Point celebrates Homecoming

Partner's continues its intoxicating tradition

By David Cohen

Homecoming tradition at UW-Stevens Point has long included the day-long party at Partner's Pub. Though Stevens Point does not have a short-age of bars, among them all, Partner's has seemed to establish itself as being the place to be on Homecoming day.

Jeff Mofatt, owner of Partner's, states that this has been a part of UWSP tradition since he first owned it in 1978. He remembers that one year "we got cleaned out. We ran out of beer." Due to the enthusiastic response, Partner's has continued the annual party and has been sure to have massive amounts of beer on hand. On Saturday, tents were set up outside for the students to sell burgers and brats, while a DJ played music (primarily from the 1970s) to the many people on hand. Patrons were also able to pick up this year's edition of the popular Partner's Homecoming cup. Moffat said that the cup tradition began so that people would hang onto them and not litter them in yard before they became local collector's items.

Tim McKeown, Partner's manager, worked for 18 hours during the party. He said that it was a successful year, and that the reason Partners has become a staple of Homecoming is "a fun party..." See Intoxicating tradition, page 4

Student interest in Homecoming wanes

By Johanna Nelson

Student participation in Homecoming 2003 was down, compared to last year's turnout. Message exposure such as posters, banners and sidewalk chalk encouraged student awareness, yet did not translate into active participants. With ample and effective publicity, there is no readily observable reason for the lower turnout level.

Greg Diekronger, assistant director of campus activities, believes that a number of different factors contributed to the decrease in student participation. He emphasized the "change in format" as a key element. Through research techniques such as focus groups, Homecoming events were formatted to fit student suggestions.

One such change involved the elimination of the traditional Homecoming king and queen. Students attending the focus groups criticized the elections as being too much like high school popularity contests. Examining Homecoming on other college campuses fostered further insight. For example, some universities require an interview process for potential king and queen candidates and mandatory community service involvement. Greg Diekronger stated that it was uncertain whether there would or would not be a king and queen next year, but in either case the format was uncertain whether there would or would not be a fun party..." See Interest wanes, page 2

New opposition arises on United Council fee

United Council says fee does not violate First Amendment

By Andrew Bloeser

A Board of Regents decision that allows United Council to draw revenue from a refundable fee on tuition bills has come under fire as a possible violation of the First Amendment.

Bret Duetscher, a former UW-Stevens Point student, raised concerns about the fee during last week's Student Government Association meeting, stating that it compelled students to fund an organization they might not agree with.

Jeff Perl, president of United Council, responded this week by saying the option for a refund ensured that no violation occurs. "It's a refundable fee and the continuation of membership for each campus is decided every two years by referendum," said Perl. "Minority viewpoints are protected by allowing a refund."

Under Board of Regents policy document 87-3, organizations claiming to represent all UW students are permitted to utilize a mandatory refundable fee (MRF) to generate operating revenue, provided the organization receives approval by the board.

Students who disagree with the fee maintain the right to request a refund of their money within the first 45 days of the academic year. Under Board of Regents policy, UW students have the option of conducting referenda every two years to continue the fee. The student senate of UW-Stevens Point postponed a vote last week that could have supported increasing the fee that funds United Council from $1.35 to $2.00 per student, instead opting to have SGA vice-president Renee Steve begin an independent investigation into the legality of the fee. Three UW schools have already ratified the fee increase, but United Council must accrue the approval of two-thirds of its member campuses to allow the increase to take effect next fall.

The senate voted 12-10-2 to transfer the matter to Steve following a lengthy discussion on a court opinion circulated among the body, which summarized the majority opinion of Golda v. Rutgers—a 1985 US 3rd Circuit Court of Appeals decision that found MRFs supporting ideological groups to violate the First Amendment by compelling speech.

"Mandatory refundable fees compel students to fund an organization they may not agree with," said Duetscher, who circulated the opinion. "Students should have the option to voluntarily fund an organization they agree with, not voluntarily request not to fund an organization they disagree with."

Speaking to the senate from the Legacy Room's gallery, he continued, "Ultimately, the Board of Regents would be responsible because it's their policy allowing this to happen."

Duetscher's argument against United Council's funding mechanism and the board's policy hings on the Galda v. Rutgers decision, also known as Golda II, which holds that an organization's educational bene-

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Minority students notch key victory in student representation

New resolution aims to improve communication between SGA and minorities

By Andrew Bloeser  
NEWS EDITOR

More chairs had to be added to the gallery during last week's student senate meeting to accommodate the 60 or so minority students who had gathered to witness the body's vote on a resolution aimed to improve communication between student representatives and campus minority groups.

"As often as you say wait, I'm starting to hear never," student Anne Hoye, an African-American, told the senate last Thursday, responding to a motion that the body find it necessary to send the resolution back to the multi-cultural affairs committee for revision.

She continued, "I don't need representation later in the day, I need it today.

The senate responded to these statements, along with the comments of numerous other constituents who spoke in favor of the resolution by passing a slightly revised version of the Individual Campus Plan by secret ballot, 21-3-1.

"It was long overdue," said Guerra. "We shouldn't have to suggest that student representatives go out to minority groups, as representatives they should be interested in seeking out those perspectives.

"This legislation was drafted to ensure that people in student government would attend minority group events. It's a small step, but a great learning experience," said Hobson, a member of the student senate. "I don't know that anyone was really worried about retaliation, but it was a high pressure vote.

"There were some people who were intimidated," said Sen. Sara Stone, speaker of the student senate. "I don't know that anyone was really worried about retaliation, but it was a high pressure vote.

"A secret ballot eliminates the apprehension and intimidation from external pressures and enables senators to make rational decisions, not affected by the feelings of others," said Sen. Adams, who requested the secret ballot. "If it makes it easier for people to focus, why not use it?"

Some students sitting in the gallery disagreed, voicing concerns among themselves about accountability and openness of the Senate.

"I don't think the senate realizes how perceptive their audience is," said Jon Greene, who co-authored the proposal that precipitated the ICP resolution along with Geoffrey Mburu. "It was relatively easy based on the discussion of the issue to figure out who voted for and against. The secret ballot was based in fear."

