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Tulips bask in the sunlight



Tulips brighten up the walkways near Old Main. (Photo by Carrie Reuter)

Residence halls pushed to the back burner

By Jason Renkens
CONTRIBUTOR

There are no renovated rooms, no floor kitchens, and no recycling chutes. Worst of all, the bathrooms are "unsightly and unsanitary." Despite these faults, Smith, Roach, and Hyer halls will remain unrenovated while Pray-Sims receives more renovations this summer.

University Housing and the Residence Hall Association have decided to delay the renovations of Roach and Hyer until the summer of 1998 and those in Smith until 1999 and the year 2000.

Smith, Roach and Hyer will remain on the structure "B" list. A structure "B" status means that the halls are unrenovated and residents living there pay a lesser charge. The discount was just over \$30.00 a semester for the current school year.

"I left Roach Hall after one semester because I couldn't see

how paying a few dollars less justified putting up with those facilities," said Lucy Neff, now a resident in Thomson Hall. "The bathrooms were disgusting."

Student surveys that were given by University Housing show that the major concern of students is

"The bathrooms were disgusting."

Lucy Neff, a former resident of
Roach Hall.

"the condition of the toilet/shower rooms." According to the survey, student response to the renovated halls, including Pray-Sims, has been "most favorable."

A prospectus written by University Housing outlines current inadequacies in the structure "B" halls and the measures that need to be taken. It reads that the "bathroom lighting and ventilation are inadequate." It also says that the inadequate ventilation is "causing mold

to form on the ceiling and walls creating unsightly and unsanitary conditions."

While the structure "B" halls, built in the late 1960's, are the only halls not renovated, Pray-Sims, built over a decade later, was the first to be renovated. \$2.6 million was spent on Pray-Sims in 1991 to renovate the bathrooms and resident rooms and to add an elevator.

The renovations this summer on Pray-Sims will create floor kitchens and recycling chutes, a task costing an additional \$1,000,000. With the additional renovations, Pray-Sims will have received twice what any other hall has received for renovations up to this point.

Despite the unequal distribution of funds, all of the halls subsidize the increase in funding equally. This means that every student in the residence

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Cheating found not to be healthy

By Jason Renkens
CONTRIBUTOR

Using a computer loop-hole hundreds of students were caught cheating on Phy Ed 102 quizzes given over the internet allowing

them to receive perfect scores on their quizzes.

The professors of "Healthy American," Dr. John Munson and Dr. Bill Hettler, discovered that over 300 students enrolled in the class cheated.

Three students enrolled in the course appeared in Munson's office a few weeks ago and confessed to participating in academic misconduct. The students also reported that they were not the only students beating the system.

Of the 820 students taking the course, 330 cheated. "It was amazing to us as to how many students cheated," said Munson. "Once a couple of students figured out the system, it just seemed to snowball."

The three sections of the class were given two quizzes over the internet, a stepping stone on the path to teaching courses on the computer. As a test-case, the quiz results were watched and recorded quite extensively.

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Graduation in sight

By Linda Jeske
CONTRIBUTOR

With only a bit more than a week before some of us make the big step of graduation in our lives, I think we should take some time to understand what it means and the whirlwind feelings that go along with it.

Ironing my black gown and adjusting the slippery white tassel on my cap made me realize that the years I've spent at UW-Stevens Point were challenging, chaotic, fun, stressful, and most importantly, went by way too fast. I'm sure most of you can relate when I speak of the disastrous day that we first moved into those college dorms.

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Top 10 Pointer news stories

Reporters check their choices

Many news worthy stories hit *The Pointer's* headlines this year. Second semester, especially the last few weeks, dominated our reporters top ten decisions.

1. New chancellor walks on campus

• Last summer the university was busy interviewing candidates for the chancellor's position. The void needed filling after Interim Chancellor Howard Thoyre took a position within the UW-System and parted ways with a campus he called home for over 30 years.

The selection process introduced George to central Wisconsin, and gave the university a "student friendly chancellor." George was confronted with several issues in his first year, including diversity, the role of campus security, and budgetary conflicts.

2. Personal security unlocked

• An investigative article exposed problems related to personal security within the university. A breakdown in security re-

sulted in one reporter obtaining another person's information with just the knowledge of a social security number. Security checks have been approved in several areas including registration and Health Services. Currently a committee is looking into the potential dangers that still exist within the system.

3. Burling receives police badge

• One issue that has sparked interest for the past several years is whether or not UW-Stevens Point needs full time law enforcement to supplement the contributions of Protective Services. A proposal to implement a full time officer with arrest authority came before student government earlier this year, and received a great deal of opposition. After talks with area civic leaders, campus officials, and students opposed to the program, Chancellor George endorsed the idea and decided to move forward.

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The **POINTER** POLL

Photos by Carrie Reuter and Nate Wallin

How many times did you read *The Pointer* this year; any comments on it?



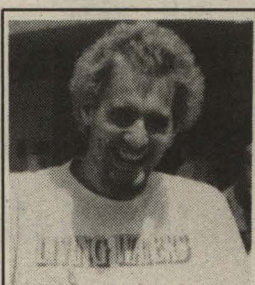
JEN BYRNE
Senior, Public Admin.

"I read it a lot and it was good. The photos were hot and the print, I understood."



ANDY KROENING
Junior, Graphic Design

"I really enjoy the Campus Beat. It's so funny."



PAUL SCHROD
Junior, Forestry

"Once."



HEATHER KIND-KEPPEL
Junior, Sociology

"Yeah I did, every week."

Recent study illustrates state universities' economic impact

By **Brad Rutta**
CONTRIBUTOR

Last year UW-Stevens Point students spent \$63 million to support the local economy, while UW-Stevens Point alone was responsible for \$300 million of the state economy. Our University along with the entire UW-System is responsible for \$8.2 billion dollars of the state's economy. Higher education has continuously been reduced by legislators and the governor, even though our system produces a large portion of the state's budget.

Economic Impact of the University of Wisconsin System was a study done by Professor William A. Strang, director of the Bureau of Business Research at the UW-Madison School of Business.

This study tracked all economic progress by state universities in relationship with the state and local areas.

"This study could not have come at a more propitious mo-

ment," said Chancellor Thomas George.

The University System budget for 1997-99 is now before Legislature's Joint Finance Committee. The research showed that the UW-System has an annual impact of \$8.2 billion dollars, while expenditures for the UW-System total \$3.5 billion. These expenditures include: student and visitor expenditures, institutional disbursements and salaries for the UW System employees.

UW-SP students give the community of Stevens Point the economic boost it needs to support local businesses. On the other hand UW-SP needs the services provided by retailers and wholesalers.

"UW-SP's contributions to the state's economy are even greater when you factor in how direct expenditures recycle through the economy," said Randy Cray, Chair of Business and Economics at UW-SP. "Our relationship is vital to the economic success of our local economy. Without necessity of

one another, support of area businesses would suffer as well as our university."

Over the years the UW-System has seen a decrease in state support. Currently, 32 percent of state taxes support the Universities, which has dropped over 10 percent from 25 years ago. These studies indicate that an increase in the budget for the UW-System will eventually come back to benefit the state budget. Graduates will earn higher incomes that will in turn allow higher taxes for the state, along with an increase of purchases of consumer goods. As of now, upon graduation, college graduates earn an average of \$37,000 a year, compared to \$21,400 by high school graduates.

This study happens to be the first of this kind. Perhaps it will allow for some major legislative changes that will benefit the UW-System. "This system-wide study ought to lend credence to both legislators and the governor for solid state support of higher education," said George.

decision making process. "We have been working on the Pray-Sims project for approximately two years and have been working on the Hyer and Roach renovation for approximately nine months," said Zsido.

"The time frame we work with helps us establish and prepare our budget and gives us the time to talk to everyone involved in the project," Zsido added.

It is understandable that University Housing wants to finish what they started concerning the renovations in Pray-Sims. The fact still remains that Smith, Roach, and Hyer halls are inadequate living spaces, especially with regards to the bathroom facilities.

Hall

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halls pays an additional cost for renovations that they may not even see.

"Housing wants to finish what we started before moving on," said Michael Zsido, head of facilities for University Housing.

The timeline for planning renovations is also a key factor in the



Monday, May 5

- An individual reported a small girl had locked herself inside a red Geo Metro and her mother could not get in. An officer assisted and was able to open the door.

- A Hansen Hall resident reported her 1991 Chevy Corsica was damaged.

Sunday, May 4

- Two underage drinkers were reported near Isadore Street by Burroughs Hall. Stevens Point Police Officers took two juveniles to the city office. The parents of the juveniles were contacted by the students the juveniles were staying with.

- An individual reported an open fire hydrant on Isadore Street on the west side of Steiner Hall. The Stevens Point Fire Department was notified. The city water department will repair the leaking hydrant.

Saturday, May 3

- Rollerbladers were warned about skating on the stairways in the sundial area.

- Thirteen parking tickets were issued in Lot E.

- An individual inside the Fine Arts Building was videotaping and causing people to complain. An officer advised him to leave.

Friday, May 2

- Two underage drinkers were found in the South Debot circle. They were uncooperative. The Stevens Point Police Department was contacted.

- A CA in Pray Sims found a first floor men's bathroom window broken.

Thursday, May 1

- The Hansen Hall Director notified security of a solicitor in front of the hall.

- An individual was found in Schmeckle Reserve after hours. The individual was informed of the hours.

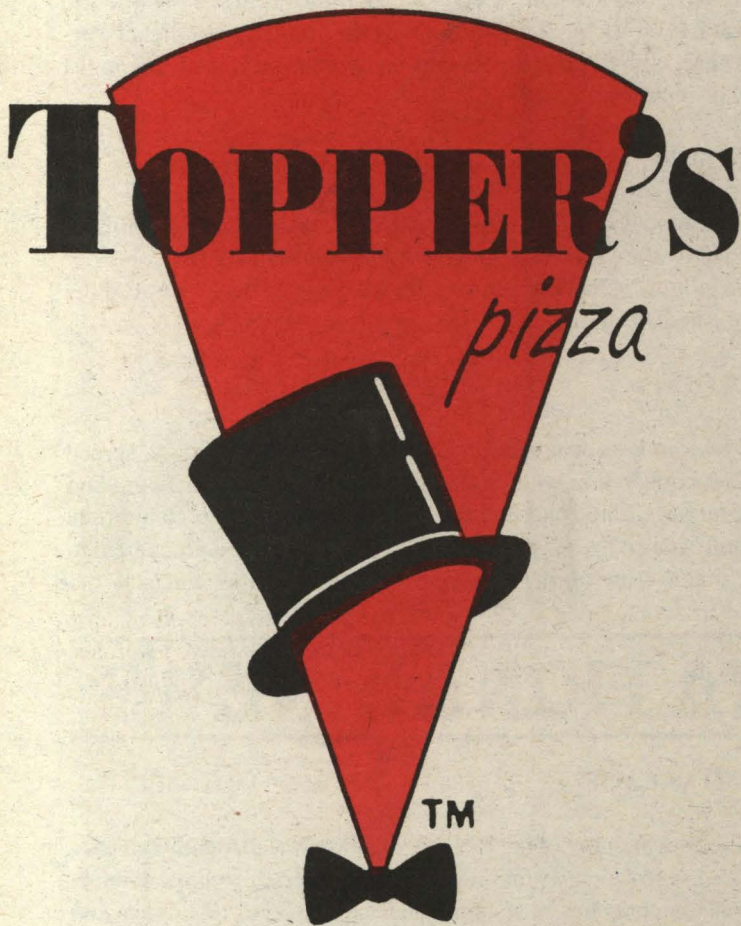
- A male possessing alcohol was seen getting into the driver's side of a car. He was informed of the policy regarding alcohol on campus. The individual said he would get a friend to park his car.

