UW System awarded best budget in nearly 20 years

In what could be declared the best budget for UW students in 18 years, Governor Tommy Thompson signed into law $28 million to secure a tuition freeze for the 2000-2001 academic year; an increase in funding for vital financial aid programs and restored funding for UWSystem's Plan 2008: Quality through Racial and Ethnic Equality.

United Council President, Michelle Diggles declared the tuition freeze, "the most substantial victory for UW students."

The provision prohibits the board of regents from increasing tuition for resident undergraduates and the second year of the biennium.

In recent years, United Council and UW students have been lobbying legislators, writing letters, testifying at hearings and organizing rallies to secure a tuition freeze and financial aid increases.

"A tuition freeze will help ensure that students can afford a higher education in Wisconsin."
- Matt Ludt, Legislative Affairs Dir.

Forum addresses parking issues

By Pamela Thiagesan

The parking forum held on Wednesday provided students, faculty and the community with an opportunity to voice their concerns and have their questions answered by a six-member panel.

Representatives from the City of Stevens Point, the university and police station were present.

City Planner, John Gardner, Sergeant Carlson of the Stevens Point Police Department, Allan Pennebaker a representative from Saint Michael's Hospital and Professor Ring of the University Affairs committee were present. Student Government Association (SGA) President Andrew Halverson moderated the discussion.

"The forum drew about 30 students who participated in the discussion. Some of the questions raised included why parking ramps were not utilized, the price of parking on campus and the feasibility of coin change machines for parking meters."

"The parking situation that the university is now experiencing has come to a manifestation that has never been seen in the past," said Halverson.

See Parking on Page 19

Women's cross country team advances to Nationals

The UW-Stevens Point Women's Cross Country team qualified for the NCAA National Division III cross country meet for the first time since 1994.

The team of seven runners finished fourth in the regional competition held last weekend and will join 24 other teams including UW schools such as OshKosh, Lacrosse and Whitewater in the competition this weekend.

The team's coach, Len Hill, has little doubt of the team's capability.

"If we perform well, I am confident we will come in top 16," said Hill. Though the team came up 13th in the regional competition last year, "It is obvious that this team has worked hard and what stands out is the focus, chemistry and willingness to help each other and this includes personal sacrifice," said Hill.

Hill also cited the team's strong mental strength and team spirit for their progress. "It was obvious that this bunch had more team spirit when they came in as freshmen and they maintained that drive through the years," said Hill.

"After four years in track, it is a great way to top off my cross country career," said Lisa Pisca.

"This is kind of neat because people have thought of us in the past as underdogs, but we are a pretty strong team and it feels great to do what we are really capable of," added Pisca.

The men's cross country team also earned a spot in the NCAA meet and will also compete this weekend.

Popular Catholicism courses offered

UW-Stevens Point students can take classes in popular Catholicism next semester.

Professor Corinne Dempsey will join the faculty of the religious studies program and will be teaching the class.

According to Dempsey, the course, (Religious Studies 321: Topics in Religion, Popular Catholicism) will explore aspects of the Catholic tradition formed and managed from its followers. Diverging from institutional Catholic teachings and traditions, she will focus on locally generated religious phenomena such as saint devotion, Marian apparitions and pilgrimages.

Because popular Catholicism often grows out of the material conditions and needs of individuals, the class will look at the intersection between religion and a variety of other forces such as political unrest, immigration, gender and race discrimination.

For more information, call the Religious Studies department.
National crime study gives community and UW-SP good ranking

UW-Stevens Point was placed in the lower quarter of all national four-year colleges for levels of crime in the neighborhood, according to a national study. The study, believed to be conducted by Crimes Against Persons (CAP) index and APBnews.com study.

University of Wisconsin campuses at Stevens Point and Oshkosh were both ranked 1,148.

"This study confirms what many of us already know about central Wisconsin... the Stevens Point area is overall a safe place for college students," said Chancellor Thomas George.

"However, we remain vigilant and will continue to cooperate with local law enforcement officials on ways to keep crime in check."

UW-SP continues to improve and upgrade measures to improve campus safety. In the past few years, the campus has installed 20 code blue emergency phones around campus and initiated residence hall and orientation programs focusing on personal safety and protection of property.

The Student Patrol Program on campus began in 1989 to monitor campus grounds and also operates the student transit van that provides rides to within five miles of campus. According to Don Burling, chief of security and police on campus, the overall number of crimes has decreased on campus for the past seven years. APBnews.com retained CAP Index to provide data consulting services.

The system does not measure actual crime rates but instead estimates the risk of crime for the coming year by using a sophisticated computer model that compares past crime reports to socioeconomic data. Factors that determine CAP index's crime risk estimates include family structure, migration patterns, household income and average level of education. The index study focused on the rise of violent crime, defined as robbery, murder or rape.

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Students rally against Crandon Mine

Twenty-five UW-Stevens Point students attended the Wolf Watershed Educational Project (WWEP) last Saturday. The rally was organized to stop the proposed transmission line to the Crandon mine.

The representatives from UW-SP joined over 100 other participants from around Wisconsin to protest at the intersection of Manic 8 and 45/47 in Monico. The rally also alerted ways 8 and 45/47 in Monico. The rally also alerted local landowners about the proposed construction of a feeder transmission line to the Crandon mine, which involves right-of-way acquisitions and purchases and possibly condemnation.

The representatives included members of the Mole Lake Chippewa, Save Our Unique Lands (SOUL), Midwest Treaty Network, Wisconsin Resources Protection Council, Mining Impact Protection Council, Mining Impact Action Group, U.W. student group from Stevens Point and Oshkosh, and a spokesperson representing the Cross Lake Cree of Manitoba.

"This rally was an example of the interconnected movements that oppose the Crandon mine, oppose new high voltage transmission lines through Wisconsin/Minnesota, and oppose the Manitoba dams that would be the source for much of the project’s electricity," said Dana Chumess, a student from UW-SP.

Chumess added, "We do not believe that these corporations should have the right to spit in small farmers and landowners and mother earth."

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"We plan on fighting these injustices to the end,” said Chumess. Bill Ahrens of the Wolf Watershed Educational Project read a pledge sheet. "You sign, saying you’re aware smoking is bad for your health. The pledge sheet is then sent to Washington. That’s supposed to be cleared of snow and ice, the entire width of the sidewalk, with-in twenty-four (24) hours after the snow ceases to fall. If such is not done, the City shall cause such snow to be removed or ice sanded and the cost shall be billed to the property owner. If not paid sooner, the cost shall be paid upon the next tax statement of the property owner.

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Ethnic diversity discussions to be broadcast via local cable station

By Kimberly Carlsoni

Dr. Thomas H. Johnson, professor of anthropology, will host a 12-part series of one-hour programs to explore “Ethnic Diversity in Wisconsin.” The series will begin on Thursday, Nov. 18 and will focus on Native American, Hmong-American and African-American issues. Each session will be shown for a week on cable Channel 3 at three times: Thursdays at 2:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. and Fridays at 8:30 p.m.

The issues explored pertain to cultural changes, educational concerns, social problems, activism, overcoming racism, and personal experiences. The speakers on the discussion panels will consist of a variety of educators and individuals with experience outside of academia. Two of the sessions will include viewpoints of UW-SP students. Each program consists of the speaker’s views followed with a question and answer period with Johnson’s students from the 1999 spring session of Anthropology 390.

“The idea is to reach a wider audience than just those in the class,” Johnson said.

“This is geared to airing issues and improving the climate for people of color on our campus and in our community. We want to clarify misconceptions about different cultures.”

Sharon Cloud, Director of the Native American Center at UWSP explained how the issue thus resulting in a fear of the unknown and can show up as acts of discrimination, racism and negativity. This was discussed in the episode “Native American Education in Wisconsin.”