Some senators admitted their nervousness about the vote prior to the meeting, and Protective Services was notified of the vote in advance, a precaution SGA says it exercises with all controversial issues that draw large groups to its meetings.

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Guerra feels such criticism is unwarranted.

"If anyone felt pressured, that was their own personal issue," she said. "These were students the senate represents. This wasn't a pressure tactic, it was an awareness tactic."

**Criticism of the ICP**

The development of the ICP has coincided with the UW System's effort to achieve the goals of Plan 2005, its proposal to increase the enrollment of minority students in the System and bridge the achievement gap between minority and Caucasian students.

Criticism from some senators in the week before the vote, however, felt that a mandate to attend minority group events might not be an equitable solution, given that other groups on campus might have similar concerns about representation, but do not receive special coverage under a resolution.

"The biggest concern was that we were putting certain organizations above all others, and some didn't think that was fair," said Renee Steeves, vice-president of SGA.

She added that such concerns could resurface perennially.

"The ICP resolution must undergo revision and face a new vote every academic year."

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Knutzen Hall
Friday, Oct. 10 9:09 P.M.
A student reported the theft of a bike from the main entrance of the building.

Lot Q
Thursday, Oct. 9 12:00 a.m.
While on a routine patrol, Protective Service cadets found a vehicle that had been wrapped in cellophane and then spray painted.

Lot Q
Wednesday, Oct. 8 8:38 p.m.
A student reported a hit and run accident involving a parked car.

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Campus BEAT

By Paul Stolen
OSHKOSH ADVANCE TITAN

(U-Wire) OSHKOSH—In an unexpected move, the UW System Board of Regents voted to refer the issue of executive pay ranges to its business and finance committee, thereby nullifying the Board's Sept. 2 decision to increase the salary ranges.

The Sept. 2 vote, done via teleconference with 11 Regents present, was highly criticized by the media, students and legislature, in part due to the expedited and secretive manner in which the meeting was conducted. Chancellor position vacancies at UW-Milwaukee and UW-Stevens Point contributed to the hurried decision.

Board President Toby Marcovich called for the reconsideration of the Sept. 2 vote at the Regents' regular meeting at UW-Oshkosh on Friday.

After brief discussion, one of the Regents proposed a third option to the Board by recommending that the matter be referred to the business and finance committee so that the issue could be more thoroughly researched.

"I think we should step back and examine our whole compensation package," he said. "We owe it to our staff to explore every avenue to pay them fairly."

The Regents took up this motion and approved it by a vote of 12-4, with Nino Amato, Gregory Gracz, Jesus Salas and student regent Beth Rihm voting against the issue. Gerald Randall Jr. was not present for the vote.

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"The significant factor is that the students are the majority shareholders," the Regent said. "I think we owe it to the students to get the best leader we can."

Regent Peggy Rosenzweig also supported this idea during these "extraordinary times."

"I would hope we take the extra time to study all of our options and make a clear and convincing case on how to proceed," she said.

Other Regents criticized the motion because they said they thought it would create further criticism of the Board.

"Is this response enough for our shareholders?" Salas said. "I'm concerned we are going to compound our previous errors."

Amato voiced similar concerns.

"We're setting ourselves up for another train wreck," he said, questioning why the Board didn't move the issue to committee on Sept. 2. "We're going to shoot ourselves in the foot one more time."

The discussion grew more intense as Vice President David Welsh argued in support of the motion.

"Let's not worry about what the press thinks. You've got to go back to our constituents," he said.

"At the end of the day I want to say I was fair with the leadership at this university. That's our responsibility."

The Board also passed a resolution to Regent Policy 94-4, amending the procedure for determining executive pay. The changes state that salary ranges shall not be subject to the First Amendment, as they remained in step with a university's mission to foster a marketplace of ideas.

That decision warded against universities discriminating against political or ideological groups in terms of funding, based on the reason that preventing an organization receiving funds based on viewpoint stiffened freedom of expression.

Duetscher challenges the notion of applying that case to the issue of United Council's funding mechanism, stating the nature of the fee in question is different.

Southworth only pertains to one organization not to the perceived viewpoints of many organizations.

"The question I think is: in light of the escalation, how long can you trade on the reputation and stature?" he said.

Though the pay range increase issue is far from dead, the underlying concern is the current financial situation the university is in.

"In times of economic crisis, in my experience, when you are in a fiscal crisis you freeze executive raises," Amato said. "If we move forward with a salary increase gives the wrong message all around."

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When an increase in the United Council's MRF faces a vote by member campuses.

He also responded to criticism from student leaders and representatives on campus over United Council's system of representation and its handling of legislative affairs.

He stated that while larger schools do retain more delegates during assembly votes, that coalitions of numerous smaller schools could effectively challenge those larger schools.

"This is the consideration that was provided the minutes from a general assembly that indicated a resolution opposing a federal marriage amendment was discussed on the floor; contrary to claims made last week by SGA senator Jeremy Gorzalski.

The next move belongs to the United System's legal department this week to determine the legitimacy of legal opposition to the Board of Regents policy and United Council's use of an MRF.
atmosphere with friendly service. We also have a lot of room and we are close to the football stadium." McKeown feels that the main point of the party is that it comes down the street honking wildly before swerving onto the sidewalk. The party-goers across the street gave people a place to meet and socialize.

We also have a lot of while one of the attendees begins running down the street, chasing cars. A moment later, a pickup truck gives people a chance to talk to people who haven't seen in a long time."

A number of people, however, do drink large amounts. Shortly before noon, the DJ asked the audience "Is anyone out there drunk?" to which many people responded by throwing their arms in the air and proudly screaming that they were. Inside, a man calls to another based on athletics is so revolved around drinking."

He said "It seems contradictory to me that an event

based on athletics is so revolved around drinking." He adds though "It is their choice if they want to do that."

Gina Wisniewski said that she was hoping to play volleyball at the party to incorporate athletics, but then realized that "drunken volleyball would not have been very good."

