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## Fire Prevention Week sparks activities in Point

By Casey Krautkramer  
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Fire Prevention Week erupted into full gear as people across the nation and in the local area are being informed about the importance of fire safety.

This year's theme is: "Fire Drills: the Great Escape." The nonprofit National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) is organizing the event and is currently working with fire departments across the country to get information on fire safety out to the public.

The Stevens Point Fire Department has many activities planned this week, including witnessing and timing fire drills at the local schools. "We keep using the theme because it's working;

its getting kids to go home and practice," said Stephen Koback, Stevens Point fire chief. According to Koback, this program gets parents involved; they simulate a fire in their home, pick out a meeting place and find alternate routes.

This past weekend the Town of Hull Volunteer Fire Department held a day of demonstrations at their department station to kick off Fire Prevention Week. The firefighters taught the public many important aspects of fire safety. Smokey The Bear was there to entertain the kids and many children's videos on fire safety were viewed.

The highlight of the demonstrations was the vehicle extrication, which was a rescue demon-

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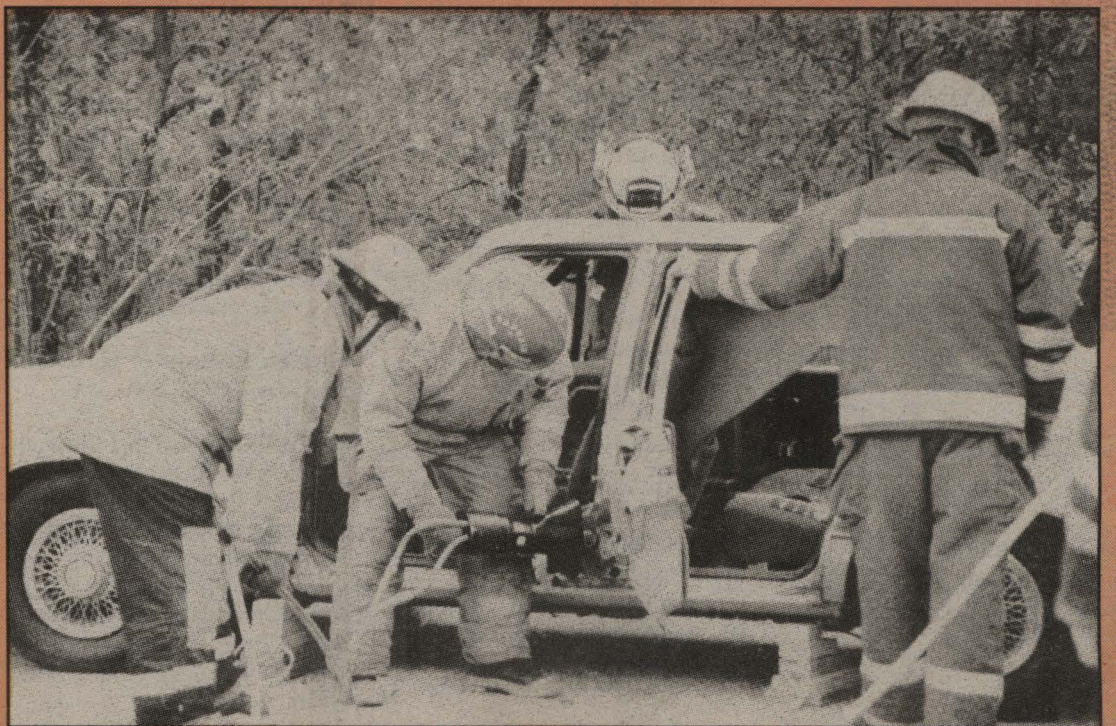


Photo by Renee Eismueller

The Hull Volunteer Fire Department held demonstrations of fire safety this past weekend. These demos included what citizens can do in case of a fire, how to use fire safety equipment and most notably a vehicle extrication (pictured above.)

## Political ideologies flare at UWSP

### Presidential debates kindle political zeal on campus

By Josh Goller  
NEWS EDITOR

In the wake of the second presidential debate, political organizations on campus are stepping up their campaign efforts. A viewing of the debate, complete with free pizza, was sponsored in part by the College Democrats and College Republicans Wednesday night at the Encore.

Before the debate, executives from both organizations

voiced their predictions for the candidates' performances. "I think Gore's going to soften his responses," said Democrat's Vice President Trina Baltzell-Gauthier.

"I expect Bush to be more relaxed," said Republican's President Jeremy Smith. "This format fits his style better. He's going to appear more personable."

Both parties also responded to the Texas governor's jump into the lead in the polls after the last debate.

"A lot of people have seen Gore's exaggerations," said Smith. "I think most people can't see a leader being someone who

they can't trust."

"I was surprised by how Bush came through," said Baltzell-Gauthier, "He sounded more knowledgeable than I expected."

However, the Democrats expressed that Wednesday's debate could change that. "If Gore succeeds in getting his message out, it will be interesting to see how polls after tonight."

With three to four justices expected to retire in the coming years, these opposing parties agree that Supreme Court issues could be drastically affected by this election.

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## Clark Street Bridge opens with fanfare

By Jess Dinkla  
NEWS REPORTER

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) and the city of Stevens Point will celebrate the completion of the Highway 10/Clark Street project, along with the Clark Street Bridge at 11 a.m., Tuesday, October 17.

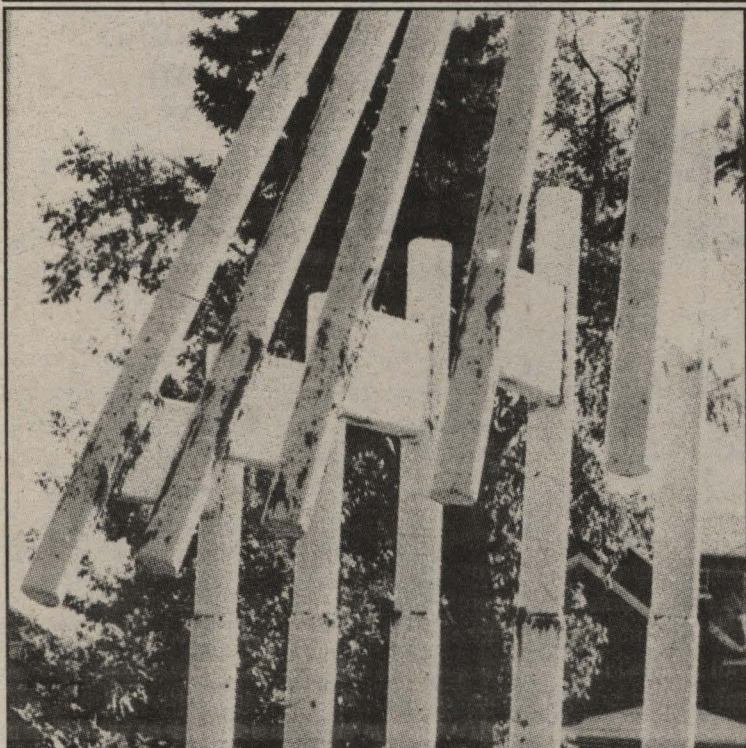
The celebration will take place northeast of the Clark Street Bridge (behind Bank One) along the Wisconsin River.

Senator Kevin Shibilski

(24th Senate District), Representative Julie Lassa (71st Assembly District), Mike Berg, WisDOT district 4 director and dignitaries from Portage and Wood counties will join Stevens Point Mayor Gary Wescott to dedicate the Clark Street project.

"The completion of the Clark Street project marks a statewide effort to facilitate safer, more efficient roadways while enhancing the economic progress of cities such as

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"Rivercrossings"

Photo by John Krejci

## Sculptures on campus remain in disrepair

By Kristin Gagnon  
NEWS REPORTER

Several large pieces of outdoor artwork on campus are showing their age. Rust and decay are eating away at these sculptures but strides toward restoration seem unlikely.

Recently a grant application to restore some of these pieces was denied. The campus Exterior Arts Committee is attempting to determine how this problem should be handled.

Later this week, a test will be conducted searching for lead in the paint of "Rivercrossing", which is located on the east side

of the Learning Resource Center (LRC).

"The piece is made of Cortan steel and it is inappropriate to paint this type of steel in the first place, but that's what the artist chose to do," said Carl Rasmussen, facilities planning.

The original artist is through working with the piece and does not wish to have any ties to its restoration. The Exterior Arts Committee will decide if it should be repainted and, if so, in what color.

"Unfortunately, the state fails to give the campus control of the type of material which goes into a piece of art as it does

with buildings," said Rasmussen. "High maintenance art pieces can result.

Funding for two of these sculptures came from the same source of funds, the Wisconsin State Percent and Arts Program.

"On every construction project over \$250,000 funded by the state, two-tenths of one percent goes to this program to purchase or commission public art," said Rasmussen.

Unfortunately, this money can't be used for restoration purposes.

