UWSP class of 2000 graduates

By Andrea Wetzel
Editor-in-Chief

Approximately 1,182 students graduated from UWSP on May 14. Friends and family members crowded the Sundial to see the graduates receive recognition for their collegiate achievements.

The UWSP Concert Band, under the direction of James Arrowood, provided precessional music as the inner circle of the Sundial quickly flooded with black robes and smiling faces.

"I was excited," said graduate Luke Stachovak. "I'm ready to move on after five years of college."

Vice Chancellor Bill Meyer greeted the crowd. Then, Desiree Wattelet, a senior and applied music major from Minocqua, sang the national anthem.

Meyer and Assistant Chancellor Bob Tomlinson announced the names of graduates who received honors or James H. Albertson awards for their academic excellence and involvement.

UWSP alumnus Bob Whitsett, who is president and general manager of the Portland Trail Blazers and President of the Seattle Seahawks, gave the first commencement address.

"My experiences at UWSP gave me the basis of knowledge for making the kinds of talent related decisions I have to make today," Whitsett said.

In Whitsett's speech, he shared his experiences at UWSP, some from his work place. He said graduates should aim high in their goals for the future.

"You're in a digital world, your journey is going to go a lot quicker than mine did," said Whitsett. "What's out there for you is really quite exciting."

Following his speech, Chancellor Thomas George recognized Whitsett, and Mary Williams, former UW System Regent and assistant to the chancellor for affirmative action, as distinguished alumni.

Bunmi Olatunji, a graduating senior and Albertson award winner, gave the second commencement address. He is the first student in recent memory to address his fellow graduates at commencement. Recently, Chancellor George decided that one student from each graduating class should have this honor.

"...this university has given us more than a world-class education," said Olatunji. "It has given us the tools to defy conventional wisdom, the freedom to take risks, the encouragement to get involved, and the opportunity to exchange ideas and share friendships with extraordinary students and faculty, and for this we are truly blessed."

Olatunji is a native of Nigeria and a graduate of SPASH. During the ceremony, he congratulated the first graduate, Kelvin Chen.

Peace studies minor added to curriculum

This fall UWSP students will have the opportunity to minor in peace studies. The new peace studies minor will be interdisciplinary, giving students a chance to study areas of peace studies in other departments.

In the past, peace studies was a group of standalone courses. Eric Yonke, associate professor of history and peace studies, recently headed a committee to construct the new minor. Members of the Letters and Science departments were invited to attend the committee meetings.

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However, the Love Bug still caused the university to restrict campus access to the servers for five hours. Although the technology specialists at UWSP were prepared for such an outbreak, a few students were not. Three students living in the residence contracted the virus on their computers.

"Since they did not have virus protection on their personal computers which could detect the virus, they became infected and the virus began mailing itself to everyone in their address books," said Dumke. "Fortunately, the virus was not wide-spread across campus.

"When it became apparent that someone had become infected on campus and was sending infected attachments to everyone in our on-campus address book, we made the decision to shut down access to the servers until we could perform a complete manual scan of all the messages," said Dumke.

Many people fell victim to the Love Bug because the e-mails containing the infected attachments came from someone they
Officials advise students to stop using Napster

By Andrea Wetzel

Napster, a popular internet based company that connects thousands of MP3 fans across the nation, has been stirring up controversy in universities across the nation. Recently UW-Stout joined a list of over 200 universities that have taken steps to block their network's access to Napster.

Administrators at UW-Stout made the decision to restrict Napster usage on their campus after they received notice from the Recording Industry Association of America (RIAA) that students were violating copyright laws.

Although UWSP has not followed suit with other universities who have decided to block access to the program students were warned against using Napster in April.

"We sent out a student message of the day to tell people to please stop doing it because it was illegal for copyright reasons and detrimental to the information is not released to watchdogs such as the RIAA, many web sites with direct downloads of MP3s have been shut down.

"I think if you want to download one song it's much better than buying the whole CD," said UWSP junior Kristina Greene. "If I happen to like the song I'm going to buy the CD anyway because I usually listen to music on my stereo or in my car rather than on the computer."

Although it is unclear what actions may be taken against users of Napster, because personal information is not released to watchdogs such as the RIAA, many web sites with direct downloads of MP3s have been shut down.