Protective Services' Tip of the Week

Rollerbladers and skateboarders, remember that these devices are not to be used in buildings or with in 20 feet of doors and entryways. Non-wheeled pedestrians always have the right-of-way. Law prohibits these devices to be used on ramps, stairs, curbs, ledges, loading docks, parking lots and benches. It is safest to skate on the sidewalks. Always wear a helmet and bright colored protective gear. At night wear reflective clothing.

- This tip is contributed by the Crime Prevention Office.

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Johnson gives 31 years of service

Helping students "be the best they can be" has given Bill Johnson great satisfaction during his 31 years of service to UW-Stevens Point.

Associate dean of the College of Letters and Science, Johnson will retire this spring before returning as a member of the academic staff during the 1997-98 school year.



Johnson

Johnson has spent much of his tenure concerned with what students achieve while they attend UW-SP. Talking one-on-one with thousands of letters and science students regarding policy change requests, working with faculty to meet their classroom needs and

overseeing the college's budget have been just some of his responsibilities.

He was also instrumental in creating the Academic Advising Center, drafting a proposal for its creation in 1979 so that undeclared students are given choices and direction for their studies. He recently chaired the Retention Task Force, which reported in February, 1997, that Johnson's original plan to train faculty advisors should be put into effect, along with other recommendations for student success. Johnson said he is currently working with Chancellor Tom George on that issue.

We need to assist students in reaching their potential as students and as people," Johnson said. (The advising center) was a start. But we need to challenge them beyond what they are doing, and a quality advising program can deliver that."

Among his accomplishments, Johnson notes he was involved in helping the campus get its own private phone system, which has produced several million dollars in savings and revenue since its installation. It also improved faculty and student phone service and provided a campus network. The campus-wide network was the first one approved in the UW-System, he said.

Johnson said he's been very fortunate to have worked with all four of the colleges' deans, seeing a lot of changes over the years, while learning something from each of them.

"I've found my mind is very fertile," he said of his plans. "One of these things could lead to something else. I'll find myself so busy with all my ideas that I'll have to retire from all of them just to be 'retired.'"

Board of Regents visits UW-SP

Students hailing from across Wisconsin will meet with the UW-System board of regents on Friday, May 9 at UW-Stevens Point. The forum is scheduled at 7 a.m. in the Founders Room of Old Main.

"This is an opportunity for students and the regents to come together and address issues of concern to the whole university community including tuition increases, diversity on campuses and academic advising needs," said Amy Mondloch, student co-organizer of the event. "We appreciate the cooperation that the regents have demonstrated in agreeing to this forum."

"The Political Action Organization (PAO) is delighted to have this opportunity to discuss issues such as socially responsible investing with the Board of Regents," according to Laura Routh, spokesperson for PAO, a student activist group at UW-SP.

"UW-System money goes to support corporations that we be-

lieve have demonstrated a lack of concern for human rights and for the ecologies of their areas," said Ann Finan, a UW-SP Student Government Association member.

"All the good intentioned education the world paid for with profits from those companies won't justify those investments."

Chancellor initiated in local fraternity chapter

Last month UW-Stevens Point's chancellor was initiated into a local fraternity. Chancellor Thomas George was initiated into the Phi Sigma Fraternity.

"Chancellor George is very Greek friendly and has attended many of our Phi Sig events over the past semester," said Phi Sigma President Mike Kurer.

The last chancellor or president of Stevens Point to become Phi Sig was Leland Burroughs in 1936.

"Chancellor George is a dynamic man and exemplifies the essence of a true Phi Sig. We are proud to call him a brother," said Kurer.

The local chapter started in 1917 as Phi Lambda Phi and is the oldest organization as well as fraternity on campus. In 1931 Phi Lambda chartered with Phi Sigma Epsilon a national fraternity. In 1985 they merged with Phi Sigma Kappa on a national level.

According to Kurer, Fred Scheemckle and John Meisch were both members of the local chapter.

The test records showed 165 pairs of students had the same questions in the same order. Based on the number of possible questions and order the questions could be in, getting the same quiz within minutes of another person is next to impossible.

Munson and Hettler confronted the students on April 29th and 30th, during the last scheduled classes of the semester, and gave each student a copy of appeal procedures if any action was taken against them.

The students who cheated on the quiz were given the option to either take a previously unscheduled final or appear before the academic conduct board. Students

who choose to take the final will have nothing on their records stating they participated in academic misconduct.

Several students who did not cheat have met with Munson and Hettler since the confrontation. "I feel like I'm being cheated," said Shawn Williams, a student in the class who did not cheat. "Their punishment should definitely be harsher."

Munson explained to the students that "The Healthy American" course is about making the right choices in life. He said that he hopes that by giving the guilty students another chance, they will learn what not to do and make better choices in the future.

THE LATEST SCOOP

WORLD NEWS

MOSCOW

• A depressed Russian general jumped from a 15th story window to his death. Gen. Victor Shepilov, who worked military intelligence became upset with the war Russia was involved in with the secessionist Chechen republic.

HONG KONG

• The already crowded city is expected to add another two million residents by the year 2016. Hong Kong averages 14,942 people per square mile. At 420 square miles, the islands are about one-third the size of Rhode Island.

MEXICO CITY

• Mexican President Ernesto Zedillo and President Clinton agreed to closer cooperation when it comes to fighting drug trafficking and immigration. Clinton and Zedillo signed a declaration to commit the U.S. and Mexico to devise a strategy to combat drugs. A document to better manage the border between the two countries was also designed.

NATIONAL NEWS

ENCINITAS, CALIF.

• A former member of the Heaven's Gate cult was found yesterday in a San Diego County hotel room after he tried to commit suicide. Charles Humphrey has been upgraded from critical to serious at a San Diego hospital.

NEW YORK CITY

• The FBI is investigating robberies that took place at Kennedy Airport and their possible link to the Gambino crime family. Luxury cars, designer clothes, guns and aircraft parts have been stolen. Authorities have recovered nearly \$13 million in goods.

ABERDEEN, MARYLAND

• Delamar Simpson, a drill sergeant convicted of rape, was sentenced on Tuesday. Simpson will serve 25 years in prison for his actions. Simpson was also stripped of rank, forced to forfeit pay and received a dishonorable discharge.

LOCAL/STATE NEWS

MADISON

• Governor Tommy Thompson urged state road builders to ask lawmakers for increased transportation funding. Thompson did not ask for endorsement on an increased gas tax and registration fee. Lawmakers are still struggling to find a way to fund the transportation budget for the next two years.

APPLETON

• The bodies of three people killed in a car accident were identified Tuesday. The accident occurred when a pickup, traveling nearly 60 mph, struck the car and pushed it into an intersection, where it started on fire. Laurie Birkholz and her younger passengers were pronounced dead on the scene. The posted speed limit for the area is 30 mph.

OSHKOSH

• The victim of a stabbing appeared in court to testify against her live-in boyfriend. Crystal Schirmacher told the court her boyfriend tried to choke her, punched her in the face and later stabbed her as she tried to leave their house.

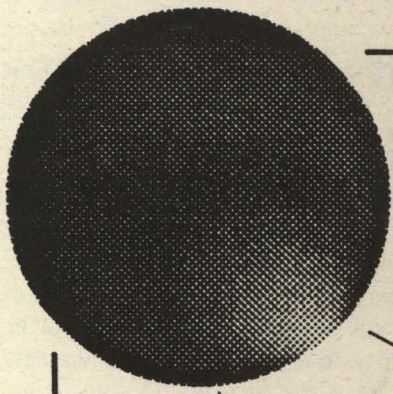
Exam

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According to Munson, the students submitting the second quiz all had the same letter for the answers, with the same name and student identification number. The computer then gave the students all of the correct answers.

After students corrected the answers, it is impossible to submit the quiz again with the same name and I.D. number.

However, it's possible to submit it with someone else's personal information. If students did this, they were able to get 100 percent of the questions correct.



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George's critics out of line

By Mike Beacom
EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

The addition of Chancellor Tom George has brought some freshness to UW-Stevens Point this year. He is a unique individual who is truly a students' chancellor.

Recently though, George has been criticized for purchasing a house in the town of Readfield, about 70 miles out of town.

Members of the community and UW-System are upset over the purchase, arguing George should have selected at home in the city of Stevens Point or the surrounding area.

George, who receives a monthly allowance of \$1484 (\$16,484 annually) for living expenses, bought the Readfield home because it was between Stevens Point and Oshkosh. His wife recently took a position at UW-Oshkosh to teach music.

With that said, why are some people putting up such a fuss over the matter?

True, it would be nice for the chancellor to reside in Stevens Point so he can entertain guests in his home. And yes, it would be nice for him to put money he earns back into the community from which he earns it.

Unfortunately everything doesn't always work out the way

people would like; circumstances change in each individual case.

George's wife has a career of her own and should not be expected to sacrifice that career to stay with her husband in Stevens Point. She also should not be expected to travel an hour each day to work.

I find it ridiculous that people can criticize a leader of the community for looking out for the best interests of his wife and that people are concerned about something so petty.

Let's not make petty, irrelevant arguments, but rather look at what's important: the growth potential George brings to this university.

Houfe defends importance of evaluations

Dear Editor:

In response to Professor Billing's editorial in last week's *Pointer*, professor evaluations are extremely important for several reasons.

One is that they provide a way for students to communicate with their professors anonymously with no danger of affecting their grades. Students need to feel that they can share their opinions in a non-threatening manner and that their voice may have some impact on how the professor teaches the class.

They also provide the professor an opportunity to get input from their students. Professors should look at professor evaluations as compliments and constructive criticism on their teaching styles. I know that many professors use the evaluations to make some changes in their style of teaching.

One of the biggest advantages of professor evaluations is they give the professor an opportunity to structure their classes in a way that works for the majority of students. I feel that most of the professors on our campus want to do the best possible job in conveying information to the students so that the students are as successful as they can possibly be in learning.

It is difficult to assess the quality of a student by their grades, but you could argue that you can derive how much the student has learned by the grade received in the class. You could also argue that the grade the professor is getting on their evaluations could be a direct reflection of how much the students are learning.

Professor evaluations are not meant to be the end-all to professors being evaluated by students, but it is a start. Professors need to encourage feedback from their students from the beginning of the course to the end.

Perhaps we do not have the correct questions on the professor evaluations to get the most conclusive information on how the professor is teaching. If that is the case, I would invite those of you who are concerned to participate in making some appropriate changes.

Sarah Houfe

Father Mark role model to Swita

Dear Editor:

In our lives we have many great teachers, educating us on a variety of subjects. But, ask any member of the Newman University Parish, and they will tell you one of the finest of their teachers was Father Mark Pierce.

Many who know Father Mark find him to be a man of great exuberance, wisdom, and generosity. To talk of such qualities is one thing, but to exemplify them in life as Father Mark has, truly deserves anyone's respect.

Being in charge of the Newman Catholic Center here in Point and pastor of a small parish makes Father Mark a very busy man. However, he always seems to find time to personalize with almost everyone of his 600+ parishioners.

Father Mark is also concerned about how others are doing; he puts his needs second and gives full attention to others.

Father Mark has not only been generous while sharing thoughtful words, but also giving of himself entirely. On one oc-

casional, Father Mark selflessly offered a part of his vital organs to be donated to a parishioner who was on the verge of death; an act not too many of us would easily follow.

In everything Father Mark has offered, whether it be a kind word, his time, or a piece of himself, literally, he has shown me that giving can be rewarding in itself.

His personal touch to those around him has taught me how

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Responsible actions overlooked for Gillson

By Chris Keller
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Kevin Gillson, 19, was convicted of statutory rape because his girlfriend was 15 years old when she became pregnant. Both he and the mother fully cooperated with the District Attorney, only to see Gillson face the possibility of 40 years in prison.

