Supreme Court reverses Southworth ruling

By Andrea Wetzel
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

The Supreme Court ruled unanimously to reverse the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System v. Southworth et al. decision Wednesday.

The ruling reversed an earlier decision that declared UW-Madison’s student fee system was unconstitutional.

The case began in March 1996 when several UW-Madison students including Scott Southworth filed a lawsuit against the UW System Board of Regents. The students felt that using their student fees to fund organizations they did not agree with violated their First Amendment rights.

Some of the organizations they objected to funding were International Socialist Organization, Students of the National Organization for Women and the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Campus Center.

"The First Amendment permits a public university to charge its students an activity fee used to fund a program to facilitate extracurricular student speech if the program is viewpoint neutral," wrote Justice Anthony M. Kennedy.

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Polzin and Jennik win SGA election
Voter turnout highest in years

Cindy Polzin and Kaylyn Jennik won the Student Government Association (SGA) presidential race by a two to one margin over Joe Schefchik and Matt Reiderer.

"I feel very honored and ecstatic to represent my fellow students on all levels of shared governance," said Polzin.

Polzin and Jennik campaigned with platforms of diversity, health center reform, student involvement, and the Schmeeckle land acquisition.

"One of my main goals for next year is to have SGA get the word out about what shared governance can do for students," said Polzin.

"The plans are to keep the students' voice alive and preserve shared governance at UW-Stevens Point," said Jennik.

This year, SGA held elections completely on-line for the first time ever. Twenty-one percent of the student body voted in the on-line election. This is a significant increase from an eight percent average over the past 10 years.

"In my opinion, the primary reason we saw some of the greatest voter turnout this campus has ever seen," said Andrew Halverson, current SGA president.

"Another factor that contributed to the high voter turnout was that this year two tickets competed for the positions of president and vice president. Students had opportunities to hear debates and examine each candidate’s platforms."

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Heartbreak in Storm Lake

Members of the UW-Stevens Point Men’s basketball team react following their last second loss to UW-Eau Claire in the NCAA tournament in Storm Lake, Iowa. See story on page 11. (Photo by Nick Briilowski)
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"The whole theory of viewpoint neutrality is that minority views are treated with the same respect as are majority views," Kennedy added.

If the justices had ruled to uphold the decision, public colleges across the nation would have to revise or even eliminate their organization funding systems.

Mark Goodman, executive director of the Student Press Law Center said if the Supreme Court did not reverse the decision, "it could have ended campus student media at many schools as we know them today."

There could have been a dramatic decrease in funding for student publications that publish editorials or opinion pieces about political issues," he added.

Many students are relieved that the Southworth decision was reversed.

"The Supreme Court decision will make sure student fee autonomy stays the way that it is," said Cindy Polzin, budget director of UW-Stevens Point's SGA. "It will continue to let various issues and ideas flourish," she added.

The ruling reinforces the present system that can not discriminate funding for organizations based on their views.

"Some people may consider some organizations to be political in nature but if their ideas are presented on an informational basis, they contribute to the open forum," said Polzin.

The ruling upholds the present system that can not discriminate funding for organizations based on their views.

"The Supreme Court Justice David H. Souter pointed out that tuition payments may be used to "fund offensive speech far more obviously than the student activity fee does" through ideological course offerings or professors with radical viewpoints.

However, the Supreme Court did not uphold one aspect of the Wisconsin segregated fees system. A student referendum could fund or defund an organization under the current system. The Supreme Court found the mechanism "in violation of the viewpoint neutrality principle," and directed a lower court to rule on the constitutionality of it.

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Division street closes  
for construction

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The corner of Main St. and Division St.  
(Photo by Rick Ebbers)

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Division Street will be closed from Clark St. to Main St. starting on April 1. This is the first road the city is closing in a plan to reconstruct highway 10 through Stevens Point.

"The major reasons for the road construction is that the roadway surface and the bridge are deteriorated to the point that they need to be replaced," said Jon VanAntigo, director of public works of Stevens Point.

Other reasons for construction are the need for new utilities and the need to make Stevens Point more truck friendly. Portions of Clark St. will be closed throughout the next several months.

Chancellor to stay at UW-SP

Chancellor Thomas George will not be leaving, and his wife Barbara Harbach will join the teaching staff at UW-Stevens Point.

