

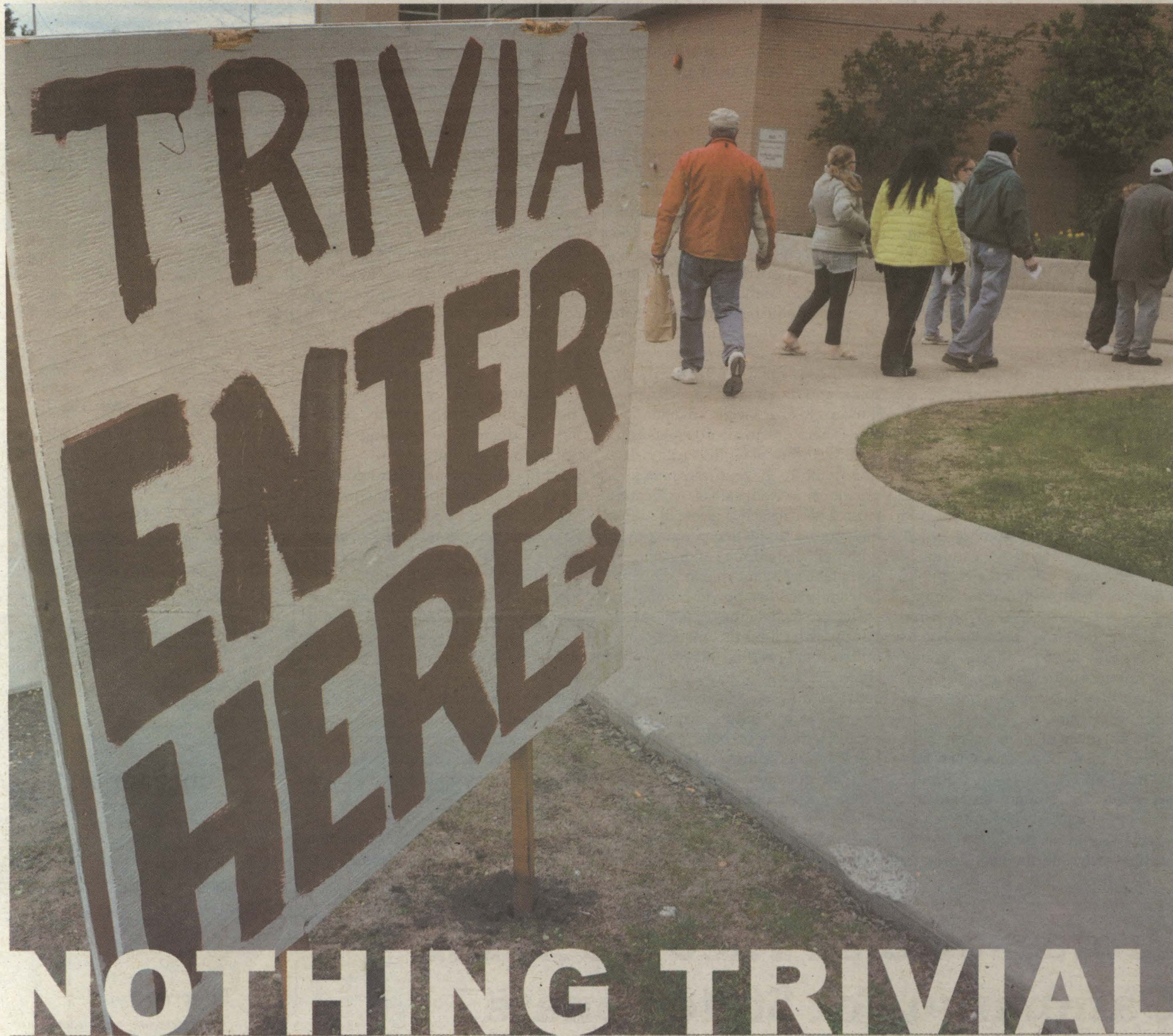
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# News

## So You Want to Change the World...

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"The penalty good men pay for indifference to public affairs is to be ruled by evil men." - Plato

To make a contribution to society: that is what we want. We get an education, develop interests and seek new answers—all because we want to positively impact the world during our lifetimes.

"You can't be neutral on a moving train," Howard Zinn wrote. You have to be political; the political is personal. Whether or not you are conscious of it, you impact the world everyday you wake up. How your taxes and other resources are allocated, what kind of social standing you will have, and almost every social condition that determines your everyday life, is determined by politics.

While some do not wait to graduate college to work for (or against) political change, many students across the world are making use of their education, experience and the network they developed as undergraduates, to take positions of power.

One way to influence society and achieve change is to run for office. Given the changes in candidacy age restrictions, the doors to public office have been widened to younger people. For instance, Zach Vruwink, a 24-year-old and UW - Stevens Point graduate in Political Science and Public Administration, just won the April 3 election for mayor of Wisconsin Rapids.

"I am interested in running for office, its just a matter of when and where," said Patrick Testin, a former UWSP student, student senator and president of the College Republicans.

"I have found that many people in city, county, and state politics started on campus," said Jay Burseth, a

former student body president and Political Science and History double major at UW - Milwaukee. "Chris Larson, for example, who is my state senator here in Milwaukee, ran for the same office I held at UWM just four years before me. Sachin Chheda, who is the Chair of the Milwaukee Democratic Party, used to run campaigns at UWM."

"I suspect the ultra-conservative and malicious people I ran against at UWM will pop up again in state politics. Many were very open about how they were using UWM as a start to move on to other, larger elected positions," Burseth pondered. "This idea frightens me."

Self-identified young conservatives tend to be distrustful of government and politicians; on the other side of the spectrum, many young progressives and radicals forego running for office—which can be overly dramatic and undeniably superficial—as a means to enact social change.

"There are many roles so-called 'radicals' can play in society. It is important to have these people in positions as journalists, educators, elected officials, etc.," Burseth said. "I have found that when people I agree with politically don't run for office or don't take a serious role in combating power, then other, power-hungry and corrupt folks take those positions."

Burseth thinks that while political office is unappealing, there is no other choice. "I know far too many great activists and organizers who have resorted to bartending, when maybe elected officials of both parties are better suited for these types of jobs."

The question on social change denotes a change in the characteristics of society and culture; therefore, political victories must expand beyond the legal system. Artists and musicians can sway public opinion.

Johnathan Predaina, who was the student senate president at UW - Platteville last year, sees a value to different approaches to enacting change, such as journalism. However, journalism degrees are next to worthless, and that industry retains a level of elitism despite digitally based openings.

"Personally I'm going into academia to be a Tech-Ed teacher to keep classes here relevant to the 21st century, keeping our children up to speed with emerging technologies," he said.

But, while universities are prime places for political organizing and action, academia is an institution of exploitation just as any other. Graduate schools do not produce independent thinkers and innovators, but a cheap pool of status-conscious adjuncts who will satisfy market demands. The exhausting workload and status-conscious environment might also be disengaging.

"Movements are the voice of the people, independently thinking. Academics are teaching to the test because they're forced to if they want to get more funding to do more innovative teaching... but it's hard to say this new teaching will be better. Politicians can be swayed by 'investors,' public and private, because they like what they have and would like to stay in office," Predaina asserted.

In all, a combination of people willing to organize within and outside of the political system is the most effective means of changing society. "I'm not sure which I'd place over the other," said Predaina of the different paths to social change. "Radical organizing has a huge part and has played a significant impact in Wisconsin this past year, as we've seen."

"I see it as a cycle with feedback. You need all of them," said Matthew Guidry, a UWSP graduate and former member of student government.

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## Professor Lisa Theo Declares Campaign For State Senate

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Professor of Geography and Geology Lisa Theo declared two weeks ago that she will be running for a seat in the state senate. She plans to replace Sen. Jim Holperin (D-Conover), who announced on March 23 that he will not be seeking reelection in the fall.