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A proud graduate during the ceremony (photo by News Services)

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his years at UWSP he was involved in the men's basketball program, the Psychological Honor Society and has volunteered as a mentor for area troubled minority adolescents at the Rice Clinic. He graduated as a psychology major with a 3.56 cumulative grade point average. He plans to pursue both a master's and doctoral degree in either social or clinical psychology.

"Boomer did a fantastic job at commencement," said Stachovak. "He was a very good representative of our university and the graduating class."

Following Olatunji's address the college deans hooded the master's graduates and Meyer presented their diplomas. Chancellor Thomas George presented the baccalaureate diplomas after the introduction of each graduate by Professor William "Pete" Kelley.

"UWSP has one of the best under-graduate experiences you can get in the state. There's no other time in your life that you'll have the opportunity to explore the wide range of ideas that the college atmosphere has to offer," said Chancellor George. "Throughout my four years here I got to know a lot of graduates personally."

Many UWSP graduates are walking away from the university with much more than a college diploma.

"I think I learned as much outside of the classroom as I did inside," said Stachovak.

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Exam #1

1. The University Store is ___
   
   A. An on campus retailer, providing all supplies for your academic needs.
   B. Prime location for purchasing UWSP merchandise and clothing.
   C. Awesome variety of quality art and school supplies.
   D. Supplier of books of all shapes and sizes.
   E. All of the Above.

2. Text Rental is ___
   
   A. A unique service that saves students approximately $300 in book costs per semester.
   B. Located in the lower level of the University Center.
   C. All of the Above
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trusted. After a victim of the virus opens the attachment the bug automatically senses itself to all of the addresses listed on their address book. Then the virus detects and destroys items such as photos or music files from the victim's hard drive. Finally, the virus operates a program that allows easy access to the victim's passwords.

According to Microsoft, there is a few key things that everyone should do to protect themselves from future outbreaks from viruses such as the Love Bug.

First of all, never run an executable attachment. Many of these are popular for example, everyone on campus was 'Elf Bowling' around Christmas time. But any one of these attachments could contain a virus, even if it is sent from someone you know.

Second, Microsoft recommends that you have a good virus scanner. Lastly, keep the virus scanner's signature files up to date. Viruses continue to evolve and in order to protect your computer, your scanner needs to as well.

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development of international conflict resolution. Peace Studies 200, "Dilemmas of War and Peace" will be required for the minor.

They then take courses from various departments that deal with either global peace and development or social justice and human rights. A senior seminar course or three-credit thesis completes the minor.

From the editor's desk
I'D LIKE TO THANK THE SUMMER STAFF FOR ALL THE LONG HOURS THEY'VE PUT IN FOR THIS ISSUE. Good Job,
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FRIDAY, MAY 5
2:22 a.m. Lot Q
A student called protective services from the Lot Q code blue phone and reported that two males were vandalizing cars in the northeast corner of Lot Q.

FRIDAY, MAY 5
10:00 a.m. Lot Q
A student reported that her driver's side door was dented on her vehicle. A shoe print was visible where the dent was.

SATURDAY, MAY 6
11:23 a.m. University Center
The fire alarm at the north pull station in the University Center was activated.

MONDAY, MAY 8
2:28 a.m. Smith Hall
A student reported that her backpack had been taken from the Smith Hall lounge.

TUESDAY, MAY 9
3:10 p.m. Student Services
Someone reported that one of the floor mats was missing from the east side entrance of the Student Services building.

THURSDAY, MAY 11
2:02 a.m. Baldwin Hall
An officer was dispatched to Baldwin circle because someone reported that there was a dumpster on fire. He or she also reported that there was five individuals all wearing dark hooded sweatshirts with the hoods up fleeing the scene.

THURSDAY, MAY 11
4:10 p.m. Lot J
A student reported that her car had been struck and damaged by an unknown vehicle while parked in Lot J.

FRIDAY, MAY 12
2:10 p.m. Lot Q
A student notified Protective Services that someone had damaged his vehicle, causing a fist-sized dent to the passenger side of the roof.

FRIDAY, MAY 12
5:30 p.m. Lot Q
A student reported that his gray colored duffel bag was missing from the back of his pickup truck.

