**Halloween Baldwin style**

Halloween program attracts students and residents

Baldwin Hall celebrated Halloween with its 12th annual Haunted Hall. The program drew over a hundred participants comprising of both students and the Stevens Point community. This year, the hall followed a vampire theme and raised approximately $75 and over 175 food items. The proceeds went to Operation Bootstrap, which aims to help needy families in Stevens Point.

"The Haunted House Program gives students the opportunity to be creative, scare their friends and community members and it helps raise money for Operation Bootstrap—an organization that helps stock area food pantries," said Jenna Finley, Baldwin Hall Director.

The basement of Baldwin hall was transformed into a lobe of horror featuring a torture chamber, a butcher chamber and a funeral parlor.

Other highlights included mazes and a Blair Witch-type section where participants were trapped in a corner.

"Haunted Hall is a wonderful event for both UW-SP students and Stevens Point community members," said Jenna Finley.

**Woman accosted at Schmeeckle**

**Male makes sexual remarks**

On Thursday, Oct. 28 at approximately 4:30 p.m., a 23-year-old female nonstudent was confronted by an unknown male as she exited the Schmeeckle Reserve at the south exit on Maria Drive. The male approached the female just inside the woods and made lewd sexual remarks to her. The male fled when he noticed other people in the area.

The female described the man as a white adult male in his 20s or 30s. He was over six feet tall, had a slender build and short brown hair. The female said the man was wearing blue jeans and a purple plaid shirt and looked "scruffy."

**Dance students showcase work at Afterimages**

By Pramela Thiagesan

UW-SP student sentenced for misdemeanor charges

By Pramela Thiagesan

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Preparations for the event began a month ago and the organizers did face some problem, "

Students from all across campus took part in all aspects of the event. "We had students from other halls helping out with the preparations," said Cindy Van Riper, a Watson Hall Community Advisor.

Baldwin Hall residents and volunteers dressed up in their best Halloween costumes in an attempt to give participants a truly frightful experience.

Decorations began on Friday, and the event lasted from 7-11 p.m on Saturday. "It was fun to watch people jump. You feel a great sense of accomplishment when you can make a boy jump like a girl. After all, it is Halloween," said Van Riper.

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By Ethan J. Meyer

News Reporter

At 4:27 a.m. Sunday morning the Stevens Point Fire Department (S.P.F.D) responded to a call from 917 Union St. The residence, which housed eight UW-Stevens Point students was burned beyond repair after the fire was quelled approximately 45 minutes later.

This student resident at 917 Union Street that burned down Sunday morning. (Photo by Nathan T. Wallin)

**Student home goes down in flames**

By Ethan J. Meyer

News Reporter

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THE POCKET POLL
How do you deal with mid-term stress?

Sarah Nowak
Soph. Undeclared
"I don't have any. I only have one midterm."

Chris Horvat
"Mid-terms? What mid-terms?"

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THURSDAY, OCT 28
6:30 p.m. Schmeeckle Reserve
A student was exiting the Schmeeckle Reserve at the south side on Maria Drive when she was approached by an unknown adult male who made obscene remarks of a sexual nature.

FRIDAY, OCT. 29
12:05 a.m. University Center
The Kotex dispenser in the Women's washroom located at the "hub" area was broken into.

FRIDAY, OCT. 29
12:10 a.m. University Center
Several custodians found fecal matter in the following locations of the University Center: the lower ramp on the north side of the building and outside the entrance to the Brewhaus in the hallway.

SUNDAY, OCT. 31
1:28 a.m. Neale Hall
The fire alarm system at Protective Services indicated a fire alarm activated at Neale Hall, second floor, north wing. An officer responded and found that a fire extinguisher had been set off down the entire north wing.

TUESDAY, NOV. 2
9:00 p.m. Physical Education Building
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Village Fiesta comes to UW-SP

Village Fiesta, sponsored by Alliance for a Sustainable Earth (ASE) will bring sights, sounds and textures to UW-Stevens Point from Nov. 10 to 11. Village Fiesta will feature handcrafted items from around the world.

The sale provides a marketplace of fairly traded handcrafts, including musical instruments, pottery, jewelry, baskets, toys and hand-dyed textiles.

ASE has held the Third World Craft Sale for the past five years at UW-SP and will showcase hand-crafted items by the non-profit trading organization, Ten Thousand Villages.

“These handcrafts for sale are an expression of traditional cultures from around the world and will brighten your home and the lives of the artisans who make them,” said Samuel Larson, a student volunteer.

The handcrafts are made by people from third world countries and provide a means for them to earn money. Often times, income from their work enables the artisans to send their children to school, obtain health care and improve their homes.

“We only work with handicrafts; it is our existence,” said Hugo Ugorek, a resident of the house.

Sales like the Third World Craft Sale, sponsored by ASE, depend heavily on the community. “It is an event that a lot of people in the community get involved in. The sale items make great gift items,” said Larson.