When asked if the need for diversity discussion is needed in Stevens Point, Cloud commented, “Absolutely, based on experience of living here for 23 years, I’ve met people who clearly don’t understand Native American culture or other cultures and in many cases not even their own.”

“Diversity in reference to minority people is more important to make human relations better.”

David Smith, a UWSP student, was a part of the panel discussing “Overcoming Racism in Wisconsin.”

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Nude art exhibition sparks discussion

Forum will address concerns and provide an opportunity for students to voice opinions

Centertainment will hold a forum for open discussion surrounding the nude art exhibition that came ended prematurely in the Fine Arts Department. The forum will be held on Monday Nov. 29 at the University center and is open to students, faculty, administrators and the community.

The article in the Oct. 11 issue of The Pointer which covered the varied views and objections to the exhibition sparked interest and reactions in students and faculty. According to Bywaters, several professors have brought forth this issue for class discussion.

A panel of speakers will be present to discuss issues pertaining to censorship. The panel will include students of students and faculty. Also present will be Professor Diane Bywaters of the Art Department, instructor of still life classes that exhibited their work on the courtyard.

Professor Morser from the Political Science department will also be present.

The forum aims to discuss the following issues:

- the courtyard as public space
- definition of pornography
- sale of nudity in art
- effect on children
- are nudes in public spaces acceptable?
- art as communication vs. art as therapy (to the artist)
- sharing art with those not affiliated with the artistic process

“My goal for this forum is to get beyond the semantics of the issue and identify the real differences in opinion. One way to achieve this is to hone the debate into specific questions about art censorship. Both sides have valid points to raise and I hope these opinions will be voiced openly and productively,” said Amy Thoe, Issues and Ideas director at Centertainment.

Students and faculty members who are interested in these issues are encouraged to attend and participate in the discussion.

The Issues and Ideas department of Centertainment is still looking for panel speakers to present their views at the forum. Students and faculty who have ideas for speakers are urged to contact Centertainment.

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Dean explains nude art situation

I read with keen interest your recent article titled "Nude art exhibit ends prematurely." I think this portrayal of events in the Fine Arts Courtyard needs more story. Photos of student work showed four paper were a representative sample of what was exhibited by students in Professor Bywater's drawing course. Offensive? Not at all. Tame is probably the more appropriate word.

Yes, the drawings—varied in competency representing all levels of drawing ability—were large and may have surprised some people. But it was the intent of the professor to be immoral in drawing that made this a training issue and not an opportunity for disregard. The courtyard is the commons area of the building and it was constructed to encourage interaction among all the arts. It does that on a regular basis.

Most people, in my view, would find little here that is out of place in a school that prides itself in training artists, something one expects in a building dedicated to the arts. Drawing representations of the human body is a time-honored skill that any art student must experience to become proficient in the discipline.

I did approve the work being hung in the courtyard because it related well to course objectives. One of the difficulties in our present society is respecting all kinds of viewpoints. But sometimes these views come in conflict with each other. That is when we have to respectfully disagree, as we have in this instance. The concerned student and I had a good discussion and we both re-evaluated work that could not be able to agree on a final resolution. The student felt that the works offended him. I felt the students in the art class needed an opportunity to show their works and it would have been wrong of me to infer that something was offensive about their work. That would have been the case if I had asked that they be removed from the courtyard.

One of the positive things resulting from this process is the dialogue about different ways of looking at the same thing. It also brings to mind the many views and misrepresentations people hold about the visual arts, what they can and cannot do. But can't the same kind of diverse approaches be tied to other disciplines?

That is an excellent reason for the "college experience"—students and faculty learning, presenting, debating, discussing, making judgments, forming opinions and reshaping their views about a wide range of issues. But this is not what we live in, a fact we sometimes forget at UW-Stevens Point.

- Gerda McKenney
Dean of Fine Arts

Tame the Rowdy Crowd

I have been attending UW-Stevens Point hockey games since I was a freshman. It's amazing to watch the accelerated pace of the game as compared to that of the high school games back home. In addition, we have the luxury of putting one of the best programs in Division III hockey on the ice at K.B. Willett Arena. Coach Baldarotta brings together excellent players from all over the country (and even the world) to give us a hard-hitting yet clean style of play that we can be proud to represent our campus on the other side of the glass. Unfortunately, as has become more apparent in the past two years, one group of "fans" has taken it upon themselves to mar the classy image of the guys whose hard work and effort defines "Pointer Hockey.

Even though I had to miss Ron Dayne's historic performance, I made it to the Pointer game Saturday afternoon. As usual, I took my seat in the section next to the opponents' bench; not only to get a better view of the game, but more importantly to separate myself from the disgrace that has come to be known as the "Rowdy Crowd."

The previous night I watched in disgust as two Rowdy Crowd members stormed up to the St. Norbert College bench and proceeded to taunt the Green Knights by yelling over the top of the glass and blasting an obnoxious noisemaker in the face of the substitute goalie. Ironically, the Pointers trailed 3-1 at one point. I don't think such antics contributed to the Pointers' eventual 4-3 victory.

Doing so on Saturday, however, did garner some harsh criticism from some Lake Forest parents. Before the game started, my roommate Josh and I had chatted with one hockey mom, as Josh is from Illinois, Lake Forest's home state. During the game, though, we heard her comments regarding the Rowdy Crowd's behavior. One statement that "...the university should be ashamed of these people. It's a lack of respect and poor sportsmanship," really caught my attention.

These "fans" sit behind the opponents' goal and make lout remarks regarding the goalie's sexual orientation,mother, playing style, and even his name. This is all in the presence, let it be known, of several young children. I doubt if any of the Rowdy Crowd members will ever say they realize the importance of art and can and has. As a hockey fan I understand that our team is capable of the same mistakes as the opponent. Nobody likes to see us lose, but that's the way sports are. Compounding the frustration of defeat with tasteless ridicule is a slap in the face to our own athletes. The Rowdy Crowd may have good intentions, but its behavior implies otherwise. Just as Madison has a class act in Ron Dayne to represent Wisconsin, so we have Pointer hockey which can and has represented us at the National level. This group of "adults" needs to clean up its act to preserve the reputation of our athletes and the students they play for.

-Zak Redding

When a university takes down an art exhibit because it is "controversial," something is definitely wrong. And to make matters worse, it was done in a hasty, closed-minded fashion. Am I the only one outraged? I was under the impression that we were here to open our minds, to learn new things. Isn't that the whole purpose of all those GDR's we have to respectfully disagree, from both sides. And, if nothing else, we could learn a little bit more about each other.

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Student wants nude art exhibit back

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Art display integral for humanity

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Moralists such as Ben Peterson, and Christians that believe this artwork to be immoral and not for public viewing. Bywaters, put the pictures back up. I know it may cause controversy, and I know not everyone will be happy about it. I also know you may end up having to take them down. But at least we could have had an open-minded discussion about the issue. We could hear from both sides. And, if nothing else, we could learn a little bit more about each other.

- Chris Randazzo

The whole point of art is to express the human condition. Humans are happy. Humans are sad. They are angry, depressed, loving, caring, evil, and they express sexuality. Sexuality is an important part of the human condition. Anyone who denies their sexuality denies their humanity. Is the new definition of art to be: "paint only those aspects of human nature that are deemed socially acceptable to certain individuals?" Can you imagine how bland regulated art would be?

I am no artist myself, but I can honestly say that the one thing that I envy most about art and artists is this: when an artist paints, they also paint themselves. When they finish a painting, people also see a window into the soul of the artist. What a sense of accomplishment it must be to paint something and have someone else say how beautiful it is. Now imagine that someone said your art is "immoral and not for public viewing." This incident is a major insult to the public and the artists. The university should replace the art and publicly apologize for this ignorant and foolish behavior.