MONDAY, MAY 25
3:04 p.m. South Hall
Someone reported the theft of her bicycle seat from the northeast bike rack of South Hall.

TUESDAY, MAY 30
9:08 a.m. Lot E
A student notified Protective Services that while attempting to park her vehicle in Lot E, she struck the vehicle parked in the adjacent stall.

EDITORS' NOTE:
The contents of Campus Beat are taken directly from the records at Protective Services
Doug Moore, a University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point photographer and educator in natural resources, has won first prize in a national photography contest. Moore’s slide of a blue damselfly placed first in the University Photographer’s Association of America (UPAA) “science” category. Founded in 1961 at a symposium at Harvard University, UPAA today has more than 300 members throughout the United States and Canada. It is the only national organization devoted solely to the support and advancement of the photographic professional working within institutions of higher education.

“It was quite an honor to be selected,” said Moore. “There’s a lot of tough competition out there.”

A member of UPAA for the past 15 years, Moore’s photos have placed in UPAA’s annual slide competition on several occasions. His entries have scored high in the science, portrait, personal vision, news features and campus landscape categories. The damselfly photograph was taken last June 25, at 5:45 a.m., near Glen Lake in the Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore, Michigan.

The UPAA recognition is one of many awards that Moore has received over the past few years. In 1998 and 1999, Moore co-produced two slide programs with Marshfield Clinic neurosurgeon Donald Kelm for the “Four Star Award” for best educational presentation by the American Federation of Mineralogical and Geological Societies.

In 1997, his fall photo of UWSP’s Old Main building was recognized with a first place $500 award by the Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers for outstanding original art. Earlier, Moore’s microscope photo of an algae found in the Schmeekle Reserve was a finalist in the Nikkon International Small World Photomicrography Competition. He was honored as “Photographer of the Year” by the Focal Point Camera Club and accorded honorable mention in the Minnesota Botany International Exposition of Photography.

A native of Grand Rapids, Mich., and a former naturalist at the Chipewa Nature Center in Midland, Mich., Moore has degrees from the University of Michigan and UWSP. In 1988, he was named UWSP’s outstanding natural resources graduate student.

Moore shares his interest in photography with others by teaching classes. This August, he will offer a three-day class in Eagle River at the Trees for Tomorrow Natural Resources Education Center. For more information, contact Trees for Tomorrow at 715/493-7100 or visit their website at www.treesfortomorrow.com.
Alumnus helps college raise funds

Menzel named PR Coordinator for College of Natural Resources

Steve Menzel, Stevens Point, has been named public relations and development coordinator for the College of Natural Resources.

His new responsibilities include coordinating CNR communication activities, managing the college’s website and editing the CNR newsletter. Another part of the job is to facilitate fund raising for the college. Menzel is developing relationships with donors and working on projects aimed at specific financial needs within the college.

“One of the areas we are working on is continuing the funding for the position of distinguished professor in forestry,” Menzel said. “We hope to raise $40,000 over two years.”

Menzel recently sent out a mailing to professionals in the wood products industry and reports that he is already seeing success with the project.

He is assisting in planning a long-range initiative to expand the influence of the CNR. This 10-year plan will see definite growth in the college, taking it to a global audience.

“I have had the pleasure and benefit of working with John Ross, who is not only an expert in fund raising, but a conservation graduate from our campus,” Menzel said. “Ross, a 1958 graduate, recently retired as development director of the Indiana University Foundation. He now conducts seminars around the country for ‘Philanthropy and Americans Outdoors.’”

“It’s exciting to look at the future of the college,” Menzel notes. Before coming to UWSP, Menzel was the public relations coordinator for Saint Michael’s Hospital. He also was an advertising sales account representative for the Stevens Point Journal from 1978 to 1993. While a student at UWSP, he received the Dreyfus Award for Community Service in 1977 and was named Pointer basketball’s most valuable player in 1978 under Coach Dick Bennett. He received a bachelor’s degree in communication in 1978.

Active in community projects, Menzel served as president of the Optimist Club and has worked on behalf of the United Way of Portage County. He has served on the Community Parks Improvement Committee, the Portage County Cultural Diversity Committee, the Family Resource Center Board and the Portage County Humane Society Board.

