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Homegrown Café in the Dreyfus University Center offers fair trade coffee.

Students Begin Fair Trade Campaign on Campus

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A campaign lead by students is underway to designate the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point as a fair trade campus.

The Office of Sustainability and Students for Sustainability created

a committee that will work toward passing an official student senate referendum vote and placing certified fair trade goods within campus retail locations to meet requirements for accreditation by Fair Trade USA, a third-party certifier. Fair Trade Coffee

Justin Seis, student special projects coordinator for the Office of

Sustainability, said work needs to be done finding products that are not only fair trade but also meet financial limitations and contractual requirements for campus retail outlets.

"We need to find fair trade products we can pitch to them as a replacement for something that isn't," Seis said. "Right now we

need to take stock of what we've got."

Finding replacement products of similar quality and cost is not easy, Seis said, and he hopes to open lines between merchandising staff and campaign members to find satisfactory equivalents.

"The places that supply a fair trade product have a very intensive

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Cuts to Career Services Result in a Merger

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Career Services is restructuring the way it interacts with students this semester in response to last year's budget cuts.

It is undergoing a merger with the Student Academic Advising Center, said Lorry Walters, associate director at the office, which will produce the Academic and Career Advising Center.

Together, the offices have lost three staff members to the cuts, and student advising will needs additional resources. Assessments will also be handled differently.

However, many students have yet to feel effects from the transition.

"Most of these changes have occurred over the summer, and with the semester just starting, I don't think the students have probably felt the impact yet," Walters said. "The challenge we're going to face is there aren't any fewer students - in fact, there are probably more."

According to Walters, not everything has changed. Alumni still have access to the same services the office has offered in the past, although they might not be able to access services when they are being

heavily utilized by students. Walters said she is not alone in her concern for the merger. Alan Bustamante, chief of staff of the Student Government Association, said he was apprehensive about the possibility of cuts to tools for students such as the Myers-Briggs test.

"They do a really great job. If anything is to impact them with the budget cuts, the students will probably have a hard time," Bustamante said.

Scott Strey, senior web and digital media development major, also has expressed his concern.

"I haven't had any experience with them yet this year, but I imagine with cutbacks it would be harder to get an appointment in with the right person," he said.

Nevertheless, Walters said he hopes the changes will have minimal impact on students, and he believes the office will still be useful to find employment.

"I am pleased that we're still here, and hopefully we'll still be here for students and employers and faculty and staff, as a resource," Walter said. "But again, like many areas on campus, we're going to have to work differently than we have in the past, and that means changes."

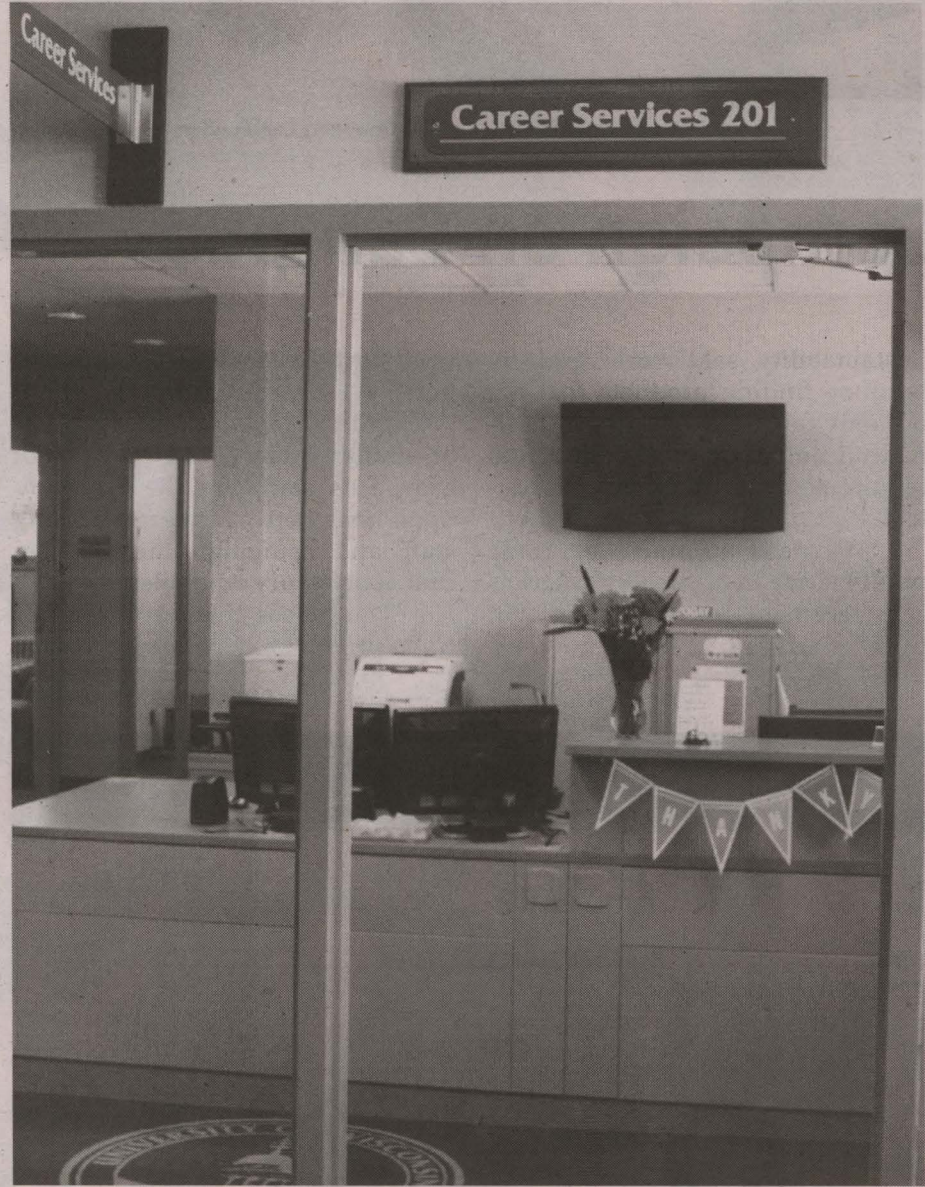


Photo by Allison Birr
Career Services has not been cut completely, but is experiencing a merger.

PROTECTIVE SERVICES REPORT

Sunday, Sept. 13

The Stevens Point Police Department responded to a call about a student who was being harassed by two males in a vehicle. He was afraid they were waiting for him outside of the Debot Center.

Monday, Sept. 14

PS was indicated that the SPPD radioed in a call regarding a student who had collapsed in the Science Building.

A Smith Hall CA called PS to report an odor of marijuana on the third floor.

Tuesday, Sept. 15

The code blue phone at the Schmeeckle shelter went off six times.

Wednesday, Sept. 16

St. Michael's Hospital called PS to ask for assistance in transporting a male student, who appeared to have trouble walking, back to his dorm.

Thursday, Sept. 17

A campus employee called PS regarding a dead bird outside of the Science Building, which had been lying there two to three days, and she was worried the bird may have had rabies. Facility Services said they would dispose of the bird's body.

PS spoke to two individuals who came into them concerning a harassment issue on the Yik Yak app about related to a missing Fitbit.

Friday, Sept. 18

A CA at Smith Hall requested a PS officer come to talk to a student regarding a drug concern.

PS received a call from a local patron who said she heard "blood curdling screams, splashes and the possible words 'save her' coming from Schmeeckle." PS went to investigate.

