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Laird Day brings out patriotism and protest

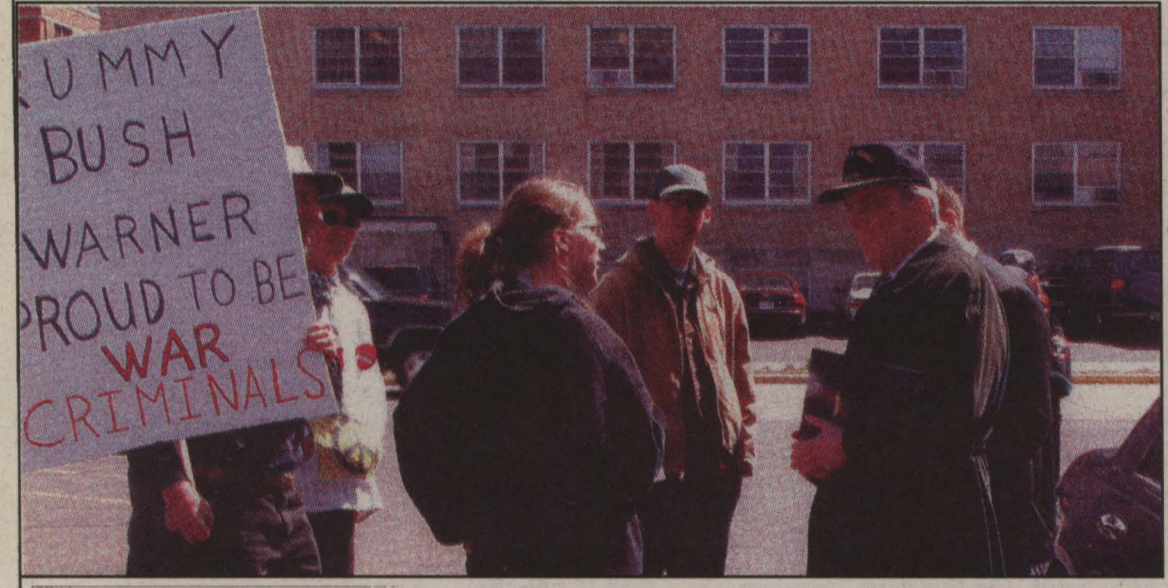


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Sen. John Warner is received by protesters as he arrives for his speaking engagement as part of Laird Day.

Globalization of Dissent culminates Laird Day rally

By David Cohen
NEWS REPORTER

UWSP students along with activists from across the state gathered together on Sunday and Monday in opposition to Laird Youth Leadership Day. The event, titled Globalization of Dissent began on Sunday in the University Center with an all-day-long "teach-in" and continued on Monday with a

rally outside of the UC that coincided with Laird Day, which took place inside of the building. The gathering was sponsored by a coalition of the Concerned Citizens of Stevens Point, the Progressive Action Organization and the People for Peace of Waupaca. The three groups organized to distribute information, educate, network and express their dissent. The primary message of the event was that

"Dissent Protects Democracy." The teach-in on Sunday featured a series of workshops consisting of political lectures and discussions. Erick McGinley and Josh Stoltzenburg, two of the organizers, stated that they felt that the time is right for a teach-in to be held as a more valuable conference than the one offered by speakers who are proponents of See Rally, page 3

Warner speaks on patriotism, national security

By Andrew Bloeser
NEWS EDITOR

A last minute replacement for U.S. Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld, Sen. John Warner, R-Va., brought a message of patriotism to a room of nearly 350 high school students on hand for the 19th installment of the Melvin Laird Youth Leadership Day.

"Among us there are young people who are willing to go through the arduous military training and to go to the far-flung out posts of the world to defend you," said Warner during his lecture. "They are willing to deter that terrorist, who in that far-flung land, is thinking about bringing harm to you."

The senator stated the global environment in which we live has presented a reality much different than experienced in the past, a result of

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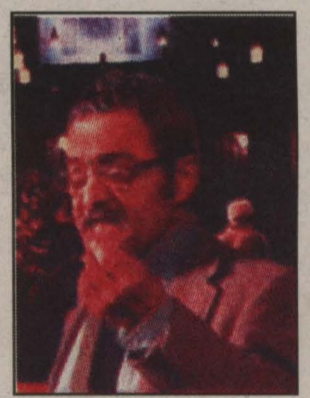
Parenti: capitalism spreads poverty

By John Baeten
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

World-renowned author and activist Michael Parenti visited UWSP on Monday, April 28. His speech, entitled, "The Global Empire, and Perpetual War," was given in the University Center Alumni Room, with an audience of close to 300 in attendance.

Parenti, who resides in Berkeley, California, was brought to UWSP by the ongoing efforts of student Matt Oldenburg.

Parenti began his speech with the topic of labor divisions and the gross distribution of wealth in the world.



Parenti

According to Parenti, "You can divide all of the world into three columns, A, B and C. Column A is comprised of people who live off their stock investments, land holdings and trust funds. Column B, which is 98.5% of the population, lives off wages, salaries and little pensions, if they're lucky. And finally, Column C, where people live in absolute poverty, living hand-to-mouth."

Parenti spoke of how the trick to getting rich is, "not to work hard, but to get other people to work hard for you."

The current world system, which is a patriarchal, capitalist system, was also spoken of during the speech.

According to Parenti, "One of the things that we've been told all

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Highway 10 closes for construction

By John Baeten
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Highway 10, or Main St., in Stevens Point has been closed since April 28 due to extensive road construction.

The project is scheduled to conclude in October and is set up in two geographical phases, oddly named Phases 3 & 4.

Phase 3 is slated as the construction agenda for the route between Main St. from Minnesota Ave. To Rogers St. It includes such tasks as removal of pavement, sanitary sewer work, concrete paving, electrical work and curb and sidewalk repairs.

According to the City of Stevens Point website, "During construction, this portion of the roadway will be closed to traffic. This phase will also affect the Division Street and Michigan Avenue intersections. The intersection at Division Street will be closed for approximately six weeks and the intersection at Michigan Avenue will be closed for about five weeks. However, these intersections will not be closed at the same time."



Photo by Patricia Larson

Highway 10, or Main Street, has been closed since April 28 due to extensive road construction. The construction is slated to occur in four phases and is scheduled to conclude in October.

Phase 4 is scheduled to include the intersection of Minnesota Ave. to the Target on Highway 10 east. It includes two stages; the first includes such activities as removal of pavement and the placement of temporary

asphalt. The second stage is also slated as conducting pavement removal as well as water main work.

According to the City of Stevens Point See Construction, page 2

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Infinity Syndicate to appeal conduct charges

Student organization expresses cynicism over proceedings of PACSO hearing

By Andrew Bloeser
NEWS EDITOR

The Infinity Syndicate, a fledgling student organization known for its advocacy of radical political thought, will serve out one semester of probation, the result of a hearing held last Wednesday by the Policy and Advisory Committee for Student Organizations (PACSO).

PACSO found the Syndicate guilty on two counts of intentionally interrupting university activities, derived from a march led through the Collins Classroom Center on April 9, which was accompanied with drumming. The organization was found to have intentionally congregated in a university building without proper authorization and to have created a volume of noise that intentionally interfered with classroom activities.

The Syndicate was cleared of a second allegation, which regarded the disruption of a presentation given by the Disney corporation, that had occurred later in the day.

"I expected, no matter how solid our defense was, that we would be found guilty of at least one charge," said Syndicate founder Ryan Drum. "There was likely pressure on them to ensure that we learn a lesson, to make an example out of us, to make sure we all follow the rules—or else."

The Infinity Syndicate, which had organized a university approved demonstration in front of the UC on April 9, denied any involvement in orchestrating the march through the CCC and also denied participating in the protest of the presentation made by Disney, which aimed at generating interest in internships with the corporation.

The organization has announced plans to appeal

PACSO's decision, stating that the protest sponsored by the organization was not related to the actions of the individuals that conducted the march.

Laura Ketchum-Ciftci, the advisor of PACSO and the complainant representing the argument of Career Services during the hearing, has defended the outcome of the hearing as prudent, stating that all student organizations must realize that they will be held accountable for the actions of individual members.

"When you sponsor an event, all of the people who attend that event, all of the actions that take place at that event and anything that happens before or after that event is still your event," said Ketchum-Ciftci. "The group did not step forwards and say 'let's not do this, this is probably inappropriate.'"

"I expected, no matter how solid our defense was, that we would be found guilty on at least one charge."

—Ryan Drum

Also at issue as the Infinity Syndicate moves toward an appeal is the manner in which last week's hearings were conducted.

The Syndicate has voiced concerns that their organization was at a relative disadvantage during the hearing, given that Ketchum-Ciftci acted as a complainant and as PACSO's advisor, remaining present in the room during the deliberation process after Syndicate representatives were required to leave.

Drum, who argued the case for his organization at the hearing, also expressed cynicism in regards to the criteria



Photo by Kent Hutichson

Laura Ketchum-Ciftci serves as the complainant representing the case of Career Services against the Infinity Syndicate.

used to determine guilt, noting that Ketchum-Ciftci informed the decision-making body that the ruling would not be based on a "beyond reasonable doubt" standard but on a "gut-feeling."

Ketchum-Ciftci responded to statements regarding her dual role as complainant and advisor of PACSO by stating that no inherent conflict of interest existed, as students sitting on PACSO could be reasonably expected to discern the ramifications of each role. She also stated that PACSO's criteria for decision making was justified due to the nature of the decision making body.

"It isn't a court of law, so reasonable doubt is one of those terms that lawyers use that doesn't apply," said Ketchum-Ciftci. "We're an educational institution, and the function of a conduct committee is an educational function."

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global interconnectedness. He also expressed that the United States must remain prepared to defend itself against the potential dangers of such an environment and remain committed to a faith in God.

"We are one world now, and we are vulnerable to attack unless we remain strong," he said. "Not just in our military but in our faith to protect this country, strong, in our commitments to a higher being that protects us. That's the character that will protect us in this country."

Warner stated that he still does not comprehend the level of anti-American sentiments that have surfaced in the international community, as he could not understand how citizens of other nations could simultaneously envy and hate the

United States.

The senator also engaged the audience in a question and answer session following his lecture, which included some questions from a high school student who opposed the current foreign policy of the United States.

A brief debate between the student and the senator ensued following a question Warner directed toward the student's willingness to serve in the military.

"I'm not going to believe in this war," said the student.

