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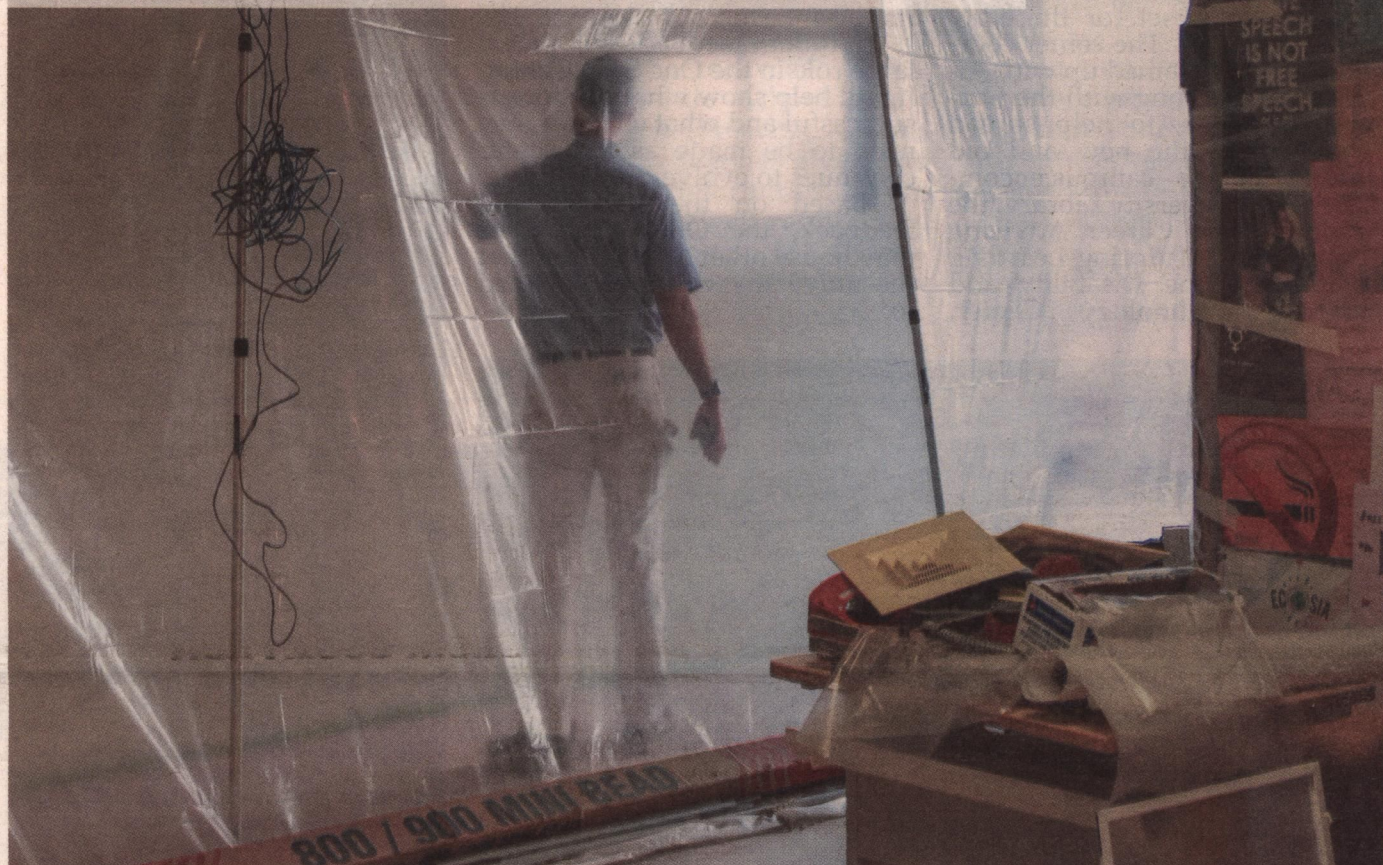
Ray Cross, University of Wisconsin-System President, visited the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point campus on Nov. 15 to answer questions about his proposed merger of University of Wisconsin campuses.