Portion of green Circle Trail shut down

Recently, users of the Green Circle Trail were surprised to find a seven foot fence blocking off a portion of the trail. The land owner, Larry Frish, recently shut down the mile and a half wooded portion of the trail located north of Buckol Park running parallel with the river.

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Pagel nominated for Environmental Career Counselor of the year award

The Environmental Career Center, LCC recently nominated UWSP Associate Director of Career Services, Mike Pagel for the Environmental Career Counselor of the Year award.

The award will recognize the top environmental career counselors at academic institutions. Currently there are three other nominees, Karen Kirchof of Duke University, Peter Otis of Yale University and Phil Splett of the University of Minnesota. The Environmental Career Center is still accepting nominations.

“We nominated Mike because he’s one of the best,” said John Eisen, director of the Environmental Career Center. “We did a career seminar four years ago when Mike started talking to the students, he had them spellbound.”

The criteria for the Environmental Career Counselor of the Year award are: He or she must be an academic institution career counselor, have both a passion and keen knowledge to help students work for the environment, and have at least two years experience.

Pagel has worked for UWSP for 25 years. As a career counselor, he helps students set life and career goals and he equips them with tools to reach those goals.

“I haven’t had a single day in my life where I didn’t look forward to coming to work. I’ve spent time in the field and I enjoy it, but I discovered that my particular strengths make it possible for me to have more impact here than I did out there,” said Pagel.

Pagel’s counseling emphasis is for students who are majoring in science or natural resources while John Zach, Larry Walters, and Mary Mosier, assist students majoring in other areas.

“When a student comes into career services, we show them what the markets are, how much education they’re going to need, what combinations of majors and minors work best for those markets and what the day to day existence will be in that occupation,” said Pagel.

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In March the RIAA contacted UWSP to inform them that a student was using the server to operate an FTP site to distribute MP3s. UWSP administrators ordered the individual to cease and desist.

"Our campus doesn't look for MP3s on the servers. It would be too big of a job on any campus that has a large number of student web pages and sites," said Arneson. "But, we do have to legally respond when the RIAA asks us to get involved."

Many people think the RIAA is going a little overboard in their seek and destroy mission on the world of MP3s. In fact, music has been supplied for "free" for decades—it's called radio. But the difference between radio and MP3 servers is advertising. The record industry is still getting a chunk of profit when songs are played on the radio.

"My belief is that the recording industry has to find a new economic model for this digital age," said Arneson.

In fact, it is possible that MP3s could revolutionize the music world as we know it. Unknown bands that have talent but not the luck to be showcased in the Mickey Mouse Club have the opportunity to put their music on the same market as everyone else.
Belts' Soft Serve advertises themselves as "Home of the Large Cone" and they sure aren't kidding. But many people have proven that it is humanly possible to eat one of those things in one sitting. Belts' offers a wide variety of soft serve ice cream treats at an affordable price. Belts' is mainly a summer attraction because it is closed for winter, but in spring dozens of ice cream fanatics line up outside and wait for the stand to open for the season. Belts' Soft Serve is located at 2140 Division Street and is open seven days a week.

As most music enthusiasts from the area know, Radio KAOS is located in downtown Stevens Point. Started in October of '89 Randy, the owner, fulfilled one of his life long dreams by owning and operating a record store. Currently employing two other employees, Randy hopes to expand operations and move the Radio KAOS store to a larger facility near the downtown or campus area. Not only will one find a plethora of Compact Discs and vinyl records, but also other items can be purchased such as a wide variety of incenses, DVD's, videos, stickers, rare imports, and detoxifying products. Providing the service of special ordering CD's, video, vinyl and DVD's is an additional feature that attracts many to Radio KAOS. So, next time your looking for good music be sure to support your local indie record store and stop in at Radios KAOS.

Established in 1857 by partners Frank Wahle and George Ruder, the Stevens Point Brewery has continued the art of brewing fine beer. Brewery tours and souvenirs are available. The Stevens Point Brewery is located at 2617 Water St. Call (800) 369-4911 for more information. Must be 21 or accompanied by legal guardian to tour the brewery (It makes an interesting event for a 21st birthday in Point).