Thankfully the D.A. decided not to push for a prison term;

Gillson will likely face probation. Perhaps the biggest problem he now faces is that of his new title: convicted sex-offender.

Wherever Gillson and his family chooses to live, he will have to register with the police in the same category as rapists, child molesters, and pedophiles do.

Gillson tried to do the honorable thing. He wanted to be a man and accept responsibility for his

actions. Now he faces a label that could scar him for life.

This is a burden Gillson does not need. He has dropped out of school to find a job with the benefits needed to support his new family. If it were up to Gillson, I'm sure he'd worry about the financial situation he will soon find himself in, instead of the public ridicule he might face.

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Graduation

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For the first time in my entire life (and the same may hold true for most of you), I have no idea what tomorrow really holds. When I made a transition before at least I knew what was happening. Now, as we sit here almost graduates, for the first time in our lives we won't be students anymore and what tomorrow will bring is nothing but a mystery. Who really knows when or if we will find a job, or if it will be what we've been studying for the past 4, 5 or 6 years.

Questions remain about whether I'll be around the people I love if or I'll be in the middle of nowhere, all alone. Life will no longer be late nights of studying, but I probably won't get my mid-afternoon nap anymore either. Times of beer parties and non-existent Sundays are over, and the real world is truly staring us in the face.

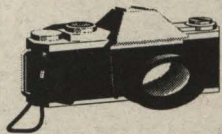
But the real world not only holds full paychecks and week-ends off, it also holds the hope of achieving what we've been dreaming about since we sought our college educations. We the class of 1997 can now go out and try what we all are best at and hopefully make the world around us a better place to be. And although it sounds cliched, we truly are at a new beginning. A time when we can show the world what we're made of.

So when you flip that tassel over your cap, and that valuable diploma is finally in your hands and a tear is running down your cheek, remember the good times and look forward to even better times. Know that you can go a long way on not only what you've

learned, but on where your ambitions and dreams take you. Here's to you, my fellow graduates. Hats off to the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point Class of 1997.

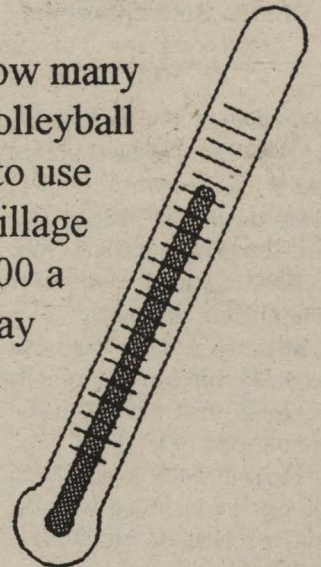
Editor's Note: Linda Jeske was a frequent contributor to The Pointer throughout her years at UW-SP.

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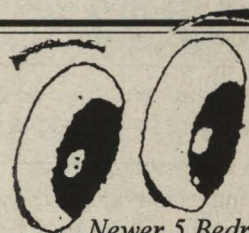


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Treehaven leaves six weeks of memories for CNR students

By **Charlie Sensenbrenner**
OUTDOORS EDITOR

The sun was hot on June 27, maybe the hottest of the entire six weeks at Treehaven.

Heat waves rose like serpents from the asphalt of a Pickerel Creek Road lined on both sides with over 100 test taking students.

For thirty seconds it was so quiet you could hear the pencils scratching plant names on the answer sheets.

Then somebody honked a van horn and the air filled with the sound of sandals and tennis shoes scuffling across gravel.

A wide range of faces passed on the other side of the road; some relaxed, others frustrated, but all as familiar as your own reflection.

With the final horn, the same 100 faces filled the air with whoops of joy. Everyone was ready to leave the timber cruising, contour mapping, and soil pit digging behind for the rest of the summer.

A caravan of student vehicles filed out of the facility shortly after, each carrying field experience from the six one-week classes and memories that would last the rest of their lives.

They'd remember the camp fires blazing every night beside a frog-filled pond. Even a few professors joined in as enough alu-

minum to build a Volkswagen was recycled from the cans emptied as stories were told and friendships were formed.

Fritz Miller, a senior majoring in aquatic toxicology, attended the early session last summer.

"It was pretty cool because you got to meet a lot of people and make a lot of friends, but the things I'll remember most about Treehaven were breakfast, lunch, and dinner," he said.

Rick Anderson also enjoyed the meals even though he got stuck in the woods every day eating ham sandwiches as a Forestry teaching assistant.

"It was a fun job to have and a fun place to spend the summer," he commented.

Tomahawk is located in the middle of some of Wisconsin's best fishing.

Crystal lakes teeming with bass are hard not to find. The Wisconsin and Tomahawk Rivers provide excellent canoeing waters and plenty of musky, pike, wall-eye and small mouth.

The first musky of my life hammered a surface bait below Bradley Dam on the Tomahawk.

It wasn't very big, but I did get to see a 54-inch monster that an 11-year-old kid caught on another stretch of the river.

The sheer number of trout waters help the area live up to a billboard's proclamation of "the trout fishing capital of the world."



This sign marks the entrance to Treehaven, a 300-plus acre natural resources field training facility and home to every CNR student for six weeks of their life. (Photo by Carrie Reuter)

Monster browns can be found looming beneath the trophy water banks of the Prairie River.

Even the tiny Pickerel Creek, which babbles through the facility's 300 acre forest, gave up decent brookies to student anglers.

If you don't mind flicking a couple hundred wood ticks off yourself every night, trails running up and down hills through the property are perfect for run-

ning and biking, or if you're not into that, there are fields for softball, football or Frisbee, and backboards set up for some hoops.

With so many choices, students do take advantage of all the recreational opportunities.

However, most of their time is spent in class, working on projects or studying for tests.

Due to time constraints, the work load is at least twice as in-

tense as what most students are used to. Burn out is common and well before that final day people grumble that it's more of a Treehell than Treehaven. With time, however, the bad memories seem to fade.

"I had an absolutely great time and loved everything about it," said Paul Fix, a Wildlife senior. "We received great hands-on training and had a lot of fun too. I think it's an excellent program."

Northern anglers find fish willing participants in opener

By **Charlie Sensenbrenner**
OUTDOORS EDITOR

Saturday marked the beginning of a Wisconsin tradition.

Tackle was organized, outboards were oiled, and reservations were booked all over the state in anticipation of the opening day of fishing.

The combination of gusty winds, rainy weather and ice-free lakes in the north led to silent streams and lakes in Central Wisconsin.

According to Rene of Northern Bait and Tackle, the Tomorrow River, which is typically pounded by summer-seaking trout fishermen, was completely dead.

"The weather and early season took away some of the pressure, but a lot of people didn't bother because they aren't sure of the new regulations."

Though few people took advantage of it, local conditions have actually been favorable.

Walleye are finished spawning for the most part.

"But that doesn't mean they disappeared," she said.

"We've actually been seeing more of the big guys being caught than we did during the peak of the run," she added.

The best way to hook into a walleye is to fish along the edge of the current where they seem to

Bluegills have been taking nightcrawlers at both Fish and Pleasant Lake.

Large mouth bass were spotted by anglers at McDill pond all weekend but couldn't be coaxed to bite.

However, small mouth bass were more receptive in the spillway areas and trout are hitting in the ditches near Plover and the Buena Vista marsh.

It was a different story in the north on Saturday where the lakes, rivers, and streams all welcomed a host of anxious anglers.

"We had a great weekend," said Gene from Aquatic Arts in

Tomahawk.

The biggest catch was a 39 inch, 14 pound, northern pike, but a wide range of other species also took the hook.

"We had sort of a smorgasbord of everything. Everything kicked in at the perfect time," said Gene.

be hanging lazily eating what ever happens to float by.

Fishermen near Rusty's Backwater Saloon have reportedly been pulling in some of the larger catches in the area.

They've also been catching big crappie at Rusty's and throughout most of the backwater slews.

"We had sort of a smorgasbord of everything. Everything kicked in at the perfect time."

Gene, employee at Aquatic Arts in Tomahawk

Head over heels for summer



Elated by the prospect of the coming summer at Bukolt Park, a UWSP student sets gravity on its heels in summer celebration. (Photo by Carrie Reuter)

OUTDOOR JOURNAL

By Bryon Thompson
CONTRIBUTOR

The thundering gobble shook the woods and rattled my eardrums. The two birds I was hunting had finally broke their standoff and were now on their way in. *Gobble! Gobble!* Again, they hammered the call, this time only a couple hundred feet away.

I was ready. *Just after they step over the crest of the hill and show themselves, I'll let them have it,* I thought to myself.

Soon, I could hear the leaves crackle. "Sphttttttt. Dooooooooom," I could hear them do their 'spit drum' sound—the sound the males make as they strut.

I knew they were very close. My body was shaking, my pulse quickened, my heart jumped into my throat. I was at the peak of my turkey-hunting excitement. The "moment of truth," we call it.

I then saw the red and white heads bobbing through the brush. I closed my eye and aimed my shotgun.

Click! I took my safety "off." Slowly they walked toward me. I could only see their colorful heads. I slowly stretched my neck to see their beards. I couldn't see them dragging like I should. It was then I noticed the tiny, four-inch beards protruding from their chests.

Instant disappointment. I was hunting for an adult tom. I did not want to shoot a jake. My heart sank and my pulse lowered. I just watched and enjoyed the sights and sounds of these immature birds feeling their oats for the first time.

While the birds had me just as excited as any other turkey hunt I had ever been on, I wanted a longbeard, and decided to let these young jakes live and possibly grow into adulthood.

While I walked out of the woods empty handed and with my tag unfilled for the year, my season did not end here. I have had the pleasure to accompany and assist others in filling their tags.

I called in an early-morning longbeard for Dave Mithum, my hunting partner Aaron's father. Dave has taught me much of what I know about turkey hunting and a lot about generosity.

This bird he killed was the first in four years for him. I was honored to have been an important factor in his success.

I also called in a monster bird for my best friend Dave Torrey. The bird weighed 21 pounds, had 1 1/4 inch spurs, had a 10 inch beard and was Dave's first turkey.

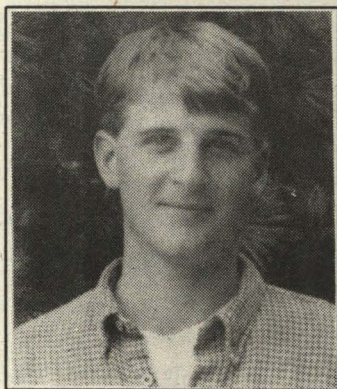
I assisted our other roommate Adam Hussin in the calling duties. This hunt will remain dear to me as we will be parting ways here in our near future after graduation.

Last weekend I was in Iowa filming fellow M.A.D. Calls Pro-Staffer Dave Reisner. We connected on a bird that had 1 5/8 inch spurs! A definite trophy that I captured on film.

After finals I will be in the La Crosse and Wisconsin Dells area turkey hunting and relaxing with my friends and family after a tough semester.

So, while I never pulled the trigger and took home a turkey, I have had an incredible season. The harvest, while important, pales in comparison to the friendships and family ties that this sport has given me.

Many thanks this week to Bryon. Thanks also to all of you who submitted articles to the section and also for Outdoors Journal. I know it's tough to imagine, but school will be starting again, eventually. Have a great time this summer, be safe, and take it easy on Mother Nature. Remember, we've all got to live here for a long, long time.



John Faucher
Typesetter

"John Faucher was one of the nicest individuals I've ever had the chance to work with."

**-Mike Beacom,
Editor-in-Chief**

ATTENTION UW-SP ANGLERS

The Pointer is holding a walleye contest next year.



