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SGA Sponsors Bike Share Program on Campus

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Students can rent a bicycle for the school year much like text book rental by signing a contract with the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point's Student Government Association.

Robert Abrahamian, SGA Environmental and Sustainability Affairs Director, said "roughly 30 percent of students at UWSP bike to campus or around the city."

Currently, SGA has 35 bikes available, so supply is low while demand is high. Abrahamian's plan over the next year includes increasing the number of bikes available and hopefully having a coordinator to oversee the program by next semester.

"I'd like to see a hundred bikes," Abrahamian said.

With many students passionate about sustainability, the student population that commutes via bikes is growing. Student Government is currently writing a grant to the Green Fund in order to increase bicycle infrastructure and services for students.

Abrahamian is heading up the funding initiative in order to create

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Library Turns Out to Be More Than a Library



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The Learning Resource Center has carried James Albertson's name since the early 1970s, but has recently been renamed Albertson Hall.

Renaming the Learning Resource Center to Albertson Hall is not as sudden as some might guess. The Albertson family contacted the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point wanting to donate various scholarly papers and books by James Albertson to the library.

On July 1, 1962, James H. Albertson was chosen as the eighth president of Wisconsin State Col-

lege at Stevens Point. He believed that higher education should be an environment of learning.

"Higher education is committed to helping individuals develop their talents and competencies in the service of others," Albertson said at his first convocation.

Albertson was known for improving the environment, demanding excellence and expanding the campus.

The new name, Albertson Hall, is appropriate for the building. It is at the center of the university and is always expanding to include new programs. Albertson Hall includes the library resources, tutoring center, disability center, computer centers and recently added advising

center.

It has become more than just a library, it is a place where students can pursue excellence throughout their time in college.

According to Kathy Davis, Dean of University College, the idea of a Learning Resource Center is actually an outdated term. She also mentions that Albertson hall is not a traditional library anymore.

"The whole concept behind the LRC is that it would be a gathering place to support instruction, that it would include more than just the library," Davis said.

Albertson Hall has recently taken a fresh approach to include a wide variety of services and was in need of a fresh name.

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Editorial: Your Future Needs a Decision

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"I don't have time" is a phrase that echoes around campus and that I find in my head more and more often.

Each time this phrase comes up I cringe. Why not make time?

This is the question we should be asking with the upcoming election, especially when any vote that is not for Clinton works for Trump's benefit. When we only have two people to choose from, we need to make a decision.

I am not going to tell you who to vote for, that defeats the purpose of this editorial. I know you are educated and you will make the best decision for you.

We are all adults and have the right to vote. Let's take responsibility

for our own lives and make a decision: not a decision in an attempt to show defiance, but the best decision that can come from the two candidates that are leading the election-Trump and Clinton.

Too often, colleagues say they don't know who to vote for because they don't have the time or resources to figure out who deserves their vote. If more of us had made time a few months ago, we might have had better candidates to choose from.

As the presidential election approaches, take some time. Do some research for you and make an educated choice.

Don't make a choice based on the angry opinions of those surrounding you. Make a decision for you.

Make a decision for your future.

Politics & Free Coffee: The Perfect Evening for Several College Students

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For the majority of students, this November will be their first opportunity to vote for our next commander in chief. And, for the first time in American history we have a female candidate in a major political party.

With perfect timing, Coffee and Culture invited Dr. Kelly Wilz, a women's studies professor from the University of Wisconsin-Marshfield/Wood County, to speak at their first presentation earlier this month.

The topic of the evening was on sexism in the 2016 election. The sexism in American politics extends beyond how we view and treat women. Men are also set with certain masculine standards.

The turnout was much more than expected, so much so that they ran out of coffee and tables.

Wilz outlined her assessment of this election by using statistics, videos, and anecdotes. Her main points were that women in politics are held at a much higher standard than their male counterparts and men are often forced to be a strong manly leader or else they seem weak.

The media can be critical when Barack Obama cries in a speech or Hillary Clinton starts to get upset. Also the proportion of male to female CEO's in large companies, as well as in STEM fields, is appalling.

After Wilz's presentation, I was able to talk to her and ask what, if anything, would help fix the gender gap in leadership roles in America.

"School can be more encouraging

to young women and promote leadership roles in the classroom to start emerging interests," Wilz said. "Just being aware and acknowledging that these issues exist is really important. In the future when all of the college students now have children or with their nieces they can talk politics with them and not just about trivial classically girly talk,"

While some students only came out because their professors offered extra credit, there was still a lot of excitement in the audience. I caught up with Franklin Faleta, freshman political science and psychology major, afterwards to hear what his initial reaction was.

"I was already pretty familiar with the subject, but as always Kelly Wilz presented the subject matter in a deeper and more relevant tone that I don't think is common enough in our society," Faleta said. "I believe there is a large sum of individuals, predominantly males, who still don't recognize issues like rape culture and hyper masculinity as the epidemics they are."

When asking Franklin what he thinks we can do to make a difference he said, "Say something when you see or hear something. Basically be a part of the solution, not the problem."

The number one thing promoted by Coffee and Culture was to be there with an open mind and to be willing to hear new ideas and perspectives that might challenge what you already think.

As the election gets closer and closer the topic of sexism will only be at the forefront of discussion.

Samantha Barnum, junior communications major, runs the Coffee and Culture program and was very

PROTECTIVE SERVICES REPORT

Sunday, September 25

A man who was sleeping by the HEC at the pavillon was noticed.

A call was placed on the emergency line from Debot at 3am asking for a double cheeseburger with fries.

Monday, September 26

Assistance was given to a man needed to jumpstart his car.

A motorist was assisted in lot E.

Tuesday, September 27

A student called to report a sexual assault that happened within a residence hall.

A man called to report a homeless man who was drinking alcohol on campus near a bike rack.

Wednesday, September 28

A call was placed to report that a deer head without a body was located near the pavilion trash can.

An officer was called into the Brewhaus to check IDs.

Thursday, September 29

A staff member placed a call to report a potential fake ID used to get into the Encore on campus.

A man requested to have a person outside the Encore checked on, as he was unstable and horizontal.

Friday, September 30

A Schmeekle ranger reported that a log was burned and the ribbon that was originally on the log was burned as well.

Marijuana odors were reported to be coming from the second story bathrooms in Steiner.

Saturday, October 1

A call was placed by a student reporting harassment from another student.

Pray Hall requested an officer to assist with an odor of marijuana.

pleased with the turnout.

Barnum said, "There are many other events this fall that go beyond politics."

Coming up soon on Wednesday, Oct. 19 at 6 p.m. in the Laird Room is Bryan Richmond. The title of his presentation is "Church, Sex, and Chainsaws: Gender and Religion in Horror Films."

Other topics include a student panel on disabilities plus more speakers on different cultures. The student body at UW-Stevens Point seems to be thirsty for learning and for a cup of coffee.