Saturday, Sept. 19

The PS base was radioed about an individual on the third floor of Baldwin Hall who was reportedly pointing a laser at people.

The PS base was radioed about two male individuals who were climbing a tree on Reserve Street.

Correction:

In the Sept. 16 issue in "Top 10 Songs," the piece lists the top 10 albums.

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Dining Services Provides Nutrition Facts for Students

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The DUC Food Court has a variety of healthy dining options.

Students hoping to stay away from the freshman 15 have a way to keep their diets in check.

On the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point website, students can find nutritional information from Dining Services available through NetNutrition, which allows diners to view what goes into the food offered on campus at Upper Debot, Lower Debot and the Dreyfus University Center food court.

Alyssa Blume, senior dietetics major, helps to organize the nutritional information in an informational system called CBORD.

"The system calculates out the total nutrition of the recipe, and we tell it what portion size to use so

that it calculates out the nutrition for a single serving," Blume said.

Blume said the information calculated is used for nutrition labels at various dining locations and shown on NetNutrition.

"My role in providing nutrition information is taking nutrition and ingredient information from vendors and their products and entering the information into the computer system," Blume said.

Blume said one of her favorite nutritional options on campus is the featured grain of the day, offered at Upper Debot.

Nora Stanczyk, CBORD admin-

istrator, said she believes students deserve to have a variety of foods to choose from on campus.

"We have several healthy options. We always try and give gluten-free options for people with allergies. There are also so many vegetable choices for the subs. We do a lot with grains as well," Stanczyk said.

Camen Haessig, senior dietetics major, is a CBORD student operations manager and said whenever new recipes are created, student opinion is always taken into account.

"A large portion of the food we

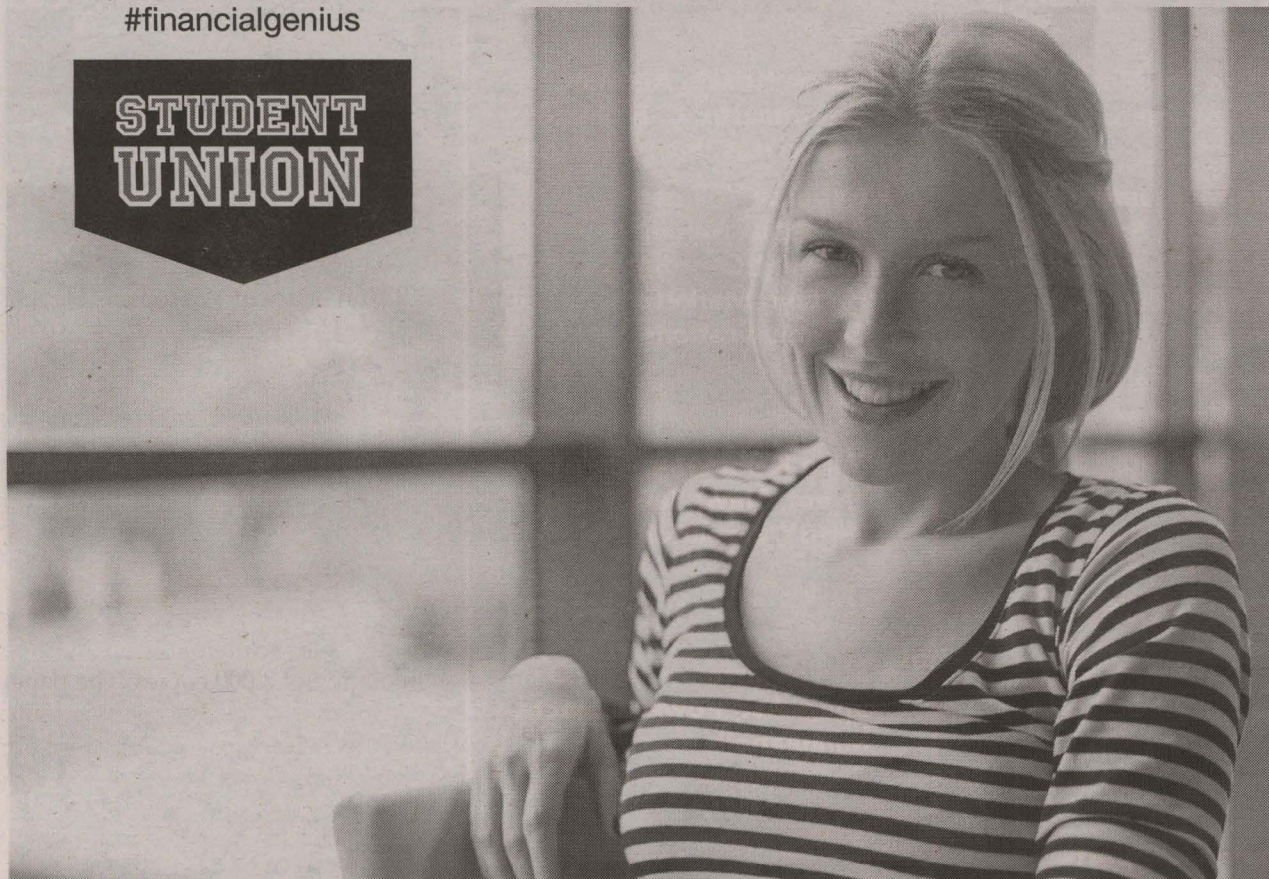
serve on campus is our own recipes. I would say one of the more premade items is guacamole. We do make a lot of the cookies. I know that we buy the dough for the bagels, but we still bake it here on campus," Haessig said.

Haessig said she suggests one option for students looking to eat healthier is to choose something with grilled chicken in it.

"In dietetics we learn a lot about obesity and diabetes," Haessig said. "I think for that reason it's important to give students healthy options to help them make better eating choices."