George, 52, was one of three finalists for the presidency of the University of South Florida (USF), which involved a search process of extensive interviews in Tampa and visits to Central Wisconsin by USF representatives.

The job has been offered to Judy Genshaft, provost at the State University of New York at Albany.

During the recent search for the USF presidency, George, who was recruited by a consulting firm, said, "They went after me. I didn't go seeking this one. I'm extremely happy with my position at UWSP.

The university is fantastic, the community is fantastic, and the people are fantastic."

George has been at UWSP since June 1996 when he became the 12th person to head the university.

A world-renowned Scientist, he came to UW-SP from Washington State University where he served as provost and academic vice president for five years.

Harbach, an internationally known organist, harpsichordist and composer, will join the College of Fine Arts and Communication this fall as a visiting professor.

She has taught at UW-Oshkosh for the past three years, and prior to that, she was a professor of music at Washington State University where she was recognized as Mortar Board Distinguished Professor of the Year in 1996.

Among her many accomplishments was a recent performance on National Public Radio's "Pipe Dreams" program. At UW-Oshkosh she received the College of Letters and Science Teaching Innovation Award in 1998. Harbach, who plans to move to Stevens Point, says she is thrilled to be able to join her husband and hopes to become more involved in campus and community life.

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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8

10:41 a.m. Roach Hall
Resident lodged a complaint stating that the left rear taillight was damaged.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8

10:55 a.m. Roach Hall
Another student reported damage to the right rear taillight of his vehicle parked at Lot Q.

THURSDAY, MARCH 9

2:02 a.m. Roach Hall
A student reported the theft of four hubcaps from her 1990 Olds Cutlass while it was parked in Lot Q.

FRIDAY, MARCH 10

12:06 a.m. Thomson Hall
A student reported the theft of her custom-made leather jacket from the north dining hall at Debot Center.

FRIDAY, MARCH 10

7:30 a.m. Roach Hall
A student reported that she had been receiving nuisance calls for approximately a week. Investigations revealed that seven calls had been captured on Audix.

FRIDAY, MARCH 10

12:42 a.m. Thomson Hall
A student reported that persons unknown entered his car while it was parked in Lot J and that his Panasonic CD Player and one CD was stolen. He also stated that the back seat of his car had been forced forward and damaged.

SUNDAY, MARCH 12

4:46 p.m. University Center
The fire alarm system at Protective Services indicated that fire alarms had been set off.

SUNDAY, MARCH 12

10:04 p.m. Lot D
A call was made to Protective Services to report that while entering Lot D, a motorist struck a bike rack with the front end of her car because she was watching a boy crossing the street and did not see the bike rack in the middle of the road.

Editors Note: The contents of Campus Beat are taken directly from the records at Protective Services and are written in part by Steven J. Gayford.
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"I think the two candidates getting out and actively campaigning had a great deal to do with the turnout," said Kristin Langyel, communications director of SGA.

When students voted on-line they also had the option to see information on each candidate and the platforms.

"It is hard for the candidates to reach every single person on this campus; through the on-line ballot they could "give" their views to everyone who voted," said Langyel.

Langyel added that voting on-line helped voters as well because, "if they didn’t know of a candidate they could look at their personal page and learn what that person stood for, believed in and what some of their goals are," she added.

Halverson said he has "mixed feelings" about nearing the end of his term.

"It has been one of the most sacred opportunities of my life thus far, to serve the students of this university," said Halverson. "... I will be very comfortable leaving the organization to the capable hands of Cindy Polzin."

Next year Polzin and Jennik will lead an SGA full of new faces. Applications for the Executive Board of Directors of next year’s SGA are due April 12.

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THE pointer

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Attending a university with a focus on environmentalism can come in very handy. Take, for instance, the present and upcoming construction in the Stevens Point area. The Highway 10 bridge is already closed and construction on Division and Clark streets is soon to follow. In effect, some of the most heavily used streets in Stevens Point will be closed at the same time. This could spell disaster for area commuters.

This is where the environmental philosophy comes to the rescue, and you don’t have to be a die-hard environmentalist to do the Earth a favor. It just makes sense that walking or riding a bike will be much easier than traversing the areas around the closed streets by car.