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Greg Summers, provost and vice chancellor of academic affairs, is responsible for numerous functions related to teaching and learning. These include academic planning, program review, accreditation, general education, and assessment of student learning.

"It is much more conventional to refer to important academic buildings as halls," Summers said.

"We're in the process of ordering some new signs and changing how the building is listed on the timetable, campus maps and many other places."

Those many other places include every single web page, room, sign and business card. In addition, renovation to the building is projected to occur in the coming years.

Carl Rasmussen, director of

Facilities Planning, has been arranging exterior signs and database updates. One component of this involves completing various forms and notifications with other state agencies beyond just the campus.

"The cost for identity and 'You Are Here' sign changes are about \$2,400 total," Rasmussen said. "Additional cost for staff time are needed to update various space invento-

ries and databases where building names are involved."

Despite changes, Albertson Hall will continue to live out the purpose intended by James Albertson over 50 years ago - to provide a learning environment for students to pursue excellence on campus in preparation for the future.

Are Supplements Beneficial for You?



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Vitamins are essential to our body. Most people obtain them from eating a healthy, well-balanced diet.

There are various types of vitamins, and each performs different functions that allow an individual's

body to be healthy and strong.

According to Scientific American, humans require thirteen vitamins for survival. They include vitamins A, D, E, K, which are fat soluble and can build up in your body if heavily consumed. Vitamins C and B are water soluble, which are easily excreted from your body if excessive amounts are consumed.

When entering a pharmacy or a

health section of a store, individuals are exposed to an abundant amount of supplements that are available to be purchased. There are not just vitamins, but other types of supplements such as iron, melatonin, fish oil pills, etc.

Susan Mayne, Professor at the Yale School of Public Health's Division of Chronic Disease Epidemiology, states that food is the best way to obtain all the nutrients for your body.

Consuming fruits and vegetables not only provide an individual with the right vitamins, but Mayne says that they come with phytochemicals that may not be essential for life, but contribute to fighting various diseases.

The best way to obtain all the necessary vitamins or other nutrients is through food. Though deficiency occurs when individuals rely on supplements to keep themselves healthy, many doctors recommend taking a multivitamin every day to fulfill anything that your body did not get from eating food.

"Supplements can be beneficial for those that lack something in their body, but my recommenda-

tion would be to take a multivitamin every day," said Annie Gandhi, a recent medical school graduate. "A well-balanced diet is the key to keeping your body healthy."

Professor of nutrition and epidemiology at Harvard School of Public Health, Meir Stampfer, recommends that healthy individuals supplement their bodies with a multivitamin and extra vitamin D if their exposure to the sun is not sufficient enough.

"Taking more than the Institute of Medicine's recommended daily allowance of certain vitamins may lower one's risk for certain chronic diseases," Stampfer said.

"I take iron supplements," said Angelica Pinatarro, sophomore waste management major, after asking if she thinks supplements are beneficial or needed for our body. "I started taking them after I passed out in Chemistry lab so I can regulate my body heat."

Supplements may be beneficial to some individuals and not necessary for others. Doing research and speaking with professionals is the best way to obtain more information about supplements.

To make the best individual decision, be sure to talk with your physician and follow the directions that they provide.

The Year We Almost Ate Garbage

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This semester, university senators created a piece of legislation that, if passed, would approve of locally sourced dumpster food to be served on campus.

The Student Government Association drafted a piece of legislation proposing the consumption of 'waste receptacle sourced food' on campus as safe and environmentally sustainable. All legislature is taken seriously, but this particular piece was written as a fun and entertaining learning experience for new senate members. While the veteran senators knew this statute was not written to be serious, the new senators were not aware.

John Peralta, president of SGA, said, "It gives the new

senators a chance to speak out and talk about how erroneous it is - which happened that night."

The proposal was drafted to be silly rather than serious, but a precautionary email was sent out to assure the public that dumpster food was not something that was actually going to be served on campus.

Veteran senators of the club drafted this to allow for new senators to learn what legislation should be taken seriously and what should not.

Peralta said, "Many parts of it are written a certain way to be taken apart because with legislation, you have to look at it in many different ways to ask the question 'what does this mean and what does this affect?' The words are very important."

The proposal passed into the senate body to be voted on and was received with concern, especially from new senators

who did not realize that the act on dumpster food was not completely serious.

Jim Lorrigan, chief of staff for SGA, said, "We do believe that there are first year senators that don't know about this practice. We try to keep it that way so they can be surprised and learn genuinely."

The senators also asked the public how they felt about eating dumpster food, which sparked controversy.

"All pieces of legislation follow a role. It is a learning experience to show senators how a

piece of legislation goes through our body, both public and senate alike," said Andrew Glazner, vice-president of SGA.

If somehow it were passed, the president of SGA could veto it. Peralta said that it is extremely unlikely that an act like this would ever be passed. It was, though, exciting to experience for both old and new senators.

Dumpster diving aside, SGA is working hard to ensure that students are happy with their academic experiences here on campus. There are currently student openings for the judicial branch and for the Pointer Partnership Advisory Board.



Photo by Jake Powell.

How Much Campus Really Cuts

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What is being cut on campus? Changes are happening, but it can be hard to tell what is affected by budget cuts and what is not.

When it came down to making budget reductions, the main departments that were affected were Business Affairs, Information Technology and the College of Professional Studies. Within these departments, the decision about the amount of funding cut was decided at the chancellor level.

Erin Hintz, budget director of the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, said in regards to budget planning, they looked at the "general purpose revenue budget along with some program revenue funding amounts for each division."

Divisions like Information Technology are directly affected, so reductions like the retirement of full-time staff and positions disappearing entirely are because of budget cuts.

Though departments are shrinking, Jim Barrett, associate vice chancellor for enrollment management and chief information officer, said they have been working on several small projects to help with this situation.

Projects that fit the budget include upgrading technology

in classrooms, increasing wifi in residence halls, and installing up-to-date programs on campus computers. A high speed connection was also installed all the way to Treehaven.

"The staff deserve a lot of credit for their hard work and dedication. They truly care about the faculty and staff being successful, and they demonstrate that every day," Barrett said.

Many students and faculty have noticed fewer books in stock this semester when trying to rent or purchase books for their classes. However, the bookstore is not involved with budget cuts because it is not a department funded by the state.

Katy Horn, assistant director of University Store and Text Rental Staff, said, "Neither the University Store nor Text Rental receive any general purpose revenue or tuition money from the state, so the budget cuts that have occurred in the UW system and UW-Stevens Point have not impacted the level of service we are able to provide."

Though the university bookstore is not involved with budget cuts, Text Rental received fewer fees paid by students in the fall through tuition. The bookstore budget was adjusted, but it was a separate act from the actual budget cuts happening elsewhere on campus.