Between Labor Day and Halloween, bring your ID and



register your walleye at Northern Bait and Tackle on Maria Drive. Further details will be posted at Northern Bait.

Prizes!!!!

Northern Bait and J Fuller Sports are offering tackle, and Topper's Pizza, Ella's and Erbert and Gerberts are offering food prizes.

Foreign substance in Schmeekle

By Nick Katzmarek
OUTDOORS EDITOR

If you're like most UW-Stevens Point students, an important item on your agenda is a nice, relaxing walk in Schmeekle, especially now that the snow has melted and the trails are in relatively good shape.

Or, it's very possible that you're one of the multitude that have incorporated a daily run or bike in the reserve as a part of your daily fitness regimen.

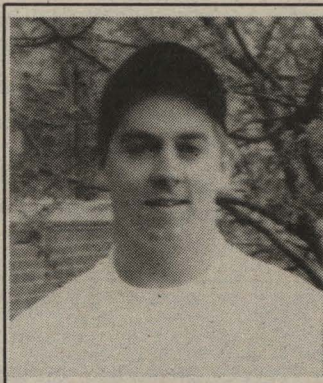
Regardless of how you utilize the area, you may be interested in knowing that on Sunday, April 27, a concerned passerby reported to the Stevens Point Police Department that an "orangish sub-

stance" was flowing through the reserve.

They immediately notified the Department of Natural Resources (DNR), who responded on the scene.

The DNR was unable to test the substance at that time, but, according to Director of Protective Services Don Burling, "they reported it as non-toxic."

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Shane Christophersen
Business Manager

"Working at *The Pointer* was a good experience and I met a lot of great people."

-Shane Christophersen

Nature News and Notes

State

- There will be a public hearing on the Mining Moratorium Bill that is intended to stop any mine that is not proven safe for the environment. It will be held by the environmental committee of the Wisconsin State Assembly at 2:30 p.m., Monday, May 12 in the Russ County Library in Ladysmith.

- The DNR would like to remind you that with boating season rapidly approaching, it is very important to wear your personal flotation device (PFD). A good life PFD can even delay the onset of hypothermia, an important consideration in this time of year when the waters are running cold and fast.

- Deer hunting withdrawal symptoms got you down? The DNR has released information for all you junkies out there. Wisconsin deer hunters will again have expanded hunting opportunities this coming fall, following approval last week of a special Zone T deer hunting framework for the 1997 season by the DNR. The 1997 Zone T season covers 10 deer management units, mostly in central and western Wisconsin. The framework approved by the board does not include the "earn a buck" provision requiring hunters to first shoot an antlerless deer before shooting a buck.

Campus

The end of the school year means six weeks of Treehaven for many CNR students. To make the experience a little smoother, past participants advise the following:

- Don't be afraid to pack too much. Six weeks can get to be a long time so make sure you bring CD's, tapes, and other things you need in addition to your study materials.

- Take advantage of where you are and the free time you get. You'll be in some beautiful country, see as much of it as you can. There will be long days of studying, so be sure to get out fishing, jogging, or swimming when ever possible.

Battle of the Sexes: Who wins the gossip award?

Please, women, stop the gossip Males gossip more than women

By Kevin Lahner
CONTRIBUTOR

The other day I was sitting in Country Kitchen, doing my best to study when suddenly I hear behind me something to the effect of....

"Did you hear about Sally?"

"No what happened?"

"I guess she slept with some 28-year-old guy."

"Really!?"

"Yea....."

So I sat there, and no matter how hard I tried not to, I heard all the trials and tribulations of poor "Sally's" life.

After a while I got very annoyed and left. The scariest thing about this experience was that the two women were obviously college students.

After much hardship and anguish I have come to the conclusion that gossip is everywhere. It cannot be avoided. And typically it is found flowing freely from the mouths of women.

I have also discovered that gossip is usually very cruel to those being talked about.

I have seen many very nice women get into a gossip session and turn into incredibly cruel hearted human beings, with no sign of remorse until the gossip session has ended.

Men gossip too, they are just much more tactful about it. A typical man's gossip session

would go like this:

"Hey Bob did you hear about Joe?"

"No what happened?"

"He got really drunk last night and passed out in somebody's backyard."

"Stupid ass. Hey hand me a beer would ya?"

And that would be the end of it. A man's gossip session typically lasts about one minute.

I am making a plea to all those women who like to gossip. Please stop. For my sanity, and the sake of others like me, please, please, stop. If you can't do that, would you please just keep it down a little? Thanks.

By Tara Zawlocki
CONTRIBUTOR

Females have a bad rap regarding gossip. Yes, I suppose there are a few women out there who fall prey to the unruly game of gossip, since it is so easy to do.

But the real question is, do women really gossip more than men do? I have serious doubts about this.

I believe that men are far worse gossipers than women.

At least women who gossip will admit it. I have yet to hear a man say, "Yes I gossip all of the time."

Many men believe women are the queens of gossip, yet they indulge themselves in what they consider to be a frivolous part of the female lifestyle.

So many times I have heard men talking about other people. "Have you heard about so-and-so," typically starts their conversation.

I would even go as far as saying that most of the time the topics are probably about women.

I know a certain group of guys who love to sit and chat about everyone else's lives but their own.

Do they really have nothing better to do than participate in petty gossip?

I actually heard one of my male friends once say, "I don't talk about other people, just my friends and people I know."

Do I need to say more? Good or bad, gossip is still gossip and just because you may be talking about someone you know doesn't make gossiping acceptable.

I think there are many men who are in denial about how much they gossip. I have asked men if they think they gossip more than women. Of course, the typical response is, "Yeah right."

Why must men deny it?

Just because you men may talk about different subject matter doesn't mean that you don't gossip any less. Now that might be something to think about.

Dance hits the stage at UW-SP

Danstage '97 opens at Jenkins Theatre

By Kerry Liethen
CONTRIBUTOR

UW-Stevens Point Theatre and Dance Department presented Danstage '97 this past weekend at Jenkins Theatre.

There were nine performances in all, ranging from ballet to modern and tap. In addition, there were two guest artists working with the company pany as choreographers and rehearsal coordinators.

Sarah Greenlaw, a professional dancer, has toured throughout the U.S. and Europe. Greenlaw received a Master of Fine Arts from Ohio State University in 1992.

Patrick Strong trained at UW-SP and this semester he joined the UW-SP faculty as a guest instructor in Jazz and Pilates Body Conditioning.

Strong's early professional experience includes performing with several New York City modern dance companies.

Overall, the entire dance company delivered a pleasant and adequate performance.

One especially dramatic performance was from dancer, Mary Fehrenbach, who did a solo act in *Where Are You Now?*

The striking yellow costume she wore set the perfect mood against the dark and dreary lighting.

In addition, the choreography for this piece was inspiring due

ver costumes and all of the tennis shoes)

The majority of the routine took place on a metal scaffold where the dancers did a kind of acrobatic performance.

Furthermore, a screen was lowered halfway down the stage where a previously recorded video of the performance was shown as the live performance was taking place on stage.

Not all of the performances were as fulfilling as the previously mentioned sets.

For example, *Poulenc Divertissement* was a small disappointment. The dancing was not really graceful.

In fact, the routine could be compared to grapes bouncing on linoleum tile, sluggish and barely any movement. However, I think that the purple costumes and lighting may have had something to do with my dissatisfaction of this set.

I was pleased with Danstage '97, it provided my weekend with a little fun and enjoyment of

UW-SP's creative talents. It gave the audience diverse dances and expression of emotions through silence.

I give Danstage '97 a B+. The production continues May 8-10 at Jenkins Theatre.



"Light Wait" with dancers (left) Aaron Foelske, freshman and Adam Theisen, senior. (Photo submitted)

to the strong, yet subtle movement by Fehrenbach.

Another set that was pleasing to watch was *Light Wait*. This performance reminded me of a Nike commercial. (I think this had to do with the black and sil-



Q&A With Chancellor Tom

Some faculty have put a lot of work into UW-SP's Natural History Museum and they still have to pay to get in. Why can't faculty enjoy the same user privileges as students? Mildred Nenneman, Junior

I share the university's concern of charging faculty a fee to use this valuable resource. Fees were instituted to allow the Museum to operate in a climate of reducing budgets, and several of us, including the College of Letters and Science to whom the Museum reports, are looking into options for replacing the fee.

Looking back on this past year, do you have any regrets or things you would change?

The past academic year has been a fantastic experience for me, and I have thoroughly enjoyed working with our tremendous student body, faculty and staff. In regard to regrets, I would liked to have seen a higher state budget for the university.

What are your plans for the summer?

The schedule here stays pretty much the same throughout the summer, although I hope there is a bit more time to do some creative planning than we have had during the academic year. I was invited to deliver a lecture on my research on lasers at an international conference this summer on nonlinear optics in Novosibirsk, Siberia (I have been there before), but I am not sure I can find time in my schedule to break away from this.

What do you think of Michael Zaves' resolution to eliminate the two-year on campus housing requirement?

We have a tremendous program in the residence halls which rival any in the state and certainly any I have seen in the country. They provide a critical component of student development and growth which compliments well the students' classroom experience. We understand this issue continues to be examined and researched in our Division of Student Affairs.

Word of Mouth

PHOTOGRAPHY COURSES

Two adult courses in single lens-reflex photography will be offered in Wisconsin Rapids by UW-Stevens Point's Conservatory for Creative Expression.

Classes will be held at Mid-State Technical College. Both beginning and intermediate classes will be available. It will be offered on Tuesdays through June 10, from 6 to 8 p.m. No previous experience is required.

SEARCH PROGRAM

As students move out of their residence halls this spring, the local Wisconsin State Employees Union at UW-SP will help clean up the campus and recycle useable items.

The SEARCH (Students, Employees and Administrators Recycling for Community Health) program will run from Monday, May 5 through Friday May 16.

Students will have two options of disposing their recyclables. From 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., May 7-9, Goodwill will pack a semitrailer in Lot G adjacent to the Allen center. Also, small items may be disposed of at the front desk of the residence halls.

Recoverable items include clothing, bedding, draperies, food-stuffs in sealed containers, books, magazines, small appliances and furniture in good condition.

ART EXHIBITION

"Four Women and One of Those," an exhibition by five student artists, will be held in the Carlsten Art Gallery at UW-SP beginning Thursday, May 8.

The featured artists are Tracy Laqua, Charlotte Damn, Steven J. Korzinek, Cheryl Skwierczynski and Jennifer Wilk. The students are all seniors at UW-SP.

An opening reception will be held Thursday, May 8, from 6 to 8 p.m. The show continues until May 16. The gallery is open to the public without charge from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, and from 1 to 4 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

Festival set to unburden minds

By Cindy Wiedmeyer
ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

Feel like taking a break or putting down your books? The Centers along with Centertainment Productions want to celebrate another successful year here at UW-Stevens Point and you are invited.

The Second Annual Copper Fountain Festival will take place Friday, May 9 from 4 to 9 p.m.

This free fest is just another way to thank you for making the Centers a part of your life.

This final end-of-the-year party will take place at the UC Terrace in honor of the metallic iris sculpture located there.

The Toes, a progressive rock band, will kick off the festivities at 4 p.m.

Influenced by The Pixies, The Police, Jelly Fish, The Beatles and "anything with a groove," this group's sound is anything but generic.

Following The Toes, a free dinner consisting of burgers, brats, or veggie burgers will be served.

With the purchase of a commemorative Copper Fountain mug, you can get deals on Miller Beer and Pepsi Products all afternoon.