"By state law, maintenance becomes a campus responsibility just like maintaining a building," said Rasmussen.

More on funding for state art can be found on the Internet at <http://www.arts.state.wi.us/percent.htm>.

## Libertarian visits UWSP

By Andrea Wetzel  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Last Friday, Libertarian Senate Candidate Tim Peterson campaigned at UWSP.

Peterson pitched his three main campaign issues of education privatization, personal privacy and the right to keep and bear arms to Professor Jim Canfield's Political Science 101 class.

"I feel third parties should be a part of the system," said Beau Morley, a sophomore from the class. "It allows Americans to see all sides of the system, not just two."

Peterson proposed privatizing elementary education to improve schools and to lower the cost of education.

He also explained that parents who choose to send their

children to private schools pay twice, through taxes and tuition.

"I hope you're not buying Herb Kohl's television ads," said Peterson. "Do you really think that we're going to get better education by sending more money and control to Washington D.C.?"

Peterson added, "I think that you as parents can do a far better job than the federal government to make sure that your dollars are efficiently spent on reading, writing, arithmetic, and history-with a focus on American history, not the UN global history that they're teaching in K-12 these days."

To illustrate his personal privacy platform, Peterson handed out "Social Insecurity" cards. He said that the United States should privatize social security by giving each American a separate bank account, as Chile has done in their country.

He also wants to get rid of the National ID system of social

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## Campus BEAT



### Smith Hall

Thursday, Oct. 5 2:03 a.m.

The hall director called requesting an officer because someone had urinated in the hallway and written vulgar remarks on a noteboard located a resident's door.

### Neale Hall

Thursday, Oct. 5 4:45 p.m.

A student reported that someone had stolen his bicycle from the bike rack located at the southwest entrance.

### Health Enhancement Center

Thursday, Oct. 5 8:40 p.m.

A student reported that his wallet was taken from an unsecured locker in the men's locker room of the pool.

### College of Professional Studies

Thursday, Oct. 5 8:52 p.m.

A student reported that someone stole her Palomer Mountain bike.

### Lot Q

Friday, Oct. 6 3:22 p.m.

A student reported that the rear fender of his vehicle had been damaged.

### College of Professional Studies

Sunday, Oct. 9 3:43 a.m.

An officer noticed that the ashtray was tipped over and broken by the northeast entrance.

### Lot P

Sunday, Oct. 9 6:12 p.m.

A student reported that her vehicle had been vandalized.

### University Center

Monday, Oct. 10 9:49 a.m.

A student reported the theft of numerous items from his booth "Students for the Republican Party" located in the concourse area.

### University Center

Monday, Oct. 10 11:06 p.m.

An officer reported someone was spraying graffiti on the south wall.

### Old Main

Monday, Oct. 10 12:35 p.m.

A woman reported finding approximately 20 marbles in the area of Lot A. She also noticed a hole in a window just above the west set of doors on the building.

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Stevens Point and its surrounding areas," said Berg.

The project included the replacement of the existing two-lane bridge with a new four-lane structure. Crews also expanded the existing two-lane street on the west side of the Wisconsin River into a four-lane roadway, upgraded the Clark and Division Street intersection and reconstructed Clark Street on the east side of the river.

"Extensive public involvement went into the design and construction of this project," said Mike O'Meara, state project supervisor. "By working closely with the citizens and businesses of Stevens Point, we were able to accommodate the needs of the people this project is meant to benefit."

Approximately 12 public informational meetings were held throughout the production of the Clark Street project. These meetings gave the public an opportunity to discuss concerns and offer suggestions to project managers and engineers. In addition to the public informational meetings, a project update was sent to the media and local businesses on a weekly basis to inform them of any changes or progress being made.

"To help preserve the city's cultural resources WisDOT coordinated with the State Historical Society and Department of Natural Resources," said O'Meara. "By working with these organizations we were better able to minimize the impact this project would have on the environment in and around the Clark Street Bridge."

The Clark Street ribbon cutting and bridge dedication ceremony will be held rain or shine with food and refreshments to follow. The public is invited to join the WisDOT along with the city of Stevens Point to help celebrate the event.

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## Memories are best when remembered...



4 out of 5 UWSP students have not been in trouble with police, residence hall staff or other college authorities

Data source: 2000 Core Alcohol and Drug Use Survey taken by UWSP students

## Any Regrets ???

## PROTECTIVE SERVICES' SAFETY/CRIME PREVENTION TIP OF THE WEEK

"Ruffies" is a fairly new drug associated with date rape. The effects of the drug are scary.

Rohypnol is colorless, odorless, tasteless, dissolves quickly in any liquid and takes effect in twenty minutes. The effects of which can last up to eight hours and include a drunk appearance, muscle weakness, fatigue, slurred speech, loss of judgment and amnesia that lasts up to 24 hours.

If you suspect that you have been drugged and/or raped contact Protective Services for assistance and seek medical help.

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stration in which the roof, doors, and dash were removed from a burning vehicle using the Jaws of Life. This is done so that rescue workers can get a person out of the car when they are trapped inside.

"We cut the roof and then flopped it onto the hood," said Hull Fire Chief Mark Kluck.

Also, an inflatable bag was placed underneath the vehicle and then was blown up by an air compressor attached to it. This inflatable bag raises up the vehicle so emergency workers can get a person who is trapped underneath the vehicle out.

Protective Services organized fire drills in all UWSP buildings on Tuesday. The resi-

dence halls have been very active in fire prevention. Fire drills are held once each semester in addition to monthly checks of safety equipment. Smoke detectors have recently been replaced in all residents' rooms.

Residents are informed about evacuation procedures through student residential handbooks, as well as hall postings. Fire hazards such as burning candles and incense are prohibited in rooms and mattresses in the rooms are fire retardant.

According to Bob Mosier, residential living director, and Tom Garton, a staff member of building services within residential living, has recently returned from a national conference on fire safety with information

about practices in other programs across the country.

"In the past year, we have had a Safety Task Force meet during the entire year. This task force ... had representatives from each hall review various safety issues in the halls, including fire safety," said Mosier.

According to Kluck, this time of year is a good time to change the batteries in smoke detectors and to make sure they are working properly. He also encourages people to buy carbon monoxide testers.

Fire Prevention Week has been a success. The NFPA has documented that 58 lives have been saved as a direct result of families' participation in this program.

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"If Bush is elected, his appointments to the Supreme Court could ultimately result in the overturning of Roe v. Wade," said Baltzell-Gauthier. "And that would be a terrible thing."

While the Republicans agree that this issue is very important to this election, they contradict the Democrats in their view of the gravity of this aspect.

"Bush isn't looking to overthrow Roe v. Wade. At most, he'd like to make it a state issue," said Smith.

Both parties are actively involved in promoting their candidates on campus. In addition to running campaign booths and registering voters, they're making other efforts in the election.

"We're sending out postcards to students after voter registration ends on campus so they can register at the polls on

Tuesday, Nov. 7," said Smith.

"The College Democrats are actively involved with volunteer work at the Portage County Democratic headquarters," said Baltzell-Gauthier.

A debate between members of the College Democrats, Republicans and Greens is scheduled to take place Nov. 1 in the Alumni room of the University Center (UC).

The Democrats and Republicans agree that this election may be decided on trust rather than the any specific issue.

"Bush may not have the 'straight-A student appearance,' but most people feel they can trust him," said Smith.

"This election is going to come down to who the people believe," said Baltzell-Gauthier. "It's an issue of who believes whose math."

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security cards, and shorten the census.

Another main issue Peterson is campaigning on is gun control.

"I believe that gun control is counter productive. We already have 20,000 laws on the books restricting the use of guns in America. I don't think it's working," he said. "You can not take guns out of society, you can only disarm law abiding citizens."

The Libertarian party has been around since 1971. In the past two presidential elections the party has been on the ballot in all 50 states.

"[Libertarians] want to stand up for the constitution, the principles that make this country better than any other country," said Peterson.

Peterson referred to the founding fathers Jefferson, Adams and Franklin, as Libertarians who believed in personal freedom and responsibility. He said that the concept, "That government that governs least, governs best," should be applied to the national government today.

This live and let live policy makes it hard to compare the Libertarian party to the Democratic or Republican parties.

According to Peterson, the Libertarian party is more liberal than Democrats on social issues such as drug laws and gambling.

"We don't think you can legislate your way to greater morality," he said. "We think that's called prohibition and censorship."

However, Libertarians are conservative on other issues such as cutting taxes and removing restrictions from trade.

"Maybe I don't have a chance, Maybe I'm not going to win," said Peterson. "But what I'm banking on is that more and more people are going to realize that John Gillespie, the republican, Herb Kohl, the democrat, it doesn't matter. Taxes are going to go up, regulations are going to go up and they're going to forget about the constitution."

In order to be on the ballot for the Wisconsin senate race this November, Peterson had to collect 2,000 signatures from around the state.