Horn said, "This past semester, we received many late requests due to changes in staffing and new faculty across campus. We do our best to accommodate all requests, but a delay in Text Rental getting the request sometimes leads to a delay in availability for students on the first day of class."

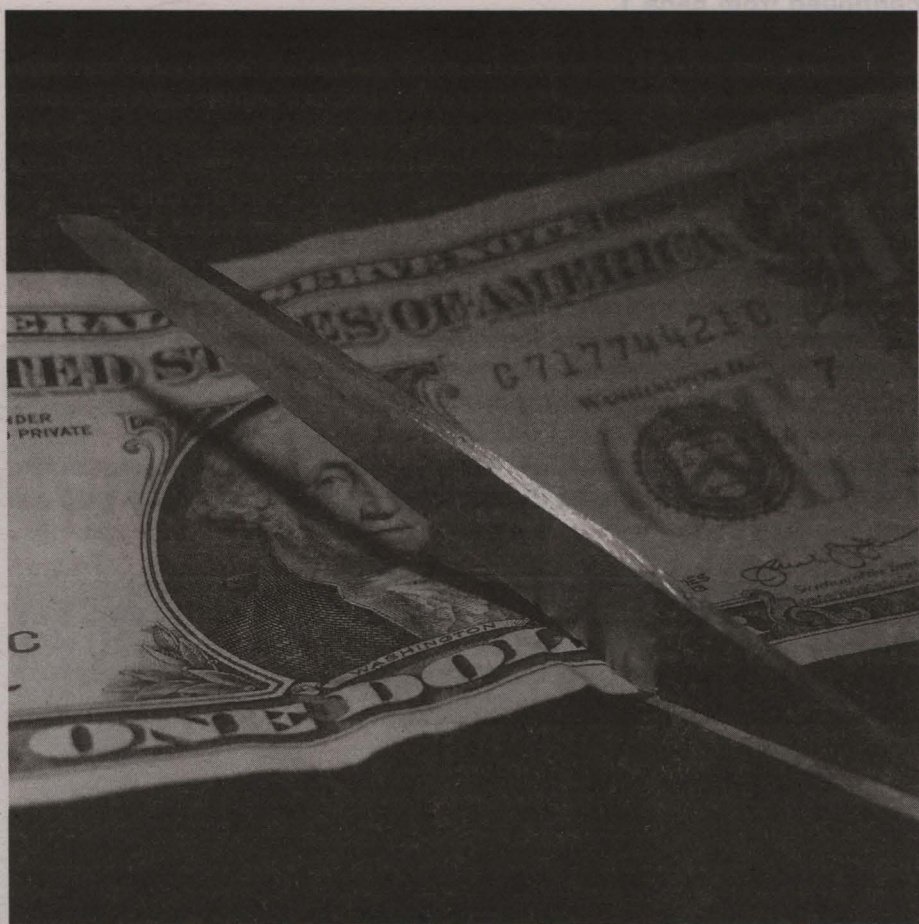


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Sierra Kelley, senior business administration and marketing major and promotional and social media coordinator for the university bookstore, said, "When you don't get your books in time, that doesn't really go back on [the bookstore] or budgeting, it goes back on

the teachers. It may be that they don't know how many people will be in there class or how many books they need."

Because the bookstore is funded by the students, saving money within the bookstore is important to keep students' money from being spent on purchases of unused books.

All departments on campus are working hard to make sure that great service is still provided on campus.

Barrett said, "We're not letting the budget cuts get in our way."

Recent Bombings Have Impact on Upcoming Election

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On the evening of Sept. 17, a bomb explosion jolted the neighborhood of Chelsea, located in Manhattan, New York.

A total of 31 people sustained injuries from flying metal and glass. Fortunately, none of those injured by the blast were fatally wounded.

Earlier that day, another blast occurred at a benefit run event in Seaside Park, New Jersey.

Although no one was injured in the New Jersey bombing, both explosions were frighteningly similar to the explosives that rocked the Boston Marathon in 2013, according to the New York Times.

Thankfully, the streets were not as densely packed, helping to minimize the number of people affected.

The suspected bomber, Ahmad Khan Rahami, was captured by police the following Monday after an intense search and shoot out with authorities.

National Public Radio reported that law enforcement found his fingerprints on other unexploded bombs in both Chelsea as well as Elizabeth, New Jersey along with other evidence.

Shortly after being arrested, the 28-year-old New Jersey resident was charged with weapons, crimes and five counts of attempted murder of an officer, according to National Public Radio.

Currently, the Federal Bureau of Investigation is still examining if the attacks were organized by a terrorist organization or the Islamic State, according to the New York Times.

These recent bombings, along with other terrorist events across the globe have again put

a spotlight on the foreign policy actions of our country's national leaders.

Current presidential nominees, Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump, are feeling pressured to formulate a plan of action and ensure voters the country's safety is of high importance to them.

On the day of the explosions, Clinton, the democratic presidential nominee, responded to the attacks and said, "We need to do everything we can to support our first responders, also to pray for the victims."

Clinton stressed that when crisis events occur it is best to wait until more of the facts are uncovered before making decisions about what actions to take.

Senior business management major Braiden Bechard, thinks the bombings will definitely impact voters' decisions at the polls.

"I think it is going to sway people's voting habits but, I

hope not too far in the wrong direction. People are easily scared by attacks on our country and hopefully it will not pull them too far one way or the other," Bechard said.

In relation to the presidential candidates, Clinton clearly has significantly more experience with foreign policy than her counterpart because of her time spent as Secretary of State during President Barack Obama's first term, Bechard said.

According to The Independent, republican presidential nominee Donald Trump did not have much of a response to the explosions except for stressing that as Americans "we need to get very tough."

With these recent events, it is clear issues of foreign policy and national security will be at the forefront of voters minds as they cast their votes in November.

Votecast Ignites Controversy

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This November, Americans will have the opportunity to view the projections of presidential candidates as they are voting on election day.

According to npr.org, a company called VoteCastr will be sharing real-time information about how the candidates are standing on Election Day. The projections are going to focus on the important battleground states, including Wisconsin.

Votecast's projections will be appearing on Slate, which is an online magazine. According to Slate.com, they will be posting and analyzing information regarding voter turnout.

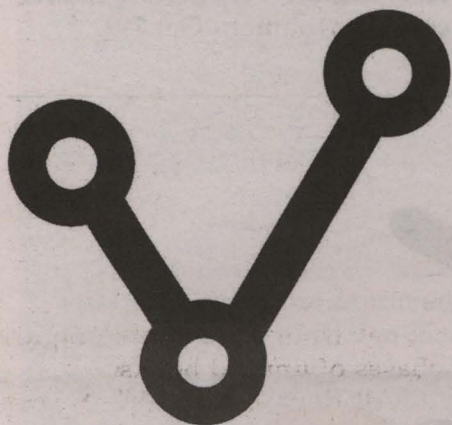


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As mentioned on Slate.com, media outlets have strayed from revealing information about the presidential election until after the polls actually close. In the past, the media has chosen not to share early projections because there is a fear that it will deter people from voting if they see which candidate is in the lead.

