Memorial erected to honor deceased students

By Amy Zepnick

Schmeeckle Reserve houses a new memorial that honors students who've passed away at UW-Stevens Point. Three boulders located on a small hill on Maria Drive surrounded by flowerbeds mark a spot of remembrance and reflection.

According to Student Government Association (SGA) Senator Jeremy Smith, the idea came about in 1994 during the university's 100th birthday. UWSP wanted to construct something for the students.

"The idea was around for years afterward," Smith said. "At that time though, there was not enough umph behind it to get it done. Finally, in the past three years, we've got the ball rolling."

Choosing a location for the memorial slowed the process. "They originally wanted it in the grassy area next to the Health Enhancement Center or by Old Main," said Bob Tomlinson, Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs. "However, there was heavy traffic, so they weren't very quiet places for reflection.

They finally decided on Schmeeckle where it was secluded and quiet."

"We were going to have everyone's names on the boulders," he said. "Unfortunately no one had an accurate list of names so that idea was scrapped. We have one plaque on the center boulder that says 'This site is dedicated to the memories of students who have passed away while attending the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point.'"

According to Tomlinson, the memorial is a place for reflection.

"It's nice to have a place on campus for students to reflect," he said. "It's a special spot where we can stop and reflect, not just about those who passed away, but about life in general."

The structure was funded with student fees, but the university will contribute to the upkeep of the area. Family members and friends of the deceased will also contribute to the memorial.

Students attend NCUR

By Amy Zepnick

Ten UWSP students attended the 16th annual National Conference for Undergraduate Research (NCUR) hosted at UW-Whitewater April 25-27. NCUR is a nationwide competitive conference that invites students from over 300 universities to display their abstracts of original work and scientific research.

"Students have to apply to go," said biology professor Diane Caporale. "When they are accepted, they get a chance to display their work for others. Many different disciplines are represented. There were dance recitals to art work to scientific research projects."

Over 3,000 people attended the conference this year to witness the 1,900 presentations, which included posters, dances, videos and oral presentations with Power Point.

"Most of our students plan to go to graduate school or professional school after graduation," Caporale said. "The conference is a great way to get experience in giving oral presentations to the public. They have a chance to present their projects in front of an audience and work on their organizational skills while trying to come up with visuals. They see NCUR on Page 2"

Pedestrian mall added to campus

By Mollie Modzik

The Student Government Association (SGA) approved plans for a pedestrian mall last Wednesday at the final Faculty Senate meeting of the year.

According to Carl Rasmussen, UWSP campus planner, the plan will remove vehicle traffic south of the intersection of Stanley and Reserve Streets and create a walkway for students, faculty and visitors.

"I suspect that the plan was approved because folks liked the idea, just like they liked the idea of closing Reserve Street between Fourth Avenue and Stanley Street in 1993," said Rasmussen.

The renovation, which will take place in the summer of 2003, includes plans to replace and repair the rusted outer protective casing of the steam lines below and construct a pedestrian mall where Reserve Street and Stanley Street intersect.

The plans call for Stanley Street to be closed as a through street to Reserve Street, and for an additional ten parking spaces to be added on the north side of Stanley Street.

Rasmussen said UWSP will use a similar approach to the 1993 project, but this plan will include a service drive to serve the loading dock of the Learning Resources Center, and the west entrance to St. Stanislaus Church.

While Rasmussen says that it is too early to place a price tag on the project, he said, "The Reserve Street mall between Fourth and Stanley was completed in 1993. In today's dollars it would cost about $200,000. Because the sizes are about the same, for now, as a working reference, we are projecting a range of $200,000 to $250,000."

UWSP is looking at two sources for funding. The first is the Accessible Improvements Program, which is a state fund for projects within a public right of way.

UWSP is also considering charging Parking Services, because they will be getting additional parking spaces from the project.

Planners hope this addition will improve the safety and look of the region for both students and members of the St. Stanislaus Church.

"It will definitely be safer for those who now cross Stanley Street and use the east side of Reserve Street," said Rasmussen.

If approved, the renovation will not happen until summer of 2003, because the repair of the

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5: UWSP's first black graduate passes away at 67

Gerald Vance, a 1957 graduate of UWSP, died from complications during surgery. His nine-page resume proves Vance to be dedicated to education and African American equality. Vance was presented as Distinguished Man of the Year in 1988 and was awarded the first African American Graduate Award in 1997.

4: Raids seize $10K in drugs

The Stevens Point Police Department (SPPD) confiscated $10,100 in drugs. Police searched 1017 Franklin St., which resulted in the arrest of four people for drug possession. Officers detained one ounce of marijuana and 101.8 grams of cocaine.

3: Admission halts

Because of the uncertainty with the state budget, UW-Stevens Point, along with 26 other UW schools, halted university admission. Gov. McCallum's original budget proposal would have cut $1.7 million annually from UWSP. This halt affected high school seniors, including 125 SPASH graduates who were looking at UWSP to further their education. Chancellor George stated that the UW System needed to scale back admission until the system could provide financially for new students.

2: Pointacular!

The UW-Stevens Point women's basketball team captured their second ever national title, defeating St. Lawrence (N.Y.) 67-65. This game gave UWSP their 30th victory, "a mark reached by only seven other Division III teams ever." The game was also Head Coach Egner's 200th victory.

1: Terror strikes U.S. mainland

In the heart of Manhattan, two hijacked jet liners crashed into the Twin Towers of the World Trade Center. Another hijacked plane crashed into the Pentagon, killing at least 100 people and the last highjacked plane crashed in Pennsylvania. It was later discovered that Osama bin Laden and his terrorist group plotted the suicide attack.

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That's all for now, folks!
Be sure to check out The Pointer's summer issue!
Leslie McClain-Ruelle of the UW-Stevens Point was named Wisconsin Teacher of the Year by the Student Wisconsin Education Association (StWEA) at its annual Representative Assembly in Wisconsin Dells last month.

McClain-Ruelle is associate dean and head of the School of Education and a professor of Health Promotion and Human Development at the University appointed head of the School of Education at UWSP.

Dean Joan North, will begin this summer. He succeeds John Munson, head of the school for 11 years as UWSP's head of Professional Studies (CPS) directing the program for grieving children and their families, held at the Lions Camp and at the Central Wisconsin Environmental Station each September, May and January. The Loy's have three children: Ted, John and Maria.

Martin J. Loy has been appointed head of the School of Health Promotion and Human Development at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point (UWSP).

His appointment, announced recently by College of Professional Studies (CPS) Dean Joan North, will begin this summer. He succeeds John Munson, head of the school for the past six years, who will return to teaching.

Loy, who holds a master's degree from UW-Oshkosh and bachelor's and Ph.D. degrees from UW-Madison, came to UWSP in 1987. He served his first 11 years as UWSP's head wrestling coach, finishing in the top ten in the NCAA nine times, winning five conference titles and being named WIAC Coach of the Year five times.

In 1998, Loy began a faculty position and has coordinated the CPS Focus on Teaching Program. Recently, he won the UWSP Excellence in Teaching Award. He has written journal articles and presented papers in the areas of faculty development and child/adolescent grief and loss.

Loy and his wife, Becky, founded Camp HOPE. Becky Loy and his wife, Becky, founded Camp HOPE. Becky Loy, who holds a master's degree from Pittsburgh State University, has published numerous works on topics in education.