You may not be able to escape finals, but OD TAPO IMI can take you on a Caribbean vacation as they create an atmosphere with



The Iris Fountain awaits the celebration. Centertainment is planning the Copper Fountain Festival in honor of the metallic iris sculpture. (Photo by Carrie Reuter)

tropical scents, backdrops, and beach balls; if Jamaica can have a Bobsled Team, then Wisconsin can have a steel drum band!

With his unusual off-beat sense of humor, musical comedian Pat McCurdy will wrap up the fountain festivities.

His hilarious observations on life, love, and "Vacation with Mom and Dad," and his tribute

to the 80s make him a UW-SP favorite.

While you dance and eat you can engage in a variety of novelty games including Sumo wrestling and human bowling.

The Copper Fountain Festival hopes to persuade students to get their noses out of their books and have fun for a couple hours.

Beltane celebration welcomes summer in Wisconsin

By Valentina Kaquatosh
ARTS AND REVIEW EDITOR

Last weekend I got the chance to participate in a traditional Beltane celebration. Known as May Day by some of our European ancestors, Beltane is a holiday to welcome the coming of summer and to honor nature in its full flowered glory.

Still celebrated widely today in various forms across Europe, it is not well known here in the U.S. because it was frowned upon by the puritans for its "bawdiness."

In ancient pagan times Beltane was a great fertility rite that honored the union of male and female.

The actual coupling of people, it was believed, was needed to encourage the growth of crops. This would ensure that the next generation would soon be born.

To contemporary pagans, Beltane is celebrated to bring forth new life in other ways and to let go of the old.

The ways Beltane is celebrated today include a blend of both modern and ancient ties that



The Oak Apple Morris Dancers do their part to welcome summer in Mt. Horeb, Wi. (Photo by Val Kaquatosh)

symbolically represent the fertility of love and spring.

One of those activities is dancing around the Maypole. The Maypole is made out of oak or pine planted in the ground with an array of ribbons streaming from a garland on top of the pole.

Dancers dressed in bright colors, half of them male, the other female, each grab hold of one of these ribbons and interweave

them around the Maypole as they dance. Dancing the Maypole is known to bring you good luck and creativity.

For example, if you are anxious to have a baby in the coming year, rubbing the Maypole after the dance will make you "fertile."

Another Beltane tradition, with British origins, is the Morris dancers.

Men and women dressed in white and green with bells attached to their legs dance gleefully with wooden sticks which they use to make noise and hit the ground in order to "wake up" the earth.

Along with the Morris dancers is the May Hag, a man dressed completely in drag who is an androgynous representation of the physical union of male and female in one body.

The May Hag marches along with the Morris dancers, giving out poppy seed cookies, flirting with the crowd, and chasing women with his/her "brush."

If you get touched by the May Hag's brush, you better watch out because within the next year you'll literally bring new life into the world!

Another fun character is the Hobby Horse, but since we live in Wisconsin, we have the Hobby Cow.

The Hobby Cow is a dancer dressed up as a huge cow who wobbles along with the May Hag and the dancers, making noise with its big bell clanking at its neck.

After all the dancing comes the feasting and merry-making around the sacred Beltane fire. Participants jump over the fire to purify themselves spiritually.

Purification by fire and customs like fire leaping included either mock or actual sacrifices. Today, herbal and wood offerings are thrown into the fire.

In the celebration I took part in, we made clay beads which we placed into the fire to harden and later made into necklaces.

Last but not least is the selection of the May King and May Queen. Once picked by random lot, the lucky couple are treated as the physical representation of the Vegetation God; Jack-in-the-Green, and the Earth Goddess.

It's great to be the May King or Queen because all your friends literally give you the royal treatment throughout the entire festival! All participants get to wear garland wreaths of Flowers and Greens on their heads fastened with ribbons and bells.

Beltane is a great time and I can't think of a better way to fully embrace the spring. Happy warm fertile earth everyone!

The gufs overtake audience

Over 300 students flock to see Brewtown band



The gufs strum out the tunes as the entertained audience looks on. The gufs performed Friday at UW-SP in Berg Gym. (Photo by Nathan Wallin)

The gufs returned to Stevens Point for their second concert this year. The concert showcased two other bands, The Toes and The Lugheads.

The Toes took the stage first. This band will also kick off UW-SP's Copper Fountain Festival, Friday, May 9.

The Lugheads played next, beginning with a hard driving ballad that rocked the crowd.

The audience was warmed up when the gufs hit the stage.

The gufs are a Milwaukee based band made up of four members, including brothers Dejean and Gorran Kralj along with

Morgan Dawley and Scott Schwebel.

The band toured the college circuit, making many stops in Stevens Point. In 1992 both Marquette University and UW-Milwaukee named them "Local Band of the Year."

The band also received honors at the Wisconsin Music Awards.

Success enabled the gufs to open for the Violent Femmes, the BoDeans, Hootie and the Blowfish and Big Head Todd and the Monsters.

According to Goran Kralj, lead vocalist and guitarist, their

lyrics explore the dark side of life in the 90's, while examining personal experiences—both real and imagined.

"A lot of people ask about inspirations and, well, I'm only 26 years old and I'm sorry, I grew up in a normal family, went to college and did a lot of normal things," he said.

After the concert Friday, the gufs were seen in downtown Stevens Point. UW-SP senior Clint Cry (and long time gufs fan) said, "I can't believe they are really here! It's a dream come true."

Feature Spotlight: Pat Ford

Financial specialist retires

Almost everyone at UW-Stevens Point has encountered Pat Ford at one time or another.

A financial specialist at the Bursar's Office in the Student Services Building, Ford is one of the women at the window who takes tuition payments and hands out payroll checks, thereby interacting with just about everyone on campus.

Ford will retire May 9, having served the university for 28 years.

"I've always enjoyed dealing with people," Ford said, looking back at her career. "I'm a people person, with students as well as faculty."

She added that she's not only enjoyed meeting such a diverse group of people, but that she has really been aware of the variety on activity on campus.

"The university has a lot to offer students as well as the community," she said. "A lot of times people aren't aware of that unless they have been behind the scenes."

Ford has worked a number of jobs "behind the scenes." She started as a cashier at the Bursar's Office.



Ford

From there, she became a travel clerk then worked in the Accounts Receivable, Accounts Payable and Perkins Loan offices.

For the last ten years she has held her current position as financial specialist in the Bursar's Office.

"I've made the full circle and I'm ending in the area where I started out," she said.

Now that she'll have free time, Ford plans to spend it with her also retired husband, Don.

The couple plan to spend summers at an RV park near Waupaca and their winters in Central Florida, where they hope to purchase a home.

Ford said she also plans to see more of her two children and three grandchildren.

"I will really miss the people I work with here," she said of her retirement. "I've gained such a wide circle of close friends."



Cindy Wiedmeyer
Assistant Features,
Copy Editor

"After spending every Wednesday night at *The Pointer*, I learned how to put down Whoppers and pizza at midnight, tolerate Led Zeppelin and put up with the 'boy's club.' I'll miss my Thursday morning reading headaches, but I'll miss the staff and Michelle even more.

Good luck next year!"

-Cindy Wiedmeyer

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Ten

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Don Burling Director of Protective Services will receive training over the summer to attain credentials as a full time law enforcement authority.

4. Forum lays foundation to increase campus diversity

• Four students collected 1,200 signatures from students in favor of a more diverse campus. An open forum with several administrators, community members and students laid the foundation to enhance efforts for a more diverse community at UW-SP.

5. Nelson Hall's future in shambles

• The future of Nelson Hall looks to be a short one due to renovation costs estimating \$4 million. The offices currently located in the hall will have to be relocated to other campus buildings. The English for Foreign Students recently moved into the Communication building and other programs are expected to relocate in the near future. Excluding Madison, the 78 year old Nelson Hall is the UW-System's oldest dormitory.

6. Student Senators raise segregated fees

For the first time in ten years Student Government Association decided to raise segregated fees on campus. All organizations could have faced a 15 percent budget cut if the resolution didn't pass. After weeks of shuffling numbers and informing students through mass e-mailing; student senators voted on a \$7 increase per semester.

7. E-mail access raises questions

• Mass e-mailing struck UW-SP campus throughout the school carrying various messages ranging from wanting rides home to requests looking for concert tickets. The right to mass e-mail draws a gray line between First Amendment rights and the university's right to control the mail going through because it is a privilege provided by the university.

8. 10 Percent Society wins Homecoming

• Two open homosexuals of the same sex were voted as King and Queen of Homecoming. This feat can be written down as the first time ever in the nation. Two years before, a bi-gender couple from 10 Percent Society were voted as King and Queen.

9. Organization strikes out against Pepsi

• After over a year of protest against PepsiCo's support for the Burmese military dictatorship, the State Law and Order Restoration Council (SLORC), led by the Progressive Action Organization students celebrated with a symbolic lunch at Taco Bell. Boycotts, hunger strikes and protests on campus ended with the announcement that PepsiCo had completed a "total disengagement from the Burmese market."

10. Student senators pass smoking resolution

• Student Government Association passed a resolution that will ban smoking within 40 feet of all university buildings. The resolution will go into effect this fall if University Affairs approves it. The accepted proposal was reworked after it initially called for speciality built rooms and shelters to house those wishing to smoke and had set the perimeters at 100 feet. Senator Michael Zaves, who authored the resolution, called the resolution the first steps in eliminating smoke from the UW-SP campus.

Pregnancy

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His punishment should be constructive to those around him, not destructive to himself, such as speaking at Planned Parenthood seminars, or explaining to others his age that pregnancy is not something to be taken lightly.

Instead, he may face the discrimination associated with those who prey upon children.

The Gillson case should teach all of us a valuable lesson. It should make us realize we want to live in a society where people accept the consequences of their actions and not pass the buck to others.

No one should know this better than Gillson. Because he is now a convicted sex-offender.

Mark

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to get along with a variety of people in order to become more charismatic.

His modesty has taught me to put my needs second in order to better understand others. And finally, his generosity has taught me the power in giving.

Overall, Father Mark has taught us at Newman many things. However, I feel the most powerful lesson has been to live as an example; to be your own person and walk your own talk.

I thank Father Mark for this and will always look to him as one of the greatest teachers in life.

Scott Swita

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Baseball wins WSUC Southern Division

Take three of four to clinch first crown since 1976

By Ryan Lins

ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Last weekend the UW-Stevens Point baseball team had one goal in mind: win the WSUC Southern Division title.

To accomplish the feat that had eluded them since 1976, the Pointers would have to win two out of four games against UW-Oshkosh and UW-Whitewater.

The 21-7 Titans were the first opponent in Point's way as the two squared off for a double-header battle at UW-SP's University Field.

The first game proved to be a bit messy as four Point hurlers got roughed up for 16 runs on 18 hits and committed two errors in the 16-9 Pointer setback.

UW-SP came back in the nightcap rejuvenated and full of energy to capture a 12-11 win.

The Pointers fell behind by a run in the first before collecting two in the second. Scott Mueller's double drove in both runs giving UW-SP a 2-1 lead.

Both sides traded cannon volleys the rest of the game. The Titans tied the score up in the top of the ninth with a single, setting up an 11-11 duel in the ninth.

With two outs and pressure mounting, Jason Bach's single put the potential game winning run on the basepaths. Jason Vande Berg then ripped a single of his own, setting the stage for



Jason Vande Berg dives back to first base on a UW-Oshkosh pickoff attempt Saturday. (Photo by Jeff Kernan)

some fireworks. Ryan Krcmar ended the game in spectacular fashion with a RBI single, scoring Bach and giving the Pointers a 12-11 victory.

That victory gave the Pointers a 4-3 series edge against the perennial national powerhouse Titans for the year.

Late inning action is something every team practices for. Squeeze plays, sacrifices, and lots of strategy are used to pull out a hotly contested battle.

When the UW-Whitewater Warhawks came soaring into

town Sunday, Pointer late inning heroics were again prevalent.