His budget of \$50,000 (most his own money) is too limiting to have an extensive advertising campaign, so Peterson plans to campaign person to person. He is a private pilot so he plans to travel to each of the 72 counties in the state.

Today there are 166 Libertarian office holders across the nation. This is twice as many as all other third parties combined.

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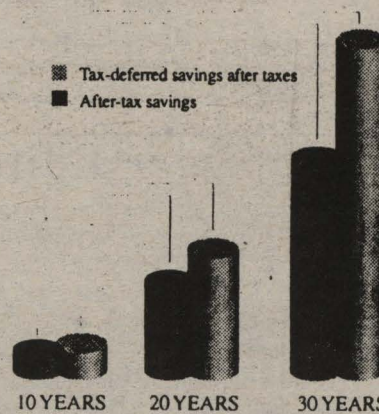
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## College Republicans: victims of theft

Today is a sad day in the history of UWSP. On Monday night the College Republican booth in the UC was vandalized. All of the yard signs were stolen, all of Bush/Cheney bumper stickers were stolen and a lot of other literature was taken also. Also attached to the booth was a sign stating something to the effect that our candidates are ignorant.

When I found out about this my heart dropped. I thought that the students of this campus were more respectful than this. Democracy thrives only when all the voices are heard. We, the College Republicans, were simply providing the students information about the candidates. Not only that, but we were providing a community service by registering people to vote.

To those students who stole the material, I wonder how you can look in the mirror and say what you've done has helped

America or its citizens. The answer is, it hasn't. In all likelihood you have turned more people away from politics because they have seen another example of corruption. I find it funny that often times those who claim to tolerate the most are often the most intolerant when it comes to ideas that don't follow their agenda.

The College Republicans will continue on regardless of the adversity we face on campus by those who don't seem to understand freedom of expression. I thank all of the 40 plus members of our group who have helped so far this year, and I applaud those students who have registered to vote. Ignorance, I'm sad to say, exists on our campus, but it's not with groups like ours, rather its with individuals who resort to crime in attempt to silence opposition.

Jeremy J. Smith,  
chairman College Republicans

## Intolerance remains a problem

Picture it. America 1950. Two water fountains stand side by side. One labeled "whites" and the other labeled "colored." All at once, two separate worlds are created. The thirsty users of these two water fountains are immediately forbidden to mingle. Social manipulation made of porcelain and stainless steel. Since when did "colored" not represent the wondrous design of the world, a myriad of hues that stand for all that is beautiful?

Once again, only a handful of decades later, something beautiful is made out to be ugly, backward and inferior. Social manipulation in the form of bills before Congress have declared this section of society unfit for the classroom, the battlefield and the public eye; they belong back in the closet.

Young lives have been destroyed to protect the purity of society. Lack of information and the refusal for understanding have ostracized a societal group. Whole lives have been left to chance, relying on whether or not those they dearly love will accept their identities. They have been turned from their homes in fits of disgust and anger. A whole generation has been orphaned, not by death, but by the dark sword of intolerance.

I encourage all of you reading these words to analyze your actions and attitudes toward this tossed aside portion of humanity. Do you react with disgust at the mere mention of homosexuality? Do you quickly raise the white banner of Christianity to shield yourself? I will remind you: God does not advocate hatred, murder or terrorism. What would Jesus do? He would befriend and defend the outcasts of society unconditionally.

I beg you to find a place in your heart to accept the outcasts, to respect them for their struggle. Welcome them into the culture with open arms, and you will see what they can contribute.

The battle against racism still exists today, but the American people, by learning more and by adjusting their attitudes, have made many inroads for developing a more tolerant and accepting climate. I urge you to start on this road again. Take the *real* moral high ground.

Michelle Fitch, president of the Gay-Straight Alliance

## Nader the republican and his "Green" party

Although Ralph Nader believes he is giving the people a choice with the third party, a much more liberal opportunity of democracy, he is doing more bad than good. All Nader supporters should ask themselves if they would really want to take the step backwards and have Bush running our country. All that has been built up in the past two terms under a fairly liberal President Bill Clinton will be erased. The Green party is too green for political bouts such as a presidential candidate.

If the Greens were politically conscious, they would have realized that this election term is more important than merely putting a President into office. The next President will have the opportunity to appoint three justices to the Supreme Court. With Bush's track record of bi-monthly executions in his gubernatorial reign over Texas. This is scary for a Western civilization helping lead the world in moral considerations of genocide and public executions; it is a ticket back to the times of Hitler and Stalin.

For a democracy where we demand our rights as people and wish to choose our own paths in life, we cannot let women's rights be denied further by taking away their bodily rights. And with so many major corporations coming to court for polluting our environment, this would not be a time to have the judges wave their responsibilities in cleaning up our environ-

ment and set a precedent in our environmentally-aware community for the large companies to not be accountable.

If these policies are enacted, this country will be undesirable for any Green or Democrat. So why would the Green Party put up such a strong candidate in such an important election? Why would they risk drawing support from Democratic Candidate Al Gore? Poor politics. It is as if Nader and the Greens are in league with the republicans, for they are going to hand the election over to the republicans by drawing support from Gore.

In an election that is so close and means so much, the Green Party is out of line for throwing Nader into the picture. For one thing the people are not ready to elect a third party candidate, we saw that with Ross Perot, who didn't fair any better than the legendary Eugene Debs. Not only that, but Nader is not really presidential material; with his immediate goals and liberal views, he would be better off in the Congress.

As a social democrat I praise the Green Party for its effort in growing into a strong third party, and I hope that they continue to run candidates in all elections, from local to state to federal. The more liberals the better, but the voters should be encouraged to keep Bush out of office.

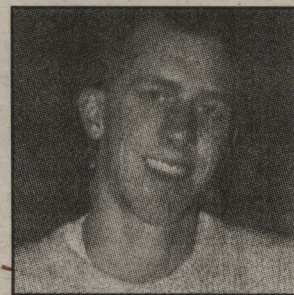
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How would you add  
diversity to UWSP?



Baret Steenrod, Sr. Watershed Management  
*Move the campus south about 200 miles...Into the Chicago suburbs*



Christy Donaldson, Sr. Communication  
*Integrate international students within all of the dorms*



Sarah Henderson, Sr. Elementary Ed.  
*An intercampus exchange program where students can study at other universities and receive credit at the home university*



Michael Nguyen, Fr. Philosophy  
*An increase of diversity is a union of different points of view with different perspectives*



Katie Janaes, Sr. Biology  
*By organizing events that bring together many different types of people*



Alikei Godi, Sr. Communication  
*Bring more professors from different cultures*

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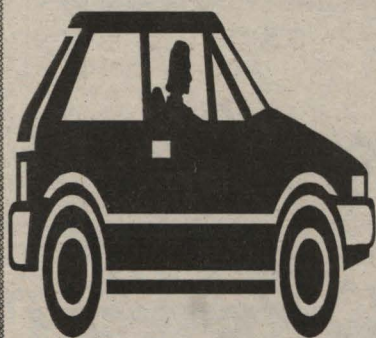
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## CRASH COURSE

DRIVING 101

By Katie Harding  
FEATURES EDITOR



Bad driving is my biggest pet peeve. Lately, people seem to be getting worse and worse behind the wheel. Either that or the people down at the DMV are much bigger pushovers since I got my license.

I certainly have no intention of solving the situation, but just for kicks, I think we should do a brief rundown on driving dos and don'ts.

1. The left lane is for
  - a) passing somebody in the right lane or
  - b) turning left (preferably within the next mile or two)

This isn't so tough, is it? Somebody honked and flipped me off today for passing on the right. Now I am aware that I shouldn't be passing on the right, but a person loses the right to give me the bird when he or she is just sitting in the left lane. If you are not passing another vehicle, and if you don't intend to turn anytime soon, you have no business being in the left lane (or gesturing crudely at somebody who tries to go around you).

2. This is the simplest one: Look both ways before you take off.

Your mothers should have taught you this years ago. I t-boned a minivan this summer because the driver decided to crawl across the highway from a stop sign without looking. My engine ended up in the passenger seat, and I had to army-crawl my way out of my demolished car. Three months later, I'm still in physical therapy and walking around like Frankenstein because I can only turn my head so far.

3. This feature is found in every car. It's called a blinker (*definition: a warning signal with flashing lights*).

If you plan on turning, the people behind you need a warning signal of some sort. Your brake lights at the last second are not sufficient. This is how people get rear-ended. So if you think you have room for another car in your back seat, keep it up.

b) This is an extension of the blinker rule. Just as there can be a lack of blinker use, there can be an abuse of blinker use. Example: My dad puts his blinker on minutes before he turns. *Minutes*. This is not necessary. We live about four blocks from our church, and I swear he's got the blinker on to turn into the parking lot before we're out of the driveway.

So, there you have it. Thanks for your attention. Class dismissed.