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Wards

My end of the year tribute to my superfans.

EDITOR

My own end: I have written the same type of column at the end of every school year. I feel justified in writing on this completely cliche topic for the simple fact that I've done my best to be anything but cliche all year long. I hate to admit it, but just may be as nostalgic as Oomph Loompahs are unnerving.

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Since that article I've churned out a tutorial on snobology, explained the guilty pleasures of bad habits, detailed my guide to cheap living and related stories of killer bats and robotic rats. Apparently, there's a number of students out there who found my words from my soul.

However, while making humorous observations about the campus and usually ending my night by hiding in my closet, sniffing my dirty laundry. Buddy, you're getting a little bit creepy, so if I wake up in the morning to you spooning with me one more time, I'm going to have to stop telling these particular superfans that I've been able to prompt so many UWSP students to make a conscious effort to clean up.

I appreciate every kind word of encouragement I get off on all the praise I've received, the severed fingers I keep getting in the mail are a bit much.

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Words of Wisdom
From the Editor

By Josh Goller

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Don't get me wrong, I love my readers, and I know they all mean well, but there are other ways to express this love besides plastering my car in hearts drawn with smeared feces.

So, I'll sign an autograph if asked, but I'd like to make it clear that my doctor said I can no longer sign bed pans and I can't accept any more of those nifty pubic hair collages. Also, I've been told in a little risky to keep making the specific noises requested by those heavy breathing voices on the phone, but that doesn't mean we can't have a good, clean chat. And by the way, my roomates want me to stop telling these particular superfans that I've been able to prompt so many UWSP students to make a conscious effort to clean up.

I guess what I'm trying to get across is that I've had a great run as editor and think I've made my mark on the UWSP campus. I'd like to thank each and every one of my readers and superfans. Heck, I'd even go so far as to say that I love you all, but that would most likely just lead to another unexpected and unwelcome trip to the com fields in the trunk of car.

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Photos by Lyndsay Rice

If you were a porn star, what would your name be?

Chris Hamwood, Soph. Philosophy & English

Ken Skyview.


Lola Big-Cups.

The Big Bandit.

Robin Lee, Fr. Undeclared

Jenna Krueger, Jr. Comms.

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Young opens state campaign headquarters

Jim Young, Green Party candidate for Governor, will host the

Grand Opening Celebration of the state campaign headquarters this Friday, May 10.

The new campaign headquarters for the Green Party candidate are based in downtown Sun Prairie, Young's hometown. "The state campaign office will be filled with volunteers from around the state that will come in and help out the campaign," said Young.

"Volunteers are going to play an important role in the campaign, helping to get the word out about Green values in communities around the state."

The public is invited to the Grand Opening Celebration this Friday evening from 6-10 p.m. The grand opening will be an opportunity to meet the candidate in person, pick up a T-shirt and bumper sticker, sign up to volunteer and listen to music.

The office is at 239 E. Main Street, Sun Prairie. For more information contact the Young for Governor Campaign Office at (608) 837-6987.

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If you were a porn star, what would your name be?
Ed Thompson a refreshing alternative

What a refreshing breath of air Ed Thompson will be to the state gubernatorial race. Ed is fed up with the Feds telling Wisconsin what laws we should be passing to control our lives. First, it was seat belts, and then they demanded everyone have an 18-year-old voting age, and then they decreed that the states are supposedly protected by the ninth and tenth amendments in the Bill of Rights. So the Feds make sure that the states enact their "correct" laws by "blackmailing" them by withholding federal funds if they fail to pass the laws.

Now federal bureaucrats have decided that the legal limit for drunk driving must be .08% nationwide, and they don't want to leave it up to state legislatures to vote up or down. (Legislators might point out that very few drivers at .08% are involved in the accidents they want to prevent!) They threaten to withhold more federal highway funding if Wisconsin and some other states don't fall in line.

Ed Thompson understands that the U.S. Constitution spells out very clearly the powers of the federal government. Anything that was not specifically given to the Feds was reserved for the states. None of the above is given to the federal government. Driving laws are a state issue.

Now, perhaps, state legislators will deem it prudent for them to pass all the federally approved legislation. Or, if they deemed it not beneficial, they wouldn't pass it. Isn't that why we have state governments?

Ed Thompson has decided that he has had enough of federal mandates with "blackmail" to enforce them. He is going to stand up and say NO! It reminds me of the Biblical story of David and Goliath. Ed has a very good idea of forcing the Feds to leave us alone. It only took one state to stop prohibition in the thirties and maybe if just one state stands up and says NO to more federal mandates, others will follow.

After all, who represents us in Washington? People from our state and if Wisconsin and a few other states say NO, what will the bureaucrats do? Will they stand by while highways deteriorate? Doubtful, but should we cave in to blackmail?

Ed Thompson has the courage to say NO to the Feds. Load that slingshot, Ed, take careful aim; Goliath is standing there waiting to be felled. It's time we take back our government and control our own lives. There are a few brave Wisconsin legislators willing to stand up to the Feds. We can take a stand and get involved too. If we want a change, we must get involved.

Jim Maas

The Old Staff

The New Staff

What we learned about Germany

The following are 20 things several of us have noticed over the past three months about people in Germany - a lot of it is sarcastic, but I think most people will understand.

- They have huge, gorgeous parks in Germany - you can wander through them more than once and you won't ever get tired of them.
- Dogs can and do go anywhere in Germany, including on public transportation (you have to pay for your dog to ride), in malls and in the bank.
- You can play soccer here for the first time without knowing the rules and still make two goals. (Go Shannon!)
- They have fresh everything here - pastries, fruit, vegetables, bread and meat.
- Windows here have no screens and make a great fire escape - they open all the way.
- What the heck is a Handy? - Handy - cell phone.
- Oh, did you know that earrings can give you a cold in Germany? (Beth never wants to go to the doctor here again.)
- They mow the lawn here in the rain just so Point students feel right at home.
- Just in case: We have a bomb shelter conveniently located in our basement - you never know when you might need one.
- Men's fashion here includes XS shirts and tight pants with flared legs.
- Speaking of fashion did you know that platform shoes are in?
- Oh and let's not forget the socks with cartoon characters on.
- The food here is great - just don't ask us what it is pork and chicken are the most common though.
- Just like the food the public transportation here is awesome!
- No hot water for a month until after 11a.m. - don't worry they fixed it in one day. Germans are very prompt, logical and practical.
- Took us a while to figure out how to use the shower in the hotel we stayed at - ten minutes tops.
- Took someone six weeks to figure out how to use a German shade.
- Privacy - what's that? Closing the shades while you change clothes is not something a German would do, but we do it anyway.
- How many holidays are there in May? In Germany three: May Day (May 1), Ascension Day (May 9) and White Monday (May 20).
- In closing all of us miss home - I know I can't wait to come back, but Germany is an awesome country and we all encourage everyone to come on over to Europe and see what it's like. We guarantee that you won't be disappointed! That's the last from us here in Germany.
- Good Luck on Finals and make sure the weather is nice by June!