In the first game of the twinbill, UW-SP struck first on Chris Berndt's two-run homer. Kip Berglund and Berndt both connected on solo blasts to bring the Pointers to a 5-5 deadlock after five innings.

UW-SP pitcher Chris Simonson then shutdown the Warhawks bats, sending the game into extra innings.

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Valiant effort not enough for Point men

By Joshua Morby

CONTRIBUTOR

The UW-Stevens Point men's track and field team did all they could but fell short last weekend at the conference meet.

Despite a strong overall team performance, the Pointers were unable to unseat UW-La Crosse from the top spot in the WSUC, 237-210.

The Pointers' 210 points were the most scored by a non-champion in the 79 year history of the meet.

UW-Stout finished third with 163 points, followed by UW-Oshkosh's 83, UW-Platteville's 53, UW-Eau Claire's 50, UW-Whitewater's 48, and UW-Superior's 12.

"We went into the meet with one goal in mind and that was to win it. We thought we could do it," said UW-SP men's track and field coach Rick Witt.

"The thing that I was most happy about is that everyone on the team, from shotputters to sprinters, were working toward one common goal. A lot of times you don't see that," added Witt.

Impressive performances were given by many athletes. On the track, Stevens Point brought

home four individual WSUC titles, led by double winner Shawn Moretti.

Moretti was named the meet's Co-Outstanding Track Athlete after winning the 100 meter dash and the 110 hurdles.

Brett Witt in the 800 and Craig Anderson in the 400 hurdles captured the other top places for UW-SP.

Red ribbons were given to Matt Hayes in the 800, John Auel

in the 1500, and two Pointer relay teams.

The 4x400 relay team of Hayes, Shawn Hau, Anderson, and Witt and the 4x800 relay team of Auel, Kirt Kaczor, Chris Krolick, and Jason Enke both earned runner-up honors.

Rounding out the top scoring for Point in the distance events were Jason Brunner's fourth in

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Women win fight for third

By Mike Kemmeter

SPORTS EDITOR

Entering the conference meet, UW-Stevens Point track and field coach Len Hill knew either UW-Oshkosh or UW-La Crosse would win and the Pointers would be in a battle for third place.

Hill was exactly right.

Oshkosh won their fourth consecutive WWIAC title with 241 points while La Crosse settled for runner-up honors with 200 points.

Hill's team performed so well in scoring 100 points that there was no war for the bronze.

UW-River Falls was fourth with 73, followed by UW-Eau Claire's 69 point fifth place finish

and UW-Stout's sixth place 68 points.

"We're really excited, not just to finish third but also with our point total. We had a tremendous meet and scored in places that people thought we couldn't," said Hill.

The Pointers captured third place despite winning only one event, the 800 meter sprint medley.

The team of Paula Schober, Sarah McLaughlin, Jessica Drenzek, and Jessie Bushman edged the Titans' squad by .10 seconds with a time of 1:50.10.

"With Bushman in the anchor spot, we knew if we kept it close Jessie would win it," said Hill.

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The Top 10 Pointer sports stories of the year

1. Men's basketball comes seconds from Final Four

In the team's first season under coach Jack Bennett, the Pointers entered the 64-team NCAA Division III Tournament for the first time in school history. Only a desperation three-pointer with 1.3 seconds left by Nebraska-Wesleyan kept the Pointers from the Final Four.

2. Pointer baseball wins first Southern Division title since 1976

Another new coach, another success story. Not only did the Pointers sweep UW-Oshkosh for the first time since 1988, they shocked many WSUC observers by winning the Southern Division title for the first time in 21 years.

3. Perry Miller wins national championship

After taking second place in the heavyweight class at the NCAA Division III Championships as a sophomore, Miller would settle for no less than a national title. As a junior, he did it and could become a four-time All-American next year.

4. Men's swimming returns to prominence

Not only did the Pointers unseat UW-Eau Claire's 19 year run at the top of the WSUC, but another individual championship was added to the UW-SP books. Freshman Jeremy Francioli captured the national title in the 200-yard breaststroke.

5. Longtime swimming coach Red Blair retires

Blair, the 32-year-coach of the men's and women's swimming and diving teams retired from UW-SP after one of his best seasons. Blair left on top of the conference as his men's team won a WSUC title.

6. Cross Country makes run for national title

Winning their first WSUC title since 1981 was not enough, as the Pointers finished third at the NCAA Division III meet. Coach Rick Witt was named the National Coach of the Year for bringing his team close to the national championship.

7. Women's basketball's suprising season

Despite a roster of only eight women, the Pointers just missed the NCAA Division III tourney.

8. Wrestling matches best finish ever at nationals

Behind national champion Perry Miller, the Pointers took fifth at the NCAA Division III meet. Senior Bret Stamper ended his career with a third place showing.

9. Hockey's resurgence in the NCHA

With a roster full of underclassmen, NCHA coach of the year Joe Baldarotta's team was within a mini-game loss of nationals.

10. Softball's snub by the NCAA

After injuries to key players, a second place finish in the WWIAC tournament, and a spring break trip to California to play Division I and II teams, the Pointers were denied NCAA postseason play.

On top of their game

Intramural Top Teams

Men's Basketball Top 10

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|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. Caucasian Persuasion | 6. Morning Wood |
| 2. NBA | 7. IBA |
| 3. The Posse | 8. Joe Draes' Farewell Tour |
| 4. You'd Better Ask Somebody | 9. Choir Boys |
| 5. Greg Hacker's Team | 10. Hoze's Heroes |

Women's Basketball Top 5

1. Lot D
2. Hoochie Mamas
3. 1428
4. Freedom
5. Shannon's Shooters

Men's Volleyball Top 3

1. Golf With Your Friends
2. TAPPI
3. Misfits

Softball Top 5

1. TAPPI
2. Ball Busters
3. Hansen Hall
4. Swingers
5. T-Force

Floor Hockey Top 3

1. Beck's Bruisers
2. M.P.S.
3. The Cassady's

Co-ed Volleyball Top 5

1. I Don't Know
2. Jokes
3. On Tap
4. Spank
5. Coyote Roadhouse

Women's Volleyball Top 3

1. Friction
2. Urbs
3. Stumble Street

Soccer Top 5

1. Surge
2. The Little Rascals
3. The Who Cares?
4. Dan's Team
5. AC Milan

Ultimate Frisbee Top 3

1. Spliffenhawk
2. Gravitrons
3. The Flying Crows

Softball finishes second but denied NCAA bid

By Nick Brilowski
CONTRIBUTOR

The UW-Stevens Point women's fastpitch softball team entered the WWIAC tournament this past weekend with dreams of a conference title and securing a spot in the NCAA Division III tournament.

Unfortunately, neither became a reality.

Top-seeded UW-Eau Claire won the conference title with a perfect 5-0 record while the Pointers finished second at 3-2.

"Nobody expected us to take one of the top two places in the tournament. Nobody left anything in the bank, they left it all on the field," said UW-SP fastpitch softball coach Dean Shuda.

The tournament was originally scheduled to begin on Friday but rain pushed the start back to Saturday.

In their opening game, the Pointers were able to dispose of UW-La Crosse 7-3.

The game was tied 3-3 after three innings but Stevens Point pushed across two runs in each of the fourth and sixth innings to get the win.

Emily Keup homered and Jaime McDonald picked up the mound victory.

The final game on Saturday night saw the Pointers take on UW-Oshkosh.

The Titans jumped out to a 6-4 lead after five innings before the game was suspended due to darkness.

Pointers on WWIAC East Division All-Conference Team

First Team

Charity Czappa--Junior First Baseman
Kelly Harms--Senior Centerfielder
Kari Rowekamp--Junior Leftfielder

Honorable Mention

Jill Kristof--Sophomore Shortstop

"We showed lots of toughness on Saturday and had to play 29 innings," said Shuda.

Action resumed on Sunday morning but the Pointers were unable to come from behind as Oshkosh held on for the 7-4 win.

After a short break, Point was forced back to the diamond to take on UW-Whitewater.

The Warhawks jumped out to a 4-0 lead after four innings but the Pointers bounced back to even the game with three in the fifth and one in the sixth.

Whitewater retook the lead with one run in their half of the sixth but UW-SP rallied for one in the seventh to force extra innings.

After four scoreless innings, Stevens Point pushed across a run in the top of the 12th only to see Whitewater come back with one in the bottom half of the inning sending the game into the 13th in a 6-6 tie.

The Pointers were finally able to put the game away with a run in the top of the 13th to avoid elimination and get the 7-6 win.

In their third game of the day the Pointers tried to avenge their earlier loss to Oshkosh.

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Pointer Profile Every game big for Harms

By Mike Kemmeter
SPORTS EDITOR

Great players come ready to play not only in big games, but the lesser ones too.

UW-Stevens Point fastpitch softball player Kelli Harms is one of those players.

When Harms steps onto the field, no matter who the opponent is, she is ready to play.

"Every time she brought enthusiasm and love for the game. She has a competitive spirit that you'd like to see in every ballplayer," said UW-SP fastpitch softball coach Dean Shuda.

"Every at bat, out, or game, it was personal to Kelli to perform at the top of her game. I never had to worry which Kelli was going to show up," added Shuda.

Even though she begins every game with the same competitive drive, she excels in big games against strong opponents.

For example, last weekend when the Pointers faced elimination in the WWIAC tournament against UW-Oshkosh, Harms scored the winning run in a 1-0 game.

At the NCAA Division III World Series in 1996, Harms hit around .500 against two of the best pitchers in the nation.

"Playing against top competition makes you strive to be a better player," said Harms.

"If you're facing a pitcher that can strike you out, you want to

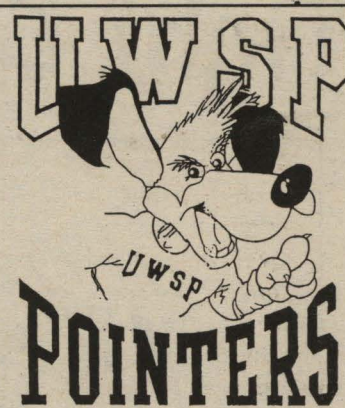
beat them. You have to be more intense," added Harms.

Harms hopes that her intensity has rubbed off on her teammates.

"I'm not very vocal because I'm out in centerfield, but I try to be a leader by doing the right things," said Harms.

Harms' role as a leader and as a player was increased when significant injuries claimed playing time from four starters.

"I couldn't think of what we would have finished without her," said Shuda of his team's 21-14 record.



There is no doubt the four-time All-Conference player in the WWIAC will be terribly missed next season.

"Kelli Harms' career was not wrapped up in statistics. It was her competitiveness and her drive. I just hope there's another one like her coming," said Shuda.



Pointer senior Kelli Harms (left, #21) joins her team in a huddle. (Photo by Nathan Wallin)

UW-SP soccer club wins home tourney

By Krista Torgeson
CONTRIBUTOR

The UW-Stevens Point men's soccer club took first place in the Point Classic Indoor Tournament this past weekend.

Seven teams competed over two days; including two UW-SP club teams, a Stevens Point Alumni team, Minnesota-Morris, UW-Oshkosh, and two teams made up of Point students, 1624 Main and Doug's Sports Pub.

Game two of the tournament began the UW-SP Club A (purple) team's journey to the championship. Oshkosh, who is ranked in the top ten of Division III, posed no threat in the 6-0 win.

Keeper Jason Stewart ended the game with five saves as Jason Duex and Dan Rave scored the only goals in the first half.

Within the first minute of the second half, Point scored three more goals as Erik Kreitmeir, Jeff Gollner and Nate Pottratz added to the lead.

Finally, with 20 seconds left, Kreitmeir hammered the final

ball in Oshkosh's coffin with a last minute score.