"Wisconsin's cultural norm gives tacit support for drinking alcohol to excess as a way of having 'fun.' Unfortunately, we condone events that encourage people to drink to excess."

"Dr. John Munson

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MUSINGS FROM MIRMAN

Could somebody please clue me in on why we celebrate Columbus Day?

By Dan Mirman

Editor In Chief

Anyone expecting letters had to wait an extra day because a national holiday on Monday means no mail. The holiday was Columbus Day. So we celebrate the legacy of the man guilty of ethnically cleansing America. What a joke.

Christopher Columbus was not the first man to set foot on North America, and furthermore he wasn't the first white man to step on this continent either. However, he was the first man to enslave the Native Americans and sell them back to Europe. He also helped kill nearly 5,000,000 more Native Americans as he settled our great nation.

For these accomplishments, the second Monday of every October is dedicated to his name.

Would public officials please rethink the whole idea of Columbus Day? Simply because the man went down in history as discovering America does not mean that the facts should remain closed. The facts that are supplied above represent a small portion of Columbus' despicable actions.

I know that many people, including my own father, believe that the past should be left alone. If a man is deemed a hero, then what is accomplished by railing on his character long after his impact on the world? While this argument seems rational, there remains a glaring error. If we refuse to accept the truth about Columbus' actual actions, then ignorance must be bliss. If a man simply should be remembered only for his positive actions, then I can think of a few people who might deserve national holidays in the distant future.

Let's start with an obvious national celebrity, Kobe Bryant. By the time he retires, there's a good chance that Kobe will stand as the greatest basketball player ever. I'm sure by the time he's considered the world's greatest basketball player, he's also been named as one of the top 100 people of the 21st century. Is that the kind of person we want to honor with a national holiday?

The answer is yes. With over 100 million fans, Kobe Bryant deserves the recognition that he will get from the public.

While I am not against the idea of a national hero, I am against the idea of a national hero that has committed crimes.

Kobe Bryant is a role model for many young boys and girls. If he were a role model for the general public, then why should we celebrate his accomplishments? If we want to celebrate a hero, let's celebrate a man who has lived his life with integrity.

I believe that the United States should celebrate a man who has lived his life with integrity and has done good deeds for the nation.

I also believe that the United States should celebrate a man who has lived his life with integrity and has done good deeds for the nation.

On this Columbus Day, let us remember that the legacy of Christopher Columbus is not worth celebrating. Instead, let us celebrate a man who has lived his life with integrity and has done good deeds for the nation.

Maybe Hitler could have his own holiday also. Well, he never actually touched our nation, he treated Jewish people just like Columbus treated Native Americans. Besides, he built Germany up to the point that it nearly took over the world. He was also a fantastic speaker, but never mind that he rallied people to hate other cultures.

Looking at the entertainment world, why not a holiday for D.W. Griffith? Griffith directed the film Birth of a Nation. Cinematically speaking, the 1915 film was absolutely astounding. However, it also glorified racism. In addition to the racist theme, Nation also proved the main inspiration behind the rebirth of the Ku Klux Klan.

I know that the three people mentioned are not nearly on the same level. But they all provide examples of how people could be viewed if a person ignores part of their legacy.

The one funny aspect of Columbus Day is the obvious misrepresentation of a tyrant. The holiday was one of the few things Democrats and Republicans agreed on. It was a Democrat, Franklin Roosevelt, who made Columbus Day an official holiday in 1937. Later, Republican Richard Nixon made the holiday national before he was tossed from office. As usual, both the Republicans and the Democrats are wrong.

The solution to this problem lies in our educational system. Teachers should not continue to educate their classes with glossy versions of historical heroes. We need to give the children the truth and let them decide for themselves.

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What is your favorite thing to do in Fall?

Chad Linder, Jr, Biology
Riding my bike through Schmeeckle.

Lindsey Gaugler, So. Comm. Disorders
Going on roadtrips with friends.

Nick Bentz, Fr. Business
Sitting outside and watching the leaves change.

Sarah Walczak, Jr. English Ed.
Wrestling in piles of leaves.

Jason Schoenick, Jr. Nat. Resources
You mean, besides drinking?

Jennifer Elman, So. Comm. Disorders
Going for walks outside.

Benjamin Kubs
Thinking of a few people who might deserve national holidays in the distant future.

Geoff Fyfe
Ball player ever. I'm sure by the time he's considered for a national holiday everyone will forget that he raped a teenage girl, since it appears he will get off with ignorance.

Liz Fakazis
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Homecoming talent on display
Sigma Tau Gamma and Delta Phi Epsilon are victorious
By Sarah Dennenwitz
FEATURES REPORTER

Point Toon Network, this year’s Homecoming talent show theme, sponsored by Centerentertainment Productions gathered the pride of Pointer students. Coordinating with the week’s Homecoming activities, the talent show on Thursday, Oct 19 kicked off the beginning of a spirited, proud campus weekend.

Chris “Boom Boom” Johnson, the talent show emcee, opened the show with a quirky, high-energy comic performance. His humor easily related to the audience on campus. Johnson’s skit, Slip and Slide, a series of personal experiences, past jobs and the everyday problems of life, went over well with the audience.

Johnson posed a variety of student organization skits relating to the Toon Stock homecoming theme. There were a total of nine skits from Thomson Hall, Sigma Tau Gamma & Delta Phi Epsilon, Smith Hall, Burroughs Hall, Tau Kappa Epsilon & Gamma Phi Delta, Hyer Hall, Theta Xi, May Roach and Phi Squared. Some acts included themes from the Jetsons, Ghostbusters, the Simpsons, Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles, and the Flintstones. All of the acts were creative, entertaining and definitely worth watching.

Sigma Tau Gamma and Delta Phi Epsilon took first place with their witty court scene of the Simpsons debate between Homer and Mr. Burns. Theta Xi took second, Phi Squared took third, Thomson Hall was fourth and Burroughs Hall finished fifth. The race was close between acts because everyone put on a highly enjoyable performance.

