UWSP bans weapons in buildings campus-wide despite new law page 2
Concealed Carry Law Passed, No Change for Students

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It isn't often that governments give certain freedoms back to their subjects, and even though the Wisconsin State Senate has passed the Concealed Carry Laws there won't be much of a change in campus policy according to Chancellor Bernie Patterson.

"I think the most important point is that nothing is really changing, of course there is a new carry law that the legislators passed but weapons are prohibited in our buildings," Chancellor Bernie Patterson said.

Under the bill, effective Nov. 1, the Department of Justice will have to issue new permits to all applicants over 21 years of age that pass the required training and background checks. But even if a person has a permit, he or she may not bring it into any government building such as courthouses, the DMV, police stations, prisons and mental health facilities.

The governing bodies of these establishments have the right to restrict the law within their buildings, such as UWSP, which has evoked its right and has prohibited weapons on university grounds, including residence halls.

Students will still be required to check in and store their hunting rifles and shotguns with the protective service armory.

"The only thing that is changing is if we are going to maintain the status quo, which is no one can walk around with guns, is that we will have to put up signs," Patterson said.

Much like the "no smoking" signs around campus, "no firearms" signs are to be placed near each entrance of university buildings. Originally the plan was to place the signs on every door, but it was later decided to put them on major entrances and high traffic areas so that a reasonable person would see and understand the rules.

Also, university employee policy prohibits firearms in the workplace.

"If it's that concealed carry law that has made these two things necessary to take some affirmative action to maintain status quo, that's really all there is to it," Patterson said.

Critics of the new law have expressed their concerns that although state buildings can restrict the law within their walls, guns cannot be banned from state-owned grounds, such as parks, county zoos, or even the Wisconsin Capitol lawn.

Assembly Minority Leader Peter Barca (D-Kenosha) said that lawmakers should have made the bill's permit training more intensive to make sure that the people who are carrying the guns have experience shooting them and better understand the safety issues involved.

"I'm certainly not against guns, I own several myself. I still have the shotgun my dad gave me when I turned 12 years old, but as an educator and as a criminologist, they can clearly have a chilling effect in the classroom, and so I think having them in our buildings is not a good idea," Patterson said.

Patterson also noted that the administration has been receiving feedback from the faculty along with the student government about these new policies, but he has not been made aware of any opposition; the general consensus around the campus has been that guns have no place in a learning environment.
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Is it Time for a Solar Revolution?

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How many people can our world support without fossil fuels - say, in 50 years, when all the oil is used up and gone? Many experts believe that only 1.5-2 billion of the current 6.8 billion citizens of Earth could be supported.

What will we do? How will we live? Who will survive?

We need to find a way to reduce our dependence on fossil fuels. Some of the major uses of fossil fuels are energy production (coal provides half the U.S. energy supply and is globally responsible for 20 percent of human-produced greenhouse gases), and transportation (Americans use 1.3 gallons of gasoline per person per day).

As Americans, we make up five percent of the world’s population and use more than 33 percent of all consumed oil for transportation. Whether we like it or not, we set trends replicated around the globe. Countries like China and India, with populations that surpass one billion, seek to live horribly consumptive lives just like us. As responsible citizens of the world, we should set a proactive example and take action now to exist in a manner that does not degrade our planet.

One step in the process would be to become energy independent. Julie and Scott Bursaw have taken an impressive step forward for themselves and a giant leap forward for humanity. Both Julie and Scott are founders and inventors of Solar Roadways.

A solar roadway is a series of Solar Road Panels, which replace road surfaces, parking lots, walking paths and driveways. Each panel generates electricity, heats storm water and road surfaces, illuminates lanes, communicates hazards and transmits data signals. These road panels replace our currently outdated and decaying infrastructure while paying for themselves over time.

These solar roadways make electric cars practical for long distance travel similar to current internal combustion engine vehicles. Engineers are also working to make it possible to charge electric vehicles while driving. With these technologies, the internal combustion engine has been rendered obsolete.

Proof Positive

According to Solar Roadways’ website, and assuming that only half of the roadways, parking lots and sidewalks are converted to Solar Road Panels, 6,980.5 billion kilowatts could be generated annually. These numbers assume currently available efficiency standards and the fact that the panels operate for only four hours per day.

The U.S. Energy Information Administration data indicate that 3,471 billion kilowatt-hours of electricity were used in the country in 2009. As you can see with this low-ball, conservative estimate, a significant energy surplus could be generated. This surplus would allow for even-increasing energy demands.