If you need more reason to leave the car at home, check out the gas prices. Remember last year when gas was under a buck a gallon? It seems like something from a fairy tale. Now, with gas prices running around $1.60 per gallon for the cheap stuff, the fairy tale seems more like a nightmare.

While the transportation situation in Stevens Point may be a grin one, it’s something we’ll have to put up with. But I don’t think this is necessarily a bad thing. As mentioned, it makes sense to save ourselves anxiety both from exorbitant gas prices and potential traffic jams by finding alternative modes of transportation.

Besides, with any luck, the arrival of spring will bring weather much more suited to non-vehicular travel. Too many of us already know that after a spring break of laying around doing nothing, the exercise will do us good.

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LETTERS

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Letters to the editor will be accepted only if they are signed and under 250 words. Names will be withheld from publication only if an appropriate reason is given. The Pointer reserves the right to edit, shorten or withhold the publication of letters. Deadline for letters is Tuesday at 5 p.m.

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The Pointer staff is available to students around the country, UW-SP students have become informed about and concerned with the prevalence of sweatshop labor in the apparel industry. I was excited to hear that a shared governance committee at your school was proposing some concrete and promising solutions to the issue of keeping UW-SP clothing "sweat-free." The White community’s efforts, contact Dave Manthey at (715) 569-4916.

"Theo Lescayzky

UW-Madison senior"
Russian poet to entertain Point

By Robert Price
UW-SP RUSSIAN PROFESSOR

Russian poet Yevgeny Yevtushenko will be visiting UW-Stevens Point again on Wednesday, March 29. There will be a public forum in room 333 of the Communications Building at 3 p.m., followed by an evening presentation with readings from the crowd scene and the hysteric and powerful trauma, attendance at the Laird Room of the University Center.

Yevtushenko’s career goes back to the early 1950s. An early and powerful trauma, attendance at the crowd scene and the hysteria of Stalin’s funeral in 1953 eventually led him to write and direct a movie recording this event and indict the “cult of personality” that produced it.

Yevtushenko wrote of both the excesses and the achievements of the Soviet period. His powerful “Baby” laments the then-unmarked site of Nazi killings of Jews in Kiev during World War II. “The Heirs of Stalin” points out the continuing oppression in the Soviet Union after Stalin’s death. The dynamic poem dedicated to his Siberian home, “Zima Junction,” illustrates his roots deep in the heart of Russia. His total career chronicles every facet of the Soviet years in which he lived, worked, protested and tried to promote free artistic expression.

In recent years, Yevtushenko has been teaching at the University of Tulsa, Oklahoma, and at New York University. UW-SP has been fortunate in being able to welcome him to the campus several times since his first visit in 1992.

Russian poet Yevgeny Yevtushenko looks out over the Green Bay on a visit to Wisconsin. (Submitted photo)

Word of Mouth

- Wild Wild West
Yee haw! Join Rec Services on a horseback riding adventure on Friday, April 7. The trip includes a guided trail ride, hay ride, bonfire and dinner. Cost of this excursion is $31 for students, and $36 for non-students. Y'all pick-up that phone and dial 346-3848 for more info.

- A skankin’ good time
Come to the Encore this Saturday, March 25 at 7 p.m. for Ska Fest. This year’s lineup features Honest Johnny and Skavossas. The cost is free for UW-SP students, and $4 for non-students.

- Indiana Jones Trilogy
The Indiana Jones marathon runs the gamut from “The Raiders of the Lost Ark,” to “The Last Crusade.” Come watch them all this Friday, March 24 at 6 p.m. at the Allen Center. Cost is free for UW-SP students. Sponsored by Centertainment Productions.

- Milwaukee Brewers trip
Come “get on the bus” with Centertainment to watch the Brew-Crew put a serious hurting on the Atlanta Braves. The trip leaves on Friday, April 14, and cost is $15 for UW-SP students, and $22 for non-students. Any questions? Call Shane at 346-2412. Space is limited!

- Interested in disk golf?
Anyone interested in disk golf? This block of intramurals should call 346-4441, or email the intramural office. Play begins on Sunday, March 26 at 3:30 p.m.