As champs, last year’s Homecoming talent show, Sigma Tau Gamma and Delta Phi Epsilon will hold the crown until next year. Hopefully the homecoming 2004 talent show will turn out to be as successful and entertaining as this year’s. The skits were a great way to kick off a weekend of school spirited homecoming events.

Come to the MAC October 24 for a night of alcohol-free fun
By Carrie McGrath
FEATURES REPORTER

Bounce on over to the MAC, located in the Health Enhancement Center, Friday, October 24 at 7:30 p.m. for fun, food and a keg. Well, the keg is Point Root Beer, but a keg is still a keg.

Promoting Awareness With Students (PAWS) has once again reserved the MAC for a night of alcohol-free fun. For a mere $5 one can participate in the volleyball tournament, play trench ball, climb the rock wall and ride around on tricycles wearing dunking gogles.

Free subs and root beer floats will also be offered to keep you rejuvenated through the late-night hours. And even if you don’t win one of the many great door-prizes donated by local businesses, everyone will still go home with a cool T-shirt, provided they sign up in advance.

PAWS is getting a lot of help in organizing BOUNCE this year to make it a tremendous success. Student Impact is sponsoring the volleyball tournament, and a trenchball tournament has also been added to enhance the fun for all. Erbert’s and Gerber’s is donating free subs later in the evening as well.

People can sign up at the door. Five dollars is required, and PAWS accepts cash, checks, or you can charge the admission to your student account. Only those who sign up in advance will be guaranteed a T-shirt, and on the night of BOUNCE, only the first 50 people who pay at the door will receive a free T-shirt.

Help PAWS help you by stopping down to the MAC for a night of alcohol-free fun!
Ways to show your sweetness for your sweetie

Valentine's Day, is a holiday devoted to the expression of romantic love for your significant other. In addition to that, Sweetest Day is recognized on Saturday, October 18.

Sweetest Day originated in Cleveland, Ohio, in 1922. Herbert Birch Kingston, a philanthropist and candy company employee, wanted to bring happiness to those stricken by illness or disability, and others who were forgotten. With the help of his friends, he began to distribute candy and small gifts to the less fortunate. Since 1922, Sweetest Day has been observed on the third Saturday in the month of October. Over the years, Sweetest Day has transformed into a day to celebrate the love and appreciation for your significant other and your friends.

Primarily a regional observance celebrated in the Great Lakes region and the Northeast, Sweetest Day is being gradually spread to other areas of the country by people when they move. The highest Sweetest Day sales are in Ohio, with Michigan and Illinois closely trailing behind.

There are a variety of ways to celebrate Sweetest Day. The traditional observance usually involves the same types of gifts and acknowledgements as Valentine's Day. Traditional gifts include cards, flowers and chocolates. Other suggestions include making a list of your sweetest things with your significant other (from foods to types of kisses) and then trying to experience those things in the coming days or weeks.

When it comes to appreciating your friends on this day, there are also numerous suggestions. You can write them a sweet note expressing how much their friendship means to you or give them a simple gift of homemade cookies. Above all else, Sweetest Day is meant for us to find the sweetness within ourselves. No matter how you choose to acknowledge this day, try to brighten the spirit of those that mean the most to you. You can be assured that your sweetness will not only be well received, but also sure to be reciprocated.

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**SPORTS**

**Runners coming down the home stretch**

**Team proves depth as top runners rest**

By Tony Bastien

SPORTS REPORTER

The women’s cross country team continued their dominance of Division III opponents this season at the Big Dawg Invite this past weekend in Plover, placing first ahead of Eau Claire and Whitewater.

The team’s performance on Saturday was nearly flawless, with the top five spots, placing first ahead of Eau Claire this past weekend in Plover, with the top five spots in the perfect score of 15. Not only did Saturday was nearly flawless, Jenna Mitchler, Teresa Stanley, Isabelle Delannay, Leah Whitmire, and Andy Craig first, followed by the team fell to UW-Whitewater last Friday.

The pressure is starting to mount for the women though, as there are just two meets left, including this weekend’s always difficult Titan Invitational in Oshkosh. The team still holds the third rank in the nation, and hopes are also high for them heading into the final weeks of regular competition.

Coach Rick Witt, as he has all season, rested his top runners this past weekend coming off the previous week’s victory at Notre Dame. As a result, the Pointers finished second in their portion of the invite behind Eau Claire, narrowly beating Whitewater.

Jake Ebyser was the first Stevens Point runner to cross the line in fifth, then Robert Menard placed eighth, and Andy Whitmore followed him in ninth.

This week the men also travel to the Titan Invitational, taking on the number one ranked Oshkosh Titans.

Coach Witt called this weekend a huge one, expecting to see many of the other top teams in the nation there.

The team is looking to get a read on these other top teams going into the post season.

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**Despite record, team continues tough play**

By Joshua Schmidt

ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Wednesday night, the Pointers hosted defending national champion UW-Whitewater.

**volleyball**

The Pointers hung tough in the first two games against the Warhawks, but ultimately fell 30-21 and 30-24 respectively. The third game saw the Pointers stay close as they stayed within four points 17-13 until Whitewater iced the game with a 12-2 run, fueled by precision serving and dominant play from the frontline.

Jessica Parker had a solid night, notching ten kills, followed by Melissa Weber with six kills. Maggie Fasan also contributed three aces.

"We were right there in it in the first two games, but we let up in the third. Tonight our biggest culprit was our serving, especially in the last game," said Coach Stacey White. "Jessica Parker and Melissa Weber played well, being aggressive. We're just trying to find some consistency right now."

Last Thursday, the Pointers traveled to Sheboygan to take on the Lakeland College Muskies.

The first game of the match was nip and tuck as the Pointers pushed the Muskies to the brink, but ultimately fell short, falling 34-32.

Lakeland came out strong in the second game, defeating the Pointers handily 30-19. The third game of the match for the Pointers wasn't much better as the Muskies took control from the start.

The team has two big matches coming up with conference tilts this weekend. Friday the Pointers host UW-Superior, and on Saturday afternoon UW-Eau Claire comes to town.