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The sale will be held at the Laird Room in the University Center, on Nov. 10 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The dollar amount of damage caused to the property was also undetermined Wednesday as the building was undergoing preliminary investigation that afternoon.

Neighbor Brian Wiza said, “When my girlfriend woke me up at 4:30, I looked out and saw the whole side engulfed in flames. The fire was at least 25 feet tall.”

“As I was watching I saw one of the girls from upstairs calling multiple open escape paths.”

Fire

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Responding to the call were two fire engines and a ladder truck of the S.P.F.D. as well as added support from the town of Hall and Park Ridge fire departments. The S.P.F.D. remained on the scene until 9:00 a.m. as they looked for hot spots.

Of the six residents and three guests present, none were seriously injured. Unfortunately, a dog also living there died of smoke inhalation.

Arie Ozeburger, a guest in the house related his impression of the events.

“Getting awakened from sleep and going downstairs to see all of this fire was surreal. Going back in was even more surreal because there were people still sleeping in there.” Amanda Julian, who was a resident of the house said, “Everyone is thankful to be alive.

The order of events worked out perfectly for all of us to get out safely.

“It was one of those things you see on the news, but it was really happening,” said Ozeburger.

As of Wednesday, the S.P.F.D. had not yet determined the cause of the blaze. Fire Chief Peter R. Ugorek said, “The investigation is still underway, but we should have cause determined by the end of the week.”

The Charred ruins of the residence (Photo by Nathan T. Wallin)

ruined appliances and belongings of residents. (Photo by Nathan T. Wallin)
The almighty dollar demands loyalty

Media reports say "shriek." a.k.a. George W. Bush—has raised $37 million, which with him will try to purchase his election to the presidency one year from now. This demonstrates, as nothing else could, the crying need to eliminate the power of money from the political process.

The Republican majority in Congress has done everything they could do that an almighty dollar will always be there so that they will be able to buy their way into office.

It is any wonder that the efforts of Senator Russell Feingold

SGA encourages autonomy education

As a student at UW-Stevens Point, my student fee is paid every semester to fund primary areas of the university such as course materials, faculty salaries and administrative oversight. In addition to these academic needs, a portion of tuition is an allocable student fee. Student segregated fees are controlled exclusively by the Student Government Association (SGA) and are used for resources such as the University Center, text rental, health services and athletic programs. This money is also needed for student organization and speakers which help to enrich the learning and social environment on campus.

The power that students currently have to allocate student fees through SGA is being questioned across the country. On Nov. 9, the U.S. Supreme Court will hear a case titled Southworth v. Gobe, which addresses the issue of funding organizations that an individual may be ideologically opposed to. This while Wisconsin statute guarantees that students (SGA) shall have primary control over their student fees.

We here at SGA encourage you to take a look around in this Student Fee Autonomy Education Week and realize all of the services that are offered to you. We, as students, need to continue to insist on our right to allocate our student fee monies.

-Ryan Nelson
SGA Vice President
Joe Shefchik
SGA Source Director

First Amendment strength questioned

I, and a number of other students, are enraged about the letters that caused the life drawing exhibit to be canceled. Obviously, this censorship proves that the First Amendment only is in effect if it’s in the best interests of a handful of people. Some of the letters received called to be displayed. Plain and simple. Another accusation I got a kick out of was the fact that these drawings "amount to pornography". If someone’s a sexual predator, they’re going to be perverts whether or not they happen to stroll through the fine art courtyard before attacking their next victim.

If all art students are sharing their building, why should we take down our drawings? Other art (music or theatre) majors play their instruments and sing loudly in the courtyard, this isn’t a problem.

As for children seeing it, it is basically prudish people telling their children that the human nude is bad, and their children will grow up thinking it’s bad, which will lead to a nasty circle.

If your personal views and beliefs tell you that the human nude is bad, that’s your opinion. In others’ opinions, it can be an object of beauty. Just take a look at the famous artists Michelangelo, Botticelli, Reubens and Raphael. I’m not comparing our life drawings to theirs by any means, but if The Creation of Adam were painted in our courtyard, would it be deemed offensive and be removed? I don’t think so.

-Joey Hetzel

OUTTA HEAD'S HEAD

Sports idols are still human

Sports heroes. When they’re on the field or court, they seem larger than life. They thrill us with their athletic ability and dazzle us with their cunning. But as remarkable as these people are in their element, sometimes we realize just how human these people are. Three of our country’s most notable athletes have died recently, showing us that no one is invincible.

NBA star Will Chamberlain suffered a heart attack a few weeks ago. The list of his accomplishments is seemingly unending. Chamberlain is the only basketball player to score 300 points in a game. He also averaged over 50 rebounds a game for a season and left his mark in basketball history as the NBA’s second all-time leading scorer.

Golfer Payne Stewart also died too young for many of his fans. The U.S. Open champion this year, Stewart died in a South Dakota plane crash last week.