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Living with girls/Living with boys: A risky situation

By Barett Steenrod

FEATURES EDITOR

You are imagining all the fun you'll have two girls for every one of us girls in our sweet ol' duplexes, and while most guys would wonder what the fuss is all about, let me be the first to tell you that it can be a "risky" situation.

It all began with the tampons.

Out of the blue one day, these instruments of hygiene began appearing in places where they don't belong (like an all-men's apartment, first of all)—in our shoes, inside the fridge, under our covers, in my Bible! My trumpet and guitar playing roommate Ben had it the worst; out of five were found in his instruments only a few hours before he had to play a concert. What did we do to deserve this? We gave them rides to church. Salvo one.

The next thing to occur was the disappearance of all of our silverware. We ended up going about two days before we even considered fingering them with the crime. We thought, "Surely they wouldn't have taken our eating utensils without our permission." We were wrong. They did. What did we do to deserve this? We took them to the store multiple times so they could buy food (notice the trend here: we go out of our way to help them in times of need, and we get crapped on) Salvo two.

Despite their faults, and there are many, we still turned the other cheek and treated the naughty in-need-of-a-spanking girls upstairs with kindness. We would let them watch movies with us and eat our delicious baked goods straight from the oven. We would even shovel the sidewalk when they would forget. All we would get for our good behavior was weird behavior. One night, they came down to our place without our permission, sat on our heads, and moaned and wailed at our door like alley cats for half an hour. Salvo three.

At this point, our trust had been shattered enough that anything they did was watched with a wary eye.

By this point in time, you are probably wondering why we kept taking it. Let me put it this way. You know how if left out long enough, spilled milk smells really bad? That kind of describes our situation. Their pranks were like spilled milk, and our coming retaliation would be as pungent as old chunky green curdled milk left out to ripen.

Thoughts of gracing their kitchen with the bloody, severed testicles of a buck that hung on the fridge, like in their jacket pockets, or their shaving kits, their guitars and their band music. The concept was to have them pull them out at an inconvenient time when they were around friends and have to fumble around for an explanation for why a tampon was in their jacket in the first place. We never got a real response from the guys after the fact, so we started to let our guard down and leave our place unlocked more often. Big mistake.

One night in February, I came home to find my roommate in a sea of packing peanuts and toilet paper that was all over our house, upstairs and down. The guys had put these stupid things in every place possible, from in our sheets to our underwear drawers to our toilet. What a mess! And to top it all off, one of my roommates was planning on having a party the next day with the people she went to Australia with the semester before, so we had to clean up the mess that night.

Those things can still be found today, randomly scattered around our house. Of course, the type of girls we are, we had a prank to get back at them. It involved taking all of their clothes and putting them in friends' houses all around Stevens Point, then making a scavenger hunt for the guys to retrieve their clothes. It was all going off without a hitch when two of the guys came home unexpectedly and caught us red-handed. But don't be fooled, guys. We still have more pranks for you lined up.

All in all, I did have a good time living above them, and I don't regret it. But remember girls, if you are planning on living with guys next year, you are living with doofuses, but they really do have cooties.

UWSP to host Hmong culture conference

The UWSP Hmong and Southeast Asian American Club's (HaSEAAC) annual regional conference on Saturday, May 11, will give residents of Central Wisconsin the chance to learn about Hmong culture, history, customs and religion.

Houa Vue Moua, a bilingual/bicultural interpreter from Eau Claire and co-author of the book, Trail Through The Mist, will lead the daylong conference entitled "Hmong Religion and Cultural Values." She will be joined by her husband, Yong Kay Moua.

Houa arrived in Eau Claire from Southeast Asia in 1976. She has given countless presentations since her arrival in the United States in order to help cross-cultural understanding between the Hmong and Wisconsin's many different cultures.

The conference will take place from 8:30 a.m. - 4:15 p.m. at UWSP's University Center Legacy Room and will be open to the campus and the community. Admission will be free and lunch will be provided. UWSP's Multicultural Affairs Office and HaSEAAC will co-sponsor the conference. Those wanting to attend may register in advance or on the day of the conference.

Student Government Association, Multicultural Affairs and the School of Education will fund the conference. A DJ night party will take place later in the evening beginning at 7 p.m. in the Encore. The cost is $3 for this semi-formal event.

Advance registration is available by calling 345-0280 or 346-3820.
Stevens Point is a special place that shouldn’t be taken for granted

**By Barett Steenrod**
**FEATURES EDITOR**

In my three years here, I’ve seen and experienced a lot and my impression is that this place in central Wisconsin is pretty unique. For a small city that sits pretty much three hours from anywhere worth driving to, there is a city and a university that people seem to know about the world over.

Your university, UWSP, is considered among the elite. It is known for pioneering the studies in natural resources.

Sure, we’ve got physics, chemistry and biology, but how many places in the world can claim whole sections of classes that deal specifically with water, waste or trees? Many schools have drama and performing arts, but how many schools actually help set the standard like students in the Fine Arts building do?

How many schools have education programs? Many. How many of those schools make it as rigorous to get an education in education as UWSP does? The whole time I’ve been here, I’ve met more teaching (and aspiring) majors than just about any other major on campus.

How many universities have their own forest plains? How many schools make it so easy to spend time overseas as this one does? How many towns this size with a college have their own brewery?

We are a Division III school and our men’s and women’s athletic teams beat the snot out of just about everyone they play, regardless of whether they are scholarshiped or not.

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How many places do you know of where hippies, jocks and everyone in between coexist in (relative) peace and harmony?

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Buried in... 

**By Amy Zapnick**
**News Editor**

While driving along Clark Street recently, you may have noticed the remains of what was the Emerson School, which was recently razed. While the destruction of this building may have come as a surprise, it was not quite as surprising as what was found amongst the rubble. It turns out that a time capsule dating back to the late 1920s or early 1930s had been buried amongst the corner stones. This discovery was brought to the attention of University Archives and prompted some digging through the records for indications of any university-related time capsules.

It turns out that in the fall of 1994, UWSP and former Chancellor Sanders buried a time capsule under the soil in front of the science building on Fourth Street. The idea for the time capsule came about ten years ago by communication professor Karlene Ferrarre.

"I was flying somewhere and there was an article in the in-flight magazine about time capsules," she said. "Then, when planning began for UWSP’s centennial celebration, I volunteered to organize a time capsule committee."

By establishing a time capsule, the university wanted to show the future UWSP community how life was like 50 years ago and to assist the students to realize what technological advances had taken place.

The time capsule was constructed of thick PVC pipe, painted gold and bore UWSP’s logo. The vessel was sealed and tarred for the next half-century.

The Student Government Association provided $500 for burial costs. More funds were provided through the Centennial Planning Committee. Over 100 items from contributing groups and individuals were packed into the time capsule.

"This time capsule contains articles that represent me and you personally," Sanders said in his May 1994 commencement speech. "Whether or not you included something meaningful to you in this capsule—we all are contributing to history in one way, shape or form as we leave the university and make our mark on the world."
Don't hit the books just yet...

Centerentertainment provides pre-finals entertainment for students

By Laura Daugherty

It's that time of year that all college students dread. This is the time when we have to turn in those papers and projects that we knew about since the beginning of the semester, but decided to put off until the last few weeks of school. Fortunately, there are a few exciting events happening on campus before we have to buckle down and start studying for finals.