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**Pointers come to play against Whitewater**

By Jana Jurkowski

SPORTS REPORTER

The UWSP women’s tennis team has had a hard time putting everything together into one match this season.

**tennis**

Despite some good performances, the team fell to UW-Whitewater last Friday.

Whitewater is one of the stronger teams in the WIAC, so the team knew they had a challenge in front of them.

Coming off a disappointing 9-0 loss on Wednesday, the Pointers were looking to get back on the right track.

The number two doubles team of Tiffany Serpico and Kim Goron got the team started out on the right foot, as they defeated Whitewater’s number two doubles team 8-2.

"Kim and I played a consistent game and tried to let them make the mistakes," said Serpico.

However, the team of Serpico-Goron would be the lone victors for the Pointer doubles teams. The number one doubles team of Amber Wilkowski and Emily Schledes lost in a tough match 8-2, and number three doubles, Angie Brown and Jada

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School’s homecoming jinx continues

Team loses fourth home-,
coming game in a row
By Craig Mandil
SPORTS EDITOR

By the middle of the third quarter, it could be seen in the eyes of all the Pointers on the sidelines. They were going to lose another homecoming game.

After handing the Stout Blue Devils a 31-7 halftime lead, the Pointers made a valiant comeback in the second half before coming up ten points short, 37-27.

Stout running back Luke Bundgaard rushed for a career-high 176 yards on 38 carries to lead the 25th-ranked Blue Devils to victory. The senior running back was key in a big UW-Stout first half with 116 yards in the first two quarters, including 77 yards in the first period. Many of Bundgaard’s yards came out of the option.

“Stout has always run the option four or five times per game against us in the past,” said Pointer Head Coach John Miech. “We worked against it all week, but we couldn’t stop it in the game. Therefore, they just kept running it against us.”

Stout got on the board early against the usually-stingy UWSP defense, with Bundgaard scoring on a 12-yard run on their second possession and Nick Ohman hitting Ross Jones for a 13-yard touchdown with 44 seconds left in the quarter.

After a 14-yard punt on the Pointers’ next possession, Stout continued to pour on the points, scoring on their first play with a 30-yard jump-ball pass from Ohman to the Blue Devils’ 6’5” wide out Dan Austin for a 21-0 lead. Pointers’ quarterback Scott Krause was intercepted by Jordan Sizar on the next play and, just three plays later, the Blue Devils pushed the lead to 28-0 on a 20-yard run by Ohman.

S e l l - shocked, the Pointers were able to put together a strong drive of 80 yards in 10 plays to cut the lead to 28-7. However, the Blue Devils quickly stole the momentum back with a career-long 47-yard field goal from Evan Larsen with 1:15 left in the second quarter for a 31-7 halftime lead.

After giving up an early touchdown, senior quarterback Scott Krause attempted to lead the Pointers back into the game, hitting junior Tony all, while the team is still winless in the conference.

“I think that our team was still feeling the effects of last week’s game in La Crosse, so we said Miech of the match-up. “We’re still in a good situation if we can win. Just look at how many times this league has been won with two losses. We just need to stay focused.”

Tennis
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Fenske, were defeated 8-1.

Serpico was also the lone victor in the singles, as she defeated Jennifer Stamm of Whitewater in two sets, 6-1 and 6-4, respectively.

“I just tried to keep moving the ball around much longer than last week. Unfortunately, eventually she got tired and made some unforced errors,” said Serpico.

Schluender, her second set was a little more intense as Stamm started to mount a comeback. However, Serpico stayed strong and gave the Pointers a victory.

Emily Schluender, number three singles, gave her opponent a run for her money as she stayed close, falling 6-3 and 6-4. Like Schluender, the other UWSP singles gave a strong effort, but fell to their Whitewater opponents in two sets.

Regardless of their losses, the Pointer team was happy with their performance.

“A sure touchdown glancees off the hands of receiver Kurt Kielblock during Saturday’s game. Point fell 37-27.

This weekend, the Eau Claire Blugolds, ranked UW-La Crosse, come to Goerke Field to face the Pointers.

Said Miech of the match-up, “We’re still in a good situation if we can win. Just look at how many times this league has been won with two losses. We just need to stay focused.”

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The way I see it...when football violence goes too far

BY JOSHUA SCHMIDT
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Football. It's a sport of extreme violence, yet that's what attracts many fans today. Let's face it; when you're watching Nick Haffele flattens some poor running team you're rooting for, the loudest cheers back, when Antaj Hawthorne smokes a QB from the blind side or when Darren Sharper between good, hard-hitting football and de-cleats a receiver over the middle. Professional and college teams over the last football. With that mind, address a couple of incidents involving our year.

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Go Pointers!

The Pointer

By CYRA MANDLI
SPORTS EDITOR

You know, I used to think that people who rip off all their clothes and streak at sporting events were dumb. Now, I have an all new respect for these rascals.

Saturday during halftime of the homecoming game, a daring student decided to streak the field. He jumped the fence and dashed the full 100 yards with only a cardboard box over his head and all his caution thrown into the wind. With the agility of a gazelle, he scaled two fences and lit off on a bike before anyone could get a hold of going after him. I don't know what this student was thinking. Heck, he may have been too inebriated to think at all. It was common knowledge that "Kegs and Eggs"-type breakfast feasts were prevalent across the city on Saturday morning. Our streaker could very well have been drinking before eight.

What this streaker did was magical. This reporter has never seen a crowd so fired up during a game where their team was getting blown out by 24 points. The Pointers came out and rallied to make the game at least exciting. Naturally, when all this goes on, tempers flare. I'm sure during that game Clifton and Sapp both did their fair share of brawling between the. Whiles you're going toe to toe with an opposing player, and you get a shot at him like Sapp did, you don't even hesitate. You take it. Chad Clifton knows it, Warren Sapp knows it and anyone who's played any football knows it.

It was a perfectly legal hit, and a textbook case of why you have to stay alert on the field at all times. It was unfortunate Clifton got hurt on the play, but then again, that's the risk you take when you step onto the football field.