The last player is a man dear to my heart. As an influential 7-year old, I watched Walter Payton and the Chicago Bears dance to The Superbowl Shuffle. Sweetness, as he was called, was the NFL’s all-time leading rusher, an impressive feat for a man that played for a mediocre football team for most of his career.

Payton died this week from bile duct cancer as he waited for a kidney transplant. Things grew serious a week before his death and doctors gave Payton 24 to 48 hours to live. However, number 34 always stretched for the extra yard. True to that style, he lived six more days.

These athletes all died before we expected them to, but then again, they’re only human. Keep in mind the next time you watch an athlete play his or her sport. Remembering that the athlete is a person just like us makes watching him or her excel even more special.
Canoe trip reveals water quality problems

By Sherri Pallen
OUTDOORS REPORTER

Today, we think nothing of hopping into our cars and going for a ride. In fact many families own several automobiles, but do they ever take the time to think of the toxic effects on the environment their cars emit? For every gallon of gas used, 20 pounds of carbon dioxide gas are released into our atmosphere. Carbon dioxide is a greenhouse gas that is responsible for more than 60 percent of global warming produced by human activity, and our "technologically advanced" country is the primary contributor of it in the world. Each car is responsible for an estimated three dead trees and 30 sick ones.

Trees play a vital role in improving air quality. A single acre of trees will provide enough oxygen each day for 18 people, remove 48 pounds of particulates, nine pounds of nitrogen dioxide, six pounds of sulfur dioxide, half a pound of carbon monoxide and 100 pounds of carbon each day. The major problem lies in finding alternatives to cars and how can we expect the trees to keep producing oxygen and filtering pollutants if we keep killing them.

Luckily the United States has the technology to build, manufacture and sell more efficient cars, but fails to do so. We import over 59 percent of the oil we use and it could escalate as high as 70 percent in the next 10 to 12 years. Fortunately, General Motors now makes a car called the "UltraLite" which is capable of getting as much as 100 miles per gallon at 50 miles per hour, goes from zero to 60 miles per hour in less than eight seconds, has seating for four adults, costs less to manufacture and is safer to drive than the average car. This automobile was designed and built in less than six months. Imagine what could be produced in just a year's time, and ask yourself how our "developed country" can justify the pollution it emits when such alternatives exist.

The next time you think about driving to the store or down to school, try walking, running, biking, rollerblading, or some other alternative mode of transportation. You will be doing more good for the environment than you think.
Don't put away the walleye fishing gear quite yet

By Steve Todd
OUTDOORS REPORTER

Fall is a great time to catch some of those feisty and very abundant Wisconsin River walleyes. A combination of minimal fishing pressure and a walleye's desire to fatten up before winter translates into excellent fishing.

Another advantage to fishing the river at this time of year comes from the fact that fish in river systems tend to be less affected by cold fronts than lake fish. I typically find river walleyes eager to bite after a November cold front.

Because of the colder water temperatures, walleyes will be a little sluggish in November. To compensate for this slowing in their metabolism, I slow down my presentation. To do this I will switch from my trusty one-sixth-ounce lead-head jig to a Lindy Rig. My version of a Lindy Rig consists of a single plain 6/0 or 8/0 gold hook tied to about two feet of line. This line is then tied to one end of a two-way swivel and the other end of the swivel is tied to your line. The last part of the rig consists of a slip weight attached to the line above the swivel. This rig allows the fish to hit the bait and not feel the lead weight because the line slips through the weight. The rig is tipped with a walleye fathead minnow purchased at any of the bait shops in the area. Retrieve the rig very slowly or let it sit in the current. I have found the walleye fathead minnow to be the best choice for walleye fishing at this time of year.

Good fall locations tend to be the same locations where walleyes are found in the spring. Two of my three favorite spots in the Stevens Point area are only a few feet away from the cement footings of a dam. These spots typically produce 50-fish afternoons.

Steve Todd and a hefty Wisconsin River walleye. (Submitted photo)

Ben Due displays a 27-inch walleye caught on the Wisconsin River. (Submitted photo)

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Hunting unites family

By Ryan Lins
ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

The one constant between my father and I has always been the outdoors, especially hunting and fishing. Some of the most heartfelt and poignant moments that have ever transpired between my father Larry and I have been in the northwoods of Wisconsin.

One of life’s paths is the relationship between father and son. The true constants are the things that you both share as your relationship matures.

One of these special moments took place three weeks ago in the woods surrounding Post Lake, Wis. I guess it was not just a moment, but more like everything that the weekend encompassed was truly unique.

On Friday night we met up at our hunting cabin on the leaf-cluttered shores of the lake. After catching up on times long passed and discussing the weekend’s plan over a Friday fish fry, we were again ready for some bonding and hunting.

Saturday morning I took our black lab, Princess, out for bird hunting. It was unfortunate that my father didn’t see my face after I shot my first ruffed grouse. Princess was overjoyed to be useful in the retrieval of the bird.

