Wisconsin ACLU wary of PATRIOT Act use

Wisconsin director cites allegations of government abuse of new powers
By John T. Larson
NEWS EDITOR

He set the tone of his lecture by reminding the audience of the horror of 9/11 to mentally take the audience back three years ago, to help make light of the conditions under which the PATRIOT Act, which Ahmuty contends was hastily assembled with little afterthought to the effect it would have on the civil liberties of the American people.

He attempted to describe what the letters in PATRIOT stood for, but gave up stating, "They put more effort into the acronym then they did the actual legislation." He contended that much of the PATRIOT Act was a compilation of ideas that the Justice Department had already proposed but had been rejected by Congress.

"Most of the act was stuff that some Justice Department staffer pulled out of a filing cabinet and stuffed into the legislation. Most of it were requests that Justice had already made to Congress but were defeated."

Now was their chance to see ACLU lecture, page 2

UWSP professor publishes book on militarized culture

As portrayed in Peguero's book, the military dictatorship attempted to use the militarization of the nation and its people as a means to create La Nueva Patria (The New Fatherland), where education and a rule of law feared would extort the people into following a society where the military and the state were fused as a single entity for the purposes of law and order.

As Peguero put it, "It was not unlike this country, where children are taught from a young age about the democratic process. "In the Dominican Republic, children were indoctrinated into this military way of thinking." Peguero said that for this purpose the Trujillo government poured large sums of money into the education system.

Rather than be content with a nation where the population was too impoverished and illiterate to rise up, Trujillo sought to use the school system to bring up generations of citizens that would know no other system of government.

Children attended public schools in uniforms that were very similar to military uniforms, "All of us wore the same khaki-colored military-style to school. The only difference was the girls wore a khaki skirt rather than the slacks worn by the boys."
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boys."

According to the book, all subjects ranging from math and science to foreign languages were taught in this curriculum, and the English language was given special attention as it would make it easier for Trujillo to use the U.S.-made military equipment and training manuals that the government had access to. Trujillo combined this system with a rule of terror that did not allow for any descent. Soldiers were taught that their loyalty was first to Trujillo and everyone else was second. "One person I spoke to said that as part of his training they were told to put Trujillo ahead of everyone else. He was to be first in their minds; even their family had to be second. He started to cry and had to leave; he just could not handle that thought."

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got some of it through."

Ahmuty said that less-invasive legislation was proposed by Rep. James Sensenbrenner (R-WI), the judiciary committee chair on Oct. 24, 2001.

The measure was pulled and Sensenbrenner, according to Ahmuty, was "rolled by the House leadership and the White House" to pass the stronger PATRIOT Act under threats of losing his position as head of that committee. On Oct. 26, 2001 the USA PATRIOT Act was passed by Congress. As Ahmuty put it, "There are 157 sections to the bill, nobody read it of course."

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Kerry can relate to.

"When you think of combat, you think of close hand­gun fighting, seeing your buddies get wounded and killed," said Vance, who served for the Oklahoma Army National Guard for 14 years. "I was a truck driver [in Iraq]. I didn't have to kill anybody or have to be put in a situation where I had to do that. But the guys that are, they're all young people."

Kerry expressed his concern with America's stationed troops during the debate, clearly understanding that America needed help. "You don't send troops to war without the body armor that they need. I've met kids in Ohio, parents in Wisconsin, Iowa, where they're going out on the Internet to get the state-of-the-art body gear to wear to protect their kids," said Kerry. "Some of them got body armor for a birthday present. I think that's wrong."

Bush also expressed his concern for America's troops by relating his experience with Missy Johnson of Charlotte, N.C., who lost her husband in Iraq.

No opposition political parties were allowed to exist in opposition of Trujillo and his military government. "We knew that if any of us spoke out against Trujillo and the government, not only would we as a person suffer, but our entire family could have property confiscated or be killed as well. We knew to watch what we said and he had no respect for human life if anyone spoke out against him."

Peguero said that once students reached high school, they knew that they were being brainwashed by a civic curriculum that was designed in part by the general's wife, but they still knew well enough to stay silent of their opposition to the government.

When asked if they even discussed these thought with one another, Peguero said, "Is that a joke? We knew what would happen if we dared to say anything negative about the government."

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The ACLU is currently involved in a number of cases challenging the legality of the act, including requesting information from the federal government as to whether or not FBI agents have been gathering reader information from libraries. "The cases we are involved in all have a gag order in place, so we cannot even discuss the details of the cases we are seeking information."

Ahmuty said the new surveillance powers of the government have had a chilling effect on the nation's Muslim community. "Many of them are afraid to attend mosque or donate to charities, a pillar of their religion, out of fear of winding up on some list like Cat Stevens."

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"I told her after we prayed and tear ed up and laughed some that I thought her husband's sacrifice was noble and worthy, because I understand the stakes of this war on terror. I understand that we must find al Qaeda wherever they hide."

But Kerry wasn't convinced. "It is vital for us not to confuse the war, ever, with the warriors. That happened before," he said. "I don't know if he sees what's really happened out there."

Students who saw Thursday's debate agreed that Kerry was the stronger speaker. "George Bush kind of appeared nervous," said Julie Milliren, a fourth-year forestry major. "Whereas Kerry was very concrete in what he was saying." Milliren, who plans to vote Democratic in November, wants Bush out of the White House. "I think this one went in the favor of Kerry by far," said Robert Forseth, SGA senator for the College of Letters and Science. "He seemed to put Bush on the defensive and you could just hear it in Bush's voice at the end; he had long pauses and started to stutter at times."
The Pointer interview with Lewis Black - Part two

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This interview was conducted by A.M. Mella, in The Pointer headquarters offering our high-tech speaker phone and a three-diskette tape recorder. This is a word-for-word account of that interview, presented in two parts. The first part was printed in the Sept. 30 issue.

A: I was watching one of your DVDs at my dad's place, and his dad brought up how much he liked that you're something about a horse.

L: "If it weren't for my horse, I wouldn't have spent that year in college."

A: That's probably one of the funniest things I've ever heard. What's the most stupefying thing you've heard in the last year?

L: Well, it's tough, because Bush said a lot of stuff that's called reasoning.

A: How do you write comedy?

L: I was watching one of the funniest things I've ever heard about a horse.