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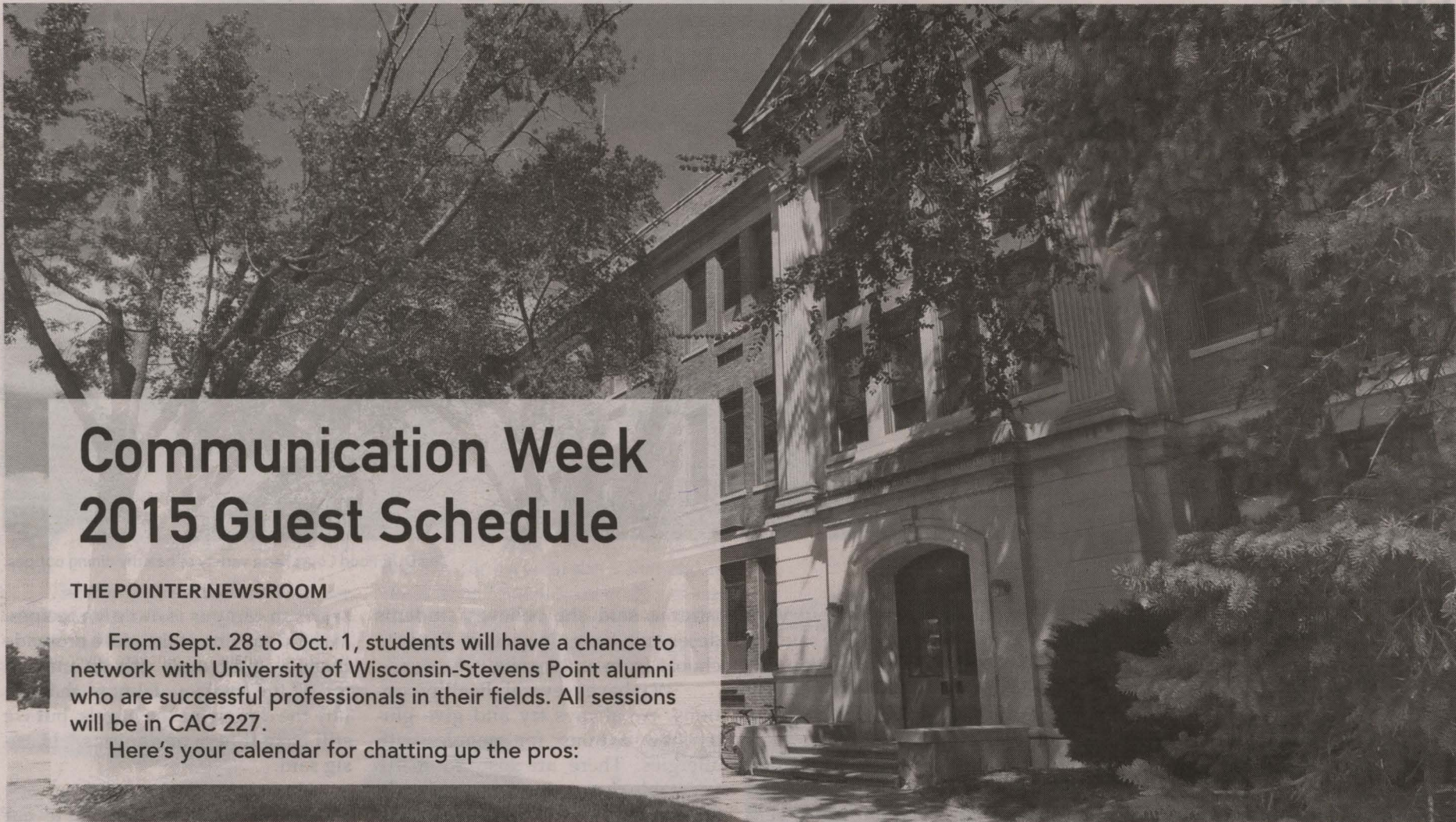
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Communication Week 2015 Guest Schedule

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From Sept. 28 to Oct. 1, students will have a chance to network with University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point alumni who are successful professionals in their fields. All sessions will be in CAC 227.

Here's your calendar for chatting up the pros:

COMMUNICATION WEEK SCHEDULE

MONDAY, SEPT. 28

10 to 10:50 a.m.

- Derek Heikkinen, Business Services Director, North Central Wisconsin Workforce Development Board
- Ben Selle, Owner of Sellebrity Casting and Casting Director for the Food Network Channel
- Kimberly Uelmen, District Communications Coordinator, Pulaski Community School District
- Marc Young, Admissions Counselor, UW-Stevens Point

11 to 11:50 a.m.

- Matt Abbrederis, Principal Consultant, Ponto Solutions, Inc., St. Louis,
- Casey Schmidt, HR Recruiter, Marine Credit Union Enterprise, LaCrosse

11:15 a.m. to noon

- Darren Kramer, News Anchor, WTNH-TV (ABC), New Haven/Hartford, CT

TUESDAY, SEPT. 29

1 to 1:50 a.m.

- Nate Enwald, Managing Editor, Portage County Gazette
- Maggie Marquardt, Development Specialist, College of Fine Arts and Communication, UW-Stevens Point
- Kendra Schiefelbein, Project Manager, Skyward
- Amanda Shilling, Development Director, Wisconsin Academy of Sciences, Arts & Letters
- Kelly Soczka Steidinger, Instructor, Mid-State Technical College, Stevens Point

2 to 3 p.m.

- Justin Prince, Sports Reporter at KAWE/ KAWB, Bemidji, MN

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 30

10 to 10:50 a.m.

- Aaron Krisch, Account Coordinator, C. Blohm & Associates, Inc., Madison
- Rebecca Vollmer, PR/Social Media Account Coordinator, Hiebing Marketing Communications

11 a.m. to noon

- Mike Kemmeter, On-Air Talent, News Talk 1150 WHBY, Appleton

2 to 3 p.m.

- Steven Zahurones, SEO Specialist, Power Objects, Minneapolis

THURSDAY, OCT. 1

10:45 to 11:45 a.m.

- Andy Kubitz, Executive Vice President, Program Planning & Scheduling at ABC Entertainment

Students Embrace Brewhaus Renovation

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After a summer of renovations, the Basement Brewhaus has a whole new look.

The newly renovated space opened on Aug. 24 and has students and employees excited.

The Brewhaus, located in the Dreyfus University Center, is a popular spot on campus for students to relax while enjoying a cup of coffee.

"Since the renovation our entire service counter has been changed. It is all brand new," Rosemeyer said. "Behind the counter, our drink prep area is laid out differently. There has been some new flooring and new lighting. There is a strip of LED lights that are new by the front counter."

Rosemeyer said she has yet to hear any negative comments, from customers, about the renovation.

"From a customer point of view, my favorite part of the reno-

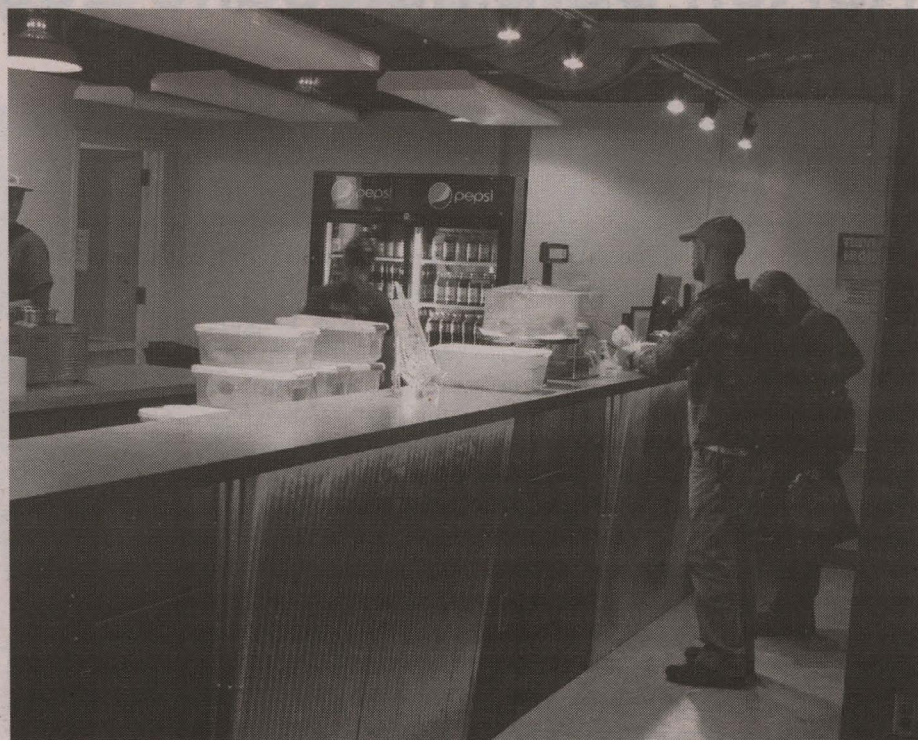


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The Brewhaus was renovated over summer.

The renovation shows that UWSP cares about their students' down time because the Brewhaus is a wonderful place to do homework, socialize and catch up with people.