The 8th annual Copper Fountain Festival will be held on Friday, May 10th at Coleman Field (the football practice field across from Debot). The Copper Fountain Festival was actually named after the fountain that stands between the Communication and Students Services Buildings. The event was started as a celebration for UWSP students to commemorate all of their hard work throughout the academic year. "This is a good chance for students to have fun before exams, plus, it's the last day of school," said Centertainment Public Relations Coordinator Courtney Brunclik.

In the past, the festival has been held near the copper fountain and in the parking lot next to the U.C. However, this year, things are being moved to Coleman Field because extra space was necessary to accommodate the event.

This year's festival is complete with games, music and plenty of food and drinks. Centerentainment is the main coordinator of the events but other local sponsors include: Hilltop Pub, Steve's Tattoo, Deuce Wild, The Hair Company, Miller Coke and Program Services. Musical acts headlining this year will be singer/comedian Pat McCurdy, Annex Diner and Rusty's. Their acoustic style rock has become popular amongst the students.

This is its 85th anniversary. McCurdy has been a Wisconsin favorite for years, playing his guitar and singing his own songs, as well as performing interpretations of songs we all know. Who would have thought a song called "Sex and Beer" would catch on amongst the college crowd? Anyone who has seen Pat McCurdy live would assure you that it's a good time filled with lots of laughs.

Pat McCurdy Photo

Annex is a rock band from the Green Bay area who has been touring around Wisconsin, Minnesota, Indiana and various other locations throughout the United States. They play a wide range of cover songs, including material from Led Zeppelin, Pearl Jam, Sublime, 311 and the Red Hot Chili Peppers. The band also has two of their own CD's out, including their first self-titled release and their second, Nicotine Queen.

Many students will recognize Hooked on Pisces from their many performances in the Stevens Point area. The band formed at the beginning of this school year and has since played at The Keg, Partner's Pub, River City Diner and Rusty's. Their acoustic style rock has become popular amongst the UWSP campus, and the band has won Centerentertainment's Battle of the Bands competition twice.

Aside from the great music, there will be food from Papa Johns, as well as brats, hot dogs, subs and burgers for sale by student organizations. $3 cups of Miller, Coke including their first self-titled release and their second, Nicotine Queen.

A giant Moonwalk room to jump around in. The Festival kicks off at 4:30, rain or shine, and admission is free.

Real old frat gets even older

The Phi Sig legacy is 85 years old. In 1917, Phi Lambda Phi was founded as secret literary society because social organizations were banned at that time. The fraternity recruited mostly student leaders and many top athletes. In 1931, Phi Lambda Phi joined with Phi Sigma Epsilon to form a group that lasted 54 years. The Epsilon following was so large that at one time in Wisconsin there was one chapter in every university.

In 1985, Phi Sigma Epsilon, joined with Phi Sigma Kappa. The final merge was in 1998, when Phi Sigma Kappa became a local fraternity and named themselves Phi Sigma Chi. Since then, Phi Sigma Chi has been an elite social organization dedicated to consistently producing quality leaders.

This is its 85th anniversary.

Fraternities have long been known to produce quality leaders, and Phi Sigma Chi is no exception. Phi Sigma Chi has successful alumni, current active members involved on campus and long traditions of excellence. Phi Sigma Chi has the support and resources available to continue developing those men who wish to compliment their college career work.

Brotherhood allows students to enhance their college experience. The fraternity is always involved in extracurricular activities. These activities range from philanthropic to fundraising to recruiting students. These activities can be challenging, but also very rewarding.
This page is dedicated to an angel among us:

Rhonda Miska

You blessed so many people during your time here ... we couldn't let you graduate without a special tribute. These signatures are just a small representation of the many people who were touched by your precious spirit. We wish you uncountable blessings and safe travels.
A year to remember:
The top ten stories of the year

By Dan Mirman
SPORTS EDITOR

Quicker than expected, another year has gone by in Pointer athletics. Any way you look at it, this has been an outstanding year to cheer for UWSP. They have managed six WIAC titles and are currently ranked third in the national Sears Cup rankings for the best overall athletic program, and we here at The Pointer just feel lucky to have so many successful teams to cover. So without further ado, here are the top ten stories of the year for UW-Stevens Point athletics.

10. Women’s Hockey goes 26-1, yet fails to make the play-offs.

By far the most disappointing story I had to write all year, this amazing team was told they would not be playing in the final four. In just their second season in existence this team put on an absolute display as they simply dominated the WIAC and anyone else they played. Hopefully, next year things will come out better for this squad of all freshmen and sophomores.

9. Baseball wins the WIAC in dramatic fashion.

Needing to win three out of four from UW-Whitewater in the final weekend of the season, they did just that to capture their third WIAC title in the last four years. This team gelled at the right time, winning 14 of their last 16 conference games and showing an awesome display of power (three players with ten or more home runs). Hopefully they will go deep into the playoffs as they host the WIAC tournament this weekend.

8. Van White wins a national championship.

Just a sophomore, White strung together four straight victories, including winning the championship contest with a run to put an exclamation point on his season. White’s performance led the wrestling team to their best finish since 1998.

7. Men’s basketball earns third straight WIAC title.

After losing three starters from a year ago, Jack Bennett’s team didn’t rebuild, they reloading. After a rough start in the conference, this team came together when Kaloni Kadima returned from an injury to really spark the team. The Pointers got key contributions from many young players and they should be a force to reckon with next year.

6. Soccer team wins 10th straight WIAC title.

The UWSP women’s soccer team has been extremely selfish. They refuse to let anyone else win a WIAC title as they are a perfect ten for ten in WIAC history. The season also featured a milestone 200th victory for Head Coach Sheila Miech and she was also featured in Sports Illustrated for her accomplishments.

5. Conference players of the year.

Let’s just run down the list, shall we: Paul Schmitt- Football, Mickey Jacob-Soccer, Kari Groshek- Women’s Basketball, Christine Sammons-Wrestling, Karen Guckenberger-Softball and Becky Lebak-Cross Country champion. Not to be overlooked, the coaching staffs also received some recognition: Football Coach John Miech, Soccer Coach Sheila Miech, Men’s Hockey Coach Joe Palenak and Women’s Hockey Coach Brian Idalski all garnered WIAC coach of the year honors.

4. All the records that have fallen.

When you have as many outstanding teams as UWSP had this season, some individual records are bound to break. Here is a glance at some of the records that were re-written this season: Paul Schmitt set a new sack mark in football, Bill Verbrick grabbed the school records in strikeouts and wins this year for a 10-8 1/3 innings and left with an 8-6 lead. Matt Peterson hit a grand slam in the bottom of the seventh for a 7-5 lead.

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Baseball team steals WIAC championship from Warhawks

By Craig Mandli
SPORTS EDITOR

The Pointer baseball team pulled out a dramatic 8-7 win in the second game of a doubleheader against Whitewater to claim its third Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC) championship in four years.

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Men place second, women third at conference, then take to streets naked

Individual performances highlight weekend competition
By Andy Bloeser

The Pointer Track and Field program emerged from this year's WIAC Outdoor Championship meet with mixed sentiments about its performance. Though both the men's and women's teams reaffirmed their competitiveness, the men's team was forced to settle for second place in the conference, while the Pointer women placed third.