## Halloween costume sale this weekend

By Amy Shaw  
FEATURES REPORTER



UWSP's Department of Theatre and Dance has set its annual Halloween costume sale for this weekend.

As a way to make room for new costumes in the theatre and dance costume shop and a way to provide reasonably priced, handmade costumes to students for Halloween, the costume sale is a highly anticipated event.

Selling everything from delicate beaded gowns, to beggars'

clothes and beyond, the annual sale provides many exciting options for the student who wants to look original this Halloween.

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By Elisabeth Herbner  
LIFESTYLE ASSISTANT

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## REEL REVIEW

HIGH FIDELITY: By KATIE HARDING



Rob Gordon (Cusack) is unlucky in love in High Fidelity.

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When his longtime girlfriend jilts him, he looks to his past romantic failures for guidance.

Cusack, playing an owner of a vinyl record store, talks to the camera repeatedly, which I assumed *had* to get annoying sometime. But, being a sucker for Jon Cusack, his mannerisms and puppy-dog eyes grew on me.

Overall rating: \*\*\*\*

~ Mature plot and superb acting by entire cast.

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~ Jazz Ensemble performance

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## Spikers earn pair of victories

**Michelle Tesmer**  
SPORTS REPORTER

The UW-Stevens Point volleyball team earned an impressive non-conference victory over Viterbo College Tuesday night.

The Pointers dominated action, earning the three-game sweep, 15-9, 15-3, 15-10.

Point trailed 10-7 in the third game but scored eight straight to close out the match.

Carry Boehning paced UWSP with 11 kills while Lucy Fisher added 29 assists.

The victory raised Point's record to 6-17 on the season.

The Pointers also split a pair of WIAC matches last weekend.

UW-Superior forced the Pointers into four games, but still couldn't pull off the win. The Pointers balanced attack saw four players with double digits in kills and five double up in digs.

Raina Gagnow led with 17 kills, while Fisher had 55 assists and 23 digs.

The win may prove costly, though, as Emily Morgan left toward the end of game four with a first-degree ankle sprain.

Coach Kelly Geiger commented on several aspects of the night. "We got a conference win and our middles had a good night. We really connected well. "When Emily Morgan went down, Mindy Rockwood came in and did a great job on the last six points. We were down and they really stuck together."

The Pointers won the match 15-10, 12-15, 15-6 and 16-14.

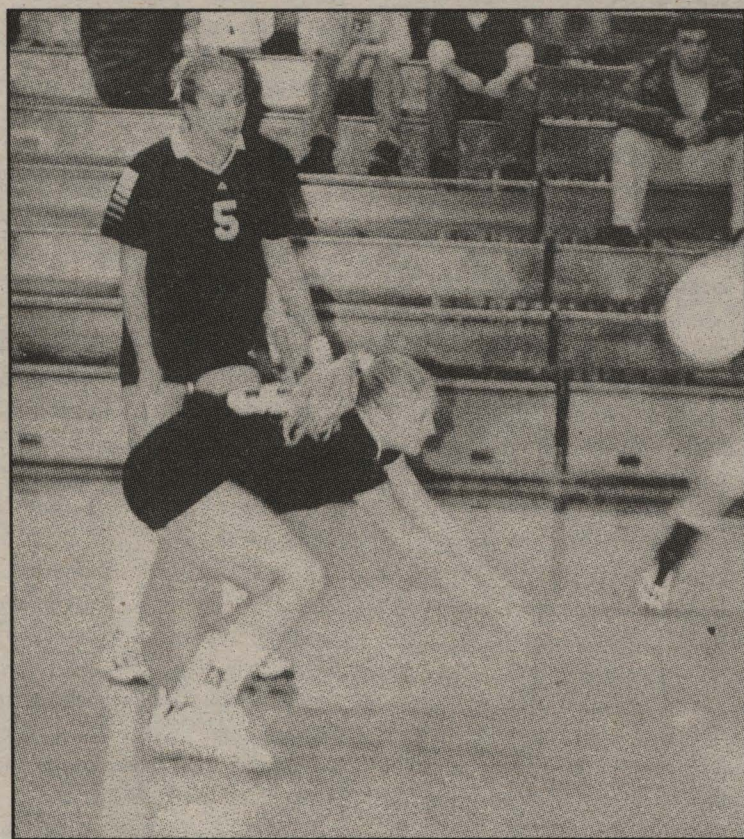


Photo by John Krejci

Raina Gagnow gets down low for a dig Tuesday night during UWSP's match against Viterbo College.

Saturday, Point traveled to Eau Claire where they battled the Bugolds for the second time in a week, with the same end result. UWSP was swept 2-15, 12-15 and 5-15.

Fisher was the lone Pointer to total double digits with 18 assists. Geiger is concerned with how the offense is coming together, but says that there is still hope for more victories.

"Traditionally, my concern has been with the offense. That is still a concern, probably more so

than the defense, which is ranked fourth in blocking and fifth in digs in the conference. We have improved tremendously on execution of the offense and our hitters are getting more consistent," she said.

This coming weekend, the Pointers will face four non-conference teams in the Carthage College Tournament.

"I think the toughest half of the schedule is done with. The rest of our matches are very winnable," said Geiger.

## Golfers settle for fourth at WIACs

### Carlson earns all-conference honors

**Mike Peck**  
SPORTS EDITOR

The UW-Stevens Point women's golf team completed its season over the weekend as it competed in the WIAC conference meet in Janesville.

The ladies came in a disappointing fourth place in the meet, but Kathryn Carlson did receive all-conference honors.

Carlson placed seventh in the meet earning first-team honors after shooting a two-day total of 175.

Oshkosh won their first conference title knocking off conference favorite Eau Claire, with a total team score of 684.

The Pointers finished the two-day tournament with a team score of 727.

Other top finishers for UWSP included Andrea Miller, just barely missing the top 10, finishing 11th with a score of 180.

Close behind Miller was teammate Rachel Sime, who finished her season with a 184, good enough for 16th place in

the tournament.

Although the Pointers finished at the bottom of the conference this year, the future appears very bright.

Carlson is the only senior on the squad of 10 golfers, which has shown improvement all season.

Not only has the team as a whole improved, but so has the conference.

"The conference has

improved a lot more than I thought it would this year," said Head Coach Mike Okay.

The ladies, who won the inaugural conference tournament back in 1996, will look to rebound next season with their nine returning starters.

Top returners for the Pointers next season include Miller, who is a freshmen this season, along with sophomore Sime and junior Kelly Rogers.

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## UWSP kickers get huge win over EC

**Mike Peck**  
SPORTS EDITOR

The UW-Stevens Point women's soccer scored two more huge victories on the road over the weekend and moved one step closer to securing home field advantage for the conference tournament.

"When you talk about playing good soccer, this weekend we played great as a team," said Head Coach Sheila Miech. "There was just good team moral for the whole team."

"We played an extremely tough game on Saturday and came back and played one of the top Minnesota schools. This just tells you what kind of team we have."

In a crucial game Saturday, the Pointers traveled to Eau Claire to take on the Bugolds who were tied at the top of the conference and fighting for home field advantage through out the playoffs.

UWSP all-time leading scorer Marie Muhvic put the Pointers on the board in the first half to give the Pointers a 1-0 lead.

"We started off against Eau Claire with a goal into the wind," said Miech. "Plus having to play there and knowing they had more returners than we did, we had to play good soccer."

Eau Claire did manage to tie the game going into halftime.

As the season has progressed the Pointers have begun to develop more depth, and Saturday it paid off.

After the all-time leading goal scorer found the back of the net for the first goal, another Pointer put one across for her first career goal.

Freshman transfer Melissa Meadows took a pass from a patient Muhvic at the top of the goal box and put the Pointers on top for good 2-1.

The ladies then traveled to Minnesota to take on the College of St. Benedict.

Andrea Oswald and Margaret Domka scored the only two

See Soccer on Page 12

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## Pointer tennis team drops trio of matches

**Nick Brilowski**  
SPORTS EDITOR

The UW-Stevens Point women's tennis team took to the courts three times over a six-day period to try to get its game in gear with the WIAC Championships looming just over a week away.

The Pointers were unable to come away with a team victory in any of the three matches, including a pair of losses to WIAC foes and a tight decision to Ripon College.

On Wednesday, UWSP hosted UW-Oshkosh, but the Titans ruled the courts, coming away with a 7-2 victory.

Heather Janssen was a double winner for the Pointers earning a straight sets win at No. 4 singles (6-2, 7-5), while teaming with Anne Hildebrandt for a tiebreaker win at No. 2 doubles.

"I thought that everybody played really well (Wednesday) inspite of losing," Pointer coach Nancy Page said. "They were all in the matches."



Photo by Renee Eismueller  
*Aimee Strebig awaits a return Wednesday afternoon.*

"It was a good win at No. 2 for Heather and Anne. They really played well."

Saturday, the Pointers traveled to UW-Eau Claire but were blanked by the powerful Blugolds, 9-0.

