Martini bar incident stirs up some controversy

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Two University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point students were asked to leave and were then escorted from Nikki’s Martini Bar on the square last Sunday after behaving in a way that the owner said was offending other patrons. But the students believe that they were kicked out of the bar simply because they were gay.

Tim Schertz, owner of Nikki’s and Bruisers Night Club, said that he wasn’t discriminating against the students because of their sexual orientation.

“These people were not asked to leave because of their sexual orientation, they were asked to leave because of their conduct. Conduct applies to heterosexuals as well as homosexuals,” said Schertz.

Steven Schmidt and Steven Heller, both UW-SP students, had gone to Nikki’s with a group of friends to celebrate a birthday. This was not their first time in the bar. “Nikki’s was my favorite place. We go there every weekend and we have spent lots of money there,” said Schmidt.

Schmidt and Heller, who had been in the bar for two hours, were dancing near the bar when Schertz approached them and asked them to stop, according to Schertz.

“I had no problem with them until they started grabbing each other’s rears and grinding on each other,” said Schertz.

Schertz said some of his customers had come up and complained about the students’ behavior. After Schertz asked Schmidt and Heller to stop their behavior, they told their friends they were leaving and then kissed each other in front of Schertz, according to Brian Cummings, another patron at the bar.

“At that point, we were physically removed from the bar by Tim,” said Schmidt.

Once outside, Schmidt and Heller called the Stevens Point Police. Officers arrived a few minutes later and informed them that there was nothing they could do. Their case was civil, not criminal.

Captain Kevin Ruder of the Stevens Point Police Department said the owner of an establishment has the right to determine who he or she serves.

“It was an incident where people were asked to leave an establishment because their behavior was unacceptable to the owner,” Ruder said. No report was filed.

Schmidt agrees that an owner can refuse service to anyone, but not on the basis of sexual orientation, which he believes was the case.

“Wisconsin Statue 106.52 protects us from that kind of discrimination,” said Schmidt. “I don’t think he would have thrown us out if we were a heterosexual couple.”

Schertz maintains that his policy of no lewd behavior is applied across the board in his establishments regardless of sexual orientation.

The video surveillance of the night showed Schertz escorting Heller and Schmidt out of the bar after they were asked to leave.

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The funding for the project came through Wisconsin’s Percent for Art program, which uses money from the cost of building renovations to fund art projects throughout the state.

This particular piece, which cost around $20,000 to create, was paid for by funding for the on-campus renovations to DeBot and the residence halls in the past few years.

The project has been in the works since 2001, when committees began discussing what type of sculpture would fit well with the UW-SP atmosphere. Several artists submitted proposals for consideration.

“While we wanted something that would reflect both the residence halls and the campus focus on sustainability,” said Cindy Von Gnechten, Residential Living facilities.
The sculpture is approximately 90 percent finished, with just the backs of the chairs still needing to be installed. Cropper is scheduled to return to campus to finish the sculpture next week, weather permitting.

The Percent for Art Program has provided several other pieces of art in various locations on the UW-SP campus, including the Learning Resource Center, outside the Health Enhancement Center and near the College of Natural Resources.

THEFT
Neale Hall
November 9, 2006 1:23 p.m.
A locked-up bike was stolen from the north bike rack in front of Neale Hall.

DAMAGE
Parking Lot Q
November 9, 2006 3:59 p.m.
Individual reported that his vehicle was broken into while parked in Lot Q.

THEFT
Debalt
November 13, 2006 1:44 p.m.
Employees at the Convenience Store in Debalt called for assistance after finding someone taking items from the store.

THEFT
Pray-Sims Hall
November 13, 2006 11:25 p.m.
A report that a laptop was stolen from the computer lab in Pray-Sims.

UW-SP announces changes in billing
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Two weeks ago, University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point students woke up all over campus, logged onto their email and deleted that annoying Student Message of the Day. Little did they know that the start of a huge change in campus policy had been first announced in this way. Soon there were messages on myPoint and even letters in the mail to students announcing a sudden change in billing.

On December 5, the new policy will come into effect. Students paying their UW-SP student E-bills by credit card will be the ones seeing this huge change. To process MasterCard, Discover, and American Express credit card payments there will be a fee of 2.5 percent of the payment amount. The other major change is that they will no longer accept Visa cards.

This is all being done to cut costs on campus, since credit card fees cost hundreds of thousands of dollars for UW-SP annually. The university has contracted with Official Payments Corp. to process the credit card transactions. This company, according to its website, is “the leading provider of reliable, secure electronic payment options to government and other entities.”

The burns for UW-SP's Terri Chang, responded to many questions about the new credit card policy.

Many students were surprised at what they felt was a decision made without any input from them.

“The Budget Review and Advisory committee discussed this topic at their meeting on February 27, 2006,” said Chang. “Two students served on the committee.”

“The consensus was that the credit card issue should be resolved outside of charging students a segregated fee and it was recommended that a ‘convenience fee’ approach be used so those using that method would be paying for it.”

Some students were very angered with the sudden change in the online billing policy. There are still other options for those students who only used Visa or that do not want a convenience fee. You can still pay your UW-SP student E-bill online by E-Check, by mailing a check or money order to the UW-SP Bursar’s Office, or in person by check, cash, or money order.

Still thinking of yelling at the administration about your Visa not being accepted any more?