A: It's ridiculous what they're allowing to happen to education...

I have not found the tools to pull that off. And I love what I'm doing.

A: Moving along, where is your child? Is she into stand-up; it's really just comedy.

L: The Reilly show, it's beyond belief; it's just amazing.

A: I read you were nervous on stage for 12 years, is that weird, looking back?

L: I'm kind of amazed that it took that long.

A: Do you speak any other languages?

L: I spoke Spanish, until my brain...

A: They just raised their tuition again, what do you think about the state of higher education, and what goes into it?

L: I think that the highest priority in this country needs to be education, and it hasn't been for 25 years. It's ridiculous what they're allowing to happen to education; they don't put focus into money or education now. The elementary schools used to be $1 billion, then the high schools, and now the higher education. It's got to be funded to the tits, and available to everybody, and the more you do that, the better off we are, and it certainly showed in my generation, which is the last generation to learn during a time when education was considered to be important. And you can see it in how far my generation was able to go with it. And as such as we are as leaders, what we accomplished with the economy was pretty amazing, but that doesn't help now. When you have high school parents having to pay for goddamn football uniforms, cut me a break. That's ridiculous. Then you have idiots saying, "I don't have kids so I shouldn't have to pay property taxes to pay for education."

A: I was watching one of your DVDs at my dad's place, and his dad brought up how much he liked that you're...
I’m a veteran, a hunter, a retired college professor, and a grandparent, and I have come to loathe George Bush and his agenda. I’ve been watching politics rather closely for over forty years and, in my opinion, there has never been a more dangerous administration than this one. For some time I foolishly believed that Bush was actually a decent person who was being duped by his handlers, but it is now clear to me that he is neither decent, nor a dupe.

In fact, he is a shameless huckster who operates from the very core of the neo-conservative conspiracy that is promoting plutocracy at home and in the empire abroad. These greed-based policies are undermining our democracy and poisoning our children’s future. To see how sinister this administration is, just take a look at all the insiders who have jumped ship and written books trying to warn us of the dangers.

Paul O’Neill, Richard Clarke, Joseph Wilson, Kevin Phillips, John Dean and David Brock. All of these authors worked for, or supported Republican presidents in the past, but are now speaking against this president.

Hopefully, enough moderate Republicans and Independents will hear the truth before the election.

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VETERAN FED UP WITH BUSH’S POLICIES

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The gloriousness of Taco Club

By A.M. Mella
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I don’t have to name names, but people have been starting clubs for thousands of years. Clubs are a great way to get together and meet people – life-long friends, lovers and mentors. Most clubs hook you with dazzling benefits and shiny things, only to drop the bomb. You have to do something in return. Maybe it’s that twice-a-week practice for the Galloping Club, or working the bake-sale stand for the League of Middle-Named Garyties or paying your monthly dues to the Hot-Air Balloon Union. Either way, clubs always have a catch.

Until now.

Last year around this time I got to thinking about this whole club and organization problem. Why can’t people have something in common, and just leave it at that? – A warm understanding between acquaintances.

So I started Taco Club. Oh, it’s a club alright, but I won’t ask anything of a member except to believe in it. Taco Club has two rules. You must like tacos, and you must like fun. Tacos and fun – it’s really that simple.

Diving further into rule one, there is no limit on what a taco is. I’ve heard that people in the jungle eat a sort of fish taco, and that’s cool. And if you hold a sandwich just right, and think about The Great Taco, then that’s probably a taco too. Some folks don’t enjoy the old Taco Bell, but as Lewis Black says, “I’ll eat it if I’m drunk enough.” Personally, I eat Taco Bell for at least 60 percent of my meals, and that’s not an exaggeration. You can ask anyone who knows me. Using your imagination, I’ll bet half the stuff you eat could be re-classified as a taco, if you really think about it.

Just what is a taco? Well, if you wrap food inside a type of bread or dough product, I think that counts. You see, in Taco Club, the term “taco” is used loosely. Like loose bird meat falling from a soft, steamy, warm tortilla shell, loosely.

And on that second rule, yes, all you have to do is have fun. For clarification here, I’ll give some examples of what is fun to me. Bowling, building shelves, fishing, boooze ball, camping and shark rodeo. So, as long as I eat a taco once in a while and play a round of bocce, I’m in good standing as a member.

But here’s the best part: Your good standing in the club is entirely up to you, because unlike most stupid clubs, we have no medals or mandatory meetings or officers. You see, if the club really takes off, and the whole world starts eating more tacos and having more fun, then success is ensured.

Success and happiness.

So how do you get into Taco Club, you ask? It’s so very simple, a mongoose could join (and we do have several mongooses).

There are no forms to fill out. You don’t need a secret password. Forget an ID card and handshakes and electronic mail. All you have to do is say, “I’m in Taco Club.” Then, let the fun and tacos start pouring into your soul.

The ultimate goal for any Taco Club member is to reach the Nirvana-like-state of Tacosis.

Only after years and years of reckless taco and fun-hinging, does one become Tacosis. In this state, the world becomes clearer, and salsa flows from your veins and feet. Tacos and fun replace all the pain that life brings.

Taco Club is already sweeping the nation, or so I’ve heard. We have a couple hundred members in the central Wisconsin region alone, plus a Western Division, located in Greeley, Col. Lewis Black even agreed to spread the word on the east coast (check out the interview). If we keep it up at this pace, there may be fun and tacos covering the entire universe by 2024.

I’m sure you’ll like it once you start living the Taco Club life, and as a result, you might want to tell your friends. And that’s cool too, because the only thing more fun than eating a taco and having fun, is knowing that other people are eating tacos and having fun too. That’s the Taco Club way. That is the true path to Tacosis.
You're College Survival Guide: Scars upon Thars

By Pat Rothfuss

With help from: GAMES PEOPLE PLAY.

The Fix it Up Chappie.

Pat,

I've got a question for you. My friend thinks I'm crazy for writing to you about something serious, but I've noticed over the years that there's some surprisingly good advice hidden in all your funny bullshit. Anyway, here goes nothing. Don't let me down.

Recently, I met a cool guy and it's getting to the point where nakedness is going to start happening. That's not the problem, I'm ready for some nude time with this guy. Very tricky. The problem is, I've got scars. About a dozen across my arms and legs. Don't ask how I got them. It's a long story.