Men's Head Coach Rick Witt framed the outcome of this year's meet with a qualified sense of satisfaction saying, "We were happy with the way we performed. We were disappointed that we lost. There are very few chances where you get the opportunity to win, and when you don't, you're disappointed." The Pointer men entered the meet with the intent of unseating the defending conference champions, UW-La Crosse, but fell short, losing to their rivals by a margin of 215-185. The men's competition proved to be an almost exclusive battle between the two teams throughout the day, with the rest of field lagging behind on the scoreboard.

UW-Whitewater finished the meet in third place, trailing UWSP by a total of 50 points, while the rest of the teams found themselves dramatically over-shadowed in the overall standings.

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For the Pointer women, the 2002 installment of the WIAC Outdoor Championship meet was a different story. Though they fell short of their goal of winning the conference and earning a place in the NCAA championships, they still came away with a sense of accomplishment.

"The first game of any tournament is so pivotal," said one participant. "It puts us in the right half of the bracket and sets the tone for the whole day." The victory put the Pointers on top in the women's division. Said Coach Witt, "I'm not sure where it got started. I've never seen it, I've never been there, I've never seen it, I've never had anything to do with it." The women had a strong showing in the women's division, finishing second overall. They were led by senior Theresa Stanley, who took first place in the 400 meter hurdles with a time of 59.73.

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Point rugby brings home the hardware
By Drew Fietzer

In a late spring state-wide tournament in Eau Claire last weekend, the Stevens Point rugby team came out on top. The team defeated UW-La Crosse in a close game, winning 18-15.

"The athletes who won simply had more experience than their competitors," said Coach Witt. "In this conference, experience makes a big difference." The Pointers defeated UW-La Crosse, 21-18, in a battle between the two teams. The men's competition was won by UWSP by a total of 50 points, while the women's competition was won by UW-La Crosse.

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"The men's and women's club rugby pose with their trophy's after they both were victorious last weekend.

"This has been our focus, this is the match-up we wanted, this is why we came here," said team President Dave Stangel. "We want to play these men, show we can hang with them and beat them." Beat them they did, as within the first 12 minutes of the first half UWSP jumped out to a 14-0 lead with two quick scores. However, Stout would not give in easily, as they rallied to tie up the score right at the half.

The second half was a real slugfest. UWSP dominated the second half possession game as they spent 15 minutes of the 20 minute second half within 22 meters of scoring the go-ahead try. Again and again, Point hammered on Stout's defense, only to be denied by a few inches. Pride ran thin and tempers ran short, but as time expired, the contest was deadlocked at 14. Rugby rules then dictate that the game would be settled by five kick attempts by five different players with the first team that misses losing the match. Stout missed their third kick attempt to give UWSP the victory.

"I'd never felt so much pressure before," said Dan Lammert about kicking the winner for Point. "To battle so hard and have it come down to five kicks just doesn't seem right." With one trophy won, UWSP now set their sights on one more title, the Border Battle Traveling Trophy. The game was played against Division I school St. Cloud State, who had won the Minnesota bracket.

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Fastpitch fights to finish, but falls just short

Pointers defeat UW-La Crosse but fall to UW-Whitewater

By Lucas Meyer
SPORTS REPORTER

Ending the 2002 season early was not in the UWSP fastpitch scoreboard, but after a final loss to UW-Whitewater in the WIAC tournament, it became reality.

The Pointers ended their season 21-12 and 7-4 in the WIAC. Junior Karen Guckenberger was named WIAC's top pitcher, while junior Jill Van Wychen earned first team honors.

Guckenberger (14-6) had an earned run average of 0.73 with 15 earned runs and an impressive 143 strikeouts in 144.1 innings of play. She is UWSP's record holder for most wins (45) and saves (11).

Van Wychen's .439 batting average was not only the highest on the Pointer team, but also the highest in the WIAC this year. She concluded the season with 47 hits and only 4 strikeouts. The speedy outfielder led the team in on-base percentage as well (.505).

Stacy Karls, Carrie Hermes and Amy Schumacher also earned honorable mention for the Pointers. Karls, the team's starting catcher, hit .277 with one homer. Hermes had the third best batting average on the team at .295 with four doubles. Schumacher (276), who started all 31 games, had a team-leading five doubles on the year.

The Pointers failed to earn a bid into the NCAA tourney this past weekend at the WIAC tournament in Onalaska. UWSP lost their first game against UW-Stout, 3-1 in eight innings, and then came back to win their second, 2-1, against UW-La Crosse. UW-Whitewater knocked UWSP from the tourney in the third game, 2-1.

The first game went scoreless until the sixth inning when UWSP's Van Wychen, Schumacher and Amanda Sparks each combined hits to score the first run.

Stout answered quickly on a solo homer by Erin O'Connel. The game then went into extra innings.

The Blue Devils put together a game-winning, two-run single in the top of the eighth, and the Pointers fell short, leaving one runner on base in their half of the inning.

UWSP was plagued with five errors in the game, with the final Stout runner eventually scoring an insurance run.

"We knew from the start that we're not a top-notch fielding team, but we also knew that to win games, we had to keep those little errors off the field," said Head Coach Paul Caufield.

During the second match-up, Guckenberger brought her stuff. In the 2-1 win against La Crosse, she finished with no earned runs on three hits and one strikeout. Schumacher led the Pointers' hitting attack, going 2-3 with one RBI. Van Wychen, Sparks and Schumacher again combined hits in the third inning to give the Pointers all the cushion they needed.

The final game was your typical pitchers' duel. Guckenberger allowed three hits, while Whitewater ace Heather Wendt only allowed two.

Melissa Mullins drove in the lone run for Point after an RBI single in the second. The Pointer bats went silent from then on. The Warhawks added a run in the third with a groundout RBI. With a 1-1 tie in the fifth, they added the go-ahead run with a SAC fly to centerfield.

The season may be over for the Pointers; however, Caufield's expectations didn't fall short. "I'm very pleased with the season's turnout. As a coach, you really can't ask for much more after a 21 win season," said Caufield.

Not one player turned out to be the biggest surprise to Caufield in his first year at the helm.

"When you look at last season's stats, everyone improved this year and it showed," said Caufield. "We had players step up when it counted, like, senior Melissa Mullins. She came up with the big hits when our team needed it."

Every coach has one game that really digs down deep, whether it's a loss or a dominant win. For Caufield, the one game that sticks in his mind the most, oddly as it may seem, is the whole Florida trip.

"When we were in Florida, I really noticed everyone coming together. As a softball coach, it's great to see this," said Caufield. "In some sports, teammates are put together and locked on to play as a team. Our team evolved as a whole during that trip."

UWSP will look to rebound next year as they lose only four seniors from this year's squad.

UWSP women's rugby wins Battle of the Borders

Young team beats host UW-Eau Claire for crown
By Julie Pujolart
SPORTS CONTRIBUTOR

Last weekend, the women's rugby club faced off against Eau Claire for the first annual Battle of the Borders. The women's Scratchmen went up against UW-Madison in the opener and came away with a dominating 29-5 victory.

With the victory, Point advanced to the championship game where they would take on the UW-Eau Claire women, a team that had already beaten them twice this year. The match was a fight to the end, but the Pointers succeeded in finally beating them 22-10, to take first place. Tries were awarded to Brianna Hyslop, Kristin Clements and Anna Frey among others.