-Amanda Wallis, junior communicative sciences major

Christina Rosemeyer, senior family and consumer science education major, is the student manager at the Brewhaus and said she believes the renovations made to the Brewhaus have created an easier workspace for the baristas.

vation is the new lighting element. The layout also really makes more sense for our baristas and our customers," Rosemeyer said.

Greg Diekroeger, the assistant director of campus activities at the University of Wisconsin-St-

evens Point, said the renovation cost about \$30,000.

"The renovation allows for more storage in the Brewhaus. It's much more efficient for the baristas, and it looks cool," Diekroeger said.

Diekroeger said he is enthusiastic about the changes made to the Brewhaus and hopes more students will make it one of their hang out places on campus.

Amanda Wallis, junior communicative sciences and disorders major, is excited about the renovation.

"The renovation shows that

UWSP cares about their students' down time because the Brewhaus is a wonderful place to do homework, socialize and catch up with people," Wallis said. "I think re-doing the area is a great way to give back to us."

Wallis said the Brewhaus is her favorite place on campus.

"I think that the atmosphere of the Brewhaus sets a relaxing mood," she said. "I think all colleges need a place like that for students. Students deserve somewhere relaxing to go, instead of just sitting in their dorm rooms or apartment."

ENVIRONMENT

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process," Seis said. "Cost is something you always worry about with that stuff."

All coffee sold on campus is currently fair trade certified. Additionally, the University Store and Text Rental carries a handful of fair trade clothing items.

Melanie Heibler, Student sales floor associate of the store, said she believes UWSP students tend to be more aware of environmental and social issues and having fair trade options seems logical.

"There are so many natural resources majors here," Heibler said. "Throwing fair trade in kind of seems like second nature."

The fair trade clothing in the store supports workers in the Dominican Republic, a country Heibler has traveled to.

"If we stopped carrying them I'd probably be upset because it goes to such a good cause," Heibler said.

Dave Barbier, sustainability coordinator for the office, said he sees the movement as an awareness campaign for environmental and social justice issues.

"We as students and as a campus need to be aware of what we can do with our dollar," Barbier said. "We can make decisions that are better for the planet overall."

Fair trade business and sustainable production go hand in hand, but do not always exist together, Barbier said. As whole, fair trade satisfies two-thirds of the triple bottom line, which is when something is good for people, the environment and the economy.

"When you look at fair trade, you sort of know its better for people and better for the profit," Barbier said. "We don't always know the farming practices that go with that sort of certification."

Simply having the option to buy products that are fair trade and environmentally conscious is one reason Barbier believes this campaign is worthwhile.

When talking about the availability of fair trade and environmentally conscious goods, Barbier said, "right now that option doesn't exist, and it should at a certain level."

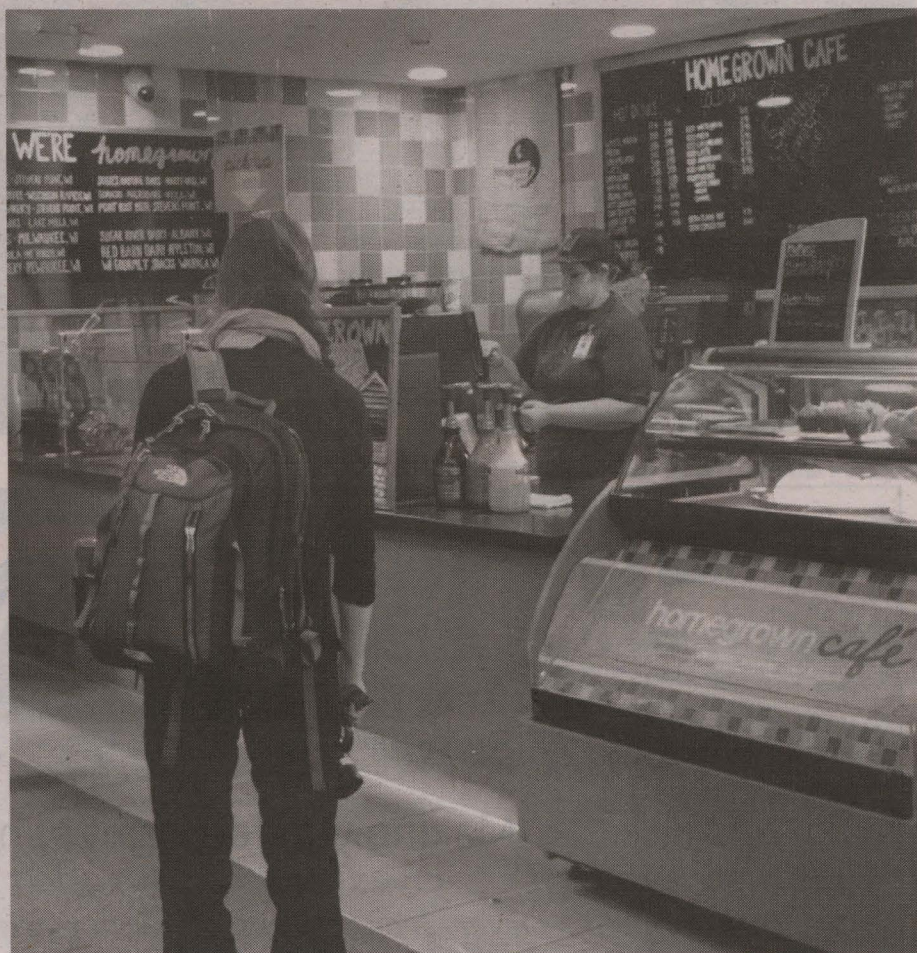


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Karlen Dominates the Edge for Pointers Football

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There are many ways to describe the Pointers' defensive end Aaron Karlen. He is hard working, passionate, leads by example, but only one word describes him on the field.

"Relentless is the biggest thing," said defensive line coach Drew Vanderlin. "You see his relentlessness, how he attacks the game and how passionate he is about football. It's like, 'ooh, he is going to be kind of special.'"

As a junior, Karlen led the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point with 8.5 sacks, 12 tackles for loss and five forced fumbles. As a result, he finished within the top five in those categories for the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference. Karlen was named First Team All-WIAC Defense and Third Team All-American by D3football.com last season.

This will be Karlen's senior season as a captain, a preseason Second Team

All-American, and he is entering the season coming off two minor off-season knee surgeries as he had a bursa sac removed before training camp. After falling on the knee again, he needed to get more fluid removed as it restricted his mobility.

"It was nagging and frustrating, but nothing structural," said Karlen, who wears a knee-pad both on and off the field. "I have to wear this pad, and it's very uncomfortable. It's worth it in my eyes, but it becomes frustrating."

Throughout the 2014 season, Karlen dealt with the injury by sitting out of practices and only playing on Saturdays, all while playing a new position. Last season Karlen switched from linebacker to defensive end, something coaches joked about, but a decision Karlen is glad he made.

"I wasn't that good at pass protection, and I would rather go forward than lateral," Karlen said. "I'm a forward guy not backwards. It was the best move they ever made for me and my best decision when it came to foot-

ball."

According to Vanderlin, coaches frequently discussed moving Karlen. It was head coach Tom Journell who came up with the idea to switch Karlen's position based off Journell's preference to have quick defensive ends, a spot that fit Karlen's best attributes on the field. Vanderlin said Karlen seemed hesitant at first, but after the first few games he was asking coaches why he wasn't moved to defensive end sooner.

But Journell believes no matter where Karlen lines up, he will make an impact on the field.