- Chris Race
The Pointer offers alternative to partying

I would like to share something I saw earlier this semester. It was the expression on a student’s face, and it struck me as being different than one I am accustomed to seeing at a party. There were only a few lights on in the room, the band was playing and there was a crowd dancing in the open area. I stood back, enjoying the music and watching the crowd. I noticed a girl turn her head to the left and I caught the profile of her face in one of the lights. The difference was in her eyes. There was a peace there reflecting a joy in life that was evident even in the darkened room. Interesting, I thought, to see that. How different that seems from other parties that I’ve been to, where the music is blaring, the beer flowing, and people struggle to talk in the dark confines of someone’s basement.

The main difference at this party was an air of freedom; a freedom to relax and to be accepted for one’s self, instead of feeling pressure to fit into a stranger’s mold of acceptance; to bring a person between 1 and 6 a.m. — Friends, there is more to life; true meaning and love. This party I was at is called The River, sponsored by Student Impact and Undergraduate Church on Church Street. Please come and check it out.

-Josh Keim

U.S.S. Liberty deserves respect

One has to wonder what the priorities of the Wisconsin State Assembly were? Assembly Joint Resolution 47 calling upon Congress to investigate the Israeli attack on the U.S.S. Liberty which took the lives of 34 young Americans—on Wisconsin and wounded 171 others on June 8, 1967 has yet to be answered.

This resolution was passed unanimously by the Assembly Military Affairs Committee on Sept. 28 after having been introduced to the Assembly by Representative Marlin Schneider on April 22.

On Sept. 30, Representative Morris-Tatum introduced a resolution concerning the Federal Republic of Nigeria for the first time. It was read and referred to the Committee on Rules. The rules were then suspended by the Assembly and immediate action was taken with the entire Assembly signing on as sponsors of the resolution.

My question is—not to dispute the merits of the Nigerian resolution—what are the priorities of the Assembly? Why did it show extreme deference to Rep. Morris-Tatum’s resolution on Nigeria while it has yet to consider the U.S.S. Liberty resolution?

As James M. Ennes, Jr., deck officer of the U.S.S. Liberty at the moment of attack, has written, the men of the Liberty and their loved ones “are entitled to the same concern and respect as men from the Stark, Maine, Arizona, Lusitania, and a hundred other ships that happened to be attacked by other nations.” The U.S.S. Liberty has been a shameful exception. Only a thorough congressional investigation will erase that耻辱.

As a World War II U.S. Army veteran of the Italian campaign I find the behavior of the Assembly to be illogical and inexplicable.

-Richard D. Sampson

‘Building Unity’ aims to break barriers

People choose to enter a University setting for a variety of different reasons. Among these reasons is the ability to gain knowledge to further attain career goals and personal growth through an academic experience. To what extent is UW-Stevens Point able to diversify our learning experience?

Last year, in cooperation with Chancellor Thomas George, a group of students, faculty, and administrators set a goal to promote appreciation and respect for diversity in our educational environment. This plan was created to replace the previous, Design for Diversity, which had set goals to make changes leading into the year 1998. The current goal, known as Plan 2008, is a statewide plan to ensure a place for all persons regardless of race, culture, ethnicity, religion, gender, sexual orientation and disability.

Students in the state of Wisconsin are joining efforts to open communication between students of color, the gay and lesbian community, and white students; as well as within the intra-cultural groups and ethnicities. From November 19 to 21 the UW-Stout campus, in cooperation with United Council will hold a conference to address barriers toward open and honest dialogue between students from diverse backgrounds.

This three-day event called “Building Unity,” which is open to all students, will be a chance to include all perspectives towards a promising future. Building Unity is an annual event that any student is welcome to be a part of. Contact Student Government Association for further information.

-Ryan Nelson
SGA Vice President

Deer season: renewing a Wisconsin tradition

For those readers who hunt deer in Wisconsin, I need say nothing more. For the rest of my readers, let me try to gauge my target: explaining all the hunting hype.

I’m a fairly religious person. I still get just as excited for Christmas now as I did when I was a child. So if you have any concept of what I’m talking about when I mention Christmas, you’ll get a general idea of what the anticipation of deer hunting season feels like for a deer hunter.

And I’m not alone. For nine days over 700,000 of the state’s farmers, bankers and a host of people from other occupations unite in the common activity of hunting deer. It’s a wonderful bond.

Deer hunting entails much more than meets the eye. Putting venison on the table is obviously an incentive for hunters, but many hunters will tell you the excitement centers around the hunt. You don’t have to be a deer hunter to appreciate the camaraderie of waking up with your friends to the smells of a hot breakfast, and the excitement of the day’s activities. The hunt may bring distant family members together and will likely result in cherished memories that are told and retold whenever the family gathers together.

And no matter how easy hunting may seem, killing a deer is never automatic. A friend who’d never hunted in Wisconsin before expected a deer behind every tree, and although I know areas that actually seem like that, deer are still amazing animals. They have only one basic function: survival. Naturally because of this, they are very good at just that. Shooting a deer is always an accomplishment to be proud of.

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OUTTA HEAD'S HEAD

Deer season: renewing a Wisconsin tradition

For those readers who hunt deer in Wisconsin, I need say nothing more. For the rest of my readers, let me try to gauge my target: explaining all the hunting hype.

I’m a fairly religious person. I still get just as excited for Christmas now as I did when I was a child. So if you have any concept of what I’m talking about when I mention Christmas, you’ll get a general idea of what the anticipation of deer hunting season feels like for a deer hunter.

And I’m not alone. For nine days over 700,000 of the state’s farmers, bankers and a host of people from other occupations unite in the common activity of hunting deer. It’s a wonderful bond.

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Long-awaited gun deer season opens Saturday

State deer biologists expect a record-breaking season

By Ryan Gilligan
Outdoors Editor

An estimated 650,000 hunters will head to the woods of Wisconsin this weekend for the 1999 gun deer season. The season, which opens Saturday morning a half hour before sunrise, has high expectations with hunters and biologists alike.

Near record deer populations and mild weather have many hunters chomping at the bit to throw on the old orange and climb a treestand in one of Wisconsin's richest and most awaited traditions.

Biologists estimate that the state deer population is 1.6 million animals, a fact that has prompted the DNR to expand the Zone T program, and make buck antlerless permits available in all but 15 of the over 130 deer management units. Hunters may purchase up to two of these permits per day at the cost of $12 each. The proceeds from bonus permit fees goes into the Wisconsin Wildlife Damage Abatement and Claims program.

Though many hunters relish the opportunity to spend more time in the woods and increase their harvest with such a boost in permits, the DNR has a more serious motivation in the change.

After several consecutive mild winters, the deer population has expanded to the point that the traditional deer season's harvest levels will not be enough to bring deer numbers under control.

"Hunters need to take on the role of deer managers by using the bonus permits to shoot antlerless deer," said Bill Mytton, DNR deer, bear and elk ecologist. "Hunting is our main tool for managing deer populations and without a significant antlerless harvest to reduce the populations, we'll certainly see larger herds next season and the continued need to hold special Zone T hunts to control the herd," said Mytton.

Through the Zone T season and the increased amount of antlerless bonus tags, DNR biologists hope that hunters will harvest 420,000 deer during the upcoming nine-day season. However, if the harvest goal is not met, biologists are already planning for next season.

Along with the deer management units included in the Zone T program, there are also over 30 units the DNR has classified as "watch units" for 1999. These areas are above population goals set by the DNR. Unless the 1999 gun season brings the population to within the goals, these units may become Zone T in the year 2000.

Finally, the DNR urges that hunters be careful with fire over the weekend because of the tinder-dry conditions that still exist across the state.

Good luck, and have a safe season.

A Shakespearean actor as a gardener?

By Lisa Rothe
Assistant Outdoors Editor

Whether it was his informal training to be a gardener or his Shakespearean acting career, Alan Chadwick has been credited as being a pioneer in the organic farming industry.