Cross was scheduled for a meeting on the morning of Nov. 16 with business leaders and Chancellor Patterson, but proposed an earlier visit to meet with campus government. Despite attempted jokes by Cross, the mood in the room remained tense throughout the course of the discussion.

Ray Cross first addressed concern that the merger came without consulting the universities.

"The reason we didn't spend a lot of time publicly studying this, is the anxiety about change that that creates," Cross said. "The colleges probably have two years, maybe thirty months

## Anticipation Continues For The Newly-Built One-Stop Center



A worker inspects the drywall in Albertson Hall room 108, the new One-Stop Center. Photo by Ross Vetterkind

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A soon-to-be-revealed "One-Stop Center" feature, next to The Food For Thought Cafe in Albertson Hall, is making its way to completion, and the staff and students of the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point couldn't be more excited.

The "One-Stop Center" was once just an idea thought of by a past vice chancellor of enrollment and management, possibly drawing inspiration from a past institution who had a similar feature. However, since then, construction has begun and is already drawing to an end.

Students were surveyed to see if the central location would be found useful to them and what exactly they believe would be a good fit.

The survey received a high amount of student participation, and the idea of a One-Stop Center received a large amount of positive feedback and excitement.

Laura Bell, interim associate vice chancellor for enrollment

management and director of the One-Stop Center, has since taken over the project.

Bell said, "It's an exciting new feature that not only myself, but the university as a whole, is very excited for."

The center will accompany multiple features that were once found in multiple buildings. The bringing together of these services will help reduce confusion among students and allow them to get much of the information needed in one place at one time.

Features which will soon be found at the center include adding/dropping of a course, financial aid advisors, enrollment verification, academic and tuition appeals, withdrawals, and even orientation. Retention services will also be available, including academic support plans and assistance with re-entry.

The One-Stop Center allows for basic communication that is vital to a student's success.

Denelle Helgeson, a One-Stop specialist, said, "It will help to provide answers to those surface-level questions that most students encounter."

Other offices, such as the Fi-



Fluorescent lighting to be put in the new One-Stop Center, which is currently under construction in room 108 of Albertson Hall. Photo by Ross Vetterkind

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nancial Aid Office and the Office of the Registrar, will continue to run smoothly. The only difference is simple tasks and enrollment will be fulfilled in the center.

Stephanie Schlegel, a One-Stop Specialist, said, "The center is about helping students and ultimately making it easier for them."

Another feature of the One-Stop Center many are not accustomed to is the closing at 5 p., rather than 4:30 p.m. like most other campus facilities. The staff hopes this later closing time will allow for a larger window for students to accomplish the tasks they made need.

A grand opening of the One-Stop Center is set for the early spring semester. The center coordinators have teamed up with Albertson Hall, along with the University College, to help spread awareness of the new and old features of the campus. The center encompasses the University Library, the Academic and Career Advising Center, the Tutoring-Learning Center, and the Disability and Assistive Technology Center,

among other things. The General Education Program and the Honors Program are also administered through University College.

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While some features of the One-Stop center fall under the University College, it is also hoped that by partnering with the grand opening, students will become more informed about an important aspect of campus.

"Student feedback will play a large role in the One-Stop Center. It will help show what portions is successful and what changes may need to be made as the center continues to evolve," Bell said.

Based on the success and feedback, the One-Stop Center may house other possibilities that the university will look forward to.



A worker inspects drywall at the location of the new One-Stop Center in Albertson Hall. Photo by Ross Vetterkind

## PROTECTIVE SERVICES REPORT

Monday, November 13

Father called at 3:23 a.m. about a call he received from his daughter. He claims she did not say anything in the first call and then hung up. He proceeded to call three of four more times with no answer so then he called campus operator looking to make contact.

Tuesday, November 14

A call came in from the Neale Hall Elevator. The person on the line made repeated odd noises. Neale front desk was contacted and the elevator was found to be empty.