Theo, who lives in Tomahawk, will represent the 12th State Senate District if elected. This district covers much of the northeastern territory of the state. She said she wishes to promote workers' rights and to improve the economy of the area. She is quoted as saying, "Attacks on Wisconsin's civil liberties and the lack of civility from both state and national politicians prompted me to make this decision. Here in the Northwoods we are ready for someone to restore respect in Madison

while still standing up for our values." Theo is most noted for her willingness to work with her opponents.

Theo faces some difficulty in the race for the senate seat. The abrupt resignation of Sen. Pam Galloway (R-Wausau) last month due to "family issues" leveled what was once a Republican majority. There are currently 16 Democratic and 16 Republican seats in the state senate, which means the race for the open seat will be an intense one.

Theo's opponent, Representative Tom Tiffany (R-Hazelnut), has experience in working for the state senate. Theo has never held a public office and is not very well known in the District 12 area of the state, but plans to campaign door-to-door over the summer, during her time away from the University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point, in order gain support.

Money will also be a promi-

nent factor in this race for the senate seat. According to the "online clearinghouse for Democratic action," ActBlue.com, Theo has raised only \$300 this year. To give some perspective, the current seat-holder Holperin has received \$137,840 in donations this year. Tiffany is fairly well-known in the District 12 area, so Theo must gain support from the people and prominent political figures in the area in order to be successful.

According to the Stevens Point Journal, Theo is confident that her lack of experience in politics at the state level may be an asset to her campaign. Its article and analysis argues she does not have a partisan voting record, and her experience as a professor at UWSP has provided transferrable skills like communication and collaboration.



## news

## [full circle thinking]

## Grassroutes Caravan

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University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point students are set to participate in a mobile bicycle village known as the Grassroutes Caravan, to attend the NATO protests in Chicago, IL, this May. In five days, May 13-18, the caravan will travel about 180 miles from Madison, WI to their Chicago destination, stopping along the way to perform service projects.

The Cycles of Revolution - Brake the Banks Ride will include riding bicycles, camping, cooking and eating as a large group. The ride is a nonviolent demonstration with several faces.

The first, and most obvious, is demonstrating that large groups can safely, efficiently and positively travel long distance under pedal-power. The second is that a group of strangers can all come together and support each other as a mobile community and leave a positive impact on the communities that they pass through.

According to the Grassroutes Caravan Zine, "The most important thing to remember in fostering a healthy, daily village life, is that when we are able to function like a hive of bees, all buzzing and swarming together in cooperation, good-will and skill, we will be what we aim to be, and provide a safe, amazing journey for all of us, including our hosts!"

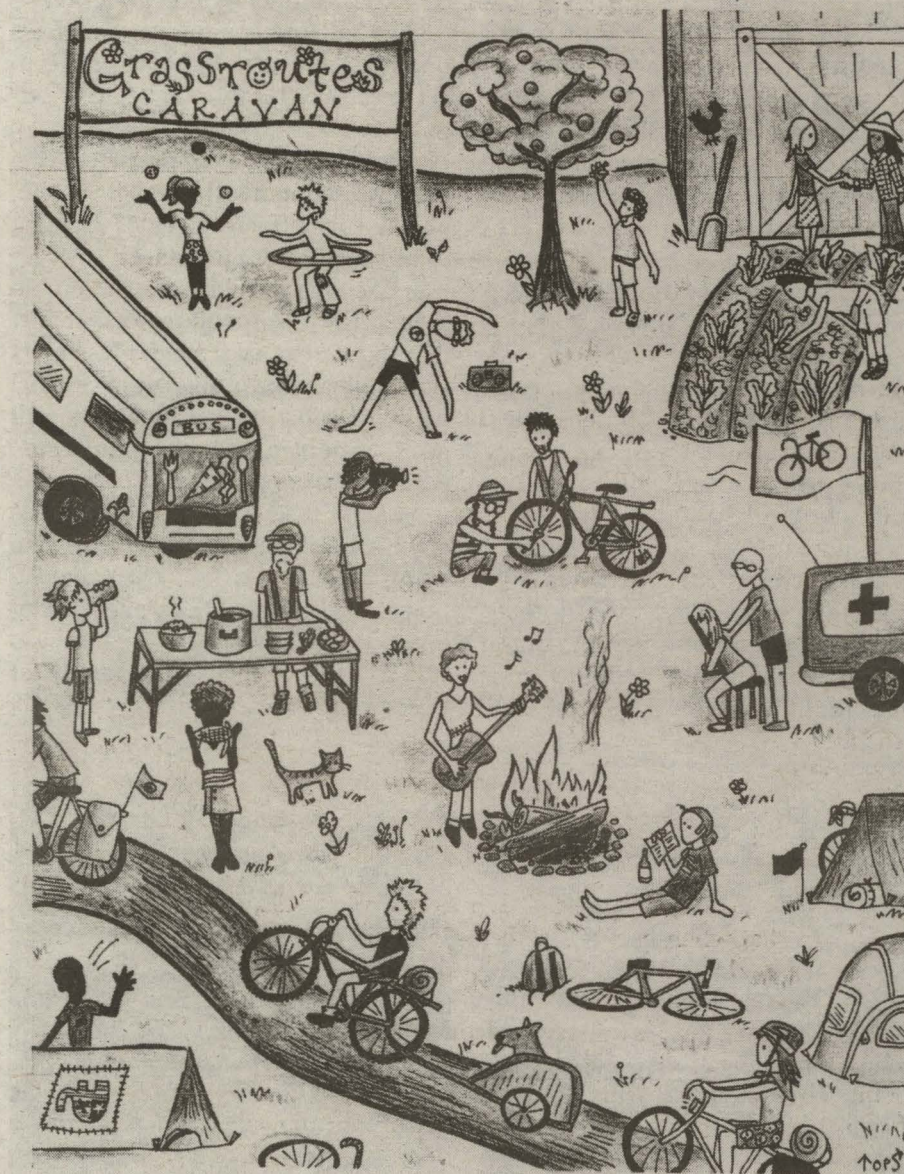
The Grassroutes Caravan Zine describes the ride and riders in the following two sentences: "We are a pedal-powered mobile village of resistance traveling together by bicycle to the NATO protests to demonstrate the link between our fossil fuels-based transportation systems and NATO's resource wars agenda. We say 'NO BLOOD FOR OIL' to their insane policies and are riding bicycles to show it is possible to go long distances without burning gas."

## NATO Protests

The protests in Chicago were originally going to oppose both NATO and the G8 summits. However, to divide protesters, the G8 summit has been moved to Camp David.

NATO, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, was founded in 1949 by twelve countries to proliferate democracy and capitalism. The way in which NATO operates is if one member of NATO is attacked, it is as if all members of NATO were attacked. The entire alliance will then defend itself by any means necessary, including through the use of nuclear weapons.

NATO summits are strategic planning and evaluation meetings for heads of state and government to direct NATO activities. Summits are often used to discuss and cooperate with new policies, put key programs into motion and build partnerships



Courtesy of Brian Luedtke  
The Caravan is creating a mobile village of resistance this spring as it travels for 6 days together.

with non-NATO countries.

"NATO is an instrument that the United States uses to advance its interests," said Stephan Walt, Professor of International Affairs at Harvard University.

Since 1999, NATO's heavy hand has waged war on three continents, concentrated in areas of energy resource deposits.

## G8 Protests

The G8, standing for "Group of 8," consists of the eight richest industrialized nations, including the United States, United Kingdom, Germany, Italy, France, Japan, Canada and Russia. G8 nations make up about 14 percent of the world population and represent about 60 percent of the Gross World Product. The G8 discusses and makes decisions on such topics as health, labor, law enforcement, economic and social development, energy, environment, terrorism and trade.

Controversy arises from the fact that six of the most influential NATO members are members of the G8, implying that the G8 has armed forces and the power to enforce its policies and defend its interests.

## Chicago Protests

The Grassroutes Caravan is simply a group, legally and peacefully traveling in unison to Chicago for the

protests. The individual views and opinions of riders is in no way representative of the entire group. Protests will take the form of peaceful marches, theatrical performances (including puppet shows), educational situations, activities and demonstrations.