I'm not horrible to look at. I'm young, athletic, and pretty... with scars. But even if he doesn't get weird when he sees them, he's bound to ask me where they came from. I've told people the truth, they've been less than cool about it.

I've gotten used to keeping them covered up. (Thank god we live in Wisconsin, where we pretty much have to wear pants and long sleeves eight months out of the year.) But lately I find myself wishing I could wear a skirt or a t-shirt without scars. About a dozen across my arms and legs, eight months out of the year. (But recently I've been thinking I might just want to wear a skirt.)

Advice. The remaining good advice hidden with all the bullshit.的 technical breakdown consists of puns, grammatical errors, bad Latin, clown sex, and fresh cilantro.

Ralph Nader from registering as a presidential candidate in Wisconsin. 50% Good Advice. 20% Bullshit. 20% Megalomania. 10% Rage. 8% False Humility. 7% Pimping for my sponsor: Games People Play. 3% Good Advice.

The remaining 2 percent usually consists of puns, grammatical errors, bad Latin, clown sex, and fresh cilantro.

It seems you've really got two different questions here. "How do I successfully get naked with this guy?" And "How can I deal with people being nosy assholes?" Let's deal with the last one first, shall we?

Truth is, everyone has a few things they've done in the past that are embarrassing, highly personal, or just plain hard to explain. Usually, those close skeletons are only revealed to family and close friends. However, when these experiences leave scars, people ask about them while you're trying to make small-talk, not realizing that what they're actually doing is prying into your personal business.

Believe it or not, you've come to the right guy for scar advice. I've got a few notable ones myself. Back when they were new, people asked about them, and being an honest young fella by nature, I told them the truth. Trouble was, the truth freaked them out. You see, they didn't want to hear my dark personal secrets, they were just trying (and failing) to make polite conversation.

So here's how I deal with the "The Question."

Plan A: The polite brush-off.

Generally, when someone asks me, "Dude, what happened to your arm?" I know they don't mean any harm. So I don't like to respond with a rude brush-off like, "None of your damn business, assahat." Instead, I say something like: "It's a long story. I'll tell you sometime if you've really interested."

Now anyone who's socially retarded can recognize this for what it is: a polite brush-off. A gentle hint that you've put one foot into conversational quick-sand. Anyone with a little common sense knows to back off the subject at this point.

Unfortunately, statistics show that 50 percent of the people in America today are of below average intelligence. That means a lot of people just won't get the hint. Hence the need for...

Plan B: Lie Lie Lie.

Lying gets a bad rap these days. But really, lies are the all-important grease that keeps society's wheels turning smoothly. Think about it. When the girl behind the counter at the coffee shop asks you, "How's your day?" you don't tell the truth. You don't say, "I'm worried because I just peed blood in your bathroom." Or "I woke up this morning naked in a cornfield with a sock monkey jammed up my ass."

That's personal stuff. They don't want to hear it, and, generally speaking, you don't want to share it with a stranger.

So when someone asks you, "How's your day?" you say, "Fine." Maybe it's not completely true, but that doesn't matter. You're not having a heart-to-heart. You're making social noise, like birds whistling back and forth to each other.

The same holds true if you're having a conversation with someone who accidentally touches on a subject you don't want to talk about: your scars, recent divorce, pregnancy, alien abduction, or shame to Alyson Hannigan, Sweet, sweet, Alyson Hannigan.

Now unless you're an accomplished bullshitter like myself, I recommend that you pick your lie ahead of time. You can go with the "classic" lie. Something realistic that you're hoping they'll believe.

These could include: "I was in a car wreck."
"I jumped through a sliding glass door." "I was run over by a tresher." That sort of thing.

Problem is, plausible lies sound like cool stories, which can lead people to ask you more questions, which means you might be forced to admit additional lies, which generally never goes well. Also, straight-up lying to folks can lead to lost friends, hurt feelings, and war in Iraq. Nobody wants that.

That's why I prefer the more outra-

Democratic process gone wild

What has happened to the democratic process in Wisconsin?

I could hardly believe my ears yesterday on two counts:

#1 - Wisconsin Public Radio aired a discussion on efforts to stop Ralph Nader from registering as a presidential candidate in Wisconsin. A goodly amount of dollars, legal expertise, and time has been spent. Shouldn't candidates with a message to the citizens of this country be available for the people to vote on their message?

#2 - The concerted attacks on the political process have been growing. I participated in a conference call last night, covering 27 counties in the state, and the chair estimated that 47 percent of the large Bush signs in the state have been smashed, damaged or stolen. Locally in Portage County, we have had 82 percent of our campaign signs damaged, stolen, or dumped in some sort of roadside ditch. A volunteer's car hood scratched so badly that it had to be repainted, people slamming our campaign headquarters' door and receiving phone calls between one and five in the morning.

These tactics do not bode well for the future of our freedoms in the USA. The freedoms that so many of our veterans fought and died for.

We hope that in the remaining days leading up to the election, that decent people will be on the alert and report the persons responsible for these actions to the proper authorities for prosecution.

Ken Shibshiki
Plover, Wis.
A march of spirit brought Point together

By Adam Rodewald

As the week of Homecoming reached its climax, the jazzy sounds of music and cheers pointed the way to a march of pride. It was late morning—10 a.m. to be exact—and the wind blew silently through the crowd, leaving a refreshing chill on their waiting faces. The sky illuminated in sharp contrast to the previous night, when ominous clouds and vicious wind threatened the campus with harsh storms. The community could not have asked for a better day. “It’s Homecoming weather!” exclaimed Tami Schneider of Baldwin Hall.

And just as the rays of light shot through the cloudless sky, the annual homecoming pageant progressed down the street, proclaiming the week’s theme: “Point the Way.” The procession began with the Alumni Marching Band walking down the street in a swinging tune to raise the spirit of the campus. Stevie and Stephanie Pointer, the school’s mascot, trotted behind with a gleeful bounce in every step and a welcoming wave to all who watched.

Greek organizations took advantage of the moment with two of the largest floats. First came the moving stage, featuring a Nitschke Hall float that rocking to the sounds of “Smells Like Greek Spirit.” A second float came a few minutes later, pulled by a semi truck. It portrayed a mock classroom set-up where a huge pink banner cried out, “Today’s assignment: Kick Ass!” Perhaps the highlight of the parade was the numerous residents hall’s floats. “I’m impressed with how much time and effort the halls and organizations put into it,” exclaimed Renee Steive, one of several on-looking students.