Friday, November 17

Male called to report an occurring situation in Burroughs Hall. Male is a Comm 101 Instructional Assistant and a female student informed him that there was a man in Burroughs Hall who would wait outside of the women's bathroom on the female's floor and follow girls back and forth. He worked at the front desk and once, when the female was locked out of her room in a towel, made her feel as though he would not let her in. The girls on the floor are feeling uncomfortable.

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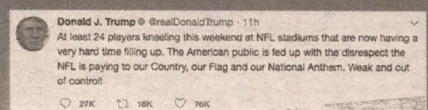
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### Tweet of the Week



Screen Capture from twitter.com

### Zeigler Defends Moore with Jesus

Senate candidate Roy Moore has been accused of molesting a 14-year-old-girl and sexually assaulting another teenager. Republicans are divided over whether he should continue his race. Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell believes the allegations against Alabama Senate nominee Roy Moore and recommended that he step down. However, Alabama State Auditor Jim Zeigler said, "Take Joseph and Mary. Mary was a teenager and Joseph was an adult carpenter. They became the parents of Jesus."

### Trump PROBABLY Not Person of the Year

On Nov. 24 Trump tweeted, "Time Magazine called to say that I was PROBABLY going to be named 'Man (Person) of the Year,' like last year, but I would have to agree to an interview and a major photo shoot. I said probably is no good and took a pass. Thanks anyway!" Time magazine tweeted a correction of Trump's claims explaining that they do not comment on their choice of person until the publication is released on Dec. 6.

### "Donor Appeasement Act of 2017"

The proposal would at 1.5 trillion dollars to the deficit. Average polls show that only 28 percent of Americans approve this, making it the second most unpopular piece of legislation in history. The bill passed the House and will begins in the Senate after Thanksgiving. Former aids to President Obama, Jon Favreau, Dan Pfeiffer and Jon Lovett speculated that this is Republicans last chance at passing a bill and demonstrating to their base and donors that they have accomplished something.



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in order to continue operating without essentially being bankrupt."

Cross emphasized that the merger should help to streamline processes and departments like human resources and slim down the budget deficit.

Cross said that by July 1, 2018, the UW-System is aiming to change the reporting structure of the colleges. But larger changes that would completely merge the colleges will take place over the next four to five years.

"We're human beings, and we often delay and delay and delay and think something else is going to fix the problem," Cross said.

Beyond concerns about the merger itself, faculty expressed concerns that tuition differen-

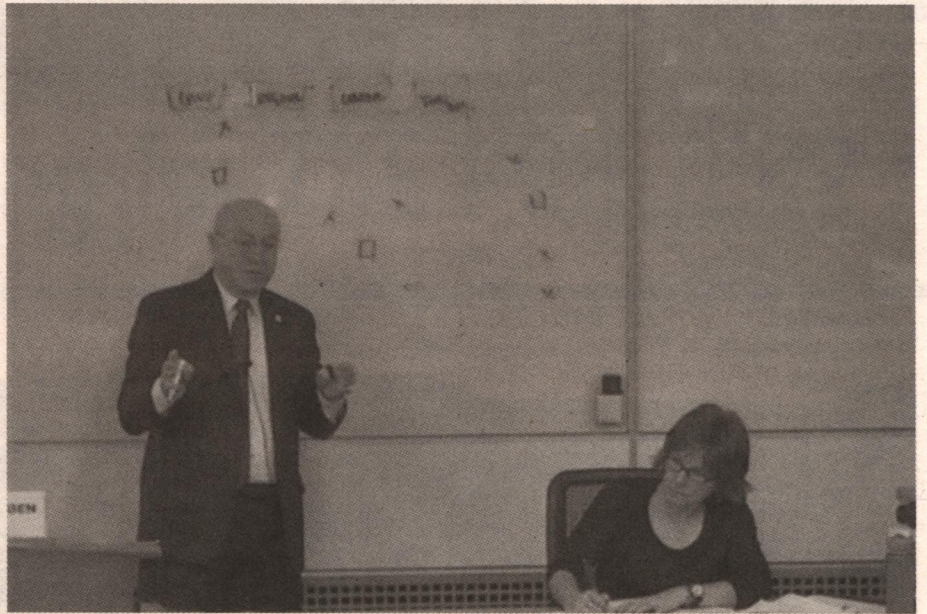
tial will impact access to affordable quality education for students at two-year colleges.

