural Resources continues to offer mail order services for those who wish to purchase their licenses through the mail," Davis said.

Order forms can be obtained from most DNR offices or by calling (608) 266-2621.

Once a license purchaser becomes a mail order customer, the DNR will send a renewal application each year thereafter. MasterCard and Visa is accepted as a payment option for mail order sales.

Conservation Patron Licenses continue to be a convenient bargain, Davis said. This license costs $100 but affords the holder an actual value of $153.97.

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Couples enjoy break outdoors

by Michelle Neinast
Outdoors Editor

For many traditional out­doorsmen, spring break has al­ways meant leaving girlfriends behind and heading for the big wide open. Depending on the weather, that may have included taking full advantage of the last few inches of ice to go ice fishing. Or maybe you had an early spring turkey season. And don’t for­get, by this time most rivers are safe enough to at least fish from the bank if not by boat. These were just a few of the options.

This year, however, there seems to be a new trend—couples planning outdoor vaca­tions together. Not that this never happened before, but it seems to be one of the more popular choices now. The most common outing, as well as one of the less expensive options, is the week-long, camp­ing/fishing trip.

One female UWSP senior is spending her break in an RV with her boyfriend, camping and fishing in the Smokey Mountains of Kentucky. Does it seem strange that a female with a double major in English and Music would be an avid hunter and angler? Not at all, she explains. "I was raised on Shawano Lake, and I’m the only son my father ever had.”

Kristie Ciesynzky, another UWSP senior, and her boyfriend are traveling to Texas together for spring break. They are planning to camp at Galves­ton Island State Park, and take in some hiking while they’re there.

Their other plans include visit­ing Sea-Arama Marine World and checking out Jamaica Beach.

Senior Kevin Shook is spend­ing his vacation with his best friend and his girlfriend. The three UWSP students plan to camp and fish at Shelbyville or Lake Clinton, both in Illinois. However, a camping/fishing trip is by far not the only option. Depending on the weather forecast and the balance in your savings account, there are un­limited ways to enjoy spring break in the out-of-doors together.

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Pointers earn fifth straight post season title
by Tom Weaver

Contributor

The UWSP hockey team captured their fifth consecutive Post Season Tournament Championship this past weekend, but it wasn’t easy. The Pointers took the opener 8-6, but dropped the second game of the series 3-2 forcing the deciding 15 minute mini-game. As they did in the semifinals, the Pointers took control in the mini-game and came away with a 2-0 victory to win the series.

The Pointers now 22-4-2 overall are the No. 1 seed for the fifth straight year in the Western Region and will host UW-Superior this weekend in the NCAA Quarterfinals.

At stake is a trip to the NCAA Division III Final Four March 25-27 in St. Paul, Minn. UWSF 8

Bemidji

The Beavers were set to take the four-year throne away from the Pointers in the first 25 minutes, as the visitors scored a pair of power play goals and added an even strength tally five minutes into the final to hold a 3-0 lead.

“They came out and really got after us,” said Pointer Head Coach Joe Baldarotta.

“We came out in the second period and knew we had to try and win that period alone. We couldn’t even think about looking past the second period.”

The Pointers did exactly what Baldarotta and his coaching staff told them to do in the second period. Frank Cirone got the Pointers on the board with a wraparound goal at the 11:35 mark, but Todd Tretter scored 33 seconds later to restore the two goal lead.

The Beavers kept with the Pointers by scoring another goal late in the period, but Sean Marsan iced the win with an empty net goal with just 15 seconds left to complete his hat trick.

Bemidji 3

UWSF 2

The Beavers were not about to let the Pointers capture their fifth straight title without a fight.

The two teams battled to a scoreless tie after one period, but Jamie Erb got the Beavers in the driver’s seat as even a tie would give them the title, but Bemidji had other ideas.

With time running out, the Beavers pulled goaltender Todd Kreibich in favor of an extra attacker and the frenzied plan worked.

Craig Mastall took a cross ice pass from Jamie Erb and deflected it past Dave Fletcher with just one second remaining to give the Beavers a stunning 3-2 victory and force the mini-game.

“When you pull your goaltender anything can happen,” said Baldarotta.

Wrestlers place seventh at national competition
by Scott Zuelke

Contributor

Last weekend the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point wrestling team sent six members to the NCAA Division III National Championship and came back with three All-Americans and a seventh-place finish.

Augsburg College (MN) won the championship, held at the U.S. Coast Guard Academy in New London, Connecticut.

Although we didn’t accomplish our goal of a national championship, I felt as a team we wrestled very well,” said Head Coach Marty Loy.

“Anyone who has ever experienced a national tournament in any sport, knows a bit of luck is always a part of the end result. Unfortunately, lady luck wasn’t completely on our side.”

Pointers’ first lead of the night at the 11:35 mark, but Sean Taggart tied things again five minutes later.

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“Things could have ended in a tie, but we were ready for a mini-game.”

UWSF 2

Bemidji 0

The Pointers returned for the second time in as many weeks to a mini-game knowing that a loss would end their playoff string and set up a very interesting scenario for the NCAA playoffs.

“We were ready for the mini-game. It definitely helped that we went to a mini-game last weekend. Good teams have to know how to win in any situation, and we have definitely showed over this year and the past few weeks that we can do that.”

