





# Progressive author to speak on U.S. foreign policy

By John Baeten  
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Michael Parenti, an internationally known author and speaker, has been scheduled to speak at UWSP on April 28 in conjunction with Melvin Laird Youth Leadership Day. Sponsored by Progressive Action Organization (PAO), Student Government Association (SGA) and Pi Sigma Alpha, Parenti's speech entitled "The U.S. Global Empire and Perpetual War," takes place at 5 p.m. in the UC Alumni Room.

Parenti, who has written such books as, *Democracy for the Few*, *Against Empire*, *Blackshirts and Reds*, and *Terrorist Trap*, has a Ph.D from Yale University in political science.

According to PAO, "Michael Parenti is an internationally known author and lecturer. He is one of the nation's leading progressive political analysts. His highly informative and entertaining books and talks have reached a wide range of audiences in North America and abroad."

Parenti has taught at a number of colleges and universities in the United States and abroad. Some of his writings have been translated into Bangla, Chinese, Dutch, French, German, Greek, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Polish, Portuguese, Russian, Serbian, Spanish, Swedish and Turkish.

When employed by the University of Vermont, the Board of Trustees fired him in 1971 for allegedly, "failing to display professional conduct."

The chair of the board stated, "I'm not going to have a socialist teach on my campus."

According to UWSP Professor Michelle Brophy-Baermann, "I'm very excited to be able to have him on campus. His books have been inspirational to me. I picked up his *Democracy for the Few* book on my own volition after I first started teaching here and it really helped me see things in a new light."

UWSP student Matt Oldenburg lobbied SGA for funds to bring Parenti to campus. With the help of President Beth-

Ann Richlen, Oldenburg succeeded in receiving \$2000 for travel and speaking expenses.

According to Oldenburg, "I'm super stoked that we got enough loot to make this happen. This is a great opportunity for students to hear an educated view that's different from the mainstream propaganda being fed to us by our government and mainstream media."

Parenti, who writes thoroughly on American imperialism, states, "Historically, U.S. capitalist interests have been less interested in acquiring more colonies than in acquiring more wealth, preferring to make off with the treasure of other nations without bothering to own and administer the nations themselves."

Under neoimperialism, the flag stays home, while the dollar goes everywhere—frequently assisted by the sword."

President of the College Republicans, Matt Kamke believes, "The College

Republicans are thrilled that a well respected and well documented political scholar will be visiting campus next week. While we may vehemently disagree with his beliefs and opinions and question the always present lack of ideological balance, it is still beneficial for our university that he is coming to speak."

Currently Parenti's book *Democracy for the Few* is used in Prof. Michelle Brophy-Baermann's political science 101 class in conjunction with a more conservative text.

Brophy-Baermann states, "I like using his book in tandem with a conservative book called *The Irony of Democracy*, because I want to challenge students to see how two very different books can deal with the same concerns and issues so very differently."

Kamke, who plans to bring in right-wing speakers next year that 'are more respected, scholarly, and world renowned,' states, "Our speakers will help to insure that students here at UWSP are getting scholarly input and opinions from both sides of the political spectrum, rather than just the liberal left like every other university in the country. While we strongly disagree with Mr. Parenti's opinions and beliefs, do not expect any meaningless protests or complaining. We have far more class than that."

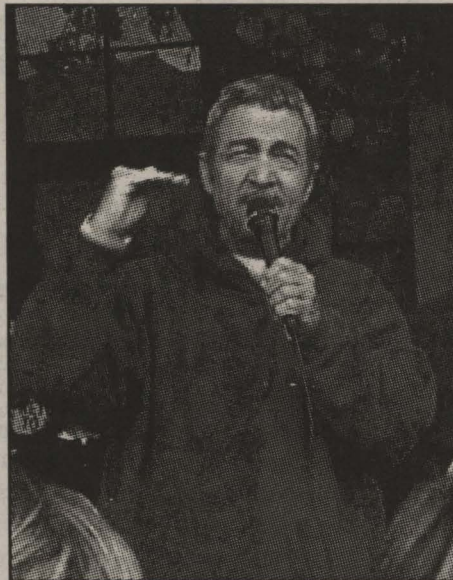


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Michael Parenti will address the prospects and consequences of perpetual war during his visit to UWSP Monday.

## Laird Day

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consensus of experts from 22 respected environmental and conservation organizations. These votes presented members of Congress with a real choice on protecting the environment and help distinguish which legislators are working for environmental protection."

He also states, "Taking into account the concerns expressed about the potential for oil and chemical spills and the impact on the Porcupine caribou herd and the polar bear habitat, on balance I believe we should open up the ANWR for environmentally sound exploration of oil and gas reserves. For the sake of our economic stability and national security, we must now make every effort to reduce the United States' dependence upon unreliable, foreign sources of crude oil."

Warner, who is a United States veteran, is also an advocate of expanding the military, both overseas and at home.

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—Sen. John Warner—

Warner states, "While much has been done, more is needed. I commend President Bush for his leadership and his unconditional commitment to our armed forces — both in response to the very clear and present danger of attacks

on the American homeland, the pending threat of Saddam Hussein, as well as the many other threats to our American way of life. I will continue to work with the president, my colleagues in the Senate and the Virginia delegation to Congress to protect our nation and our vital interests from the full spectrum of threats that confront us in an increasingly complex and dangerous world."

He also supported the Bush administration concerning the invasion of Iraq in 'Operation Iraqi Freedom.'

Warner states, "It is my firm hope that this U.S. resolve will encourage the UN and the world community to act. Our president, the Congress and the men and women of the armed forces all over this world stand ready to defend this nation from further attack. We must stand firm in our resolve to prevent Saddam Hussein from being a major threat to the United States, his neighbors and to other nations around the world."

The UWSP College Republicans were contacted about Warner's visit, however, they did not respond.

A teach-in is scheduled in conjunction with Melvin Laird Youth Leadership Day, entitled "A Globalization of Dissent." The teach-in will take place in the UC on Sunday April 27, from 11:30 a.m. until 9:30 p.m.

Melvin Laird Youth Leadership Day takes place April 28, from 8 a.m. until 2:30 p.m., the event is closed for UWSP students, however they may watch the event on closed circuit television in the Encore.

## Earth Week

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and the Wailers, will be also appear as will Matt Rothschild, editor of *Progressive Magazine*.

The Chancellor George will sign the Talloires Declaration to begin the event, christening UWSP as an Environmental Stability campus. The declaration outlines ways to both implement and promote environmental sustainability on campus.

George stated, "The tenets of the Talloires Declaration fit perfectly with the initiatives we already have underway, as well as those we intend to implement."

The University Sustainability Council (USC) was created last year by the SGA and has been active in trying to implement the Talloires Declaration since its inception as well as maintaining and promoting environmental actions on campus.

Lauren McGrath, chair of the USC, stated, "The University Sustainability Committee is unique and innovative in that students, administrators, professors and noncampus members are all working together toward the transition to a more sustainable campus, both environmentally and economically."

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## Fashionable stereotypes



Photo by Patricia Larson

Miss Jessica Ellise closes the stereotype fashion show with a drag queen performance as part of the Gay/Stratight Alliance's effort to educate through humor during Pride Week.

## Parking fees

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decision following a debate between student government representatives and members of the Faculty Senate over the disparity in permit prices, attempting to reach a more equitable solution.

"Upon consideration and after consultation with faculty and student governance, I have approved the Faculty Senate's resolution for 2002-2003 with one modification," said George via email. "The student parking-fee rate for 2003-2004 will be consistent with the faculty and staff rate."

The Student Government Association (SGA) greeted

## Resolution

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"Parking is the only issue that comes up every single year, and it needs a place to be discussed so that a long term solution can be approached," said Richlen.

"People are grumbling about parking all year long. It's a never ending issue and it's hard to find a solution when people don't want to deal with it all year long."

Sen. Nicholas Crawford, who will serve as SGA president beginning in the fall, stressed that shared governance must move away from its pattern of dealing with parking concerns at the end of every academic year and begin taking a more continuous approach to resolving the issue.

Crawford, who sponsored Richlen's resolution, stated that it was imperative that the university lay the groundwork now for the possibility of change to occur in the future.

"The idea is to get the thought process rolling immediately and keep it rolling permanently," said Crawford.

"What we need is a group of people dedicated to looking at this issue in a holistic sense."

The subcommittee that the resolution recommends would aim to fulfill such a vision by administering cost analysis to student and faculty lots

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-Beth Ann Richlen

while also serving as a conduit for the discussion of on-going problems. The resolution also allows for an unspecified amount of student representation from the SGA and Residence Hall Association, viewed by the SGA as being essential to student interests.

If the student senate approves the resolution, it would then move to the Faculty Senate, where it would likely

not receive attention until the fall.

The imminent layoff from the issue has cast some worries that the student involvement needed to drive a continued interest in the subcommittee may fade with time, but such concerns have been qualified with optimism.

"We need to have a group of students to stick with this issue into next year for something to happen with it," said Richlen. "If the resolution passes, I would expect to see that happen."

A survey geared to measure the reasons students bring cars to campus has also been scheduled for the fall to provide further insight and has been specifically aimed at gauging public transit needs.

Richlen stated that the survey and the resolution seemed to be a positive indication that attitudes toward parking have become more progressive, but also maintained that she could not predict how the Faculty Senate would respond to the resolution if it receives approval by the student senate.

The resolution will appear before the student senate tonight at 6:20 in the University Center Legacy Room.

the chancellor's decision with praise this week, as the new price for student permits exceeded the expectations of SGA president Beth Ann Richlen, who originally suggested that students and faculty each pay \$100 for annual parking.

"The chancellor understands that this is a campus problem, and he felt that making the students pay more when other university costs are going up was something that didn't need to happen," said Richlen.

Sara Stone, SGA speaker pro tempore, remained more cynical, stating that while the chancellor's decision will benefit students, the increases in the cost of permits should have developed more gradually over time.

"The price increases should have come in stages, not all at once," said Stone, who sits on the University Affairs

Committee, which oversees parking issues. "It's not smart to double it in one year with the tuition increases coming."

Parking Services has maintained that the price increases for next year have largely been dictated by the state budget proposal, which will fund financial aid by tapping into UW System auxiliaries.

The state's decision to utilize the UW System's auxiliaries will impair future plans to conduct repairs on UWSP's lots, forcing Parking Services to use auxiliary funds now to ensure that necessary projects get underway.

The need to begin parking projects before the new budget proposal becomes enacted has necessitated an increase in parking fees to help cover the costs of renovation.

## Lassa

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fall.

The UWSP College Republicans issued a press release on wispolitics.com Wednesday calling for Lassa to respond to the accusations before voters go to the polls in the 24th Senate District next Tuesday for a special election.

The group stated that "Mr. Rongstad's latest accusations against State Representative Julie Lassa can not be taken lightly and require strict scrutiny."