An English aristocrat by birth, Chadwick's childhood was filled with abundant luxuries and niceties. How he stumbled upon the humble profession of gardener when his talents ranged from a gold medal skier and skater to a professional painter and violinist left his family curious, but Chadwick was exhilarated. The meticulous mind of a scientist, a green thumb and endless funds led Chadwick to study with Rudolph Steiner, proponent of theories on wholism and bio-dynamics as well as French methods of soil preparation, composting and planting methods.

A mine sweeper for four years during World War II, he finally escaped from the world of coal and canaries, Chadwick accepted an offer to act in The Streetcar Named Desire in South Africa.

Brown the venison in a large pot or dutch oven and sprinkle on the garlic powder and pepper. Mix beer, water, soup mix, sugar, 1/2 teaspoon black pepper, 1 1/2 cups water 4 sliced celery stalks and 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder. Mix well and simmer for ~our.

Add carrots, simmer for 25 more minutes, then add the peas and 2 pounds cubed venison and 1/4 teaspoon thyme. 1 bay leaf. 1 1/2 cups water. 4 sliced celery stalks. 1 teaspoon powdered pepper. 1 1/2 cup frozen peas. 4 large potatoes (sliced). 2 packages of onion soup mix. 1/2 white onion. 2 tablespoons vegetable oil.

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Gearing up for winter survival

By Kristin Streng

Although these past few summer-like days have re-acquainted us to warm temperatures, winter is on its way. Many people choose to remain active outdoors in the winter by snowshoeing, camping, skiing, hunting, sledding and countless other activities. It is necessary for outdoor folks to be aware of emergencies that could happen concerning recreation in cold temperatures. Do you know what to do if your outdoor companion starts to show symptoms of hypothermia? How can you prevent these conditions from happening to you?

Mild Hypothermia:

WHAT IT IS:
A dramatic decrease in body temperature, below 95 degrees Fahrenheit.

WHAT TO WATCH FOR:
You or your companion may experience slurred speech, “weird” behavior, lethargy, irritability, loss of problem-solving ability, moderate change in mental status, shivering, and a body temperature of 90-96 degrees.

HOW TO PREVENT HYPOTHERMIA:
Clothing—Wear warm clothing when you are outdoors. Wool or polypropylene is best; cotton is a huge heat-loser! Also, wear a hat! A huge amount of body heat is lost from the head.

Food—Eat often, as this is a big producer of heat. Winter camping is not the time to be on a diet. The food you eat will provide your body with calories and heat needed—more than 6,000 per day if you are living outside in winter. Also, avoid alcohol, as it may make you feel warmer, but actually robs your body of heat, plus impairs your judgment that might be needed in a dangerous situation.

Exercise—Get up and run around! Exercise burns calories and warms the body.

When winter camping, before you go to sleep, lay your sleeping bag on the ground. Wrap your sleeping bag in a sleeping bag or blanket. Keep the bag warm to prevent further heat loss.

Wear warm clothing

Sandhill crane count statistics are in

By Amy Slagowski

The student chapter of the Wildlife Society successfully assisted in conducting the fall sandhill crane count once again. The collected data will be sent to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for research in estimating the Eastern population of Sandhill cranes.

Leonard Schumann, senior wildlife biologist for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service was impressed with the leadership from project leaders Kelly Rueckeim and Amy Slagowski and extended his gratitude to all involved.

“I appreciate the effort by the Student Chapter to organize the survey and later summarize the data. The student chapter has provided some of the best and consistent data over the years.”

On Oct. 30, over 30 volunteers participated to make the Sandhill crane count possible. A total of 12, 455 Sandhill cranes were counted in the following counties: Adams (340), Burnett (6,367), Marathon (zero), Outagamie (82), Portage (363), Waupaca (112 cranes), Waushara (453), and Wood (4,738). Sites in a few other counties were covered but the survey report forms have not been returned yet. The survey results for these counties in the 1998 sandhill crane count totaled 18,107.

The project leaders for the Sandhill crane count and Schumann thank all of the volunteers who gave up their Saturday morning to count cranes. We cannot provide consistent results without your help. We will need your participation.

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America Recycles Day on November 15

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DNR intensifies efforts to stop poaching

Wisconsin conservation wardens will take to the skies and put all 209 credentialed officers in the field to help target shining "cabin shooting" violations during the coming gun-deer season, Chief Warden Tom Harelson said.

"Cabin shooting" is a term wardens use to describe poachers who shoot at deer at night from either permanent or seasonal cabins and homes while the animals feed at bait piles nearby. Under Wisconsin law, people can legally feed deer behind their homes but it's illegal to shoot deer with the aid of a spotlight or other artificial light, including laser sights for firearms and bows. It is also illegal to use, or possess with intent to use, a light for shining wild animals between the hours of 10 p.m. and 7 a.m. from Sept. 15 to Dec. 31.

"Every warden in the state works the nine-day gun-deer season, including the chief warden," said Harelson. "This year, we're very interested in violations that involve the safety of the hunting and non-hunting public, and we also will focus on cabin shooting and on bait violations simply because they cause such a conflict among hunters."

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- Wisconsin DNR

Wanderings

By Lisa Rothe
Assistant Outdoors Editor

Around this time of year, when the land prepares itself for its snow-covered blanket, I take a step back and give thanks to Gaia and to everything she holds within her hands.

I'm thankful that when the sun rises in the morning, it's always fiery, tangerine orange, breaking the midnight blue of evening and saturating the sky with its own blush of greeting. And that the sun sets at night with its magnificent display of colors true to nature's palette, kissing the edges good night.

I'm thankful for pine forests, for the peace conveyed by their towering sap-leaking trunks, for the needles that when crushed emit the most perfect aroma, and for the cushion of fallen needles provided for my feet when I hike.

I'm thankful for lakes, shimmering blue, brown and green, filled with slippery fish and seaweed fingers. I'm thankful for forests filled with wildlife, each living and working within their environment.

I smile at the shapes and sizes of the animals I find on my hikes, my walks, my canoe trips—fur-covered, scale sheathed maybe an exoskeleton. I marvel at the wonders of evolution, creation and inevitably death.

I love spring for the smattering of wildflowers, tulips and daffodils, for the rain and the earthworms that crawl onto the pavement. I'm lucky to be able to dig into my garden, the dirt underneat my nails, sowing the soil to reap the summer's fruits.

I love summer for the watermelon juice that drips down my chin and hot, humid nights spent laying in fields counting shooting stars, for the thunderstorms that shake my screens, for how the grass is an unearthly green after the dark clouds pass.

And winter. Winter is about anticipation; it's about remembering how everything looks, feels, smells and tastes. But then I remember standing at the end of my driveway, my mouth open and my tongue waiting to catch a snowflake, and walking through a forest while the snow falls, each flake a tiny symphony upon itself. Between the turkey and the stuffing, eat life.
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Football team knocks off Bemidji in Metrodome
St. Norbert's next up for Pointers

By Nick Brilowski
SPORTS EDITOR

All of the pressure was off the UW-Stevens Point football team heading into its game with Bemidji State at the Metrodome in Minneapolis on Sunday.

There was no more worrying about whether or not they would receive a berth in the NCAA Division III tournament because head coach John Miech informed them that they were in five minutes prior to kickoff.

All they needed to do was go out and perform. And that's what they did as the Pointers captured their school record ninth win of the season in defeating the Beavers 35-23.

UW-SP (9-1) featured a five-headed monster at running back that ran over, around and through the Bemidji State (8-3) defense en route to 264 yards on the ground.

The attack was spearheaded by Wally Schmitt who rushed for 142 yards on 16 carries and matched a school record with four touchdowns, all in the second half. Tim Rabas added 71 yards in eight attempts.