“We did want to have Visa as an option, but Visa requires a flat fee,” said Chang. “In order to cover the expense to process all credit card transactions, the flat fee for low dollar payments would have been excessive. Thus, in order to continue to offer credit cards as a payment option, the percentage fee, which is allowed on MasterCard, Discover and American Express, was chosen.”

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French club gets a taste of the exotic

Jennifer White
POINTER REPORTER

The University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point French Club recently ventured into the cold November night to Waupaca's Chez Marche to experience French cuisine. The group had been looking for a taste of francophone culture in Central Wisconsin and they finally found it.

Located in the heart of Waupaca's downtown, Chez Marche offers a variety of French menu items such as roast duck, sausage en croute, and spinach souffle. In addition to its French cuisine, the menu has an international flair, offering tomato curry soup and a black bean mushroom quesadilla, just to name a few options.

Needless to say, the members of the French Club had a hard time deciding what to order. Despite the variety of foods, no one made a poor decision. Everything that hit the table, from the French bread to the curry soups to the ravioli, gave the impression that it had been carefully prepared with fresh ingredients. "Like in France, we had to wait a while for the meals," says Justin Timmers, French Club secretary, "but it was worth it. Our meal was far from the mass produced food of a typical American restaurant."

One of the restaurant's most interesting qualities is that most of their menu options are local or organic. When asked why she goes to Waupaca's Chez Marche, Jennifer White, a sophomore, said, "I have a moral imperative to try to use as little resources as possible. It's only sensible to be thrifty with the world's air, water, and monetary wealth."

The current system of shipping food from industrial farms to super-distribution centers to large chain outlets is simply not efficient. While organic and local products do make for higher prices and more work for Miller, it definitely makes for better taste. I had cooked carrots with my meal. Sounds boring, but they may well have been the best carrots I'd ever eaten. Miller agrees that with fresh foods, "you don't have to do anything. No fancy reductions or sauces are needed."

Chez Marche also opens its doors to musicians and local politicians. This Saturday the restaurant will host a speaker from Veterans for Peace. The event will include music and Middle Eastern food. Perhaps what is even more exciting is that in January, Miller will begin serving Sunday brunches. If only we had bigger stomachs!
Thankful for family, friends, Jolt soda and "Dinosaurs"

Steve Apsel
PointUW Reporter

Here I am, once again, powered by a combination of turkey and caffeine. I'm not sure if I'm tired or wired! Either way, I am, like all of you, reaching that point of November where I am reminded over and over that I should be thankful for something or another. So, I've thought about it and here are my top five things to be thankful for this year.

1. My Girlfriend
Believe it or not, readers, but I do have a girlfriend! In fact, I've had the same one for the past 10 and a half months. Her name is Heather, and she is simply terrific. She lives in Eagle Point, Wis. which is so small you'll never find it on a map. It does take me two and a half hours to drive there from campus though. I love her so much that she is worth every second of the drive and every penny of gas money. We're even one of those couples with cutey nicknames for each other; I call her Pixie, and she calls me Slug (inside joke). She's funny, smart, beautiful... I could go on and on! So, honey, I know you're reading this, I love you!

2. Caffeine
A college student with a schedule like mine doesn't sleep much. I have a job, a long distance relationship (see No. 1), an on-and-off rock band, and homework. Sleep generally takes a backseat on my priority list, as it does with many students. This is why caffeine is the legal drug of choice for busy people the world over. Stopping short of becoming a real speed freak and maintaining the stuff, I prefer taking it in copious amounts through various sources. My favorites have to be the line of Jolt sodas and the Jolt caffeinated gum, along with Rock Star Juiced energy drinks, but only the Juiced variety. I found it's the only energy drink that doesn't taste absolutely awful. A word of advice, though: readers, don't let your empty Rock Star cans build up. They really start to stink after a few days.

3. Stand-Up Comedy Albums
Every few months or so, I become re-obsessed with stand up comedy. I'll hear a joke by some funny person or another and I'm stuck. I am currently in one such phase; I blame Mitch Hedberg. My friend played me one of Hedberg's albums, and he has been my comedian of choice since. Previous favorite jokesters include George Carlin, Richard Belzer, and Greg Hahn. Adding to the prestige of my obsession, I have albums by Bill Cosby, Woody Allen, Steve Martin, and Robin Williams on vinyl. If you can track down a copy of Williams' "Reality... What a Concept," snatch it up! Consider it a health measure, as the excessive laughing will help you burn off those holiday calories.

4. Pro-Football
I don't know how or why it happened, but midway through the 2005 season, I became a certifiable football nut. Suddenly I was keeping tabs on players, reading every pre-game and post-game column I could find, and my Sunday afternoons were booked through late January. The off-season only worsened my condition. I now run two fantasy football teams and bet weekly on the entire schedule against my little brother and my girlfriend, along with my previous efforts. Mind you, my interest only goes as far as professional football; I have no interest in high school or college sports nor in actually playing football. And in case any of you were wondering, my picks for this year's Super Bowl are the Chicago Bears and the San Diego Chargers. Don't hold me to that though, it's only worth the attention.

5. TV on DVD
Does anyone else remember the lack of DVD on "ABC!" The Friday night lineup of shows from 7-9 p.m. that included at various times, "Full House," "Family Matters," "Boy Meets World," "Step By Step," "Dinosaurs," and "Hangin' with Mr. Cooper." You weren't cool unless you did a Steve Urkel impression and yelled "Not the mall!" in the most obnoxious voice possible. As time wore on, however, each of these shows went to that great channel in the sky, and my lack of cable television kept me from seeing them for years. Now, thanks to the magic of repackaging, I can enjoy all of my old favorites once again, whenever I want. It's also a great conversation starter to say that you spent the night before watching the first season of "ALE." It doesn't get much cooler than that.