Warner then asked the student, "Do you believe in how to protect the freedom of this country?" The student responded that he did not believe that war offered the protection the senator believed it did, prompting to Warner to state, "Okay, with that, we'll close it out."

Warner's remarks drew a standing ovation from most of those in attendance.

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website, "Phase 4 will be done under traffic, leaving only one lane open in each direction. This could result in some heavily-congested traffic during the busy hours of the day."

Along with commuter detours, the Stevens Point transit will also undergo some changes to alleviate the construction.

According to the City of Stevens Point website, "When the intersection of Division and Main is open, the outbound re-route will be Division to College, College to Phillips. When the Division St. intersection is closed, the re-route will be Rogers to College. The layover time at Walmart will be eliminated when time does not allow due to the delay of

one lane traffic. Wilshire Blvd. and Hwy. 10 from Wilshire to Michigan will be eliminated during the construction. Prais Street will be used from Sunset to St. Michael's Hospital. The detour will take Fremont north to Fourth, Fourth to Smith, then Smith to the transfer zone at CenterPoint MarketPlace."

Concerned citizens can attend the weekly meetings held on Wednesdays at 6 p.m. at the PJ Jacobs School cafeteria. The meetings will offer updates and answer questions about the construction. To get more information on the project go to the City of Stevens Point web site at <http://stevenspoint.com/>, or call the Engineering Department at 715-346-1561.



Learning Resource Center Tuesday, April 29 9:37 a.m.

Staff at the Tutoring-Learning Center reported that a male had come to their office, became agitated and prior to leaving, used profanity.

Thompson Hall Sunday, April 27 2:51 a.m.

Protective Services was dispatched to assist the hall director with a non-student in the hall.

Debot Center Saturday, April 26 9:02 p.m.

A male reported that his wife had been hurt by some students.

Campus Thursday, April 25 2:02 p.m.

A female student reported that a white male followed her from the corner of Fourth and Isadore Streets into Baldwin hall.

Point gets cultured



Last Saturday marked the 10th anniversary celebration of the Portage Country Cultural Festival held at SPASH.

Community members of all ages enjoyed cultural festivities at dance recitals from Africa and Hungary and received the opportunity to experience traditional cuisine from nations such as Poland, Mexico and India.

The event provided an opportunity for a wide variety of ethnically and culturally diverse groups to display customs and dispel long-standing stereotypes.

"History, art and culture are not valued even by people who are part of it. I want to get people to understand what there is, that it's much more than arts and crafts," Kim Swedowski told the Stevens Point Journal.

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of our lives is that capitalism works, that it breeds prosperity. Capitalism has brought more poverty than ever, so basically poverty is spreading with capitalism."

During his speech, Parenti spoke fervently about the role of corporate America and their role in the imperialistic path of capitalism.

Parenti states, "These corporations go into the third world not to help the people, but to help themselves. Why don't you, as Americans, work for 15 cents a day like Haitians and Asians?"

Parenti also touched on the topic of the government's role in befriendng corporate interest and several instances of governmental intervention on behalf of corporate interest.

Parenti claims, "[The United States Government] creates a world that is completely safe for transnational corporations. The government is borrowing money from the people they should be taxing, they borrow from the rich and tax the poor, in order to repay the rich."

American globalization was also a topic discussed by Parenti along with the correlation between foreign resentment and American government practices.

According to Parenti, "People around the world are seeing America as a country that is the new monarch of the planet. Empires sustain themselves by living off the fruit."

Parenti, whose speech followed a day of protests at UWSP, also confronted the rhetoric of governmental and pro-war supporters.

Parenti claims, "The only way you can make yourself free is by utilizing your freedom. The people who say that protesting is un-American are the ones that are being un-American, by not promoting dissent and criticizing the government, they are not patriotic."

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war. The teach-in involved lectures by several UWSP professors, such as Brian Brophy-Baermann and Michelle Brophy-Baermann of the Political Science Department, as well as Geography Professor Salvatore Engel-Di Mauro who spoke on "Warfare, Environmental Degradation and the Capitalist World System."

Also speaking were local historian Ray Stroik and activist David Cobb, who is also an attorney for the National Green Party. Stroik claimed in his presentation "Envisioning 2020" that people are constantly "One anothering one another," a term he uses for people affecting and supporting each other. He states that when people gather together in such manners, "We may experience enlightenment in our minds, encouragement for our wills [and]

enjoyment in our hearts."

Stroik also cited an article that recently appeared in the Stevens Point Journal, which stated that the current war with Iraq is "an almost bloodless war." Stroik stated "This completely fails to take into account the death toll of people in Iraq and is a very self-oriented perspective which does not take into consideration the lives of people from other countries."

Activists reconvened early the next morning in front of the UC, gathering under the wings of a giant cloth dove. The rally consisted of peace advocates from various ideologies, including the Green Party, Anarchists, Socialists, Democrats and members of the Newman Catholic Parish. Parishioners

from the Pax Christi chapter at Newman came with a giant sun and people adorned as bushes with signs such as "trim a Bush for peace."

The rally was hosted by Amy Heart, former candidate for Stevens Point Mayor

"We are here today in opposition to the type of inappropriate leadership exemplified by Donald Rumsfeld and John Warner."

-Amy Heart

and activist in the local Green Party. Jo Seiser, the Green Party candidate who ran for state senate also spoke, but Heart stressed that it was not a "Green event."

"We have to look beyond our differences," said Heart. She also stated during a speech that, "We are here today in opposition to the type of inappropriate leadership exemplified by Donald Rumsfeld and John Warner."

The difference in ideologies and tactics did lead to a minor conflict when one of the participants vocally took exception to an American flag that was being displayed upside down with the word "empire" emblazoned across it. She tried to move people away from it with limited success. The flag belonged to Mike Wallshlager of the Yellowjack Distro Collective of Anarchists based in Mosinee. Wallshlager recently was in the news in Wausau when he was assaulted for displaying the flag.

He said that "people have different ways of expressing themselves about their causes and we need to respect them."

Another confrontation occurred earlier that morning between Campus Security and individuals who wanted to go into the room where Governor Doyle's presentation was taking place. They were barred from entering, but an older woman began pushing her way in.

She was reportedly pushed back and she insisted on placing her hands on the rails beyond the boundaries, since she had been told not to, in an act of defiance. Chancellor George then came by and told the individuals that they would be permitted to attend presentations as long as they were not disruptive, and they could ask questions as long as they were submitted for approval beforehand.

Only one notable act of counter protest to the rally was conducted, as a car parked across the street which was loudly played the country song "Have You Forgotten." The song has been on the top of the country charts for weeks and expresses that the war is worth fighting because it is for freedom. It also accuses peace demonstrators of forgetting about the events of Sept. 11, 2001, claiming that Iraq was linked to those attacks.

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Whatever...the world according to Steve

I know people read this...
but do any of you really *care*?

By Steve Seamandel
EDITOR IN CHIEF

I'm grateful for the fact that there's only one more *Pointer* after this week.

Writing about a useful topic every week is difficult and trying. The disheartening aspect to having an opinion column every week, though, is the lack of action taken as a whole by the students. In my writings, I've attempted to stimulate UWSP students and staff by blowing the whistle, yet nothing has changed.

I'm not expecting people to bow down before my presence and become devout followers of my opinions. However, I attempt to write about things that *should* really matter to us, as students. I'm convinced that if I wrote a column uncovering the largest embezzlement in the history of the world happening right here on our campus, still nothing would come of it.

I wrote about the lack of student voters last semester. I'd be willing to wager that less than 15% of the student body even knew that we had a Wisconsin Senate election on Tuesday.

I wrote about the hardships of the Student Government Association (SGA) and their stronghold on student organization funding. Our money is still as inaccessible as it was last year and the year before that.

Last week, I wrote about the idea of smoking shelters being made on campus. I've since learned that these shelters will not cost \$3,500 apiece as I originally stated, but upwards of \$7,700 per shelter, and the University plans to build at least six of them. Do the math, people. That amounts to nearly \$50,000 out of the students' pockets to construct and maintain these monstrosities, just so students have a place to smoke cigarettes.

Yet, nobody makes a peep. Student voting turnout is still looming at an all-time low, students don't seem to care about huge budget reductions in the UW-system and we're well on our way to spending \$50,000 on these smoking shelters.

Where the music industry is today

I was reading an article about Apple buying up Vivendi Music, and in this article the author spoke of the crumbling music industry. In a nutshell, the author discussed the Napster/KaZaa MP3 sharing revolution and basically blamed the masses for destroying the music industry by sharing, well...music.

First of all, let me clarify two things. Despite what you've heard from countless journalists, the music industry will never "die." Second thing, file sharing is here to stay. Before we lose sleep at night, let's define what the music "industry" is. The way I see it, the music industry is composed of a handful of fat capitalists who see music as a resource much like oil, gold, gems or any other resource. These capitalists set up major record labels which comb through musicians and sign a few for record contracts. If the musician is lucky, they will get about

\$1 for each CD they sell. The rest goes back to the record label. So when someone says the music industry is "crumbling," what they're really saying is that rich record executives are being forced to sell a few Bentleys to make payments on their \$12 million estate.

A century ago, there was no music "industry." Musicians performed because they loved the art of music. Now, artists are viewed as failures unless they sell five million CDs. Rock stars are relatively new to the music scene, and as I see it, not a requirement for the production of quality music. I would love to see up-and-coming artists bypassing record labels by building their fan base releasing MP3s online.

The music industry needs to start listening to its customers. With the explosion of file sharing, music customers sent a strong message. So, instead of trying to figure out what the mes-

Again, I'm not expecting the student body to conform to my weekly blatherings. However, the lack of realistic activism to combat these obvious and simple atrocities makes me question the usefulness of wasting my ink and paper to alert people about these issues.

College students frequently wonder why they're discriminated against and crapped on when it comes to their rights.

And you all wonder why.

It's no secret why, and it's really starting to piss me off. Sure, everyone bitches when tuition goes up. But does anyone get off his or her lazy ass when it's time to vote and put a stop to it? Only about 10%, I'd argue. The other 90% sit at home and

make fun of all the "nerds" who go out to vote. Everyone seems to care about the issues after they're signed, sealed and delivered, and it's way too late to do anything about

them.

I'm tired of students not voting, not voicing their displeasures and simply not caring. In fact, it's almost played off as being "the cool thing" to do.

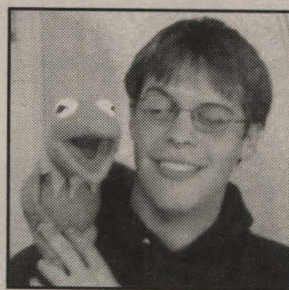
"Did you vote today?"