Using current solar technologies and current energy costs, the panels would take 22 years to pay for themselves, just in electricity sales. When factoring in the rest of the revenue streams and improved technologies, the panels will pay for themselves well within their operable lifetime of 20 years.

Sustainability ingrained from the start

These extraordinary panels will have an internal support structure made from -you guessed it-garbage! Plastic bags, bottles and rubber tires will be mixed with organic materials to form super-strong composite parts which will make up the internal support structure. When a panel has worn out, replacement of solar cells, capacitors and LEDs are all that is necessary: the rest of the panel can be re-used.

Panels would be built using hydroelectric power in a manufacturing facility with railroad access. Solar Roadways has met with a locomotive company to discuss using the solar panels being transported to power the electric motors, which propel the train. The panels would be oriented so as to generate electricity and power the electric motors while in-transit to their final location.

A Safer World

Each Solar Road Panel contains a microprocessor that can sense when a load is present. The panel can differentiate between vehicles and living creatures based on load. Through internal LEDs the panel can indicate to drivers when a hazard, such as a white-tailed deer, is present. Since the panels can sense vehicles, they will only brighten road lines when a vehicle is present, conserving electricity. This is especially important at night and in low-visibility situations where seeing road lines is difficult or impossible.

The panels will have a self-powered heating element, which can melt ice and snow, eliminating the need for road salts, plows and tire chains, which damage road surfaces and are quite expensive.

Smart Grid

Solar Road Panels would be connected to a smart grid, which means no more power outages. Yes, no more power outages. Here’s how:

Solar Roadways replaces the current centralized power system. What does that mean? Currently, electricity is produced at a power plant then distributed through high-voltage transmission lines to relay stations, where it is lowered in voltage and re-distributed at a lower voltage.

With Solar Roadways, the entire infrastructure is contained within the road panel. As the road panels would all be connected—even to parking lots and driveways—power would be generated and transmitted everywhere. Due to the way the smart grid is engineered, it cannot be shut down—by terrorists, not even by power companies.

Even more impressive, Solar Roadways would generate electricity where it is needed. In current systems about 60 percent of the energy used to generate electricity is lost as heat. Solar Roadways do not lose energy as heat, release carbon dioxide or create radioactive waste like our current systems do.

Amazingly enough, the smart grid can also self-heal. If a panel is destroyed or damaged by natural events or an exploding tanker truck, the grid would recognize an issue and re-route power and information transmissions, similar to a detour. The result is no loss of power anywhere, not even a blink of disruption.

Solar Roadways could generate at least enough electricity for the United States with the potential to generate three times or more of the annual U.S. energy consumption.

For roughly the same cost as current systems, Solar Roadways could be implemented. This could generate 25 million jobs over 10 years in just the panel assembly alone.

Solar Roadways makes electric vehicles a plausible alternative to current internal combustion engine vehicles since charge stations would be conveniently located and en-route charging is being investigated. This could result in lower insurance costs.

Not to mention, Solar Roadways could significantly reduce the amount of greenhouse gases and pollutants produced by power plants, oil and nuclear-based energy production.

“I’d put my money on the sun and solar energy. What a source of power! I hope we don’t have to wait until oil and coal run out before we tackle that.” - Thomas Edison, 1931
Moving Planet Celebration
“Kicks the Coal”

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Around the globe, people gathered at thousands of events in more than 170 countries on Saturday, September 24, to demand climate action. Moving Planet is coordinated by 350.org, a global grassroots climate campaign dedicated to maintaining the atmospheric carbon dioxide concentration at less than 350 parts per million (ppm). It was a day when people came together to move society past fossil fuels.

Currently, atmospheric carbon dioxide is at a historic high of 392 ppm. It is the scientific community’s consensus that immediate action is necessary to mitigate the worsening global climate crisis.

At Jackson School in Stevens Point, community members met to “kick the coal.” The day was filled with events tailored to making a difference in our region. Being that different regions around the world experience and affect climate change in different ways, each event was designed for the needs of each specific location. While the events varied, the demands stayed the same:

- Science-based policies to get us back to 350 ppm [CO2]
- Rapid, just transition to zero carbon emissions
- Mobilizing funding for a fair transition to a 350 ppm world
- Lifting the rights of people over the rights of polluters

“As part of this international day of action, and to do our part in Central Wisconsin, we focused on ‘kicking the coal.’ Workshops on bicycling, bicycle repair, alternative fuels, hybrid and electric vehicles, and food preservation centered around reducing our dependence on fossil fuels,” said Ellie Jackson, one of the event organizers.