I am also thankful for the usual-friends, family and all of that, but I figure you'll read enough of that through the next week and a half. This list may help you cool your relative, younger and older. Happy Thanksgiving everyone, and remember, it's not just the turkey that makes you sleepy, it's how much of it you eat.

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PointUW Reporter

Student organization: Student Wisconsin Education Association (StWEA)

Valerie Custer
PointUW Reporter

This week's featured student organization is the Student Wisconsin Education Association, an organization for future teachers. The group has meetings once a month to discuss different topics such as PI-34. Also included in the meetings are teacher panels. StWEA is a helpful organization not only for professional development, but also for personal development. This organization invites high school students into future teachers such as networking with future colleagues, future classroom success, and for educational policies, community involvement and public education.

For the first meeting of the year, members of StWEA jammied 80 students into the CPS Cafe for an ice cream social. In October, members of the organization attended the Fall Professional Development Seminar. Included in the seminar were keynote speakers, development seminars and great food at the Holiday Inn in Stevens Point. After this weekend, University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point future teachers felt invigorated and inspired, with the feeling of excitement to take what was just presented and learned into the classroom. For those who were unaware or unable to attend, don't worry, there will be another seminar in the spring.

Also, there are great ways to get involved with StWEA such as becoming a board member, or joining our great committees such as the Schrappe committee, public relations committee, fund-raising and activity committee.

Some of the upcoming events are:
- American Education Week- November 12-18
- Decorating the Portage County Nursing Home on December 7 at 6 p.m. (*A bonus, there will be pizza and soda provided*)
- "Holiday Basket Drive through December"
- "The Next Meeting is December 13 at 5:15 in the CPS 233. (Referrals will be also served.)"

If you would like more information about the Student Wisconsin Education Association, please visit the website: www.uwsp.edu/education/stwea
World meets in Nairobi to discuss global warming

Jeff Peters  
SCIENCE, HEALTH & TECH. REPORTER

The United Nations Climate Change Conference in Nairobi began with a bleak warning – president of the conference, Kenyan Environment Minister Kivutha Kibwana, called global warming "one of the most serious threats humanity may ever face.

The two-week long conference, which ends November 17, leaves many wondering about a future world that seems destined to grow hotter over the next century.

According to the World Meteorological Organization, carbon dioxide concentration in the atmosphere rose a half a percent in 2005, setting a new record to grow hotter over the next century.

On the eve of the conference, held for the first time in sub-Saharan Africa, the UN released a report detailing the future affects of rising temperatures on the region that many consider most vulnerable to damage from climate change.

As the average surface temperature in Africa rises an estimated two to six degrees Celsius by 2100, crop yields will begin to fall, the report concluded, and the number of people under threat from coastal flooding will rise from 1990's estimate of one million to 70 million in 2085.

The United States, one of 192 countries to sign the UN treaty on climate change in 1992, faces harsh criticism from Europe and Japan for refusing to adopt the Kyoto Protocol, an addendum to the treaty that imposes mandatory limits on developing countries. Developing countries like China and India aren't required to meet those limits, and the U.S. has argued that industrialized nations should be put in an economic stranglehold by being held to those limits.

Tighter restrictions for industrialized nations may be hard to achieve if the U.S. doesn't agree to come along, said UN officials.

The national will is behind the movement, but the government isn't listening, said Justin Timmers, Environment and Sustainability Director for the Student Government Association at University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point.

"If the American people were going to choose if we were going to sign onto Kyoto or not, it'd be a no-brainer. We'd be there in five seconds, because the majority of people anyways, realize enough what climate change is going to do to us," said Timmers. "We've seen already a year ago [in Hurricane Katrina] what it's going to do. If we had the choice, we'd be there. We're willing enough to weather the economic drawbacks."

With Democrats taking control of Congress and talk of a new energy policy from the party's leaders, environmental groups see hope for change on the horizon.

Republican James Inhofe of Oklahoma, chairman of the Senate Environmental Public Works Committee, is set to be replaced by Barbara Boxer, a Democrat from California.

Inhofe has called global warming "the greatest hoax perpetrated on the American people" and has blocked bills in the past seeking to cut greenhouse gases. Boxer promised a major policy shift November 9 and global warming and air quality once she becomes chairwoman.

Even though the government hasn't signed the Kyoto Protocol and likely won't participate in any new mandates that may come out of UN talks like the one in Nairobi, individuals and smaller governments are stepping up.

"It's turning out that a lot of businesses in the U.S. are kind of just saying, 'Okay, we're just going to go over the government's head and do this ourselves,'" said Timmers. "It's fantastic, but it'd be better if the government would sign on and force the hand of all the companies that aren't doing it on their own."

see Global Warming, pg. 6

What's happening at the Allen Center for Health and Wellness

Chelsey Ross

Attention Cardio Center members! Want to get that extra boost in your weightlifting workout? Try the X-FIT program at the Cardio Center! Led by our nationally-certified personal trainers, participants can rotate through a variety of FreeMotion weight-training equipment in 30-45 minutes time.