- Truth in Sentencing lecture
Judge John Finn will lecture on the new and complex laws on sentencing. The presentation takes place on Tuesday, March 28 at 6 p.m. in the Anderson Room of the UC. This event is sponsored by the UW-SP Division of Communications.

- Live tickets to go on sale
There will be a special “students only” ticket offer for the Live show on April 27. From March 27-29 UW-SP students get first crack at tickets. They also receive a discount price on admission, with tickets costing $21.50 each. There is a limit of two tickets per (present) student. Pick up your tickets at the Info desk in the UC, or at the Arts and Athletics ticket office.

- WIFC College Night
Join 95.5 FM and get yo’ bootie on the dance floor! The dance party starts this Friday at 9 p.m. at the Encore of the UC and jams till midnight. The event is hosted by on-air jockeys Joel Mathews and Eric Dean.

- Who wants to be a building manager?
The University Center is hiring building managers for the summer months. Pick up your applications at the UC Info desk. The deadline for returned applications is next Monday, March 31 at 4 p.m.

- Basement Brewhaus leagues forming
Join a billiards or foosball league at the Brewhaus! Sign up by Monday, March 27 at the Brewhaus front counter. Cost is $12 for students and $15 for non-students.

- A transmission line through Northern Wisconsin?
Tom Krueger, president of grassroots organization Save Our Unique Lands will speak on the problems with the proposed transmission line through Northern Wisconsin on Wednesday, March 29 at 7 p.m. in the UC Legacy Room. Get the facts and find out what you can do!

- Red fish, blue fish, gay fish, green fish
Come to the Krutzen Hall study lounge on Tuesday March 28 at 9 p.m. Come swim in the sea of Diversity. Free Kool-Aid and Goldfish crackers.
In the Ring: 

What does JoBeth think of PETA?

By Ryan Lins
Assistant Features Editor

Whilst consuming a medium-rare sirloin burger at home yesterday, I began pondering the hypocrisy of animal rights activists. Not just your typical “bunny huggers,” but the most radical group, PETA.

People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals makes me aghast with the nonsense it spouts. If some of those liberal hippies had their choice, we would have no hunting, fishing, pets, zoos or the Wisconsin staple…milk.

Can you believe that they want to eliminate milk from your table fare? But what truly illuminates PETA’s intelligence is what it wants to replace milk with…beer. BEER?

PET A’s intelligence is what it wants to replace milk with…beer. BEER?

In the “Tasty Animals” webpage, I discovered a section called hate mail. Here are some of the typical, Mr. Rogers, would you call them “natural”。

“…despite the fact that milk is a staple for health and survival, PETA is trying to destroy the dairy industry…”

Spencer has performed for a year at the Fireside Theatre in Fort Atkinson, starring in shows including “Fiddler on the Roof.” Her first major professional role was as Grizabella in “Cats” for its stage production in Hamburg, Germany.

While in Germany she recorded original pop music that made the top five in England on the Sony/BMI label. She sang on the world premier recordings of “Dracula: The Musical” and “Into the Woods.” She also toured with Sarah Brightman in the national tour of “The Musical of Andrew Lloyd Webber.”

Following Spencer’s return to New York City, she auditioned and was chosen by the National Touring Company as an understudy to the lead in “Evita.”

While on the set of “Evita,” she met her husband.

For the past two years, Spencer has performed in two of the country’s major regional theaters, the Denver Theatre Center and the Yale Repertory Theatre. In addition to the Broadway companies of “Les Misérables” and “King David,” Varela has toured nationally in “Cats” and “Evita.” He has performed off-Broadway, in regional theater, and in film, television and radio.

Shew, an acclaimed Valjean from the New York, Australian and National Touring productions, made his eagerly awaited return to the Broadway Company last fall. He formerly played Valjean on Broadway about 10 years ago. Other Broadway credits include “Sunset Boulevard,” “King David,” “Guys and Dolls” and “The Scarlet Pimpernel.”

National tours include “Les Mis,” “Show Boat,” “Evita” and “South Pacific.” He can be heard on the original cast recordings of “King David,” “The Scarlet Pimpernel” and the Grammy award-winning “Guys and Dolls.”