While the city struggles with housing and income inequalities, "They are putting \$65 million between federal funding and private donors to secure the city of Chicago. This means they are going to have a lot of police officers from out of town, a lot of paddy wagons and potentially fencing in the city," said Katie Kloth, Biology major.

"We are going to oppose the inter-governmental military structure and say that we believe in something better than capitalism and stop at a few farms along the way," Kloth said.

## Correction

In the April 12 article "Reporting to End Bullying," Connie Negaard's name was misspelled as Connie Neegard. She is the principal of Ben Franklin Junior High School.

## [Protective Services Report]

April 8 to April 14

April 8

1:54 a.m.: Trash cans in Lot R had been tipped over.  
3:36 a.m.: Trash cans between Neale and Hansen Halls were tipped over.  
7:59 a.m.: Bike racks around Lot E had been turned over.  
6:57 p.m.: The staff at Knutzen Hall called about a student who was having trouble breathing.  
8:30 p.m.: The staff at Knutzen Hall called about a student complaining of being harassed.

April 9

12:53 a.m.: An outside vendor reported seeing a male pinning a female against a wall and yelling at her inside of Baldwin Hall.

April 10

8:06 p.m.: A visitor was hyperventilating in the HEC. An ambulance was called and the person's father escorted them to the hospital.

April 11

12:26 p.m.: The driver's side mirror was broken off of a vehicle in Lot Q.

April 12

3:22 p.m.: An individual reported being the victim of a hit and run in Lot V. The person was advised to contact the Stevens Point Police Department.  
10:51 p.m.: Someone called from the DUC about a ruckus being made outside.

April 13

2:05 a.m.: A car was saran wrapped shut in Lot Q. No other damage was evident.  
4:28 p.m.: Homophobic slogans were chalked on several sidewalks.  
10:00 p.m.: There was vomit observed in a second floor drinking fountain of Pray-Sims Hall.

April 14

1:47 a.m.: An individual from an unknown off campus location called about a student who was observed bending a No Parking sign. The caller scolded Protective Services, but was advised that the incident happened off campus where Protective Services has no jurisdiction.  
2:17 a.m.: The staff at Watson Hall called about vomit in the fourth floor bathroom.  
4:17 a.m.: An extremely intoxicated individual was seen by the LRC. Individual made it home okay.  
1:36 p.m.: The staff at Knutzen Hall called about vomit on the floor.  
2:45 p.m.: An individual at Debot was choking. An ambulance was called.  
5:10 p.m.: The LRC called about a homeless man sleeping at a computer.  
6:14 p.m.: An ambulance was called for an intoxicated individual at the corner of Maria Drive and Reserve St.  
11:50 p.m.: A unit checked on the welfare of an intoxicated female student who had climbed up on the balcony of the NFAC with a male student.



# news

## Rep. Baldwin visits UWSP on "Higher Education Tour"

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Congresswoman Tammy Baldwin stopped at the University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point April 11 during her four day "Higher Education Tour" of Wisconsin universities and technical colleges.

About thirty people came to see Baldwin, who is currently running to replace Senator Herb Kohl when he retires this year. Baldwin is currently the only Democrat running, and will face the winner of a four-person race for the Republican nomination this fall.

The seven-term Congresswoman from Madison saw it as an opportunity to introduce herself to areas of the state that may not be familiar with her legislative record.

During the hour-long event,

Baldwin highlighted some of her legislative accomplishments and talked about issues she has been hearing on the campaign trail.

One major point she made was keeping higher education affordable for those who seek it, as she sees higher education as the key to economic growth.

"I have always fought to keep the Pell Grant competitive with the rising cost of tuition," Baldwin said. "As more and more students necessarily need to take out student loans, which again saddens me because they emerge from college with a significant debt burden, so we have got to keep those interest rates affordable."

"I introduced an amendment two weeks ago to the Paul Ryan Budget, to prevent significant increase in the Stafford Loan interest rates this summer. Right now they are 3.4 per-

cent. They are scheduled to double to 6.8 percent this summer if Congress doesn't act, and I think we have to act because education is a key to our growth."

Baldwin also emphasized the need to support the UW System, which currently receives 17 percent of its budget from the state.

"We have seen an incredible shrinking of the amount of support that the state of Wisconsin gives to its state college and university system," Baldwin said. "It's hardly able to call itself a public university anymore, which saddens me greatly."

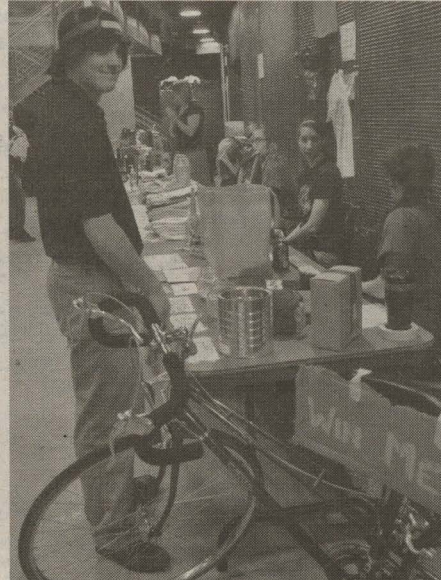
Baldwin says the youth vote has always been very important to her, going back to her first elected position as a member of the Dane County Board of Supervisors while she was still a student at the University of Wisconsin - Madison.

"Know your power, because you have power," Baldwin said. "Your campus has a tremendous reputation for student activism."

Baldwin specifically mentioned the voter ID law that was passed last summer, and is currently the subject of four different lawsuits, saying the provisions in the bill that specifically excluded UW System IDs from being used were to silence the youth vote.

If elected to the senate, Baldwin would be the first openly gay member of the senate. Baldwin says this would change the conversation about LGBT issues. She mentions that instead of senate members talking about you, they are talking with you.

"It literally changes the dynamic of the conversation," Baldwin said.



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## Sustainability in a Small City

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The Center for the Small City organization held a four-part workshop seminar Wednesday open for the public to learn what is being done and what can be done individually to work towards a more sustainable future.

This year's event, titled Sustainability in a Small City, focused on sustainability on a small scale in an individual to community capacity.

"The Center for the Small City has been doing community outreach education programs for nearly 35 years, we are an educational outreach unit," said Co-Director Dr. Robert Wolensky,

Wolensky said that their mission is to teach people what they can do to help out in their communities, inform them what others have been doing to help out, and finally give examples of how things have been getting done around the nation.

The Wisconsin Institute for

Sustainable Technology (WIST) has funded the program's much larger national level conferences as well as the smaller bi-annual workshops, which are much more tailored to the community and its inhabitants.

"This is that smaller one, more intimate, more applied, and more practical," Wolensky said.

This year, the four sessions held in the DUC were more geared to sustainability practices in everyday life.

The opening seminar, titled Renewable Energy Policy in Wisconsin, focused primarily on wind and solar power at the individual level. Guest speakers Jenny Heinzen, Nick Korth, and Douge Stingle, all members of the Midwest Renewable Energy Association, talked about the practicalities and policies behind these renewable energy sources.

Korth said that it is a prudent investment for people to invest in a solar panel system soon after someone buys their first home. The idea being that it will pay for itself in how much you save on energy bills sooner,

giving the owner more payback in the long run. Stingle also talked about how there are state laws forcing the power companies to pay the owner back money if they produce more energy than they use.

In another session members of the Stevens Point municipal government spoke about the things the city has been working on and planning to enhance sustainability locally. Mayor Andrew Halverson talked about his push for a new and better water waste treatment plant.

"It may not be the sexiest thing to talk about, but it could not be more important," Halverson said.

The City of Stevens Point officials stressed their value of sustainability, citing example projects like the Conservation Subdivisions project that reduces urban sprawl and increases public responsibility in protecting each area's natural resources. Natural resources like the Plover River.

"What we need to think about is what our connections are to the river

and what we want them to be," said Director of Community Development Michael Ostrowski.

Ostrowski argued that it is important to design a community's developments around its natural environment. When loggers founded Stevens Point on the logging river their homes, shops and establishments were made out of logs, a reflection of their surrounding in their architecture.