"Helllll no!"

There comes a time in everyone's life when they must grow up, accept responsibility and start fighting for things that they believe in. When will college students realize that this microcosm of society known as college isn't really cut off from the mainstream world? It still effects us, believe it or not.

It's the lack of initiative that many students take that bothers me. I, for one, am glad that I've seen the light and take these issues seriously. It's the blind students who don't care about these things that are truly in for a rude wake-up call, and I hope it really bites them in the ass when they get it.

And we, as college students, wonder why we constantly get crapped on.



Point Star voting unfair

I'm writing this letter in reference to the first "Point Star" competition held April 3 - 25 at the Encore.

That was the saddest thing I have ever seen. It's a good thing it's the FIRST "Point Star" because they certainly have a LOT of wrinkles to iron out!

Molly Carpiaux should have won the last night's competition, hands down. She clearly was the most talented, had the best stage presence and everyone knew it. How does this girl go from being awarded four stars by all four judges (which is a PERFECT score) on all three nights of competition to NOT even getting an honorable mention for that accomplishment?

The voting system for the audience was totally bogus and not monitored at all. Audience members were allowed to vote only once. However, several of my friends and I witnessed some people going through the line twice or three times to vote. I would like to have counted the number of people in the audience and the number of ballots actually shoved in that box!

Secondly, why did you have the judges at all? The first two competitions were wiped off the slate and the last five performers were judged solely on the last night's performance. Basically the winner just had to make sure that he/she brought a bus load of people to vote for them, obviously not based on talent!

I really hope you print this letter in your next newspaper, preferably right next to the article you will print for Alissa Zimmermann.

Molly Carpiaux certainly was the real winner and star of the first Point Star Competition and she deserves to be recognized for her accomplishment in getting "perfect" scores through out the whole thing!

-James Nichols, UWSP student

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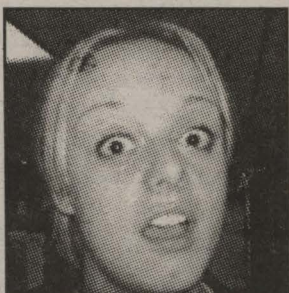
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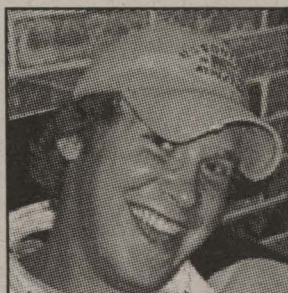
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Andy Goodyear, Jr., Paper Science
Bachelorettes in Alaska.



Hanna Bruer, Freshman, Und.
Mr. Personality, because the masks are sexy.



Matt "Stubs" Czerniak, Jr., Paper Sci.
Love Cruise: Maiden Voyage.



Cat Svetnicka, Sen., Spanish/Comm
The Real World, because they live in a cool apartment.

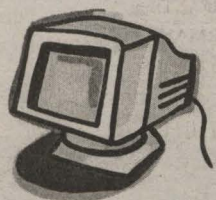


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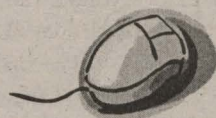


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Freedom can't come from war

I'm pretty much indifferent to the whole invasion of Iraq. I'm sure it's partly because Hussein's a dirtbag, and partly so we can get our mitts on Iraqi oil. I'm sort of scared that it's also partly to bring about the extremist Christian "end times;" Ronald Reagan's foreign policy was at least partly driven by the desire to control the place where Armageddon is supposed to happen in the near future. If Ronny rubbed off on Papa Bush, and Papa Bush rubbed off on Baby Georgie, this whole thing might be secretly driven by nutty superstitious machinations.

Now that I've got my conspiracy paranoia in the open, my real point in writing is to comment on Sara Stein's letter, specifically that she believes or at least hopes that Iraq will soon be "ready to thrive on its own" democracy- and freedom-wise. I think this is probably a futile hope. I'm not a huge history guy, but what I do know has given me the idea that our freedoms are not simply "blessings" benignly given to us by some really wise people in the past. Neither were they won by some sort of fightin' grass-roots minute-men sorts just for the sake of having more freedoms.

Instead, they are specifically the result of Christianity's "shared" rule beside secular authorities: more than a millennium of power struggle between legitimate Western European secular authorities and an equally legitimate religious authority, the Roman Catholic Church, each contin-

uously trying to steal power from the other, both kept just weak enough for a spark of real freedom to develop (ironically not because either was interested in providing regular people with freedom).

Whenever someone had a problem with one authority, the other was always ready to encourage and take advantage of the discord. The very idea of personal freedom has never really developed anywhere else in the world, or at any other time, at least not on a large scale. Everyplace else, the political authority controlled religion, or religious authority controlled politics, that authority always strong enough to prevent personal freedom.

Now that I've beat that to death, my point is that freedom is a product of specific social events, forces, processes, whatever you call them. You can't just walk in, shoot everyone with epaulettes, and expect everyone else to suddenly "be free."

You can see that in Iraq now, at least in what news we get: nobody is setting up block committees or electing delegations to fledgling legislatures; they're too busy looting. I'm not condemning them; who knows what the hell they've been through? But real freedom, complete with written-down rights and windbag politicians, will be a long time coming to Iraq. Let's hope it gets there at all.

-Brandon Podoll, UWSP student

Adequate Pointer coverage severely lacking

I've tried and tried with *The Pointer* this year to get a story that matters. I've brought forth events that involve social justice issues, women's issues and queer issues, but all I see in print are straight-white-middle-class-male issues and bullshit.

Last week was the week of the most important events that UWSP has seen this year. We had the Take Back the Night rally, Pride Week, Eco Week and the Globalization of Dissent. Thanks to individuals on the paper staff and their involvement on campus, the Globalization of Dissent was covered, but the rest were not at all or very minimally.

Take Back the Night is a rally essential to the safety of women and queers. It empowers women and queers to battle domestic violence/sexual assault and to take back the night from attackers. Is it not newsworthy enough for *The Pointer* to print? Must they instead print useless crap on the front page?

Pride Week was covered minimally with a horrible picture of a drag queen and a few words. The picture is like everything else in media that harms the queer community. Our drag queen for the stereotype fashion show is depicted (because of the angle of the picture) as this larger-than-life drag-thing looming over the photographer. It is not the beautiful Jennifer Alyce that I know. The interviewer asked questions of Connor Hayes, who organized the event, but there was no article about it, or any of his words.

The social movements that people on campus have been working so hard for can only be known if our papers print about it. Otherwise, those who were not there will never know. If they never know, then the movement cannot grow. I truly hope that the staff of the newspaper either changes, or that those who are on staff this year decide that next year they will: cover news, not depict people in demeaning ways, cover issues that aren't their own, quote people correctly, stop writing all that crap in *The Pointless* because it is not funny and it is a waste of our tuition money and not promise people who give them stories that they will be in the paper, and then oops! forget to write the articles.

-Chris Talbot, UWSP student

College Dems speak out against Lassa bashing

In response to the attack against Julie Lassa in last week's *Pointer*, the College/Young Democrats would like to address our stance on how unjustified this slandering against Lassa was. It is important to note that contacts to reach us were made, however, they were unsuccessful. As a result, we would like to address a few issues of concern.

As co-president of the College Dems, nothing disheartens me more than those that make a mockery of the political system. I feel that a mockery has been made when those on the opposing side feel that the only way they can let their feelings be known is through the deliberate bashing of opponents they know nothing about.

Why is it that some must be anti one group (that being anti-Democrat) when not being pro for the substituent? It seems that your point could be made just as readily, if not being more respected, when addressing your candidate, rather than bashing your candidate's opponent.

It is this deliberate bashing that has made me question what politics is all about, and if this fight that the College Dems are consistently fighting will ever be won. I have lost respect for this system, and it is through this loss of respect that the College Dems are fighting harder than ever to erase the political ideals of the

past. Let it be known that we will not resort to the bashing of other candidates.

With that being said, we will tell you this: Julie Lassa is fighting for Wisconsin. She is fighting for us - the students. She has pledged to represent us wholeheartedly, just as she has done in the past.

Julie Lassa has supported legislation that ties increased student aid to university tuition increases. In addition, she has fought to fund the Central Wisconsin Idea - a partnership between UW-Stevens Point and the two year campuses at UW-Marshfield and UW-Marathon County.

This is not a fight pitting Democrats against Republicans. We respect the College Republicans for their consistent aim to get out the vote, yet we feel that it would be more warranted if they would focus on the ideals of their candidate rather than resorting to mocking the candidacy of someone they don't know the first thing about.

Thank you for letting the voice of the College Dems be heard and for those that voted Tuesday, thank you, no matter who you cast your vote for. Thank you for realizing that your vote does matter.

-Alli Himle, Watson Hall
ARC/Co-President College Dems

Bill Cosby brings comedy to Point

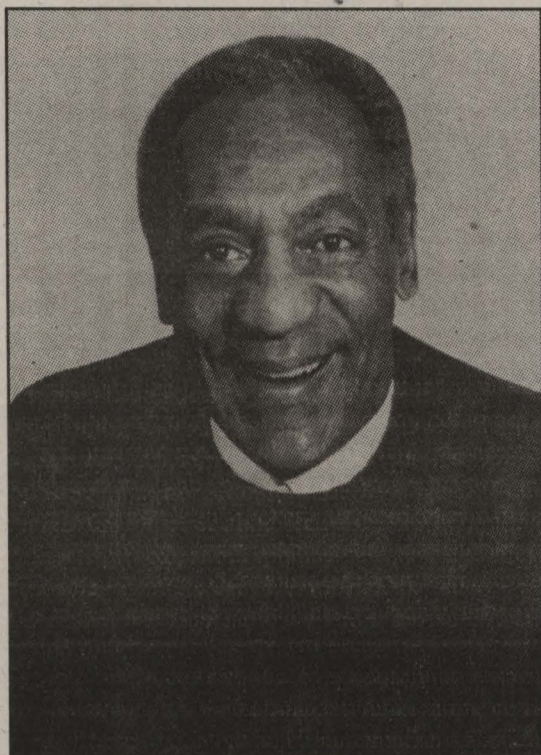
Comedian and television star Bill Cosby will perform next fall in the Quandt Fieldhouse

World-renowned comedian and television star Bill Cosby, will perform at UWSP on Saturday, Nov. 15. Cosby's two performances will begin at 6:30 and 9:30 p.m. in Quandt Fieldhouse.