Among the most extravagant floats was that of Knutek Hall on which Atlas, the mythological god who holds the world on his shoulders, carried a gigantic globe in the shape of a brain. Surrounding Atlas were numerous dancing trees representing Knutek’s title “The Eco-hall.” Burroughs Hall didn’t have a float, but they came equipped with a creative slogan and some fun costumes. Five residents of the hall dressed up as lions and carried an appropriate ban- ner saying, “Burroughs Pride.” As they marched along, they handed candy to all the kids who would join them in a rear for Stevens Point.

Other participating halls included Yyer, Smith, Baldwin, Thomson, and May Roach. Last but not least, Little Caesar’s Pizza float was the rear, and though his name claims otherwise, Caesar was anything but little! A giant Little Caesar, standing about seven feet tall, waved to the crowd with his smiling mouth agape and his crooked eyes sparkling with glee. Though the crowd quickly dispersed after the parade passed, they were left with a feeling of joy. Many gathered to watch, especially around the HEC, and just as many non-students joined in the fun.

“Here were a lot of little kids, more than I thought there would be,” said Kendi Shadick, parade participant. Jamie Boegh, a senior, came to the parade for the first time in her college career, and was very glad she did. “It was a good showing; a good representation of Pointer spirit!” she said.

A gender discussion

Misconceptions of feminism brought forth

By Alii Himle

“Women are not equal and never sh-.” This is the famous words of Actor Charles Bronson in 1977. Indeed, the notion of female liberation, as it may be termed, has been a long time coming. A great many women venture to say that we have an extensive journey yet before us or that we are dealing with this issue that is often called feminism. These ideas, and countless others, were discussed Tuesday evening through a feminist panel discussion by UWSP professors Karin Fry (Philosophy) and Michelle Brophy-Baermann (political science).

There has been a long history of feminism, but it has been continually linked to the notion of feminism, Prof. Fry noted. One would think that people who fight for gender equality would be admired and, in some sort of mystic way, stand above the masses. However, that idea is anything but real. The truth of the matter is that those who fight for equality—whether racial, social, or cultural—are regarded in negative aspects. The same is true for those that fight for gender equality.

Often times the terms sex and gender become intermixed when we think of what feminism entails. It is crucial that a distinction is made between the two, for it is the gender roles that form the cultural norms and practices associated with being male and female.

As Prof. Fry said, “Often times people get confused and think feminists have a tendency to be sexist. In fact, those that are sexist are anti-feminist.” A misrepresentation exists here, for the basis of feminism stems from discovering new possibilities and/or opportunities for all people. The feminist movement is anything but making cookie-cutter images of the same being; it is rooted in opening up the door to a new concept of meaning in life.

Two central beliefs encompass the meaning of feminism, page 7. While all the members started playing music at an early age, the emotions that seep out of these musicians seem to be the glue that binds them together. “Fueled by hardships, pressures of life and religious trauma,” it is clear that these band mates sing to the soul.

To understand these artists, one must only read the last few lines of “A Heritage of Mystery,” a poem by Quincy C. Carnegie. “Rain from the tree—it covers me in a flood of melancholy, a storm of sadness, thunder clashes in vehement gloom throwing itself against my chest because this is my tree. This is my tree and these are my branches. Those are my spiders and those are my knees, because this is my tree of love.”

Tree of Woe will perform acoustically this Friday night in a concert with headlining Solo Artist Emilia Dahlin. Dahlin is renowned for her huge voice and for songs that fuse together folk, jazz and funk. The 26-year-old singer/songwriter, native of Sweden, started playing guitar while attending Stonehill College in 2000. Her debut album is entitled "The Encore. Admission is free with student I.D. and $3 for the general public."
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pass feminism as Prof. Brophy-Baermann pointed out. The first view is a central belief that gender is an important aspect of human life, and that it deserves attention and study. Secondly, feminists hold true to the notion of continually striving for political, social, and economic equality between the sexes.

In this age of renewed growth and prosperity, it is alarming that only 14 percent of the U.S. Senate is comprised of women, when they make up 50 percent of the population. With that statistic in mind, in addition to a great many others, the call for feminism is increasingly being heard.

Often feminism is constrained in a way that prevents people from truly understanding the goals of the movement. Various types of feminists exist in our society — from ecofeminists who connect society's treatment of the environment, animals, or resources to society's treatment of the environment, animals, or resources to social, and economic class.

"Some people reward feminists and men-hating lesbian women who refuse to shave their armpits," said Prof. Brophy-Baermann. The truth of the matter is that feminists come in all forms. Yes, there are lesbian and even men-hating feminists, but there are also conservative, pro-life feminists. Just as people come in all forms, so do feminists. Often people have this mental image of what a feminist is without truly seeking out what it is that they are fighting for since they cannot get past the false image that they have placed in their mind.

And so, in truly grasping what feminism entails, one must move away from the view they previously held. One must realize that feminists are people too, fighting for a cause that is more than justifiable. Most importantly we must come to learn that being female is not something to either shy away from or be ashamed of. And in the end, we must "come to live in a world where these things that we call feminine are valued," concluded Prof. Brophy-Baermann.
Pointers push Platteville, come up short

By Pamela Waukau
SPORTS REPORTER

The University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point women's volleyball team had what it took in terms of skill, but lacked the confidence needed to pull out a victory against the UW-Platteville Pioneers, Sept. 29 on home territory.

VOLLEYBALL

UW-P is currently the eighth-ranked team in the nation. The Pioneers beat former top-ranked Washington University earlier this year, which demonstrates how good of a team they are.

What started out to be a neck-and-neck match turned out to be a struggle for UW-SP. Only losing by five points in the first two matches and six in the last, the Pointers were able to challenge the Pioneers. In the end, UW-SP lost three games to none.

At the beginning of the match, the Pointers stood poised for whatever Platteville handed out. According to the statistics, UW-SP was not blown out by the Pioneers.

Stahovich had 10 kills to Coffman's 12. Both players led their teams in kills in the contest. Platteville had more overall with 45. UW-SP finished the match with 32.