“Our game plan was to use all five running backs,” Miech said. “When you play on a (arti-factual) surface like that, if you only use two running backs, they’ll be worn out by the third quarter. Our running backs were fresh, Tim Rabas and Wally really put on a show.”

After falling behind 17-7 midway through the third quarter, the Pointer defense stepped up. They did as the Pointers captured with a five-yard run giving UW-SP the lead to 28-23 with 1:19 remaining.

Following an Andy Palskill interception on the second play of the fourth quarter, Schmitt capped a five-play, 56-yard drive with a five-yard run giving UW-SP a lead it would not relinquish.

A fumble recovery by Jamey Kamrath set up Schmitt’s third touchdown of the game at the 10:04 mark.

And into the net for the game-winner at 12:08 in the third.

“Just our composure throughout the entire game had a larger effect than any individual’s play,” Miech said his team’s success was a direct result of the team’s high turnover ratio and the ability to convert the mistakes.

“We’re where we’re at because the defense has created turnovers and offensively we’ve taken advantage of the defense,” Miech said.

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Hockey sweeps past weekend opponents
St. Norbert, Lake Forest no match for Pointers

By Nick Brilowski
SPORTS EDITOR

The last time the UW-Stevens Point hockey team hooked up with St. Norbert College, the two teams combined for 31 penalties as the Green Knights got the Pointers out of their game on their way to an 8-2 rout.

Friday night at K.B. Willett Ice Arena, UW-SP managed to keep their cool and stay out of the penalty box, rallying from a 1-3 deficit for a 4-3 victory.

After failing behind 1-0 midway through the first period, the Pointers outscored the Green Knights 3-0 in the second frame. Point lead was 2-1 after 14:23.

Freshman Nick Glander winds up for a shot in search of his eventual hat trick, one of which is still to come.

“We really had to concentrate on staying out of the penalty box,” he said. “Just our composure throughout the entire game had a larger effect than any individual’s play.”

Saturday's game with Lake Forest was basically over before it started, as UW-SP scored to an 8-1 thrashing.

“I felt during warm-ups they didn’t want to play really bad,” Glander said of the Foresters.

It took Interbartolo just 20 seconds to score the opening goal of the game. Strassman, Boehm and Bryan Fricke added tallies before the end of the first, giving UW-SP a 4-0 advantage.

Glander kicked off his big game by scoring his second goal of the night, followed by Boehm's second of the afternoon for a 6-0 Point lead.

Lake Forest got its only score of the day to start the third as David Evans beat Bob Guald at the 7:58 mark.

Glander then capped off the scoring with a pair of goals, finishing off the hat trick.

Goalie finished 23 saves to earn the win.

The Pointers travel to Minnesota past weekend opponents.

Hockey seasons set to tip off this weekend
Women host Tip Off Classic, men travel to Kentucky

By Jessica Burda
SPORTS EDITOR

As an image of sensational boxing referee Mills Lane announcing “Let's Get It On!” comes to mind as the UW-Stevens Point basketball programs open up their promising seasons this weekend."

The Pointer Women’s Team

Let's start with the Pointer women. Head coach Shirley Egner and her young team know what they need to win big.

"For us to be successful," Egner said, "we need to take care of the basketball, rebound and take more second shot opportunities."

The Pointers return four definitive starters with senior standout Jessica Ott, junior Kari Groshek and sophomores Carry Schultz.

The point guard position remains undecided but will be determined by the Pointers' season opener with Bethel College Friday. True freshman Jessica Granger looks to fill in with junior Renee Kniel and sophomore guards Emily Petemell and Nikki Seaman.

NAIA school Bethel comes to UW-SP with five games behind it to face the yet untested Pointers. However, Egner believes that her young squad, the majority of which are sophomores and freshmen.
Wrestlers drop season opening match to UW
Pointers look to bounce back at Augsburg Open this weekend

By Jess Dinkla
SPORTS REPORTER

The Pointer wrestling team had a rough start to its season Monday night against UW-Madison. The Badgers shut out UW-Stevens Point 43-0 in a match that was held at D.C. Everest High School in Schofield.

Despite not winning a match, Pointer coach Johnny Johnson was pleased with his team’s effort. “I’m obviously disappointed with the score, but our guys wrestled hard against a very good team,” he said.

The highlight of the night was when UW-SP sophomore Darren Dummer took Madison’s 133-pound wrestler into overtime. Dummer ended up losing 14-12, getting taken down in overtime.

“Expectations are usually pretty low for the first tournament, but it’s good to see the younger guys doing well,” said Johnson.

The annual Golden Eagle Open was held Saturday in the MAC at UW-Stevens Point.

Placing in the silver division (freshman and seniors) for the Pointers were freshmen Jared Esala and Shawn Hanson.

The two Pointer freshmen dominated the 125-pound weight class with Esala taking first and Hanson taking third. There were no place winners in the gold division, which is made up mainly of seniors and juniors.

The Golden Eagle is a very competitive tournament with schools such as UW-Madison, Marquette, UW-Parkside and 1998 Division III National Champion Wartburg making a strong appearance.

“Expectations are usually pretty low for the first tournament, but it’s good to see the younger guys doing well,” said Johnson.

With only two seniors in the present lineup, much of the team is still fairly young. Less-experienced wrestlers will need to try to fill the shoes of graduated All-Americans Ross Buchinger and Jaime Hegland as well as two-time national qualifier Corey Bauer.

Point will look for redemption as it travels to the Augsburg Open Saturday in Minneapolis, Minn.

Cross country sets sights on Nationals
Men place second, women fourth at Regionals

By Jessica Burda
SPORTS EDITOR

Hard work and determination paid off this weekend for the UW-Stevens Point men’s and women’s cross country teams.

Outracing the best of the NCAA Region, both Pointer sides earned automatic qualifications to the NCAA Division III National Championship meet this Saturday in Oskosh.

“We ran the way we are capable of running,” said Men’s head coach Rick Witt. “Their performance was more like the beginning of the year.

“We ran the race the way we run best.”

With a much tighter pack, the UW-SP men placed second overall with 66 points behind North Central College who won the 28-team meet.

Jesse Drake, this year’s WIAC individual champion, placed sixth overall to lead the Pointers, while teammates Dan Schwanberger and Ryan Wenos earned eighth and ninth place overall.

On the heels of the Pointers within the top ten, Shane Siehling and Mike Peck finished the regional race together in 25:53 placing 21st and 22nd respectively among the almost 200 competitors.

The Pointer women raced their way through the Regional meet straight into their first National appearance since 1994.

Earning their highest national ranking of 19th place so far this season, the Pointers brought home a fourth place finish overall with 156 points.

“We got out really hard,” said women’s head coach Len Hill. “We made the other teams come after us.”

Perennial leader Leah Juno burned her way across the line in 18:15, followed by freshman Becky Lebak in ninth place.

After dropping nearly a minute off her times throughout the season, senior Lisa Pisca helped move her team into fourth place with her 24th place finish of 18:59.

“It wasn’t a given,” Hill said concerning the Pointers’ results. “Had we not had a good day we wouldn’t have made it.”

This year will mark only the fifth time ever that both the Pointer men and women qualified for Nationals together. Additionally, the Pointers know the course and are excited for one of their largest cheering sections ever, due to the meet location.

“The fact that our region is so tough, it will be our advantage to know the course really, really well,” Witt said. “There will also be an opportunity for more fans and family to be there.”

Coach Witt anticipates the national rankings to play out within the race, whilst Coach Hill believes that if the women can concentrate on the second mile of the race, an uphill section, the rest of the race will fall in line.

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Quote of the Week

“When he didn’t remember our anniversary, I knew he was okay.”

-Lisa McCaffrey, wife of Broncos’ receiver Ed McCaffrey, following his latest concussion.