Lassa's attorneys, Garvey & Stoddard of Madison, filed a libel action against Rongstad for his involvement in creating a political mailing last fall during Lassa's campaign for state assembly that linked her to Chuck Chvala, the indicted former majority leader of the state senate. Lassa's attorneys charged that the mailing made false and malicious statements about her and purposefully aimed at destroying her reputation, even though she was involved in an Assembly race at the time, and had not confirmed her candidacy for state Senate.

A judge held Rongstad in contempt of court for failing to disclose who paid for the mailing, fining him \$1,000 per day. The fines against Rongstad reached

\$23,000 by the day of the primary election to decide the Democratic candidate for the state Senate race.

Lassa emerged victorious from the primary, defeating her challenger Wisconsin Rapids attorney Alex Paul, by capturing 67% of the vote, despite being outspent nine to one during the campaign. Following the election, Paul admitted to contributing \$7,500 to the mailing against Lassa, which he contributed through law school classmate and Massachusetts attorney, Sanjay V. Hood.



Matt Kamke  
President of UWSP  
College Republicans

Rongstad has stated that he was unaware Paul had directed his contribution to the mailing through Hood. He has also stated that the purpose for the mailing against Lassa was conducted in accordance with AWW's anti-corruption mission and constituted issue advocacy, as the mailing was issued before a competitive race for state Senate began.

"Something sure smells fishy in the Democratic Party of Wisconsin lately," stated the UWSP College Republicans in the press release. "The week began with the 'resignation' of Tourism Secretary and scapegoat Kevin Shibilski and is culminating with these serious charges against Rep. Lassa. It is now time for Rep. Lassa to respond."

## Correction

In the April 17 issue of *The Pointer*, in the article "Obey slams White House, GOP" it was falsely reported that Rep. Dave Obey was a U.S. Senator. He is not. *The Pointer* apologizes for the error.



## Graduating on May 18th?



Do you have questions about the May 18, 2003 Commencement program?  
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Questions? Contact University Relations at 346-3811





# Whatever...the world according to Steve

Coming soon: high luxury, posh smoking shelters. Paid for by YOU and ME.

By Steve Seamandel  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

On March 27, *The Pointer* ran a story about the Residence Hall Association (RHA) and its recent decision to ban smoking in the residence halls.

To give smokers someplace to smoke, since doing so in the res halls is now forbidden, the plan was to erect multiple smoking shelters across campus. Just what our school needs when tuition is increasing and other budget allocations are shrinking exponentially, right?

This whole issue enrages me for multiple reasons. First off, it's difficult to even peg who's in charge of this absolutely ridiculous idea. RHA seems to be a front runner, although details are shady at best regarding whose idea this really was.

The original plan was to construct these shelters, which cost roughly \$3,500 a pop, around the campus and to defer the cost among the entire student body.

Lately, I've heard rumors that RHA, or whoever is in charge now, has changed the plans a bit. Now, they're planning on constructing "picnic shelters," which will not be only used for smoking, but cooking out, picnicing and studying. And apparently, instead of billing all of the campus for these, they'd only bill students registered to live in the residence halls.

A question to whoever is in charge of the construction of these shelters: how stupid do you think college students are? Do you *seriously* think that you can disguise these smoking shelters as all-purpose funhouses?

Oh, and let's not forget that turning these shelters into picnic sites will require other necessities, like grills. This will only elevate the already stiff pricetag of \$3,500 *per shelter*. Initial plans called for at least six of these shelters. At the minimum of six shelters at the minimum estimate of \$3,500 per shelter, we're looking at a bill of \$21,000 already.

Again, what's the point to these shelters? We outlaw smoking in the dorms, then spend *more* money on constructing designated smoking spots.

The article in *The Pointer* said that roughly 6-8% of the UWSP student body living in the residence halls admits to smoking cigarettes, which is a total of 248 individuals who classified themselves as smokers on the residence hall application.

These numbers aggravate me for multiple reasons. For starters, there's no way that only 250 individuals smoke in the residence halls. If you're not mature enough to admit that you're a smoker on your res hall application in front of mommy and daddy, then you shouldn't mark that you don't smoke. You're only complicating matters more and you're living a lie over *cigarettes*, of all things.

Secondly, the numbers aggravate me because it tells me that something an extreme minority of students do can receive an abundance of funding with little or no warning or approval from the student body. Where was the survey asking about student input, asking if these shelters would be a good idea, or if students would be willing to face a tuition hike because of smoking shelters?

There was no survey, or if there was, it was so sneaky that it passed receiving little to no attention. Nothing like sneaking one past the students to waste money.

If the brainchildren of this idea can get away with smoking shelters, why can't we reduce class sizes, purchase newer educational equipment, or *gasp*, kick more money into our technology department to keep the computer labs open for a longer period of time? But wait, that's too practical. Let's hike tuition and spend money on shelters for the small number of students who smoke on campus.

For a "wellness" oriented school, it seems absolutely foolish to me as to why we'd charge students over \$20,000 so "250 students" have a place to smoke.

If you're opposed to this idea, and you should be, contact RHA at 346-2556 or Campus Facility Planner Carl Rasmussen at 346-2781 to voice your concern.



## SMOD still a waste of space

Jon DeNardis would thoroughly and completely like to note that his email trashbin has reached an amazing size of 45 Megabytes. Upon examination of this trashbin, he noticed that 90% of the space taken up by messages were from one source on campus: The Student Message Of the Day or SMOD (AKA UWSP Smog, as he has dubbed it). Despite writing an article on this several months earlier, there still is no option to automatically opt out of SMOD, and Jon is really starting to wonder how much wasted bandwidth SMOD takes up on campus every day. If the campus network works like its supposed to then at a very very random guess:

One roughly 500 Kilobyte message times roughly 10,000 Students of which probably not even 10% read on a daily basis equals 5,000 Megabytes or 5 GIGABYTES of data space and bandwidth wasted every day on campus. Imagine what ELSE that could be used for.

(10% because nobody I know reads the SMOD however I'm assuming somebody does and that must be someone in the 10% on campus that I haven't met yet.)

Pray, InfoTech, instruct me if I am wrong in my math here, but if those messages didn't take up space, then why did I get a message saying to clean out my mailbox because it was overflowed?

Still in Japan, and still deleting the Student Message Of the Day, every day, without opening it, PERIOD.

-Jonathan DeNardis, UWSP student abroad

**Editor's note:** This week, the Student Message of the Day has been discontinued and is now only available on the web at <http://email.uwsp.edu/smod>.

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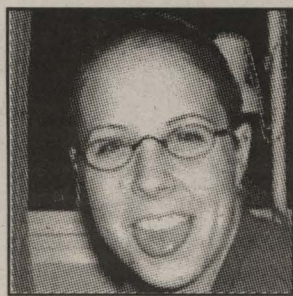
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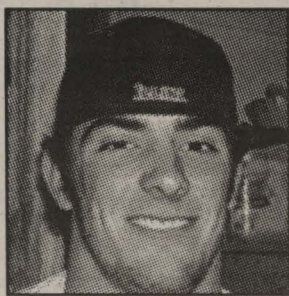
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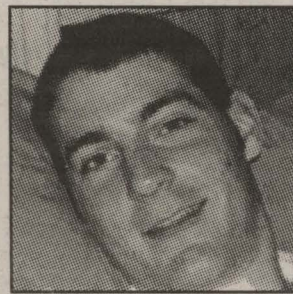
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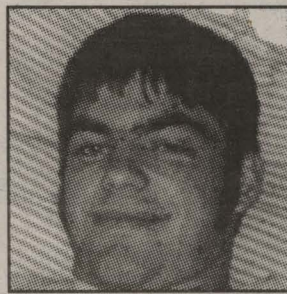
Drew Prochniak, Freshman, Psych

I need it.



Stefanie Neidermann, Freshman, Psych

I'll love you a long time.



Eric Sakowski, Freshman, Graphic Design

Even if it's out of pity.



# Residents walk to help fight heart disease

By Sara Daehn

FEATURES EDITOR

Over 500 people will walk through Schmeckle Reserve on Saturday, May 17, while participating in the annual American Heart Association fundraiser. The fundraiser's goals include raising money for research of heart disease and funding new lifesaving equipment.

The event will begin at 9:00 a.m. with registration, with the walk following at 10:00 a.m. Participants can choose to take part in one or three-mile walks through the Schmeckle nature reserve. Participants will receive a free lunch after completing the walk.

The first American Heart Association (AHA) Walk took place in 1992. Since that time it has grown over 1,500 percent and has become the AHA's main fundraiser. The walk first came to the Portage County area six years ago with approximately 100 walkers participating, raising about \$6,000.

According to the American Heart Association, heart disease is the number one killer of adults in the United States. Every 33 seconds someone dies from heart disease, 32,000 babies are born with heart defects each year and every 53 seconds someone suffers a stroke.

Chancellor Thomas George is the chair of the walk this year, so UWSP formed a committee on campus to help plan the walk and get students involved. Terry Aittama, Terri Taylor, Maggie Kuhl, Nancy Habermann, Julie Benson, Lori Yonash and Carol Grasamkee are members of the UWSP AHA Walk Logistics Committee.

The UWSP Employee Wellness Program is sponsoring the 2003 Heart Walk, and four wellness students,

Stephanie Schwab, Jennifer Schultz, Brenda Hau and Abby Eparvier, are helping to plan and organize the walk as part of a semester practicum project. Terry Aittama, Employee

Wellness Coordinator and member of the planning committee, is supervising the four students.

Carol Grasamkee, a UWSP team coordinator for the walk, said, "Last year the walk raised \$58,000. The new goal for this year's event is slated at \$75,000."



She also said that participation in the walk has continued to increase since last year. She stated, "There are about 60 teams scheduled to walk this year which will raise the count from 400 walkers last year to about 500 this year. "She also said that 40 area organizations have registered to walk this year as well as many individuals.

Free childcare will be provided for parents in the walk in the Schmeckle Visitors' Center conference room beginning this year. Employee wellness students from UWSP and members of the SPASH Key Club will keep children busy with games and exercise, face painting, storytelling, and health-related art projects, from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Volunteers who get sore after their long walk need not worry. Free chair massages for tired participants will also be offered starting this year. The massages will be offered between 9:00 a.m. and noon, performed by UWSP students enrolled in the health touch massage therapy certification program.

To receive more information on joining or donating to the walk, call or email UWSP team coordinators Carol Grasamkee at 346-2071 or cgrasamk@uwsp.edu, or Terri Taylor at 346-4027 or ttaylor@uwsp.edu before May 15.

## Senitsu says "race matters"

UC-Berkeley professor speaks of the importance of being color conscious in society today

By Steve Seamandel

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A literally packed lecture hall in the CNR played host to UC-Berkeley professor and poet Junichi Senitsu on Tuesday afternoon. His presentation "Replacing Shock, Reclaiming Awe: The War on Race and the Race to War" discussed the importance of race in American society.