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School "Pointers"  
From the Lifestyle Assistants

By Angela Kirchoff  
Lifestyle Assistant

Staying Active

Have you stuck with your New Year's resolution that consisted of working out regularly? Maybe you have had a few slips along the way but would like to get back into it. Maybe you've just realized all of the benefits you gained from your "pre-spring break" workouts. With all regular fitness routines often comes boredom and tiring goals that suit you. Determine if you are the type of person who needs to "schedule" in advance when your workouts will be. Also, decide what time of the day you have the most motivation and energy to workout.

Being able to stick with fitness can be challenging, but if you plan right and prepare for future obstacles; it is possible to make fitness part of your lifestyle! If you feel bored with your routine then substitute different activities for your usual ones. Running two miles four times a week every week hurts you not only mentally but also physically. Challenge your body by working different muscles to bust out of a rut. Try an aerobics class at the Cardio Center or Berg Gym once a week. Take a wellness class and, in the process, learn some fresh ideas that he/she has incorporated into a fitness routine. Friends can help you stay motivated and make working out more exciting, and challenging.

Whatever your fitness goals are you can still make it enjoyable. If fitness is fun for you then you are more likely to stay active!

UW-SP opens its doors on April 2

The annual Festival of the Arts welcomes the public

Visitors will encounter live reptiles, cuddly bear cubs, a taste of jazz and the 28th annual Festival of the Arts at UW-Stevens Point's Open House on Sunday, April 2. All activities from noon to 4 p.m. are open to the public free of charge.

"While the university is a community resource 365 days a year, on April 2, the campus truly belongs to the public," said Chancellor Tom George. "We don't take UW-SP's relationship with the community lightly--this institution and Central Wisconsin have thrived together for more than 100 years. UW-SP welcomes this opportunity to promote its programs and faculty expertise to the public that supports it," he said.

The Worth Company, a Stevens Point fishing equipment manufacturer, will help to sponsor the biennial event. Also in the Fine Arts building, a dress rehearsal will be held of "The Marriage of Figaro" from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Later in the afternoon, Dale Carlson on cello will join pianist Tracy Lipke and perform "Beethoven's Sonata No. 3, Opus 69." The Mostly Mexican Marimba Ensemble will perform from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Smoky the Bear will even be available. Also in the Art Activities building or call 346-2249.

The reserve and visitor center at the College of Natural Resources building. Events and demonstrations throughout the day include a student wildlife art show, a "water-golf" game, chain saw safety, a cross-cut saw event, tree climbing, composting tips, camp cooking and low impact camping tips. Wildlife activities for kids will include a live bear cub and live reptiles.

Activities will take place in every building on campus as well as out in Schmeeckle Reserve. The reserve and visitor center will be open until 5 p.m. with hiking, Schmeeckle Gift Shop, the home composting demonstration site and the Wisconsin Conservation Hall of Fame.

To check out all the Open House activities, visit the web site at (www.uwsp.edu/news/openhouse.htm). Events and displays are open from noon until 4 p.m. unless otherwise noted.

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Swimmers have success at National meets

By Ryan Allshouse
SPORTS REPORTER

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Women's hockey hires first head coach

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Mead, Schwambenger capture National titles

The men's and women's track and field teams completed their indoor season in style over spring break, coming away with eight All-Americans.

The men's team had its highest finish ever, taking fourth place at the NCAA Division III men's indoor track and field championships, adding to the school's varsity program since 1989. This past season, the men's squad captured its fifth Northern Collegiate Hockey Association regular season crown.

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Dream season comes to an end

Men's basketball lets lead slip away to Eau Claire

By Nick Brlowski
Senior Editor

Quite often there is a fine line between reality and "what might have been."

For the UW-Stevens Point men's basketball team, that fine line was exactly 2.4 seconds long.

A 17-foot jump shot by Joe Zuiker seemed like it would be enough to propel the Pointers past UW-Eau Claire and into the NCAA Division 3 Final Four.

However, 2.4 seconds was just enough time for the Blugolds to pull off a miracle finish and a 60-58 victory.

Following a timeout, Eau Claire's Dave Mellenthien threw a perfect inbounds pass to Eric Gardow who in turn dropped a pass off to Sherm Carstensen.

Carstensen took one dribble and launched a 28-foot heave to lead the Blugolds, said taking the previous night, managed to hang with UW-SP in the opening half, trailing 28-27 at halftime.