Ostrowski called this Organic Architecture, integrating the world the community is built on with its culture.

To tie the whole day together, Wolensky and co-director Edward Miller invited Professor Michael Kraft, a nationally recognized Professor of Political Science at UW-Green Bay, as the featured speaker on sustainability.

"Sustainability means being able to meet the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs," Kraft said.

In his speech Kraft gave specific examples of what other cities around the nation have been doing to make their cities more self-sustainable, like the "Seattle City Lights" energy conservation and education programs or the Chicago Green Group's efforts to reduce carbon footprint.

He also shared the examples of the struggles other cities have had to face to implement greener policies; not everybody likes the idea of spending tax dollars on programs, renovations, and new equipment. Some even believe that implementing new projects cuts jobs out of the market.

"The most important thing is to educate people that sustainability and reusable energy actually creates jobs and boosts economies," Kraft said. "Bettering your communities will raise property values and increase tourism while cutting energy costs."



# Sports

## Pointer Pitcher Long Way from Home

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When watching practice, Kenneth Chiu may seem like any other relief pitcher for the University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point baseball team. That couldn't be farther from the truth.

Chiu, 20 years old, is a transfer student from Hong Kong, China. Back home, Chiu participated on the Hong Kong national team, competing against teams from all across China.

But being far away from home isn't the only thing unique about Chiu; he is also a submarine pitcher.

For those who don't know, submarine pitchers throw almost underhand, so that their hand almost touches the ground when they throw.

Chiu said that when he was 12 years old he was approached by one of his coaches who thought he had the body flexibility to throw submarine, and he went with it from there.

"Throwing submarine is more about mechanics and body flexibility," Chiu said. "I love this way of delivery."

Because Chiu's fastball only reaches the mid 70's, he relies on deception and the unfamiliarity hitters encounter when he pitches.

"It is a difficult adjustment for hitters to switch their focus from a spot that might be six feet off the ground, to inches off the ground," said Pointer baseball head coach Pat Bloom.

Chiu chose Stevens Point because

he wanted to get away from all of the distractions in a big city to come to a more peaceful place.

"I was looking for a place where I could more likely focus in school without a lot of distractions. A small, quiet and peaceful place like Stevens Point actually fits well," Chiu said.

But just coming to Stevens Point wasn't the end to Chiu getting on the baseball team; he had to try out with all of the other walk-ons and recruited players to attempt to make the squad.

"I had no idea who Kenny Chiu was until our informational meeting the first week of school," Bloom said.

"I knew there was a tryout in the fall," Chiu said. "I didn't know all the players in that tryout were recruited by our head coach from all around Wisconsin. I was one of the few walk-on players in that tryout."

But Bloom knew that he had something special in Chiu that few players could bring to the table from the tryouts.

"We saw this submarine pitcher that we really thought fit a role and could help us out this year," Bloom said.

Chiu made the roster, and now is one of Point's relievers.

"We use him in very specialized situations where we feel like he is a good complement to who we had in previously," Bloom said.

Once on the team, it would be expected that Chiu would have some troubles getting used to the way the game is played in the United States, but Bloom says that wasn't the case.

"It really has been a seamless

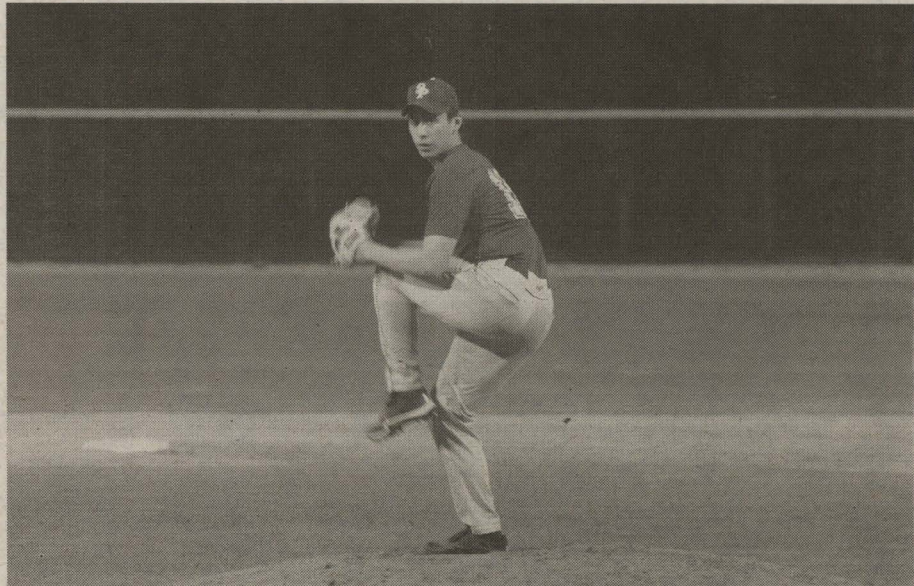


Photo by Mitch Capelle

Kenneth Chiu is a 20-year-old transfer student from Hong Kong, China. Before playing for UWSP, Chiu participated in the Hong Kong national team.

transition accommodating Kenny into our team, and into an American baseball culture," Bloom said. "In sports there is a common language of how the game is spoken and played."

"So far everything here is pretty legit and I don't really have any difficulties living here," Chiu said.

Up to this point in the season, Chiu has appeared in five games, pitching 3 and 2/3 innings, and striking out two hitters.

Although it may seem like a limited role, Chiu has the potential to play a key role in the Pointer bullpen.

"In the future I could see him potentially closing some games for us," Bloom said.

Unfortunately for all Pointer fans, Chiu will likely only play one more year, as he is set to graduate after the

next school year.

"It's a pity because I love the team so much just like my family; it would be the best experience in my entire life to share all the time with my teammates," Chiu said. "It's my pleasure to have this opportunity to be part of the team."

But Chiu still has the rest of this season and all of next season to pitch for the Pointers, and Coach Bloom could not be happier about that.

"His personality has fit in really well and we are very fortunate to have Kenny on our team," Bloom said.

## Happy 100th, Fenway

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It has stood the test of time. After 18 presidents, two World Wars and the founding of 12 major league baseball teams, Fenway Park is still standing.

In its 100-year history, Boston's Fenway Park has given Red Sox fans many things to cheer about, and many things to cry about.

It has been the home of countless historical events, such as Carlton Fisk waving his homerun ball fair in the 12th inning of game six of the 1975 World Series.

Or when Bill Buckner let the ball go between his legs in game six of the 1986 World Series, sealing a Red Sox loss.

It was also home to 'the curse of the Bambino,' which hung over the Red Sox after selling Babe Ruth to the Yankees for \$100,000, haunting the team for 86 years.

And finally it was home to one of the greatest comebacks in baseball history, when the Red Sox were down to the Yankees 0-3 in the 2004 American League Championship Series. Boston came back to win four straight games to win the league championship, and eventually the World Series.

When you think of Fenway, you think of all the amazing things that occurred there. When you walk in, it's like stepping into history.

It may not be as beautiful as the Minnesota Twins new Target Field and it may not be as technologically advanced as the Miami Marlins new stadium, but it presents characteris-

tics that few other professional sports venues have.

It is best known for the giant green wall in left field, known as the 'green monster,' as well as the great left-fielders who have had it at their backs.

Hall of famers like Ted Williams, Carl Yastrzemski and Jim Rice patrolled the 'green monster' and mastered all of the angles a ball could take off of the giant wall.

Even recent greats like Manny Ramirez and current left-fielder Carl Crawford have had to learn just how hard it is to play in its shadow.

Fenway Park is the oldest stadium in major league baseball. When built in a small area of downtown Boston, the project cost \$420,000.

With only enough room to hold 39,900 people, Fenway packs in the

fans for a baseball experience unlike anything else.

Red Sox fans have been so dedicated to watching their team that every home game in Fenway since May 15, 2003, has been sold out, a major league record.

If you call it 'Fenway Stadium' you better be ready for a verbal beating. It's a park, and that's the way the people from Boston want it to be. To them, it presents a more nostalgic feel than a stadium.