The idea of showing these projections before polls close is extremely controversial. At the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, both students and professors have varying opinions about VoteCastr.

Heather Molenda-Figueira, assistant professor of psychology, might use the website on Election Day. She believes that VoteCastr could make some people choose not to vote but hopes

that it would not prevent a lot of people from voting because this election is so critical.

"I think perhaps if people see that their candidate is ahead at some point they would be less likely to go out and vote for that person. I think it could prevent people from going to the polls to support their candidate," Molenda-Figueira said.

Austin Lowe, senior health promotion major, has been following this election closely and is taking it very seriously.

"This is an awfully important election for our country. It's really pathetic that it has come down to these two bad candidates that are not focusing on real issues. Our country is in a very serious state of turmoil, and it's extremely disappointing to see that," Lowe said.

Despite being unhappy with some of the presidential candidates, Lowe still plans to vote this November. He feels that VoteCastr will be a good source of information and will be utilizing Slate.com come election day.

"If you have a strong will to vote one way or another for one candidate, then VoteCastr shouldn't have much of a negative effect," Lowe said.

Noble Rundman, senior communication major with an emphasis in media production, thinks that the early projections would have the potential to affect voter turnout in a negative or positive way.

"I don't think I'm necessarily for or against it in a large way. I am interested to see what other people will think and how they will react to this," Rundman said.

Rundman does admit that VoteCastr adds more controversy to an already controversial election.

"It kind of gives a whole new outlook to voting. I think this will dramatize things more; it will add a new dimension of drama to the election because you can see what is happening as it's happening," Rundman said.



Members of the VoteCastr team at a development meeting in Palo Alto, California in January. Photo courtesy of Elizabeth D. Herman of The New York Times.

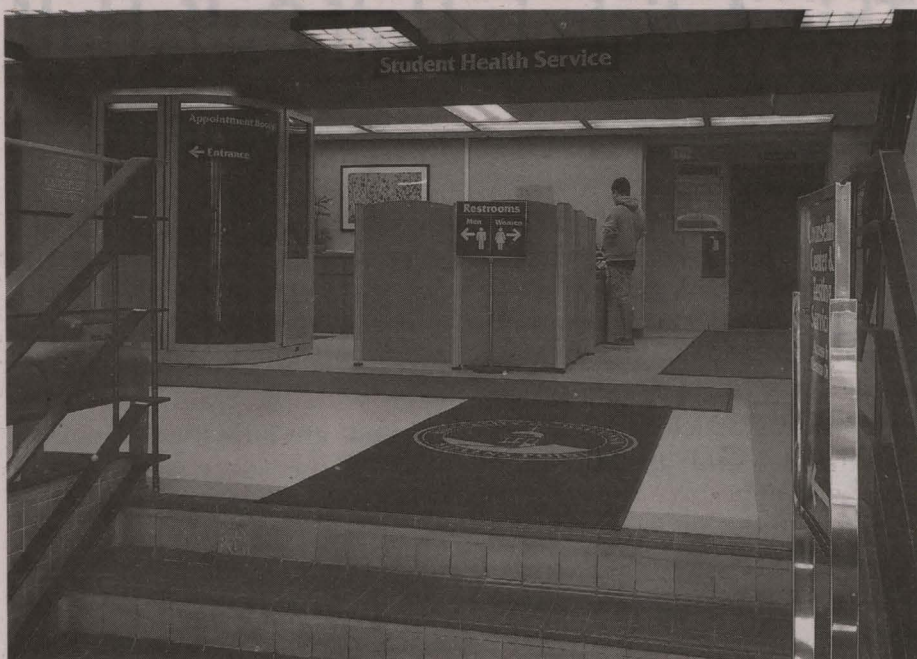


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Mental Exercise as Important as Physical Exercise

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The Health Services Center and Counseling Center work coherently to provide for student needs. Healthy mental habits need to be created and followed on a daily basis.

Jen Sorenson, Physicians Assistant Director for Student Health Services, said, "Office visits for mental illnesses have increased from 12 to 18 percent in the last year."

Changes in lifestyle, taking college level courses, financial stress and living away from home contribute to this growing trend in students.

Sorenson works with psychiatrists, primary care clinicians and counselors to best connect students to resources available.

She works with students to agree on which medications, if any, will best serve their needs. For some students, therapy and a lifestyle change are the best cure.

"Healthy living is so important," said Stacey Ger, Director of the Counseling Center.

Students can achieve this by eating well-balanced meals, staying active with activities they enjoy and getting eight hours of sleep. In addition, being involved with activities they love and being self-aware will encourage positive mental health.

"We think that mental health can be fixed by a quick mindset switch, but you need to create healthy habits mentally," Sorenson said.

Barbara Seiser, Nurse Practitioner in the Student Health Services Office said students should "learn self-awareness and be engaged with the world."

The Community Advisors and Residence Advisors in the dorms have helped enough students to know when a student would need professional help. If they do not know, they have resources to which connect students.

If you think you need help, talk to someone.

Ger said, "Eighty percent of communication comes from body language and tone of voice, so with technology, miscommunication is more likely."

Tips for positive mental health include a consistent sleep schedule, turning off electronics and learning to deal with conflict in a healthy way. Conflict can be a good thing because it improves communication, deepens understanding and moves things forward.

"Life is a process, the learning and development never stop," Ger said.

Ger works with the Counseling Center as they conduct clinical work, individual therapy and group therapy for mental illness.

They have seen it all: anxiety, depression, bipolar disorder, psychotic episodes and more. Students dealing with mental illnesses are not alone.

The counseling center is free and confidential for all students. It is located on the third floor of Delzell Hall; open 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. with emergency services provided 24/7.

Ger stresses the value and time of every student. Serving over 600 students and having over 3,000 sessions per year, Ger asked students to call and cancel an appointment, if needed, instead of not showing up. This allows the staff to schedule another student in need during that time.

This Article is Half Golf, Half Lemonade

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The University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point women's golf team has started its season with vigor and determination. In the wake of the death of Arnold Palmer, this article is highlighting the art and athleticism of Pointer golf.

The Pointers recently finished a golf tournament hosted by UW-Whitewater in Delavan.

"Trying our best and improving is our greatest strength," said, senior Jalyn Labine.

Last weekend's tournament brought individual self-improvement for all the girls.

To keep the team ready for competition they are working toward companionship, their overall team goal being "to be

a team that gets along," said senior golfer Tiffany Boak.

Although golf focuses on the individual, the support of a team can make or break an athlete.

There are seven girls on the team, the largest since Boak has been with the team, which has created an adjustment period. Five of the seven girls on the team are underclassmen making Boak and Labine the only seniors.