Chancellor Bernie Patterson said that while he didn't know how that accessibility would be maintained.

"We are committed to maintaining that access mission, we just have to figure out how to do it within the systems that are available to us," Patterson said.

Al Thompson, vice chancellor for student affairs and senior diversity officer, said, "This merger will happen. We will handle it. We will work together."

Thompson's promise comes with the looming threat of layoffs, as UWSP is looking to half its structural deficit of \$5 million by July 2018.



Ray Cross, President of the University of Wisconsin System, came to UWSP to discuss the UW merger. Photo courtesy of Nanci Simon, University of Wisconsin Stevens Point

## Book World Inc. Announces the Closing of All Its Locations

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Book World Inc. announced that it will be closing down all 45 store locations in January.

The company attributed its declining revenue on the popularity of electronic book reading devices such as Kindle, Nook, and Tablets as well as the inability to keep up with online shopping prices.

Book World said on their website, "With great sadness, we must tell you, ...that our business can no longer go on. Having worked so very hard for more than 40 years, you can well understand how devastating this is for us and everyone involved with Book World. We tried to

keep Book World afloat, and to be successful, but that was not meant to be. After over 40 years since the opening of our first book store all Book World stores will be closing their doors sometime in early 2018."

They are currently running a liquidation sale until all of the inventory is sold with prices marked down 20-40 percent on most inventory.

Alyssa Abel, the store manager at the Stevens Point Book World said, "I wasn't really expecting this since our store actually does really well."

Abel explained that the other locations weren't doing well because most of them are in malls and mall shopping has been hitting an all-time low.

In an article published by

Business insider in 2016 titled "American Malls Are Dying Faster Than You Think" research found that from 2010-2013 mall visits had dropped 50 percent and have been declining steadily across the nation due to the rise of online shopping.

But it's not just online shopping, they also found that today's generations are increasingly spending more on experiences rather than materialistic goods. Things like vacations and trips which cost more and leave less money for shopping.

With less money to shop, they become choosier of where they spend their money and how much they spend. Shoppers spend less by simply purchasing things online cheaper or shopping at thrift stores to find better deals.

"It really was surprising because we do so well with the University here and we truly have a great community here in Point," Abel said.