The UW-SP Club A next adversary was UW-SP Club B (white) with the Purple winning in convincing form, 5-1.

Matt Heimerl scored the only goal for the white, but five different purple team members found the back of the net. Greg Beals gave purple a 1-0 lead and Duex's last second score in the first half put purple in command.

Second half goals were made by Brad Nycz, Kreitmeir and Rave.

Game three for the UW-SP purple team was again a dominating victory, 7-1, over 1624 Main.

Keeper Stewart allowed 1624 Main to score only once as he accumulated six saves. Scoring for the team was again spread out, coming from Pottratz, Bobholtz, Beals, Kreitmeir, Gollner, and two goals by Duex.

The previously undefeated purple team ended Saturday's play with a 1-1 tie with Minnesota-Morris.

Scoring the only goal for Stevens Point was Beals, assisted by Pottratz.

The Purple team started slow Sunday, losing their first two games by the identical score of 4-2.

The UW-SP Alumni delivered Point their first loss by the two point margin. Goals by Kreitmeir and Duex and an eight save performance from Stewart were not enough to pull off the win.

The 4-2 loss delivered by Doug's Sports Pub knocked the purple team into third place going into the championship bracket. Pottratz had both goals for Point.

In the opening round of the bracket, the purple got their revenge against Doug's Sports Pub.

Point played with the enthusiasm shown on Saturday, finishing the tournament with a 2-0 shutout victory.

Kreitmeir and Duex found the back of the net for Stevens Point and Stewart finished with five saves.

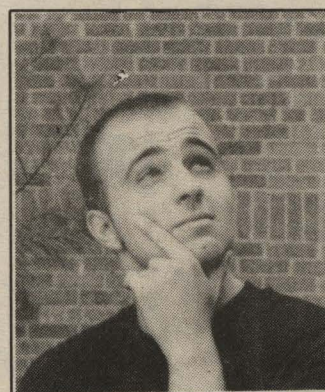
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Quote of the Week

“I don't get paid to make a fool out of myself more than 82 times in the regular season and three times in the playoffs.”

-Los Angeles Clippers coach Bill Fitch when asked why he wouldn't speculate on how the Utah Jazz will do in the second round. Fitch's team was swept by the Jazz in the first round of the NBA playoffs.

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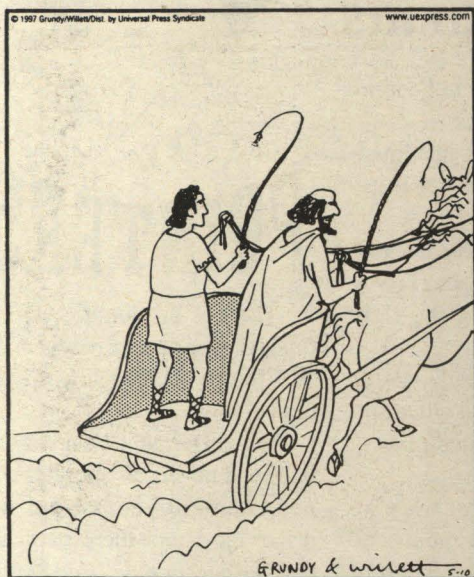


Ryan Lins
Assistant Sports Editor

"The Pointer staff are not only some of the most professional and genuinely friendly people, they can also drink like fish. I'll miss working with them."

"This year as Assistant Sports Editor, I've learned that the Sodbusters, Flying Chickens, and Park Rangers aren't UW-School mascots."

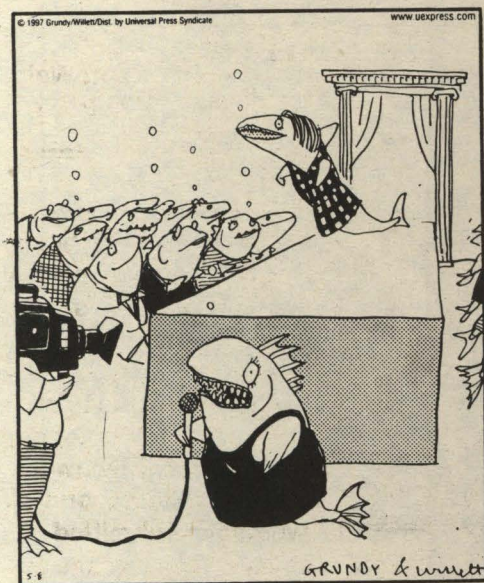
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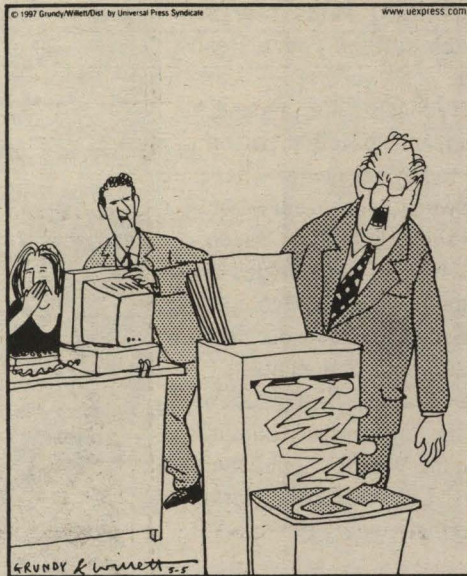
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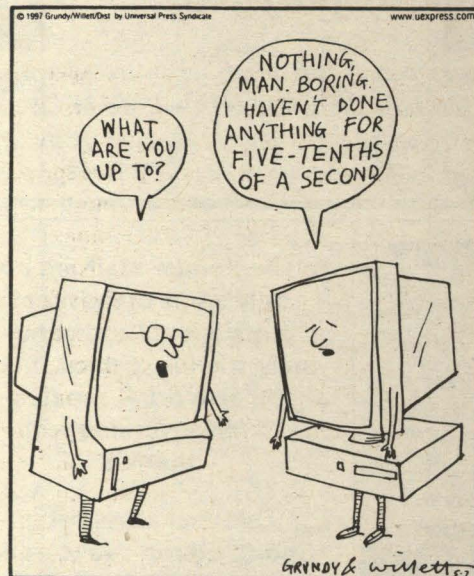
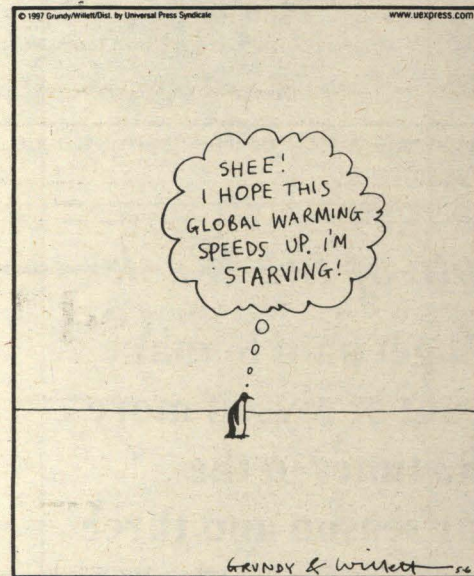
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"Well, folks, it looks like the wet look is still in!"



"OK, who's been fooling with the shredder?"



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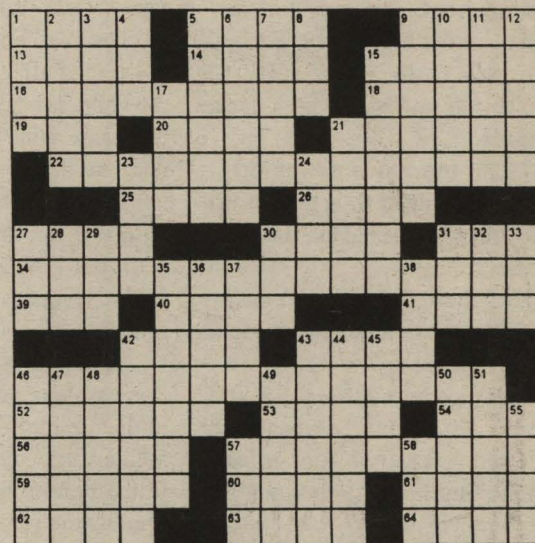
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- 18 Either of two "Paper Moon" stars
- 19 Where Washington is
- 20 Soprano Te Kanawa
- 21 "... for one"
- 22 Protesting lumber?
- 25 Twosome
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- 40 Gather
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- 53 A (elite)
- 54 Pen point
- 56 Lading
- 57 Protesting bowler maker?
- 59 Ruhr valley city
- 60 Diarist Frank
- 61 Therefore
- 62 Mob or gang ender
- 63 Right Guard's target
- 64 "... of Laura Mars"

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- 2 Getting ... in years
- 3 More shrewd
- 4 Wise
- 5 Wrinkle reducer, some claim
- 6 Mite
- 7 Said the password, perhaps

- 8 Popular card game
- 9 Bamboo munchers
- 10 Bend (listen attentively)
- 11 Burn with steam
- 12 Acts the tattletale
- 15 "Mellow Yellow" singer
- 17 Authorize
- 21 Stand for
- 23 River to the Baltic
- 24 Get bigger
- 27 Actor Carney
- 28 Halloween word
- 29 Once around at Indy
- 30 NL city
- 31 Align the crosshairs
- 32 Oahu souvenir
- 33 Superlative suffix
- 35 ... the cake (added bonus)
- 36 Pester
- 37 Mashed-potato serving
- 38 Singer Tennille
- 42 Cranberries hit tune
- 43 ... attention to (ignored)

- 44 More luxurious
- 45 "... girl!"
- 46 Peakness et al.
- 47 Seafarer's interjection
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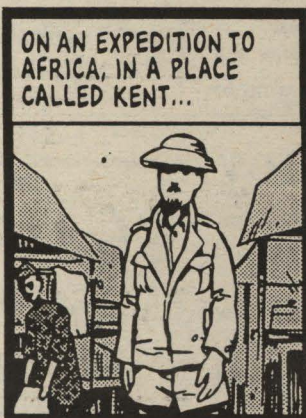