Usually after I shoot, Princess has a confused look on her black, fuzzy face because to tell the truth, I am a poor marksman.

However, when I found my way to my dad’s tree stand later that morning he knew by my beaming smile and bulge in the back of my tan game vest that I had been successful.

That day we spent over eight hours on the autumn-blown logging trails together. Later that day, my dad finally saw the fruits of his teachings blossom as I harvested my second bird. Even though he missed one, we both could laugh as he digressed into a younger version of his son.

It is times like these that a father and son can reflect back on the free and the home of the brave.

- Aldo Leopold

Leopold leaves legacy of Sand Counties

By Lisa Rothe
ASSISTANT OUTDOORS EDITOR

Aldo Leopold, father of wildlife ecology, did not limit his abilities to managing animals but expanded his talents to passionately embrace the land as a scientist, a teacher and a hunter.

Leopold’s principle of the land ethic is taught to natural resources students across the nation.

“We do not already sing our love for and our obligation to the land of the free and the home of the brave?” - Aldo Leopold

accepted the offer to become a professor at the University of Wisconsin-Madison teaching the nation’s first graduate program in game management.

Leopold was also cofounder of The Wilderness Society, an organization that convinced President Lyndon Johnson to sign the Wilderness Act in 1964. Officially wilderness is defined as “in contrast with those areas where man and his own works dominate the landscape … an area where the earth and its community of life are untrammeled by man, where man himself is a visitor who does not remain.”

Taming the wilderness was never a thought within Leopold’s mind. Instead he strove to understand and appreciate the nation’s resources, in particular the forests and wildlife. In 1935, Leopold and his family purchased a rundown farm located along the Wisconsin River, an area known as the “sand counties.” The family rebuilt the chicken coop into a cabin where they spent their weekends planting trees and observing wildlife.

The Leopold family worked to restore its land to optimum health.

“Conservation is a state of harmony between men and land. By land is meant all of the things on, over, or in the earth. Harmony with land is like harmony with a friend; you cannot cherish his right hand and chop off his left,” writes Leopold in Round River.

Passing away in 1948, Leopold died helping to extinguish a neighbor’s grass fire. Leopold’s ideals did not die with him. His famous account of his own piece of wilderness, A Sand County Almanac, sits dog eared, worn and loved on bookshelves of avid outdoor enthusiasts.
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**Soccer wins seventh WIAC title in OT as the essence of teamwork, the UW-Stevens Point soccer team**

**Point faces rematch with Chicago in NCAA playoffs**

By Jessica Burda

In what can only be described as the essence of teamwork, the UW-Stevens Point soccer team securely tucked away the Pointers' seventh WIAC championship of the last eight years.

UW-SP rolled through the conference tournament, just like it rolled through the conference season, to meet UW-La Crosse in the tournament finals Saturday.

La Crosse entered the game looking to even the score after suffering a 7-0 blowout earlier this season to the Pointers.

"Whenever you beat a team six to nothing, or seven to nothing, their pride is at stake," Head Coach Sheila Miech said, "They're going to give it everything they have."

Although Point outshot the Eagles 23-8, the game remained scoreless through regulation play.

During the ensuing sudden-death overtime, midfielder Micky Jacob passed to Muhvic at the top of the penalty box 12 minutes into the extra period.

Breaking through the Eagle defense, Muhvic earned her 22nd career goal of the season after hammering the winning goal past diving La Crosse goalie Jessica Gammy for the 1-0 victory and WIAC title.

"I have to give [the defense] a lot of credit. There's that saying, ‘Offense wins games, but defense wins championships,'" Miech said. "Our defense played one of their finest games."

The victory, which Miech described as "an entire team effort," improved the Pointers' overall record to 17-3 and earned UW-SP an automatic berth to this year's NCAA Division III playoffs.

Making its sixth national tournament appearance, Point earned its first ever bye and will play the winner of the Edgewood College and Chicago preliminary game. The Pointers anticipate a rematch with Chicago to avenge their earlier losses.

"I'm really excited to play them if you think you're a conference championship football team, you can't go out there, get a lead and then coast," Miech said of his team's attempt to run the ball. "We thought we could run against them."

UW-SP jumped out to an early lead as Dave Berghuis found Lance Gast with an 18-yard touchdown pass. Jason Stueck added the extra point, giving the visitors a 7-0 advantage with 8:46 to go in the first.

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Point got the lead back four seconds into the second quarter when Berghuis connected with Larry Aschembrock for a 14-yard scoring pass.

Facing a Jonah Roth interception, UW-SP found the end zone 1:02 later as Gast rushed in from 21 yards away.

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The UW-Stevens Point swimming and diving entire meet.

The UW-Stevens Point swimming and diving teams kicked off their seasons last Saturday with a UW-SP also gathered the top three spots in two other events: Becca Uphoff, Mary Agazzi and Lindy Mahowald and Brad Rogers in the 200 backstroke.