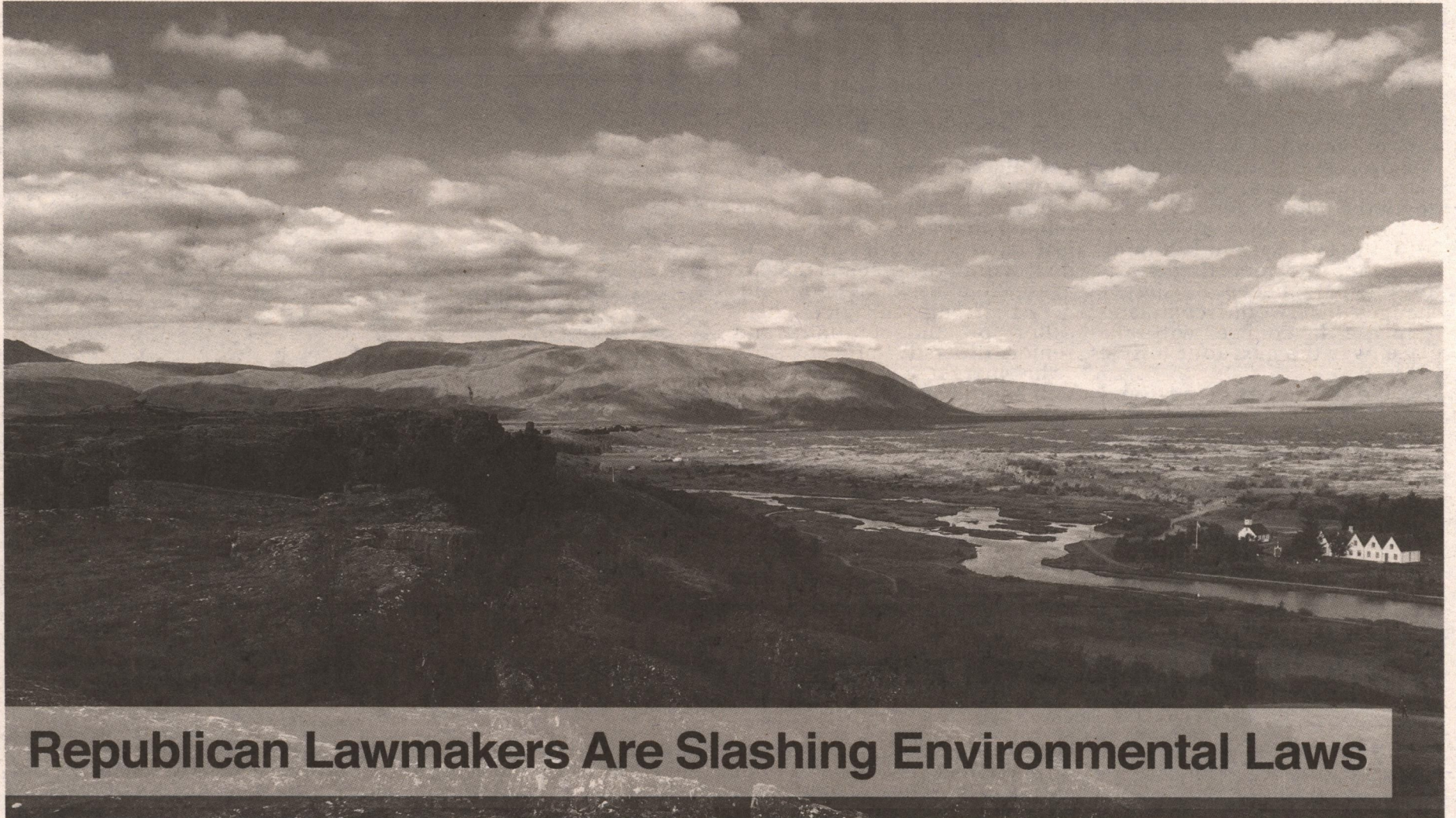
Abel doesn't know where she's headed next as far as employment, but she hopes that someone will open a book store in place of book world.

Book World Inc. posted on their website home page, "We sincerely thank all of our great customers. Thank you, to each and every one of you! For over 40 years you've supported your local Book World store and in the process, a world of people including publishers, distributors, printers, authors, and many more. We are all forever grateful!"



Book World has a closing sale. Photo by McKenzie Noltner





## Republican Lawmakers Are Slashing Environmental Laws

A scenic overlook of Iceland. Photo courtesy of Vanessa Komada.

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Gov. Scott Walker and Republican lawmakers are relaxing environmental regulations including laws governing iron mining and building on wetlands.

In Gov. Walker's 2015-17 budget, released in February, he proposed eliminating a third of the Department of Natural Resource scientists and 60 percent of its environmental educator positions. The cuts were approved by the state legislature's budget committee in May, and the budget is currently making its way through the legislature.

The changes have wide-ranging implications for the public, from fewer protections for lakes, streams and wetlands to less money spent on recycling programs, state parks and public land purchases.

The biggest impact has been at the Department of Natural Resources. As of this past summer, employment has fallen

22 percent to 2,199 filled positions since the start of Gov. Jim Doyle's first term in 2003. Doyle, a Democrat, cut more jobs than Walker.

In a change from previous Democratic and Republican administrations, DNR officials rarely weigh in on conservation policies or pending legislation. Leaders of the agency say their role should be limited to carrying out the law.

Jack Russel, senior political science major said, "While I realize there are some environmental laws that are unnecessary, it seems like the senators and representatives are changing them without proper research or discussion with experts. I worry about the unforeseen consequences."