-Sports Illustrated

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The Week Ahead...  

**UW-Stevens Point Athletics**

**Football:** At St. John's University (Minn.), Saturday 12 p.m.

**Cross Country:** NCAA III Championships at UW-Oshkosh, Saturday.

**Ice Hockey:** At Concordia College at Moorhead (Minn.), Saturday 7 p.m.; At St. John's University at St. Cloud (Minn.), Sunday 3 p.m.

**Wrestling:** Augsburg Open at Minneapolis (Minn.), Saturday 9 a.m.

**Swimming & Diving:** WIAC relays at UW-La Crosse - Dive 9 a.m., Swim 1 p.m.

**Men's Basketball:** St. Michael's (VT) at Highland Heights (Ky), Friday 5:45 p.m.; Northern Kentucky Tournament at Highland Heights, Saturday 5:45 or 7:45 p.m.; Lawrence University, Tuesday 7 p.m.

**Women's Basketball:** Tip Off Classic, Game 1 at 5 p.m. and Game 2 at 7 p.m. Friday, Consolation game at 2 p.m. and Championship game 4 p.m. Saturday.

*Week of Thursday, Nov. 25 to Wednesday, Dec. 1*

**Ice Hockey:** At Lake Forest College, Tuesday 7:30 p.m.

**Wrestling:** UW-La Crosse, Wednesday 7 p.m.

**Men's Basketball:** At the WIAA/LMC Challenge at Madison, versus Marian College, Saturday and Edgewood College, Sunday.

**Women's Basketball:** Wisconsin Lutheran College, Saturday 3 p.m.; At UW-Whitewater, Wednesday 7 p.m.

*All Home Games in Bold*

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**Senior Spotlight**

**Larry Aschebrook - Football Track & Field**

Aschebrook

Hometown: Clintonville, WI

Major: Business

Most Memorable Moment: Making Nationals for track in javelin and making playoffs in football. Who was your idol growing up?: My oldest brother because he was always better at sports than me.

What do you plan to do after you graduate?: Go to graduate school at UW-La Crosse for Athletic Administration.

Biggest achievement in sports: Making Nationals in track and getting Second Team All Conference in football.

Favorite aspect of football: The camaraderie or the team atmosphere.

Most Embarrassing Moment: My first home game, Ryan Aulenbach and I were freshmen. I ran the wrong route and he jut me in the back with the ball in front of the whole stadium.

What will you remember most about playing at UW-SP?: The friendships I've made that I acquired through being in different sports.

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**Scores**

Mr. Schiff Third Period 12-0

Mr. Schiff Fourth Period 12-0

Mr. Schiff Fifth Period 12-0

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**Intramural Rankings**

**Men's Basketball**


Women's Volleyball


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**Cross Country**

NCAA Division III Midwest Regional Cross Country Championships Rock Island, Ill. November 13, 1999

**Men's Overall Team Results**


**Women's Overall Team Results**

1. UW-Oshkosh 58 2. UW-La Crosse 100 3. Wheaton College 122 4. UW-SP 156 5. UW-Whitewater 158

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In the Ring:
He-Man or the Smurfs?

By Ryan Lins
ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

"By the Power of Greyskull, I have the Power!" The image of Prince Adam morphing into He-Man still sends a chill down my spine. To argue that a blue little freak like a smurf could be cooler than say, Man-at-Arms or Skeletor is just plain ludicrous. I think not! Gargamel plotted only to make the occasional Smurf stew, or to make a snack for his stupid cat. He-Man knew that. No, Gargamel plotted only to make the occasional Smurf stew, or to make a snack for his stupid cat, Arzevil.

While the pursuit of harvesting Smurfs is a noble venture, it does not go far enough. For instance, what about Cannibal Smurf, Satan Worshipper Smurf, and Hooker Smurf? The Smurfs taught us at a young age how to share, how to make friends and most importantly, not to talk to the big scary man down the street. It also taught us how to respect our elders, (Papa Smurt) and that everyone is different, (hence Vanity Smurf, Grumpy Smurf, Brainy Smurf, Smurfette, etc ... )

As my friend Pat Rothfuss has just told me, "there are more smurfs than just the ones that are well known. For instance, what about Cannibal Smurf, Satan Worshipper Smurf, and Hooker Smurf?" The He-Man characters would probably be helpless in the presence of such company. I, on the other hand, will simply tell you why the Smurfs are so weak, ineffective robots that strive to make today's children pacifists.

By Annie Scheffen
FEATURES EDITOR

Nothing can beat the Smurfs. Yes, it’s true that He-Man, Master of the Universe was one of the best shows of all time, but who didn’t like the Smurfs?

There is something magical about the smurfs. I’m not going to say anything bad about He-Man because I liked the show myself. If you already read what my assistant wrote, you will find that he is just a mean, horribly insensitive individual. I, on the other hand, will simply tell you why the Smurfs are so wonderful, and better than He-Man, without bashing Man-at-Arms or any of the other characters of the Masters of the Universe gang. This, of course, will make me the bigger person here.

Smurfs taught us at a young age how to share, how to make friends and most importantly, not to talk to the big scary man down the street. It also taught us how to respect our elders, (Papa Smurf) and that everyone is different, (hence Vanity Smurf, Grumpy Smurf, Brainy Smurf, Smurfette, etc ... )

The Smurfs even taught me how to cook. My mom caught me in my room one day at the age of six cooking my dolls because I thought that’s what you were supposed to do since Gargamel did it or tried to do it to the Smurfs. Okay, maybe that’s not a good thing, but the Smurfs always get away, right?

I don’t know why Ryan thinks that He-Man is cooler just because his characters could beat up on mine. Isn’t that obvious? Any muscle man could beat a Smurf senseless. Pardon me, lovely assistant, but everyone is different, (hence Vanity Smurf, Grumpy Smurf, Brainy Smurf, Smurfette, etc ... )

Pointers on the go:
Jaskolski recognized as top researcher

When Corey Jaskolski was a teenager in the early '90s, he neglected to attend classes at his local high school. Noticing he was absent more than present, school administrators sent him to be tested at a nearby technical college. He effortlessly passed the test to receive a General Equivalency Diploma.

Anticipating his future livelihood, Jaskolski decided to take a job as a roofer. His foray into construction was short-lived, however. One winter day, buffered by frigid winds on top of a building, he knew he had to escape that freezing cold. College began to look more and more attractive.

Today, the high school dropout is a senior physics and mathematics major at UW-Stevens Point. He recently was recognized as the top student researcher at an international meeting of the Society of Physics Students in Helsinki, Finland.

One of three students chosen to represent the United States at the Helsinki meeting, Jaskolski discussed his research on ultrashort laser pulses, conducted with Assistant Professor Greg Taft of the UW-SP physics department. His paper describing the project was selected by the nearly 300 participants as the best presentation out of more than 60 at last month's conference.

Jaskolski, who confesses to a long-time interest in science and computers, began his university career in 1995 at UW-Marshfield where he served as president of the Mathematics Club. During his junior and senior years at UW-SP he served as vice-president and president of the Society of Physics Students.

Following his graduation in May, he plans to pursue a Ph.D. in physics or aerospace systems engineering at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology or the University of Colorado.

Jaskolski

UW-Stevens Point student novel to go on sale

Julie Ray will sign her book in the Heritage Room on Nov. 19. (Submitted photo.)

The talents of UW-Stevens Point student Julie Ray are displayed in her first published work, a young adult novel entitled Seeing Clearly.

The coming-of-age story of a young girl with an eye disorder was edited and published by Cornerstone Press, which is run by the students of UW-SP Professor Dan Dietrich’s Editing and Publishing class.

Seeing Clearly goes on sale Nov. 19 and can be purchased at local bookstores or from any class member. You can also contact Kelly Ulman at 341-6177. A book signing reception will be held Nov. 19 from 6-8 p.m. in the Heritage Room in the University Center for anyone interested.