Frank Cirone capped off an incredible weekend of five goals and five assists by blasting a slap shot past Kreibich midway through the mini-game to put the Pointers on top.

Sean Marsan, who scored the game winner in the mini-game last weekend, added an insurance goal 1:33 later, and the Pointers held on to their fifth straight title with the 2-0 win.

The Pointers now face the Yellowjackets of UW-Superior with the winner advancing to the final four.

In the six meetings with the Yellowjackets this season, the Pointers have taken five of six.

“We have proven that we can beat Superior,” said Baldarotta.

“That won’t make things any easier because if you lose, you’re out. We will do whatever it takes to get back to the final four.”

Chad Zowin (No. 19) skates aggressively after the puck against Bemidji Friday night. UWSF earned the No. 1 seed in the West Region (photo by Kristi Decker).
Pointers Kansas City bound; District 14 champions

by Bob Weigel
Contributor

The UW-Stevens Point Pointers waged war once again with the Viterbo V-Hawks in a best-of-three series for the District 14 Championship, as well as a National tournament bid in Kansas City, Mo.

The Pointers would need to overcome several obstacles in order to clinch their second straight championship, including a Viterbo team filled with momentum after upsetting UW-Eastern 84-69 in the opening round, as well as the loss of 7-foot senior Jack Lothian to fouls with 4:30 remaining.

A 7-0 run at the start of the second half gave the Pointers a 30-20 lead with 17:39 remaining. Led by the inspirational play of Donta Edwards and Jack Lothian, the Pointers increased their lead to 41-32.

Senior Larsen had three-pointers and Edwards' basket on the breakaway gave Point its biggest lead, 54-44, with 7:05 remaining. Even with strong play from Monte Gardner and Rich Rust, the V-Hawks would not get any closer than five points the rest of the way, ending 69-63.

With a one game lead, the Pointers needed only to win one of the possible remaining games to return to the NAIA National Tournament.

Stevens Point took command of the situation with an awesome first-half performance, shooting 64 percent from the floor as well as playing defense with rejuvenated enthusiasm.

The Pointers took the skies early, ignited by three scores by Donia Edwards and a 3-point swish following a steal by Gabe Miller, jumping to a 19-5 advantage in the first five minutes.

Increasing the margin almost at will, Coach Parker showed no mercy to the smaller, depth-lacking V-Hawks by filtering eleven players in and out of the lineup.

"Even I was impressed, it was our best half of the season. On defense, we were awful good. On offense, we were stifling," stated Parker.

With 4:30 remaining, the Pointers retained their 20-point cushion 76-56.

"The Pointers' biggest advantage was 25 points at the eight minute mark," Viterbo refused to give up but could come no closer than 14 points at 79-65 at the 2:00 warning.

The Pointers finished the game and the series with an 84-69 victory.

Increasing their record to 23-4, the Pointers are looking forward to the 32-team national extravaganza beginning next week in Kansas City, Mo.

The Pointers made it last year but were defeated early with a two-point loss in the second round.

Play begins March 16, with the championship game held on March 22.

Baring any misfortunes this week, the Pointers will be back to full strength as Andy Boario and Justin Freier will be ready to go once the games begin.

After receiving honorable mention last season, Pointers powerhouse Jack Lothian was voted to the WSUC 1992-93 All Conference Basketball Team. Justin Freier was the only other Pointer to earn the honor. Andy Boario, Donta Edwards, and Tom Bennett each earned Honorable Mention awards.

Track women take third; men finish seventh

by Mark Gillette
Contributor

Jessie Bushman, who was named Track Performer of the Meet and Marmie Sullivan were double winners for the women's track and field team as they battled eleven players in and out of the lineup at the WSUC Indoor Championships at Platteville's Williams Fieldhouse.

Thirty-five pound weight throwers Scott Halvorsen, Dan Larsen and Blair Larsen qualified for nationals in the shot put, as well as playing defense with rejuvenated enthusiasm.

The 4 x 400 team of Kelly Anderson, Mandy Rasmussen, Marnie Clark and Bushman also qualified for nationals (3:56.8).

Bushman, who had a split of 56.8 in the relay, also set a HEC and WWIAC record with a time of 1:22.78 in the 600 meter run. Runner-up Eau Claire had 77, runners Marty Kerschner and meter run.

Bushman qualified for nationals in the 3200 meter (10:49.6). Stout and Sennett each earned Honorable Mention awards.

The NCAA Division III championship is Kaye Damm in the shot put.

LaCrosse dominated the men's championships, winning for the 16th time in 18 years, with 233 points.

Runner-up Eau Claire had 77, with Oshkosh only two points ahead of UW-Oshkosh in second place.

Stout and Platteville, with 68 and 58 points respectively, finished ahead of UWSP's 47. Whitewater (47) and River Falls (21) trailed the Pointers.

In addition to previous Achille's tendon injuries to Dean Bryan and Chris Larsen, coach Rick Witt's team was hurt by the 35 lb. weight throw were "superb," according to Witt.

Andy Valla contributed the only first for the Pointer men with a time of 1:22.78 in the 600 meter run.

A second place went to Jeff Constable in the 800 meter, clocked at 1:55.94.


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