Even if you aren't a Red Sox fan, Fenway is a place that every baseball fan can appreciate as a great part of the history of our national pastime.

Everyone that loves the game should take time to visit. It gives an experience that no other ballpark can give.



# sports

## Pointer Softball In a Slide

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The University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point softball team has lost nine of their last 10 games including double headers against three conference opponents. The struggles began against the University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire at the start of Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference

play.

"We put a lot of runs up on the board, played outstanding defense and our pitchers both pitched great, but at the end of the day they were better on Saturday," said senior catcher/outfielder Kelly Arndt. Arndt is the only senior on the team, with seven freshman, five sophomores, and five juniors.

"One benefit of having a young

team, that other teams might not have, is that at any time a person from any grade can step up and be a leader," Arndt said. "Since our team is all very close in age it is very easy for us to have great team chemistry."

Point fell 9-7 in the first game against the Bugolds, then followed that game up with a 10-6 loss that same day. The following game was against conference rival University of Wisconsin - Whitewater. In their first game, Point fell 6-3 then lost the following game 9-7.

"It all comes down to who is more prepared coming into the games and who is willing to dig down deep to give 110 percent at every game," Arndt said.

The following day, Point took on the University of Wisconsin - River Falls in their home opener. Point took the first game 2-1 but lost the second game 7-3.

"Since we always play double headers when you play at home you get to be the home team both games," Arndt said. "This is a huge advantage because you always have the last shot to put runs up on the board, which is huge."

The ensuing week, Point traveled to Ripon to play Ripon College where

the Red Hawks took both games. The first game Point lost 6-4 then followed that game up with a 5-4 loss. Three days later Point hosted the University of Wisconsin - Platteville in an Alumni Day double header.

The Pioneers won the first game 9-0 in a run-shortened victory that ended in five innings. The following game, Platteville won 3-1 to sweep the Pointers at home.

"When it comes to a specific team the only difference is figuring out how to pitch to their players and where the speed and power is at on their team," Arndt said.

Point has eight home games remaining including matchups against the University of Wisconsin - La Crosse and the University of Wisconsin - Stout. First year Coach Jill Millis and the young squad are currently 11-17 overall, 1-7 in conference play.

"Since our team is all very close in age it is very easy for us to have great team chemistry," said Arndt. "College ball is very different from high school because in high school you can easily tell who is in which grade; in college, and especially this team you really can't tell the difference."



Photo by Mitch Capelle

Catcher Kelly Arndt, the only senior on the team, has been a veteran presence.

## Child's Play

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Monday night Mavericks guard Delonte West poked Jazz forward Gordon Hayward in the ear. Why is this news? Why not?

West fouled Hayward in transition and following the call he walked up to him and gave him a wet willy.

For those of you who never had any fun in school, a wet willy is when you place your finger in your mouth, wet it with saliva, insert it into an unsuspecting victim's ear, then laugh at your comedic genius.

Hayward didn't particularly appreciate the prank, saying after the game he wanted to "fight right there."

That, however, is a textbook response from anyone who has just been victimized by a joke as cunning as a wet willy. Had West given Hayward a wedgie or a pink belly, maybe then would taking a swing have been permissible.

The reaction I have heard in the aftermath of the incident has been overwhelmingly negative. ESPN's Michelle Beadle called the action "disgusting." The announcers at the game said he should be thrown out of the game and it was a "cheap shot in the biggest way."

While the comedic timing may have been off, I find no fault in the jest. Yes, basketball is his job, but it's also a game. Games are played by

kids.

I can't even count how many butts I slapped, shorts I pulled, or cup-checks I executed when I played sports. I goofed around in practice, I goofed around on the bench, I goofed around when I was the game.

Kids play sports because they're fun. Apparently I never grew up because that was my approach as well.

I would talk to kids when they got to first base and try to distract them so we could pick them off, which worked multiple times. I would quote The Hangover and Anchorman during free throws. I would ask opposing linemen if they would go to the homecoming dance with me.

I think it's refreshing to see players not take themselves so serious that they can't joke around. Yes, their lives can get stressful, but at the same time their job is to play a game and if they're not having fun then they're forgetting the reason they began playing.

There are times to be serious, but there is also plenty of room to joke and West took advantage of it. Beadle mentioned on her ESPN show that Hayward could have been injured during the incident.

No.

As anyone who has ever performed a proper wet willy knows the danger in the prank lies in the possibility that the victim turn towards you and gets a finger in the eye. It is

a cruel reality of the pranking world and it does happen more often than you think.

That, however, did not happen Monday. West achieved direct finger to ear contact, putting Hayward in little to no danger at all.

As for the announcers' erroneous claim that West should be thrown out of the game, I find that to be an immense overreaction. It's not like he undercut Hayward on a dunk. He didn't check him into the scorer's table after a steal. He didn't give him

a crotch-shot in the low post. It was just a wet willy, so calm down.

I don't expect to see players getting pantsed when they're shooting free throws or waterboys to start filling water bottles with hot sauce. I think it would be good for professional athletes to show that they have a little personality. And I think it would be nice to see the sporting world be more receptive to such a change.

## Who Is Danny O'Brien?

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Yet another Atlantic Coastal Conference transfer for the University of Wisconsin Badger football team will pick up where former Badger quarterback Russell Wilson left off. Like Wilson he is an early graduate exempt from transfer rules that would sideline him one year of eligibility but unlike Wilson, former University of Maryland Terrapin Danny O'Brien is not a mobile quarterback.

O'Brien transferred from Maryland in conflict over offensive schemes. O'Brien was redshirted his freshman year, making his debut his sophomore year in a pocket passing offense. However, prior to his second year at quarterback, Maryland changed their offense to an option

style, unfavorable to O'Brien's style.

The transfer saves the Badgers from a quarterback situation that, without O'Brien, was shaky to say the least. Incoming freshman quarterback Bart Houston is undergoing surgery that would sideline Houston for the 2012 season, opening the doors for O'Brien to guide the Badgers and slowly bring Houston in.

The offseason is another productive time for the Badgers as they also redshirted some players. For example, in lieu of senior running back Monte Ball's return, the Badgers redshirted junior running back James White.

Furthermore, O'Brien will be working with a new offensive coordinator after former offensive coordinator Paul Chryst took the head coaching position at the University of Pittsburgh.



# Pointlife

## TRIVIA

### AT WWSP

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Every small town has its pride. For many Wisconsin towns, a yearly summer gathering involving flowing beer and local food specialties is the tradition. Still others take pride in nationally ranked sports teams or locally grown superstars. Stevens Point, Wisconsin, is known worldwide for the craziest, most nerdy, unique, and challenging tradition there is: Trivia.

## IT'S HUGE

This Trivia event began in 1974 at 90FM. Since its start, the contest has expanded from a mere 8 hours to its current 3-day (54 hour) bend-er. Trivia co-author Jim Oliva ("The Oz" to anyone associated with the games) said that around 400 teams register every year.

"We're talking 12,000 people," he said. With a city population of a little over 25,000 that means nearly half the town participates in Trivia. While this does not account for all those trivia geeks returning from out of town, the number is still staggering. It's so huge, in fact, that Alex Trebek spoke the words "Stevens Point, Wisconsin" in an episode of Jeopardy. The question referred to Trivia and was, ironically, left unanswered.

## A SOLID TRADITION

Overall, Trivia is a well-rooted tradition in Stevens Point. You know there's something special at play here when all 50 states have representatives in town for the weekend.

"People get excited about Trivia because it is like an extra holiday. It's a time when people gather with their family and when they see old friends that they only get to meet up with once a year," Scheffen said.

"I give boat tours in Wisconsin Dells and it's amazing how many people know about the campus-run radio station in Stevens Point, and it's usually because they have played the contest. It's a good opportunity to be a part of something so massive," Scheffen said.

## SO WHAT IS IT?

According to the Oz himself, Trivia is "answering questions about useless stuff." But don't let the description fool you. Trivia is anything but tortuous, monotonous boredom.

"This one is different because it's a media contest," The Oz said. "We focus on books, records, TV, movies, that kind of thing." Participants, especially those who are part of Trivia's most successful teams, spend the entire year sifting through movies, books, and other pieces of media.