"Race matters," started Senitsu. "The solution is not to be color blind, but color conscious."

Throughout his one hour presentation, Senitsu drew heavily from Martin Luther King Jr.'s views and compared them with his own, fairly updated viewpoints. Although all of the seats were full, the aisles were packed and the standing room was taken, all of the attendees listened intently as Senitsu voiced his tongue-in-cheek viewpoints.

Senitsu stressed the general importance of remembering race and cited many specific examples from his own life about how he's been impacted positively and negatively from racial discrimination.

While growing up in Hanford, Calif., Senitsu was part of a minority of Asian-American children in the area, and made great advances in his area to promote equality among races.

During the discussion of the past when he read two poems, both dealing with discrimination. The second was centered on his self-proclaimed title of "Super Model Minority," which humorously discussed how he felt used as an example among minorities.

Senitsu also told about how he has gradually learned the ropes about racism. He credited his UC-Berkeley roommate Andre with advancing his views greatly.

"Andre was black . . . was the beneficiary of affirmative action and had to carry two jobs throughout high school just to get to college," said Senitsu. "He said that when you're discriminated against, you just have to work harder."

Senitsu's main point was that it's essential to remember race instead of neglecting to realize that it exists.

"No race has biological superiority," said

## Health Advocate

Dear Health Advocate,

I am a busy college student and I feel overwhelmed all the time. What are some ways I can manage stress better?

Sincerely,  
Overwhelmed

Dear Overwhelmed,

Stress can inspire you and result in greater productivity; however, too much stress results in a drain on your physical and emotional health. One way to avoid burnout is to think about events that are potentially stressful and work them out in your mind so that when the situation actually arises you are prepared. Talking to a friend about problems can also help put them in perspective.

Another method involves deep breathing exercises. They increase the amount of oxygen to your brain, which allows the heart rate to slow down and in turn produce a calming effect. Eating balanced meals and getting enough sleep are natural stress relievers. Avoid caffeine and drink plenty of water during stressful times.

Finally, exercise and stretching help to loosen stiff muscles and produce endorphins, which give people a sense of well-being. The Student Health Promotions Office, located in the lower level of the Allen Center in room 004, offers 10-minute stress relief sessions for 25 cents.

## Treehaven to offer yoga workshop

Treehaven, the UWSP field station in Tomahawk, will host a yoga and meditation retreat on Saturday, May 24.

The workshop, which runs from 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., provides each participant with a chance to relax, refresh and renew. Maureen Houlihan, a certified Kripalu Yoga teacher and member of the National Yoga Teachers' Alliance, will lead the workshop.

The workshop costs \$65 which includes lunch and instruction. For more information or to register, contact Treehaven at (715) 453-4106, or e-mail jeverson@uwsp.edu.

Each participant should wear loose clothing and bring a comfortable blanket, a small firm pillow, a notebook and a yoga mat if they have one.

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## "Zoom In, Look Out" combines technology with live dance

**Guest artists from Argentina visit UWSP to choreograph a new multimedia dance for Danstage.**

"Zoom In, Look Out," a groundbreaking duet combining interactive computer technologies and live performance, will highlight "Danstage," the annual dance concert of the theater and dance department at UW-Stevens Point.

The multimedia dance, "Zoom In, Look Out," reveals a woman's thoughts, fears and fantasies through an array of interactive systems. Joan Karlen, UWSP professor of theatre and dance, dances the part of the woman. Although the action surrounds an individual, the themes of the piece reflect world events, playing with the notion of invading somebody else's territory.

The stage contains sensors that trigger digital sounds and video images. In addition, the set includes a table and chair fitted with wireless transmitters. The interactive stage gradually brings out a counterpoint conversation with virtual characters and real people. Four guest artists from Buenos Aires, Argentina, will be in residence at UWSP to stage the work.

Edgardo Mercado will perform the duet with Karlen. He plays the role of the second character in the piece, a camera operator. As he advances onto the stage, he modifies her territory with his own personality, questioning her motives, trying to bend her will. Initially an observer, he films and projects augmented live video, which is visually commented upon through live editing and combination with other images.

Guggenheim Fellow Margarita Bali choreographed and directed the piece. She recorded and edited video footage that will be projected during the performance. She will also operate the video projector and do live graphic design.

Two faculty members of the University of Moron, Argentina, will assist with the performance. Jorge Sad composed the musical score for the dance and will provide musical control and sound design. Francisco Colasanto, who programmed computers for the piece, will control the interactive systems and sound.

During Karlen's fall 2001 sabbatical she traveled to Argentina to create this piece. She also received a UWSP professional development grant to support the international exchange, which will enable theater and dance department students to learn about interactive technologies in performance. The visiting artists will lead master classes for music composition stu-

dents, dance and video students. She and Mercado will perform the work again in Buenos Aires in October.

Bali is co-director of the Argentine contemporary dance company Nucleodanza. She has directed dance videos that have been screened at national and international festivals and has won the prestigious Guggenheim Fellow in Dance in 1998, and the international Onassis Choreography Award in 2001. She has danced professionally with several companies and toured with Nucleodanza in Europe, the United States, Asia, Australia and Latin America. The group has performed in over thirty international dance festivals.

Since 1972 Bali has choreographed 37 works, most of them for Nucleodanza. She was commissioned to create four works for the Buenos Aires official contemporary company and has choreographed for the Junior Ballet of the Teatro Municipal San Martin.

Sad is a member of the faculty at the University of Moron in Buenos Aires and heads a research project in interactive



musical performance. He has received commissions from organizations and individuals in Argentina, Austria and Belgium.

His work "Aspavientos," for computer

generated tape, was awarded the Juan Carlos Paz Prize in 1999, received a mention at the Pierre Schaeffer contest in Italy and was selected as one of the six finalists at Metamorphoses d' Orpheus contest in Belgium in 2000. His compositions have been played in concerts in Argentina, Brazil, Canada, France, Korea, Spain, Venezuela, Uruguay and the United States.

Karlen specializes in multimedia presentations in dance and video. She performed professionally in New York and regionally before coming to UWSP in 1988. She has twice received UWSP's Excellence in Teaching Award and has shown her video dance work throughout the United States and in Portugal. She coordinates interdisciplinary studies, which includes camera dance and digital video editing, dance composition and ballet and jazz technique.

Performances will take place in Jenkins Theatre of the Fine Arts Center on Friday, May 2, at 8 p.m.; Saturday, May 3, at 7:30 p.m.; Sunday, May 4, at 2 p.m. and Thursday through Saturday, May 8-10 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets, which cost \$11 for adults, \$10 for senior citizens and \$6.50 for youth, are available at the University Box Office in room 103A of the University Center or by calling (715) 346-4100 or (800) 838-3378.

## College of L&S continues Grand Slam Fundraiser

**By Nora F. Bates**  
ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

The College of Letters and Science has raised nearly \$80,000 through its Grand Slam Fundraiser, raising \$20,000 in just one week through alumni phone calling and gifts from faculty and staff.

The idea of the fundraiser is to help offset the tuition increase so that students are still able to do the things necessary for a thorough education within the four colleges. The person responsible for raising the money is Holly Voll, and with the help of others, has campaigned for the fundraiser and has gotten faculty to help out.

Some of the faculty members that have gotten involved in helping of the campaign are Michael Nelson from the philosophy department and John Coletta from the English department. Nelson has created the Environmental Ethics Endowment, which will raise at least \$10,000 to help fund things like taking students to conferences to present research and inviting renowned speakers

to campus. The funds will also be used for important field trips. Coletta is starting two student scholarships, one for science and environmental writing and the other for technical writing.

The College of Letters and Science has had a large number of graduates donate, including David Karraker who gave stock worth nearly \$10,000 to help the L&S Enhancement Fund. This fund will help the college in a lot of ways, depending on the needs identified by staff and faculty.

The faculty and staff portion of the campaign has begun, and soon the capital part will begin. The capital fundraising portion involves Voll going out and asking people directly for money, whereas thus far a lot of the fundraising has come from alumni.

If you would like to help out, or know someone who would like to donate to the College of Letters and Science please contact Holly Voll at 346-2487 or visit her in CCC 132.

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# School record-winning streak ends at Whitewater

## Pointers swept by Warhawks in doubleheader

By Dan Mirman  
SPORTS EDITOR

### Baseball

Pointers 2 - 1  
Warhawks 5 - 10

Pointers 3  
Lumberjacks 1

After reeling off 20 straight victories, a UWSP record, the Pointer baseball team (21-4-1, 11-2) lost for the first time since March 18 Wednesday afternoon.

The WIAC pre-season favorite UW-Whitewater Warhawks silenced the Pointer bats and came away victorious 5-2 and 10-1.

"I don't know if we hit a ball hard all day long," said Head Coach Brian Nelson. "Their pitchers just kept us off balance,

and we didn't get any timely hitting."

In the first contest the Pointers struck first on a Jake Frombach sacrifice fly.

That would prove to be their only lead all day. The Warhawks answered with two runs in the bottom of the inning and then scored in three of the next four innings to take control.

The Pointers were unable to come through with a clutch hit, especially in the later innings.

In the seventh inning the Pointers stranded runners on second and third.

In the ninth the Pointers had their first two hitters reach base, but the Warhawks would retire the next three hitters in order to end the game.

"All day long we just couldn't get guys home," said Nelson. "We had the bases loaded and runners at second and third in the second game, and we just couldn't get them in."

Josh Blaha (3-1) struggled with his control, suffering his

first loss of the season. Blaha only surrendered four hits in five innings, but he walked five in the outing. Blaha also hit some tough luck as only three of the five runs were earned.

In the second game Jason Digise (2-1), was rocked for five runs in the first inning, as he received the hook before the opening frame ended.

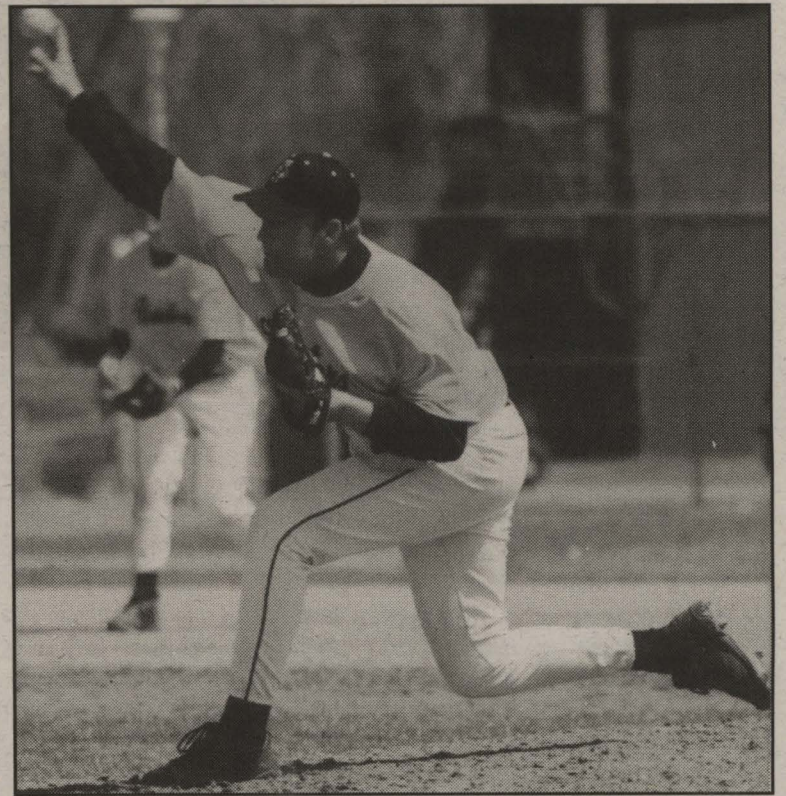
The Pointer bats could only muster five hits in the game. Conversely, the Warhawks scored seven of their ten runs with two out hits.