Sponsored by UWSP's Centertainment Productions and Event Resources Presents, tickets for these performances went on sale to the public on Monday, April 28 at 10 a.m. All seats are reserved seating with individual tickets costing \$29.50, \$31.50, \$35.50 and \$39.50. There is a \$1 service charge for each ticket.

Tickets are available through the University Box Office in Room 103A of the University Center. People may also order by phone at (715) 346-4100 or (800) 838-3378.

Cosby's initial success began with stand-up comedy and a long string of successful comedy record albums beginning with *Bill Cosby Is A Very Funny Fellow, Right?* He has five Grammy



Awards for best comedy album and also has released a number of jazz recordings.

The Cosby Show aired on primetime television from 1984-92. He has written four books, *Fatherhood*, *Time Flies*, *Congratulations! Now What?* and *Cosbyology*. In 1998 he was recognized with a Kennedy Center Honor and in 2002 received the Presidential Medal of Freedom. Today, Cosby is reaching a new generation of young people with his animated series, *Little Bill*, airing on both Nickelodeon and CBS.

Organization of the Week

By Nora F. Bates
ASSISTANT FEATURES EDITOR

The Animal/Pre-vet Society is a campus organization that is open to all students who love animals. Students do not need to be majoring in Pre-veterinary studies to join the organization. The Animal/Pre-vet Society is made up of president, Megan King; vice president, Kelly Deuser; secretary, Theresa Stanley and treasurer and Rebecca Konkol. Humane society representatives are Chandra Paulson and Kelly Deuser. Their faculty advisor is Isabelle Girard from the biology department.

Last week Dr. Diane Scott came to campus to speak on the organization's

behalf. At the end of the presentation the group passed out first aid kits for pets. One of the group's goals is to make the community more aware of issues surrounding the care of pets and animals in general.

The group has brought in speakers from around the state including an advisor from veterinary school in Madison. The group also took a field trip to the Milwaukee Zoo. Their goals are to bring in speakers to educate people on animals and their wellness and to get the community involved.

The group invites you to visit them at their booth this upcoming fall at the Involvement Fair, or to email them at anprevet@uwsp.edu if you're interested in learning more about the organization.

Recycled Percussion turns trash into music

Recycled Percussion, a four-member band from New Hampshire, will perform at 8 p.m., Friday, May 2, at UWSP's sundial. In the event of rain, the performance will be held at the University Center's Encore.

Sponsored by Centertainment Productions, admission is free to students with a valid UWSP ID and \$5 for the public.

The band utilizes a variety of recycled trash in the making of its music, including recycled tools, barrels, and pots and pans just to name a few. Combining step ladders, fifty-gallon drums and an occasional chainsaw, Recycled Percussion creates foot-stomping beats that will amaze audiences of all ages.

The band has performed with a variety of national artists including LL Cool J, They Might Be Giants, Staind, and Godsmack. The band's interactive show has traveled to over 40 states across the country. Already this year the

group has performed more than 200 shows at colleges and universities.

Featured on HBO cable television shows such as *Chronicle*, *Talk Soup* and *Crook and Chase*, the band has also been recognized in *USA Today*, the *Chicago Tribune* and other major newspapers. For more information, visit their web site at www.recycledpercussion.com.



Greg Kassapis, Justin Spencer, Zach Holmes and Ethan Holmes make up Recycled Percussion, a southern New Hampshire trash orchestra.

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There are many warning signs we can watch for that may prevent an assault. These early warning signs may include extreme jealousy, possessiveness, a controlling attitude, low self-esteem, unpredictable moods, use of alcohol and drugs, and explosive anger.

If you have further questions or concerns, the Student Health Promotion Office, located in the lower level of the Allen Center in room 004, can be of assistance to you. Students may stop in during their free time or call ext. 4313 to make an appointment to speak with a student health advocate. Health advocates are here to help you!



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36 and beyond: Van Wychen sets national mark

By Dan Mirman
SPORTS EDITOR

A year ago Jill Van Wychen led the WIAC in batting average (.439) and received first team all-conference honors.

How does one improve on those accolades for her senior season? Simple: just set the Division III record for consecutive games with a hit.

With a bunt single against UW-Eau Claire on Sunday, Van Wychen set the record with a hit in 34 consecutive games. She singled in the next two games as well to raise the mark to a staggering 36 games and counting.

The fact that no player at the Division III level has accomplished Van Wychen's feat has only lately sunk in for the Freedom, Wis. native. "It took a few days, just reading and seeing the stats to make it realistic, and I'm real excited that I did it," said Van Wychen.

The streak began back on March 16, in the first game of the season against Pine Manor, with a single off Julie Ferguson. For perspective, that hit took place four days before the NCAA men's basketball tournament kicked off.

Van Wychen even struggles to remember how the streak started. She only remembers that it came in the first game of the season in Florida.

A major key to Van Wychen's streak has been the way she uses the bunt for base hits. One player familiar with watching Van Wychen lay down bunts to get on base is senior second baseman Carrie Hermesen. Hermesen has hit behind Van Wychen the last two seasons and thinks her speed has keyed the record.

"She's left-handed and so fast that she can drag bunt, and even if it's right back to the pitcher she can beat the throw no matter what. She also is extremely confident when she goes to the plate; in her mind she's going to get a hit," said Hermesen.



Van Wychen

Van Wychen can play the cerebral game as well for those teams looking to play close to the plate to eliminate the bunt.

"I try to play the other team's field as much as I can. Sometimes I try to fool them and pretend like I'm gonna bunt and suck them in and dink it over their head. Then if they play back, I lay a bunt down. I think over half my hits were from bunts that I just beat out."

Throughout her streak, Van Wychen almost always eliminated most of the pressure situations by getting hits in her first or second at-bat. However, she had a close call in the 29th game of the streak against Northland College last week.

The Pointers had a one run advantage in the bottom of the sixth inning. With ace Karen Guckenberger on the mound, chances were slim that the Pointers would get any more at-bats in the contest. Van Wychen was hitless in three trips, including popping up a bunt to the catcher in her last at-bat.

Having struggled to score one run in the previous five innings, and Van Wychen due up seventh in the inning, the streak appeared over.

"I thought it was over and didn't want to get my hopes up. I was almost relieved because I wouldn't have to worry about the numbers anymore, or breaking or keeping the streak," said Van Wychen.

Wychen.

Then the Pointers gave Van Wychen one more chance. After three Pointer hits, two runners were on base with two outs. Van Wychen waited from the on-deck circle, needing freshman Liz Boettcher to reach base. Boettcher drew a five-pitch walk, and Van Wychen stepped into the batters box.

She didn't disappoint. Van Wychen crushed a three-run triple just past the outstretched glove of the leftfielder Lindsey Wegner, the ball rolling all the way to the fence and pushing her streak to 30.

"I was nervous because I usually don't hit to the opposite field, but I was just happy it was out of her [Wegner's] reach," said Van Wychen.



Photo by Patricia Larson

Jill Van Wychen shows her hitting prowess in a game last season.

Next on the list for Van Wychen is the NCAA record of 43 games. To have an opportunity at that number, the Pointers would have to win the WIAC tournament this weekend and advance to the Division III tournament. That would be an opportunity the senior would relish.

"[Winning the tournament] would just top everything off. Then I'd be glad I'm a senior, and I can go out on a good note and hopefully be remembered a little bit."

Fastpitch continues their up and down season

By Jana Jurkovich
SPORTS REPORTER

Last weekend's cluster in Stout didn't go as well as the softball team had hoped. Despite starting out strong, the team went 1-4 in the five game tournament.

In the first game, the Pointers played well, beating Superior 4-3. Karen Guckenberger got the win on the mound while Jill Van Wychen went three for four and Meagan Strmsek went two for four. Despite the good start, the Pointers were unable to keep their momentum through the next game that day, or through the rest of the weekend. After beating Superior, the Pointers fell 6-5 in a close game with

La Crosse. Again Van Wychen went three for four and Strmsek went two for four, but it wasn't enough to boost the Pointers. The Pointers gave La Crosse three runs on five straight walks in the fifth and were unable to come back after a two-run homer in the sixth.

softball

Sunday would prove to be tougher for the Pointers as they faced three games in one day. They started out taking on River Falls. The Pointers started strong, taking a 3-1 lead by the bottom of the fifth. However, the Falcons came right back, scoring seven runs on two hits in the top of the sixth. The women attempted a come-

back in the sixth and seventh, but managed to only gain three more runs, leaving them short and handing them a 8-6 loss.

In their second game, the Pointers took on Eau Claire. The Blugolds started out strong with two runs in the first inning and never let the Pointers into the game, shutting them out 12-0.

Despite a tough second game, the Pointers came back strong as they almost upset host Stout in their final game of the day. The Pointers took a 4-3 lead in the sixth, but were unable to hold on as Stout tied in the sixth and then batted in the winning run in the bottom of the seventh.

The Pointers move on to the WIAC Tournament this weekend and will have

their work cut out for them. The Pointers have been given the sixth seed and will face River Falls first, whom Coach Paul Caufield says they match up against well.

"Last year Superior was the sixth seed and won the tournament. Every team in our conference is capable of winning the tournament," said Caufield. The coach stressed that it will be extremely important for the team to come ready to play this weekend.

"In order for us to do well this weekend we need good fielding, good pitching and timely hitting. If one is off the other two are not going to carry us. This was evident this past weekend at the cluster at Stout," said Caufield.

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The Week Ahead...

Track & Field: WIAC conference championships, Fri.-Sat., All Day

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Softball: at WIAC tournament (Platteville), Fri.-Sat., All Day

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* Game can be heard live on 90FM



Photo by Patricia Larson

Matt Peterson hacks and misses a pitch earlier this year.

Inconsistent hitting hurts Pointers

Pointers need sweep of Titans for chance at WIAC title

By Dan Mirman
SPORTS EDITOR

For the first time this season the Pointers had a sub .500 weekend, dropping three of four against the UW - La Crosse Eagles.

After splitting a doubleheader

on Saturday, the Eagles swept the Pointers on Sunday, dropping them to third in the WIAC behind Whitewater and Oshkosh.

Despite scoring double-digit runs for the first time on the weekend, the Pointers' bullpen could not hold a late lead and they fell 13-10 on Sunday, after losing the first contest 8-3.

"The last week we have not

hit, and it's that simple," said Head Coach Brian Nelson. "This past



Blaha

week when we're getting pitching, we're not hitting and when we're not getting the pitching capability that we've been having, then we're hitting. It's been a combination of good thing, bad thing."