"Teams can involve as many people as you want," The Oz said. When asked if teams rotate players often throughout the contest, he didn't hesitate. "Well of course," he said with a smirk. "It's a 54-hour contest."

For regular questions, teams with the correct answer receive their share of 2,000 points, but are limited to a minimum of 5 points and a maximum of 500. If only one team answers it correctly, a question is worth 500 points, two correct teams each get 400, and three get 335 each. For the Trivia Stone, players are issued stamps for finding stone clues. Three stamps are worth 300 points, two stamps are worth 150, and one is worth 50 points.

The team with the most points by the wee hours of Monday morning wins. Three large trophies are given out to the top three teams, and smaller trophies are awarded to the rest of the top ten. For 16 of the last 43 years, the team known as "Network" has won. Each year is a contest amongst all other teams, not only to win but also to beat Network.

## GETTING READY

With 430 questions to be asked over a 54-hour period, Oz and the gang have a lot of work to do to prepare for Trivia weekend. Everything from questions to news must be created and gathered, and people to answer phones must be scheduled.

Dana Scheffen, 90FM DJ and News Director, has been involved with Trivia for four years. Her job has her going crazy the week before the contest. "I have been looking for offbeat news stories all semester (that's what we start almost every hour of the contest off with)," she said. "I have also been training my news team and they have all been preparing for reading live news all semester."

Scheffen says maintaining 90FM staff and volunteer enthusiasm is key for Trivia's success.

"One thing that we are sure to spread to the volunteers in the station while training is enthusiasm for the contest. The players have been awake for the entire weekend and we want to keep the contest as exciting and interesting to listen to as possible," Scheffen said.

The questions aren't just Googled, either. "John Eckendorf and I write the questions," The Oz said. "Every Saturday and Sunday since January." Movies are scanned for details, some as small as the particular brand of milk sitting at the table in a classic movie. Books, candy wrappers, old pieces of literature, and radio commentary are among the endless list of possible subjects for questions.

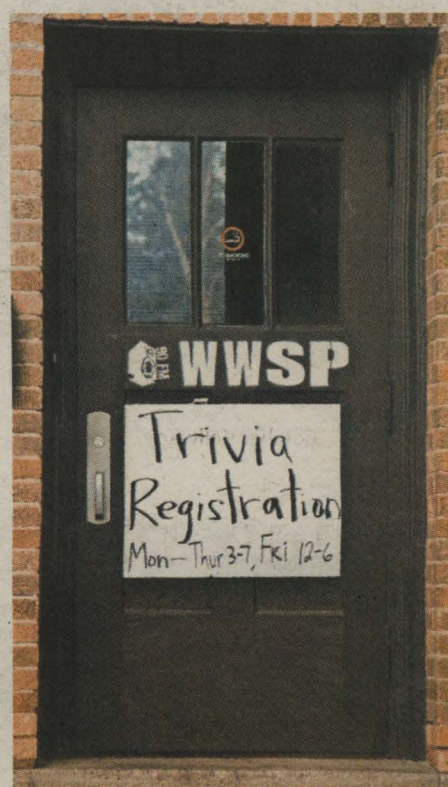


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## THIS YEAR

The Trivia Parade starts at 4 p.m. Friday afternoon, snaking around the UWSP campus and distributing candy to onlookers. Soon after that, at 6 p.m. sharp, Trivia teams congregate in their workspaces for the start of Trivia. Registration is held at WWSP 90FM and goes until kickoff. Teams can be any number of people, and the same \$30 registration fee applies to each team as a whole. 90FM staff members and volunteers sell merchandise, dj, and answer phones all weekend long.

## TRIVIA BY THE NUMB3RS

1974

Trivia began

16

Years where "Network" has claimed 1st place

50

States represented in Trivia teams

54

Hours of Trivia every year

430

Trivia questions asked

34

Years Jim Oliva "Oz" has been the go-to guy for Trivia

90

FM. Obviously cool.



## Hard To Find Cuisine... Found.

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Walking into Kristin's Riverwalk at 1140 Clark Street, you're immediately greeted by wooded accents and dim lights. The peninsula style bar runs along the entrance, leading you to the dining area where customers dine on the made-from-scratch fare.

The menu features a base of options as well as in season options that owner Kristin Mertis proudly exclaimed is made using locally grown ingredients. The American style food features items such as pizzas, wraps, sandwiches and burgers. Sides such as French fries and chips are sliced and cooked to order as well.

"We try to go for the upscale pub and grill look," Mertis said. "We want comfortable, relaxed. Whether you want to come in here in jeans, a shirt, and flip flops or the business man having a meeting in the corner."

Kristin's bar features beverage options that Mertis, who is also a certified mixologist, claims you can't find anywhere else. Mertis said that she doesn't shy away from conjuring up a drink on the fly for the customers who are sick of the usual drinks

you can get anywhere.

"We run different drinks daily," said Mertis, who recently created a banana split shot so good that she says customers could actually taste each individual flavor.

Other than purchasing locally grown ingredients, Kristin's Riverfront is making an effort to be community based. Recently, Kristin's held a fundraiser for the local skate park by hosting a live music venue. At the end of the month, Kristin's is anxiously waiting to host the Reptile Palace Orchestra.

Kristin's Riverwalk is also appealing to the trivia theme this week, reminding people that they deliver on their Facebook page. Also, May 2 will begin to host Team Trivia every Wednesday from 7-9 p.m. that is free. The event will also have prizes.

Mertis has gained experience working in Stevens Point in virtually every position of restaurants prior to graduating from Mid-State Technical College majoring in Farm Operations.

"I learned how to nutritionally feed all the animals, plus raise cattle to beef, chickens because I do have a farming background," Mertis said.

Mertis learned about where food



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Kristin's Riverwalk in Stevens Point features locally grown ingredients and appeals to a wide variety of people.

comes from, how to prepare it, as well as how to professionally create a drink that will pair with the dish. Mertis also talked about how she didn't mind making food off menu if she had some ingredients laying around to make something new.

"They tell me to make something

in a certain price range and all I ask is what are they allergic to," Mertis said.

Kristin's Riverwalk supports the Point Cash system but alcohol purchases cannot be purchased using Point Cash. Like Kristin's Riverwalk on Facebook.

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Thursday 19

8:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. Centertainment: Point Idol: DUC Encore

### Friday 20

7:30 p.m.-11:30 p.m. Breathe Carolina/The Ready Set

Concert: DUC Laird

7:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Wind Band Festival: NFAC Michelson Hall

### Saturday 21

7:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m. BSU-Gospel Fest: DUC Theatre

### Sunday 22

2:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. Journey to the Stars: Planetarium

### Monday 23

5:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. SGA Environmental Affairs Film Series:  
DUC Theatre

### Tuesday 24

10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. American Red Cross Blood Drive :  
DUC Laird Room

7:00 p.m.-9:45 p.m. LGBTQ Film Festival: "Hit So Hard" :  
DUC Theatre

### Wednesday 25

6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. Chancellor's Leadership Award  
Ceremony: DUC Laird North

6:30 p.m.-9:30 p.m. Lawrence Leviton Faculty Recital:  
NFAC Michelson Hall



## International Dinner

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The great thing about college is that everybody is different. Each individual creates a diversity that exposes you to cultures you may not have even known existed. Such is the mission of the International Club: encouraging an exchange of culture by providing ways for friendship, understanding and social interests of the members. The I-Club uses this statement to guide their events, the largest being the International Dinner.

Although it celebrated its 42nd year on April 15, enthusiasm hasn't wavered as a packed crowd weaved through the art gallery and silent auction. Run by students, the art and auction items were donated by students from various backgrounds. Each of the members of the International Club donated an item they had brought here from their country, so they were all unique in their own way.

"Things that you normally don't see in America, like the traditional Chinese fans, for example, and some things that you see but don't know what they're for if they're not explained are what we have at the silent auction," said Cherie Fu, Public Relations Chair of the International Club.