Classes begin at 12 p.m. every Monday-Thursday. Members don't have to sign up in advance, but only the first six participants will be accepted each day. For more information, stop by the Cardio Center front desk or email cardiopt@uwsp.edu.

Haven't signed up for a Cardio Center membership yet? Sign up now and get a reduced rate for the rest of the academic year! Visit www.go2allen.com for more information!

Looking to get outside during Thanksgiving break? Join Outdoor EdVentures on a Superior Hiking Trail trek through Tettegouche State Park in Minnesota on November 22-26. The hike will cover some difficult but beautiful stretches of terrain, going up, down, and around hills and bluffs, crossing streams, and much more! The cost of the trip is $75. In addition, during the week of Thanksgiving, rent a piece of equipment from Outdoor EdVentures and only pay the 3-day rental price! Stop by OE for more information (002 Lower Allen).
Local governments are taking over where many feel the federal government has failed. The U.S. Mayors Climate Protection Agreement, which 328 mayors representing 53 million citizens have signed, calls for those communities to meet or beat the Kyoto Protocol targets as well as urge state governments and Congress to pass legislation reducing greenhouse gas emissions. Mayors from eleven Wisconsin cities have signed onto the agreement - Ashland, Greenfield, La Crosse, Madison, Milwaukee, New Berlin, Racine, River Falls, Washburn, Wauwatosa, and West Allis.

UW-SP is one of the four schools participating in Governor Doyle's Energy Independence Project, which is set to move the campus to entirely renewable energy within five years and lessen Wisconsin's footprint on global warming.

Matt Guidry, president of the Stevens Point Chapter of WISPIRG, said the group is urging officials to add Stevens Point to that list of Kyoto compliant cities as well. Fighting global warming requires a twofold path of technology and conservation, said Guidry. Technology can help conservation by producing cars that get better gas mileage and homes that use less electricity, but individual people must become aware that they do make a difference.

"There's been solutions forever. It's just that people aren't willing to give up all of these things that we've been raised knowing it's our God given right to have - our huge house and our huge car and our sprawling interstates and all of these things that are inherently bad for the environment. Those are hard things to give up," said Timmers.

"Environmentalism is becoming a huge fad, which is good and bad. It becomes more in the public eye, but it's also apt to the commercialism of it. It creates a lot of empty gestures," said Timmers. "I've actually seen, to date, two Hummers with 'save our environment' bumper stickers."}

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Free showing of two environmental films

**Press Release**

**UNIVERSITY RELATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

The public is invited to attend free screenings of two environmental films hosted by the Global Environmental Management Education Center (GEM) on the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point campus.

On Thursday, November 16, GEM will show "The End of Suburbia: Oil Depletion and the Collapse of the American Dream." The videos will be shown in the College of Natural Resources, Room 120, from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

With Dean North's support, many new leaders were born," says McCarty.

North has served as the College of Professional Studies dean and a professor of education at UW-SP since 1985. Previously she was vice president of the Links Group, a software company, and a dean and senior vice president for administration at Mercyhurst College in Erie, Pa. She earned degrees in English and educational administration at Spring Hill College in Mobile, Ala., and the University of Alabama. She's also attended the Harvard School of Business Institute for Educational Management and served as an American Council on Education Fellow.

Wisconsin Women in Higher Education Leadership is a statewide organization devoted to increasing the number and effectiveness of women in colleges and universities in Wisconsin. Each year it sponsors a fall state conference as well as spring workshops held at five locations around the state. For more information, visit www.wwhel.org.

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**CPS Dean Joan North honored by WWHEL**

**Press Release**

**UNIVERSITY RELATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

Joan North, dean of the College of Professional Studies at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, has won the 2006 Outstanding Achievement Award presented by Wisconsin Women in Higher Education Leadership (WWHEL). The announcement came at the annual WWHEL state conference held October 26-27 at UW-Madison.

"Dr. North has been a superb mentor and role model for women in academia," said Mari McCarty, executive director of the Wisconsin Association of Independent Colleges and Universities and the current WWHEL state president. "She exemplifies the spirit of excellence that WWHEL strives to foster among all involved in higher education in the state."

A founding member of WWHEL, North has supported the advancement of women and minorities in higher education throughout her career. Under her leadership, the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point WWHEL Advisory Board developed recommendations leading to internships through which women could gain the experience and insight necessary to move forward into administration. A series of First Friday Breakfasts offered the opportunity for women to talk informally and share information.

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North will host and moderate a panel discussion on the act of teaching and the role women play in the classroom with traveling critical issues educator and consultant, Darren Doherty, who is in Stevens Point and the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point campus.

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The Pointer men's hockey team finished their season with a win against Bethel.

Friday night's game started with two unanswered goals by Hamline, with Dustin Fulton scoring an unassisted short-handed goal on Pointer goalie Ryan Michel less than a minute into the game. Another goal came from HU at seven minutes in, but it was shortly

followed by the first UW-SP goal of the game scored by Russell Law. With 4:26 left in the period HU's Joe Long scored his second goal on a power play putting HU ahead by two at the end of the first.

The first 10 minutes of the second period saw goals scored by Pointers' Ross Johnson and Sean Fish. Those goals tied up the game at 3-3, but with 1:26 left on the clock HU capitalized on their second power play goal of the game putting them ahead 4-3 going into the final period. At 4:35 and 12:54 in the third period HU scored another pair of unanswered goals that pushed the score to 6-3 with the Pointers still trailing.