See Tennis on Page 9

## Cross country nears finish line

**Mike Peck**  
SPORTS EDITOR

The UW-Stevens Point men's and women's cross country teams both competed in high key meets over the weekend as the conference meet approaches.

The men traveled to South Bend, Ind., to compete in the Notre Dame Invitational against some of the top Division III teams in the country.

The Pointers placed fourth in the 18-team field that included top-ranked Calvin (Mich.), Oshkosh and Heidleberg.

"We ran ok, not great," said Head Coach Rick Witt. "There was no lack of effort, but we did make some tactical mistakes."

"That's why we go there, to learn from our mistakes."

The men's mistakes were overshadowed by a runner who has been virtually mistake-free this season, Jesse Drake.

Drake won his fourth consecutive meet and ran 25:07 to win the Gold race that included Division I schools.

The victory, Drake's most impressive of the season, came in front of the top Division I

schools which ran in the Blue race and against some of the other D-III title contenders.

"With the exception of Drake, no one had run in the big race there," said Witt. "I think that it was just reaffirming what we thought before and that is he can run as well as anyone in D-III. He won it in the last mile and showed that he is ready to go."

Casey Cook finished a strong 18th in a time of 25:58, Mark Lalonde was 30th in 26:17 while Eric Fischer (36th in 26:26) and Adam Freihofer (39th in 26:28) were not far behind to round out the top five.

The women traveled to Colfax, Wis., to take part in the pre-regional meet hosted by Stout.

The ladies were unable to take advantage of the strong one-two punch of Leah Juno and Becky Lebak, placing sixth.

"We may be trying to

achieve things that we may not be capable of achieving quite yet," said Head Coach Len Hill. "We worked right through our training and our training is going well."

Juno (18:15) and Lebak (18:16) finished right with each other once again placing fourth and fifth, respectively, to lead the Pointers in the 5,000-meter race.

But after that, the gap between the second and third runner opened up and the ladies weren't able to recover.

Freshman Isabelle Dellannay stepped up for the Pointers placing 50th followed by Erin Dogwillo who was 51st.

Marcie Fischer (56th) and Sarah Ninnemann (69th) rounded out the lineup for UWSP, as they hit the peak of their training.

"This week will be easier in terms of work were doing and look to run better this weekend,"

See Cross Country on Page 9

## Senior Spotlight

### Courtney Herreman - Volleyball



Herreman

#### UWSP Career Highlights

- Posted career-high 20 kills against Grand View at Wartburg Invite last season
- Ranked fourth on team in kills and digs last season

**Hometown:** Portage, Wis.

**Major:** Biology

**Most memorable moment:** Beating Eau Claire my sophomore year.

**Who was your idol growing up?:** My mom. She did everything for me and supported me.

**What are your plans after graduation?:** I would like to be a zoo keeper some day at a big zoo or some place like Sea World.

**Favorite aspect of volleyball:** I would have to say the competitiveness and just the way that six people can work together on the court.

**Biggest achievement in volleyball:** The tournament I had at Wartburg (Iowa) last year.

**Most embarrassing moment:** Ripping a hole in my spandex at North Central.

**What will you remember most about playing volleyball at UWSP?:** My best friends are on the team and my roommates.

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**Women's Tennis:** At UW-La Crosse, Saturday, 11 a.m.

**Women's Soccer:** At UW-La Crosse, Saturday, 1 p.m.; **UW-Platteville**, Wednesday, 4 p.m.

**Cross Country:** At UW-La Crosse Invitational, Saturday.

*All Home Games in Bold*

## Injury depleted football team bows to River Falls

**41 unanswered points lead Falcons to win**

**Nick Brilowski**  
SPORTS EDITOR

There are very few more disheartening situations for a coach than to have to field a team that has been ravaged by injuries.

So it is easy to feel for UW-Stevens Point football coach John Miech.

The Pointer squad has been decimated by the injury bug and never was it more apparent than on Saturday as UWSP saw its record fall to 0-5 on the season (0-3 WIAC) with a 49-20 beating at River Falls.

The injury list reads like a roll call:

Kurt Kielblock (Achilles), Tony Romano (shoulder), Jason Wagner (ankle), Gabe Bauer (torn ACL)— out for the season.

Scott Wendlandt (ankle), Chad Valentyne (foot), Steve Jones (quadriceps), Wally Schmitt— out indefinitely or questionable.

"[The injuries] really took

a toll last week because we only had three days to put guys in who haven't played before," Miech said.

"I'm not going to make excuses, but some of these injuries are hard to overcome."

Miech did say that he feels his team will be more prepared to play this weekend against Whitewater after having two weeks to play together.

As for the River Falls game, the Pointers were able to jump on the Falcons right off the bat, as Lance Gast broke free for a 76-yard touchdown run on the third play of the game.

However, River Falls answered right back, needing just five plays to answer the Pointers and tie the game, 7-7.

A pair of miscues by UWSP punter Jason Biechler resulted excellent field position that led to a Falcon touchdown and a safety to jump-start River Falls and turn the direction of the game around, giving them a 16-7 lead.

That opened the flood gates as the Falcons raced out to a 27-7 halftime lead and 41 unan-

swered points overall.

Even when the Pointers were finally able to find the end zone again, things still went against them.

Following a four-yard touchdown run by Schmitt, River Falls blocked Jason Steuck's extra point attempt and Luke Miska returned it for a two-point conversion to make the score 43-13.

On the next play from scrimmage, Falcon quarterback Cory Mueller raced 88 yards for a touchdown, before Ian Zertler closed out the scoring with a four-yard run for the Pointers.

In all, River Falls' wish-bone attack amassed 411 yards rushing on 61 attempts, compared to 172 yards on 49 attempts for UWSP.

"What really hurt us last week," Miech stated, "is River Falls is a team that we had to pass against. They put eight guys near the line of scrimmage. Now we're going against teams we can run and pass against. We're going up against more conventional attitudes."

The road won't get much easier for the Pointers as they travel to Whitewater on Saturday to take on the Warhawks at 1 p.m.

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3. Tequilla Slammers

## Tennis

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"Eau Claire is just strong all the way through," Page said. "They're the perennial conference champs."

Friday afternoon, UWSP fought a tooth-and-nail battle with Ripon, but came up just short as the match was decided by a tiebreaker at No. 4 singles.

Jen Derse of the Pointers and Etta Hilligross of Ripon split the opening two sets of their match, but due to time

constraints, the pair battled out a tiebreaker instead of playing a third set.

Hilligross eventually ended up outlasting Derse, 12-10.

Winners for UWSP included Alison Mills (No. 5) and Gretchen Weddig (No. 6) in singles play and the doubles teams of Hildebrandt-Janssen (No. 2) and Derse-Rachel Ferge (No.3).

"Ripon plays the kind of game that requires a lot of patience to play against and we didn't have the patience," Page stated.

## Cross country: Drake is victorious

Continued from Page 8

said Hill. "Maybe the next thing we can work on is moving up and keeping the pack longer."

As for this weekend, both teams travel to La Crosse to compete in a meet that usually serves as a preview for the conference meet, although some of the runners may rest if they are not completely healthy.

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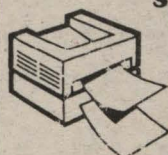
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# Owls trapped and studied during migration

By Renee Eismueller  
PHOTOGRAPHER

This last Friday I had the opportunity to go to the Linwood Springs Research Station located in central Wisconsin. Each fall,

migrant saw-whet owls are captured and banded in effort to gain information about their migration routes, molting patterns, mortality rates and winter and summer ranges.

Upon arriving at the sta-

tion, which doubles as the home of Director Eugene A. Jacobs, a small group of people from the community was treated to a brief description of what goes on at the station. We were shown statistics from the station, how to identify and age the birds and other important research information including how the studies are carried out.

The backyard was set up with nets strung between trees which were specially designed to capture the birds. There were also two large speakers playing one of the common saw-whet calls to draw them into the nets as they migrate through Wisconsin at night.

These migration patterns vary based

on a number of conditions, one being the current weather pattern. Every hour the nets are checked for birds, so we bundled up and went out to check the nets. Two birds were found and carefully taken out of the nets and then put into small juice cans to be transported back to the house.

Inside, the director and a university volunteer tagged the birds, recorded information and then gave the visitors a chance to handle and see the birds up close. Demonstrations like these are a great way to spark interest and generate funds to continue their research.

Volunteer opportunities like these for university students are great ways to get experience if they are interested in a career in wildlife or a related field.



Photo by Renee Eismueller

People young and old are able to observe and study the owls as this youngster learns the tranquil nature of the saw-whet owl.