Starting last semester, preparations for this have been quite extensive, starting with deciding on a theme.

"We always try to come up with a universal way to encompass all the different locations that our members

are from. That's why we went with Cultural Collage," Fu said.

Deciding on food and decorations came next. A gazebo-like structure illuminated by strings of lights held many of the works-of-art as appetizers, like sushi, which was passed around by volunteers, many of which were wearing traditional clothing of their countries. One of the volunteers, Shawn Ward, was thrilled to be a part of the evening.

"I decided to volunteer because of my previous performance experience, and it was cool. I wanted to see the atmosphere of the whole dinner part," Ward said.

Finally, the talent portion was decided after an application process and auditioning, judged by three faculty members on campus. By the end of the auditioning process, the judges chose ten performances to fill the entertainment section of the evening.

One performance that encompassed culture was the traditional Hmong dance performed by HaSEAAC members. The overall idea of the dance was a country girl being courted by a city boy. As someone who has been Hmong dancing for eight years, Shenna Vang, one of the choreographers of the dance, described the importance of the entertainment portion.

"I feel that it was important to me, not only to perform, but to watch the other entertainment because by opening up to experience a different culture's background, it created a new view to the diversity we have here on campus," Vang said.

This diversity was especially



Photo by Sara Shaffer

The theme of this year's International Dinner was cultural collage and it encompassed all the different locations that the members are from.



Photo by Emily Hoffman

All performers took to the stage for a final bow.

prevalent when each member of the I-Club carried the flag of their country on stage.

"It was a 'diversity kick' in my nerves that gave me chills," Vang said.

If you were at the event and are

now super pumped about the I-Club, or if this sounds interesting to you, check out the I-Club on May 12 at the Portage County Cultural Festival selling crafts and food, or at their general meetings every month where they present on a different country.

## Removing the Stigma

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The Black Student Union is having their 3rd Annual BSU Weekend starting this Friday April 20, 2012, until Saturday April 21, 2012. After speaking with some students on campus, it is evident that some people are in great anticipation for the weekend of events, while others have never even heard of BSU weekend. In addition, the acronym BSU seems not to be one they are familiar with either.

"Just haven't heard of it," said sophomore communication major Ian McKay.

This seemed to be a very common response.

"If I don't know I can't go," said sophomore business and pre-med major Paul Lincoln.

While inquiring why this may be the case, it felt like more awareness could possibly help remove the stigma. Sequest Williams, majoring in sociology and current president of BSU hopes that not only will people come out and support but poten-

tially discover something they may find worthwhile.

"I want them to walk away being able to find something in that interaction ... that connection personally ... either at the dance, gospel fest, or with the speakers that come," Williams said.

This "something" that Williams talks about is very open-ended and can mean many different things. This something could be a new passion for diversity, being more knowledgeable about the African-American heritage or a way to meet new people and create that connection she speaks about.

"It's an opportunity to bring cultural awareness to Stevens Point to bond and find common ground," Williams said.

In relation to removing any stigma that may exist, it is essential that students and staff are aware that BSU Weekend is not only for people of African-American descent but also for those who want to celebrate the culture as well. BSU Weekend is a call to celebration. It is multi-faceted and allows people to be involved in

more ways than one.

"It reaches out to the people in dance, art and even has a spiritual essence due to gospel fest," said sophomore Spanish major Maira Avila.

Some students also see it as a chance to educate those about the African-American heritage. Nigel Golden, a sophomore double majoring in Biology and Wildlife Ecology (and president of BSU for the 2012-2013 school year) shares why BSU weekend is important to him and what it does for the campus as a whole.

"BSU Weekend is important to me because not only are we the only African-American group on this campus, but also we're the only African-American group in this community," Golden said.

Golden holds a dear belief about how BSU must be willing to educate and promote the African-American culture because the media is not always accurate.

"Obviously we have to take the initiative because media is the

only form of information in this area about African-Americans ... and we all know how the media is ... they depict stereotypes," Golden said.

After talking to people like Williams, Avila and Golden, it is apparent that BSU as a whole is on a mission to remove the stigma and reach out to students like McKay and Lincoln that may be unaware. Truth is, a lot of people are unaware of not only the events that BSU holds but also who they are as an organization. Like any other student organization on campus, they seek to enrich the campus experience. For any student organization this mission is normally accomplished through support. Skin color is irrelevant and BSU Weekend is for anyone who wants to come out and support and have fun while doing just that.

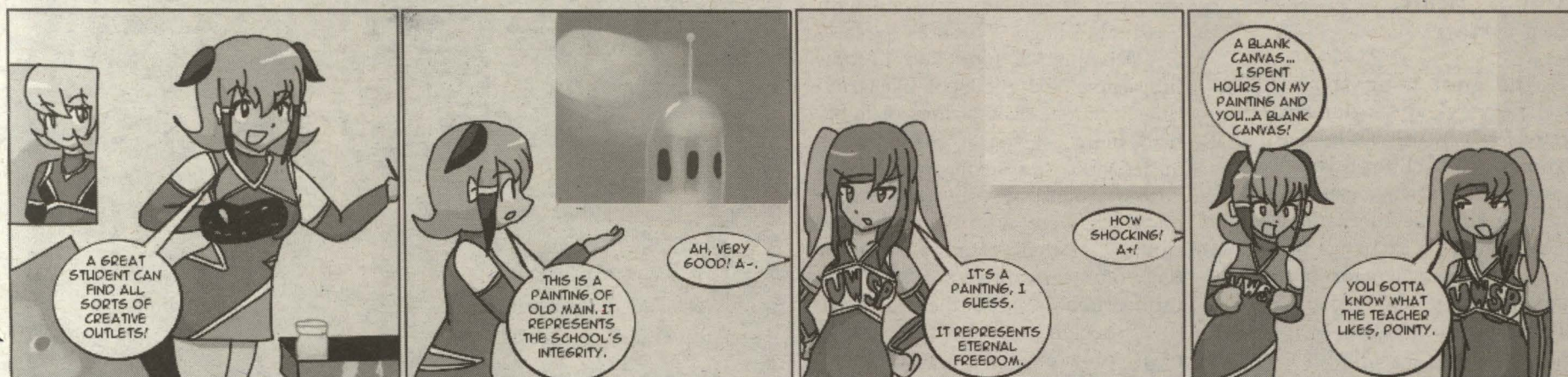
The weekend starts Friday night with "A Bash from the Past '90s Party" in the Alumni Room in the Dreyfus University Center at 8-11:30 p.m. and ending with a gospel fest Saturday night at 7 p.m. at the DUC Theatre.



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# Opinion

## A Reflection on John Zerzan's "The Crisis of Civilization and What To Do About It"

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I would like to take this opportunity to comment on the presentation: "The Crisis of Civilization and What To Do About It" delivered at UWSP on April 16th, 2012, by John Zerzan. Because the presentation was quite difficult to follow, I will have difficulty summarizing it here, but must make an attempt nonetheless. The presentation seemed to be about a lifestyle called "primitivism". John Zerzan purported primitivism as an alternative way of living that does not depend on technology and/or agriculture. Technology, according to Zerzan, is bad, and was portrayed as the root problem of environmental degradation. He spoke of cellphones, email, and factories. There were comments made about how anti-email people really do not have a choice anymore because the institutions that they want to contact do all their business through email. Zerzan claimed to support a type of 'green-related anarchy' but failed in explaining what that entailed.

I could feel the tension in the room beginning to peak after about forty-

five minutes of Zerzan's rambling. There were many students around me with empty notebooks; they were trying to take notes, but were having extreme difficulties. The speaker stated in the beginning of his lecture that he wanted to get to discussion as soon as possible. This comment, coupled with the whispered conversations of confusion taking place in the audience, prompted me after careful deliberation, to raise my hand. We, as an audience, were completely confused; I felt that I had to raise my hand.