With four minutes left in the game, Point's Fish tied the game at 6-6, putting the game into overtime with the Pointers regulation play percentage in the black at 48.1 percent.

Senior Cody Childs also compiled impressive statistics. After finishing off the season with 906 yards and first in the conference in interceptions with 12, Berg also had 108 tackles with 66 solo. The team will start to taper off in the next couple of weeks as we look forward to the next season.

The Pointers now turn their attention to conference relays this weekend at UW-La Crosse. "After all this the cards will be on the table, everyone will know what they have to do," said Boelk.

After conference relays the team will start to taper off in the next couple of weeks as we look forward to the next season. "It's a great accomplishment to finish the season 6-4 and have third place all to ourselves after starting the season 2-4," said Berg. "We could have folded and felt sorry for ourselves, but instead we decided this was a great season and wasn't going to be wasted.
A minute and 18 seconds into the third, Bethel took a shot on a power play and the puck snuck into the dislodged net during a scramble in front of the crease. The referees ruled a no-goal because the net had been knocked out of position, and the score remained 4-2 in favor of UW-SP. With seven-and-a-half minutes left in the game Bethel took advantage of another power play. Pointer goalie Marcus Paulson blocked the first shot but the rebound was knocked into the net by a mid-air swing. UW-SP received five minute checking from behind and ten minute game misconduct penalties, which forced them to kill penalties for the remainder of the game. With 40.8 seconds left in the game Bethel called a timeout and the last of the game was played in UW-SP's zone. Paulson made a save with 6.3 seconds left on the clock and there was a faceoff in the zone. After another whistle and a timekeeping misunderstanding, 1.4 seconds were left on the clock, but the buzzer rang after the last faceoff and UW-SP found themselves celebrating a victory of 4-3 over Bethel.

Pointer goalie Paulson played all sixty minutes of the game and accumulated 41 saves, a career high, bringing his record for 2006-2007 to 3 wins and 0 losses. Bethel goalie Patrick Kiely had 22 saves in the game.

Dan Francis, one of the team's three alternate captains said that, "We want to improve every day, work hard and off the ice, and play as a team."

The Pointers will have their chance to do that this week when they play two Northern Collegiate Hockey Association league games that count toward league standing. Friday the team will travel to take on UW-Stout, and Saturday night the Pointers host UW-River Falls.

"The NCHA is a tough league and there should be some unbelievable games," head coach Joe Baldarotta said. "We've learned some lessons that should translate into good things in the future."

The men's basketball team started their season last week in the Purple/Gold game. The Pointer Invite: a scene of internal grappling

**Wrestling**

**Stephen Kaiser**  
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The University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point wrestling team started its season on Saturday, November 11 in a tournament that was not team scored. The Pointer Invite is a platform for wrestlers to showcase their individual talents early in the season. Schools ranging from Division I to junior colleges from all across the area, 18 in total, came to compete.

There were many great performances across the mat, and the action was intense. But one of the best stories unfolded in the third place match of the gold division 184-pound bracket.

It was teammate against teammate, Pointer against Pointer, in a battle for the bronze between junior Craig Bollis and senior Tyler Wozniak. According to Bollis, the two wrestlers have been fighting for a spot on the active roster ever since he came to UW-SP.

"Wozniak and I have been battling for a spot on the active roster ever since he came to UW-SP."

"Wozniak is a hardworking guy who knows how to win matches," Bollis said. "He's a tough kid to beat."

With two very talented and evenly-matched wrestlers at the 184-pound weight class, Pointer fans would hope that maybe one of them could move down a weight class. However, there is no chance of either of them moving anywhere. The results of their skin-fold tests reveal that there is no healthy weight to lose. The two wrestlers are stuck with each other, for better or worse.

"It's the start of a new year and things begin fresh," Bollis said. "It's going to be tough to get a win against him when we meet up in the future."

"The Pointer Invite: a scene of internal grappling

**Senior on the Spot**

**Nathalie Lechault – Women’s Basketball**

Major: Biology, with a chemistry minor.  
Hometown: Chavannes de Bogis, Switzerland

Do you have any nicknames? Nat, Nathalie

Leigre Françoise Lechault (my full name pronounced the French way) has been turned into a nickname by my teammates.

What are your plans after graduation?  
Medical school (hopefully!)

What has helped you become such an accomplished athlete? A lot of hard work and commitment, good coaching, support from family and friends, awesome teammates, and being taller than most of the girls I play against.

What is your favorite Pointer sports memory?  
Making it to the final four my freshman year.

What’s your most embarrassing moment? I tend to embarrass myself if I first go home in the summer, and my French is a little rusty from speaking it so little all year. For example, I once used the word ‘preservative’ thinking I was saying ‘preservative’, but in French it actually means ‘condom’. The conversation got a little awkward after that.

What CD is in your stereo right now? – The White Stripes

What DVD is currently in your DVD player? – Pride and Prejudice

What will you remember most about UW-SP? – My friends and teammates. Although hopefully I’ll remember a few things from classes as well, otherwise I’ve just wasted a whole lot of money.

What are the three biggest influences in your life? – Family, friends, and at the moment, a couple of medical school admissions committees.
Jennifer E. White
ARTS AND REVIEW REPORTER

Body surfing in Costa Rica.
Searching for aliens in Peru.
Battling surprise snowstorms in the Rocky Mountains. When it comes to adventure, University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point alumna Lisa Greyhill has done and seen it all. In her new and first novel, "Miss Adventures," Greyhill presents readers with a titillating account of all the mishaps that she faces during her very unique trips. She relates her tales in a series of vignettes that leave readers itching for adventures of their own.