By the end of the next year, all of the state's air quality regulations are up for consideration to be eliminated. Assembly lawmakers held a public hearing on Tuesday Nov. 21. The DNR would have the option to reintroduce those regulations. All existing federal regulations

would continue.

Bill sponsor, Sen. Duey Stroebel cited a 2004 report from the Legislature's nonpartisan audit bureau that said Wisconsin regulates 293 more pollutants than required by federal law. Of those, the audit found 94 of the 293 were reported in Wisconsin in 2002.

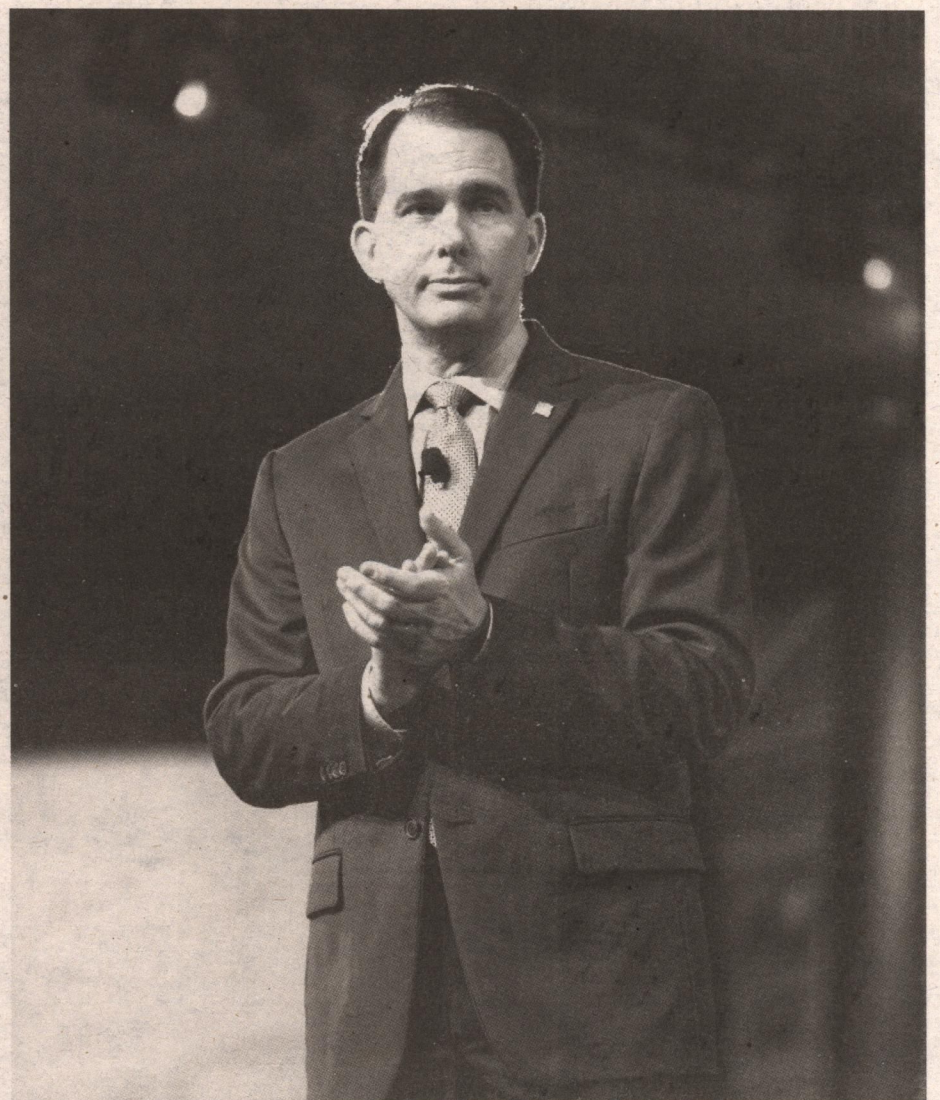
Stroebel said at the hearing, "This just ensures that this list of pollutants that has just con-

tinually grown and grown and grown and some of them are obsolete and irrelevant. Now we'll take a hard look at it and make sure the ones we really need to regulate we'll be regulating."