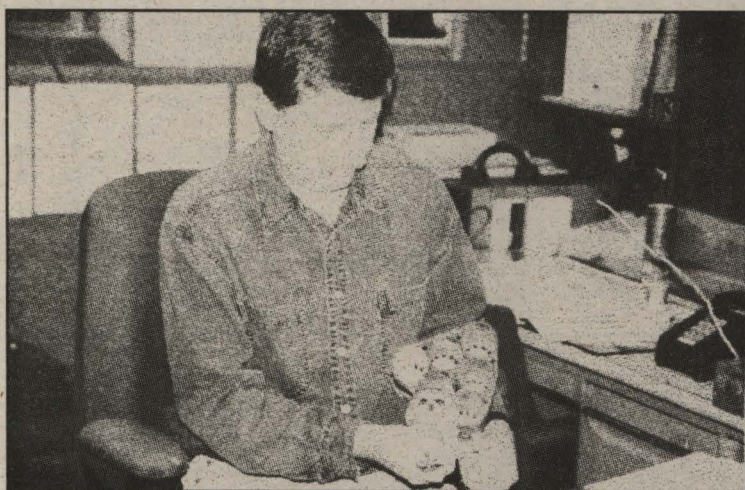


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A small saw-whet owl is captured, banded and observed before its release last week at the Linwood Springs Research Center.

## Education and awareness will heal all

By Matt Filipiak  
OUTDOORS REPORTER

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## New group fights Alaskan destruction

By Angela Harper  
OUTDOORS REPORTER

A new group, called Alaska Wilderness League, has recently been formed here at UW-Stevens Point. They are a group of environmentally conscious students here on campus who are working to promote awareness of a crucial time in history that will effect the future of one of our most delicate wilderness areas.

The Arctic National Wildlife Refuge is a 19,000,000-acre refuge located on the northern coastal plain of Alaska. This beautiful coastal region is home to many different species of wildlife such as wolves, grizzly bears, foxes, eagles, many small mammals and most importantly the Porcupine River caribou herd.

Each year the caribou embark on a 400-mile migration route to reach the coastal plains of this refuge as their breeding grounds. For well over 20,000 years, this route has been migrated by the caribou and has been depended upon by the Gwich'in Indians who have used the caribou for food, medicine, clothing and religious purposes.

Prudhoe Bay, an oil development on the northern coast of Alaska, is one of the largest industrial areas in the world. It pours 43,000 tons of nitrogen oxide into the air and dumps tens of thousands of crude oil every year. This establishment invaded the central Arctic caribou herds breeding grounds and by doing so drastically declined their population.

Similarly, an idea has been proposed to begin oil drilling in



the 740 square mile region within the porcupine caribou's breeding territory. The drilling will require 280 miles of roads, hundreds of miles of pipelines and 50 million cubic yards of gravel taken from nearby ponds and rivers. Studies done in peer-reviewed scientific literature indicate that the drilling will destroy the land, air,

wildlife, plants and cause major irreversible changes of the caribou herd and the native cultures of the area.

What can YOU do to help stop these drilling companies from destroying this area for not even six months worth of oil?

The Alaska Wilderness League is the leading organization to prevent the drilling and protect this area. Luckily there is a group devoted to fighting against this careless drilling being formed here on campus. If you are interested in working with us working with the Alaska Wilderness League stop by the table set up in the UC next week to get more information. If you are unable to contact us in person, e-mail either Aaron Bestor at abest033@uwsp.edu or Angela Harper at aharp884@uwsp.edu.

Besides joining the Alaska Wilderness League, another way to get involved is to contact representatives. Our representative David Obey can be contacted at the US House of Representatives, Washington D.C., 20515 and ask the senators to sponsor S867, the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge Act.

## Paper...Nature's other white meat

By Steve Seamandel  
OUTDOORS EDITOR

Admittedly, this editorial backfired on me before I ever sat down to type it. If things had gone as planned, it would have been a darn good editorial. But I guess that will teach me to be such a pessimist.

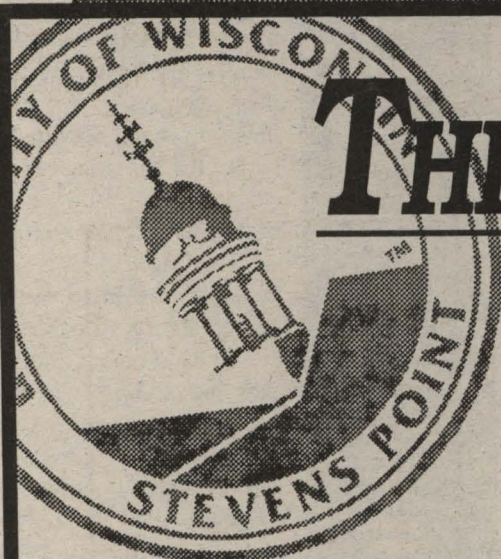
Recently I turned in a lab report for NR 250 and neglected to include a cover sheet with my name, title and date on it. I have always had a hard time understanding why a cover sheet was necessary; why not just put the name, date and class section as a header on the first page and the title centered nicely above the introduction paragraph? Not just because I was lazy, but because it is possible to avoid wasting paper.

Now, as mentioned before, I neglected to include a cover sheet. I got to lab and asked the instructor if I would be docked points for doing so, hoping that he would say "yes, it is a necessary component of the lab" so I could blast the entire class for not practicing what they are teaching. However, that was not the case, I was not docked points. So I guess it turned out positively that I wasn't docked the points, but still, it would have made for a darn good headline, huh?

But I got to thinking about the entire situation with wasting paper. Most students do type out a cover sheet. There are roughly 250 students in NR 250, and if every student were to make a cover sheet, after two labs were due, one entire ream (500 sheets) of paper would be uselessly wasted on three lines of text: name, date and title.

My question is this: How conscientious are students and professors of their paper use? I have not bought computer paper from a store for over a year, almost two years now. I worked at an office for the last two summers and I scrounged around and got paper from there. And no, I wasn't walking out with sealed packages of computer paper. I would go to the fax room and pull all of the "End Transmission" fax sheets with only a small amount of useless print on them. These pages would always get thrown out before I got to them. I convinced a co-worker to pick up the practice as well and now there is a good two foot tall pile of paper that is used for scrap paper around the office. (And of course whenever I go back I always scoop a good portion of it for printer paper.)

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## THE WEEK IN POINT!

### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12

Stu. Inv. & Emp. LEAD Dinner, 6:00 PM, Wooden Spoon, UC, & Program: "SST Communications on Appreciating Diversity," 7:00 PM Legacy Rm., UC

Professional Development Lecture: "SYNERGY FROM OTHERS" - Cultural Diversity on Campus, 7:00 PM, Legacy Room., UC  
Mainstage Theatre Prod.: RECKLESS, 7:30 PM, Jenkins Theatre-FAB

CP! Concerts: Darryl Worley, 8:00 PM, The Encore, UC

### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13

CP!-Special Events Presents: CHILDREN'S SHOW w/KEN SCHULTZ, 6:00 PM, The Encore, UC

CP! Cinema: The Skulls, 7:00 PM & 9:30 PM, Room 073, DeBot Center

Mainstage Theatre Prod.: RECKLESS, 7:30 PM, Jenkins Theatre-FAB

Wom. VB, Carthage Tournament (Kenosha)

### SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14

CAMPUS PREVIEW DAY, 9:30 AM, Laird Room, UC

Tennis, UW-LaCrosse, 11:00 AM (T)

Football, UW-Whitewater, 1:00 PM (T)

Wom. Soccer, UW-LaCrosse, 1:00 PM (T)

Mainstage Theatre Prod.: RECKLESS, 7:30 PM, Jenkins Theatre-FAB

CP! Club/Variety: Who Wants to be a Millionaire?, 8:00 PM, The Encore, UC

Wom. Cross-Country, Tori Neubauer Inv. (LaCrosse)

Wom. VB, Carthage Tournament (Kenosha)

### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 17

CP!-Issues & Ideas MASSAGE MINI-COURSE, 6:30-8:00 PM, Nicolet-Marquette Room, UC

CP! Cinema: The New York Film Festival, 8:00 PM, The Encore, UC

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 18

Stu. Inv. & Employment Lunchtime Leadership Training- "Are You Floundering?" (Time & Stress Management), 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM, Room 113, UC

Wom. Soccer, UW-Platteville, 4:00 PM (H)

Wom. VB, UW-Platteville, 7:00 PM (H)

CP! Concerts: The Indigo Girls and Jackson Browne, 7:30 PM, Quandt Fieldhouse

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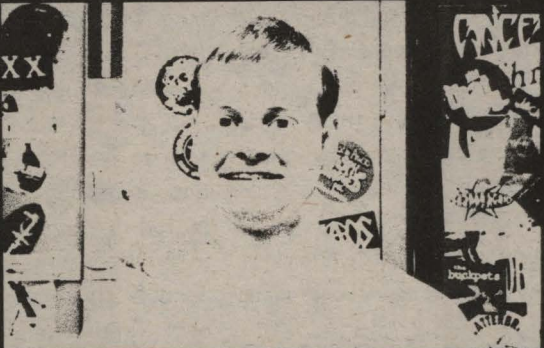
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Staffer of the Month is an honor given to a member of 90FM general staff who goes above and beyond his or her duties, they also help whenever needed at the station.