Greyhill owns an adventure travel business in Hinsdale, Ill. Through both her travels with the business and on her own, she has found herself in some rather interesting situations. In "Miss Adventures," readers will meet Amazon guides who teach Lisa and her clients the ways of the jungle, where after several days in a makeshift hut a frog looks about as appetizing as we may find a piece of chocolate cake. Readers also meet "the English trust fund baby" nicknamed Princess Pete because, on his camping trip, he can't live without his inflatable queen-size mattress and babe of the month. In another excerpt, Lisa introduces readers to the Mountain Moai, a military group that is more than a little hesitant to allow her through a mountain pass.

"Miss Adventures" allows readers a chance to experience landscapes they may never see in their lifetimes, including Kilimanjaro, Chile and Mongolia. In each place she pushes adventure to the limit. We, as readers, get to experience these adventures without ever having to leave the comforts of our beds.

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"Miss Adventures" is published by UW-SP’s very own student-run Cornerstone Press, also known as English 349. In this class, the students learn about and manage all aspects of the publishing process, including manuscript selection, book design, and marketing. "Miss Adventures," is scheduled to be released after the Thanksgiving recess. It will be available for purchase for $9.95 at local bookstores and directly from Cornerstone Press. For more information, contact Professor Dan Dieterich in the Tutoring and Learning Center.

Snapshots from the travels of Lisa Greyhill.

Association for Community Tasks (ACT)

Currently is taking applications for the Blood Drive Coordinator.

This position would start second semester and has possibilities for extending into the next school year. Application are due on Wednesday November 15 at 4 pm.

For more information see the ACT website @ www.uwsp.edu/stuorg/act/
"Pirates of Penzance" staged at UW-SP

Press Release
UNIVERSITY RELATIONS AND COMMUNICATION

As vivacious as ever, the Department of Theatre and Dance presents Gilbert and Sullivan’s comic opera, "Pirates of Penzance." This production features a cast of UW-SP students under the direction of Professor of Theatre John Kops.

"Pirates of Penzance" tells the story of Frederic (Chris Quigley), an orphan destined to become a pirate by a sense of duty, devote himself to exterminating piracy. Finally arrived at the Rogers Campus Arts Center, the show will open on November 16 and go on to run through November 19.

Tickets are $14 for adults and $12 for students. To purchase tickets, contact the campus Box Office at (715) 346-1400 or online at uwsp.edu/boxoffice. The Box Office is located at 110 Division Street.

Theater student Josephine Brown sees the show as a milestone: "It’s my first directorial experience, my first chance to lead a cast and crew. I’m looking forward to it." Brown explains that the show is a perfect fit for the theatre department's major."I think it’s a perfect fit for our department. The script is fun and full of energy. It’s a great opportunity for the students to learn and grow," she says.

My Chemical Romance's hit album "The Black Parade," recently released, is the latest in a string of hits for the band. The album features a mix of pop-punk and rock, with songs that touch on themes such as love, loss, and the meaning of life.

The album's lead single, "The Black Parade," is a powerful song that has become a anthem for fans everywhere. The song's lyrics are filled with imagery and metaphor, and the music is driving and intense.

The album also features tracks such as "She’s Coming Home," "I Brought You My Love," and "Vices." Each song is a masterpiece of melody and composition, and together they form a cohesive and powerful album.

The band's live performances are equally impressive, with frontman Gerard Way delivering a powerful and passionate delivery that is sure to please fans of all ages. My Chemical Romance is a band that has earned its place in rock history, and "The Black Parade" is a testament to their enduring talent and creativity.
Outdoors

Last chance muskies: there's still time to catch a big one

Tyler Ring
Outdoors Reporter

With only two weeks left before the end of Wisconsin's muskellunge season, now is the time to catch that last big fish before you spend all winter looking this season and looking forward to the next.

Many of the lakes you may have been fishing on gone through the process of spring turnover by now. Water temperatures are getting progressively colder, and muskies are looking to get in a few meals before their metabolism bottoms out for the winter.

Focus on fishing deep basin areas often close to structure, which attract baitfish. When working these areas, running and gumming with a scattered approach is not the ticket in November. Instead, slow down and work them thoroughly, giving the fish plenty of opportunity to find your baits and make the decision to hit.

A great way to work these deep areas is to soak quick-strike rigged suckers on or near the bottom while you cast big crankbaits or jerkbaits at the same time. Often, the fish will lazily follow in your wake, and will end up hitting the sucker instead.

If you are not experiencing success using the tried and true methods, experiment and pay close attention to what the fish are telling you. Good luck with that last bruiser of the year!

A hootin', howlin', good time!

Paul Frater
Outdoors Reporter

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UW-SP student Ben Bishop dressed as an opossum at the Hoot and Howl event at the Central Wisconsin Environmental Station on Saturday, Nov. 11.

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Through tight cracks, students learn caving

Anne Frie
The Pointer aflhil@uwsp.edu

Standing underneath an unseen ceiling of hibernating bats, the students let their eyes adjust to complete darkness. Then, like Friday night lights on a football field, their headlamps turn on, and one by one, the students began to tunnel their way through the "birth canal."

On Saturday, November 11, Outdoor EdVentures trip leaders Derek Miess and Josh Spice lead 14 University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point students through Popp's Cave, located near Richland Center, Wis.