The Pointers came out on fire in the second half, converting on seven-three pointers, five on shots from behind the arc and two three-point plays by Brant Bailey, to make a 21-4 run and open a 49-31 advantage with 12:32 to play.

From there, however, the Pointer offense went stagnant and the Blugolds methodically chipped away at the lead.

A 23-3 spurt over the next 11 minutes allowed Eau Claire to tie the game on a three-pointer by Carstensen, making the score 54-54.

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Unfortunately for UW-SP, that was just enough time for Carstensen's heroics.

"Our kids played with a lot of heart, a lot of poise and a lot of desire," Blugold coach Terry Gibbons said.

"It's really sweet to come back from another great one for Stevens Point as the Pointers have established themselves amongst the nationally ranked teams.

The Pointers are ranked 17th in the nation in the preseason polls under first-year coach Kevin Harm.

"I was very happy with their performance," said Harms, referring to the team's successful spring break trip. "To see them come out and play and accomplish things that we worked on was very good. Of the three losses, two were by one run.

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Brant Bailey soars to the hoop for a slam dunk during the second half of the Pointers' win over Chicago in the Sweet Sixteen. (Photo by Nick Brlowski)

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Baseball team enjoys successful start to season

The Brian Nelson Era has gotten off to a good start at UW-Stevens Point.

Under their first-year Head Coach, the Pointers posted an impressive 8-3 record during the Gene Cusic Classic in Fort Myers, Fla., over Spring Break.

"I was really impressed with the way we played," Nelson said.

"Eight and three coming out of Florida is a great record." In his four years as a Pointer player, one year as an assistant coach and now as a head coach, Nelson said, "this was by far our best spring trip."

The Pointer bats were red-hot in the opening game, hammering out 17 hits on route to a 12-0 win over Illinois College.

Pat McCann socked a pair of home runs while Rob Goves, who went four-for-four, and Randy Reed also hit round-trippers.

Troy Bielmeier pitched a complete game two-hitter to earn the victory on the mound.

The Pointers split their games the following day, defeating Ripon, 8-3, and falling to Benedictine (Ill.), 4-2.

Jon Jagler had two hits in each game and Brian Wenke had eight strikeouts in five innings to earn the win over Ripon.

UW-SP's record went to 3-2 with a split against Ohio Wesleyan, winning 7-1 and losing 1-0.

Mike McCann and Jagler had two hits apiece in the Pointer victory.

McCann also had two of the four UW-SP hits in the nightcap.

The Pointers had the tying run on third base with one out in the sevenths but couldn't score.

"We split with Ohio Wesleyan which was ranked in the top 10 and we should have swept them," Nelson stated.

Bielmeier got Point back in PAGE 12

Fastpitch posts winning record on Florida trip

By Mike Peck
Assistant Sports Editor

Spring is officially here and that means that it's time for another season of Pointer softball.

The ladies kicked things off last week in Florida with a very successful spring trip, going 6-1. This season has the potential to be another great one for Stevens Point as the Pointers have established themselves amongst the nationally ranked teams.

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Quote of the Week

"Yo, where did that come from?"

-Ed Coza, University of North Carolina point guard to teammate Brendan Heywood following the previously struggling Tar Heels' upset win over Stanford on Sunday.

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Bailey earns First Team All-American honors

• Brant Bailey, a senior member of the UW-Stevens Point men’s basketball team, has been rewarded with numerous post-season honors. A native of Wisconsin Dells, Bailey was named First Team All-American by the National Association of Basketball Coaches, while also capturing West Region Player of the Year honors. Bailey scored a school-record 723 points this past season, averaging 24.1 points per game, surpassing the previous record of 600 held by NBA star Terry Porter. He moved into fifth place on the school’s all-time scoring list. Bailey also was accompanied by Plateville’s Merrill Brunson and Eau Claire’s Jon Wallenfelsz on the five-player All-American first team by D3Hoops.com.

Hockey players earn various honors

• Ryan Maxson, a junior forward on the UW-SP hockey team has earned first team West Region All-American honors by the American Hockey Coaches Association. Bob Gould, a sophomore goalie, was named to the second team. Maxson netted 23 goals and added 17 assists on the season for 40 points, leading the Pointers in scoring. Gould led the NCHA with a 1.75 goals against average and a save percentage of .929. He ranked second in Division III in victories with a 20-3-1 record.