"We could not effectively run our offense as often as we needed to," Head Coach Stacey White stated. "We started out game three very explosive."

In the third game, the Pointers exploded for a 13-point lead on UW-P. After a time out, Platteville came back and took the third match. "We let them get back in," said White.

Defensively, both teams were even. Lori Martin contributed with 12 defensive digs for the Pointers. Going into the game, the Pointers believed they were ready and could beat a team like UW-P. UW-SP had the potential to win against the Pioneers, yet mentally they needed to believe. That belief will give the Pointers the momentum they need to take into further conference games.

"I think this will be a great lesson," White said.

Pointers encounter first losing streak in six years

By Steve Roelanda
SPORTS EDITOR

This past week proved to be a difficult one for the Pointer women's soccer team, as they lost two games in a row for the first time since 1998. UW-SP's first loss in the past week was also the team's first conference loss of the year, which came last Friday at the hands of the UW-Stout Blue Devils.

After taking a 2-0 lead, the Pointers lost hold of the margin and allowed four straight Blue Devil scores. UW-SP was unable to overcome the deficit and fell to UW-S, 4-2.

WOMEN'S SOCCER

In unfavorable conditions last Friday, the Pointers took the lead in the first half. Kimie Wiep's unassisted goal at the 39:47 mark gave UW-SP a 1-0 lead going into the half. Liz Kidd added an insurance goal early in the second half to put the Pointers in control with a 2-0 lead. The tables then turned and the Blue Devils took over.

UW-S's Kelly Stolarczyk put the Blue Devils on the board less than five minutes after UW-SP's second goal making the tally 2-1. The score stayed that way for about 18 minutes, until the Blue Devil offense took to task. At the 70:50 mark, Shannon Hennes got the ball rolling for UW-S, scoring the game-tying goal, her sixth of the year. The Blue Devil proceeded to add two more scores in the next eight minutes to take the lead and seal the deal. Blue Devil Al Smith scored her first career goal at the 74:37 mark. That score proved to be the game winner. Stolarczyk added her second goal of the game at the 77:56 mark to put the nail in the Pointer coffin.

"The most dangerous score in soccer is 2-0," said Pointer Head Coach Sheila Miech. "They (UW-S) got momentum on us. We didn't stay focused and concentrate. It's a downer and we'll learn."

UW-S's four goals in the second half were the most allowed in one half by UW-SP since Sept. 4, 1992. This defeat was only the second conference loss that the Pointers have encountered in WIAC play. UW-SP's all-time WIAC record is 87-2-4.

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The Pointers tried to bounce back on Sunday against longtime rival Wheaton College, who were ranked fourth in the country prior to the contest with UW-SP. The Thunder took no time jumping on top, as they scored on their first two shots of the match.

The Wheaton offense didn't stop there. The Thunder went on to blank the Pointers, taking the match 5-0. UW-SP was out shot in the contest by a margin of 24-6. The Pointers had not allowed that many goals at home since Oct. 16, 1987 in a match up with UW-L. With the decisive victory, Wheaton moved up to the No. 1 ranking in the country on the NSCAA Division III Coaches' Poll.

"You have nothing to lose by playing a team that's ranked," said Coach Miech. "It helps us play at the level we are used to playing."

The Pointers will need to play at their best level because things don't get much easier in the coming week. UW-SP faces nationally-ranked Macalester College in Saint Paul, Minn. on Friday and then tangles with three WIAC opponents in a row, UW-Superior, UW-Whitewater and, finally, UW-Eau Claire next week.

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Pointers roll over and take hit from La Crosse

By Adam Wise
SPORTS EDITOR

One of the most important facets of playing good football is ball control. If teams can hold on to the ball, they keep their defense off the field and thus give themselves a better chance to win the game. The Pointers learned this rule the tough way last Saturday.

FOOTBALL

The Pointers had a very tough home game scheduled for the second time in three weeks Saturday and for the second straight time they came out to play uninspired and lackadaisical in the 35-14 defeat. The loss, which came at the hands of the third-ranked University of Wisconsin-La Crosse team - who improved their record to 2-1 with the victory - saw the Pointers commit seven turnovers (4 INTs, 3 fumbles) on offense and many missed tackles and poor coverage on defense.

The secondary was exposed once again by a very capable and fairly accurate quarterback. Steve Tennes completed 19 of 31 passes for 322 yards while also throwing two touchdowns. UW-L established themselves right off the bat on their first possession when Ben Dorsey took a pass from Tennes for 56 yards scoring on the seventh play of the game.

The Pointers got a spark from Kurt Kielblock on the ensuing kickoff when the senior returned the kick 46 yards to mid-field.

UW-SP quarterback Brett Borchart, given the short field, engineered the team down to the 13-yard line. On second down Borchart completed a pass to Kielblock inside the five yard line then fumbled the ball and UW-L recovered at the 3-yard line.

The lone turnover from UW-L came on their first possession of the second quarter on a fumble from running back Matt Pagel forced by Joe Parks and recovered by Steve Garvoille. The momentum that suddenly shifted to the Pointers, shifted just as quickly back to UW-L on the next play when Borchart threw one of his four interceptions of the game.

UW-SP's lone touchdown of the game came on their last possession of the second quarter.

The drive was set up by another impressive Pointer kickoff return from Kasey Morgan for 44 yards up to midfield.

After runs of 16 and 26 yards from the legs of Dustin Robinson and Borchart, the quarterback ran a QB draw up the middle from the two-yard line to bring UW-SP within two points.

The Pointers attempted a successful two point conversion when Borchart hooked up with Tony Romano on a short crossing route. That was the last time they would score.

UW-L scored on two of their first three possessions of the second half which made the rest of the game a clear uphill battle for the Pointers.

UW-SP had two punts, two fumbles, two interceptions, and two possessions ending on fourth down to close out the game.

The loss, which dropped the Pointers in the polls from nine to 15, is the second in a row at home and it won't get any easier as they go on the road to face 18th ranked University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire this weekend and the University of Wisconsin-Stout the following week.

The next home game is scheduled for Oct. 23 against the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh.

Pointers to host WIAC tournament

By Matthew Inda
SPORTS REPORTER

The final regular season tournament wrapped up this past weekend with the Oshkosh Invitational at the Whispering Springs Golf Club.