Friday afternoon the Pointers pushed their win streak to the 20-game mark with a close 3-1 win over Northland College.

Senior Jeff Pieper (4-0) surrendered one run in 8 2/3 innings for the victory.

The Pointers broke up a 1-1 tie in the eighth inning with a pair of unearned runs to spark the victory.

The Pointers next head to Depere on Thursday for a twin-bill with St. Norbert.



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Senior Jeff Pieper on the mound during the 20 game win streak.

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## Van Wychen pushes hitting streak to 31 games



Photo by Patricia Larson  
Senior Carrie Hermesen tags out Michelle Hammers as she attempts to steal second base.

### Pointers go three for four in non-conference tilts

By Jana Jurkovich  
SPORTS REPORTER

### Softball

Pointers 8 - 4  
Muskies 0 - 8

Pointers 5 - 3  
Lumberjills 0 - 1

The women's softball team (20-11, 6-5) continued their excellent play this week as they went 3-1 in doubleheaders Tuesday and Wednesday.

The Pointers faced-off against Northland in a doubleheader on Wednesday and this time were able to come out with two wins.

The women shut out Northland in the first game as they won by a score of 5-0. Karen Guckenberger pitched a two-hitter and the team had a four-run sixth inning to claim the win.

Senior Jill VanWychen needed four Pointers to reach base to give her one more opportunity to keep her hitting streak alive. Her teammates picked her up and

VanWychen capitalized. The senior came up with bases loaded and promptly cleared them off with a three-run triple.

The Pointers sustained their drive Wednesday as they defeated Northland again by a closer score of 3-1.

Northland errors proved costly as the Pointers capitalized on the six Lumberjill errors. Van Wychen continued to lead her team as she extended her hitting streak to 31 games, third best in NCAA Division III history.

Tuesday the team faced the Lakeland Muskies in a doubleheader.

The Pointers started out strong and they thoroughly routed Lakeland in the first game by a decisive score of 8-0. Van Wychen led the Pointers as she went 2 for 3.

However, the Pointers failed to carry their momentum into the second game as Lakeland defeated them 8-4.

Lakeland started the second game out strong with six runs in the first three innings and the Pointers never caught up. Van Wychen extended her hit streak with a single, but it wasn't enough for the Pointers.

The women will head to UW-Stout next for the WIAC Cluster. This weekend is crucial for the Pointers as it is their final games before the conference tournament.



# Olafson overcomes the odds for senior season

## Senior baseball player overcomes career threatening injury

By Craig Mandli  
SPORTS EDITOR

Senior Jim Olafson had high hopes coming into his last season playing for the UWSP baseball team. After laboring for three seasons as a utility player for the Pointers, Olafson had finally ascended into the projected starting lineup at second base.

With these new hopes for the season, Olafson worked hard in the off-season, increasing his weightlifting and workout regimens and routinely playing pickup basketball games to improve his coordination. Ironically, it was one of these workouts that threw a rather sizable monkey wrench into Olafson's final season as a Pointer.

The senior was playing a pickup basketball game with some friends over winter break when tragedy unexpectedly hit. "Everything was fine, and all of a sudden my knee just buckled and gave out," said Olafson. "I knew it was something bad."

Olafson's fears were confirmed when after countless X-rays and testing, the doctors gave him their prognosis: a completely



Photo by Patricia Larson

Jim Olafson fields a ball during practice on Tuesday afternoon. The senior has come back from tearing his ACL and meniscus and has appeared in five games this season.

torn ACL (anterior cruciate ligament) and meniscus. "The doctors said that my season, and possibly my career, was over," said Olafson.

The prognosis didn't get Olafson down, though. He knew since he was graduating in May and that he had already used up his full eligibility, that there was no chance of returning to the baseball team in 2004. But rather than sulk over his injury, Olafson decided to make the best of his situation. "I tried to help the younger guys out as much as I could," said Olafson. "Anything I could do to help the team was

great."

As the weeks went on, though, Olafson began to get the urge to get back on the field. He heightened his rehabilitation and worked out even harder, to the dismay of his doctors. "The doctors said that if I had just torn one [ligament] that I may be able to come back, but tearing two to the degree that I did, there was no way."

Undeterred by the doctors, Olafson continued to work even more diligently to make it back, spending extra time in the training room trying to work his leg back in to shape enough to play.

"Jim is a great guy, and he just simply loves the game," said UWSP Assistant Coach Matt Salveson. "Every time he goes out there and competes, it motivates the rest of the team."

If Olafson takes one positive thing out of the ordeal, it's that he has found a new love for coaching. "Helping out the younger guys has been great," said Olafson. "The coaching staff has been very supportive of me and really made me feel like I belong."

Salveson echoes those sentiments. "Having Jim is like having another coach on the bench. He never gets down about his injury and always has a positive attitude and is ready to go. Everybody here wants to see him back out there [on the field]."

Olafson will graduate in May with a degree in cartography and hopes to stay around the area and get into coaching somewhere along with playing occasionally. He knows the risks he's facing trying to come back and play this season. "The doctors said that I have the choice of either trying to play this season and probably hurting myself further, or being able to play ball with my kids one day. I think I can do both."

One day Jim can hopefully tell this story to his son while playing ball in the backyard. If he

## Third again, this time at Augustana

### Titans take first at the Meet of Champions

By Tony Bastien  
SPORTS REPORTER

#### Men's track and field

After an hour long rain delay, the men's track and field team took the bronze at the Augustana Meet of Champions. Ahead of the Pointers were Augustana College in second and UW-Oshkosh, for

the second straight week, winning the event. This week the Titans had an astounding victory by over 100 points.

No Pointer participants won any events as the Oshkosh and Augustana runners topped the podiums all day, but some runners did gain NCAA provisionals. Both Matthew Legal and Jesse Baumann garnered provisionals in the 800 m, finishing second and third respectively.

The story was the same in the field for the meet. In a surprise, Jeremy Wendt of UW-Whitewater won the hammer throw. He beat out a couple of Pointers, Noah Eschenbauch and Mark Wierzba; they placed second and fourth. They also both received NCAA provisionals, and in a step above that, Eschenbauch received an automatic qualifier. He was unable to fend off Wendt as he did in the outdoor finale for the victory.

The final notable performance put in by a Point athlete was that of Scott Dreger who placed fifth in the decathlon. This was also good enough for a NCAA provisional.

The story of the afternoon was the weather, as it has been for all of the outdoor season. There was an hour long delay at the start of the meet because of rain.

"It really slows things down, both mentally and physically. It definitely slows you down," said Head Coach Rick Witt.

Also concerning the weather, with the ups and downs we've been having in Stevens Point and throughout the Midwest, Witt continues, "It's so hard to get any consistency."

Next up for the UWSP Track and Field team are the Drake Relays in Des Moines, Iowa, today through the weekend. The Drake Relays is one of the most prestigious events of the year and will match the Pointers against many Division I programs and the best in DIII as well.

## SENIOR ON THE SPOT JILL VAN WYCHEN - SOFTBALL



Van Wychen

### Career Highlights

- Currently on a 31 game hitting streak, third longest in Division III history.
- Led WIAC in hitting for 2002 and had third highest average in school history at .438
- Second team all-region and first team all-WIAC in 2002.

Major - Communication  
Hometown - Freedom, Wis.  
Nickname - Vdub

Idol while growing up - My parents, they're always so supportive.

What are your plans after graduation? - Hopefully, I'll land a job and start making some real money!

Do you plan on participating in softball after graduation? - Probably not much, maybe a summer league.

What is your favorite aspect of softball? - I like the competition and the great people you meet.

Most embarrassing moment - I charged through an outfield fence trying to catch a homerun ball...oops!

If you could be anyone for a day, who would you choose? - Ronald McDonald...because I love french fries!

What three CD's are in your stereo right now?

1. Dixie Chicks
2. Ben Harper
3. A mix CD from J.C.

Do you have any parting words for the underclassmen? - Good luck-- farewell!!!

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## High scorers key mens recruiting class

### Five commit to basketball team for next season

By Dan Mirman  
SPORTS EDITOR

The UWSP men's basketball team will add a lot of scoring power next year. The Pointers' recruiting class this year consists of five players who averaged over 20 points per game during their senior seasons.

The class contains three conference players of the year, and is highlighted by Shawn Lee out of Marshfield Columbus High School.

The 5'10" point guard averaged 22 points and seven assists per game while leading Columbus to the Division IV state semi-finals.

Lee, like the other recruits, has a history of winning. Playing for winning teams is something that Head Coach Jack Bennett looks for when recruiting players.

"I think that's important, that you get players who understand what it takes to win, because it's going to be that much tougher at the collegiate level on both the mental and physical upbringing."

Joining Lee with the Pointers next season will be Jon Krull out of Marshall High School. Krull, a three-time conference player of the year, brings the Pointers great athleticism. The 6'4" swingman also starred on the football team where he earned all state honors as a safety.

The Pointers landed another 6'4" swingman in the form of Steve Hicklin. Hicklin, out of Sussex Hamilton, ranks second on his school's all-time scoring

list with 993 points.

Brian Schmidt gives the Pointers their largest recruit at 6'7". The forward scored 22.4 points a game as well as 8.3 rebounds for Orfordville Parkview High School. Schmidt earned Rock Valley player of the year honors and was also an all-state honorable mention selection.

Rounding out the class is Troy Bolcerek from Bangor High School. Bolcerek, a 6'3" guard, was the Scenic Bluffs conference player of the year this season. He also led Bangor to back-to-back conference championships.

"I think these are good kids, but I think it's what happens once they get into the program and how they respond to coaching," said Bennett. "Ask me in three or four years, and I'll tell you what kind of class it is. These are good players, but I think they're gonna get better when they get into the program."

The Pointers return everybody with the exception of senior all-conference selection Josh Iserloth. With the stockpile of talent, Bennett expects some intense practices early in the season.

"I think there are a couple players who have the ability to contribute right away. I see great battles to make the team, our tryouts are gonna be very intense and interesting. We know what our nucleus is but there should be positive competition for spots and playing time."