THE WEEK AHEAD...

Football: Eau Claire, Sat., 1 p.m.
Volleyball: Superior, Fri., 7 p.m.; Eau Claire, Sat., 2 p.m.
Tennis: Eau Claire, Sat., 10 a.m.
Cross Country: Titan Invitational (Oshkosh), Sat. All Day
Soccer: Concordia-Moorhead, Fri., 3 p.m.; Superior, Sun., 1 p.m.

All home games in BOLD
Izaak Walton League offers conservation opportunity

By Marty Seeger
ASSISTANT OUTDOORS EDITOR

The Izaak Walton League of America (IWLA) is a diverse group of men and women dedicated to protecting our nation's natural resources. They are active in all aspects of outdoor recreation and conservation activities, including fishing, hunting, stream restoration and wildlife photography, just to name a few.

Anyone interested in these activities can join the Bill Cook student chapter of the IWLA here on campus. The cost of this program is only $10 for new members and $22 for renewals. Nick Docken, president of the IWLA explained that "Once your Bill Cook chapter dues are paid, so are your National dues. You will then be a member of our parent chapter as well." He went on to explain that you will also receive the IWLA national magazine, "Outdoor America."

Being a member of the Bill Cook chapter will also give you access to your club grounds (located 5 miles east of town just off of Highway 66). Docken explained that "They have a trap, rifle and bow range, that you are free to use once a paid member." Other conservation activities you can enjoy here include stream improvements in the spring, hunter safety, candlelight snowshoe, ice fishing contests, Halloween activities, 3-D bow and trap shoots, wood duck box projects and more.

During the spring in the last two years the club has held a Youth Conservation Day in conjunction with the Portage County Big Brothers/Big Sisters organization. This activity is also held at the Bill Cook Club grounds, and it involves conservation oriented activities and demonstrations for kids to participate in. "This event keeps getting bigger and bigger every year," Docken said. Meetings for the IWLA are usually held during the first and third Wednesday of every month at 5 p.m. in the CNR building, up in room 372. Some of these meetings are held out at the Bill Cook grounds, where the group will participate in shooting trap together.

For more information about this unique opportunity, contact Nick Docken, at Ndock802@uwsp.edu

Fall colors reach peak

By Marty Seeger
ASSISTANT OUTDOORS EDITOR

Peak fall color is arriving in many parts of Wisconsin. Unfortunately, our late summer drought, early frost and windy conditions may have an impact on how long peak fall conditions will last. For this reason you may want to make plans for the weekend in order to enjoy the many attractions that central Wisconsin has to offer.

According to the Wisconsin Department of Tourism, Waushau and areas of central Wisconsin have officially reached their peak fall color. For anyone interested in viewing these spectacular fall colors, you might want to start at Rib Mountain State Park. Each year people flock to some of the highest peaks in Wisconsin to view the breathtaking scenery. For those interested in heights, there are plenty of observation lookouts amid the state park for your viewing pleasure, and a 60 foot observation tower where you can view endless miles of natural beauty.

If you are looking for something a little closer you might want to visit the Big Eau Pleine County Park located just southwest of Mosinee. This park is a densely wooded peninsula that runs approximately two miles into the Big Eau Pleine Reservoir. This park also offers many miles of hiking trails for anyone who enjoys finding new and interesting places to explore.

Although many of these areas are at their peak it's important to note that the Wisconsin Department of Tourism has listed Stevens Point as "past peak" conditions. You may have noticed the many people raking their lawns over the past weekend. However, don't let this discourage you from visiting these areas amid the state park for your viewing pleasure, and a 60 foot observation tower where you can view endless miles of natural beauty.

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\section*{Wild Matters}

\subsection*{Walleye bonanza hits Wisconsin River}

By Adam M.T.H. Mella

One good indicator as to how good the fishing will be is to look at the boat launches and riverbanks. Not at the river itself, but at the parking lots and shorelines. A keen eye and a little scouting during the past week or so will have most certainly alerted any fisherman to the abrupt increase in river-traffic.

"The great autumn feed is officially on!"

These boaters and die-hard galosh-warriors have only one purpose in life come fall. They strain to perceive the mind of the great Wisconsin River walleye population. They sit and listen as the leaves fall for the faint signal that alerts the omnipotent Walter to move to the feeding grounds. Well, look around, because the signal has been given. Science has made many attempts to chronicle the movements and patterns of fall walleye. Walleye in the river typically try to hold a position similar to their summer habitat. Rivers cool evenly, unlike Mesotrophic, Oligotrophic and Eutrophic lakes, which experience a drastic "turnover" every fall when the surface water cools rapidly. While these walleyes like to move to the shallows in fall, river walleye try to remain the same. However, when the water temperatures reach the 50 degree mark, those slippery river walleyes get the notion to move upstream to their winter chalets.

The Wisconsin River passed this stage weeks ago. The walleyes have begun to move and feed like a fat kid in a cake factory. Not only are the Walters looking for food with a ferocious appetite, but they are also starting to think about winter. The best place to go for winter is in the slack tailwater eddies of the numerous dams along their segmented route upriver. Walleyes will also hold in deeper holes downstream from the dam if the water is slow enough and holds a good food supply. So the great autumn feed is official-ly on. Let the keepers flock to the great feast set forth by the river spirit and attended by the fishermen of Stevens Point.Grace. Walters in feed-mode are the best walleye in many fishermen's eyes. The usually skittish carnivore is not so shy come fall. Comparable to the shy fellow who starts rocking Guess Who songs at karaoke after a few Oh-Be-Joyful, fall walleyes, hammered-out on 50 degree H2O, are now eager to chase fakies without a second thought or inhibition.

Twitchy tails on thumper jigs work great. Rapalas, Wally-divers and other crankbaits can drive walleye mad. On the other hand, the old-fashioned fathead minnow still does the trick on the slowest of days. There is absolutely no reason Wisconsin be loaded with a lop-sided amount of pin-dicks, so remember, only take the fish population that is capable of spawning, between 15 and 20 inches, and throw back the sub-15 inch eaters to "grow more".