UW-SP is currently ranked No. 18 in NCAA Division III. The victory raised Point's record to 7-1 on the season and 5-1 in the WIAC heading into a showdown with UW-Eau Claire Saturday.

Kickoff is scheduled for 1 p.m. at Goerke Field.

**Pointers shutdown Blugolds in first dual**

By Ryan Allshouse

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The UW-Stevens Point football team's defensive backfield knew they would get a workout Saturday against UW-Platteville's pass-happy offense.

The problem for the Pioneers was that the Pointers seemed better prepared than they were themselves as UW-SP racked up seven interceptions during a 27-16 victory at Ralph E. Davis Stadium.

Point's offense did its part as well, racking up 229 rushing yards on the afternoon and dominating the time of possession by over 17 minutes.

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The UW-Stevens Point swimming and diving teams kicked off their seasons last Saturday with a blowout win over the UW-Eau Claire Blugolds.

"I thought (Eau Claire) would be tougher than they were. It seemed they're not in shape yet," Head Coach Al Boelk said. "A lot of their swimmers are out because of injury, illness and eligibility reasons. Traditionally, we work harder in the beginning of the year, but I didn't expect such a blowout."

"But after the first relay, after we totally blew them away with our first relays," Boelk continued, "you could see it in their eyes, we were going to win."

The Pointer women defeated Eau Claire 152-91 to claim their second consecutive win over the Blugolds. Point broke Eau Claire's 17-year winning streak over UW-SP last year by the narrow margin of 122-121 points in a dual meet.

The women started Saturday's meet claiming first and second in the 400 medley relay. The winning relay of Becca Uphoff, Christine Sammons, Darcy Miller and Laura Latt took first in 4:10.06, while the second place relay of Jessie Eloranta, Katie Siebert, Mary Thome and Amy Rockwell went 4:13.49. The third place Blugold relay finished more then four seconds behind the Pointers, setting the pace for the entire meet.

UW-SP also gathered the top three spots in two other events: Becca Uphoff, Mary Agazzi and Lindsey Mahowald in the 200 freestyle, and Christine Sammons, Katie Siebert and Molly Dick in the 200 breaststroke.

"We swam out of our minds," said Boelk. "Even after Eau Claire's intensity dropped, ours stayed the same, we never backed off for a second."

The men's team beat Eau Claire 170-57-15 to continue the Pointers' four-dual meet winning streak against the Blugolds.

The men also claimed the top three spots in several events. Randy Boek, Wyatt Jansen and Brent Newport in the 200 butterfly, Jeremy Francioli, Jason Mahowald and Brad Rogers in the 200 backstroke, and Aaron Heiss, Nathan Eddingsaas and Thad Gunther in the 200 breaststroke. Contributing to the overall win, Randy Boek set a new pool record in the 200 Individual Medley.

UW-SP travels to UW-Whitewater Friday to face the Warhawks in the first away dual meet of the season. The meet begins at 6:30 p.m.
Hockey splits a pair with St. Norbert
Pointers open up season with a home victory

By Nick Brilowski
Sports Editor

Anytime that the UW-Stevens Point and St. Norbert College hockey teams get together, sparks are going to fly. When the two teams get together for the opening series of the season, that just increases the intensity.

Such was the case last weekend as the two teams split a home-and-home series with each team winning on home ice.

In the season opener Friday, the Pointers came out flying and kept their intensity the entire night en route to a 5-3 victory.

Of the third but the home team answered a mere 16 seconds later with a score of its own by Jim Westergaard.

"That was a big time play," Baldarotta said of answering the second.

Mikhail Salienko followed with a power-play goal to give the Pointers a 4-1 edge heading into the third period.

The Green Knights looked to get back in the game with a Maris Ziedens power-play goal at 10:37 of the third but the home team kept their intensity the entire night.

Derek Toninato (in white) flanked by two Green Knights fires a shot towards the St. Norbert net. (Photo by Nathan T. Wajlin)

The Pointer Men’s Basketball season is starting!
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Cross country takes third at WIAC meet
Pointers prepare for NCAA Division III Regionals

By Jessica Bunda
Sports Editor

This year’s WIAC cross country championship at the Wisconsin River Country Club proved both encouraging and disappointing for UW-Stevens Point.

Both the Pointer men’s and women’s teams placed third, but whereas the women celebrated their race, the men felt they should have run better.

"If I could go back and run it again, I definitely would," senior Ryan Taylor said.

The men’s team finished with 86 points overall, behind first place UW-Oshkosh (36 points) and second place UW-La Crosse (41 points).

"We wanted that third place," Hill said. "We didn’t want to squeak it out, we wanted to make a statement."

Leah Juno placed fifth overall in 18:02 to lead the Pointers, while freshman Becky Pisca came in third for the team with her 17th place time of 19:02, followed by Jenny Kreuz in 27th at 19:23, Marcie Fisher in 38th at 19:31, Alyssa Garbe in 43rd with 19:37. Erin Dewgillo took 47th and Maggie Dennewitz placed 52nd overall to round out the Pointers’ top eight runners.