The Mission Coffee House offers a unique Point experience with fresh roasted coffee, sandwiches, soups, and huge selection of beverages. The eclectic atmosphere at the Mission is unlike any other coffee shop in Wisconsin with a wide variety of art, antiques and other visually stimulating features. The Mission offers live music every week. The wide variety of talented musicians who perform at the Mission offer something to visitors with all sorts of tastes in music. Artists such as Brenda Weiler, Vent, The Benjamins and Sailor Harlett frequently perform. The Mission Coffee House is located at 1319 Strongs Avenue, downtown Stevens Point.
The cooperative is a predominately organic alternative to healthy eating and living. Many items can be bought in bulk limiting packaging which only adds to our landfills. Most of their produce is organic and comes from farms in Wisconsin. By buying from the co-op you are supporting many local distributors which in the long run minimizes the transporting costs of importing or shipping, a long term investment for the environment. General household cleaning agents, toiletries, vitamin and mineral supplements, homebrew items, and books about healthy eating and cooking can also be purchased. A membership can be purchased which can save you a percentage of your shopping total. The Stevens Point area Co-op is located at 633 Second St. The hours are Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri 9-8, Tues 9-7, Sat 9-5, and Sun 10-4.

The Wooden Chair is a unique local food establishment owned by Maria and Guy Janssen. The Wooden Chair opened it’s doors on February 10th, 1995. The interior houses a large collection of old wooden chairs and antique decorations. This family sit down restaurant has a quiet and calming atmosphere. The food is reasonably priced, and a majority of the it is homemade. Depending on the season, the vegetables come from organic farms and some other items from the local co-op. Overall, the menu is geared towards a healthier diet. There is also a bakery with coffee cakes, muffins, and other treats prepared daily. The Wooden Chair serves breakfast and lunch and is open Monday-Sunday 7am-2pm.

The green circle is a 24-mile nature trail that loops around the Stevens Point area. The trail is perfect for long distance hiking or biking, or even just a peaceful stroll down a portion of it.

Disc Golf is a free activity that has become extremely popular in the state of Wisconsin. It is a relaxing hike that just about anyone can play. The objective of this activity is much like the game of golf. With a par of three as your goal, you aim to get a small Frisbee disc from a certain distance into a metal basket with chains, generally speaking. The discs used to play range in weight and depending on your distance from the basket, a driver or putter can be used. Currently there are three courses located in the area of Stevens Point. There is one at mead park, off of Patch St, and a new course located at Standing Rocks. There is also an outstanding course in Wisconsin Rapids. For further information call Parks and Recreation in your area of interest.
Plasmic Style Coalition shakes down in Point.

By Renee Eismueller

On Friday May 12, many friends of the community ages 21 and up gathered at Witz End, to enjoy the intelligent music style brought forth by the band Plasmic Style Coalition.

The band brought forth an exciting show with Ethan Danger and other special guests. The music has a beat that is hard not to dance to.

This bandstand, located in Piffner Park has housed many talented artists like Plasmic Style Coalition. Be sure to keep up on local events to see what bands will play at the park during this summer. (Photo by Renee Eismueller)

Dinosaur-- A roaring good time.

By Chris Randazzo

Disney's latest release, Dinosaur, blows away the barriers between animation and reality. The film combines animated dinosaurs and other characters with real backgrounds to create a world that is visually stunning.

From the opening moments when you follow the journey of Aladar (in his egg) through a spectacular landscape filled with prehistoric creatures to the moment meteorites begin to fall from the sky you can't help but be swept up in the grandeur of it all.

The blending of animation and reality is so smooth that it's hard to tell where one starts and the other begins. The way the dinosaurs rush through the real trees and splash through the water is bound to fill you with a sense of child-like awe.

And, while the plot certainly isn't overly original, it's good enough to keep you watching. Aladar, and his adoptive family of monkeys, must travel with a herd of other dinosaurs across a desolate wasteland in order to reach the lush nesting grounds.

The trip is, of course, filled with many dangers, a love interest, and a bully of an authority figure.