"He is really talented, and it doesn't matter where he plays he is going to be productive because he is so dynamic," said Journell. "He has a flash. He is going to show up and make big plays as a playmaker."

Seeing how fast Karlen learned the position and the success he has had so far has been rewarding for Vanderlin.

"Since we moved him to end and to see him grow and master that craft, to me as a coach, is exciting," Vanderlin

said. "Aaron is a super smart kid, but on the field he likes to go. For him to put his hand in the dirt, to key in on an offensive lineman and to cut it lose from there really suited his attributes well."

As a senior, Karlen was voted a team captain by his fellow teammates. This fulfilled a goal he set for himself as a freshman to achieve during his time at UWSP by working hard with a "no days off" attitude. The title of being captain is something Karlen takes pride in.

"It feels great. I always like helping the young guys as I respect those guys," Karlen said. "It just goes to show how much they believe in you and respect you. I get to play an even better role now as a leader."

In his last season, Karlen plans to take everything in, whether it is practice, bus trips or games. He says it will be tough to think about not playing football, but that change is a part of life and playing college football is one of the best decisions he has ever made.



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Pointers Football Hang on to Win Spud Bowl

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On a sunny Saturday afternoon, the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point held off a late charge by Coe College, obtaining a 34-31 win in the annual Spud Bowl.

This was also the Pointers' sixth annual Pink Game in which the team raised money all week toward a variety of breast cancer foundations and wore pink jerseys.

UWSP began scoring early, with a mixture of run and pass, that concluded with a two-yard touchdown run by Britton Vernon, junior running back. Junior quarterback Kyle Larson hooked up with senior wide receiver Matt Sosinsky multiple times on the drive, and the two continued the connection throughout the game.

Coe started slow on offense, and the Pointers took advantage by forcing a quick three and out on Coe's first possession. Larson found Sosinsky three times the following drive, but the Pointers were halted near the goal line and settled for three, taking a 10-0 lead late in the first.

Senior defensive ends Aaron Karlen and Dan Brown found themselves in the backfield frequently creating havoc in the first half for Coe senior quarterback Josh Rekers. After another failed offensive possession for Coe, the Pointers struck again quickly with a 2-yard touchdown pass from Larson to junior tight end Paul Swartz. This gave the Pointers a 17-0 lead early in the second and left Coe looking for answers.

After it began to speed up the offensive tempo, Coe regained its confidence and got its first first down of the game with 13:50 left in the second quarter. Rekers attacked the middle of the field repeatedly, successfully completing a three-yard touchdown pass to sophomore wide receiver Demetrius Harper and cutting the Point lead to 17-7.

The Pointer offense was held scoreless for a majority of the second quarter until sophomore running back Christian Almonte busted a cut back run of 54-yards for a Pointer touchdown right before half. This gave UWSP a 24-7 lead going into the locker room.

Rekers began the second half by scrambling around and finding a variety of wide outs to set up a short field goal and cut the Pointer lead to 24-10.

UWSP answered the early score by attacking Coe on the ground but sealed the deal on the drive with a 14-yard touchdown from Larson to junior wide receiver Logan Taylor putting the Pointers in control, 31-10.

The wheels seemed to be falling off for Coe as it dropped the ensuing kickoff at the one, recovered and only made it out to its own six. Six plays, 94 yards later, Coe answered with the play of the game, a one handed touchdown grab by Harper.

UWSP went into the fourth quarter with a 34-17 lead. But Coe decided



Photo by Jack McLaughlin

Players wore the annual Pink Game jerseys this weekend.

it wasn't done yet and answered with a touchdown two minutes into the fourth, cutting the deficit to ten again at 34-24.

Coe's up tempo offense gave Pointer's defense players problems. They were compiled when Larson went down with an injury that put senior quarterback Cody Neurnberg in the game and resulted with three consecutive scoreless drives.

Coe was given the ball with five minutes left. It was down 10, and Rekers was picked off by senior safety Michael Longmeyer in what seemed

to be the nail in the coffin, but after another empty offensive possession and punt by UWSP, Coe put up seven points in two plays to cut the lead to 34-31 with 3:12 left.

A failed onside kick by Coe and first-down run by Vernon seemed to finally put the game in hand, but after a third down incompleteness by Point, Coe recieved the ball once more down three.

This chance was short lived and Coe fumbled around midfield. The ball was recovered by Longmeyer, giving the Pointers a hard fought 34-31

rivalry win.

The game raised money for a variety of different foundations that support breast cancer research, said Chancellor Bernie Patterson. The game raised \$56,000, the largest amount in six years.

The win moved the Pointers to 1-1 for the year. UWSP will take the field next Saturday on the road against Finlandia. This will be the Pointers second trip to Michigan.

UWSP Sports Battle Hard in Tough Losses This Season

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Volleyball Goes 2-2 against Ranked Opponents

The Pointers volleyball team competed at the Carthage Invitational against ranked opponents for the first time this season.

On Sept.19, the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point fell to 13th-ranked University of Chicago and eighth-ranked Carthage in two five-set matches. The Pointers forced a fifth set against Chicago coming back from a 2-1 deficit, but the Maroons scored the final four points of the set to win the match.

Senior middle blocker Emma Brunkhorst had a match-high 20 kills

with a hit percentage of .400. Sophomore middle Ellen Drewry added 12 kills, and freshman setter Brittany Laffin added 49 assists.

In the next match against Carthage, UWSP once again came back from a 2-1 deficit to force a fifth set, but it was the same result as Carthage scored four of the final five points to win. Junior Kelly Cefalu led the Pointers with 16 kills, and Laffin recorded a career-high in assists with 54.

The following day, UWSP defeated No.25 Dominican and 14th ranked Elmhurst. Against Dominican, UWSP rebounded from two straight losses with a 3-0 sweep as Brunkhorst and junior outside hitter Gabby Thomas both tallied 11 kills for UWSP. In their final match of the weekend, the Pointers defeated Elmhurst 3-2 in another five set match. Brunkhorst hit a sea-

son-high with 20 kills, moving her to fourth in school history with 1,161 career kills.

The Pointers begin conference play at UW-Platteville on Sept.23.

Soccer Falls Short

In the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference opener, the UWSP soccer team fell to UW-Stout 2-0 on Sept.19.

The Pointers only had three shots on goal, all three coming from freshman defender Elise Thuot. Senior goalkeeper Kristen Churkey made nine saves.

The next day, UWSP hosted Wartburg College but fell 3-2. Freshman midfielder Kayla Huber opened the scoring first for UWSP, but Wartburg scored 15 seconds later. Down 3-1, junior forward Abbie Ullrich added a

goal for UWSP. Again in net, Churkey made 6 saves.

UWSP next plays at home against Carthage on Sept.23.

Tennis loses to Oshkosh

Facing UW-Oshkosh in the WIAC opener, the UWSP tennis team lost 5-4 on Sept.19.

The Pointers lost two of three doubles matches, and each team split the six singles matches 3-3. Sophomore Kaylee Roberts and junior Frances Weiss won the lone doubles win for UWSP in their first match as a pair. Junior Emily Kleist, sophomores Elizabeth Wilichowski and Abbey Johnson all won for UWSP in singles competition.

UWSP next plays Bethel and Lawrence on Sept.26 in Stevens Point.