The Pointers are coming off their fourth consecutive WIAC championship, and they advanced to the NCAA tournament before falling to eventual national runner up Gustavus Adolphus.

## The Man's Take: Draft day is once again upon us

By Craig Mandli  
SPORTS EDITOR

Once again the weekend is upon us, when I veg out in front of the television watching so-called "experts" with slicked-back hair and sly, smug smiles comment on the NFL draft.

While this may not seem like much fun, it is heaven on earth for this sports writer. I consider myself a draft junkie. I need those 18 or so hours of coverage like a frat boy needs his 40-ouncer or a hippie needs his bongos. I can tell you right now, there is no one who cares more about whom the Tennessee Titans pick with the 243rd pick in the draft than I do.

Why, do you ask, does he care so much about such a long, boring, drawn out ordeal? Well, for starters, I'm a football dork and a stat head. I might be the only one I know who actually knows how to calculate a quarterback rating. I live and breathe this stuff, especially this time of year.

Now, there are those close to me who suffer from this obsession. Usually by around Sunday afternoon my girlfriend is about ready to dump me, and my roommates are ready to steal my television, but that doesn't matter to me. This is my weekend.

My girlfriend could climb all over me, throw on her slinkiest bikini and feed me peeled grapes, and it wouldn't matter. My eyes will stay glued to the television (although I would be willing to take advantage of the situation during the frequent commercial breaks).

I cozy up to the TV every third weekend in April, tune to ESPN at 11 a.m. CST and prepare myself for 18 hours of live draft coverage over a two-day period. I spend my weekend with Chris

Berman, Joe Theisman, Tom Jackson and, last but certainly not least, Mr. NFL Draft himself, Mel Kiper, Jr.

One might think 18 hours of draft coverage is too much. One would be wrong. I enjoy round seven as much as round one. Anybody can watch the marquee quarterback or running back be selected as the top overall pick. But it takes a special breed to get excited about San Diego's sixth-round selection of an offensive lineman from Boise State.

This college isn't exactly a hotbed of NFL talent. Sure, the Pointers enjoyed a nice little run a few years ago with all-everything linebacker Clint Kriewaldt heading to the NFL. But it isn't quite like Florida State, which seems have at least three players drafted in each round of each draft.

Once again this year, the Pointers don't figure to get anyone drafted.

However, it is possible that a few of the Pointer seniors may be playing professionally next season. All-conference safety Dillon Maney is an incredible athlete, and if former La Crosse safety Jeremy Unertl can get looks in the NFL and NFL Europe, Maney should be able to get a try-out somewhere. Also, at 6'3" and 220 lbs, he has ideal size for a safety in the NFL.

Man-mountain Luke Hilgemann may also stand a chance to play as a pro. At 6'9" and 330 lbs, "Big Luke" has more than ideal size to play tackle in the pros. If he can gain some strength, who knows?

So I'll be camped out starting Saturday morning, watching pick-by-pick, knowing that a GM can determine where these guys my age are going to begin their careers. It should be a good time. Till next time...

GO POINTERS!



## Nechuta breaks school discus record

### Women finish third at Augustana

By Tulsa Baklaka  
SPORTS REPORTER

#### Women's track and field

As the weather gradually warms, so do the Pointer women's performances.

The Pointers placed third behind Augustana and UW-Oshkosh.

"We competed well. Some events took a huge step forward. Although weather conditions were still less than ideal, we took advantage of performing well while we could," said Coach Len Hill.

Sophomore Amanda Nechuta had a stunning meet despite having to throw in the dark. She placed third in the shot put with a throw of 42'8" and fourth in the javelin with a toss of 111'6". She also placed second in the discus with a heave of 148'11". The mark not only provisionally qualifies her for the national meet, but it replaced the 2002 school discus record.

Sophomore Teresa Stanley came in first in the 5k with a time of 18:34s. Though she battled with a cramp during the race, she hung on when one of the competitors passed her and kicked in the last 400m for the win. Butkowski also placed first in the triple jump with a mark of 10.99s.

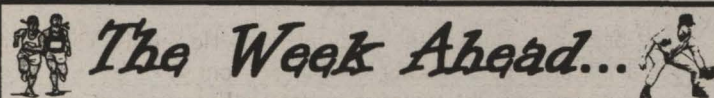
Freshman Ashleigh Potuznik placed second in the steeple chase with a time of 11:53s and improved last week's time by 30 seconds.

Sophomore Liz Goergen placed second in the 400 m hurdles with a time of 65:28 sec getting beat

out by one hundredth of a second, or, as Coach Rick Witt delicately put it, "She lost the race by a padded bra."

Freshman Nicole Pooley tied for second in the high jump clearing the height of 5' 1/2". The 4 x 100m relay consisting of Goergen, Butkowski, Klosno, and Schmitt also placed second with a time of 49.88s.

As the team looks forward to their last meet before conference, they are hopeful for warmer competing conditions. Several women will compete at the Drake Relays at Drake University, while others will head down to UW-LaCrosse on Saturday.



**Men's and Women's Track:** at Drake Relays Thurs., - Sat.; at UW-La Crosse Classic-Sat.

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# Amazing places to dip in near campus

By Leigh Ann Ruddy  
OUTDOORS EDITOR

As the weather warms up, there's nothing better to do than get out on some of the wild Wisconsin rivers for a day of paddling. Luckily, Portage County and the surrounding area harbors some great canoeing and kayaking water conveniently close to Stevens Point.

One place to dip in is the Plover River right past Jordan Park (See map, #1). To get there from Stevens Point, take Highway 66 East to County Highway Y. County Y is the entrance road for Jordan Park. Drive about 1/4 of a mile to Highway K and turn right. A bridge crosses the Plover River on Highway K and there's a small area to park and launch your boat.

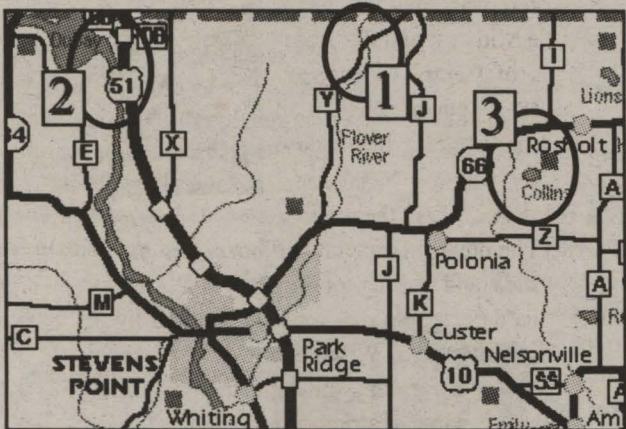
If you look on a county map, there is a hand-carry boat launch just past Christensen Pond. This is where you'll want to pull your boat out, since there is a run of rapids after it. The Plover River is a bit too shallow to risk the rapids. You'll probably just end up beaching your boat and getting your feet wet pulling it out.

Another great run is northwest of Stevens Point on the Wisconsin River (See map, #2). Take Highway 10 West to County Highway E and take a right. Take Highway E to Dam Road and curve left. Dam Road will take you to a popular public boat launch near the Stora Enso power plant. Starting from here, you'll need a car dropped off at the public boat launch just north of Club 10.

This Wisconsin River stretch can prove difficult if a head wind is strong. Coming this way you are going with the

current, but the winds can sometimes be overbearing.

Another run on the Plover River you might consider starts from Jordan Park. You can launch your canoe or



kayak from the park and travel the Plover through town, toward McDill Pond. The paddling is easy going most of the time, but the river offers some great twists and turns to keep things interesting.

If you're looking to drive a little way outside of town, consider taking off from Collins Lake down the Tomorrow River (See map, #3). You'll need to plan this trip out in advance, as there aren't many public access boat launches after Collins Lake. To get there, take Highway 66 East to County OO, take a right on OO and continue until you get to Highway I; this will take you to Collins Lake.

Even for a short day trip, these places offer some great paddling and excellent scenery. Some places are busier than others, but once you get past many of the public boat launches the people population gets less and less.

If you're looking for a canoe trip, check out Outdoor EdVentures' trip to the Flambeau River this weekend. Sign up by April 24 to reserve a space. Cost of the trip is \$60 for a UWSP student and \$70 for a non-student. The cost includes transportation, all equipment (canoe, tent, cook stove) and trip leaders.

You can also earn 1 credit for the trip if you decide to write a paper about your experience.

## UWSP Adopt-A-Specie Program

By Serene Granstrom  
OUTDOORS REPORTER

Until the 1800s, bald eagles bred throughout Wisconsin. As the state was settled, eagle populations began to decline. Habitat disturbance and destruction, and shooting of eagles were major causes. With the passage of the Migratory Bird Treaty in 1916 and the Bald Eagle Protection Act in 1940, it became illegal to shoot bald eagles, but enforcement of the law was weak. By 1950, eagles no longer existed in the southern two-thirds of Wisconsin.

Eagle populations remained stable in Northern Wisconsin until the 1950s, when use of pesticides like DDT became common. Pesticides accumulated in animals that fed high on the food chain (like eagles, which eat fish). High pesticide levels caused physiological changes in eagles that had serious impacts: eggshells became thin and broke under the weight of incubating adults and parenting behavior changed. The bottom line was that eagles were unsuccessful at rearing chicks. They were unable to produce enough young to offset adult mortality, and the population plummeted.

In 1972, bald eagles were placed on the Wisconsin Endangered Species List. The same year, the federal government banned the use of DDT and other organochlorine pesticides in the U.S., but eagle populations were slow to recover. The number of bald eagles breeding in Wisconsin gradually increased from 82 pairs in 1970 to 414 in 1991.

Other factors still cause bald eagle mortality. Wisconsin's eagles are caught in traps set for other animals, shot illegally by misinformed people who dislike birds of prey, electrocuted when they perch on power lines and poisoned by lead ingested when they eat waterfowl that have lead shot pellets in their bodies. Through the recent passage of a Wisconsin law, banning use of lead shot will help reduce the problem of lead poisoning, habitat destruction and disturbance remain major problems for bald eagles.

Bald eagles were placed on the Federal Endangered Species list in 1973. However, since Wisconsin's eagle population is higher and more stable than that of most other states, the federal government listed Wisconsin's eagles as "threatened" in 1978. Bald eagles are protected by both state and federal laws and violators face penalties of up to \$20,000 in fines and/or 1-5 years in prison. In 1991, 414 active territories were located. The recovery goal (360) was exceeded. The eagle's state status was upgraded to "threatened" in 1989. Eagles will still receive the same protection as other listed species.

In 1986, a Bald Eagle Recovery (BER) plan was approved by the DNR. The plan's main objective was to increase the self-sustaining population of bald eagles in Wisconsin to



360 breeding pairs by the year 2000 with an average annual productivity of at least 1.2 young per occupied nest. The goal has been reached through work to study current population and habitat status; determine the population and habitat required to achieve recovery; protect, enhance and increase bald eagle populations and habitats and establish communication and education networks to coordinate recovery efforts.