WOMEN'S GOLF

At the brink and windy event, the Pointers gave a good effort but came up short, finishing seventh out of eight teams. Although the team had a 14-stroke improvement on day two, the Pointers tallied their second highest opening day score with a 383 - the highest was at Knoxville with 386 - to give them a 752 for the two-day event.

With another strong performance, sophomore Susie Lewis finished ninth among all golfers with an 84-86-170, which gives her four top-10 finishes in six tournaments this year.

Senior Mosher finished second on the team with a 95-94-189. Katie Kautz was right behind her with a 99-93-192. Courtney Timblin improved her day one score by 10 strokes on day two for a total of 106-96-202. Alessia Nordahl scored a 105-98-203 in her third tournament of the year. Jenna Saari added a 110-104-214 in her weekend of play.

“Our players hung in there and played hard all the way through,” Coach Battaglia said.

The Pointers are hosting this year's WIAC women's golf conference championship. Last year, the team finished fourth and the Pointers are optimistic heading into this weekend.

“We feel like we have a huge advantage over the other teams in our conference coming into the last week. We know the course, whereas many of the other teams have not taken the opportunity over the past years to get familiar with the Country Club,” said junior Courtney Timblin.

“It is very possible that everyone on the team could put all the pieces together at our last meet of the season to post some really good scores.”

“This year's team has been so dedicated and hardworking. No one gave up after a bad round, they always had a positive attitude,” Junior Genna Saari stated. “I really want us to show what we can really do.”

The WIAC Golf Championship will be held at the Stevens Point Country Club Oct. 9-10.
Our View From the Cheap Seats

If it's in the game, it's in my system

By Steve Roeland
Sports Editor

After I completed another season of college football in NCAA Football 2005, I turned off the system, felt pride because I had won the Liberty Bowl with UW-SP - whom I created in the game and placed my favorite I was born and placed the game back

Ten out of the 23 games that I own are those made by Electronic Arts (EA) Sports, a division of EA Games. As many sports gamers know, EA Sports is responsible for the NCAA game I was playing, the Madden NFL series, Tiger Woods PGA Tour series, as well as games for the NBA, MLB, and NHL, FIFA soccer, NASCAR, college basketball, boxing and Formula 1 racing. Needless to say, EA Sports appeals to a very broad audience.

The effect of gaming in sports is also very pertinent in the public eye, as Sportscenter on ESPN recently did a five-part series on the impact of gaming in the sports world. In that series, many athletes admitted that they use videogames to train or prepare for their on-field performances.

I feel that sports videogames do replicate the sports they portray, now more than ever. Every year, I purchase new EA Sports games and shake my head in awe of the many "real-life" features that the games have. For example, NCAA Football 2005 allows a gamer to not only take control of a football program from recruiting to redshirting players, but actually allows you to suspend your players for breaking team rules and failing in academics. You actually feel like you are the orchestrator of a Division I football program. And it's all in the palm of your hand.

The Madden games are the king of realism in sports videogames. The "Owner Mode" lets you control NFL team's players and personnel, finances, stadium upkeep and - my favorite - prices for concessions, parking, tickets and advertising.

From a place that has a perennial winner, you are not likely to care all that much. The NFL isn't even considered among the top four major sports out there (NFL, MLB, NBA, and NASCAR) based on miniscule 2003-04 television ratings.

The problem negotiators will have this fall resides in the topic of revenue sharing, which I am completely against. While I think revenue sharing is a good idea in the bottomless money well that is major league baseball, owners need to contract the NFL to avoid having teams in debt.

Why should the smart owners who spend their money wisely have to give money to profitless blunder organizations such as the Pittsburgh Penguins? The talent is spread too thin in the NFL and contracting four or six teams would be a good idea. I imagine that with football lasting through January and baseball starting in November, I won't miss hockey that much for awhile, but if the lock-out lasts into the spring of next year and I am deprived of watching the Wings make another run at the cup, I'm going to wish I was watching Steve Yzerman, Peter Forsberg, and Martin Brodeur instead of Shaq scoring 30 points a game in the amazingly weak Eastern Conference.

Sports videogames allow gamers to try their best at running a complete professional franchise and gives us armchair quarterbacks a chance to relive the glory days of our previous athletic experiences. We can once again hit fastballs out of the park and hit game-winning three-point shots at the buzzer.

Only this time, we won't have coaches screaming in our ears or have to attend daily practices to get better. Besides, the practice time would run into contract negotiations I have scheduled for the Chicago Cubs on MVP Baseball 2004. We sure have come a long way since Tecmo Super Bowl.

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Sports locked-out, do you care?

By Adam Wise
Sports Editor

I know this is a tough subject to pass as interesting in Wisconsin, but I am going to try anyways.

As a life-long fan of the Detroit Red Wings - I was born in Michigan - I find myself somewhat saddened over the current state of affairs in hockey.

The Collective Bargaining Agreement, a contract signed between the players and the owners on established laws of the league, ended this summer and the inability to come even remotely close on agreeable terms of a new CBA forced the owners to lock out the players.

While there is some semblance of optimism in the league that at least half of the season can be salvaged at this point, teams are preparing for the worst.

It has been only 10 years since the last lock-out and the main sticking points once again revolve around money.

The determination of the owners to force a salary cap on all teams and the unwillingness of the players' union to accept this proposal is, and will be, the focal point of discussions this fall.

It is my opinion that a salary cap will be good for the league. The cap saved the NFL and has helped the NBA in many ways as well.

It's gotten to a point where people don't care that much about hockey. Unless you live in or are

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This is what it's all about
By Joel Borski
OUTDOORS Editor

As I sat, holding on for dear life and reminding myself what an embarrassing way to leave the world this was going to be, I couldn't help but think, "There must be better ways to spend a Friday evening." What had started out as a perfectly innocent, rainy Friday afternoon, unpredictably turned a turn for the worse.

I was 25 feet up a tree this past weekend, in my bow-hunting stand, when a horrific little Sauk County storm suddenly sprung upon me. Trees were literally snapping in half and limbs were falling all around me. I vividly recall the incredible crash of one oak tree as it fell, not 75 yards from where I was positioned. Winds must have reached at least 50 or 60 miles per hour by my estimate, as I later found trees felled across roads and branches and leaves scattered in every yard I drove past. I was at the mercy of Mother Nature and there was absolutely nothing I could do about it.