The women's rugby team stepped up this year, earning third place titles in tourneys at Platteville and St. Cloud earlier in the season. As the semester comes to an end, the rugby team will be hosting their final matches this Saturday. The games will start at 10:30 at the lot Q fields, where they will be taking on Wausau, Fox Cities and Green Bay.

Listen to your favorite music all summer long 90 FM Your only alternative
By Craig Mandli
SPORTS EDITOR

-UWSP has a strong team of weather watchers.

-Tommy, the team's mascot, is always ready to predict the weather. 

-The team has a history of accurate predictions, making them a popular choice for local forecasts.

-Member of the team, Jack the Weather Dog, has been known to predict storms with great accuracy.

-Though not always successful, the team continues to offer forecasts to the public.

-Two recent predictions include:

-A storm system moving in from the west, expected to bring heavy rainfall to the region.

-Expected temperatures in the mid-70s for the upcoming weekend.

-Despite occasional inaccuracies, the team remains a staple in the community.

-Next up:

-A hot front moving in from the southeast, promising a cool break after recent warm weather.

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The opening day after

By Zack Holder
ASSISTANCE EDITOR

The opening day of fishing season comes but once a year. Like every other year, I avoid it like the plague. Too often in my experience the scene on opening day looks like a line to get to a bar during happy hour when an AA meeting is getting out next door: elbow-to-elbow with lots of impatient people. That's why I opt to fish on the second day of the season.

I traveled out to an undisclosed "honey hole" with two of my roommates and another friend of ours, armed with seven poles, a beverage or two dozen minnows (actually five and) and assorted debris. We crossed the knee-deep, off my back, I had my first wall-in the chase, we sucked it up guy and finally the monkey was stepped on an old nemesis of my fiancee, the harmless Northern Water Snake. I grabbed him behind his head and took him back to my keeper), Crappies as big as my head=5, Logs that were fishing that day: Walleye=3 (one debris = 2, Me=0, Northern water snake=-1 (he got negative points for being caught). At this point, I was beginning to get frustrated and decided to sit in the shade with a beverage or five and heckle everyone else.

This too, got boring, so I decided to throw the line back in the water. I used a simple setup, a bare hook at the bottom attached to the melon of a nice crappie minnow. In only a few minutes, my hook got hit as hard as I hit an all-you-can-eat Chinese buffet. I reeled in the guy and finally the monkey was off my back, I had my first wall-eye of the year. He showed his appreciation for the hook in his mouth by spraying fish semen all over my jeans. He may have been a legal fish and we already had some to take home, but it was getting dark and I didn't want to clean fish in the backyard at night, so he got to go back into the river, to Gump on somebody else. Hopefully you.

So let's recap the scores between all of us that were fishing that day: Walleye=3 (one keeper), Crappies as big as my head=5, Logs and assorted debris=countless, Snakes=1, Buzz=1 (I can't speak for the others) , Yells of "Fish On! PIKE!!" by the author=2. All in all, a pretty good day for my last opening day in Stevens Point.

Chorus frogs croak woodland concert

By Leigh Ann Ruddy
ASSISTANT OUTDOORS EDITOR

If you've visited the wetlands of Schmeeckle or have driven by a slough, you probably have heard the eerie croaking sounds of a group of male spring peepers. These little chorus frogs pack a punch when trying to find a mate. A resonant high pitched chirping fills the night air around this time of year near water holes, ponds and marshes. Like most peepers, they are often heard but not seen.

A workshop is being held this weekend on amphibians at Treehaven in Tomahawk. Rebecca Cristoffel, a wildlife outreach specialist, will lead a group through the area's wetland to identify current issues on health, identification and ecology. The workshop will be held from 7 p.m. on Friday until lunchtime on Sunday. The cost of the trip is $160 and one college credit is available for students who want to pick up an extra NR credit.

Future of McDill Pond
Course uncertain

By Leigh Ann Ruddy
ASSISTANT OUTDOORS EDITOR

The McDill Pond Disc Golf Course is in jeopardy of being closed due to a plan for pond dredging. The dredging would reduce the amount of silt and sediment at the bottom of the pond as well as the aquatic (weeds) plants that have grown.

This is part of an ongoing decision process by the McDill Lake District Board, with the help of Brennen Company, a La Crosse based contractor. The portion of the pond being dredged is expected to be the upper part of McDill near the Patch Street bridge. The dredging is estimated to take 30 days and will also remove approximately 150,000 cubic yards.

Skeptics say that this will only be a temporary alleviation of the problem and that the pond will probably have to be dredged again in later years.
 Volunteers sought to help locate state's largest trees

Is there a champion tree growing in your backyard?

Some of the biggest trees in the United States are growing right here in Wisconsin, and state foresters would like to make sure that they have the most up-to-date information regarding these "champion trees."

The state's Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has been keeping track of these lofty giants for more than 60 years. Some information is out-of-date, and as the department prepares to publish a new directory this fall, volunteers are needed to inspect the trees already on the list or find new champion trees.

"The conservation benefits of keeping track of these trees is incalculable," said DNR Urban Forestry Coordinator Dick Rideout. "We're adding to a nationwide directory of trees to be studied by future generations, and we're helping to generate a greater appreciation for trees right here in our own state."

According to American Forests, the nation's oldest non-profit citizen's conservation organization, which started the National Register of Big Trees in 1940, a champion tree is the largest of its species. There are more than 2,100 records on 271 different species of trees in Wisconsin.

Wisconsin is also home to three national champion trees, the largest of its species in the entire United States. The country's largest silver maple resides in Columbia County, north of Pardeeville; the country's largest black spruce is in Taylor County; and the biggest peachleaf willow in the U.S. is in Greenfield Park in West Allis.

"You might think that a real champion tree is only a product of the Northwoods," said Rideout. "But our national champion peachleaf willow is testimony that these giants can be found in urban settings."

The state's most recent edition of Wisconsin's Champion Trees was published in 1998. However, many of the trees listed haven't been measured in 15 years or more.

"Have those trees grown? Have they lost limbs or branches so that they're no longer the biggest? Are they still standing? Those are some of the questions we need answered," Rideout said. "Maybe there are some new state champions growing right in your own backyard. But until it's measured and compared against the others on the list, you'll never know."

Wisconsin's champion tree registry is a volunteer effort and the department now needs volunteers to help with updating the registry. The goal is to have new information for the latest printed version of Wisconsin's Champion Trees by the fall of 2002. Those who want to help out are encouraged to visit the DNR's champion tree Web pages for information on how to collect tree measurements.

"You don't need any special equipment to measure trees for our registry," Rideout said. "A tape measure and a 12-inch ruler will do the job. It's just takes a little effort to find the trees and some time to do the actual measuring."

With April far behind us, hopefully May showers will bring us June flowers this year. Wildlife is back, the grass is green and spring seems to be here for good. Be sure to enjoy the nice weather during finals week and have a safe summer!

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Summer Music Preview

By Colleen Courtney
WWSP MUSIC DIRECTOR

The school year is drawing to a close, which means sun, graduation parties and a host of CDs to check out at the beach. Read on for this summer’s new releases.