In the second game the Pointers had a 9-4 lead heading into the eighth-inning. However, the Eagles outscored the Pointers 9-1 in the final two frames to complete the sweep. More surprising than the late rally was the man the Eagles rallied against.

baseball

Senior Jared Szews (1-1), the UWSP career saves leader, had surrendered a single earned run all season long. But the Eagles tattooed him for seven runs on six hits in the eighth inning to key the comeback and give Szews the loss.

In the early Sunday tilt the Pointer bats didn't register a hit until the seventh inning when Junior shortstop Mike Hall broke up the no-no with a single.

On the mound Pointer pitching gave up ten total walks as Josh Blaha (3-2) lost the decision.

Saturday the Pointers suffered their first shutout in 76 games in a 5-0 loss. Travis Elvert shut down the Pointers as he tossed a complete game six hitter and struck out nine.

"Travis Elvert threw a good game for La Crosse; you just have to say hats off, we didn't hit and he hit his spots," said Nelson. "We had been getting the timely hits the whole year until this last week; this last week we had a lot of opportunities to bust things open, and we just didn't get the timely hits."

Starter Jeff Pieper (4-1) suffered his first loss after going 6 1/3 innings and allowing five runs on 11 hits.

Thursday the Pointers split a twin-bill with St. Norbert, winning the first game 22-5, but falling in the second 10-4.

In the opener the Pointers battered St. Norbert pitching as they tied a season high with the 22 runs on 20 hits. The Pointers had five or more runs in three different innings, including the first, as they easily rolled to victory.

Junior Jeremy Mueller (1-0) shut out the Green Knights for the final 3 2/3 innings for his first victory of the season.

The hot and cold Pointer bats continued in the second game as they totaled a season low of five hits to split the doubleheader.

Starter Adam Fox (0-1) lasted two innings as he was hit hard, giving up six runs on eight hits for the loss.

The Pointers look to right the ship this weekend when they host a pair of doubleheaders against the WIAC-leading Titans of UW-Oshkosh. The Pointers must sweep all four games to have a chance at their second consecutive regular season conference title. Both doubleheaders begin at noon on

Gearing up for conference

Women run with best at Drake, conference next

By Tulsa Baklaka
SPORTS REPORTER

Seven women journeyed to Des Moines, Iowa to compete with and watch some of the best collegiate and professional athletes in the nation at America's Athletic Classic, the Drake Relays. Olympic competitor and Stevens Point native Suzy Favor-Hamilton was unable to compete due to injury, but was present. Also present was Stacy Dragila, current world record holder in the pole vault, and now Drake Relays' record holder with a vault of 15'1 3/4".



Photo by Kent Hutchison

UWSP junior Matt Meidl competes in the pole vault this past weekend.

Men put finishing touches on outdoor season

By Tony Bastien
SPORTS REPORTER

During the final weekend of preparation for the WIAC outdoor conference meet, the men's track and field team headed to Iowa to take part in two meets: the Drake Relays, held over four days in Des Moines, Iowa and the Loras Invitational, held on the Loras College campus in Dubuque, Iowa on Saturday.

Just nine men made the trip to Des Moines for the Drake Relays.

men's track

The Drake Relays are by invitation only, and as Pointer Head Coach Rick Witt put it, "Drake is the best track meet in the country."

Athletes from all over the United States in every college division come to Des Moines to compete in this completely individualized meet, where there are no team scores kept. Stevens Point was well represented in this prestigious event with a fourth place finish in the 4X800m relay and a sixth place finish in the distance medley. Also, Noah Eschenbach placed 11th in the hammer throw, which was the best finish by a Division III participant in that event.

Coach Witt was happy with his team's performance, saying, "When you go down there, you realize that your chances of scoring real big are not going to be really good, so anytime you have somebody that scores down there, you've had a really successful trip. Everyone is lumped together, so that's why it's so hard to get anyone in the meet; they're competing against those Division I guys"

Also on Saturday, as those nine men invited to the Drake Relays were competing, the rest of the squad was at the Loras Invitational.

This was another good opportunity for the Pointers to test their skills against tough competition,

as all of the athletes the Drake meet didn't invite were at Loras, including teams like the University of Wisconsin. Again, this event was purely an individually scored meet.

"Most of the time what people are trying to do is to use [this meet] to qualify for your conference meet or nationals," explained Witt.

Jeremiah Rolfs used the trip to Loras to his full advantage, collecting a NCAA provisional qualifying time in the shot put, finishing fourth with a toss of 15.49 meters. He needed a distance of 15.39 meters to qualify. Rolfs also won a provisional with a fourth place finish in the discus with a distance of 51.30 meters, just under a meter short of an automatic qualifier to nationals.

Coming up this weekend is the WIAC conference tournament, to be held in Stevens Point.

"This is the biggest meet of the year now," admits Witt.

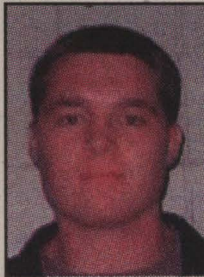
The meet will be this Friday and Saturday at Colman Field on Reserve Street.

If you haven't seen a meet this year and are interested, this will be your last chance of the year without having to travel. Every WIAC team will be there competing, with UW-LaCrosse and UW-Oshkosh going in as favorites. These two teams ran first and second at the conference indoor meet as well as the national indoor meet this past season.

Witt confirms, "You know, LaCrosse and Oshkosh are probably the two favorites right now. But that's why you run the meets, too."

Stevens Point is happy with its chances because they are running at home. Even with the team's recent slew of injuries, Witt does not want that to be viewed as an excuse.

"The fact that we are at home is an advantage. I think any time you get to sleep in your own bed, run on your own track, have your own fans and everything around, I think that's an advantage."



Rolfs

women's track

UWSP's top finishing event was the fourth place distance medley relay with a time of 12:08. The team consisted of Leah Herlache, Kim Klosno, Jenna Mitchler and Megan Craig. They competed against 14 Division II and III universities.

The sprint medley was ninth with a time of 4:08. The team of Liz Goergen, Tara Schmitt, Klosno and Mitchler all ran their fastest times yet this year.

Senior Jody Butkowski placed 19th in the triple jump against some of the top division one jumpers in the nation. The top five jumpers all broke the previously standing Drake Relays' record. Butkowski jumped 38' 9 1/2", a season best and provisional jump for nationals.

The 4 x 100m relay team also ran their fastest time this season in 49.56 with Goergen, Butkowski, Klosno and Schmitt.

"They performed extremely well and stepped it up against tough competition," said Coach Witt.

The rest of the team headed down to UW-LaCrosse to compete. All three first place finishes were won in the field events. Senior Melissa Seefeldt won the hammer with a provisional throw of 161.02', junior Becky Clarke won the javelin with a toss of 121.08', and sophomore Amanda Nechuta won the discus with a provisional throw of 138.02' and also had provisional throw in the shot put of 43' 1/4".

Freshman Nicole Pooley was

See La Crosse Invite, page 9

The Fireman: Szews puts 'em out for UWSP

By Tyler Drummond &
Alexis Sustman
SPORTS REPORTERS

It's the top of the ninth, and the team is down by two. The batter casually steps up to the plate and wipes the sweat off his brow. He knocks his bat against each of his cleats, first the right foot, then the left foot. Gripping the bat tightly, he steps into the batter's box to take his stance. He finally takes a look at the mound to eye up the pitcher. The pitcher standing on top of the hill is a shorter man with a goatee, and the batter snickers to himself, wondering how such a person could be called on to close out the game. Three pitches later, as the batter walks back to the bench, he finally understands why Jared Szews is the best at what he does.

Szews is a small-town man, hailing originally from Birnamwood, Wis., where he was brought up on a farm. He learned early in life about the importance of family and a hard work ethic. Szews started playing Little League as early as possible, and often would travel straight to the ballpark with his brother immediately following evening chores.

Coincidentally, Szews cites his brother Justin as his biggest inspiration and his hero.

"When I was growing up, I looked up to my brother. I didn't have any other siblings, and we grew up in a small town. He and I were always together. We chummed around as little kids," said Szews.

Szews was not always the accomplished pitcher he is today. In fact, while Szews was in high school, he played every position.

"My senior year in high school, I started at least one game in the outfield, and one game at each position, except shortstop. I was the guy that when someone came in to throw, I went to his position," said Szews.

Even when Szews was recruited to play for UW-Stevens Point, he was recruited as a catcher and not a pitcher.

"When I came to practice in January, the coaches told me that they had enough catchers, but asked if I wanted to play outfield because they were short on outfielders. I played indoors for three months and they were just about to cut me when one of the old coaches, who was a scout for the Tampa Bay Devil Rays at the time, came back and said 'He's a pretty good pitcher too.' In two weeks, I made it as a red-shirt pitcher," said Szews.

Since his red-shirt freshman year, Szews has been the closer for the Pointers. Throughout his career, he has



Photo by Patricia Larson

Jared Szews tosses one of his 15 different pitches in a game earlier this season.

had a number of personal accomplishments. Szews holds the record for most appearances in a single season, which he set last year with 18. He also currently holds the record for most career saves in the WIAC. As of April 24 the number stood at 20, but will surely rise by the end of the season.

"When Szews has the ball, I know the game is going to be safe. He shuts the door. You just sense the confidence he has out there, and the team can feed off him," said senior utility player Jim Olafson.

Over the years, Szews has been able to master a variety of pitches.

"He has about 15 different pitches, and depending on the flavor of the day, I feel bad for opposing hitters," said senior centerfielder Kevin Fry.

Though Szews acknowledges this to be true, he tries to focus on his fastball, which he calls his 'marquee pitch.' "My fastball moves a lot and I have natural movement on it," said Szews.

On the academic side of his stay at UWSP, Szews is majoring in soils. If playing or coaching baseball isn't in his future, he would like to use his strong farming ties to his advantage.

"I'd like to get into something where I can help out farmers with their land. There's a lot of stuff I've learned in school, and I look back and see what my dad has done, and things I could help other people with just driving around the countryside," said Szews.

Though Szews is the kind of man that doesn't like to draw attention to himself, he would describe himself as funny and the kind of person who can talk about any subject. He also isn't lacking funny hunting stories.

Szews told a story of how he was driving one evening and came across a badger that was lying dead on the side of the road. To most people, this would be a gross sight. However, to Szews it was a prize.

"I called the DNR and got all the right tags and got it mounted. I figured the school would want it or something but when I get time I'm going to build a glass case for it," said Szews.