The keeper fish are out there for the persistent angler. Perhaps some day the DNR will adopt policies like those used in the Wolf River and Northern lakes that allow for harvest of smaller fish. That way, as in the Wolf River, the hard-working fishermen can take more to the frying pan, while the overall fish population will stay healthy and full of the larger breeding-size fish.

\section*{Patrick Stewart narrates current MarsQuest program at Planetarium}

By Adam M.T.H. Mella

Word on the street about the new planetarium show is exciting to say the least. Audiences have been wowed by the show entitled, "MarsQuest". The program, which has been playing for several weeks at UWSP's Allen F. Blocher Planetarium, outlines the red planet's wild story.

Lending his booming and cosmic voice to a good cause, Patrick Stewart, most famous for his starring role as Star Trek: The Next Generation's Captain Picard, provides narration to the show. Stewart makes the galactic learning experience come to life, as only a Federation captain could. MarsQuest delivers information coupled with stunning visuals to give the audience a solid under-standing of the history of our red neighbor. The program covers everything from the early notions of bloodthirsty green alien invaders, to grounded facts and newfound information gained from the modern Viking Landers missions.

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As part of the program, Hubble-space telescope images give the viewer unseen vantages of the red planet's ancient surface. It also covers NASA's involvement in further missions and planned exploration of Mars that are in the works.

The MarsQuest exhibit will be showing in the planetarium, located on the second floor of the Science building, every Sunday until the end of November. Admission is free to UWSP students and the program starts at 2 p.m. Seating is first come first serve, so plan to arrive a few minutes early. As Picard would say, "Make it so."

\section*{Mr. Winters' two cents}

Well ya'll, I've settled down a little bit since last week's ramblings. I hope I didn't upset any of you young crazies driving around the countryside like Rusty Wallace, I was just trying to give you kids some honest advice.

Anyhoo, I thought this last weekend was gonna be the best weekend for football in a long time. I happened to catch a seat at the Badger game on Saturday. What a whirlwind of weather that was, huh? In the end, Bucky ruffled up that flitty Baa-eye, just as I predicted.

Then on Sunday, the Packers started the game looking as solid as my old '66 Monaco. After four quarters and a disappointing overtime period, them Packers hatched like that old Monaro's motor after 230,000 miles. Geeesh!

It was a real let-down, but hey, there's always walrus fishing to liven the old spirit. That reminds me, my good neighbor and friend Adam, whom I confabulate with from time to time, started up a neighborhood keeper walleye derby. I'll keep you up to date, but right now, I'm only on the board with one Walter. This is not acceptable for an old man like me. I should be kicking some ass like a Kangaroo in a bear trap. So for you so-called "leaders" in the Clark Street Super Walleye Derby, watch your backs, and then, "Go on and Geeeeeeeet!"

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**movie review:**

**Kill Bill, Volume One**

By Geoff Fyfe

Assistant Features Editor

No one does violence on screen like Quentin Tarantino. That was apparent since his 1992 debut Reservoir Dogs, which features the gut-churning scene where Michael Madsen tortures a cop to the tune of “Stuck in the Middle with You.” Now, after a six-year hiatus, the former video store clerk returns with the first half of his bloodiest epic yet, *Kill Bill, Volume One*. And what a first half it is, anchored by Uma Thurman in her best role since her last collaboration with Tarantino, *Pulp Fiction*.

Thurman plays the nameless protagonist, known only as “The Bride” or her code-name, “Black Mamba.” In her past life, she was a member of the elite Deadly Viper Assassination Squad, working for the enigmatic and seemingly omnipotent Bill (David Carradine). But when she decides to retire from the business and get married, Bill doesn’t take too kindly to it. He and the Vipers proceed to slaughter The Bride’s wedding party, put her into a coma with a bullet to the brain and steal her unborn child.

Four years later, The Bride reawakens and swears vengeance. By the end of *Vol. One*, she’s about half-finished. Her first targets are Vernita Green (Vivica Fox), now a suburban California housewife, and O-Ren Ishii (Lucy Liu), new head of the Japanese underworld. In *Vol. Two*, then, she will presumably wreak her vengeance on Budd (Madsen), Elle Driver (Daryl Hannah) and eventually Bill himself.

One can view *Kill Bill* as Tarantino indulging in every pop culture obsession he’s ever had, from Sergio Leone flicks to the Hong Kong martial arts genre. His set pieces are spectacular, from The Bride’s knife fight with Vernita inside her quaint suburban house (which takes a page from *Pulp Fiction*’s four-year-old daughter returns home) to the climactic battle where The Bride takes on 88 sword-wielding Japanese fighters to get to O-Ren. That scene may be the greatest battle sequence put on screen, unless you count an ultra-bloody anime sequence that details O-Ren’s origins. This is Tarantino at the top of his game and the film is the work of a filmmaker in his element.

If Tarantino is in his element, so is Thurman, who gives a full-throttle in her performance of The Bride. Her cold yet vulnerable figure is part tragic heroine, part gender-switched Man with No Name and part martial arts warrior with a samurai sword. Madsen, Hannah and Fox don’t get much screen time here (presumably we’ll become more acquainted with them in *Vol. Two*), but Lisa makes O-Ren into one dynamic figure, a ruthless anti-hero shaped by tragedy (the parallels between her and The Bride are palpable). And you have to love Tarantino for casting Kung Fu star and B-movie icon Carradine as the eponymous Bill, who is a menacing and almost God-like figure whose face is never seen (apparently we have to wait until *Vol. Two* for that as well).

Tarantino is truly a unique and gifted filmmaker. What other director’s film, for example, would have a villainous teenage girl in a Catholic schoolgirl outfit who wields a gigantic battle-ax? Unfortunately, *Kill Bill* is overly bloody and bizarre, but *Kill Bill* is one original work of art. We’ll have to see, though, if *Vol. Two* can match *Vol. One*. Still, given the 70s jungle-funk-off “Cone Head,” one can view *Kill Bill* as Tarantino giving the audience what it wants. He’s earned it.