Wisconsin citizens can help the BER in its efforts to increase the population of bald eagles in our state. The BER encourages citizens to become informed about Wisconsin's bald eagles and get involved in eagle recovery work by: reporting active nest locations to the BER, avoiding bald eagle nests during the breeding season (February 15-August 1), volunteering to participate in the winter bald eagle survey, discouraging illegal and unethical shooting of eagles and adopting an eagles nest.

You can help ensure that bald eagles are back to stay in Wisconsin for all future generations to see and enjoy by adopting an eagles' nest for a minimum donation of \$100. This may seem like a lot of money, so how about instead of buying your mom the same old mother's day corporate hoop-lah gift, get your family to pitch in and adopt her an eagles' nest. Put up a collection box at your next club meeting and see how much money you can raise!

When you adopt an eagles' nest, your contribution helps conduct aerial surveys to locate nest sites; rescue and rehabilitate sick, injured or orphaned eagles; analyze feather, egg and blood samples for contaminants; work with landowners to protect and manage nest trees and winter roost sites and promote awareness of bald eagles. You will also receive an adoption certificate with the name of your choice, certifying that you have adopted an eagles' nest in the state of Wisconsin; an educational pamphlet about eagles, including identification, diet, breeding and their history in Wisconsin; an activity/information booklet about eagles and a full-color eagle calendar.

You will also be encouraged to visit the nest that you have adopted and maybe catch a glimpse of the very eagle you so generously helped. Instead of dropping donations off at CNR 359A, send donations directly to the DNR. If you have any questions please contact sgran184@uwsp.edu.

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## Mr. Winters' two cents



Happy belated Easter, everyone! Yep, I celebrated with the grandkids on Sunday; did the whole baskets and egg-hunting thing. Lucky for me, I found an egg in the fridge with a little ale in it. Course, when I was a youngster, we were hunting down rabbits on Easter, and not so much for their plastic, treat-filled eggs.

Anyways, sorry about that; the older I get, the more I talk about the olden days. I spect, however, that some of you folks must take something away from my ramblings, or they wouldn't keep giving me room to reminisce on these pages.

Now for a little fishing talk. If you haven't stuck your heads outside lately, the river is so high right now I am worried my house will float right down to Sauk Prairie. That water is moving faster downstream than a motorcar on the paved highway. Here's my advice: Find the slower water and fish it. There sure isn't anything I hate more than trying to fish when you can't get your bait to set down properly. It's just foolishness. Otherwise, I'd try for some of those panfish.

Hey then, I been meaning to give a heads up to you kids on some musical news. I went down to the record shop last week and picked up a quick number that is tops in the polka business. The new album from Glen Kelley and the Little German Band entitled, *Beer Guzzling Favorites*. You sure can't beat it for fast polka classics. It includes the "In the Beer Garden Polka," and my personal favorite, "Little Tavern Waltz." The wife and I have been dancing up a storm next to the phonograph all week, and I only paid 45 cents for it out of the used album bin. Huzzah! Go on and Geeet!

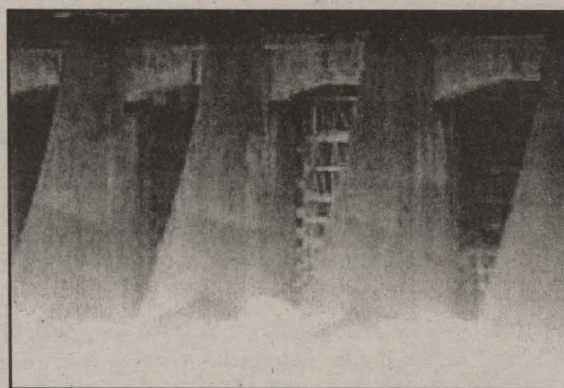




By Adam M.T.H. Mella  
ASSISTANT OUTDOORS EDITOR

## Let's go fishing

High water blues, canoes and brews



Well, hopes for great fishing last weekend were temporarily halted by the difficult conditions imposed by extremely high floodwaters on the river. With a few straight days of heavy rain last week and above-normal water levels flowing into the Eau Pleine and DuBay Reservoirs, the entire river system downstream from the DuBay dam has been thrown for a wild loop.

As is usually expected in spring, the river swelled with warm rains. Water levels below the Point dam were still around seven feet above average levels on Tuesday.

The DuBay dam had four full gates open on Tuesday as well, which produced 10-foot waves in the channel and a complete closure of the boat launch there. Shore fishermen were scarce as the raised banks now featured plenty of trees, shrubs, and whitecaps to contend with. The boat landing further south on Highway 10 near First Lake was still open amidst high water with a few trailers parked in the lot.

South of Point, the water was nearly reaching River Road on some stretches and the fast currents made fishing there nearly impossible. I elected to keep myself and my canoe firmly attached to the Mazda.

Even the calm backwater spots seemed to be filled with the fury of speedy floodwaters. Red-bridge barely remained above the water early in the week and the pipes offered more of the same. Crappie fishing here was out of the question.

With the dryer weather this week, the river

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should be receding back to lower and slower action for the upcoming weekend. I'm still aiming to launch the Grumman for the first time this weekend as long as the weather holds out. If the river gives me any more grief, I'd be smart to try an inland lake for some crappie and bluegill on Friday after-

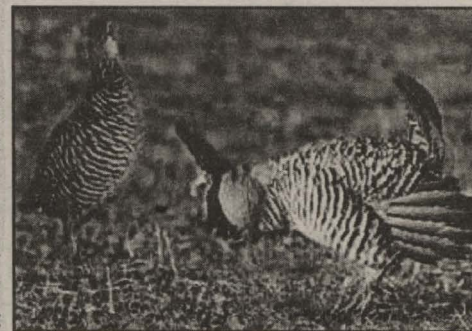
noon and evening. Seeing as game-fish opening—May 3—is only a week away, it would be a good idea to target some pannies this weekend.

Some other options have been picking at my brain this week as well. I still wouldn't mind cruising the flats for a good pike or two.

Another alternative for getting out and enjoying the waters is the annual Canoes and Brews festival on Mill Creek this Saturday. Sponsored by Rusty's Backwater Saloon and J.L.'s pub, the event takes place on the (should be) raging waters of Mill Creek, a tributary of the Wisconsin. Transport, beer and canoe rentals are all available for those seeking a drunken adventure on the water. Is the famous Grumman Canoe going to be in attendance? We'll see, depending on the fishing, I suppose. Regardless, the event should be a good time, and more information can be had by calling up Rusty's on the tin-can. Keep it real folks, and then, let's go fishin'.

## Check it out: prairie chickens breeding in Portage County

By Adam M.T.H. Mella  
ASSISTANT OUTDOORS EDITOR



The greater prairie chicken was once abundant in the Midwest and the grasslands of Central Wisconsin. In 1848 when Wisconsin became a state, the prairie chicken was one of the most abundant birds in the area.

*A male engaged in a mating dance,*

*attracting the lucky hen in the background.*

The plentiful amounts of wetlands and rolling prairie provided perfect habitat for breeding and living. Within only a decade, the prairie chickens of Wisconsin had been pushed out of their prime habitats by extensive farming and unrestricted hunting of the tasty bird species. 1850 saw some restrictions on hunting seasons, and from 1905-1917, Portage County held a strict ban on hunting the endangered birds.

The result of this effort to save the prairie chicken was the formation of the Buena Vista wetlands area in Southern Portage County. It is now the home of one of North America's last remaining natural prairie chicken populations. The success of the preservation of the Wisconsin greater prairie chicken is a blend of public and private work that is one of the greatest conservation projects ever accomplished.

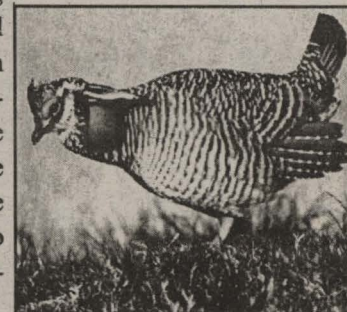


In 1850, the state population of birds was flourishing in the entire southern part of Wisconsin. However, by 1950, the natural prairie chicken population had almost been wiped out. The last hunting season of the prairie chicken happened in 1955, and soon after, conservation efforts began. In 1990, 15,000 acres of prime habitat were set aside for the birds.

Today, a solid population calls the

Buena Vista wetlands its summer home and annual breeding ground as a result of the efforts and hard work of many conservationists.

The story begins in 1957, when Fred and Frances Hamerstrom, DNR wildlife biologists who studied under Aldo Leopold at Buena Vista marsh, began to call upon the Wisconsin Conservation Department (now the DNR) to establish a refuge for the declining prairie chicken population. In 1958, Paul Olsen of the Dane County Conservation League began collecting private donations in order to purchase land for the project. The final piece of the puzzle came in 1961 with the creation of the Society of Tympanuchus Cupido Pinnatus, Ltd., an organization that solely worked to save the prairie chicken.



Between the Buena Vista wetlands and the Leola marsh in Adams County, the prairie chicken habitat encompasses nearly 15,000 acres, of which, the DNR has acquired almost 12,000 acres. This land has undergone many changes over the years. It has been farmland, grazing land and underwent controlled burns in order to fit the land to the prairie chicken's needs. The land in southern Portage County is the main breeding area, more commonly called the "booming grounds," which the prairie chickens use every year in mid to late April for this purpose. The spectacle is magnificent as thousands of these beautiful birds converge on Buena Vista to give breeding calls in hope of attracting a mate. At only a 15-minute drive from UWSP, the experience is like nothing else you have seen, and definitely worth the trek.

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## The Second City show doesn't live up to hype

By Josh Goller  
ARTS & REVIEW EDITOR

Billed as the comedic touring company responsible for churning out such brilliant talent as John Belushi, Mike Myers, John Candy and Chris Farley (just to name a few), The Second City's reputation precedes itself. Its players have a lot to live up to.

No stranger to Point, The Second City touring company performed at the

Laird Room on Thursday, April 18, and unfortunately brought some of their old material with them.

While the show offered some genuine laughs, for the most part it appealed to a younger audience.

Though it's compared to a "Saturday Night Live minor league team," The Second City lacked the zesty satire of the NBC classic. In place of intelligent, witty satire, The Second City substituted zany physical antics and clever plays on words. A significant percentage of the sketches were carbon copies from last year's visit to The Encore...at least then we could buy beer. One needed a good buzz to find the show funny.

This isn't to say The Second City didn't provide a few laughs. Several cast members exhibited moments of genuine hilarity

reminiscent of the esteemed comedians that came before then. Ithamar Enriquez stood out as a rising star in the future of sketch comedy, refreshingly exuding a stage presence that showed no attempts to mimic anyone else.