Volunteers spent the morning assembling hoop houses at the Jackson School Giving Gardens.

At roughly a dozen workshops spread throughout the afternoon, attendees learned everything from Wisconsin bicycle laws and potential fuels of the future to canning, freezing and drying food.

“This was a great opportunity for people in the community to meet, to learn and to move forward together,” Jackson said.


Bike riders took to the streets for a tour around town learning safe bike routes and practices.
 Pointer Women Finish Fourth in Whitewater

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The 2011 Whitewater Fall Fling held at Riverside Golf Course proved to be a successful outing for the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point women's golf team. The girls' shot team scores of 338 on both Friday and Saturday, earning them a fourth place finish in the ten-team tournament.

The weather was consistent for most of the weekend with clear skies accompanied by a calm fall breeze. This two day event was the girls' fourth tournament of the month and their second best finish this season.

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Junior Kayla Johnson finished strong and tied for 25th overall with a two-day score of 175. Sophomore Ashley Schmidt contributed to the cause by finishing 13th with a combined score of 179. Junior Olivia Schiefelbein finished in a tie for 48th with a score of 188.

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The Pointer Volleyball Aiming for First Nationals Appearance

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The University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point volleyball team beat the 21st ranked University of Wisconsin-Whitewater team last week in three straight matches.

The win came from a combination of Whitewater's mistakes and the depth of Point's roster. Whitewater started the game down by three due to a rule regarding tardiness. "I've never seen that happen before," said junior middle Jessica Dresdse.

This accomplishment is something that has not been done in 26 years, yet this is how they opened up conference play. The Pointers are currently 2-1 in the conference and 9-6 overall, and have one four out of the last five.

With 10 of the 16 players on the roster being freshmen and sophomores with the rest juniors, this Pointer squad is very young. Despite this, the team looks primed to compete not only this year but in the future as well.

Head Coach Stacy White is taking advantage of her young roster by rotating players in the game, and is having success with it. Against Whitewater, White rotated frequently to keep her players fresh and was able to knock the Warhawks off quickly.

Junior middle hitter Morgan Bartkowiak has been a large part of this. Bartkowiak is currently ranked fourth in the nation with 75 blocks and is showing the young roster what the team needs to win. Bartkowiak is not the only one contributing to the Pointers' success. Overall, the team is dominating their opponents in statistics. The team has far greater blocks, digs, and kills than their competition. Bartkowiak was named the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Volleyball Player of the Week for her performance against Whitewater.

The season's low point came in a tournament in Minneapolis where the Pointers lost all four matches. "They didn't do anything to beat us, we just beat ourselves," said Dresdse, after mentioning the ten missed serves against the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire in that tournament.

Dresdse, a transfer from University of Wisconsin-Baraboo in her first year with UWSP, recognizes that the juniors certainly have more experience, but also noticed the freshman provide a confident outlook for the future of Pointer volleyball.

Following their upset of Whitewater, the Pointers played three games in six days. The women dropped a nailbiter Friday to Eau Claire in five sets, but rebounded the next day to defeat Superior 3-1.

Point would defend their home court once again with a 3-2 win over Oshkosh. The women donned pink shirts for this game to raise money for Susan G. Komen. Freshman left hitter Sarah Wildish racked up a career high 19 kills as UWSP moved into first place in the WIAC.

The Pointers face Lawrence University Oct. 4 at 5:30pm when they host the UWSP Quad Tournament. The women will also play Oshkosh and St. Norbert's College.

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In the last week, temperatures have plummeted to the forgotten forties and fifties. While we all struggle to find our most thickly woven cardigans and sweaters, I urge everyone to not forget a hot meal as well while nestled amongst blankets or the autumn leaves.

The memory of last winter's unrelenting torment is still very fresh in most of our minds with the way the freezing temperatures pushed well into spring. It leaves me wondering, what can we do about the quickly approaching seasons?

The first thing that comes to mind is: find somebody to love, cuddle up with them as close as possible and keep all of that warmth trapped under a mountain of blankets. If you don't feel that's possible currently, due to quests to slay dragons or going through your first freshman existential experience, then let's try a second possibility.