The storm had smacked in so quietly behind low-lying clouds and a steady drizzle that I had no time to climb down before it reached me, and I certainly wasn't going to try to climb down when I could barely hang on just sitting still. It was the most helpless feeling that I can ever recall experiencing. I maintained a firm grip on my tree until the winds subsided, as a steady rain proceeded to soak me from head to toe. When all was said and done, and I was able to climb down from the tree that night, I stood and looked up at the now still night sky and thought about the fear that had gripped me just a short time earlier and the great feeling of relief I felt when all was over.

In sudden retrospect, I reminded myself of the natural high that the outdoors provides for me and other outdoor enthusiasts like me. Sure, I had just been cycling through premonitions of death, but for tomorrow was going to be the best day of hunting yet.

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When all was said and done, and I was able to climb down from the tree that night, I stood and looked up at the now still night sky and thought about the fear that had gripped me just a short time earlier and how lucky I was to be standing there now. Other than my soaked clothing and dampened pride, I was able to exit the woods with my body in pretty much the same condition it was when I had entered.

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Find “Spooky Fun” for all ages at Hoot and Howl Fest
By Joel Borski
OUTDOORS Editor

For anyone seeking some clean, inexpensive fun this Halloween season, the Central Wisconsin Environmental Station (CWES), a field station of the CNR, may have just what you are looking for.

The annual Hoot and Howl Fest, scheduled for Oct. 22 from 5:30-8:30 p.m., is sure to provide fun and perhaps even some education for college students and children alike as people of all ages are invited to attend.

This year’s theme is “Spooky Services of Scavengers and Slithering Slimies,” and will focus on the "gusty" living of decomposers in nature.

According to Bobbi Kubish, director at CWES, there will be "guided night hikes, ghoulish arts and crafts, ghostly games, "spook"tacular food and drinks, and even a haunted general store."

All attendees are encouraged—but not required—to wear costumes, and event organizers ask that you bring a flashlight for him or herself. Organizers also ask that groups of 10 or more people RSVP at (715) 824-2428.

The Central Wisconsin Environmental Station is located just a short drive away from UWSP at 10186 County Road MM (on Sunset Lake) in Amherst Junction. Admission is $4 for people ages three and up and free for ages three and under. All proceeds will benefit future educational programming at CWES.

This will be a great event to attend, especially for those children, and even young nieces and nephews, brothers and sisters, or any special youngsters you’d like to take along. To be quite honest, it will be for fun even for a group of friends here at UWSP, not to mention it provides you a chance to give this year's Halloween costume a little test run.

For questions or more information contact CWES at (715) 824-2428 or check out their website at www.uwsp.edu/cwes.

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Wild places - Wisconsin's Fox River
Election 2004 - Environmental Issues (Part 2)
By Hilary Bulger
ASSISTANT OUTDOORS EDITOR

The Fox River, which flows through Appleton and Green Bay on its way to Lake Michigan, was literally used as a garbage dump by seven different paper companies which dumped 250,000 pounds of toxic polychlorinated biphenals (PCBs) into it. These cancer-causing toxins flowed into the river as sludge and wastewater from the 1950s to the 1990s. Much of this flowed north with the river to Green Bay and Lake Michigan, but as much as 90,000 pounds remain in the river as muddy sediment.

Fish in the river and its surrounding waters, as well as in Lake Michigan, have tested positive for PCBs. The state has issued warnings to anglers to limit or eliminate their consumption of fish from these areas. Without cleanup, the PCBs will continue to spread their effects for at least 100 years, studies have shown.

Fortunately, after decades of investigation, planning, studies and finger pointing, cleanup began on the Fox two weeks ago. "This is the real deal. We're starting to move mud," said Greg Hill, leader of the contaminated sediment section for the DNR. Preliminary work is being done now, with plans to move into full operation next spring. As soon as it is warm enough, dredging will take place around the clock, six days a week until it gets too cold next fall. Two paper companies, found to be responsible for PCBs, are funding the initial stage of cleanup, expected to cost $60 million dollars.

The Fox is only one of several rivers in Wisconsin threatened by PCBs. Cleanup is currently being done on the Sheboygan River and at Hayton Millpond. Unfortunately cleanup at sites such as these may not occur in the future. The current presidential administration has recommended several policies that would interfere, including cutting funding for the Clean Water Act and reducing fines and penalties for polluting companies.

I leave you with a plea to vote, and a quote from E.O. Wilson's book, The Future of Life. "We need nature and particularly its wilderness strongholds. It is the alien world that gave rise to our species, and the home to which we can safely return. It offers choices our spirit was designed to enjoy."
ARTS & REVIEW

By Anna Jurovic
ARTS AND REVIEW CO-EDITOR

Where could you be entertained all night long by amazing musicians and support a cause you truly believe in? That’s right folks, this is entirely possible—and it happened Tuesday night at the Vote for Change concert in Madison. Every area is all go! Every performer was in tip-top shape and the crowd was more than welcoming to them all. The coolest thing about the whole deal was that you left feeling as if you had something to do with helping to change the condition of our nation.

First on stage was the not-yet-too-popular band My Morning Jacket. Considering the Kohl’s center was only a fourth of the way packed for the first opener, they got a decent audience, which was well-deserved considering they played the crap out of their songs...in a good way of course. I personally have never even heard of My Morning Jacket, but by the end of their set, I was convinced that these guys really knew what they were doing. (My Dad even bought one of their CD’s right there on the spot...not to discourage any of you, he’s cool!) If you like not-too-hard rock music with a twist of neo-rock, check them out.

Next on stage was the band Jurassic 5. This group is one of the best up and coming rap groups out today...and they even have something to say, as opposed to mindless nonsense about guns, gardens and easy “bitches” that we often hear about. My personal favorite moment was included in the song Freedom when they shouted, “$#!% the President!” The message that these guys often rapped about was how important freedom is and how it is being taken away from us all in certain ways. They were encouraging us all to get up, take responsibility, point the finger at ourselves, and make a difference by voting and being involved. I would recommend these guys to anyone.