Photo by Jack McLaughlin

SPORTS SCHEDULE

WOMEN'S SOCCER	VOLLEYBALL	WOMEN'S GOLF	CROSS COUNTRY	TENNIS	FOOTBALL
Sept. 23, 4 p.m. vs Carthage	Sept. 23, 7 p.m. at UW-Platteville	Sept. 25 at UW-Whitewater	Sept. 25 Augustana Invitational	Sept. 26, 8 a.m. vs Bethel	Sept. 26, 4 p.m. at Finlandia
Sept. 26, 1 p.m. vs UW-Whitewater	Sept. 25, 6:30 p.m. vs Augustana (in Elmhurst, IL)			Sept. 26, 3:30 p.m. vs Lawrence	
Sept. 27, 4 p.m. at North Park	Sept. 26, 12:30 p.m. vs Wheaton				

The Odd and Enticing Horror of Swedish Folklore in 'Year Walk'

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"Year Walk" is one of the strangest horror games I have ever played.

Released in 2013 by Simogo, the player follows the story of a young man as he participates in the Swedish ritual of year walking, an old custom that involves entering the woods on New Year's Eve and interacting with supernatural creatures that dwell there as a means of catching a glimpse into one's future.

At first glance this premise seems as though it covers relatively familiar ground within this genre, but the agents of horror I encountered in the game pleasantly surprised me.

While many horror games or movies are content to frighten the player or viewer with monsters that are exclusively characterized through their connection to terror or violence, such as "Resident Evil" or "Nightmare on Elm Street," "Year Walk" instead draws inspiration from the bizarre and complex creatures of Swedish folklore.

This can be seen in one of the earliest sections of the game where the player encounters a Huldra, a siren-like

ghost who acts as guardian of the forest the story takes place in. While certainly terrifying, encountering her during my play-through was a hauntingly beautiful experience of exploration and music-based puzzles.

This inherent complexity is also demonstrated in the in-game encyclopedia, which not only warns about the Huldra's penchant for killing but also teaches the player rituals that allow them to communicate with her and ultimately gain her assistance in progressing further into the woods.

While this sort of unconventional monstrosity certainly makes the world of "Year Walk" more compelling, it also becomes the driving force for the game's mechanics.

As mentioned with the Huldra, in order to progress, the player must perform a series of rituals as a means of interacting with various creatures in the game. Successfully piecing the information together to complete each of these rituals demands studying each creature and the stories that surround them by reading the in-game encyclopedia. There are also clues sprinkled throughout the environment that I vigorously kept track of on a scratch piece of paper.

This type of studying or analysis as



Photo courtesy of yearwalk.com

gameplay demands a suitably strange or complex subject, whose systems of motivation and communication would be difficult or perhaps only partially capable of being deciphered. After all, one look at Jason Voorhees and his machete and hockey mask combo tells me everything I need to know about his character. However, if I'm confronted by a horse in a suit floating down an icy river in the middle of the woods, as

the player is in "Year Walk," that same sense understanding or clarity is completely lost.

In a way that speaks to why I often found this game so terrifying or unsettling. Horror at its most effective eludes our expectations or understanding. Through intermingling monstrosity with beauty, mystery and even humor, "Year Walk" is certainly successful in this aim.

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Poetry Slam Brings Original Artistry, Creative Freedom

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Fifteen poets took the stage Sept. 19 at the Poetry Slam, hosted by Centertainment Productions.

Every poet had three minutes and thirty seconds to perform, with 10 audience members, who were randomly selected, judging the performances.

"It's all about just people sharing their souls with us and having friends come and support them," said Allison Kelley, public relations coordinator for Centertainment and host of the slam.

Kelley began the event by sharing some poetry of her own for the first time.

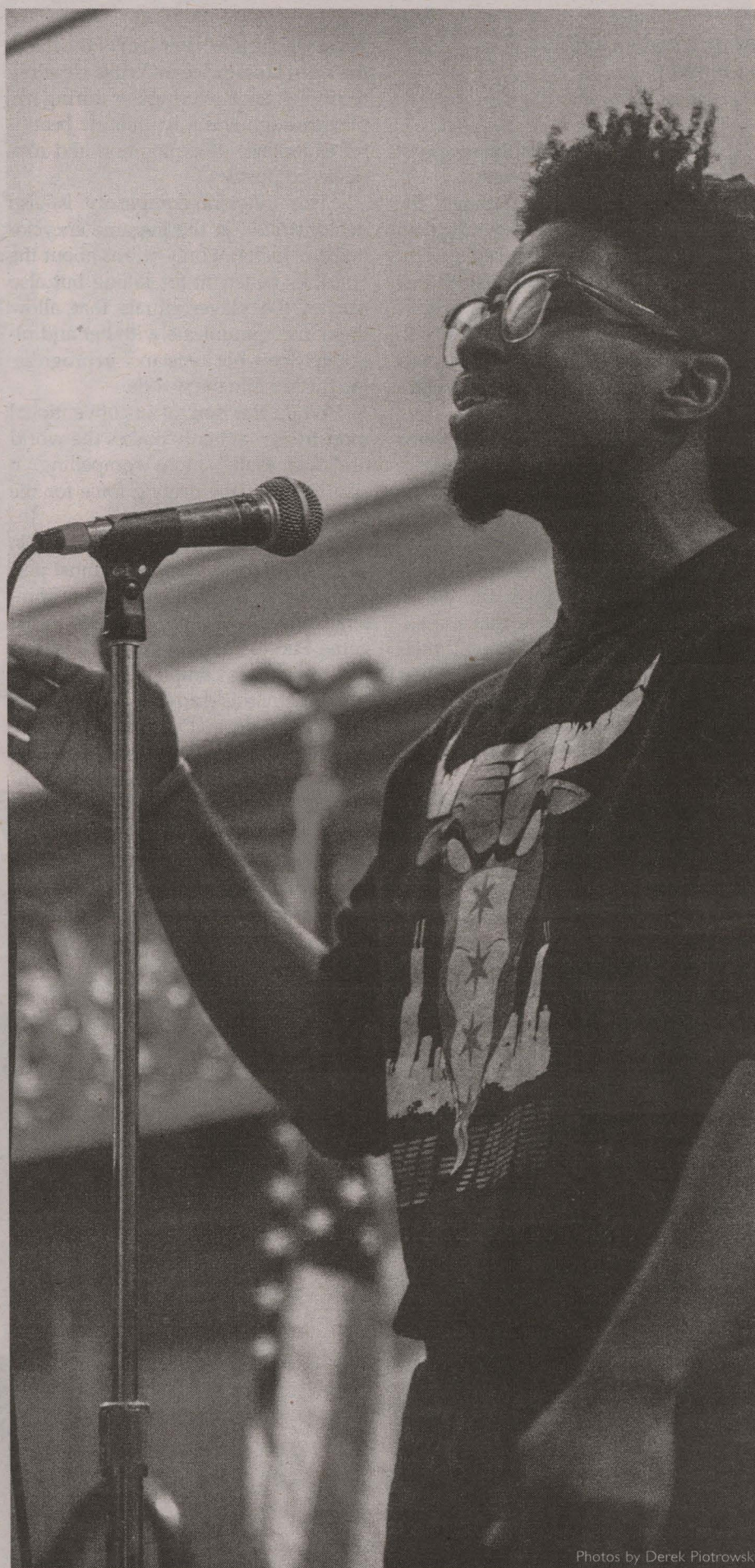
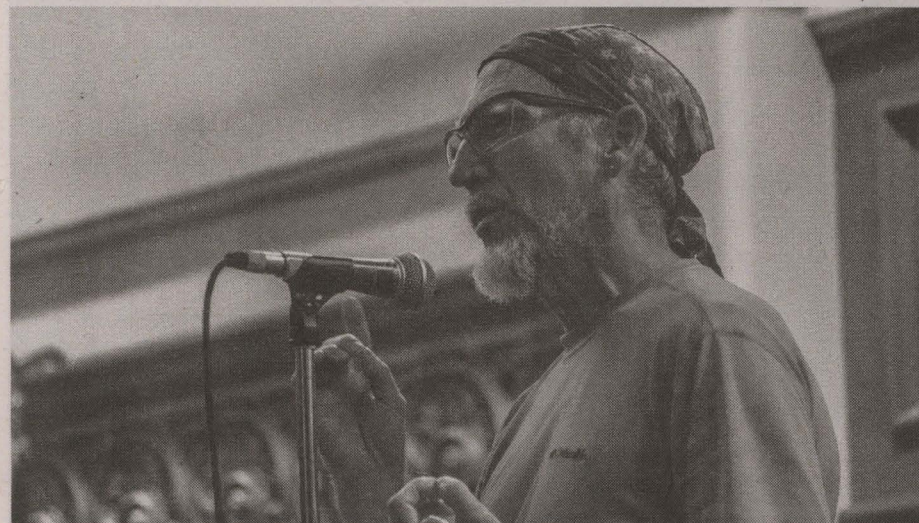
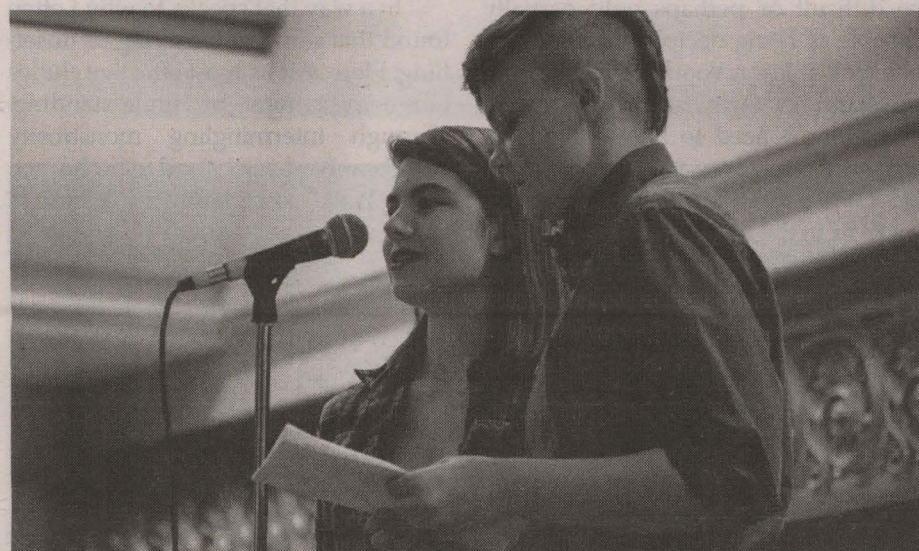
The slam gave students the opportunity to share their original writing in a safe and supportive environment, she said. Poets were given complete freedom with their performance, and