This isn't true of the rest of the cast. The stout Frank Caeti's flamboyant physical comedy often became distracting and Second City veteran Jennifer Bills' goofy-talking talk show

host schtick seemed to annoy everyone into laughing, reminding me of late 80's SNL (you know, back when it really sucked).

The Second City's fast paced performance worked to its credit, occasionally providing over-the-line zingers that would prompt even the staunchest critic to chuckle. Quick punchlines broke up the more developed sketches that often seemed strained.

Other than that, while The Second City players tried their best to satirically confront serious political, social and religious issues, taking political correctness with a grain of salt, they lacked the insightful commentary that makes satire so great. This made their comedic efforts tired and tawdry and ultimately yielded an ineffective show that lacked any true inspiration.

## Beatles Weekend hits college radio

The UW-Stevens Point campus radio station, 90FM WWSP, will broadcast its second annual Beatles Weekend, running from 6 p.m., Friday, April 25, through midnight, Sunday, April 27.

The 54-hour dedication



shines the spotlight on a band that took America by storm in the early 1960s.

The Beatles were considered the most popular band in America until their breakup in 1970. The band members continued to make music and release their own albums as solo musicians afterwards. Two of the former Beatles met untimely deaths with the assassination of John Lennon in 1981, and when George Harrison lost battle his

battle with cancer in 2001.

Some of their early hits include "Love Me Do," "A Hard Day's Night," and "Help." They experimented with different sounds throughout the years including ragtime, classical, Eastern Raga, modern jazz and even hillbilly.

The Beatles are well known for albums such as *Magical Mystery Tour*, *Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band*, *The White Album*, and *Abbey Road*. *The Beatles 1* was released in 2000 and highlighted the number one hits that spanned the group's career.

Beatles Weekend was held for the first time last year two weeks after Trivia. For more information about Beatles Weekend, call the 90FM office at (715) 346-3755.



## Movie Review

### Anger Management

By Geoff Fyfe  
ARTS & REVIEW REPORTER

He's not exactly known as a risk-taker, but Adam Sandler has annoyed a large portion of his fan base. First there was his mild-mannered hero in *Mr. Deeds*, followed by his dramatic turn in the wondrous *Punch Drunk Love* (arguably his finest hour). Both are admirable attempts at expanding his range, but they don't pull in rabid Sandler fans. Now comes *Anger Management*, which serves as Sandler's return to the crude, outrageous comedy his fans love. And he brings Jack Nicholson along for the ride.

Sandler portrays Dave Buznik, another of his emotionally repressed man-children. Dave, thanks to childhood traumas, is about the mildest and meekest man one could ever meet. He allows his boss to walk over him at work and won't even kiss his supportive girlfriend Linda (Marisa Tomei) in public. But thanks to a misunderstanding on a plane, Dave is arrested for assaulting a flight attendant and ordered to undergo anger management therapy or face jail.

That's where the trouble begins, because Dave's therapist is Dr. Buddy Rydell (Nicholson), a famed and highly unorthodox psychiatrist. Rydell moves in with Dave and begins taking over his life. Before long, Dave is convinced of Rydell's insanity and his romantic interest in Linda. Thus begins a series of crazy misadventures as Dave tries desperately to survive his therapy and escape the increasingly berserk Buddy.

*Anger Management* is not what one would call a classy comedy. It's full of Sandler trademarks including potty humor, cartoonish violence and vul-

garity. Some jokes work, but some don't. There's also a distracting number of celebrity cameos, including the likes of Bobby Knight, John McEnroe and Rudy Giuliani (whose appearance may kill all hopes of him holding a future public office). Yes, the film is funny, but Sandler is an acquired taste and many will not appreciate it. Sandler fans, on the other hand, will go hog-wild.

Sandler underplays his role and makes Dave likable and sympathetic, but it's really Nicholson's show. Eschewing the restraint he showed in his Oscar-nominated role in *About Schmidt*, Nicholson becomes the wacky Hack we all know and love here, playing his crazed psychiatrist to the hilt (his Cheshire Cat grin looks positively satanic at times). Some of the cameo appearances work, such as John C. Reilly as Dave's childhood tormentor

(now a Buddhist monk in the film's best scene) and Woody Harrelson as, well, you'll have to see for yourself. And John Turturro, who walked away with *Mr. Deeds*, steals his second Sandler film as a fellow anger patient. The film deserves derision, however, for wasting the lovely Oscar-winning Tomei in a thankless role.

*Anger Management* will certainly please Sandler fans, as well as Nicholson fans that prefer seeing the crazy Jack as opposed to the serious one displayed in *About Schmidt*. *Anger Management* isn't a perfect comedy, but it's humorous enough to keep one's funny bone tickling. Say what you will about Sandler, but in the end he knows how to keep his fans happy.



## Entertainment week in review

Compiled by Josh Goller

### The Good:

The Cartoon Network for resurrecting the uproariously hilarious animated sitcom *Family Guy* as part of their Adult Swim programming. The edgy, brash humor employed by this cartoon caused its cancellation by FOX (probably to make room for more reality TV programming). Rumor has it that The Cartoon Network may even commission new episodes of this animated farce in the future.

### Honorable Mention:

Former "Material Girl" Madonna for plotting to make a documentary about Kabbalah, the religious philosophy based on Jewish mysticism that reportedly changed her outlook on life. "Fame and fortune are not all they're cracked up to be," said the pop music icon. It's refreshing to see a celebrity make such an "about face" in regards to wealth and glamour.



### The Bad:

The FOX network for unveiling *Mr. Personality*, possibly the most ridiculous reality series yet. This program features twenty men adorned in *Phantom of the Opera*-esque masks all trying to win the heart of a sultry bachelorette. As if it weren't a complete waste of time already, former presidential-pleasurer Monica Lewinsky hosts this piece of trash.



### Dishonorable Mention:

The Dixie Chicks for backing down from their remarks that opposed Bush and the war in Iraq. Though not completely apologizing for their statements (which led some Americans to call for a boycott of their music), they did soften their stance as a result of public opinion.

### The Ugly:

The Texas-based Urban America Television Network for reportedly distributing a 13-week reality series featuring O.J. Simpson's daily life. The show, said to be similar in structure to *The Osbournes*, will feature footage shot of the former NFL great during several months in 2001 and 2002.

In 1995, Simpson was found not guilty of murdering his ex-wife and her friend. Following the trial, a civil court awarded the families of the victims \$33.5 million when they sued him. No report on how much of that he'll make back by his involvement in this new reality series.





## DVD Review Double Shot

### Jackass: The Movie



By Steve Seamandel  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

If you go to the video store to rent Jackass: The Movie and expect to see a theatrical thriller full of chills, spills and thrills, you're halfway there.

You'll get chills, thrills and plenty of spills, although the movie is simply an extenuation of the MTV show Jackass.

Oh, and it's more graphic. Physically, verbally and emotionally. I guarantee that there will be at least one scene that will make your stomach turn.

A couple of the more disgusting bits that made me scan forward included placing electroshock pads on various spots of the body (they get very creative), paper cutting every webbing of star Johnny Knoxville's fingers and toes and Ehren McGhehey making and eating a "yellow snowcone."

There are plenty of hilarious

highlights though. Some of the funniest scenes draw heavily on physical pain, like Johnny Knoxville getting punched out by boxer Butterbean in a department store, Henry Rollins driving a jeep off-road while Stevo receives a smiley-face tattoo in the back seat and the golf course air-horn.

There are actually a few consequences shown throughout the movie as well, something that the TV show has always lacked in. The viewer goes to the hospital with Knoxville for injuries twice, although no legal consequences are ever shown for the disorderly crimes committed.

I experienced a wide range of emotions while seeing this DVD; everything from shock to disgust. However, in the end, most of the innocent bystanders seemingly understood that it was all in good fun and at least they weren't the ones getting hurt.

### Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets



By Steve Seamandel  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Either you're into the Harry Potter thing, or you're not. I am, but I still wasn't blown away by the recent release.

The highlights in *Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets* are the same as its predecessor, *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone*; finely tuned digitized characters. Dobby, the energetic house elf who continually warns Potter of future danger, is probably the neatest little guy in the whole flick, but there are many other remarkable digital characters as well, including the mandrakes, invisible ghosts at Hogwarts and the huge basilisk lizard that Potter must defeat at the end to save the school.

While viewing this film, however, I continually forgot that it was catered toward children.

There were a few scenes that were bluntly aimed at younger viewers, but *Chamber of Secrets* seems to have more dark themes and actual spooky moments than the first. The second includes scenes with blood-written messages on walls and a few other fairly gruesome scenes.

Unfortunately, I'm not sure what's left for the Potter movies. The actors playing the three main characters, Potter, Ron Weasley and Hermione Granger, look much older than they should, spurring the thought that perhaps they should have filmed the movies more quickly, similar to how *Lord of the Rings* was filmed.

Although the characters may look a bit out of place as second-year students, it's still an entertaining movie, albeit more of a family-oriented storyline.

## Concert Review

### The Disco Biscuits

#### The Barrymore Theater – April 19

By Steve Seamandel  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

The scene was familiar for Philadelphia's The Disco Biscuits at The Barrymore Theater on Saturday, April 19; it was their fifth time appearing there in the last four years. Although they're still not close to filling it with people (they drew about 700), they have no problems filling it with their futuristic music.

The Biscuits' blend of music is nearly impossible to describe in words. My meager attempt will go like this: their music crosses all electronica barriers, in addition to rock, reggae and hip-hop. They never repeat a setlist from show to show, and they differentiate jams to songs every time they appear. The Biscuits' music is truly improvisational music at its best.

The band came onto the stage and abruptly opened with the first verse of "M.E.M.P.H.I.S.," the second verse would not appear until the second set of the show. The jam out of the first verse of "M.E.M.P.H.I.S." surged directly into one of the band's stronger darker techno creations from 2002, "Rock Candy."

Finding a definitive highlight in a Biscuits set can be trying at times. Some nights, it's an undeniable majority vote as to what the set's, or night's highlight was. In Madison, it was a toss up, depending on what your favorite style of Biscuits was: techno, rock or ambient jamming, and the list could go on.

The rest of the set was a mix of all three aforementioned styles. The combo of guitarist Jon "Barber" Gutwillig's "Magellan" > "Voices Insane" > "Magellan" was a heavy dose of rock and ambience,

while the "Morph Dusseldorf" closer explored the realms of bouncing techno.

Set two picked up exactly where the first left off. The entire set was a "Reactor" sandwich; the band delved into four other songs before reaching the pinnacle and final verse of Reactor.

Within the sandwich was an unfinished "Helicopters," perhaps the quintessential Biscuits tune, and two inverted songs. Inverting a song is one of the Biscuits' many tricks; they jam into the end of the song, then immediately start the beginning after its conclusion. (Think "Hey Jude" by the Beatles, with the "Na, na, na, na na na!" part coming first, then Paul McCartney abruptly singing, "Heyyyy Jude..." at the conclusion of the composed ending.) They did this consecutively in Madison by inverting their powerhouse "Crickets" into the emotional Brownstein feel-good song "Shelby Rose," a rarely inverted tune.