Badly Drawn Boy—About A Boy soundtrack

This CD has been getting lots of play at 90FM. When I initially heard it, I couldn’t believe it was Badly Drawn Boy (real-life name: Damon Gough). Since his first album, he’s cleaned up his vocals, transcending from the movie’s producers, and they felt his music worked for the movie. “Something to Talk About,” tapping. This is the album for unwinding after a long day at your summer job. In stores now.

Moby—18

Moby was an underground unknown until his songs hit commercials—and then everyone wanted to talk about the new spinner in town. Taking his name from the Herman Melville classic Moby Dick, Moby has tried to everything from ghostly lyrics to cookie-cutter instrumentals. Moby finally got some mainstream familiarity with Gwen Stefani in 1999’s “Southside.” He may have crossed over into fame, but Moby’s still got some surprises for us. On his new release, Moby takes up the vocals himself, leaving behind vintage R&B vocals found on Play. His abstract MTV song, “We Are All Made of Stars,” is only the surface of the record. Guest appearances include Sylvia Robinson, MC Lyte, Angie Stone, up-and-coming band Azure Ray and even Sinead O’Connor. Release date is May 14.

Eminem—The Eminem Show

He’s said it will be even bigger than past projects, and music reviewers have their pens poised, expecting it to do well this summer. After the publicly divorced divorce from his wife, Kim, Eminem needs new fodder. So he’s suing his mother. You can expect some mom-bashing tunes on this new release. Is Eminem going to still be performing in five years? Only if the shock factor can feed a career. Release date is June 4.

Paul Oakenfold—Bunkka

Britain’s answer to Fatboy Slim has released tracks before, but this album is expected to give him a big push in the music world. Look at this guest list: Perry Farrell from Jane’s Addiction, Tricky and Nelly Furtado! Paul Oakenfold courtesy of mtv.com

Car-cruising music. Release date is June 18.

The Dave Matthews Band—Busted Stuff

When DMB wanted a change, they hired Paul Oakenfold courtesy of mtv.com

reutower Paul Oakenfold to spice things up on Everyday. The album met with mixed reviews: the mainstreamers loved it, but fans who had listened to the band since the early 1990s were crushed. Where were the jams? Where was the sound? DMB created tracks before Everyday, which were not released publicly but surfaced on the Internet. Busted Stuff offers polished editions of these tracks, plus some new work. Expect the jammin’ sound you’ve grown to love. Release date is July 16.

Coldplay—A Rush of Blood to the Head

After the fame of last year’s single, “Yellow,” off their first album Parachutes, Coldplay has been called one of the best modern bands to come off the British shores. The band brings forth more mystical instrumentals and strong lyrics. Spider-lady Kirsten Dunst is reportedly a big fan. Release date is Aug. 27.

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The weather doesn't really appeal to the fans when the air conditioning is too expensive to turn on and the fans don't work. Well, besides a trip to your local tavern, a great idea is to go check out a movie or two. Inspired by Collen's excellent summer music preview, I decided to give it a go and tip you off on some of the upcoming films of the summer.

May 16-Star Wars: Episode II: Attack of the Clones

I've been waiting breathlessly for this movie for years. I always heard the rumors as a kid that Lucas wanted to do prequels to the original Star Wars trilogy and in an interview with him from about 12 years ago, he confirmed he was writing them. And now, in mere days, 12 years of anticipation will come to fruition. The trailers show my favorite character Boba Fett as a young child, his father Jango Fett, Yoda with a light saber, no Jar Jar Binks and a smokin' Natalie Portman (and not as in "on fire"). Love it or hate it, you can't deny that Star Wars is a cultural phenomenon and geeks who grew up on it, like me, perpetuate it.

June 14-Windtalkers

As a history buff, I love historically based films. Windtalkers deals with one of the little known facts of World War II. Native American Indians from the Navajo tribe were used in the Pacific to give all commands over the radio in their native tongue. This Navajo language was never figured out by the Japanese code-breakers who intercepted the messages. The plot of the film-centers around a group of U.S. Marines who must protect these code givers. Starring Nicholas Cage and Adam Beach, all early accounts indicate that this film straddles the fine line between action film and historical film. Legendary action director John Woo is at the helm, so the choreography of the fight scenes should be top-notch. Let's just hope Windtalkers isn't this summer's Pearl Harbor.

June 14-Scrooby-Doo

This comes out the same day as Windtalkers and it'll be interesting to see who does better at the box office opening weekend. Let's go with the goofiness of Scooby-Doo. In my opinion, Scooby-Doo is probably about as good as any other animated fare of yore that's brought to live action on the silver screen (The Flintstones or George of the Jungle-yes, I thought not). This cast features some of the hip, young stars of Hollywood including Fred Armisen as Fred, Matthew Lillard as Shaggy, Sarah Michelle Gellar as Daphne and some girl I've never heard of as Velma. After all, did you think Julia Roberts was going to sign up to be the geek? Oh yeah, and a completely CGI based Scooby-Doo. And don't forget a cameo by Mark McGrath from Sugar Ray as himself. This is directed by Raja Gosnell who has done classics such as Bringin' Home the Bacon. 3: I'm going to go out on a limb and say this is going to be really, really bad. But, if you're into watching actors embarrass themselves and bad jokes, then maybe this is for you.

June 21-Minority Report

This Steven Spielberg-directed, Tom Cruise-starring, action-science fiction hit should fill the void for everyone who is tired of the Spider-Man/Star Wars hype by this time in the summer. Set in the future, where the police can tell when a murder is about to happen before it occurs, it stars Cruise as a cop who is accused of one of these fore-shadowed murders and goes on the run to find out who did it before the police can catch him. Sort of like The Fugitive for the sci-fi crowd. This is probably going to be pretty good anyway, Spielberg touches is, at the very least, watchable and adding the star power of Cruise definitely can't hurt. Another couple of things that help this up on it, like me, perpetuate it. movie or two. I'll skip it, although that Mini-Me guy is pretty funny.

August 2-Signs

Last, but not least, comes the latest effort from writer/director M. Night Shyamalan (The 6th Sense, Unbreakable). This stars Mel Gibson and Joaquin Phoenix as members of a family farming in Pennsylvania who find mysterious crop circles in their fields one evening. Gibson also doubles as the small town's pastor and the discovery of these circles brings him to question his faith and teachings. I haven't heard too much about this film, but if it's anything like Shyamalan's other films, there will be more than meets the eye and we will be worth at least one watch, and probably two.

So there you go everyone, a little something to kill a few hours on that rainy, summer afternoon. The space given to me here is too limited to preview all the movies that are coming to town this summer, but these will probably be some of the most available to viewers. Have fun this summer in the multiplex.

It's gonna be a jammy-jam summer

By Steve Seaman
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OUTDOORS EDITOR

Sure, it's fun seeing the smaller Wisconsin jam bands every once in a while, but when the big bands come around, it's time to mark the calendar and get your tickets in advance because there are some upcoming shows that really shouldn't be missed.

Starting off the summer in a funky way, both Robert Walter's 20th Congress and Medeski, Martin and Wood will be playing two shows each in Wisconsin. RW20th will be appearing in Madison at Luther's Blues on May 16 and in Milwaukee at Thai Joe's on May 17. On the same night, MMW will be about five miles east of Thai Joe's playing at the Eagles Ballroom, and on May 19 at the Barrymore Theater in Madison. It will surely be a tough choice as both bands don't frequent this part of the country very often.