any topic was fair game for the to share with the audience.

"I think that students are always looking for opportunities to perform. They are looking to share what they have created behind closed doors and they're really just looking for recognition for what they are doing," said Emily Wisniewski, late night coordinator for Centertainment and the organizer of the event.

The top five scorers performed a second time, and the top three participants received prizes. An open mic portion at the end of the event allowed members of the audience to take the stage and share their artistry as well.

"Stories unite people. I think this is a beautiful way to show that and to stand up in front of somebody and say, 'this is what I went through and this is what I'm excited about' and being vulnerable," Kelley said.



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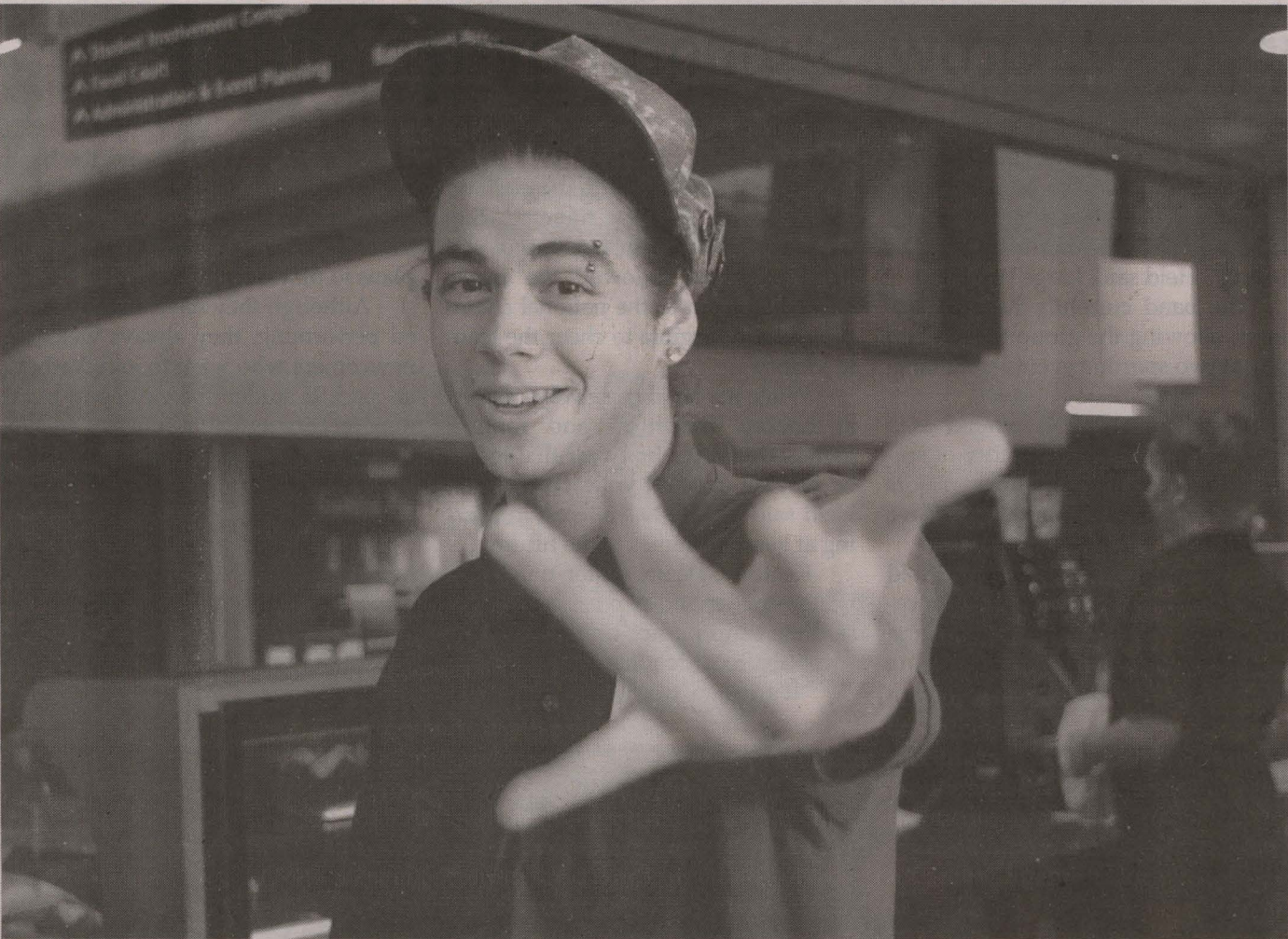


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TRAVIS LANE

Travis Lane is a junior double majoring in Waste Management and Land and Soil Management.