"There's a lot of new girls," head coach Rory Suomi said. "If there had to be a weakness it would be the team's inexperience."

As a team striving to succeed, Boak said, "Golf is more than just a swing. The mental game allows me to remain calm while on the course and also allows me to be there for my teammates." The mental



The UWSP women's golf team finished second at the Marian University Invite on Sept. 10 and 11 at the Rolling Meadows and Whispering Springs Country Club in Fond Du Lac, Wis. Photo courtesy of UWSP Athletics.

strength Boak exercises is a skill she wants to teach to the younger golfers on the team.

During the season, practices happen three times a week at SentryWorld Golf Course in Stevens Point, although, the team's

conference course is Glacier Woods located in Iola.

The Pointer women's golf team will be competing in Reedsburg at the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Tournament Oct. 7-9.



Men's Hockey Team Prepares to Have Another Successful Season

After winning the national championship title last season, the 2016-2017 UWSP men's hockey team begins to prepare for its first game of the season against Aurora University on Oct. 28 at KB Willett Arena in Stevens Point. Photo courtesy of UWSP Athletics.

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Last spring the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point men's hockey team won the NCAA Division III National Championship, ending its season on a high note.

Chris Brooks, head men's hockey coach, found winning the national championship to be extremely rewarding, especially because the team had lost the national championship the two previous seasons. To the team, Brooks emphasizes the importance of focusing on the present and will continue to emphasize it this coming season.

"We focus on what we need to do today and not really worry about tomorrow. We want to

do our best to prepare for our first game of the season, in doing so we are going to enjoy the year and enjoy every game," Brooks said.

On Sept. 30 the team had their annual golf outing at Sentry World.

According to Brooks, the event brought together former players, community members and local businesses. The goal of the event was to build relationships and raise money for the team. There were more than 100 people that took part in the event.

"It's an opportunity for us to continue to celebrate the national championship win and it's an annual event that's a big part of our success," Brooks said.

Tyler Krueger, assistant men's hockey coach, played

hockey at UWSP for four years and graduated from the university in 2014. Krueger admitted the team has lost some of its key players from last season, but there are nine new players being integrated into the team.

Krueger wants the community to continue to celebrate the team's successes this season.

"We want to be part of this community. We love the student fan base already and we want that to grow even more," Krueger said.

Brad Duffin, sophomore forward, believes having a cohesive team will help catapult the players to the championship again.

"We are big believers that as soon as you come to the program you are just as big a part of it as the seniors are. Everybody has their roles and every-

one respects those roles," Duffin said.

Duffin cited St. Norbert's College and Adrian College as two of the more competitive teams the Pointers will be up against this season. Duffin feels that the excitement and support from the fans will continue to create a positive atmosphere for the team.

"It's always awesome to see the student support. It gives us something to play for and gets us excited to play for every game. As a team we are really excited for the upcoming season, we know we have something special," Duffin said.

The first game of the season will be on Oct. 28 against Aurora University.

A Look into Sports

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SOCCER STREAK COMES TO AN END



The Pointer soccer team now stands at 0-1 in conference play after losing to UW-La Crosse. Photo by Kylie Bridenhagen.

The Pointers women's soccer team saw it's hard earned winning streak come to an end on Sept. 27 as UWSP fell to Carroll University 3-0. UWSP was able to get a few shots on goal but strong goalkeeper play by the Pioneers left the score at zero all day. The Pioneers were able to tally a score in the second minute of plays and proved to have all the momentum throughout the rest of the game. The Pointers then fell 5-0 to UW-La Crosse in their first conference

game of the season this past Saturday. While the team was able to get a few shots on goal, the heavy offensive pressure displayed by the Eagles, who had 33 shots on goal compared to the Pointers nine, proved too much to overcome. The Pointers look to overcome this small bump in the road when they take on UW-Eau Claire on Oct. 5.

TOUGH OUTING FOR WOMEN'S TENNIS

The UWSP women's tennis team struggled to get anything going against conference rivals UW-Whitewater this past Wednesday as they were swept 9-0 by the Warhawks. While the team gave their all on the court, the best set score posted by the Pointers came from

senior Frances Weiss and junior Elizabeth Wilichowski in a set the duo dropped 8-3. The Pointers are still hovering at the .500 mark for the season as their record now moves to 4-4 on the year and 1-2 in conference play.

FOOTBALL STAYS HOT IN FIRST CONFERENCE GAME

The University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point football team has kept their hot streak rolling by winning it's first conference game of the season over the UW- Eau Claire Blugolds 28-19. To go along with a 4-0 start, the Pointers have not allowed a team to reach 20 points in any game thus far. While the Blugolds were able to score in each of the last three quarters, they could not overcome a 14-0 start for the Pointers that was topped off with a 14-point fourth quarter to

seal the victory. In junior Ryan Swigart's first start, following Kyle Larson's injury in the previous game, he was able to lead UWSP down the field for an opening drive touchdown. Swigart finished passing for 227 of the Pointers 318 total yards on the day and added two touchdowns to his stat sheet. Next up, the Pointers will play host to No. 8 Platteville in their annual Pink Game on Oct. 8.



The Pointer volleyball team celebrates after winning their last set of the game in Berg Gym in Stevens Point, Wis. Photo by Kylie Bridenhagen.

POINTER VOLLEYBALL HANGS ON IN FIFTH SET

In a match that the UWSP volleyball team dropped the first set of the day to the visiting UW- White-water Warhawks, the team was able to make a flashy recovery and win the next two sets to give them the advantage. The Warhawks were able to claim the fourth set and take play to the deciding fifth set where the Pointers proved to be the top competitor as they won by a score of 15-8 to take the match. Senior Kelly Cefalu again led the way for the Pointers with 15 kills but was also joined by freshman April

Gehl and junior Ellen Drewry who had 12 kills and 11 kills, respectively. Senior Bri Piepenbrok set a match-high with 31 digs, while senior Marie Krengel added 17 digs of her own to the strong team showing. The Pointers powerful effort in the kill stat line proved to be the deciding factor in the fifth set with over half of the team's points coming from a kill. Pointer volleyball now stands at 19-2 on the season as they head into play against UW-Eau Claire in their next match.

SPORTS EVENTS				
FOOTBALL	VOLLEYBALL	TENNIS	GOLF	SOCCER
Oct. 8, vs. UW- Platteville 2 p.m.	Oct. 5, vs. UW- Eau Claire 7 p.m.	Oct. 6, vs. UW-Oshkosh 3 p.m.	Oct. 7 & 8, Women's Golf at WIAC Conference Tournament	Oct. 5, vs. UW-Eau Claire 4 p.m.
	Oct. 8, vs. UW- La Crosse 7 p.m.			Oct. 8, vs. UW-Stout 4 p.m.

Pointers Help to Raise Breast Cancer Awareness

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Breast cancer affects one in eight women today and chances are you know someone affected. In the Stevens Point area alone, 30 percent of cancer diagnoses are breast cancer.