In order to get in and out of the cave, students had to crawl on their hands and knees through a tight passage known as the "birth canal."

They came running up behind me in the field in front of me with his head down. He was on the move, so I decided to do a classic "Beaaaa" buck call to catch his attention. He stepped dead in his tracks and looked around to see where the sound had come from. All I could think about was making a good shot and hoping that it would be a clean kill. As I pulled back, my shoulder rolled out of its socket. Luckily, I had a clear shot, so I didn't have to pull back for very long. I watched my arrow pierce him and I felt my heartbeat racing. I usually don't get buck fever, but after I take a shot, I guess you could say I get a little giddy.

The buck ran approximately 150 yards across the field before he dropped. I paced the shot off at 27 yards and my arrow went clean through his lungs. By 8 a.m. I was in the truck with my dad celebrating the kill of my 9-point back. You just can't beat a great day in the woods!

I'm hoping for the same luck this weekend gun hunting, and I wish good luck to all other hunters this weekend, as well as in late-season bow.

Did You Know?
Rachel Kingsley
Outdoors Reporter

Did you know that a whitetail deer's ears can rotate 180 degrees and pick up high frequency sounds? Studies have also shown that deer can smell human scent on underbrush for days after we leave the woods. A buck will react very negatively when it runs across human scent, often becoming leery of the area for weeks afterwards.

Deer are also quick and skillful swimmers often taking to water when frightened. They can easily swim across lakes or rivers at over 10 miles per hour!
Resident's Evil

So you're not mad at me for dating Andrew?

Andrew, you're my long-lost love?

You're not mad at me for dating Andrew?

STOP FOLLOWING ME!

That poor guy! You shouldn't be around him. Take him home, he's kind of cute.

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Do you think you're funny? Do you think inside the box? Do you have a political opinion that would make an awesome illustration? How about a fun feature idea, a word search theme, or a game?

Send all these and more to Joy Ratchman at jrate567@uwsp.edu

She'll send you the guidelines and review your submissions for publication on the COMICS PAGE

Basketball is Nuts!!!
Pat Rothfuss

Over the last couple years, Your College Survival Guide has become increasingly popular. This, combined with the fact that I’ve recently started putting the column up on Myspace, has led to me receiving some letters. So here I am, sitting in the column confection. It’s the faerie ring that I dance in front of my verbatimous column confection. It’s the faerie ring that I dance around in order to delight and amuse you. If I don’t know what’s really going on here, I can’t offer you. My advice:

1) Relax. Take a deep, soothing breath. Rub one off. Read a book. Whatever it takes to cool down a little.
2) Either stop taking drugs, or start taking drugs. Whichever one you were doing when you wrote this e-mail, you should do the other instead. Along similar lines, if you are drinking paint, stop.
3) If a monkey is eating a biscuit, you probably should leave it alone until it’s finished. Even if you really want some of the biscuit for yourself.
4) If a monkey is teaching your Psyke class, you can just call the chair of the department and go “Oook oook. Oook! OOOK! OOKK!!!!” Then make a bunch of noises like a monkey having sex. This will probably get the monkey in trouble.

Pat,

I wrote this e-mail hours after I wrote the last one. I’m in a good mood, I think of them as “I like your column and wanted to write you” letters. If I’m in a bad mood, I think of them as “I’m too lazy to pick up the phone” letters.

The big trouble here is that the answers to these questions are pretty cut-and-dried. There’s not much room for elaboration on my part, and elaboration is where the funny lives.

For example, the answer here is simple: “Your loans will probably be deferred, but it depends on the type of loan.”

See? There’s really not much room for me to turn that into something funny.

Pat,

Why so many teachers have this complex is beyond me. Some teachers are like this, or will be, long after they retire. I imagine that having two kids of my own has made them realize that certain facts of life are incomprehensible crimes to mankind! Does a psychology major even have anything genuinely valuable to say in regards to anything? I’ll tell you: NO! How do I know this? Because I attended every damn day and learned simply that the monkeys I COULDN’T have learned about are just as good at teaching out of a textbook. So Pat, from firsthand experience, why is the pedestal so huge?

Angrypants

This is the sort of letter I think of as “furious vomit.” Angrypants here is obviously upset about something. This rage has built up to the point where she really needed to vent, so she sat down and purged all her terrible emotions in this message to me.

At first glance, this letter has a lot going for it. It’s got monkeys in it, which I like. And I think the monkey might be teaching Angrypants something out of a textbook, which is also pretty funny. Or maybe the monkey is making her climb an unreasonably high pedestal. Either of these things is also good, as they have the potential for many humorous tangents in my reply.

Unfortunately, there is no way I can really understand what the hell is going on here. I don’t know what advice I’m supposed to be giving. The advice is like the heart of the column. If it’s the creamy nougat in the center of your verbalisms column confection. It’s the faerie ring that I dance around in order to delight and amuse you. If I don’t know what’s really going on here, I can’t offer you.

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Pat,

I’m a freshman in college rooming with my best friend. I was excited to move into school, to have my independence and be living with my best friend. But we’ve been here for a couple weeks now and we haven’t made any friends. I don’t understand why. I’m just talking to people, being as friendly as possible. I am a friendly person by nature but I don’t understand what it’s doing wrong here where no one wants to talk to me or befriend me. What should I do differently to make friends?

friendless on campus

I think of this sort of letter as the “I’m tragedy.” I assume this person learned to type using some manner of instant messenger, and typed this e-mail. I’m really not a grammar snob. Type shappen. But when I get a sloppy stream-of-consciousness wad like this, I give a deep sigh and think: if this person really wanted my help, why wouldn’t they have spent a little time making this letter easy for me to read.