**RATINGS:**

Instant classic. ** Operator adds a new thing to the scene.**

All-around solid, but missing that sweet cherry on top.  

Worthy effort, only makes you **insults all the things you loved about the original.**

You’ve been warned...  

Ouch. You just spent $25 on a beer coaster.

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**cd review:**

**OutKast: Speakerboxxx/The Love Below**

By Steve Seamandel

ARTS & REVIEW EDITOR

OutKast’s latest effort, *Speakerboxxx/The Love Below*, is an interesting double-disc release.

Atlanta’s combo of Andre 3000 and Big Boi split the double disc down the middle. Big Boi’s *Speakerboxxx* is a real-time rap CD with bashy beats, catchy hooks, amusing one-timers and a considerable amount of depth. However, some of the seemingly useless interludes on *The Love Below* provide its highlights. “Where Are My Panties?” features inner-monologue of two people waking up together and not remembering much about the previous night. Musical highlights include the aforementioned “Valentine’s Day,” which contains an extremely fresh musical sound to accompany the song. "Gone Gone Gone" is worthy of a 3.5 out of 5 competitive score.

Toronto’s The New Deal avoids every pitfall of blandness of an instrument-free three-piece drum, bass and keys ensemble on its latest release, *Gone Gone Gone*. While straying from their typical live sound – fast lively techno that resembles Nintendo game music – The New Deal shows their capability to reinvent their music while not losing the sound that makes them different.

Gone flows, keeps the listener’s interest through various new instruments and backup singers, yet still delivers a nice, relaxing groove while offering a good dose of toe-tapping tunes.

The disc features many downtempo breakbeat and ambient tunes, showing The New Deal’s versatility for laying all surface in the final three tracks, displaying The New Deal’s wide range of sounds. There’s even a bit of tongue-in-cheek humor on the ’70s jungle-funk-off “Ah,” one of the catchiest tunes on both discs. “Flip Flop Rock” also proves itself a highlight, with Jay-Z offering his vocals for a fill or two.

The disc is amusing and fresh for modern rap. *Speakerboxxx* alone would receive a higher mark if not for its mate below, so the double disc is worthy of a 3.5 out of 5 competitive score.

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**cd review:**

**The New Deal: Gone Gone Gone**

By Steve Seamandel

ARTS & REVIEW EDITOR

Alternate instruments also help keep the disc afloat. Guitar, violin, horns and electronic blips offer sufficient variation throughout and provide extra layering to an already complex style of music.

However, the tracks that work the best are the heavily digitized New Deal anthems “Gone Gone Gone,” “Home-wrecker” and “Oh.I.,” which pack a punch and offer a more glimpse at the tempo and intensity that they usually demonstrate in front of a live audience.

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**The Numbers...**

- **Tops at the Box Office (week of Oct. 12)**
  1. *Kill Bill, Volume One* ($22 million)
  2. *The School of Rock* ($15 million)
  3. *Good Boy!* ($13 million)
  4. *Intolerable Cruelty* ($12.5 million)
  5. *Out of Time* ($8.5 million)

Billboard Top 5 (week of Oct. 12)

1. OutKast: *Speakerboxxx/The Love Below*
2. Bad Boy’s Da Band: *Too Hot for TV*
3. Sting: *Sacred Love*
4. Dido: *Life For Rent*
5. Dave Matthews: *Some Devil*
College Survival Guide: The joys of selling out

Sincerely,

Jack

I'm sorry Jack... What was that you just said? It's kind of hard for me to hear your pathetic mewling from where I'm sitting way up here on top of this huge pile of cash. Seriously though Jack, I was a little puzzled by your "soulless corporate whore" question until I remembered that back in '87 I did sell part of my soul to the demon Ashoreth in exchange for a B+ in home-economics. Let me check my files and see if I long for love-play and I sing the charm, which will turn the mind and win the heart of any white-armed woman in my sight. The third helps me find lost car keys out for a really good offer, like a magic sort of robotic arm that dispenses an endless supply of sweet, sweet weapons of my foes in battle. The second, if I long for love-play and I sing the charm, will turn the mind and win the heart of any white-armed woman in my sight. The third helps me find lost car keys and surf for Internet porn.

Then in '91 I got drunk and traded 30% of my soul for a pineapple and black-olive pizza from Shakey's. Luckily, it took Nytharolep longer than 30 minutes to deliver it, so I got it for half-price. So as you can see, Jack, I've still got nearly two-fifths of a soul. I'm holding out for a really good offer, like a magic button that would let me kill anyone just by pushing it, or world peace, or some pretentiously cool, it'll be open special late hours from Family Video, or barracks, or something. I don't know, wherever it is that elves live.

Lastly, I'll assume that when you use the term "whore" you're referring to the term "whore" you're referring to the word's original meaning which stems from the Greek "hora" and the Persian "houri." Namely, it's the vocation of temple prostitute and esteemed priestess of the Goddess Ishtar.

Unfortunately, Jack, my gender-neutral name seems to have misled you. I am a male and therefore unable to aspire to priestess-hood. However, I am an advocate for goddess worship, and support it whenever I can, so I suppose you're not terribly far from the mark there.

So as you answer your question, "how does it feel to be a soul-deficient, locally-sponsored, advocate of the Goddess Ishtar?"

It feels pretty goddamn good, Jack. It feels so good that you can stop by GottaHavaJava for your free gift certificate. Tell the elves I said hello.

Since GottaHavaJava is locally-owned and preternaturally cool, it'll be open special late hours all this weekend in honor of Jazzfest's non-stop 60 hours of Jazz. So if you want some non-corporate free-trade bean juice to keep you going late into the night, stop by 301 Division street as late as 10:00 PM. (It's right across the street from Family Video for the address-challenged among you.)

Somebody better send me a college survival question for next week at proth@u w s e c.edu or I might spend the whole next column shilling for my sponsor or extolling the virtues of the great goddess Ishtar! C'mon I know you guys have more problems than you can possibly deal with. So ask me already.

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