His teammates have a more compassionate view of Szews.

"Jared Szews puts everything he has into everything he does, whether on the mound or helping out a teammate," said Olafson.

"Jared, on and off the field, has a love for everything that he enjoys. He is the most devoted friend, baseball player, student and mentor that I have ever known," said pitcher Eric Schlender.

SENIOR ON THE SPOT JARED SZEWS - BASEBALL



Szews

Career Highlights

- Holds team records in career saves and appearances
- Compiled a 0.91 earned run average in 2002
- Member of two conference championship teams (2001, 2002)

Major - Soil and Land Management

Hometown - Birnamwood, Wis.

Nickname - "Zeus"

What are your plans after graduation? - Relaxing this summer and then going out to Colorado to hunt and visit a friend, then getting a job.

Do you plan on participating in baseball after graduation? - Yes, definitely recreationally and possibly in a semi-pro type league, if I am lucky.

What is your favorite aspect of baseball? - Two things: team camaraderie and the aspect of chance in baseball; one day you can be the best player in the world and on the next you could be the worst.

Most embarrassing moment - It takes a lot to make me blush. I make an ass of myself daily, so nothing really embarrasses me much anymore!

If you could be anyone for a day, who would you choose? - George Steinbrenner. I could run the Yankees and get fun poked at me on *Seinfeld*. How could life get any better?

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

1. Metallica - (Black Album)
2. AC/DC - Live
3. The Outlaws

What will you remember most about playing baseball at UWSP? - Playing with some of the greatest guys in the world, fun road trips and winning close games.

Do you have any parting words for the underclassmen? - The years go by fast, so does the season. Play every pitch, game season like it is your last because soon enough it will be.

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second in the high jump clearing a height of 5' 1/4". Clarke and Amy Scott tied for fifth with jumps of 4'10 1/4".

Junior Isabelle Delannay was second in the 800m with a season best time of 2:22 and Kara Vosters was second in the 5k with a time of 19:02.

Julia Slabosheski was third in the discus with a throw of 131.03'.

Junior Lisa Brownie was fifth in the triple jump with a season best of 36' 2 1/4", and sixth in long jump with a jump of 17'.

The 1500m ladies came in strong with Teresa Stanley, Mindy Berendes and Ashleigh Potuznik placing fourth, fifth, and seventh, with times of 4:55, 4:56 and 4:59 respectively.

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Mr. Winters' two cents

Well, finally a little consistent weather, eh? I think my old bones have finally indicated a true changing of the seasons. They are all set now for a warm spring and summer.

I just have to make a few comments on Wisconsin summers. I've lived here my whole damn life, and I love it here folks... don't get me wrong, but I still ain't got used to those mid-summer days.

And it's worse for us fogies yet. A day above 75 degrees with some of that nasty humidity leaves me sweating like a whore in church!

Those are the days when an old feller like me just needs to put on a pair of worn bibs, grab a pitcher of the wife's homemade lemon nip and forget about the sweltering heat under the shade of a nice oak tree.

I like to find a state with a constant temperature of 72 F and low humidity... and of course, excellent walrus fishing.

I'll tell you what! I've yet to find that kind of spread outside of my night dreams. So anyways, enjoy these pleasant spring days and good fishing while it lasts, and then folks, Go on and Geeeee!

**Chase birds by bike**

Treehaven offers a chance to see Wisconsin birds along the "Bearskin Trail." Northwoods Wildlife Director of Rehabilitation Mark Naniot will guide the morning bike trip on Saturday, May 31.

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UWSP Adopt-A-Species Program

By Serene Granstrom

OUTDOORS REPORTER

Sea turtles are large, air-breathing reptiles that inhabit tropical and subtropical seas throughout the world. Their shells consist of an upper part (carapace) and a lower section (plastron). Hard scales (or scutes) cover all but the leatherback, and the number and arrangement of these scutes can be used to determine the species.

Sea turtles come in many different sizes, shapes and colors. The olive ridley is usually less than 100 pounds, while the leatherback typically ranges from 650 to 1,300 pounds. The upper shell of each sea turtle species ranges in length, color, shape and arrangement of scales.

Only females come ashore to nest; males rarely return to land after crawling into the sea as hatchlings. Most females return to nest on the beach where they were born (natal beach). Nesting seasons occur at different times around the world and in the United States nesting occurs from April through October. Most females nest at least twice during each mating season, but some may nest up to ten times in a season.

Researchers do not yet know how long baby turtles spend in the open sea, or exactly where they go. It is theorized that they spend their earliest, most vulnerable years floating around the sea in giant beds of Sargasso weeds, where they do little more than eat and grow. Once turtles reach dinner-plate size, they come to feeding grounds in near shore waters. They grow slowly and take from 15 to 50 years to reach maturity, depending on the species.

The natural obstacles faced by young and adult sea turtles are staggering, but it is the increasing threats caused by humans that are driving them to extinction. Today, all sea turtles found in U.S. waters are federally listed as endangered, except for the loggerhead, which is listed as threatened.

Thousands of sea turtles die from eating or becoming entangled in non-degradable debris, including packing bands, balloons, pellets, bottles, vinyl films, tar balls and Styrofoam. The turtles eat trash, particularly plastic

bags thrown overboard from boats or dumped near beaches. Leatherbacks especially cannot distinguish between floating jellyfish—a main part of their diet—and floating plastic bags.

Nesting turtles must compete with tourists, businesses and coastal residents for use of the beach. Lights from developments discourage females from nesting and cause hatchlings to become disoriented and wander inland, where they often die of dehydration or starvation. It is possible that a world in which sea turtles cannot survive may soon become a world in which humans struggle to survive. If, however, we learn from our mistakes and begin changing our behavior, there is still time to save sea turtles from extinction. In the process, we will be saving one of the earth's most mysterious and time-honored creatures. We might just be saving ourselves, too.

Destruction of feeding and nesting habitats and pollution of the world's oceans are all taking a serious toll on remaining sea turtle populations. Many breeding populations have already become extinct, and entire species are being wiped out. There could be a time in the near future when sea turtles are just an oddity found only in aquariums and natural history museums—unless action is taken today.

By adopting a sea turtle for a \$25 donation through the Sea Turtle Survival League, you can ensure that these creatures will not become extinct. Adoption includes a certificate with the turtle's name, a color photo and the turtle's background information. If you adopt a satellite-tracked turtle, you will receive its tag information and you can observe the movements of the turtle on tracking maps on the Internet. Please drop donations off at the Wildlife Society Office, CNR 359A and include your name, summer mailing address and telephone number. Make checks payable to the Sea Turtle Survival League. For more information go to <http://www.cccturtle.org> or email sgran184@uwsp.edu.

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Let's go fishing

Game fish season opener this weekend

By Adam M.T.H. Mella

ASSISTANT OUTDOORS EDITOR

Come 4:00 a.m. this Saturday, thousands of boaters and fishermen will be rolling out of bed extra early. It is a common understanding that the best fishermen rise before the sun to make the finest catch. My grandparents, who are both avid fishermen, have a framed parable hanging on the wall of their fishing retreat. It reads, "Early to bed, early to rise, fish like hell and make up lies."

That pretty much sums it all up. Like I said, the best fishermen rise before the sun, while I, on the other hand, awake that early only once a year for the game fish opener...and even that claim is subject to investigation come 4:00 a.m.

The first thing needed for an early start to the fishing season is a good pot of coffee and a hearty breakfast. One pack of wholesome bacon, a full pot of hot coffee, a dozen eggs sunny side up and a pack of sausage links are the essentials...for every fisherman in camp. It would be wise to bring a bottle of pain-meds, some morning whiskey sippers and a few extra packs of bacon just to be on the safe side. These are just the preparations for a decent breakfast.

Make sure that everyone going out in the boat has an ample amount of time to relax in the outhouse. Personal time to unwind and thank the fishing spirits for the opportunity to be a part of the season opener is a must before venturing out on the lake.

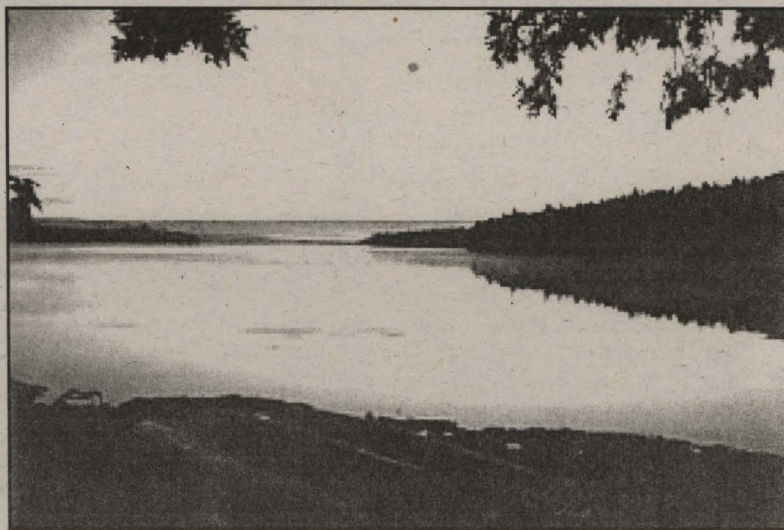
Afterwards, fill up the Thermos with some more coffee and head to the dock.

These are just the morning preparations though, folks. The real work happens during the night before.

Gear checking is key. Every year, I try to purchase new line for all my reels, even if it means giving up my sweet Red Dog beers for a few nights. Oiling the reels and testing the drag mechanisms around the campfire is a good way to ensure a smooth retrieve on that first fish. Sharpening hooks, checking the boat for safety equipment, buying the proper bait, tying good knots and sacrificing a young goat to the fishing spirits are all essential groundwork for a successful opening day on the water.

After all these steps have been completed, and your boots and gear are warming near the Ben Franklin stove, it is time to celebrate the occasion. Break out the Don Majkowskis, Red Dogs and cigars! The fish can tell if you're not hung-over enough.

So back to the wretched early morning hour. Staggering out to the boat around five, the sky is brightening in the east. The thundering sound of boat motors



The morning of opening day is one of the best days of the year

rumble across the lake, announcing the beginning of a new fishing season. Crisp May wind whips my hair and waters my eyes. Settling down on a nice rock bar we silently fish, and as the sun creeps over the big pines, I set the steel on a good walleye. Sipping from the warm Thermos I smile and practice this religion of yesteryear. I never thought I'd find a heaven so splendid at 5:00 in the morning, and every year I am glad that I was there to experience this hallowed tradition of Wisconsin's wild bounty.