Soccer

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goals of the game as the Pointers pitched their seventh shutout of the season.

"This is the time of the season when you want to start to come together," replied Miech. "But we still have a lot of work to do. It's still not over yet."

"We just took care of business and you have to give credit to the whole team."

Due to their consistent conference play once again this season in the conference, the Pointers have to win just one of their remaining conference games to secure home-field advantage for the conference tournament.

The first challenge will come Saturday when the Pointers will make their final stop on their six-game road trip at La Crosse.

"La Crosse will come at us hard," said Miech. "They haven't had a very good season so they will be fired up."

The Pointers will return home Wednesday when they play their final regular season conference game against Platteville.

Paper

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But back to my original question: How concientious are students and faculty about paper? I constantly see neighbors and students in general print out a paper, revise a word that was spelled wrong and reprint the entire paper all while crumpling up the old paper and throwing it away. It wouldn't be as bad if they recycled it, but ultimately, these revisions should be made before the paper is ever printed!

Likewise, do professors print tests and hand outs on both sides of the paper? I have seen many tests printed out on one side of a sheet of paper, in addition to hand outs. I think the best example of conserving paper for tests was in Natural Resources 150, when Dr. Gross and Dr. Miller actually put the test on transparencies as opposed to printing the three to five page test for 250 students. There were problems with the transparency method, mostly students needing more time on one question than other students, but hey, in the long run, what does another 20 seconds mean? By putting tests on transparencies, Dr. Miller and Dr. Gross easily saved a few thousand sheets of paper. I can only imagine how much paper could be saved if more professors did this rather than taking the "easy way out" and making copies for everyone.

So to wrap up this column of rambling, it just makes me wonder sometimes what people are really trying to do to recycle. It does not necessarily take a great deal of effort to save some paper, save trees or even save the planet. It just takes a little creativity and thought.

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## Letters from the edge of the world

### The truth about professors

By Pat "pleonasm" Rothfuss  
Prophet, Poet, Pedagogue

It's come to my attention that you guys might need some help writing your papers. How do I know this? Well, it would have been convenient if someone had written in a letter asking for help. Yes sir, that would have been real tidy and convenient.

But, since nobody wrote in, I'm forced to assume that you guys need help with your papers. I think this is a fairly safe guess, because I just got done grading a big stack of freshman papers out here in Washington. Hoo-boy.

Oh sure, I was excited at first. After all, I want to be a professor some day, and to be a professor you have to do three things: use words nobody else knows, smoke a pipe and grade papers. What's more, I figured that grading papers would be... well, sexy. You see, I always had a certain image of how professors graded papers. I pictured them sitting at a cluttered desk late at night, in a dark room with a desk lamp. The professor wears a tweed jacket with patches on the elbows. Maybe they'd even be smoking a pipe. Close at hand, the All-Powerful Red Pen of Grammatical Correctness is behind a sheet of glass, like a fire extinguisher. Stenciled onto the glass are the words: "Break in case of improper syntax."

Unfortunately, this picture couldn't be farther from the truth. I ended up grading this big stack of fifty papers while laying naked in bed, eating a bag of Funyons™ and while this is still terribly sexy, it's just not how I expected things to be.

The moral of the story is this. It's important to remember that your professors are people too. When they go home at night they take off their shoes, eat some cold pizza and shout obscenities at their pets just like the rest of us.

So, keeping in mind the fact that teachers are really nothing more than old students that get paid for going to class, here's two easy-to-follow tips that can't help but set you on the path to a better paper.

#### Be considerate

Your teacher has anywhere from 20-80 papers to grade. That means by the time they finally get to yours, they're going to be weary, maybe even a little numb. So make your paper easy to read. If your paper is easy to read, your professor will be happy. If your professor is happy, you get a better grade. Yes, it really is that simple.

How do you make a paper easier to read? Use clear sentences. Use 12 point font. Read your paper out loud to see if it really makes sense. Use a thesis sentence. Follow the assignment closely. If you spill beer, nacho cheese or blood on the title page, print out a new copy before turning it in.

Most importantly, proofread your paper before you turn it in. A paper full of stupid mistakes is a pain in the ass to read. Plus it screams: I don't care about this assignment. Once you send that message to a professor, you've just bought an express ticket to a sucky grade.

#### Don't try to fool your Prof.

Your professor has gone to school for at least 20 years. Consequently, they know more cheap paper-evasion tricks than you can possibly imagine. When I see a triple-spaced paper with 15 point font, I think two things. 1) This student is lazy. 2) This student thinks I'm a gullible retard.

*You need serious help. Pat Rothfuss needs ideas for next week's column. Send a letter detailing your particular dilemma (to proth@wsunix.wsu.edu) and get an "I am not Pat Rothfuss" T-shirt.*



## Why Vinyl?

By Sasha Bartick  
Arts and Review Editor

I was sitting around the house the other day contemplating just what to do this week's article on, when one of my roommates suggested that I write on the many advantages of vinyl. Now I'm not talking about the fabric which seemed to be a popular choice to fashion jackets, tight pants and seductive underwear sets out of a year or so ago. I speak of the circular jewels of yester-year, that some have all but forgotten about.

Everyone needs a hobby or two, and what better way to fill your spare time than by going to a record store and fingering through stacks of aged, dust ridden albums. The musty odor lingering in your nostrils, the satisfaction you feel when you've discovered that rare Allman Anthology you've been searching for and the glee of only paying \$2 for it!

On the other hand, you could go to a busy shopping center where you'll have a hell of a time finding a place to park, and an equally hellish time attempting to make your way through the crowds of people in order to find that Limp Bizkit CD you just have to have. Someone cuts in front of you at the checkout line, and you end up paying \$18 for a CD that won't even be popular by the time you get home to listen to it. Doesn't that sound like fun?

Now why not just bypass all of that chaotic bullshit and get into the collection of vinyl instead. Records have an authentic sound quality, a much wider selection of hard to find treasures and are substantially cheaper in comparison to both CDs and cassettes. CDs skip, tapes warp, records, even if they look like they are in rough shape, will likely sound just fine if you have a half way decent player.

The search for vinyl is a grand ole time, and even though your parents will think you a bit odd when you inquire if they have any old records laying around that they would be willing to part with, inside they will be excited. They'll pile their dusty memories into your arms saying, "This one was my absolute favorite when I was your age." and "You kids really listen to The Doors these days?"

## CD Review

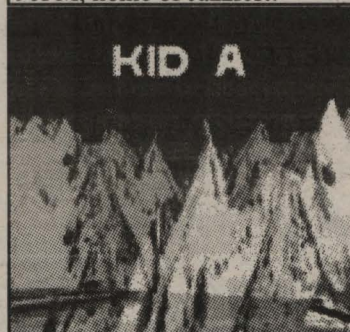
By Chad O'Neil  
Music Director 90FM

Radiohead has long been a band cherished by many die hard fans. *Kid A*, their newest and by far most musically advanced CD, is a sure hit for any fan.

While it may take a few spins to fully grasp the musicians central ideas, the disc is worth checkin' out. Meandering from ambient to electronica, *Kid A* is a delightful mix of horns, keyboards, guitars and words.

Thom Yorke, the lead singer brings it all together with his delightfully melodic, whispering voice. Yorke uses his vocal gifts to guide us through the free-form stylings of Radiohead.

For a truly mind-bending experience, tune into 90FM and give *Kid A* a listen. You can also give us a call at 346-2696 to request any of your alternative favorites heard only on 90FM, home of Jazzfest!



## Tasteless humor



Submitted by Sasha Bartick  
Arts and Review Editor

One day, a young man found himself in the doctors office voicing his ail. He said, "Doctor, I haven't had a movement in five days. I'm a little concerned, what should I do?" the Doctor. suggested that the man get himself some laxatives and if the problem persisted, to come and see him again.

Three days passed and again the young man was in the Doctor's office stating that the laxatives had failed, and it had now been eight days since he had passed a movement. The Doctor, a little baffled, next gave his patient a home enema to try, saying that it would surely do the trick.

Again, not more than two days had gone by when the young man was seated across from the Doctor, worry written all over his face. "Doctor," he said. "It has now been ten days and I have yet to be relieved. Please help me to remedy my situation."

The Doctor looked the man straight in the face and said, "You're a musician aren't you?"

"Yes," said the young man.