The features section is still looking for Alumni for "Pointers on the go." If you know anyone who would like to be featured in our section, please e-mail us at asche404 or call us at (715)-346-2249. You can also stop by the CAC Building in Room 104 and drop it off.

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School “Pointers”
From the Lifestyle Assistants

By Gerry Hamm
UW-SP Lifestyle Assistant

Chew on this!

Have any of you readers ever tried smokeless tobacco? Chances are that even if you haven’t, you know someone who has. Approximately 50 percent of males have tried smokeless tobacco by their senior year of high school and one in five is currently chewing on a regular basis. For those of you thinking that chewing is a safe alternative to smoking, think again.

In 1986, the Surgeon General warned that there is “no safe use” of smokeless tobacco. W.R. Spence, M.D. has compared choosing between cigarettes that ‘s not bad enough, chewers can also expect a decrease in the ability to taste and smell certain kinds of foods.

If the physical threats don’t concern you, maybe the financial threats will. One tin of chew costs about three dollars. How many do you go through each week? Let’s compare, conservatively, two cans per week versus a more likely one can per day. The conservative user spends approximately $6 per week and $25 per month, while the more liberal smokeless tobacco user spends $21 per week and $85 per month. Ask yourself if there are better things to do with your money. Chances are, just about anything you could think of would be better than buying chewing tobacco. You could buy a new fishing pole, hunting gear, a new set of tires for your car, computer stuff, or whatever else you want.

Think about all the multiple consequences of using smokeless tobacco and the additional advantages of quitting. You can save money, your smile and your life. Thursday, Nov. 18 is the Great American Smokeout. Take it one step further this year and make it your own personal day to stop chewing tobacco as well.

A Friendship is no longer missed (For Tom)
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Traditional bluegrass band to hold release party at Witz End

"Organized as recently as May 31, 1998, when they performed at a block party to raise money for the Madison community radio station, WORT, this fine band of young musicians have been central to a renaissance of bluegrass music in Wisconsin's capital city. Don't be troubled by the fact that no one in the group grew up in a neighborhood called Nob Hill, even though such an area exists on the south side of Madison. Flatt and Scruggs didn't live on Foggy Mountain either when, in 1948, they named their band the Foggy Mountain Boys. Linking themselves to both real and imagined places has always been important to bluegrass musicians who feel the need to evoke a sense of rootedness and tradition. Like many bluegrass musicians, the Nob Hill Boys sing about old country churches where they have never worshipped, little cabin homes where they never lived, and broken love affairs that they've probably never had. But their ability to perform such material with conviction, affection, and authenticity explains why they have built a loyal and expanding audience in their relatively short history. Although the Nob Hill Boys haven't been together very long, their individual experiences as musicians go back a long way and virtually sum up the music of grassroots America."—From liner notes by Bill C. Malone, author of Country Music USA.

Jon Peik, who plays banjo and sings baritone, began picking stringed instruments at age six. His family's musical background set him in the direction of gospel, leading to an eight-year stint with "The Pitneys," a southern gospel ensemble. Jon's expertise as a banjo player, exhibited in his command of Scruggs, Reno and chromatic styles, is a crucial ingredient to the Nob Hill sound, and his affable personality, marked by a winning and perpetual smile, contributes vitally to the band's popularity. Along the way Peik has earned a BA in Theology from Moody Bible Institute in Chicago, and an MA in Church History from Wheaton College.

You're not likely to find too many bluegrass bands with a member who studied at Oxford or conducted field work in the South Pacific. While managing both these academic feats, guitarist and lead singer Dan O'Brien played with a number of rock-, folk-, jazz- and blues-influenced groups by the time he graduated college. Though bluegrass and old time music have since become O'Brien's singular focus, his style is influenced by his eclectic roots. Also the youngest member of the Nob Hill Boys, O'Brien co-hosts Madison's only weekly bluegrass jam located downtown at the Copper Grid. The Nob Hill Boys benefit from John Fabke's songwriting, stylish mandolin picking and occasional claw-hammer banjo playing, but it's his strong tenor singing that adds spice to the band's duets and trios. Fabke's roots in traditional music run deep, having played blues, Cajun, and old time music with some of the best pickers in the Midwest. Fabke also produces and hosts the popular "Pastures of Plenty" radio program on Madison's WORT, is the former president of the Southern Wisconsin Bluegrass Music Association, and joins O'Brien every Monday to co-host the Copper Grid jam. In their first year together, the Nob Hill Boys were nominated for a WAMI Award (Wisconsin Area Music Industry,) and were finalists in the 1999 International Band Contest in Nashville. Their Stevens Point album release party will be on Friday, Nov. 19 at the Witz End (1274 N. 2nd Drive) at 9:30 p.m.

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Hypothermia

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This situation is very dangerous to remedy in the field. This person must be transported to a hospital gently, as the cold heart muscle is irritable. Package the person in a sleeping bag to prevent the person to a hospital.

Hypothermia is preventable! When you are outdoors in the winter, make sure you are prepared for extreme conditions. If you notice yourself or your friend becoming affected by the temperature, stop. Eat something. Run around. Put on more clothing and remove wet clothing. It only takes a few minutes to prevent hypothermia.

Crane

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dedicated volunteers again this April for the spring Sandhill crane count when mating pairs of cranes are counted for the International Crane Foundation. We will keep you updated when the time comes.

Diversity:

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Smith commented on the importance of diversity discussion. "The people need to be educated on diversity issues and not just assume or go by what society stereotypes may be." Smith stressed the importance of making the community aware that diversity is not just an academic topic. Diversity is an issue for discussion and understanding in the joint populations of the UW-SP campus and the community.

True Yang, a UW-SP student, was involved with the session that debated the topic of "Hmong/American Cultural Conflict."

Yang stressed the importance of keeping Hmong language and culture and the value of the public understanding the strain involved.

Yang stated that the diversity discussion is "important for [the community] to understand how difficult it is to be a Hmong student and to fit into both worlds. [The sessions] are good for the community to understand the struggle academically, in school, and in society."
The series is supported by donations from the Noel Group of Stevens Point and the UW-SP Foundation.

Parking:

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One dollar each year to park in the city with a permit. This permit lasts two years. The city makes up to $1,600 in tickets per month and most of these are driveway violations.

A student at the forum stated that she spends up to $15 in parking per week, "I will pay for parking no matter how much it costs because I live 20 minutes away from campus and there is no way I am walking that distance."
The forum was organized after an informal survey conducted by the Non-Traditional office showed that students were concerned about the state of parking on campus.

"I think that the state of parking is in shambles and commuter students seem to be bearing the brunt of the problem," said Michael Roth, legislative director of SGA.

One of the solutions suggested by the panel speakers was to utilize the student transit service provided by the University to help alleviate the parking problem on campus.

Campus transit shuttles students from campus to their place of residence within a five-mile radius, from 6 p.m. to 1 a.m. during the weekdays.

Other suggestions include utilizing the parking lot at the old County Market and the Rice Clinic.

"The formation of the committee to look into this problem is a great first step," said Roth. Roth also encouraged students who are interested in sitting on the committee to stop by the SGA office.

Rally:

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a statement supporting the rally from Rep. Sarah Waukau.

He added, "This rally marks the expansion of the transmission line opposition into northeastern Wisconsin, and bring together environmentalists, farmers, and Native peoples opposed to the interconnection of dams, transmission lines, and sulfide mines."

Participants performed theater depicting the topping of a mock "transmission line" by shouts of opposition, and formed a circle at the end depicting the victory of "people power" over so-called "power lines."