Fastpitch

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humbled a complete game-four-hitter. Against Alderson-Broaddus, Mike McCann went three-for-five as UW-SP scored four first inning runs and had 12 hits in the game. Coach Nelson said he was extremely happy with his team’s performance and it was a great opportunity to get a number of players on the field. “It’s an opportunity to get some of our younger guys some playing time,” he said. “It’s a good scale booster and it shows the hard work is playing off.”

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Most Memorable Moment: Playing in the NCAA Division III World Series as a freshman. Who was your idol growing up? Tom Glavine. He’s one of the best left-handers to watch. What do you plan to do after you graduate? I’d like to keep playing baseball somewhere, possibly in the majors, or start a career as an urban planner. Biggest achievement in sports: An 11-2 win in the conference championship. Biggest achievement in life: An 11-2 win in the conference championship.

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Senior Spotlight

Justin Duerkop - Baseball

UW-SP Career Highlights

- Led team in victories during 1998 season (7)
- Posted 2.13 ERA during 1998 season, tops amongst starters
- Ranks seventh on UW-SP career wins list entering the 2000 season (13)

Hometown: Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.

Duerkop
Track
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Also competing for the men were Craig Gunderson in the 400 meter run, Joel Shult in the shot put and Josh Keim in the weight throw.

The Pointer women placed 24th, their highest place since 1994, and had two All-Americans of their own.

Megan Lundahl placed sixth in the weight throw with a toss of 51 feet 1 3/4 inches.

“She held up to what she’s been doing all season,” said women’s coach Len Hill. “That’s basically what you hope for at the national level. She went for it and was real close at jumping up and making a statement.”

Leah Juno ran to a third-place finish in the 800 meter run with a time of 2:14.48, a new school record.

“To get top three we knew she had to race real smart and real well,” said Hill. “Last year she got boxed in and didn’t make finals, so we knew she should be there.”

Both teams have high expectations heading into the outdoor season, especially after the successful indoor season.

“I think that we have an opportunity to qualify more,” said Witt. “But it takes a few more people outdoors than indoors because there are a few more events.”

The women also are looking for repeat success in the upcoming season. “We are a little better outdoor team then indoor team because of our training philosophy,” said Hill.

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year of finishing among the top 10 teams in the nation.

Boelk and Francioli had numerous top five finishes in their individual events during the three-day meet.

The Pointers earned All-American status in the 400-medley relay, finishing sixth, and the 200-medley relay, which finished fifth.

“The men struggled a little this year,” Boelk said. “It is hard to rest for Nationals after resting for conference. Everyone had strong swims, not the personal bests needed at Nationals, but we did have a solid meet.”

He continued, “The whole team, men and women, gave 100 percent and we had an incredible year.”

The Features section is having a contest for the best spring break story. If something obnoxious, embarrassing, gross, etc., happened to you while you were basking in the sun, send it to us. The best story will be published in Issue 25 and the winner will receive two free pizzas from Papa John’s. Send your stories by email to asche404@uwsp.edu, or drop them off at room 104 of the CAC.

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I really hate English classes. That may not sound good coming from someone whose future career plans center around writing and editing, but to be fair to my major, it's not the classes themselves or the material they cover that make me shudder—it's more the people in them. I guess that sounds even worse.

By no means am I ignoring the very real problem of terrestrial ecology, the consumerism of natural resources, and the ever-present threat of animal rights. I'm not even saying that the people in my class are ignorant or unsympathetic. It's more that they are, and I don't have much patience for that.

Unfortunately this kind of situation isn't isolated to my English classes—especially on a college campus like this one. I think that hunters, fishermen and other conservative environmentalists are often looked down on by the hardcore, protesting radicals as being unconcerned, or worse, a menace to the environment.

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Preservation act pending in Congress

By Lisa Rothe
Assistant Outdoors Editor

Environmentalists are once again lobbying Congress, this time to push the passing of the Conservation & Reinvestment Act (CARA). To date, this bill is the most aggressive and comprehensive attempt to solidify permanent conservation funding.

"More than 2,000 species of fish and wildlife in the United States are falling through the cracks including hundreds of species now listed as threatened or endangered with many more in peril," finds Teaming with Wildlife (TWW).