I asked Zerzan what he meant by 'primitivism'. He said something about domestication and agriculture, but did not make it clear. I was genuinely and sincerely confused. Did he mean that primitivism was an undomestication of humanity? Was he proposing that humans should not farm? Even a hunter uses a spear, so where does technology fit? Does technology mean tool? He did not explain anything. I listened to him speak for a while and then raised my hand again. What does an undomesticated

**"I was genuinely and sincerely confused."**

humanity look like—if that is indeed what is meant by primitivism? But he did not let me speak. I got no more than a couple of words out before he interrupted me and drifted off into incomprehensible rationalization. I listened again. Nothing was clear. I raised my hand, but he was done calling on me. At best I spoke twenty words, and according to philosopher Zerzan, that was enough.

After my arm got sore I switched it out with the other, but when that one got sore, I gave up. What kind of speaker was this? Zerzan then called on someone else, but they asked the same question I did because he did not give me an answer. I did not want to be rude—something that one should not have to worry about with an anarchist—so I listened. He began to rant again. When Zerzan said that he supported the people in Mexico who were burning down McDonalds, the audience applauded. But what he did not realize is that many were applauding so as to queue the conclusion of the presentation; they just wanted it to end. Many people got up

and left on that note, including me.

In closing I want to say that I am very disappointed in this presentation. I spent today discussing it with others who were there, and a large majority agrees with my evaluation. Three people from different classes asked me if it was possible that Zerzan was intoxicated in some way. I do not think that UWSP should support this kind of presentation. This man was totally unorganized, unqualified, and supported the violent destruction of private property. He was not interested in anyone's confusion or view other than his own, and proved so by not allowing me to properly ask questions. If Zerzan is genuine and sincere in his position, then why was he not bothered by my and everyone else's confusion? I cannot imagine a leader/teacher proper that would go about their business in this way. While I do believe that everyone should have the chance to speak, I do not think that the university should support—and by support I mean pay for—the thoughtless vomiting of unsupported opinions, especially ones of a radical and violent nature.

## College Becoming Unreachable Without Taking on Huge Debt

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Last week, Representative Virginia Foxx, a Republican from North Carolina, said she has "very little tolerance for people who tell me they graduate with \$200,000 of debt or even \$80,000 of debt because there's no reason for that."

Apparently Foxx subscribes to the conservative ideology of "pulling oneself up by their bootstraps" and an individual is solely responsible for the decisions they make in their life.

"We live in an opportunity society and people are forgetting that," Foxx said during a radio interview last week. "I remind folks all the time that the Declaration of Independence says 'life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.' You don't have that dumped in your lap."

Foxx shared her story of paying for tuition when she was an undergraduate during her time at the University of North Carolina.

"I went through school, I worked my way through, it took me seven years, I never borrowed a dime of money," Foxx said.

To make matters worse, Foxx currently is the Chairwoman of the House Subcommittee on Higher Education.

While it is admirable that Foxx was able to pay for her own education without having to take on stu-

dent loans, the financing of higher education in the 1960s was drastically different than what exists today.

Foxx received a bachelor's degree from the University of North Carolina in 1968. While I could not find historical tuition rates for UNC, I was able to come across tuition rates for the University of Wisconsin-Madison, which I believe to be a fairly comparable university. Both UNC and UW are large public research universities, with fairly equal in-state tuition rates for 2012.

During the 1967-1968 academic year, the year that Foxx graduated from UNC, tuition, not including segregated fees, books, etc, was \$301 for the entire year. Adjusted for inflation that amounts to around \$2,070.

That sounds like a bargain compared to the \$8,592 that UW-Madison currently has, a total of a 315 percent increase over the past 40 years.

The reality is that public universities used to be funded at levels unheard of today, and sadly those in power seem to not understand the new realities students have to face when deciding to pursue a degree.

When Federal Pell Grants were first instituted for the 1976-1977 school year, the average grant to students was \$759, which fully covered the cost of tuition at Madison that year. Today the maximum amount, not the average, of the Pell Grant is \$5,500, only 64 percent of the cost of

tuition at Madison.

According to Education Trust, an organization dedicated to reforming the educational system, sixty percent of students who receive Pell Grants also take on student loans. This is double the rate those who do not receive grants.

All these factors are making it harder for students to achieve a college education, something that created the middle-class in this country, and it would appear the Chairwoman of the House Subcommittee on Higher Education could care less.

Students deserve better.

### STUDENT LOAN DEBT



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## There's Nothing Wrong with Loving Who You Are: Pride Week

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Don't ask, don't tell – or be proud of who you are and do what you want.

Pride Week, hosted by the Gender and Sexuality Alliance (GSA), hit the University of Wisconsin – Stevens Point last week. The weeklong series of events showcased and promoted Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, and Intersex (LGBTQI) culture, acceptance and involvement on campus.

"We believe that Pride Week is a time for students to be able to fully embrace who they are, regardless of their sexual orientation. It's a way to make sure that the LGBTQI community doesn't remain invisible; their presence is often disregarded," said GSA President Kassie Baron.

The week began with a presentation from YouTube sensation Tyler Oakley about being an activist in the community, a political and religious discussion, the showing of the film "The Wise Kids" and a drag show.

Junior Zach Young, the Rainbow Center Director at UWSP, was in

charge of the presentation given by Tyler Oakley.

"He gave an amazing presentation on how he became an activist and how other people can step up and become activists themselves. It was beautiful and empowering," Young said.

The week gave students the opportunity to celebrate their pride in their sexuality and gender, including that of freshman Ryan Hietpas.

"As a campus we are trying to promote equality and the ability for everyone to be accepted for whom they are and for whom they like. It's a time of the year where the LGBT society is able to come together and be able to say 'I'm proud to be gay,'" Hietpas said.

Hietpas, along with hundreds of other UWSP students, attended the infamous drag show themed "Over the Rainbow." Flooding the Laird Room, the show was the most highly attended event of the week.

"This was the first drag show that I have ever been to. I didn't know what to really expect until I got there. Everybody was having an awesome time laughing and screaming for the

performers. It was such a positive and energizing show," Hietpas said.

The week ended with the showing of "Rocky Horror Picture Show," and a Rocky "whore-r" photo shoot where students dressed as their favorite character from the film.

"Pride Week was a great way to get a message out to students that might be struggling with their own issues that they are okay. They are beautiful exactly how they are and they have an entire community behind them whether they know it or not," Young said.



Photo by Emily Hoffman  
The reigning queen of the GSA drag show performs under the drag name Tamika L. Jones.

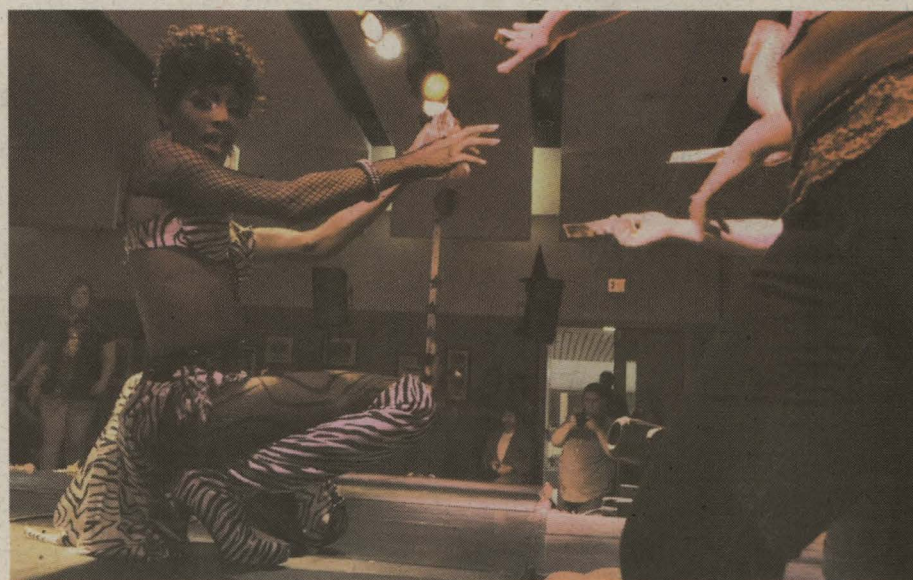


Photo by Emily Hoffman  
Jaide Dumar performs at the GSA drag show.

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