The Pointer women’s team finished with 143 points overall, behind first place UW-Oshkosh (90 points) and second place UW-Oshkosh (41 points).

"A little better," senior Jessica Bunda said. "We want to go our best matches all season," Geiger said. "It was a little emotional because it is the end of our season, our careers for Erin and Sarah."

The Pointers end the season with seven kills and no errors in 17 attempts against Superior. Head Coach Kelly Geiger was proud of how her team handled its last game of the year.

"There were no tears of sadness (over losing). I think everyone realized we played one of our best matches all season," Geiger said. "It was a little emotional because it is the end of our season, century, and careers for Erin and Sarah."

"The Pointers end the season with a 14-23 overall record and a conference mark of 1-7."

"It’s been a learning season for me personally. Someone once told me that it’s very easy to support a winning team, but it takes courage to support a nonwinning team," said Geiger. "The team stuck together. There was no negative atmosphere and no one gave up."

Quote of the Week
"We didn’t lose that game on the ice, we lost it between our ears."

-Pointer Hockey Head Coach Joe Baldarotta commenting on the team’s 8-2 defeat at St. Norbert College Saturday.

Jesse Drake (left) closes in on his eventual individual championship. (Photo by Nick Brilowski)

"By any means, we weren’t peaked for conference," Hill added. "At the beginning of the season, we decided to peak during regionals and nationals."

The Pointer men are also concentrating on the upcoming regional and national meets after the conference meet Saturday.

Jesse Drake (left) closes in on his eventual individual championship. (Photo by Nick Brilowski)

"We want to peak at the right time," Hill said. "We want to win the really cool black leather couch currently on display in the brewhaus."

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**Men's Basketball:** Purple/Gold Game, Wednesday 7 p.m.

**Swimming and Diving:** At UW-Whitewater, Friday 6 p.m.

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**WIAC CROSS-COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS**  
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**Men's Team Scores (9 teams total)**

1. UW-La Crosse 30
2. UW-Whitewater 62
3. UW-Eau Claire 68
4. UW-Oshkosh 102
5. UW-Eau Claire 125
6. UW-Platteville 139
7. UW-Stout 169
8. UW-Stevens Point 248
9. UW-Superior 184

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**Soccer**

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Chicago, especially in neutral turf," said Miech. "It's a goal to come back and beat a team that beat you."

The Pointers will play their first playoff game this Saturday at Macalester College in St. Paul, Minn.

UW-SP and Macalester are the top two seeds in the six-team regional bracket, considered to be one of the toughest in the country.

But the Pointers handed Macalester the defending national Division III champion, one of its two losses earlier this season in a 4-1 routing Sept. 12 in Stevens Point.

Heading into the tournament with the WIAC title behind it, UW-SP will continue to take the postseason one game at a time, but Miech believes this year's team is up for the challenge.

"This is a great and special team," Miech said. "They know what they have to do."

The Pointers start their playoff competition Saturday.

**Hockey**

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St. Norbert goal. "We've been trying to get our kids to play really well when the pressure's on. Our third line did a great job all night." St. Norbert added a meaningless goal with 2:06 remaining.

Saturday night's game became reminiscent of a battle ground as the teams combined for 31 penalties and St. Norbert attempted to match the Pointers in a different manner.

"From there it was all Green Knights," Baldarotta stated. "We didn't lose that game on the ice, we lost it between our ears. We've got to play our game at all times."

The Pointers will look to get back on the winning track when they battle UW-Eau Claire in an other home-and-home series this weekend with Friday's game in Eau Claire and Saturday's at the K.B. Willett Ice Arena.

Face-off on Friday is 7:05 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. on Saturday.

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The Pointers placed third overall behind UW-La Crosse and UW-Whitewater, respectively. With five of the top 11 nationally ranked Division III teams competing, a tight race was expected. But the defending champion Eagles dominated the meet with four of the top seven runners.

Jesse Drake highlighted the Pointers' effort after claiming the individual title with his first place time of 24:25. Drake's championship marks the fourth time in seven years that a Pointer has placed first overall.

Men's Head Coach Rick Witt provided no excuses for the overall outcome by the Pointers, saying instead that the men "just didn't run well."

"It wasn't any lack of effort," Witt added. "We just got out-thought [in the race]."

Witt credited his top three runners, Drake, Ryan Wenos and Dan Schwamburger with "really good jobs." While the entire team will turn its focus towards the upcoming Midwest meet.

The Pointer men and women will rest this week in preparation for the upcoming NCAA Regional meet in Rock Island, Ill., where both UW-SP teams will race the same teams from the WIAC meet and additional teams hailing from Missouri and Illinois.

The cross country regional meet will be held on Nov. 13-14.