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By Pat "Peeker" Rothfuss
SERVING YOUR STALKING NEEDS SINCE EARLY ADOLESCENCE

Dear Mr. Rothfuss,

I recently found an old copy of The Pointer with your column titled, "Love's Labor's Lost." The opinions you expressed about stalking were terribly ignorant. I realize that you were probably meaning to be humorous, but the subject of stalking is not funny, and encouraging others to stalk each other is tacky, not to mention dangerous.

[Name withheld by request]

I'll have to say that I disagree on two points. The first is when you say "stalking is not funny." I've done some research, and it has revealed that there is only one thing that isn't funny, and that is having sex with a clown.

What kind of clown? Any kind of clown. Rodeo-clown sex is just as not-funny as Circus-clown sex. Clowns are unnatural creatures that have been cast from the grace of God; like demons, clown. Rodeo-clown sex is just as unnatural creatures that have been cast from the grace of God; like demons, clown. Rodeo-clown sex is just as unnatural creatures that have been cast from the grace of God; like demons, clown.

Secondly, despite all the hype, you've got a lot less to fear than you do from that athletic, charming, date-rage-in-waiting that you met last Saturday night at a house party. Stalkers tend to be timid creatures that can be fiercely loyal once befriended.

As a matter of fact, since so much of the male population is composed of stalkers, you ladies out there might want to consider the benefits of dating one of yours.

Slavish Devotion

Think of everything your stalker went through just to peek in your bedroom window. Clambering a tree in the middle of the night during a thunderstorm is no easy thing, believe me. And usually all the stalker gets for his pains is an hour or two of watching you do your chemistry homework.

But if you're going out with your stalker, you can harness this energy. Offer to show him both your breasts in exchange for cleaning your bathroom. He'll jump at the opportunity. To him, it's a bargain.

Low Maintenance

This can be a nice feature if you've gotten sick of those "romantic" boyfriends. You know, the clingy type of guy that makes you a mix tape for your two month anniversary. Remember how your "romantic" would leave little poems hidden around your room, then call you after you got home from work and offer to come over to your house, make you vegetarian lasagna for dinner, and rub your feet? **

You don't need to worry about that sort of unwrapping, tedious harassment from your stalker-boyfriend.

Most of the time you won't even know he's there. In fact, a stalker can usually live quite contentedly in your clothes hamper for upwards of a week, providing they can see through the wicker.

** Just kidding. Guys like this don't really exist.

Lack of Social Mores

Your stalker's only social skills were learned from three other pimply geeks he used to play Dungeons and Dragons with. While this can make him awkward at parties, underdeveloped social skills can work in your favor too.

For one thing, he has no idea when you're being rude to him. This can provide hours of entertainment. Ask him to put on your old prom dress and invite some friends over. He won't suspect you're laughing at him. Have him run around the house naked, call it "foreplay" and he won't bat an eye before stripping down and streaking away. This leads us neatly into:

Lack of Sexual Inhibition

Aside from a circa 1960 Playboy and late-night HBO, you're the first naked woman your stalker has ever seen. His entire sexuality is based around whispered conversations in high school locker rooms and one heavily thumbed copy of the Best of Penthouse Letters.

He is a tabula rasa. An uniformed piece of clay that you can mold to fit your desire. If you've ever wondered what it would be like to have sex in a bathtub full of oatmeal, your stalker-boyfriend is the perfect opportunity find out. He won't judge you because he doesn't know any better. Hell, you could make him have sex with one of your potted plants and he wouldn't think there was anything odd about it.

Broadway on Point

by Kelvin Chen

Stephen Sondheim's Into the Woods may sound musically tuneless to many whose diet of musicals consists mainly of Rogers & Hammerstein or Lloyd Webber. What happened at the Jenkins Theatre last night can be likened to that of acquiring a taste for gourmet. Sondheim's musical Into the Woods was a pure joyride into the world of fairytales and that is where things went for the better.

Did Broadway just arrived in Stevens Point in the form of an excellent ensemble for Into the Woods? Yes it did. From the moment the Narrator enters and speaks, he had the audience captured into the microscopic world of the musical. Like a storybook, each character enfolows slowly beyond what we know commonly from fairytales familiar to us. On a deeper level, Sondheim has all the demons that every child will face some day in the adult world brilliantly captured into the show and metaphorized in the form of the woods.

Getting lost in these woods with the cast was a pure delight. The cast acted with such conviction, particularly Justin Winterhalter who plays the role of the Baker. Heather Sturzl who plays Cinderella has a voice that rings a bell of promise to greater musical roles to come. The most beautiful moment of the whole show was during the second act when the two of them have to comfort their charges (Jack and Little Red Riding Hood) in No One Is Alone. Their voices complimented each other with touching conviction that it moves the audience. Andrea Sanfelippo who plays the Witch is as nasty as you can get. She not only stole the whole show with her dialectical performance, but she made it her show. The rest of the cast is as perfect as far as casting comes. Every member shone in his or her own right, and the applause bestowed upon them at the end was justified deserved.

The costumes featured in the musical goes all the way to show how creative costume designer Jennifer Ann Paar is. Her couture is a riot of colors from earth tones which compliments the stage to the rich burgundy dress worn by the Witch. Each creation is a piece of art itself as colorful as the characters on stage.

Andrea Sanfelippo... not only stole the whole show... but she made it her show.

Kudos to Stephen Sherwin who directed the musical. Under his direction, the show is tighter compared to James Lapin's who directed the original Broadway production of the show.

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Men’s BB
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of the Northern Kentucky tournament, however, as the Pointers face 1998 NCAA Division II qualifier St. Michael’s (Vt.) and possibly Northern Kentucky, which played in two of the last four D-II title games.

“We obviously are playing teams at a different level,” men’s head coach Jack Bennett said. “We wanted to test ourselves early.”

With only two scrimmages behind them, the Pointers are ready to take the floor, but Bennett also knows this weekend will be “an eye-opener for our kids.”

With several returning starters and new additions to the team, the Pointers certainly have the depth and talent to make things happen this year in the WIAC, one of the more competitive D-III conferences in the country.

Senior Brent Bailey, who averaged 17.8 points per game and 5.3 rebounds, leads the returning starters, joined by Gabe Frank, Jay Bennett, Nate Vosters and Kletona Kadima who remains on injured reserve with knee and ankle injuries.

D-I transfer Brent Larson, a player Coach Bennett believes may be a catalyst for the team, will join Vosters at point guard.

Down in post, Joe Zuiker and Travis Kemenowski will join Bailey in replacing Derek Westrum, who graduated last year as the team’s leading rebounder. True freshman Josh Iserloth may also contribute to the Pointer strength underneath this season.

“This is all pointed towards being as ready as possible for the season opener,” Coach Bennett added.

The Pointers will return home to Quandt Fieldhouse Nov. 23 at 7 p.m. versus Lawrence University. All students are free with their student IDs.

Football
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taken advantage of that,” he stated.

“We play in a real tough conference,” Miech added. “We’ve played three teams in upper-level conferences that have a combined record of 23-8. To reach nine wins is just fantastic.”

UW-SP got on the board first on a 24-yard scoring run by Lance Gast two minutes into the second quarter. Bemidji State answered with a 17-yard pass from Andrew Aulenbacher to Ryan Aulenbacher, who broke away for a 52-yard score.

In the opening half, giving the Beavers a 10-7 lead going into the locker room.

The Pointers could receive an added boost if quarterback Ryan Aulenbacher is cleared by doctors to play. Aulenbacher, who broke his collarbone again River Falls, has been looking sharp in practice according to Miech.

UW-SP and St. John’s will kickoff at noon on Saturday.

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should prove favorable.

“If we can mentally focus on that second mile, we’ll be in good shape,” Hill said. “We need to make sure we’re not backing off, but working through it.”

Saturday’s meet will be held at Lake Breeze Golf Course in Winneconne, Wis. The women race at 11 a.m. and the men at noon.
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