Saint Michael's Foundation will be hosting their Hope Starts Here 5k walk on Oct. 9 which is open to the general public.

The event strives to honor breast cancer survivors, those currently battling and those who are not here today due to the disease.

The walk begins at 1:30 p.m. at the Pfiffner Bandshell and costs 30 dollars to register to participate.

Post-walk activities, however, are free to anyone interested in attending a family fun environment with activities including live music, food and crafts.

This year the walk will be the kickoff for Saint Michael's new campaign: Hope is Building.

Diane Gilbert is the staff advisor for the Student Athlete Advisory Committee, also known as SAAC.

She is excited to help give back to the community through this event.

"These types of events, especially in Stevens Point, bring so many people together," said Gilbert. "It is a great way for students on campus, athlete or not, to come together and make connections as well as life-long career connections."

Along with being able to contribute to a great cause and possibly create new connections, those attending will also be able to enjoy the day with fellow Pointer students and athletes.

Senior Joel Harris, a member of the men's swimming and diving team, has been the SAAC vice president for the past two years and is looking forward to again supporting a Saint Michael's event.

"Our SAAC organization helps with pre-registration of the participants, handing out water along the course and clean up after the event. It's always great to show our support to those effected by breast cancer," Harris said.



Photo by Caryn Reinthaler.

Junior Alexa Roland of the Pointer women's basketball team will also be volunteering her time at the walk.

"This event is a great way for any UWSP student to be surrounded by positive people uniting together to support a great cause," Roland said. "Who couldn't benefit from that kind of energy?"

All students are able to sign up

to volunteer with SAAC, sign up for the walk itself or come for the post-walk festivities.

No matter how you get involved, if you are looking for a great opportunity to give back to your community and contribute to a great cause, the Hope Starts Here 5k Walk is a perfect chance to do so.

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a coordinator position that would be a student job to manage the bike share program.

Bike traffic is increasing annually both on campus and in the community.

"Stevens Point is currently looking into legislature that would implement thirteen miles of bike lanes into the city including areas like Division and Stanley Street," said Mark Polzin, program assistant of UWSP Adventure Tours.

This pro-bike legislature would change the lane format on a busy street like Division Street from two

lanes each way to one lane with a center turn lane and bike lanes on each side.

"There have been accidents around Division and Fourth in the past because people drive way too fast," Polzin said.

Abrahamian also advocates a change in city infrastructure, "Adding bike lanes would make it a lot safer for bicyclists and pedestrians."

As 2016 is ending there are some updates that the campus program is anticipating.

"We have racks at every build-

ing but no shelters or lanes," Abrahamian said.

The bike share program is one of the many sustainability projects that SGA is promoting right now and building the program is a goal as soon as possible.

Abrahamian said, "We are adding a bike shelter on the north side of the DUC," an addition that UWSP hopes to see by the end of October 2016.

After the shelter is completed at the DUC, the hope is that SGA can get more shelters around campus.

The future for UWSP looks

bright for student bicyclists. "This program could develop partnerships and relationships with bike shops and bicyclists in the community," Abrahamian said.

SGA is moving forward on projects to help boost the bike share program and could see a new program coordinator in spring 2017.

"There really are no negative aspects of expanding bike infrastructure. It's going to make Stevens Point better for everyone," Polzin said.

Student Government Fabricates New T-shirt Standards

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Student Government Organization passed a resolution called the "Student Government Association Sustainable Clothing Statute." The statute mandates Student Government to only place t-shirt orders through socially responsible retailers.

The shirts are required to meet two of the three approved factors to be deemed as a socially responsible product. The clothing must be organic, fair trade or made in the United States.

Robby Abrahamian, senior water resources major said, "We're trying to promote and support those sort of initiatives."

Abrahamian is the Environmental and Sustainability Affairs Director of Student Government. His role is to oversee all SGA sustainable projects and events on campus.

Organic t-shirts are made from cotton plants grown without pesticides or synthetic fertilizers. The



Photo by Colton Oltesvig.

cotton plant is one of the most chemical intensive crops in the world. Purchasing bulk organic cotton products would prevent tons of biocides from being used. Aldicarb is a common insecticide compound used on cotton. It is a highly regulated and controversial pesticide.

Fair trade products are ideal because they work with small-scale farmers to make sure they get a liv-

able profit for their services. Buying fair trade t-shirts will give a fair amount of income to those making the shirts.

Products made in the USA not only create and keep jobs in the United States, but they also reduce the carbon footprint of the product. Shipping items long distances demands a lot of energy.

Keeping products domestic will

reduce fossil fuel emissions.

Abrahamian said, "What I would like to see is this sort of statute go into implementation campus-wide for all products."

If the t-shirt requirements are extended to all student organizations, the extra cost is sure to be off-putting to some. Organizations with small budgets especially may oppose the expansion of the statute.

SGA argues that our campus organizations should be putting their money towards quality not quantity.

Robin Schaffer, senior natural resources planning major said, "It's good that our government is focused on that. I think it's a good thing, it shows that they are caring and they are environmentally conscious of what they are doing."

Schaffer said, "There's definitely trade-offs that are up to each individual, and I think it's a good trade-off. College students can spend two dollars on pointless stuff or they can give back to the environment."

Is Conservation at Work?

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The Giant Panda is no longer considered endangered due to conservation efforts around the world.

Since 1984 the Panda has been on the endangered species list, but as of Sept. 4, they no longer are.

The International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources announced that the Panda is now listed as Vulnerable after its population has increased due to conservation efforts over the last twenty years.

This is a huge win for organizations all over the world. The Giant Panda is the trademark animal for conservation, being the logo of the World Wildlife Fund, and the panda is one of the most recognizable animals across the globe.

The announcement was not all good news, however. Four of six great

ape species are now listed as Critically Endangered, only one step from extinction. The other two species of ape not far behind.

Great apes are only the tip of the iceberg. Every species' status mentioned in the Sept. 4 update had moved in a negative direction except for the Giant Panda and three others. Habitat destruction and illegal hunting being the largest contributors to the declines.

Although the increased panda population is a display of successful efforts in an endless fight against extinction, other species that are not poster children for organizations like the World Wildlife Fund are still suffering.

The Red List, a list of potentially threatened species around the world managed by the International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources, now includes almost 24,000 species threatened with extinction.

The problem with most of the

species on that list is that they receive nowhere near the amount of media coverage that the Giant Panda does. Also, pandas are cute and cuddly mammals that are easy to advertise for.

Plants, on the other hand, that are critically endangered and being threatened by the same habitat destruction as pandas are not nearly as well campaigned for.

Lisa Zoromski, senior wildlife ecology-research and management major and this year's president of the Wildlife Society at the University of Wisconsin Stevens Point, said that "restoring habitat for one endangered species will benefit so many other species as well."