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Does he have any idea how long it would take to legalize all the illegal drugs in this world? It would probably cost a lot more than putting certain drug abusers in jail, not to mention a waste of time for the government.

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Let drug users stay on the fringe of society. When they want to rejoin the upper levels of the work force they will be forced to either quit using, or work at McDonalds.

To use or not to use drugs should be the individual's choice. There will also be a variety of treatment options for people who want to recover. Empty the prisons and jails of non-violent users. With legalization looming they won't have that job to fall back on when they get out. Anyway, we all would rather see a sex offender locked up for life than some taxpayer who likes to smoke an occasional joint.

I'm going to say that I believe the system as it is now is better than any thing that is put forward by someone like Ryan. After all, I'm going to start off by saying that I agree with Ryan on only one account. Of course I would rather see sex-offenders in prison rather than pot-smoking individuals. Wouldn't you all? What a dumb thing to write.

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Who won the battle?
E-mail us at asche404@uwsp.edu with your vote for Annie or Ryan.
Pointers on the go: Joshua Wescott

Former STV GM follows road to state capitol

By Kari Sulzer
FEATURES REPORTER

Joshua Wescott was at home studying one night last December when Julie Lassa, a recently elected State Representative from Stevens Point, called him. She asked Wescott if he was interested in being her Legislative Aide. He quickly said he was.

The May 1999 graduate had helped with Lassa’s campaign before her election, but admitted he was surprised by the offer. He mentioned he felt “extremely fortunate” to have been offered such a position before graduation.

Even though he majored in political science, Wescott said he “would graduate from college and go straight into TV or radio,” since he came from a media background. Wescott was General Manager of Student Television (STV) for two years and was News Director prior to that.

Wescott truly enjoyed the experience, saying it offered him “so many chances to work with so many people.”

Now he works with many people daily in Madison, most often fielding calls from constituents from Stevens Point with a question or concern about the state government. Wescott coordinates the research that may be needed to ultimately respond to the individual’s concerns.

“Every single person we hear from gets a response back,” Wescott said.

Though the position can be challenging at times, Wescott says he feels rewarded by seeing that people influence the legislature, and appreciates the chance to be a “willing ear.” “I now feel better about our democracy,” Wescott said.

But working in the state capitol is just not enough for Wescott. “I couldn’t divorce myself from my hobby,” he said, referring to his doing news on the weekends for Madison’s WIBA radio station.

In addition to working at STV, Wescott also had been involved with 90 FM and The Pointer while at UW-SP.

Wescott advised undergrads to get involved on campus. “Everything in life is based on experiences,” Wescott said. “You’ll appear more lucrative to a prospective employer.”
Listening to works of Sondheim is an acquired taste. Sondheim is arguably America's greatest musical playwright since Rogers and Hammerstein. With Into The Woods coming to UW-SP, here are some of his works available on video.

**West Side Story**
Co-written with Leonard Bernstein, this Sondheim work is a vision of how a modern day Romeo and Juliet would be played out in New York City. West Side Story made its Broadway debut on Sept. 26, 1957 at the Winter Garden Theater (current home to a Romeo and Juliet musical) to positive reviews.

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**Gypsy**
Gypsy is a musical fable inspired by the memoirs of Gypsy Rose Lee, with music by Jule Styne and lyrics by Stephen Sondheim. The original Broadway production starred the incredible Ethel Merman as Mama Rose and won a Tony nomination in 1960. The same role was later played by Rosalind Russell when the musical made it to the screen in 1963 and Bette Midler for the CBS television production in 1993. Gypsy offers Sondheim's most inspiring song by far – Everything's Coming Up Rosies. Other hits from the musical include Some People and Rose's Turn.

**A Funny Thing Happened On The Way To The Forum**
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In 1961, this musical piece made a leap from stage to screen starring Natalie Wood and Richard Beymer, and supported by Rita Moreno. The film version of the musical won four Academy Awards, including Best Picture and Supporting Actress. Memorable hits from West Side Story include America, Maria, Tonight and Somewhere. Overall, this Sondheim piece is probably his most energetic work to date.

**Sunday In The Park With George**
Sunday In The Park With George is a musical inspired by the painting of Georges-Pierre Seurat. The screen version of this musical starts about 100 years back where Seurat (played by Mandy Patinkin) is fully consumed in his work, much to the frustrations of his mistress Dot (played by Bernadette Peters). Fast forward 100 years and Seurat's great-grandson now faces the dilemma of creating art while having the face the problem of paying rent at the same time. This musical is recorded before a live audience for PBS. Watch for the scene where the cast blends into the characters of Seurat's painting – Sunday Afternoon on the Isle of La Grande Jatte.

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Hunting itself is the catalyst, just something that we both share. The moment is so much more than hunting birds, or fishing on that "secret," secluded lake, but is something that someday I will pass on to my son: the lessons of life, of nature that I learned from my father.