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What was the craziest thing you did this summer?

Travis hiked into Schmeeklee at 3 a.m. and climbed 40 feet into a tree to set up a hammock. He decided to take a hike around 5 a.m. and coyotes came and attacked him so he had to fight them off. He could hear them the rest of the night in the distance.

If you were immortal what would be the first thing you'd do?

He would travel and just "be careless" for a while.

What is your jam song?

"Warrior People" by Nahko & Medicine for the People

If you could go anywhere where would you go and what would you do?

He would go to northern Canada and see the Northern Lights.



TOP 10 ALBUMS

Sept. 13 to 20

- 1 Gary Clark Jr. The Story of Sonny Boy Slim
- 2 Battles La Di Da Di
- 3 Foals What Went Down
- 4 The Arcs Yours, Dreamily,
- 5 Slow Meadow Slow Meadow
- 6 Low Ones and Sixes
- 7 FIDLAR Too
- 8 Meat Wave Delusion Moon
- 9 Homeshake Midnight Snack
- 10 Beach House Depression Cherry

EVENTS IN ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

SEPT. 23	SEPT. 24	SEPT. 25	SEPT. 26
6 P.M. Good w/o God DUC Lair Room	7 P.M. AND 9:30 P.M. Avengers: Age of Ultron DUC Theatre	8 P.M. Emmit Smith w/ Klassik and Camb DUC Encore	6 P.M. Bryan Morris DUC Encore
	8 P.M. Armchair Bookie w/ Barnum DUC Encore		7 P.M. AND 9:30 P.M. Avengers: Age of Ultron DUC Theatre

Pep Band Continues to Grow, Support Pointer Athletics

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This year marks the largest pep band alumnus Jordan Held has seen in his seven years at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point.

Held was a member of the band from 2007 to 2012, and after two years of being the assistant director and having an immense passion for the group, he decided he was ready to take on an even larger role. When the director position became vacant two years ago, Held jumped at the opportunity to lead the band.

"To be involved in an athletic sport and to help create such a great

environment for teams, the families, the community and to be recognized as helping the players succeed and achieve greatness—that is just a great feeling," Held said. Large Pep Band

The band currently has 104 students, allowing the group to split and play at two sporting events simultaneously.

While pep band is offered as a one-credit course, the majority of students involved are non-music majors who volunteer to play out of their love of music.

"The whole band is a family," said Nick Verheyen, junior music education major and pep band member. "It's a bunch of kids from around the university that like playing music, liked doing pep band in high

school and kept playing."

Band members are dedicated and follow teams as they travel during the playoffs. Last year, a group of pep band members followed the men's basketball team to the national championship in Virginia to cheer the team to victory.

While the band has always played at hockey, basketball and football games, this is the first year that it will be playing at select volleyball games. Held said he also has interest in playing at baseball games in the future.

Keaton Galezio, junior music education major and pep band member, said the band pumps up the crowd in ways that recorded music can't.

"It's just a fun atmosphere. The

crowd really gets into it and the band has a lot of fun playing," Galezio said.

The band has already played at several sporting events this season and plans to play over 40 more this year.

Although they have already started performing, they always welcome newcomers who want to join, Verheyen said. If students are already planning on coming to the sporting events, the band is a great way to enjoy the game while sharing music and having fun with others.

"It's a good time to get involved in your school. What other way to become a good Pointer than to join the pep band," Verheyen said.

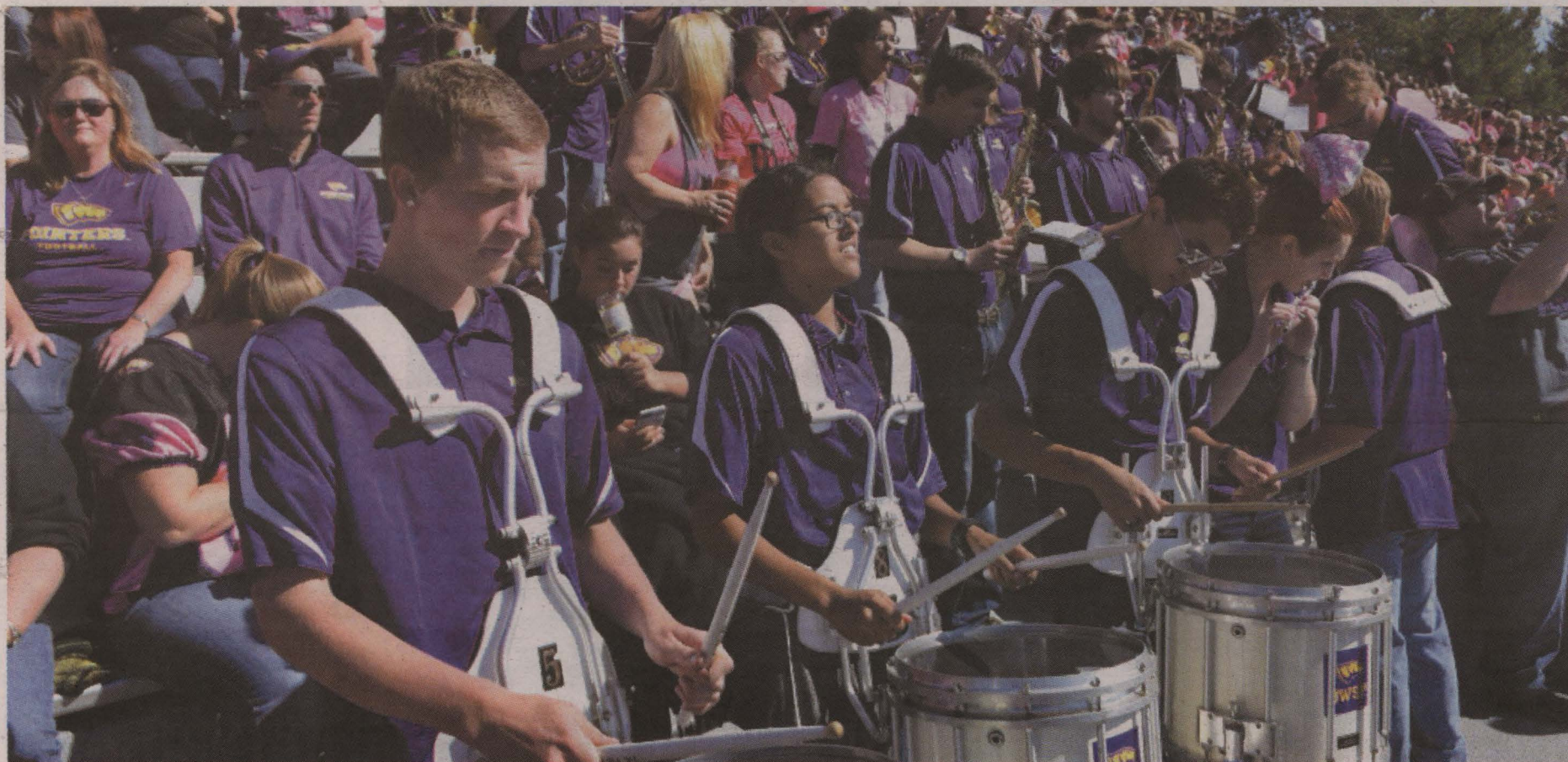


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The pep band waits to play.