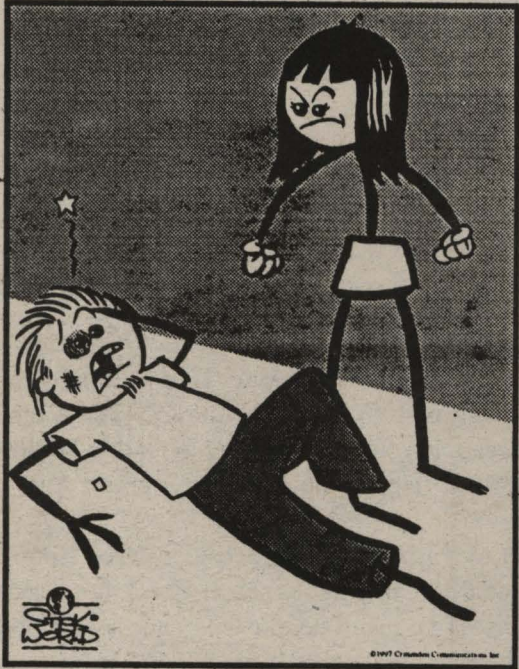
"Look," said the Dr. "Here's ten bucks, go and get your self something to eat."

## Just a Reminder

I've said it before and I'll say it again: Tuesday nights! WITZ END! Be there or be square! The open mic, which only takes place on Tuesday nights, starts at 10 PM with Moon, the killer house band. After the boys in Moon are done, you or any musician that you know, can get up on stage and play.

Also the Octoberfest is this Saturday, Oct. 14 from noon until 7 p.m. Come to the Village of Plover parking lot on Roosevelt Drive. next to the Sky Club and join in on the food, fun and fall weather!

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"Y'know, a simple 'Get lost!' would have sufficed!"



"He can't commit to anything... not even a tv show."

Tonja Steele



by Joey Hetzel

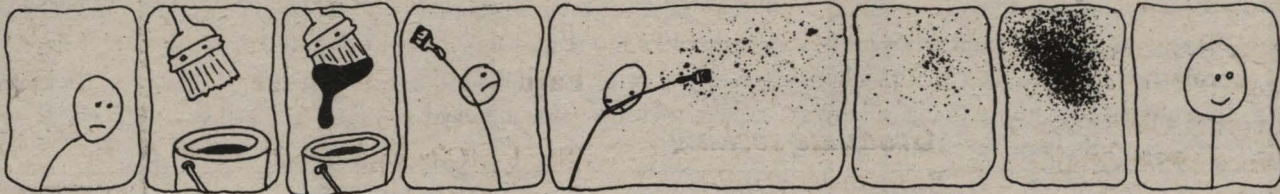


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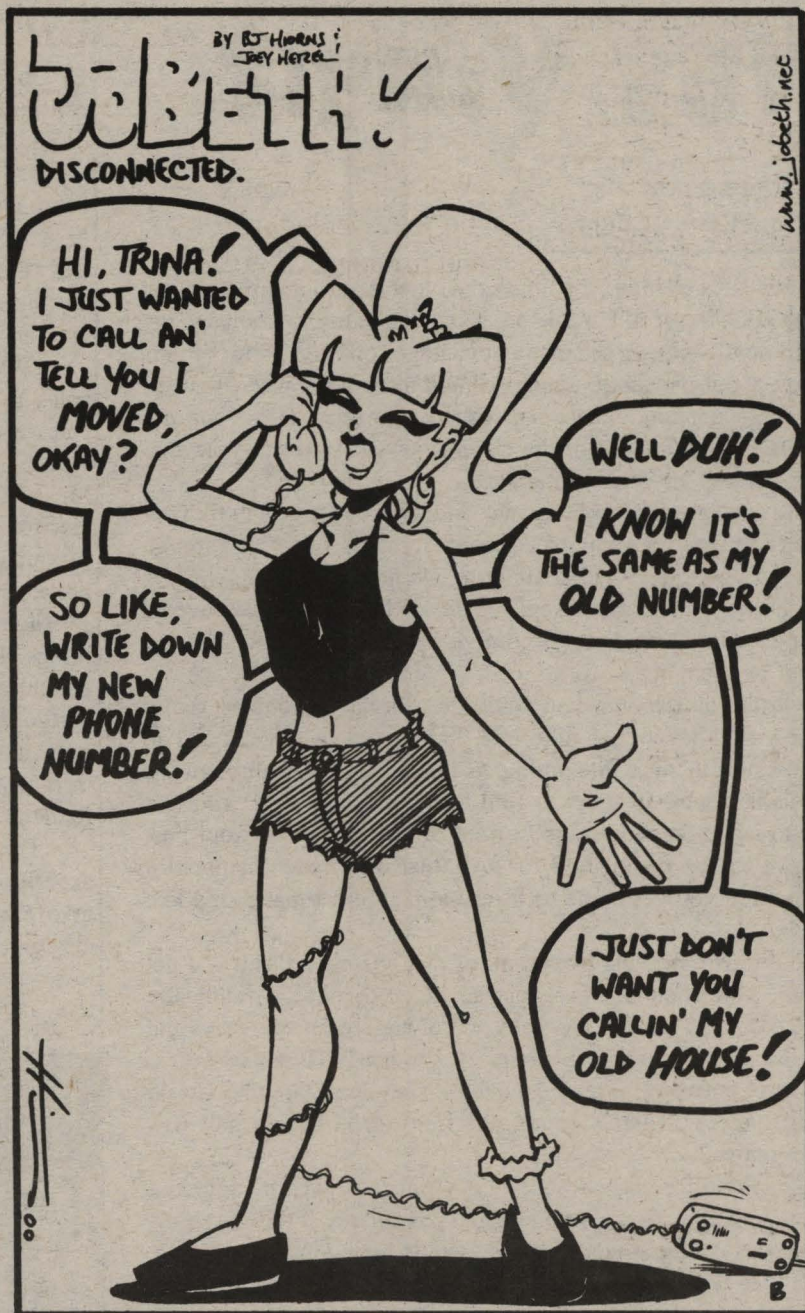
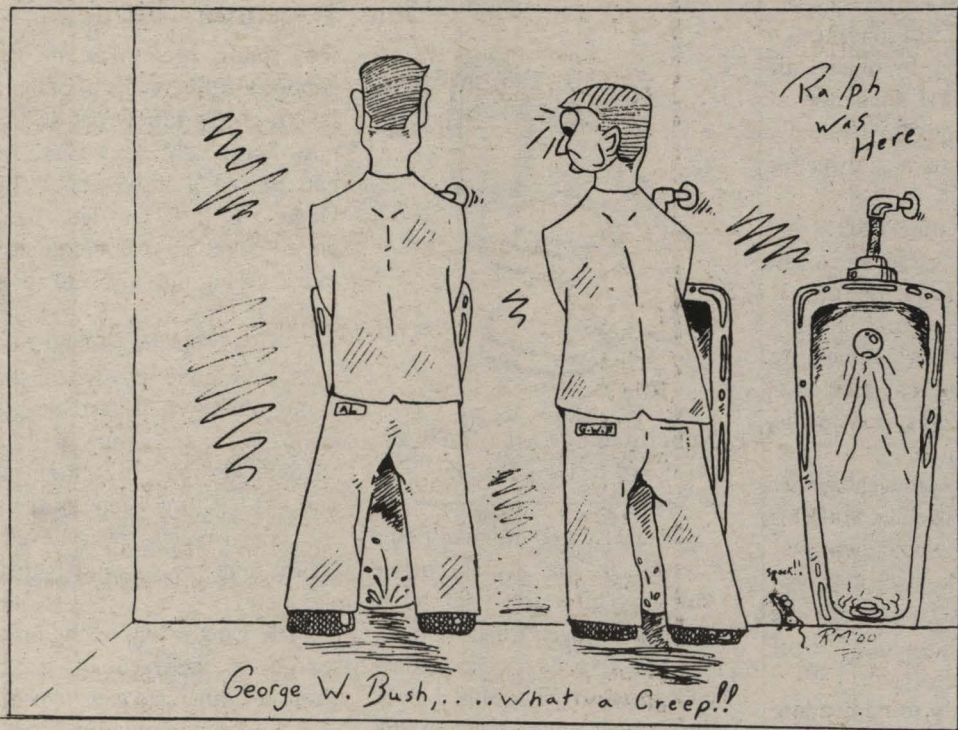
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<div><div>Large 1-Topping Pizza</div><div>\$7.99</div><div>2 for \$11.99</div><div>342-4242</div><div>Offer Expires Soon. No Coupon Necessary. Just Ask. One Discount Per Order.</div></div>	<div><div>\$2.00 off Any Large or Extra Large Gourmet Pizza</div><div>342-4242</div><div>Offer Expires Soon. No Coupon Necessary. Just Ask. One Discount Per Order.</div></div>	<div><div>Extra Large Cheese Pizza</div><div>\$9.99</div><div>342-4242</div><div>Offer Expires Soon. No Coupon Necessary. Just Ask. One Discount Per Order.</div></div>	<div><div>Triple Order of Breadstix with purchase of any large pizza at the regular price</div><div>\$2.99</div><div>342-4242</div><div>Offer Expires Soon. No Coupon Necessary. Just Ask. One Discount Per Order.</div></div>