Possibility two: figure out which friend doesn't have to pay for heating, go to their house and bring food and wine. One, your friends probably don't often have food forced upon them, so they'll be in high spirits. Two, food and wine often increase the chance for you to find that special somebody to snuggle under blankets with, or perhaps just the latter.

Who has two thumbs and the ability to cook for themselves and provide leftovers for the rest of the week? Look in the mirror with your thumbs up and say "This guy/gal!" If your friends have frozen like statues from the Golden Compass on their way to class and won't be able to attend your shindig, well it's time to cook for yourself.

I don't judge; most of my time is spent making a cocoon around myself with my comforter pretending I'm in a culinary chrysalis. Plus you'll have a mountain of delicious food that will last a couple days. Throw it into a microwave, nuke it and weep at the glory of your culinary aptitude.

To preserve your awesomeness and body heat, I offer up a recipe for French Onion soup. Pull out that large pot and that eight-inch straight edge chef's knife that I know everyone bought after last week's column and get ready for greatness.

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**Culinary Columnist Jordan Lorraine whips up the perfect soup, a 'beginning of fall' soul food.**

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**French Onion Soup**

1. Melt butter on medium-high heat, add sliced onions, garlic, bay leaves, thyme, salt and pepper. Stir occasionally, about 25 minutes, or until onions are soft.
2. Add wine grape juice/vinegar mixture, bring to a boil, reduce heat and simmer till the wine is evaporated and onions appear mostly dry, 3 to 15 minutes.
3. Pick out and discard bay leaves and thyme.
4. Slowly add the flour to the onions while stirring on medium-low heat, cook 10 minutes.
5. Add beef broth and simmer for 10 minutes. Either add bread and cheese to top of a bowl of soup, then stick in the broiler for a few minutes or toast bread with cheese on top under the broiler then put on the soup.

Important: Do not brew the bowl of soup if it is plastic. Make sure the bowl is made of material that is oven safe.
In Case You Missed David Getsy's "Informal Lecture"

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When thinking of a traditional lecture, one envisions the professor talking while elevated and standing in front of his or her audience. Professor David Getsy, however, turned that way of viewing art and organized his lecture in a similar way.

During graduate school, Getsy was interested in Britain after realizing that no scholars had really written about it. They were against mainstream and against Rodin and the way he was taught to think.

What Getsy called his "new project" was the book on Rodin he wrote last year. He exploits Rodin as anti-academic. Getsy said Rodin literally broke his sculptures in his artistic attempts to prove this.

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In the middle of the lecture, Getsy brought to light the two questions of 19th century contemporary art: What is the material sculptures are made of? What are the sculptures trying to lead us to see?

The closing of the lecture involved questions and conversation about graduate school, in which he was more than supportive of his respective institution. However, he did mention that those looking to further their education should think before making any drastic decisions.

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Technology Provides Greater Educational Opportunities

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Education at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point is expanding through technology and is giving more students an opportunity to learn. Many UWSP students are already familiar with technology of the 21st century, owning laptops and MP3 players, but what most students don’t know is that they can take that technology and use it to enhance their learning experience.

The UWSP Assistive Technology Program, located in Room 604 of the Learning Resources Center, is a free service provided to help students with alternative learning styles. The program provides technologies such as smart pens, text-to-voice units, Kindle readers, talking calculators and many other pieces of educational equipment available for checkout.

Margaret Strong, the Program Coordinator for Assistive Technology, explained the benefits of some of the program’s technologies.

“Talking calculators are especially neat for our blind students. It allows them to have the numbers read aloud to them and it gives them a chance at math and science like everyone else,” Strong said.

Students need to be approved through disability services to qualify for the Assistive Technology Program, but the program is working to merge with general students in the future.

Strong demonstrated how to use Premier, a text-to-voice program. Contrary to other technology provided by the Assistive Technology Program, this program is available to all UWSP students and can be found on all PC computers on campus. The program allows students to listen to any Microsoft Word document, hear PDF files and even convert text files to audio files to listen to notes on an MP3 player.

These programs are mainly targeted to students with learning disabilities such as dyslexia, attention deficit disorder or those who have vision impairment, but the programs are also offered to students who are auditory learners and learn better when they hear what is being taught.

Although the technology is limited, the program is always looking to improve and add more.

“We’re always looking for new technology,” Strong said.