The Fifth Annual Big Wu Family Reunion will happen over Memorial Day weekend and even if you're not a Wu fan, it's still worth going for the side stages. Up-and-coming bands like Garaj Mahal, Particle, Railroad Earth and traditional stand-eyes Leftover Salmon and Umphrey's McGee will also be appearing at the Reunion.

Summerfest will be a big draw again this year. Several bands are returning, including the Big Wu, Ekoostik Hookah and Widespread Panic along with newcomers Umphrey's McGee, Phil Lesh and Friends (with opening act The Allman Brothers) and Galactic (opening for WSP).

Shortly after Summerfest closes, the String Cheese Incident will make their yearly summer pilgrimage to Wisconsin. This will be SCI's third straight summer headlining a multiple-night outdoor stand in Wisconsin, growing by attendance each year. This year they'll be appearing at River's Edge Park at Somerset for a two-night stint featuring the Big Wu, G. Love and the Special Sauce and Los Lobos as opening acts on July 10 and 11. SCI will headline shows with Ben Harper opening at Alpine Valley on July 12 and Deer Creek (Verizon Wireless Amphitheater) on July 13.

In perhaps the sleeper of the summer, the Jamgrass 2002 tour will roll through the halls of Alpine Valley on Aug. 17. The tour features bluegrass legends in addition to a few younger bands. Dark Star Orchestra headlines the Alpine Valley show in addition to appearances by David Grisman Quintet, John Cowan Band, Peter Rowan, Sam Bush Band, Tony Rice and Yonder Mountain String Band. This will be the bluegrass event for the ages!
By Pat "Sex-Priest" Rothfuss

Hello Pat-

I was contemplating getting a J-O-B while in school, but that seems so ... time consuming or some such. So while contemplating this problem over a stiff glass of whiskey, I came up with the solution of getting myself a sugar daddy.

The only problem is that there seem to be more advice books on how to get annoying jobs than there are for how to find a rich older man to set you up in your own lavish apartment and buy you gifts. What is a girl to do?

Please help me!

I've got a way better idea. Why not become a prostitute?

Hold on a minute. Hear me out. This isn't as crazy as you might think.

At first glance the sugarbaby thing looks pretty good. You hang out with a wealthy older man. He's not creepy or anything, he's just lonely, or maybe his wife doesn't understand him. He's not icky-old either. He's like Mel Gibson-old, or Robert-Redford-old.

In exchange for him giving you money, supplying you with an apartment, and giving you presents, all you have to do is make him feel good about himself, look pretty and occasionally have sex with him. Not icky sex though, we're talking candles-and-Merlot?

He shows up at two in the morning, drunk, and looking for love. Fair enough, I mean, you are there for his convenience, right? So you say, "Where are the candles and Merlot?" He hands you a paper sack with a riding crop and a pair of chaps and says, "Get dressed and start making some pudding, my friends should be here any second.

He starts to take off his shirt and you suddenly realize that this guy looks kinda like your grandpa, only a little fatter and with hair on his back.

You say, "I've got a headache."

He gets angry and says, "Fine, get your stuff and get out."

So you're stuck. You either leave and sleep in a bus station, or play pudding cowboy with a bunch of grizzly old men.

Of course, this is a worst-case scenario, but you should realize that being a prostitute has all the perks of being someone's sugarbaby, and, if you do things right, you get to be in control of your own life. You get to call the shots.

The problem is, prostitution has gotten a really bad wrap in the last 1000 years. Back in ancient Sumeria, prostitutes were holy and worked in the church. Our word "harlot" comes from this time. It wasn't an insult, it referred to temple prostitutes that were priestesses of the Goddess Har.

Even back in ancient Greece, prostitutes were well-respected members of society and valued entertainers. The better ones could earn as much as two silver talents a night. (Which works out to be, very roughly, $10,000 dollars.)

Now I'm not saying you'll be able to pull in five figures a night. Times have changed, after all, and you're new to the business. Still, you could do really well for yourself after you built up a good client base.

How? Here's how I'd do it...

I'd go to one of the all-male dorms, wearing something reasonably hot. I'd knock on a door and if the guy looked creepy or ugly, I'd say "Is this Jesse's room?" then apologize and leave.

If I found a reasonably nice looking, not-creepy guy, I'd give him my big pretty smile, ask him if he'd mind giving me an interview for a class project. If he agreed, I'd go into his room and ask him all sorts of questions about him, just to get a better feel for him. (If he asked, I'd claim that I needed to know if he was part of our "target demographic." ) If he still didn't seem creepy after chatting with him for a bit, I'd move on to the second part of the survey: his views on sex and prostitution.

You can fill in the details yourself. (Note that the details involve being super sensible, getting clean STD tests from your prospective clients, dealing in cash, using condoms, not letting them know where you live, etc. etc.) You see the difference between this and being someone's sugarbaby? As a sensible prostitute you get to pick the who, where, and when. And you're not some helpless sex toy.

Not only that, but you get to perform a valuable service to society. I'm firmly convinced that half the world's problems would go away if everyone got laid on a regular basis.

See? You're not just making money and having sex... you're making the world a better place.

Well, it's been fun, folks. If next year's Pointer staff is as cool as this year's, I'll be back, giving you good laughs and bad advice in equal amounts. Fool free to send me E-mail over the summer at prosh@wisc.wfu.edu

END OF THE YEAR BLOW OUT!
Sugar Daddies and Temple Prostitution

Mike Joyce-The Keg-9:30 p.m.
Wednesday, May 15
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Thursday, May 16
Open Mic hosted by Heartwood-Clark Place-8 p.m.
One Fluid Ounce and Groovulous Groove-The Keg-9 p.m.

Friday, May 17
Tommy Bentz-Amherst Coffee Company-8 p.m.
Mr. Vargas-The Keg-9:30 p.m.
Northbound Train-Witz End-9:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 18
Rachel Sage-Amherst Coffee Company-8 p.m.
Mr. Vargas-The Keg-9:30 p.m.

Monday, May 20
Greg Brown-The Grand Theater-7:30 p.m.
Open Mic-The Keg-8 p.m.
Tuesday, May 21
Open Mic hosted by MOON-Witz End-9 p.m.
COMICS

Jackie's Fridge

What's matter? I can't see either.

Changing rooms! Gues

I'm no't changing.

Not even the women's room.

That's rain wearing.

I'm attracted to women and Jake and Don think

I'll wanna... um... hard.

Miss McKinnon!

You can't marry 'im both! You havta

Bless your heart.

by BJ Hiorns

Tonja Steele

This is a dumb idea, I'm gone.

Um, you're not, you're

Gonna go an' give her the bike.

Bast! —

Mmm... Sure

Like seeing a

Teacher on yer knees!

by Joey Hetzel

Yeaaah! Darroon! Um, I fixed up

Your bike. Just Julie didn't

Wanna cuz she broke it. So

I fixed it, not that I like

You. I just

Fixed your bike.

Here.

Thank you...

Do you mind if

I place in that

Flower patch?

Sayin' bout the beginning,

And the knees joke.

Well, now

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