It's also filled with just the right combination of lovable characters and Disney magic. Joan Plowright and Della Reese are particularly fun as the herd's slow moving senior citizens and their Ankylosaur Url, who behaves like a dog, is hilarious. Dinosaur is an instant classic that again reaffirms Disney as the king of the animation world.

 OUR TRUTH

By Renee Eismueller

A recent graduate of UWSP, Bill Zanski, put together a production along with many others at Mickelson Hall in the Arts building on May 4th, that evoked a feeling of spirituality through music and dance.

The theme of Our Truth relates to the production's goal of expressing the participants connection to life.

There were many different styles of musical instruments incorporated into the production. Some of the African instruments included the djembe, balafon, bourgarabou drums, and shekere. From India, the sitar accompanied by the tabla drums. The flute, piano, and guitar were also used.

The production was broken down into eleven scenes. Scene four The Lotus Flower, choreographed by Kimber Seitz, showed the opening of the flower by having a group laying on the floor in a circle moving to music with elegance.

The brochure by L. Lidel, Narayani, and G. Rabinovitch stated, "The louts symbolizes man's spiritual evolution. The roots in mud represent his lower nature, the stem rising through water his intuitive search, and the flower blossoming in sun-light self-realization."

"I've been in shows directed in much different ways. This one was friends, some of which having little experience in choreography, working hard together. Being friends increased the energy level and positive vibes in rehearsal and on stage", said Kimber.

Originating in Brazil, the dance/fight Maculele and Capeoria was performed by Jason Buford and Claudia Giannecchini. Capeoria was offered this last year at the University.

To end the show everyone sang the song Back to the Earth originally composed by the group Rusted Root.

Overall, the production was spiritual, educational, and cultural in nature.

"It promoted the idea of taking a step back, and reconnecting with the reality of our situation in life" Bill Zanski.

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With each new obstacle, she would seek out materials and methods that would be more appropriate and successful with the young men. "The gratifying result of Mary's rapid switching of gears was great success," Miller says. Mattison went beyond the duties required of her as a student teacher. She drove to Merrill on days when she wasn't needed in order to attend training sessions with the rest of the prison staff and increase her abilities to help students.

"Mary gives and gets respect, while expecting and getting appropriate behavior and cooperative work from her students," said Dixson, professor of English at UWSP. "She has done super work and she is a fine, fine teacher."

Mattison has told her students in no uncertain terms, "you need to stay out of trouble and get an education." She believes deeply that education is the way out for these young men.

Among many classroom projects, a Polynesian study unit led to an ethnic festival planned and hosted by Mattison and her students. One group built an outrigger canoe in the facility's shop. Another group worked together to decorate the classroom with colorful fish while others organized a committee to cook for the rest of the prison staff and hosted by Mattison and her students.

"Watching her work with individuals or a group of these young men, I see they respect her and listen to her," Dixson said.

"Mary is able to get them to function positively as a community, to work in small groups, to overcome their deep distrust of academic structure and do the work she brings them," Mattison would like to write about her experiences at Lincoln Hills, and hopes that she can return to UWSP to get 30 credits of special education so that she can do even more for troubled young people.

"If I take care of my health, I will have a long career as a teacher," Mattison said. A graduate of Tomahawk Senior High School, Mattison is the daughter of the late Donald C. and Margaret Mattison.

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The voting and nomination period for the Environmental Care­reer Counselor of the Year award is open through June 30. UWSP alumni, faculty, students and other interested individuals may vote on the Environmental Career Center's website, http://www.environmentalcareer.com.

The award recipient will be announced at the nationwide Conservation Careers Teleconference on August 1, 2000. She or he will receive an award and be invited to speak at the Student Environmental Careers Teleconference on Feb. 1, 2001.

Also, the awardee's academic institution will receive free access to all of the Environmental Career Center's teleconference during the 2000-2001 academic year and a free one-year subscription to the National Environmental Employment Report.

The Environmental Career Center, LLC is located in Hamp­ton Virginia. The center's mission is "To help people work for the environment through comprehensive environmental and natural resources job listings, career news, inside tips and advice, employer interviews and career research reports."

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"I think the green circle's flat; they should expand development of the single track trail more" said Billy Andersen. The trail has been rerouted from Old Waunaus Rd. to Jordan Park then back to Second St.

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