As the crowd hurried to fill the Kohl’s center, Ben Harper and the Innocent Criminals got on stage and ignited an enormous applause from the audience. Ben did his thing, as usual, but he also seemed more hyped up then I have seen him in a long time. Maybe it was because he really believed in the cause he was supporting, or maybe it was because he was feeling the energy the crowd was giving him, especially when he announced how pro-marijuana he was. This part really bothered me. I understand that Ben Harper and his band have a certain extra-curricular activity that they regularly participate in, and that would be fine to talk about at a concert of his own, but when you are part of the Vote for Change campaign being sponsored by a nation-wide organization like ACT, you have to watch what you say. His main reason in being invited to do this concert was to get the word out to the public that we need a change in our society and instead, he made a small speech about weed and how much he enjoys it, and now all of the right-wingers are going to look at them as just having to defend the fact that they were able to discredit the real reason why everyone was there. I’m just waiting for the first person to say, “What a bunch of pot-smoking hippies. They don’t even count because they only have one thing on their minds.” (Which is untrue, but you know how dumb politics can be—they’ll try anything!) Even though I was mad at Ben for the last few songs, and pretended to not enjoy them, of course I really did because he is an amazing artist with an amazing band and some of the best music that I have ever heard.

Last, but certainly not least, was the moment we all were waiting for. Dat-dat-dat-dah! The Dave Matthews Band! I really don’t know where to start. They were absolutely, positively, without-a-doubt, amazing. This was actually the first time that I had ever seen them live and I now have a new-found respect for them. Each and every one of the musicians in the Dave Matthews Band is extremely talented...especially my favorite, the violin guy-whatever his name might be. Dave even took the time to make a little speech encouraging everyone to get out and vote no matter what side you are for. Although he did mention that he believed we needed a change and added a little known name recognition to help that.

Overall, this concert was definitely worth the trip, the price, and the no-sleep that I got because of it. Not only was the night filled with amazing entertainment, but I also got to support something which I believe is one of the most important causes of our lifetime. For all of you who were there, a pat on the back, and for those of you who missed it, well...too bad for you!

Movie Review: Garden State

Starring Zach Braff, Natalie Portman.
Written and Directed by Zach Braff.

By: A.M. Mella
EDITOR IN CHIEF

The name ‘Garden State’ evokes thoughts of perfectly lush, green rolling hills and sheep and wet air. And such is the paradox of this beautiful movie about life in New Jersey, or more honestly, remembering life in New Jersey.

The state of New Jersey doesn’t often regard itself as a hotbed of art, although this movie, which has wowed both critics and audience members, shows that the Garden State is home to some beautiful things.

The movie opens with Andrew Largeman (Braff) living a life unfulfilled, waiting tables at a Vietnamese restaurant in Los Angeles, and struggling with an acting career that began and ended with one film, whose “original acoustic comedy” got him “rejected by everyone.”

In effect, Largeman is living his life in a numbing haze. A call from his father brings Largeman home to New Jersey for the first time in nine years, sadly, to attend his mother’s funeral. With this journey home, Largeman begins his greater struggle — to mend relationships and awaken. Largeman has been heavily medicated on anti-depressants since childhood, and while confronting the childhood he left behind, he finally is able to see life through a clear lens.

So he stops taking the meds and confronts his psychologist father who prescribed them in the first place. This is the film at its most serious — confrontational and forgiving. What is most stunning, and in turn, beautiful, about this film, is how Braff blends this seriousness with the soft hilarities of returning home.

Soon enough, Largeman uncovers his old WWII-era motorbike, left to him by his grandfather. Scooting around town, he meets old friends, finds a new partner, and falls for the sweetly silly Samantha (Portman), who he meets at a neurological clinic.

Frame by frame, the audience can see a long-lost smile emerging from this character, buried under years of regret and lithium. And while the story might at times dwell in obvious typicality, the superb chemistry between Braff and Portman make it worth hoping for.

On a more important note are the directorial qualities of Braff. This is where the film leaps from pleasant to exceedening loneliness.

Avoiding montages, he brings some great musical artists to the film — Nick Drake, The Shins, Coldplay and even some Simon and Garfunkel. His most effective tool is the color of this film, which sets the mood, drops beautiful hints and reconnects the audience with a person who had been missing for too long.

Garden State is a stunning work worth seeing. If not for the odd, yet touching, screenplay, or the simple grace with which Braff controls each scene, then simply for the range of emotions it touches. It has been some time since I’ve seen a movie that has made me laugh heartily in one moment while breaking my heart in the next. It seems there are gardens where one least expects them.

Lonely Ninjas ready for crowd

By Carmen Speich
ARTS & REVIEW CONTRIBUTOR

Can a Ninja be lonely? And if so, what’s keeping him from friends? If you’re not sure or just plain confused, you might venture to ask John Gerlach or Ryan Gerlach, the duo that originated the “Lonely Ninjas.”

The band’s name, as described by Gerlach is a “long story,” is a name that will “hopefully catch the essence of who we are.”

The musicians, who grew up together and have been friends since childhood, started combining their musical talents and writing songs together last year. Both guitarists went to primary and secondary school together, attended the same church and even college roommates.

Gerlach explains that although this is the “Lonely Ninjas’” first headlining concert, they have indeed performed previously at local venues such as the Brehwasa, “Point Brewed Talent” and even in “dorm rooms for fun.” He adds that they have entered other various talent shows. (Might “Point Star” be among them?)

Bass player Peter Jantz will join the seasoned self-taught musicians, whose “original acoustic comedy” is made up of “songs that will bring sunshine and fun to the audience.”

Opening for the band will be local talent Ben Hacker. Gerlach explains that this is a special treat, since the “Lonely Ninjas” have opened for Hacker in the past. He adds that he hopes for the show to be “bring entertainment, even though we’re not officially called music.” On that note, good luck to all involved.

The “Lonely Ninjas” perform tonight in the Encore at 8 p.m. Tickets free with student I.D.

Calendar of Events

Thursday, October 7: Lonely Ninjas Friday, October 8: Emilia Dahlin featuring Tree of Woe Harry Potter: The Prisoner of Azkaban Saturday, October 9: Lewis Black Festival of India Sunday, October 10: Sherlock’s Last Case Central Wisconsin Symphony Orchestra at Sentry Theater Monday, October 11: UWSP Jazz Ensemble Wednesday, October 13: UWSP Orchestra
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