Not all students are eligible to use the Assistive Technology Program, but this technology is not limited to only the UWSP library. Take a look around at nearby stores such as Best Buy and Office Max. There, these educational technologies are available to all students to purchase.
ACROSS
1. Apple Store purchase
7. Water cooler?
10. Give as an example
14. Heavy rainstorm
15. Countrywide
17. Screwball
19. Picnic pest
20. Stagger
21. Always, in poetry
22. Numbered rds.
24. Tick off
27. Swedish wheels
30. Change of pace
34. Country quarters
35. Role for Lancaster or Costner
36. ATM manufacturer
37. Lincoln's body?
41. Readied for print, the old-fashioned way
46. Anthem contraction
47. Slider
52. "The Lord__shepherd..."
53. Wilson Phillips, e.g.
54. Bench board
56. Phoenix to Fresno dir.
58. Take a little off
61. General who became C.I.C
62. Curveball
67. Top-rated sitcom of 1989-90
70. Raggedy doll
71. Nissan model

DOWN
1. "This_" (declaration of hostilities)
2. GPS terminus
3. Kind of top
4. Given the green light
5. Intimate
6. Marine flier
7. Tilt
8. Mercury or Saturn
9. JFK announcement
10. Most modest
11. Fixes, as in the mind
12. Greek cross
13. Ron who played Tarzan
16. Ideal conclusion?
18. Moore in the movies
23. Tres twice
25. Campus brotherhood, briefly
26. Words from a gift giver
28. Suffix with sever or suffer
29. Ernie's bud
31. Photographer Adams
32. Chess piece
33. Stimulant
37. "__FAN TUTTE"
38. Sewer lines?
39. TV's Batman
40. Fly like an eagle
42. Pieces of work
45. Infatuated
46. Wildcats
49. Party pooper
50. Firstborn
51. Castmate of Belushi and Curtin
55. Aquarium fish
57. FDR program
59. Mid-month time
60. Like pittances
62. Ocean State sch.
63. Nantes negative
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65. MSNBC rival
66. Moving vehicle

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14-Year-Old Boy Commits Suicide After Gay Bullying

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Jamey Rodemeyer, a 14-Year-Old boy from Buffalo, N.Y., took his life last Sunday after what his parents claimed was years of bullying because of his sexuality.

Jamey’s parents were supportive of their son; he was seeing a social worker and a therapist. But that was not enough to ease his pain. Jamey spilled onto social networking sites of his sexuality.

The next day, September 8th, he posts in my school cares about preventing harassment and death threats, which they’d taunt me in the hallways and I felt like I could never escape it.”

Dan Savage- founder of the ‘It Gets Better’ project-YouTube posting from May includes details about how intense the bullying was, stating, “They’d be like [gay slur] and I’m only one, and moonlight as a getaway driver by night.

Irene (Mulligan) is a mother looking after her son by herself, while her husband is in prison, whom Driver becomes close with. The trailer gives most of the story away, but this is a non- issue; the movie is incredible in the way the story is told by both the cast and Refn.

The action/thriller genre is over-wrought with stock dialog, flat, one-note characters and human emotion comparable to a mound of dirt (aka Michael Bay). However, Refn rejects these pitfalls and replaces generic dialog with sparse yet heartfelt conversation. The moments of long silence sprinkled in between are where the real acting takes place.

Gosling’s piercing eyes convey the emotion of a thousand words. Mulligan’s charming, sad smile hints at a melancholy past. This is acting and directing working together. Refn’s camera catches all the emotion, taking uncharacteristically long close-ups of characters’ faces to fill in the silence.

Refn’s willingness to hold shots an instant longer than the audience thinks possible not only illustrates a conviction to his personal vision, but also enhances the performances. Nothing is said, but so much is felt.

Police have recently opened a criminal investigation into the death of the 14-year old, and although I am grateful that the police have opened a criminal investigation it would have been better if the police had gotten involved before Jamey’s suicide, and those who tormented the 14-year-old were held accountable from the very beginning for their hate and for the harm that they caused.

Harassment and death threats are a crime. Teachers, parents and students need to understand that bullying that happens to a minor by another minor needs to be treated as harassment.

As adults, as friends, and as members of a community we have an obligation to provide a safe space for bullying.gov.

Learn more about how you can help prevent bullying at stopbullying.gov.
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- Wed. 10-7pm, Thurs. 10-7pm, Fri. 10-7pm, Sat. 10-5pm, Sun. 10-5pm