Wild salad fixins'

By Leigh Ann Ruddy

OUTDOORS EDITOR



A ripe morel mushroom ready to pluck.

In a dank forest lying under tender skeletons of leaflets, morel mushrooms perk up ready to harvest. And along grassy pathways and abandoned train rails peek the green stalks of wild asparagus.

Morel mushrooms grow in various conditions but are normally found among dead and dying debris around Elm trees and old apple orchards. Be careful, though, there are many types of morels; some edible, some poisonous.

False morels are known to be poisonous to some people, but others have enjoyed them as a treat for many years. It's advised that you not take the risk to find out if the mushroom has a high level of toxins and just find the real thing.

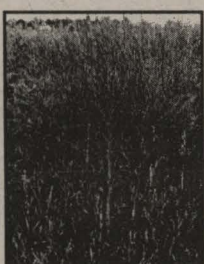
Wild asparagus is better picked in the late afternoon rather than in the morning. The stalks are stronger and they will break easier at midday.

Consider wearing long pants and gloves when picking asparagus because poison ivy tends to grow in the same location.

Good luck finding the early spring delectables in your backyard.



Vibrant red berries bud on ready-to-pick asparagus.



Wild asparagus bush

Cell phone users are losers

... in the great outdoors

By Adam M.T.H. Mella

ASSISTANT OUTDOORS EDITOR

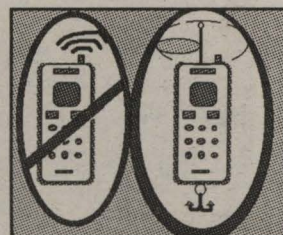
It used to be that people would go to nature to escape their civilized lives. The whole idea of enjoying the outdoors and the wilderness is contingent on leaving the worries and hassles of the modern world at home.

But people in general have become weak creatures, so dependent on their own creations and technology of leisure to get by on a daily basis.

Take away a person's automobile and watch that person crumble. Remove the phone lines from a house and you shall witness the lost art of letter writing return.

Our grandparents could survive with their bare hands. Yet in only a few generations, we have become so reliant on technology that without it, we would cease to prosper. Take away the electricity or the phone grid from the United States, and our economy would fall apart in a pathetic instant.

While all this is very sad, it is the way things have become, and is not really what I want to address. It is only the root from which a mighty tree has grown.



"If you carry a cell phone with you, you are never experiencing the outdoors as they truly are, or how they should be."

Even with all this advancement of technology, it used to be possible to go

to the nearby outdoors and escape it all. To live simply again for a few hours or days.

But the cell phone has now ruined all that as well for many "outdoorsmen."

If you carry a cell phone with you, you are never experiencing the outdoors as they truly are, or how they should be. You may as well stay home and watch the Outdoors channel. That way, you wouldn't have to move or breathe fresh air.

When I'm sitting on the river bank enjoying some good fishing, and I hear that obnoxious beeping, or some god-awful techno version of "Sweet home Alabama," it makes me want to puke. I used to think those people were the bad apples, but recently, even people I know are carrying those electronic leashes around their necks.

If you need to be in constant contact with everyone you know, at every moment of your life, please don't go fishing. You don't deserve to. Don't go for a relaxing walk in the woods, don't take chances and please folks, don't under any circumstances think for yourselves. Mostly, don't bring your reliance on a noisy, electronic security blanket anywhere near me in the beautiful outdoors. Do all us real outdoorsmen a favor and stay home.

Maybe I'm being too cynical on the matter. Maybe I can understand keeping a powerless cell phone in the glove compartment of a vehicle for "emergencies" only. I'd never do it, but at least it's not a complete surrender to civilization. I guess the only way I could have a use for a cell phone would be to add a few treble hooks, a rubber tail and a spinner blade. Maybe a musky would lend me a hand in destroying it.

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From the front lines armed with a wooden spoon

Concert Review: Asylum Street Spankers Witz End – April 24

By John Baeten
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

The pre-party extravaganza is almost always the beginning highlight to a night of music, drinking and passing out. However to engage in such acts before, an Asylum Street Spankers' show is, as will be documented below, disastrous.

Knowing their music quite well, and having previously seen them, I, as a virile young man, decide to partake in a binge of Central Waters, nicotine and the occasional Sampson Simpson trademarked baked goods.

Upon arrival at the elaborate Witz End, the usual venue for the Spankers, I quickly grabbed my first and last beer of the evening. Taking refuge in the front row, which in turn created mass schizophrenic paranoia, I was confronted with their first song, "Winning the War on Drugs."

When the chorus resonated with the lyrics, "But we're winning the war on drugs, we're winning the war on drugs. Praise the Lord and pass the bong, we're winning the war on drugs," I felt a sudden rush of jovial exuberance course through my tainted 23 year old body. Being at a sit-down, candle lit show is normally not a place to find some worn out, punk rock, Old Thomson clientele, but the Asylum Street Spankers are not your normal band.

Stanley Smith, the long time clarinet player for the Spankers, who recently announced his retirement, played a great "Old Mountain Town," and wooed the crowd with his scat-like rapping. Along with Smith, Korey Simeone, who plays fiddle for the Spankers, highlighted the set with a German lyrical assault in the form of bluegrass hip-hop.

As the second set began, I found myself yet in a deranged mind set, plotting my own demise with the frequent intake of funky cookies and still more Spanker madness.

After a long set, I will admit that I, the responsible, mature adult that I am, ended up passing out in the front row for a split-minute and a half. However, clever reader, I must remind thee that I was not intoxicated, but rather inebriated by the sultry harmonics of this Austin based band.

The encore was highlighted by the spoken word legend known by few, but respected by many the enlightened Wammo, with "The Scrotum Song." Set to the tune of an uncanny, barmy, 1930's ballad, Wammo voices the unconditional devotion and attachment to his testicle cache. The chorus: "Scrotum, scrotum, it's my wrinkly crinkly bag of skin. Scrotum, Scrotum, it's the thing I keep my testes in. Well, it's wrinkly and it's crinkly and it's covered with hair, and I don't know what I would do if it was not there."

All fanatical praise aside and undue adulation, the Spankers once again proved themselves as formidable artists and whimsical stage performers. I heard much ado from the petty trust-a-farians that occupy much of UWSP claiming that \$10 was way too much to pay, while they strut around shoeless in hemp bought from the mall. Well sucka, coming from an old gutter punk, it was worth every anxiety attack as well as my hard earned \$10.

For more info on the Asylum Street Spankers check out their website at <http://www.asylum-streetspankers.com/>, and their CD's are available at Radio Kaos and Wee Bee's, both located in downtown Stevens Point.

Movie Review

Identity

By Geoff Fyfe
ARTS & REVIEW REPORTER

A terrible rainstorm. A rundown motel in the middle of nowhere. A motel manager who seems a wee bit off-kilter. Sounds like *Psycho*, no? While certainly influenced by Hitchcock's work, *Identity* is no pale imitator, nor does it strive to be. Both a psychological thriller and slasher flick, *Identity* is one of the most original thrillers around and contains a couple of the biggest surprise plot twists of recent years.

A takeoff on Agatha Christie's classic murder mystery "Ten Little Indians," *Identity* takes place on a rain-soaked night at an isolated motel in the Nevada desert. First to arrive at

the motel is a man (John C. McGinley) with his critically injured wife and creepy little stepson. He's followed by an ex-cop turned limo driver (John Cusack) and the fading actress (Rebecca DeMornay) whom he's chauffeuring. Then comes an ex-hooker (Amanda Peet), a pair of not-so-happy young newlyweds and a corrections officer (Ray Liotta) making a prison transfer. They add up to 10, not counting the twitchy motel manager (John Hawkes) who seems to have a bit of Norman Bates about him.

Before long, strange things begin to happen. The guests are knocked off one by one and their bodies mysteriously disappear. But who is behind the murders? Is it a serial killer, perhaps the convict (Jake Busey) Liotta is transferring? Or is it something supernatural, given that the motel is conveniently built over an Indian burial ground? And what does all this have to do with a parallel story in which a psychiatrist (Alfred Molina) is attempting to get a stay of execution for a convicted killer? Cusack's burned-out ex-cop isn't sure, but he'd bet-

ter figure it all out before the number of motel guests dwindles down to zero.

Identity is certainly suspenseful, with the rain-soaked setting creating a palpable atmosphere of fear and dread. Red herrings abound, with every character given motivation for the killings so that we have no idea who the murderer is, or if he's even human. Some things don't work (frankly, after *The Sixth Sense* and *The Ring*, I'm a little tired of creepy, dark-eyed little kids), but the narrative and pace are so relentless that it doesn't matter much. And the

surprise plot twists will leave you scratching your head, though the film sets it up so sharp viewers will see them coming.

Casting Cusack as the lead was a smart idea. Cusack is eternally likable and we gravitate to his levelheaded character as he tries to figure out what the hell is going on. He pairs off well against Liotta, playing another of his shifty, hotheaded characters. Peet, so often the best thing in bad movies, now is simply a good part of a good movie. The rest of the ensemble is filled with good character actors, save for DeMornay, who has fun with her egomaniacal fading starlet ("Hey, didn't you used to be an actress?").

Identity may be a bit tricky for some viewers, who may be jarred by the sudden twists and the refusal to play by genre rules. For the rest of us, though, it's a rare treat, a popcorn movie with flair, style and intelligence that will have people talking it over after the end. And the ending, delivering another twist, is one Hitchcock would have been proud of.



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Entertainment week in review

Compiled by Josh Goller

The Good:

The New York judge who dismissed the lawsuit filed against former CCR front-man John Fogerty for \$5 million in retribution for hearing loss the plaintiff claims to have suffered at Fogerty's concert. It's good to see common sense win out over frivolous lawsuits.

Honorable Mention:

The American public for only allowing *The Real Cancun* reality movie to gross \$2.1 million at the box office its opening weekend and finish in a lowly 10th place overall. The film, based on real footage of 16 nearly naked partying college coeds was supposed to start a new "reality" trend in film. Fortunately, it looks like for now, reality garbage will only be successful on the small screen.

The Bad:

Ozzy spawn Jack Osbourne for his admission into a substance abuse rehabilitation center for unspecified drug abuse. Perhaps broadcasting intimate details of a 17 year-old's daily life on national television while his mother battles cancer isn't such a good idea after all.

Dishonorable Mention:

Movie star and comedian Jamie Foxx for his recent arrest following a physical altercation with police officers. Apparently the *Any Given Sunday* star refused to show an ID or leave a casino in New Orleans, prompting security to call the police. When the cops showed up, Foxx rumbled with them and had to be subdued with pepper spray and dragged out in handcuffs.