A national campaign boasting a coalition of 3,000 organizations and businesses, TWW is the driving force endorsing CARA.

"Right now, Congress has a unique opportunity to invest more than $2.8 billion from offshore oil and gas revenues for parks, wildlife, historic preservation and coastal impact and restoration programs, as well as a variety of other conservation programs," says TWW.

Bipartisan support for CARA exists, as it has received approximately 317 Republican and Democrat co-sponsors. This support is responsible for bringing in nearly $459 million more for state fish and wildlife programs needed to boost and expand upon existing programs.

Without the act’s reinstatement, wildlife is in peril. In fact, "less than 10 percent of state fish and wildlife funding is targeted at the conservation of 86 percent of our nation’s wildlife species," states TWW.

TWW has drawn up a five-step program to put in action over the next five, weeks starting with thank-you letters to members of Congress hoping for their continued support of CARA.

For further information about the pending act and/or for the next four steps, visit TWW’s website at www.teaming.com or by phone at (202) 624-7890.

fast facts

Wildlife in trouble nationwide ...

- 1,161 federal threatened and endangered species
- 37% of freshwater fish species are at risk of extinction
- 67% of freshwater mussels are rare or imperiled and one out of every 10 mussel species may have become extinct during this century
- 35% of amphibians that depend on aquatic habitats are rare or imperiled.

(Information compiled by USFWS)

An important note ...

- 90% of all state fish and wildlife agency funding is primarily from hunters’ and anglers’ users fees (licenses and excise taxes on sporting goods) generating almost $1 billion annually. (1996 Wildlife Legislative Fund of America Survey)

Outdoors Cookbook

Joe’s Baked Fish

An easy, healthy and tasty recipe that can be made using any gamefish.

Ingredients:
- 1 walleye or 3 panfish
- Half box of Stove Top stuffing or substitute
- Butter per Stove Top recipe
- Water per Stove Top recipe
- Onion
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- Italian Seasoning
- Black pepper

Directions:
- In a 9-inch cake pan or similar sized baking dish, mix the stuffing with the necessary amount of melted butter and water as listed on the back of the box. Chop onions and peppers to taste, adding any other herbs or spices you like. Wash the fillets and pat dry. Lay on top of the stuffing mixture. Sprinkle with Italian seasoning, pepper or any other spices. Bake at 350 degrees for 45 minutes or until fish flakes easily. Serves one or two.

Editor's note: If you have any great outdoors recipes that you’d like to share, let us know. E-mail them to Ryan Gilligan at rgilligan@uwsp.edu
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CD Review
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Goldfinger's Latest
Stomps the Competition

With spring right around the corner, you are going to need some upbeat, poppy music to get you in the mood after a long and depressing winter. Well, look no further than the ever eclectic, James Bond butt-kicking Goldfinger.

The Southern Californian four-piece's latest release, "Stomping Ground," is an outstanding mix of rock, punk, ska, and rap-core that combine into an infectious blend of power pop that only Goldfinger can play.

"Stomping Ground" delivers a fresh vibe that caters to a wide range of listeners. Front-man John Feldman's songwriting is near flawless, and the songs are filled with catchy hooks, great guitar work, and outstanding tempo changes. Every song on this album is well done and unique. The band's versatility can be heard by listening to the difference between "Margaret Ann," a super-poppy number with some Beatles' influence, and "Bro," an angsty rap-core romp with a ska groove stuck in the middle. Another unique cut is "San Simeon," a straight-ahead pop-punk anthem with a tempo change into a lounge surf number, complete with the Hawaiian guitar and all.

Goldfinger rocks! My personal favorites on "Stomping Ground" include the energized "I'm Down" and "The End of the Day," along with the lyrically smart and poppy "Forgiveness." "Counting The Days" is the catchy first single from the album, and you might enjoy the cover of "99 Red Balloons."

"Stomping Ground" is Goldfinger's third release on Mojo records. The band has gone back to their roots as a four piece, eliminating the horn section that was found on their previous album "Hang Up.'" The album will be in stores on March 28th.

Goldfinger is a fun band and a great group of guys. I interviewed them in Milwaukee, and they are very down to earth. Don't pass up a chance to see them live!
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