Zoromski brings up a valid point that conservation efforts for one "cute" species will inevitably help neighboring species.

The real question then may be whether it is the public awareness, the conservation efforts by organizations or a mix of both that resulted in the increase of the panda population.

Cody Van de Laarschot, senior

wildlife ecology and biology major at UWSP, said now that the panda's status has changed, he anticipates the efforts and concern from the public to decrease.

He said he hopes donations and motivation to help endangered species does not decrease, but he is not optimistic.

Both Zoromski and Van de Laarschot agreed that the more appealing the "cute" factor is, the more popularity a species has in the public eye.

The International Union for Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources said in the same release that announced the improved classification of Giant Pandas, that over the next 80 years, they actually anticipate climate change to eliminate more than 35 percent of the Panda's bamboo habitat, reversing all progress made thus far.

Though there has been a clear improvement for a handful of species in regard to the threat of extinction, the battle will never be over.

Voters Go Green

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After Senator Bernie Sanders lost the Democratic Party nomination, many of his followers have been reluctant to join former Secretary of State Hillary Clinton. Some have decided to vote for Senator Gary Johnson, a Libertarian. While others have decided to not vote at all. But there has been a large surge of Bernie supporters offering their support to the Green Party candidate.

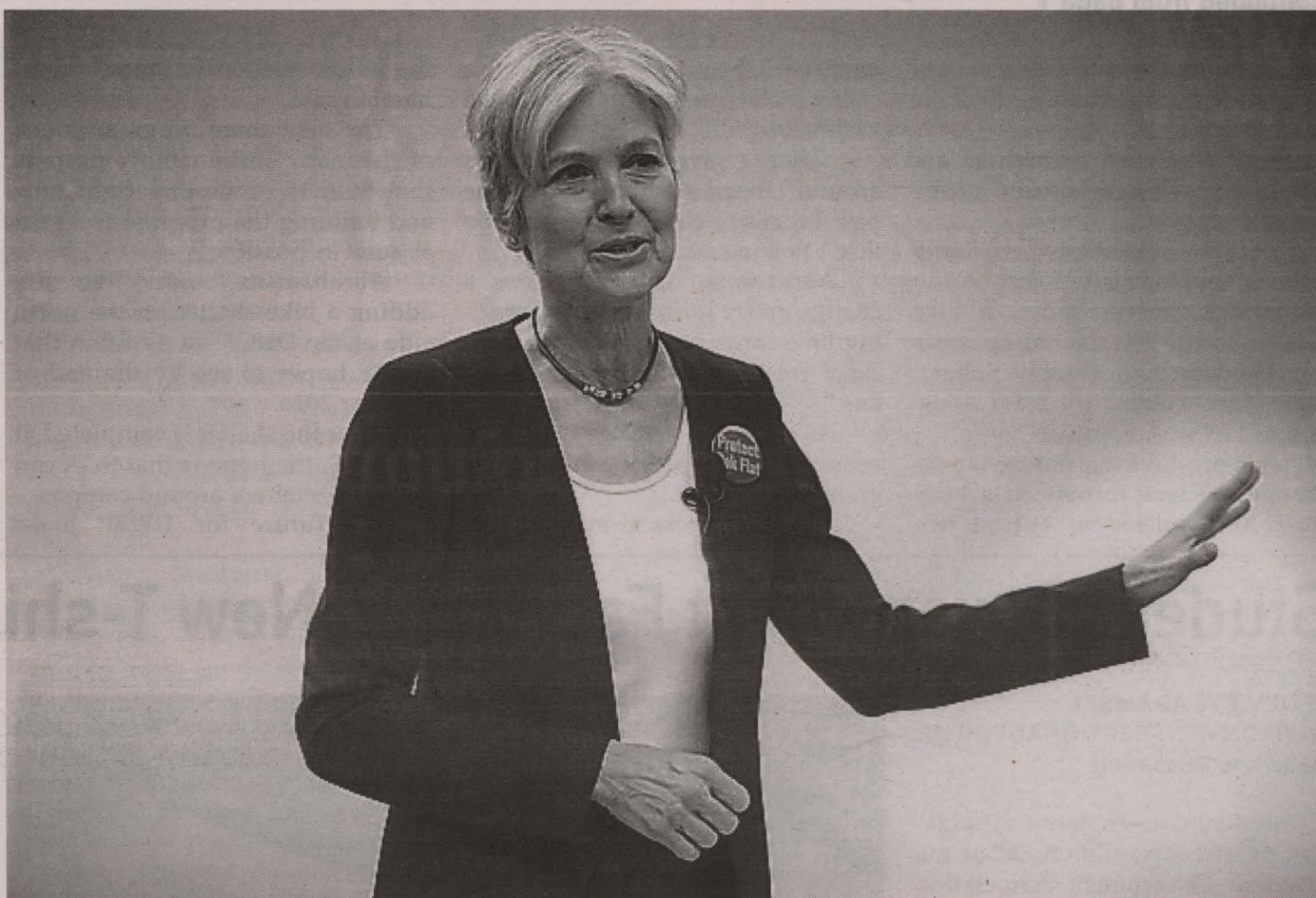
Jill Stein is the Green Party presidential candidate this year. Her popularity is much higher than when she ran for president in 2012. In this election cycle she is on the ballot in 23 states.

In 2012 she received only .36 percent of the total votes. This year, with a general dislike for both Secretary Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump, her campaign has gained momentum.

Currently Stein is polling at 2.4 percent, which may not seem like a lot, but as of Oct. 3, Trump and Clinton are currently separated by only about 3 percent.

Critics want Stein to drop out because they believe her followers would vote for Clinton in a very tight, and important election. The fear is that candidates such as Stein and Senator Gary Johnson will draw votes away from the main candidates, which may cost them the election.

Brad Mapes-Martins, professor of political science, said, "The Green Party is more likely to draw votes away from the Democratic



Jill Stein is the Green Party's nominee for President of the United States in the 2016 election. Photo courtesy of Gage Skidmore.

Party rather than draw votes from the Republican Party."

When asked why Secretary Clinton hasn't made a very strong pro-environment stance, Mapes-Martins said, "I'm actually surprised she hasn't said anything about the environment; It would be pretty low-cost approach for her campaign, she's not going to ostracize anyone with that stance."

Stein's campaign is centered around strong environmental stances. Her platform holds many

of the same features as Bernie Sanders' did, including free college tuition and taking big money out of politics which could be part of the reason for her rising poll numbers.

Stein takes a different approach to campaigning than most candidates. Instead of doing cookie-cutter meet and greets, she is commonly found at protest sites.

There is currently a warrant out for her arrest in North Dakota. Stein was attending a protest of the North Dakota Access Pipeline. She

posted a picture on Twitter of herself spray-painting "I approve this message" on pipeline equipment.

During the 2012 presidential election she was arrested because she was trespassing on private property while bringing Halloween candy to protesters of the Keystone XL Pipeline.