The Ugly:

UWSP's own Centertainment Productions for changing the outdoor Copper Fountain Festival to the Encore Affair. Instead of partying to live music under a tent in the middle of the track field, UWSP students will once again pile into a glorified cafeteria. On the plus side, Pat McCurdy will return for his annual visit but will once again open for some crappy band no one has ever heard of. I'd rather hear two sets from the man with the blue guitar, but instead McCurdy will be followed by Exit, which is ironic since, following Pat McCurdy, I'll be exiting.



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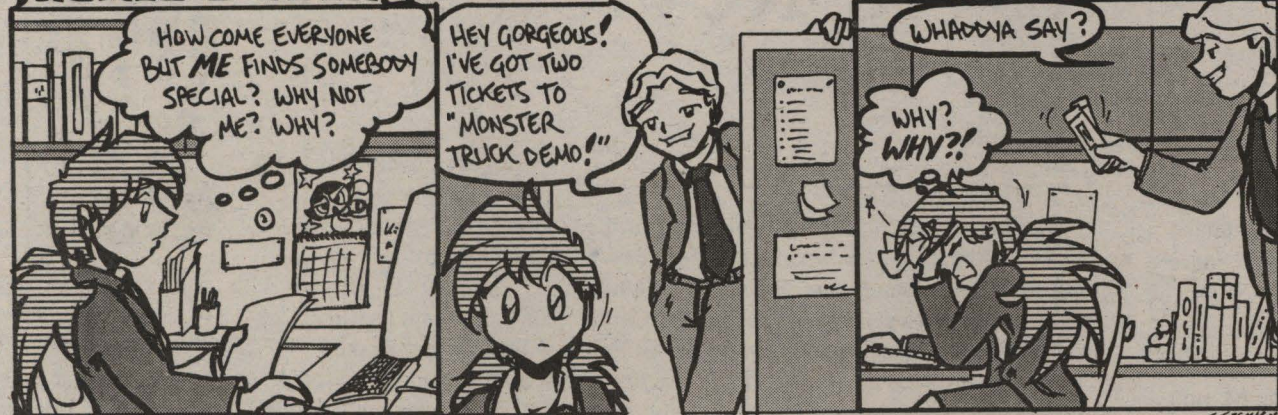
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Sunday, May 4

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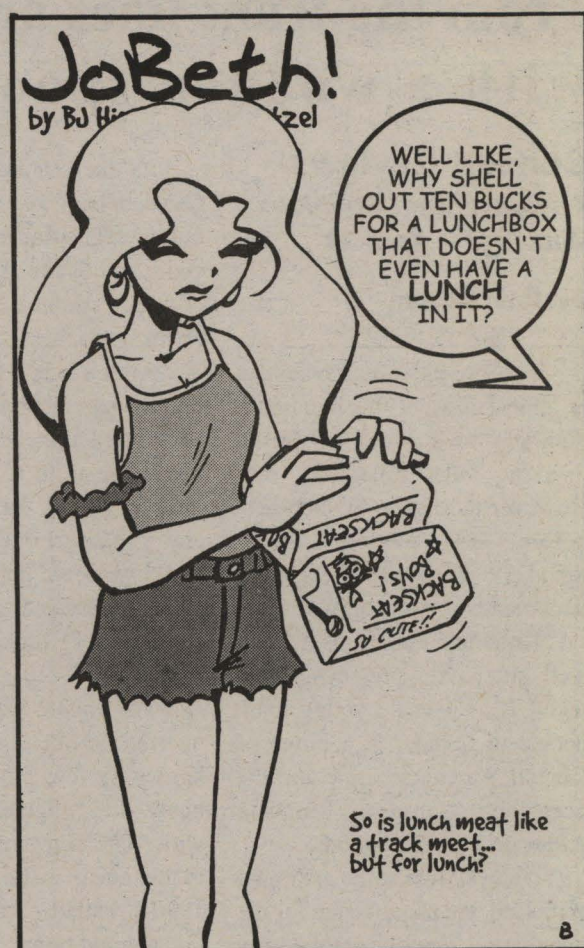
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YES, I AM THE CHESHIRE CATBALL. I AM CREEPY, YES?



Your College Survival Guide:

Barfly.

By Pat "Not Pat Rothfuss" Rothfuss
With special guest: Jamie Rothfuss

Dear Pat -

I'm a (fairly) new student here at Stevens Point, and don't know much about the bar scene in town. If it's not beneath you, could you give me a quick run down of the fine establishments available to the town's thirsty and entertainment-starved?

Thanks much,
Henry Tenakis

Well folks, I just didn't feel qualified to answer this letter. It's been a good long while since I've done any serious bar trawling. The only thing bars offer me is the chance to tease inebriates, eat Cornnuts, and occasionally run away from a fight screaming like a little girl.

Luckily for all of us, my little sister also goes to school here. Gentle soul that Jamie is, she was willing to go out and get you the lowdown on what's up with the downtown.

Jamie writes:

My dear boy, you're in luck. In anticipation of your letter, I watched The Ring last week - by myself. Henry, spending a week under your bed in a blossoming puddle of your own urine is a special feeling; one that may be best cured by a good romp around the true classrooms of Stevens Point.

So, armed with a wad of cash and my trusty sidekick and chauffeur Ray, I headed out for a little carousing in the name of journalism. Luckily, my friend Nick had somehow won a quarter barrel at Mugshots, making my first destination a clear choice. You are unlikely to receive nearly as much free Guinness as Ray and I did, so here's what a commoner like yourself can expect:

STOP ONE: MUGSHOTS

Ambiance: Stay to your right, kiddo - nothing spoils a good buzz like a dart in the eye. The place is comfortable enough, pretty clean, and let's face it, any place that gives you cheap-ass plastic beads for every shot you drink is A-OK with me. If you look stupid and drunk enough, you may even get your picture taken.

Selection: Eight taps and better food than your mom: Turkey gizzards, pickled eggs, and six different kinds of dried meat products - vegetarians are welcome to Blow Pops, M&Ms, and a myriad of nuts. I highly suggest having a shot of whatever is in the big plastic ball marked "Get pumped," but only because I didn't try it.

Bathrooms: Henry, I can tell by your use of the phrase "thanks much" that you are a Midwesterner, and have been raised to appreciate a clean bathroom. You're OK at this establishment if the lady's room is any indication.

Ray says: "I think Nick's beer's gone - you wanna head out?"

STOP TWO: BUFFY'S.

Ambiance: Sweet Baby Jesus. Let's say you're out one night, Henry, and you've had a few too many. You decide that it would be a good idea to throw up but

can't bring yourself to jam your finger down your own hole. Rest easy - you have a friend in Buffy's.

Selection: Not exactly sure. I wouldn't eat or drink here if it was a commandment.

Bathrooms: Seen Trainspotting? Hover, ladies, hover.

Ray says: "Damn, three minutes - that's longer than I thought you'd last."

STOP THREE: THE GLASSHAUS.

Ambiance: The main feature here is the lighted dance floor, which patrons shame themselves on. The upside is that the upper floor gives the more proud customers a bird's eye view of the circus - no spitting. I was reluctant at first, but there's entertainment value here - you just have to be drunk to find it.

Ray says: "Yeah, it's good for a laugh if nothing else." True that.

FOURTH STOP: ELBOW ROOM.

Ambiance: I was too busy struggling for air to notice. The Mad Hatter had more room.

Selection: Their sign says it all: No fancy drinks.

Bathrooms: Good locks, but single stall, and bartenders get dibs. So move over, you worthless, pitiful, greasy little.....uh.....oh yeah...CUSTOMER.

Ray says: "Christ, you might as well stay home and drink Everclear in your fish tank."

FINAL STOP: ELLA'S

Ambiance: Damned agreeable. An upper level, superior juke, decent pool table, and the most adorable and accommodating bartenders since Woody and Sam.

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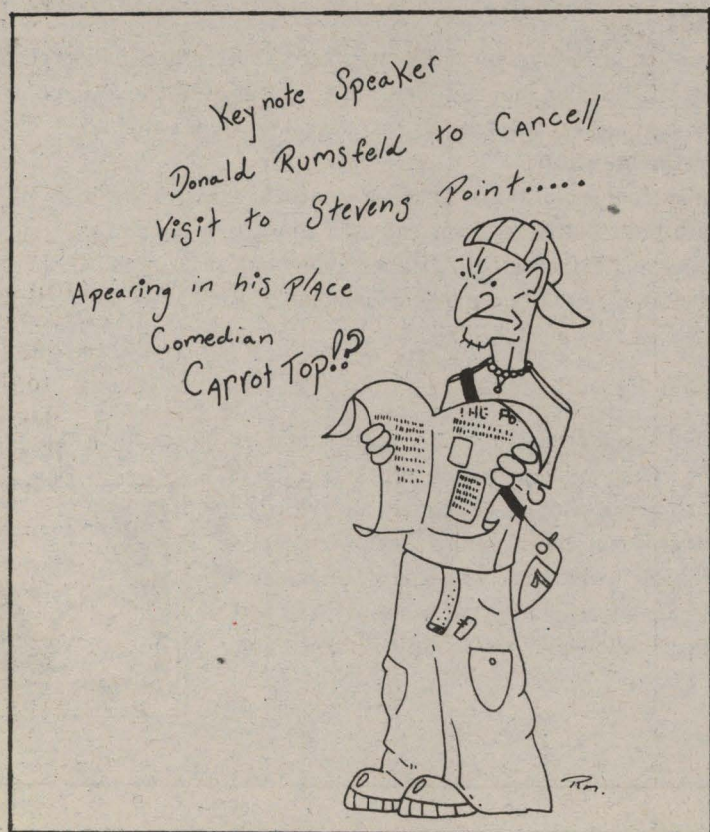
Ray says: "Can we please go home now, Jamie?...Jamie?...Oh, Jeez."

Well, there you have it, Hank. I hope my pain-laden, ice-sucking Sunday morning helps you in your search for something to numb the pain of attending college in a town offering little entertainment. I wish you luck, and remember - liquor before beer.

Well folks, it looks like sarcasm is hard-coded into the Rothfuss DNA, right alongside mime-abuse and a penchant for using words like 'myriad' and... um... 'penchant.'

Write in with your college survival questions, or drop a line and let me know what you think of Jamie's column at proth@wsunix.wsu.edu.

SPARK it... by: M. Rosenberg



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