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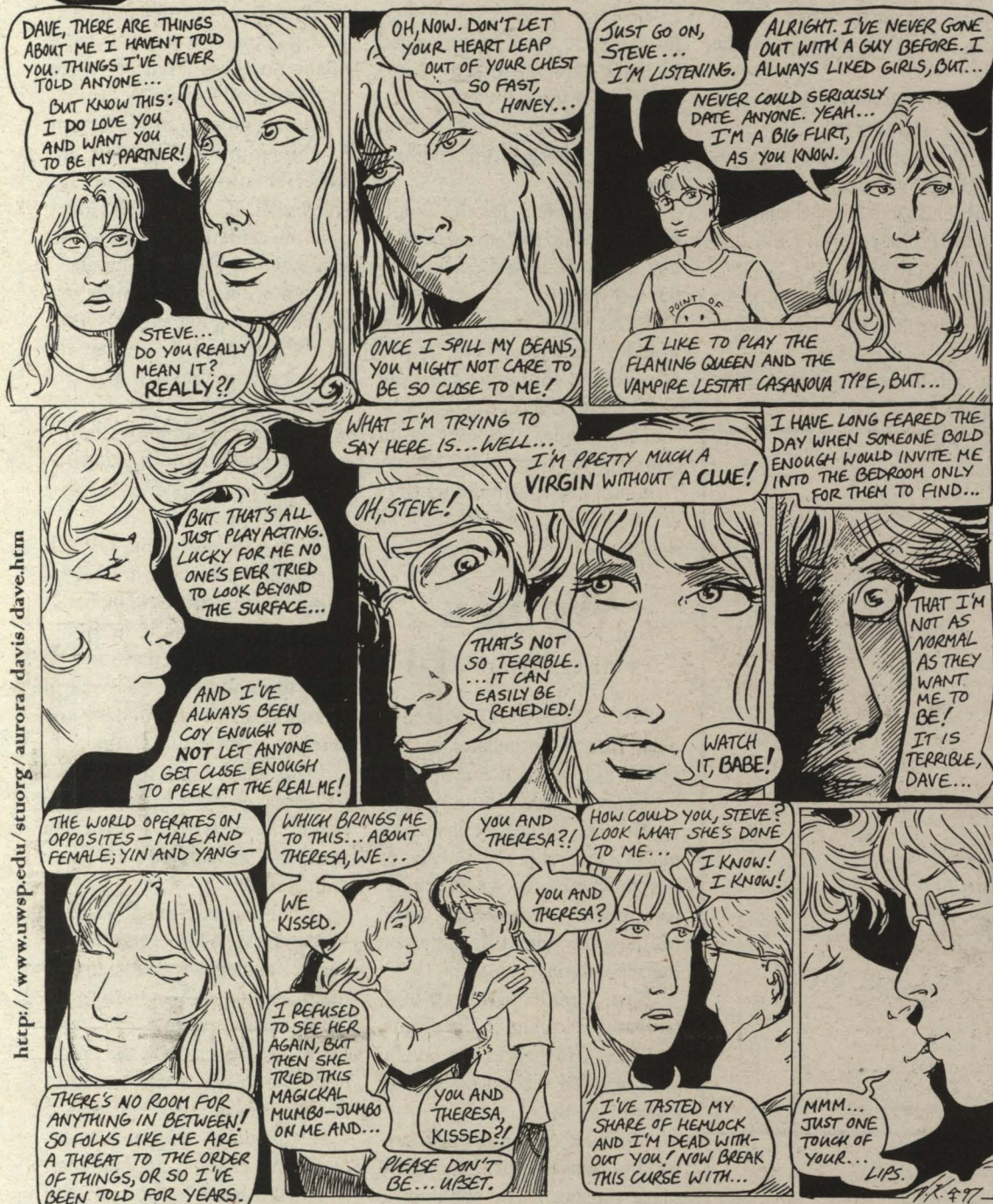
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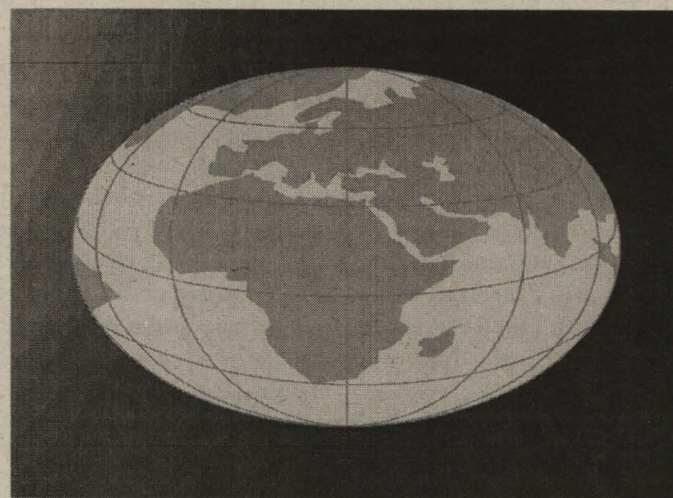
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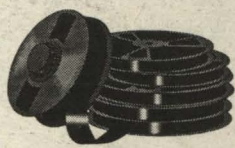
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Gross Pointe far from a Blank



By Nick Katzmarek
MOVIE CRITIC

Movies like this one come along only every once in a great while. In this money-grubbing era of potboiler movies that contain virtually no redeeming qualities whatsoever, *Gross Pointe Blank* is a Hollywood movie that combines the elements of a critically successful movie with the elements of a commercially successful movie.

Depth of character is such an underrated facet in today's Hollywood, and it is very refreshing to see someone like John Cusack come along and play a character with feeling and wit.

Cusak portrays Martin Blank, a professional assassin who suffers from a crisis in his life- his job has ceased to be interesting

To him. As a remedy, he goes home to Gross Pointe for his ten year reunion. In Gross Pointe, he runs into the girl that he left waiting for him on Prom night of '86.

He falls in love with her again and tries to make her love him again, but there are a few snags—namely her anger at him and the fact that he has to kill someone while he is in town.

Some cool action scenes and Minnie Driver give it its commercial appeal, some great dialogue and excellent plot twists give this movie its critical appeal. The combination of these two allow the average moviegoer to get a great kick out of this flick, and allows your more critical filmgoer to appreciate the finer points of the screenplay and direction.

Supporting Cast: Joan Cusak, Ann Cusak, Jeremy Piven, Dan Akroyd.

Rating (four possible):



Rentals

Miller's Crossing
(1990; 115 min.)

"*Fargo*" caught everyone's attention this past year and was a Best Picture nominee at the Academy Awards. The film was a product of the Coen brothers' (Joel and Ethan) success.

The Coens have teamed up in past years resulting in the same freshness and brilliance "Fargo" shows.

"Miller's Crossing" is an example. Set in the 1930's, Gabriel Byrne plays Tommy, a gangster who plays on both sides of a war.

The top aide to Leo (Albert Finney) Byrne is kicked out of the organization and goes over to the dueling side of the war.

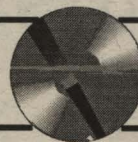
Byrne must kill someone at Miller's Crossing to prove his loyalty.

"Miller's Crossing" is not your typical gangster movie and is worth picking up.

-Mike Beacom

INXS releases "Elegantly Wasted"

90 FM's Pick of the Week



By Patrick McGrane
MUSIC CRITIC

The last year in alternative rock has seen many 80s supergroups release new material and continue their quest for public adoration.

Whether this quest is based on the need to keep their creative musical abilities flowing, or in order to maintain their expensive rock-star lifestyles is anybody's guess... (Perhaps this is the real message behind INXS' new hit, "Elegantly Wasted").

Whatever the motivations behind this trend; the results have been quite good.

INXS follows in a similar fashion with their newest offer-

ing titled the same as their hit single.

This is the band's tenth album, after starting in their hometown of Sydney, Australia in 1979.

I found the CD to be spectacular! There is an honest attempt to return to their older, more rocking style of music, with songs that roll through familiar INXS styles and sounds, but with less of a commercial sound.

Their sound is strong, and musically advanced. If you have ever been an INXS fan in the past, you will likely enjoy this one.

Pick it up for those long summer drives!

Reserve

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The DNR representatives walked from the KMart complex to the reserve in an attempt to determine the exact origin of the substance, but the results of the sweep were inconclusive.

Jim Morrison, Director of Environmental Health and Safety at UW-SP, said that the substance was most likely kitchen grease of some sort. He concurred with Burling, saying "The DNR is of the opinion that [the substance] is non-toxic."

Men

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the 1,500, Krolick's third in the 3,000 steeplechase, Justin Ratike's fourth in the 5,000, and Josh Metcalf's fifth in the 5,000 and third in the 10,000.

UW-SP added a third place finish on the track in the 4x100 relay team of Hau, Mike Warta, Hector Vasquez, and Moretti.

The field events provided more scoring opportunities for the Pointers. First place awards were given to UW-SP's Ben Douglas in the high jump, Mike Hamilton in the long jump, and Mark Dix in the javelin.

Steve Melin and Jacob Zittlow gave the Pointers a 1-2-3 finish in the javelin with second and third places respectively.

UW-SP also picked up some points from Lyle Eiden's second place finish in the decathlon and Ryan Pilgram's fourth place in the hammer throw.

Following the meet, coach Rick Witt was honored by his peers by being named the WSUC Coach of the Year.



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Softball

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One run in the top of the first turned out to be all Point needed as Jamie Lowney tossed a four-hitter to get the 1-0 victory.

The win set up a matchup with Eau Claire in the championship game.

Unfortunately for the Pointers, they could only manage four hits as the Bluegolds picked up the 5-0 win.

"The team made me very proud as a coach. They battled all weekend to the very last out against Eau Claire," said Shuda.

On Monday, Stevens Point was denied a berth in the NCAA Division III tournament, thus ending their season with a 21-14 record.

Women

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UW-SP grabbed five second place finishes to balance out the lack of individual titles.

Bushman added two runner-up finishes to her trophy case, placing second in the 400 and as the anchor of the 4x400 relay. Schober, Drenzek, and McLaughlin joined Bushman on the second place squad.

Sara Drake in the 10,000, Christina Bergman in the discus, and Sara Groshek in the javelin also snagged second place honors for UW-SP.

Groshek continued her surprising season with two third place finishes. The sophomore followed Bergman in the discus and led UW-SP to the third spot in the hammer throw.

McLaughlin made an individual trip to the stand in the 400 hurdles, taking third place.

Missy Heiman showcased her talents in the field events, placing fourth in the javelin and seventh in the long jump.

Susan DeYoung added a fifth place in the 100 hurdles and a sixth in the high jump to the Pointers' score.

Drenzek gave the Pointers a sixth place finish in the 200 and a seventh in the 100, while Ann Finan took sixth in the hammer.

Carrie Pecover tossed the shotput to a sixth place finish, and Angie Micucci closed UW-SP's scoring with an eighth in the triple jump.

Soccer

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Because of complications with the Alumni Club, the UW-SP purple team was awarded first place in the tournament.

"I think our success is attributed to good team play due to exceptional leadership. Our defense stepped up to prove something to our home crowd, and this in turn sparked impressive offense," said Nycz.

Baseball

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Aric Thoreson then put the 21 years of Pointer absence at the top of the Southern Division to rest in the tenth in storybook fashion.

With two outs in the bottom of the frame and Berndt and Mueller on base, Thoreson smoked Eric Lorenz's 0-1 pitch over the centerfield fence for the gamewinning three run homer.

Simonson picked up the win on the mound, keeping his mark an unblemished 7-0, tying the Pointer record for most wins in a season.

But more importantly, the 8-5 triumph clinched the division title no matter what happened in game two.

In the second game, UW-SP got behind early and trailed by as many as nine runs, 12-3, heading into the bottom of the fifth.

However, just as they have all year, the Pointers came back in dramatic fashion to outslug the Warhawks for a 17-16 win.

This time the hero for UW-SP was pinch hitter Mike Hoyhtya. Hoyhtya led off the ninth inning of the 16-16 game with a triple.

After two intentional walks to load bases, Whitewater hurler Justin Bealhen was unable to find the plate against Vande Berg.

Vande Berg drew a walk, forcing in Hoyhtya to give the Pointers a 17-16 win and a sweep of the Warhawks.

"Nobody gave up (this weekend). We came to play all year. This team has a lot of heart and determination," said game one hero Thorson.

Offensively for the four game weekend the Pointers were led by Thoreson (11-20, 8 runs scored), Gary Kostuchowski (9-17, 8 RBI), and Berndt (9-18, 7 runs, 10 RBI). Winning three out of four elevated UW-SP to a 25-9 overall record and a 9-3 WSUC Southern Division mark.

UW-SP hosts the four team WSUC Championship Saturday at University Field. The Pointers play Stout in the first round. If they win, they advance to the WSUC title game against the winner of the Oshkosh-La Crosse game.

Asked about his team and their chances going into the playoffs, an upbeat Thoreson stated, "We're confident right now. We know what we have to do (to win): good pitching and defense.

"People don't believe it should've happened, especially teams in our conference. I'm considering that we are the underdogs coming into this weekend," added Thoreson.

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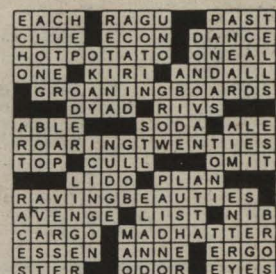
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