Along with Stein's popularity, the Green Party has gotten the attention of many voters. The Central Wisconsin Green Party will meet Thursday Oct. 4 at 5:30 p.m. at Kristin's Riverwalk in Stevens Point to discuss canvassing for different party candidates.

Stein will be campaigning in Madison on Oct. 27 during the day, in the evening she will head to Milwaukee.

"The Green Party is more likely to draw votes away from the Democratic Party rather than draw votes from the Republican Party."

- Brad Mapes-Martins
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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

City Festival Does a World of Good

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The Stevens Point community celebrated the 29th Annual Festival of India this past Saturday.

Hosted at Stevens Point Area Senior High, the festival included workshops on meditation, yoga and Indian cooking.

Jyoti Chander has coordinated this event every year since 1987.

The workshops offered at the festival vary from year to year, but always focus on educating community members on the culture of India.

Proceeds from the festival go

towards SHAMA, Inc., a program that establishes projects to empower those living in poverty.

SHAMA began by offering scholarships, books and clothes to students in the slums of Mumbai, India.

It has since expanded to include other projects such as the transformation of a village into an eco-village by providing residents with the ability to create their own solar energy, biodegradable sanitary napkins and organic produce.

While the global benefits of the festival are undeniable, on a smaller scale the festival helps to educate citizens here in the Stevens Point area about India and

its culture.

Todd Jahnke, who has been practicing meditation for thirty years, returned for a second time to lead a workshop on meditation.

In the workshop Jahnke spoke on the importance and difficulties of being present in the moment, especially in a society so dominated by technology.

Mary Runnoe, senior psychology major at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, attended the workshop on meditation.

"I think meditation can be a good way to de-stress, especially before an exam when there's one hundred other things going on in my head," Runnoe said.

Jahnke was impressed by the high number of people in Stevens Point who have expressed an interest in meditation.

"This area is really fortunate ... there are a lot of really great resources here, it's a very forward thinking community," Jahnke said.

This year's festival offered something for everyone and managed to be both educational and entertaining.

"[By] having a good time we can change the world in a positive way," said Chander, event coordinator.

Chander added that for anyone who is interested in learning more about the culture of India, there are free dance lessons every Thursday from 5-7p.m. in room 154 of the Health Enhancement Center.

Humans of Point



What is the most influential thing a professor has ever taught you on campus and why?

Erika- "As a freshman it was really nice when we had all those hand outs and papers that told you to go to the TLC or go to the library because everyone goes to the library which I didn't really know last year. Just all the extra study help stuff they would give you, like how to actively read. That was nice."

have to put up with a lot I feel like and they know a lot. They have a lot of education, so I feel like they deserve more credit than what they do, especially when students can be kind of rude to them."

What has been your favorite college class and why?

Erika- "I like English, but that's just because I love English."

Do you think that professors always get as much credit as they deserve for being in the profession that they are?

Erika- "No, I don't think they do. I think they deserve a lot more than what they do because they

Photo by Lhea Owens.



What is the most influential thing a professor has ever taught you on campus and why?

Dikshya- "I think the best thing my professor has ever taught me is to skim through the text books and understand them while you skim it instead of reading part of every chapter. Just to skim through everything and try to know what they're trying to give you, so I think that is really influential to me. As a freshman reading 80 pages of a text book like in the first week is hard for anyone. When it comes to things like history, I took history 101, and I had to read 180 pages for two week and that was really hard for me. I really couldn't read each and every word, so being told to skim through everything and take notes was really helpful."

we as students don't even think about them much after we pass out of college or something, and once we graduate we're just doing our own career and stuff. We don't realize who was behind that, so I think that's a sad part. One should remember their professors. You're being a successful person now obviously because of your parents and your professors, so you've gotta look back sometimes, you know?"

What has been your favorite college class and why?

Dikshya- "As for now, I think human development. It's like 250 students in a lecture class. It's the best class because we have less homework compared to the other classes and not a lot of stuff to do, so I think that class is really good."

Do you think that professors always get as much credit as they deserve for being in the profession that they are?

Dikshya- "I don't know about that, but honestly I think that they give their best for the students. Like

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		Paint It, Plant It DUC Alumni Room 10-11:15 p.m.

Magician Daniel Martin Steals Friday Night's Show

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Centertainment Productions hosted magician Daniel Martin on Sept. 30 in the Encore of the Dreyfus University Center.

Martin has appeared on CBS, NBC, and ESPN. He has been named the highest rated touring act in the country by Campus Activities Magazine for three consecutive years.

Dressed in jeans and a leather jacket, Martin opened the show by saying, "I don't sing. I don't dance. I do one thing, and I do it damn well. I magish."

Paulette Salazar, club variety coordinator for Centertainment Productions, organized bringing Martin to the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point.

"So, last year I attended a conference that has entertainers from all over the world who perform for ten minutes and then it's up to the school to see if they want to book them," Salazar said. "So I did, and he's here."

Walking into The Encore at the beginning of the evening, the audience was greeted by



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loud music bouncing around the black-painted, cinder-block walls. Blue and purple lights shined on a low stage as attendees filled the chairs lining the concrete floor.

The show included card tricks, disappearing acts, slights of hand and on-stage pickpocketing.

Though some of the performance was difficult to see due to the low stage and crowded room, Martin's charisma carried the show.

Martin called many students out from the audience to aid him in his magic tricks and had humorous interactions with each one, as well as with the audience in general.

"You can clap; you can't do this shit," Martin said to the audience at one point during his

performance, referring to their inability to execute the magic trick just performed.

Martin kept the audience laughing and amazed throughout his hour-long performance.

Emalie Kamin, freshman biology major, said, "[The show] was really cool. I love magic shows and stuff like that. And it's fun to try and figure it out, but I like to just watch it and just kind of like believe it was real."

Carlui Pimentel, senior Spanish and French minor, thought the show was pretty entertaining.

"This is my first time coming to a magician show so I was very excited at first but then like, 'Okay, this is pretty interesting. Okay, this is different.' And at the end it was pretty good," Pimentel said.

Both Kamin and Pimentel cited Martin's "MTV Cribs" video as their favorite part of the performance.

Near the beginning of the show, Martin handed a manila envelope to an audience member with instructions not to open it. As the performance drew to a close, the envelope was returned to the stage and Martin played the DVD from inside.

In the video, Martin parodied the show, "MTV Cribs," by touring his room in the Hilton Chicago. The video contained allusions to items mentioned by audience members during the evening's performance, including the ace of spades used for a card trick, a root beer and Land Rover named by audience members and a license plate matching the serial number of a dollar bill used earlier.

With the combination of comic improvisation, astonishing magic tricks and pure entertainment, Martin delighted his audience.

"We ended up [with] over 200 people, very good. We had two standing ovations, very impressive. I'm very excited to see people excited and wowed the whole night," Salazar said.

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