Sometimes when my dad would tell me that he loved me, I would shrug and say, "I know" which is like saying ditto for words that mean so much more. I love my dad because he cares enough about me to take me into the greatest classroom in the world: the outdoors.

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It's a step in the right direction. We also need more regulation. One argument against regulation is that prices will increase and economic growth will slow. That's fair though—the river was paying the price for me to have cheaper paper and cheaper vegetables before; it's okay with me that we pay the price now. Maybe companies will begin to use less in order to make a profit.

Our natural resources are paying the price for our consumption choices. In order to have clean urban rivers we need to change our ethics. We can't dump things into the river and believe they're "taken away." We can only blame companies and industry so much. We also have to look at ourselves.

In the early 1900s, ice companies stopped using ice from the southern Fox River for refrigerating food, due to pollution. To improve the quality of our natural resources, we all have to realize the real cost of the resources we use, and accept cost increases in order to restore the health of these ecosystems.

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It was frustrating to have some of our sponsors such as Shopko fall through," said Shannon Lieber, co-chair of the program. "But everyone who was involved had fun," she added.

"It was fun and a good experience, this is the first time I have helped out, and it was great," said Marsha Wesel, a resident.

"Most of the participants, especially those who have participated in previous Haunted Hall programs felt that this year's lineup was much better," said Lieber.

Though the event did not raise as much money as it did last year, it did bring in much more in terms of food items. "It is a fun way to get involved and to help with the community," said Lieber, who also stated that she was impressed with the enthusiasm of the freshmen this year.

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other victim with three pellets. Both were released from St. Michael's Hospital after suffering wounds to the legs. Hager's sentence also states that he is not to have any contact with the victims, Tim and Dustin Wiza.

Hager has to pay restitution of $1425.18 to Tim Wiza and $1610.80 to Dustin Wiza, incurring any future medical expenses for Dustin Wiza.

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Available for the next school year, this contemporary three or four bedroom apartment is perfect for living, relaxing, studying, and all out enjoyment. When it is time to cook, you will appreciate the wrap around kitchen with its time saving appliances. If you have got stuff, we have got storage. The attached garage has room for a car, bicycles and lots of other stuff. This apartment home is owned, managed and maintained by Rich and Carolyn, therefore we can give personal attention to your housing needs. This exclusive apartment home is priced at $1395 per semester. Call Carolyn at 341-3158 to arrange a tour.

NEWSLETTER ANSWERS

1. What is the home of the Pointer?

The Pointer is the official newspaper of UW-Stevens Point. It is published weekly during the school year by students under the supervision of the Department of Journalism and Mass Communications.

2. Where can you find the Pointer?

The Pointer can be found online at www.pointer.com, in the Student Union Building, and in various campus locations.

3. How can you submit a story idea or article for the Pointer?

You can submit a story idea or article for the Pointer to the editor at editor@pointer.com or by visiting the Pointer office in the Student Union Building.

4. What is the purpose of the Pointer?

The purpose of the Pointer is to provide informative, engaging, and diverse news content to the campus community.

5. How can you get involved with the Pointer?

You can get involved with the Pointer by submitting articles, joining the editorial board, or participating in various departments such as photography, design, and advertising.

For more information or to get involved, please contact the Editor at editor@pointer.com or visit the Pointer office in the Student Union Building.

Let us know what you think of the Pointer and how we can improve it! Email your feedback to editor@pointer.com.
**Large Coming Next Week!**

**499**

**Medium**

Liven up your menu with one of these specialty pizzas. Always served on our fresh, homemade, hand-tossed dough. Regular or Thick crust - same good price.

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**Gazpacho**

Our popular southwestern pizza has taco sauce and is topped with melty American gooey mozzarella cheese, cheddar cheese, and pepperoni.

**Spinach Caesar**

A unique combination of fresh spinach leaves and our signature Caesar dressing. A great blend of flavors and textures! A perfect pizza for those who enjoy a lighter meal.

**Guacamole**

An adaptable pizza for those who want to add their own creative touches. Add any toppings you like to create your own unique combination.

**Build Your Own**

Our Build Your Own pizzas are the perfect choice for those who want to customize their pizza to their liking. Choose your own toppings and create a pizza that is truly unique and satisfying.

**Grinders**

Grinders are a colorful and refreshing addition to any meal. They come in a variety of flavors and are perfect for a quick and healthy snack.

**Salads**

We offer a variety of fresh salads that are perfect for a light and healthy meal.

**Dressings**

We offer a selection of dressings that will complement your salad.

**Drinks**

Enjoy a refreshing drink with your meal. We offer a variety of options, including soda, water, and iced tea.

**Topper's Classics**

These are the classic pizzas that have been a favorite for years. Choose from a variety of options to create your perfect pizza.

**Build Your Own**

Create your own pizza with your choice of crust, toppings, and dressings.

**The Topper's Pizza Guarantee**

We are committed to providing the best possible experience for our customers. If you are not completely satisfied with any pizza, we will gladly replace your order or refund your purchase price.