And the weirdest part of the night, by a long shot, was the cheese-eating contest that ensued after the completion of "Shelby's" composed segments before heading back into "Reactor." The contestants, two longtime fans of the band, "ate it out" for free lifetime tickets to any of The Disco Biscuits' shows. It amazed me how the Biscuits' continued to lay down a thick, layered jam while watching two guys fill their stomachs with chocolate milk and gorgonzola.

Those in attendance were treated to the usual show that The Biscuits are capable of throwing down in any given city: a dance party mixed with catchy rock, dub and break beat tunes.

## Coming to campus

### Bowling for Columbine

073 Debot Center  
Friday, April 25  
7 & 9:30

By Leigh Ann Ruddy  
OUTDOORS EDITOR

Movies tend to make people cry because they invoke feelings of sadness in the audience. However, watching *Bowling for Columbine* provoked tears of anger, remorse and guilt as I sat watching the real-time security camera footage of Dylan and Eric-the killers-massacre classmates and teachers in the library of Columbine High School.

Michael Moore, author of *Downsize This!* and more recently *Stupid White Men*, sends shivers down your spine as he reveals his theory on American violence and gun obsession. The documentary-type film educates the audience with Moore's incessant investigative thumb nailing and witty humor. Common to his other films, *Roger & Me* and *The Big One*, Moore wrote, produced and directed *Bowling for Columbine* in conjunction with his production company, Dog Eat Dog Films.

In *Bowling for Columbine*, Moore tries answering two incessant questions about American culture; "Why is America so preoccupied with guns?" and "Why does this obsession lead to more than 11,000 gun-related deaths

per year?" In comparison, England (home of soccer hooligans) has only 185 gun-related deaths per year.

Moore's alternative approach with *Bowling for Columbine* draws every audience in with his humorous approach to some of America's absurd violent tendencies, using a satirical cartoon and interviews with a blundering Charlton Heston, an insightful Marilyn Manson and a compassionate Matthew Stone ("co-creator of *South Park*"). Although skewed slightly liberal, Moore doesn't demand you agree with him, he simply wants to shake America out of its a-motivational syndrome that causes much of this violence to go unchecked.

The film has won numerous film festival awards including The Writer's Guild Award for Best Original Screenplay and the Academy Award for Best Documentary. *Bowling for Columbine* also won the Cannes Film Festival Jury Prize after being the first documentary to be accepted at Cannes in 46 years.

Moore has crafted a film that's hilarious, horrifying and heartbreaking. For anyone who cares about the future of America, it's required viewing. I recommend catching Centertainment's presentation of the movie, *Bowling for Columbine* this Friday, April 25 in Room 073 of DeBot at 7 p.m. or 9:30 p.m. The show is free with a student ID card or \$3 without.



## Local Live Music Schedule

### The Mission Coffeehouse

Thursday, April 24

Open Mike

Friday, April 25

This Bright Apocalypse w/  
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New Soviet Sci Fi

Saturday, April 26

The Mudgetts w/  
Members of the Yellow  
Press  
Forstella Ford

Monday, April 28

Green Tea  
(7:00 p.m. show)

### Witz End

Thursday, April 24

Asylum Street Spankers

Friday, April 25

Maggie & the Molecules  
w/  
Jeff Lamarche

Saturday, April 26

Moogie

### UC Encore

Saturday, April 26

Subsurface  
(cover band)

### Clark Place

Friday, April 25

Cliff Eberhardt

### Amherst Coffee Company

Thursday, April 25

Sloppy Joe



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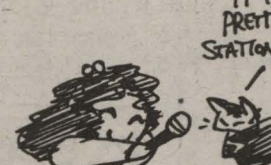
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I'm going to be graduating soon. Sad but true. Even worse, I need to get a job.

I've been looking around and getting really discouraged. I want to do important things, I don't just want to shuffle papers in some office all day.

Why can't I find a job that's fulfilling and financially sound? I mean, I've been to college for chrissake. What am I supposed to do, go back to work at Taco Bell? I'm better than that.

Name Withheld by Request.

Rule is, if you're worried about having your name in my column, you better put some effort into an amusing pseudonym. Otherwise, I'll make one up just to embarrass you.

For example, Name Withheld, for the space of this letter you will be known by the acronym WEOOTT

(Wants Employment Opportunities Other Than Tacos) which, as everyone knows, is the ancient Greek term for a third grader who accidentally shits himself during a field trip to the zoo.

You really have two issues here WEOOTT. First, you want a job that is in some way "important" and "fulfilling." Second, you seem to think that college somehow magically entitles you to said job.

Let's deal with them in reverse order, shall we?

Ok. Do you remember your first couple weeks as a freshman? Remember how everyone was giving you all sorts of orientation packets and little informative pamphlets with titles like "Herpes: Your Friend for Life!"

Well you didn't read all of those pamphlets, did you?

You know how I know that? Because one of those pamphlets was labeled, "Becoming Educated: Why College Won't Necessarily Get You a Job."

And don't tell me you didn't get that pamphlet because I made sure everyone got one. I gave everyone a yellow pamphlet: "Becoming Educated," a red pamphlet: "Peace and Quiet: How to Kill Your Roommate While They Sleep," and a balloon animal made out of a condom.

Now do you remember? You wanted a poodle, but all I had left were lubricated condoms so I had to give you a giraffe instead?

Since you didn't read the pamphlet, let me summarize. The purpose of college is to enlighten you. Vocational training is something else entirely. College is supposed to help you on your way to becoming a fully intellectually articulated human being.

Sorry if you missed out on all that. Maybe next time you'll read the pamphlet.

Moving on, let's talk about the big issue, here: Jobs.

WEOOTT, when you say, "I'm better than that," I cringe. This is a common thought that leads a whole lot of people to be very unhappy for a whole lot of their lives. Here's what I mean.

You want an important job. Something fulfilling. You want to make the world a better place. Huzzah. Good for you.

However, changing the world doesn't have anything to do with your job.

As a matter of fact, YOU don't

have anything to do with your job.

You are not your job.

One of the many ways our culture f\*cks us, is by tricking us into believing that our worth, as people, is somehow tied to what sort of work we do. A doctor, an astronaut, or an engineer have "done something with themselves." While garbage collectors, janitors, and Taco Bell employees are seen as people who took a wrong turn somewhere in life.

What you have to remember is that your job gets you money. That's all. If we were all doctors and astronauts, then the garbage would start to pile up, and I wouldn't be able to get a 7-layer burrito when I want one.

But what about changing the world?

Well, that has nothing to do with your job either. You want to cure cancer? Well you can't. Just face it. You got a C- in algebra. Organic Chem would pop your head like a grape in a microwave. So walk away from the curing cancer thing. Do something else to make the world a better place. It doesn't have to be huge, it just has to be good.

For example, Joe Campbell was the guy that drove my school bus from sixth to twelfth grade. He had more of a positive effect on my life than any two teachers. He took the time to talk to a lonely, geeky little kid. It's not like he healed my crippled limbs or anything. He was just being nice, and it made a big difference in my life.

It's not that Joe was "better than" his job. He simply didn't let his job define him. He took his job seriously, did it carefully and well, and took time to be a good person when he had the chance. He couldn't have done that if he'd been all twisted up and bitter inside, driving the bus every day thinking, "Goddamn bus. Goddamn kids. I'm better than this. I could be off curing cancer right now...."

Most jobs give these sort of opportunities if you look for them. If not, you just have to look for "fulfilment" in other places. Changing the world doesn't have to be your job, it can be your hobby.

For example, over the last dozen years, I've worked a lot of less-than glamorous jobs. I've worked at Taco bell too. I've been a busboy and cleaned toilets as a janitor.

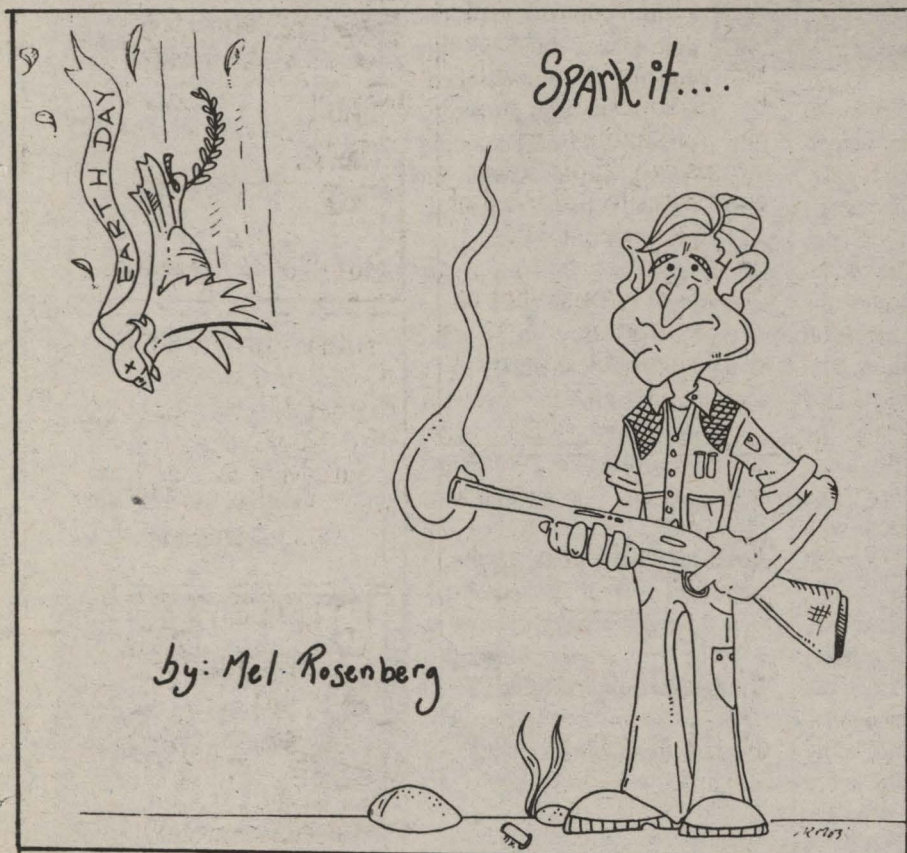
Hell, I even toughed it out as a teacher here at UWSP for a while.

But through it all, for almost seven years now, I've written for the Pointer. It's not my job. I don't get paid for it, but I like to make people laugh and occasionally give some good advice.

I wouldn't go so far as to call it "important," I'm not going to win the pulitzer or cure cancer. But it is "fulfilling" in a way that my current paying job isn't. I work as a copy editor, it's a tedious, mind-numbing grind.

Luckily, it's just a job.

Send those letters in to [proth@wsunix.wsu.edu](mailto:proth@wsunix.wsu.edu).





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