It takes me 4-5 hours to write a good column; I really don’t want to spend another fifteen or twenty minutes proofreading and copy-editing your letter. It’s easier for me to just pick a different one that I can just cut and paste into the column.

My advice:

First, you should really reconsider your choice of acronyms, FOC. Also, you are not e.e. cummings. Learn where your fucking shift key is and use it.

What most freshmen don’t realize is that freshman year sucks for pretty much everyone. 85% of the freshmen out there feel like they don’t have any friends. Trust me on this.

Even I, social deva that I am, faced this problem. After two months in school, I didn’t know anyone. Seriously. I just knew a few people I would nod to in the hallway and that was it. I never even had a roommate. He just never showed up for school.

I remember laying in my loft bed in PlaySims, thinking that if I fell out of it in the middle of the night, nobody would miss me. I remember thinking that nobody would even notice I was dead until my body started to smell.

So yeah. It’s hard making friends freshmen year. But here are a few tips to help you out:

1) Living with your best friend from high school is a huge mistake. Take your first semester in college. Why? Because right away you’re clinging to your old circle of friends instead of trying to establish new ones. Think of it. If you and your friend had different roommates, you’d still be friends, right? But each of you would have at least one new college friend to hang out with. Also, rooming with new people removes the temptation of just taking the easy way out and hanging with your friend instead of going out and meeting new people.

2) Don’t go home on the weekends. I know it’s tempting to run home and hang out with your high school friends. You miss them, and it’s lonely up here. But you can’t make friends in Point when you’re not here. You need to hang around in Point to meet people.

3) Join a couple student organizations. It’s the best way to meet people with similar interests. Ditto for getting an on-campus job. I met a ton of cool people when I worked in the tutoring center down in the basement of the library.
Since the start of the semester, I have been waiting for the week when I can finally kick back and relax. It’s been hard to find that time during weekends have become extensively "road to Perdition" and classes taking up most of my time. Even the same predicament as I do, and friends, an oasis is now in sight.

When the calendar on my desk is flipped to November 17 this Friday, I will have a week before me that I will intend to enjoy, something that has not been part of my life since the last weeks of summer. I see potential for many people to enjoy the upcoming week. Why I’d like to share my own reasons for why next week will be the best week of the semester. First off, Friday will be a glorious day, thanks to the return of James Bond to the silver screen. I will be heading to the campus theater promptly at 3:30 p.m. to catch a matinee showing of "Casino Royale," the 21st film in the 44-year-old Bond franchise. Starring Daniel Craig ("Munich," "Road to Perdition") in his first outing as 007, "Casino Royale" takes the super spy back to his roots, as we learn how Bond earns his license to kill, obtains his Aston Martin DB5 and develops into the womanizing assassin we all know and love.

If the new style of Bond doesn't tickle your fancy, be sure to check out the Thanksgiving marathon of James Bond movies on Spike TV. This cornucopia of film excellence starts Tuesday, Nov. 21 at 8 p.m.

Saturday doesn't let up, as the biggest college football game of the season takes place, with Michigan and Ohio State battling for a spot in the Bowl Championship Series title game. One of the greatest rivalries in all sports, the Wolverines and Buckeyes face center stage in a game that is being dubbed "Judgment Day." Football doesn't stop there, as Sunday is reserved for the Green Bay Packers. Brett Favre and the boys host the New England Patriots in one of the Packers' toughest tests this season.

Monday will be my guilty pleasure day, as I will catch the latest episode of Monday Night Raw, World Wrestling Entertainment's flagship broadcast. The professional wrestling/male soap opera begins at 8 p.m. on USA.

I head for home on Tuesday, and will make it back just in time to get to Appleton to see the University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point/Lawrence University early-season men's basketball contest. Both teams are ranked in the preseason D3Hoops.com Top 25 poll, as the Vikings of LU are No. 13 in the nation, while the Pointers stand at No. 25.

The college basketball fiesta rolls on, as 2K Sports' new NCAA hoops videogame hits stores this week as well. College Hoops 2K7 will be available on PlayStation 2, Xbox (my console of choice) and Xbox 360 on Tuesday. The best part about picking up one of the greatest basketball simulations available — it's only $20 for the PS2 and Xbox versions.

But the best part of the week hits its stride on Thursday, the day we celebrate the Pilgrims, the Mayflower and all things Thanksgiving. My day begins with a hearty brunch at my grandparents' house, followed by family bonding at my aunt and uncle's place and is completed with a delicious turkey dinner shared with my girlfriend and her family. I refer to this day as "The Day of the Four F's": food, football and feeling fat. It doesn't get any better.

Depending on how well I recover from the Thanksgiving culinary bonanza, I may head out to stores on Friday, exploring the Fox River Mall for deals, while avoiding potentially fatal collisions in the electronics aisles of my favorite shopping centers. After the bargain hunting comes to a halt, I will sit back and enjoy the weekend. The Saturday and Sunday after Thanksgiving will be best spent reflecting on the past week, recalling all the great Bond films and trying not to count the calories devoured on Turkey Day, all while spending quality time with the love of my life, since we barely see each other while in Stevens Point.
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