Under the bill, if the DNR reintroduces any of the regulations and they are approved by the Legislature, they would expire and be eligible for renewal every 10 years.



The sun shines on the rocks. Photo courtesy of Vanessa Komada.



Scott Walker at CPAC 2017. Photo by Flickr.



# Students Learn About Community and Sustainability in Kenya Summer Course

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Students can earn a Permaculture Design Certificate through a three-week study abroad trip to Kenya next summer.

Holly Petrillo, course leader and associate professor of forestry, describes permaculture as a set of ethics and principles for designing sustainable living systems.

"We really like the permaculture curriculum because it integrates the natural resources and the sustainability aspect but also the community aspect," Petrillo said.

Petrillo describes Kenya as community-oriented.

"The social component of communities is really evident in a place like Kenya and really struggling or non-existent in the U.S." Petrillo said.

Petrillo also feels that human dependence on the environment is much more evident in a developing country like Kenya where people rely on the land for subsistence.

During the course, the group will travel to villages in various regions of Kenya to work on permaculture projects tailored to the needs of the communities. Petrillo emphasized that the class works alongside local people.

Petrillo said that one project the group completes each year is to install water catchment tanks

in a village in a dry region of Kenya where water scarcity is a concern.

Depending on the village they are staying in, the class either sleeps in tents or stays in the homes of community members. During their stay, students cook and eat with community members.

Petrillo said that she is always amazed by the openness and generosity of the people they partner with. In one village, Petrillo said that each year the class has participated in a community-wide celebration

including food, music and skits.

Half of the class is made up of University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point students, while the other half consists of Kenyans and citizens of neighboring African countries. The class includes group work where students from the U.S. and Kenya can work together and learn from each other.

Although the course focuses on permaculture design, Petrillo emphasized that it is not just a natural resource course and encourages any major to apply. Petrillo hopes students will

finish the course with greater mindfulness and sense of community.

"If people come away from the course recognizing how incredible it can be to have a strong community that would make me so happy," Petrillo said.

Interested students are encouraged to apply for the program by Dec. 1. Applications are available on the study abroad website. Questions regarding the course can be directed to Holly Petrillo.



A Balanites Aegyptiaca tree stands tall over a Kenyan sunrise. This photo by Joanna Marzec is licensed under CC0.



A rain storm crosses over the Kenyan landscape. This photo from Pixabay is licensed under CC0.



Look Into Sports

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POINTER MEN'S HOCKEY FINDS SUCCESS  
AT HOME IN HOLIDAY TOURNAMENT



The Pointers men's hockey team tied the Milwaukee School of Engineering 2-2 and defeated Aurora University 6-2 as it hosted the two teams at the K. B. Willett Ice Arena in the Holiday Tournament on Friday and Saturday.

After facing a 1-0 deficit for two periods against Milwaukee, Stevens Point got on the scoreboard with a goal by senior forward Willem Nong-Lambert during the second minute of the third period. Fellow forwards Tanner Karty and Colin Raver assisted Nong-Lambert with the goal.

During the 11th minute of the third period, sophomore forward Logan Fredricks scored the Pointers second goal to take the lead. Forward Luke McElhenie assisted Fredricks with the goal.

Stevens Point failed to close out the game, giving up a goal

during the 16th minute to send the game to overtime. In overtime, neither team succeeded in scoring and the game ended in a tie Friday night.

Senior goaltender Max Milosek recorded 18 saves in just under 65 minutes of play.

On Saturday night against Aurora, UWSP found the nets early and often on offense as six different players scored goals.

Wesley Ashley, Fredericks, Karty, Nong-Lambert, Raver and Kelly O'Brien each scored a goal as the team added to the scoreboard in all three periods.

Freshman goaltender Connor Ryckman registered 24 saves in the win.

UWSP men's hockey will return to the ice when it travels to take on UW-River Falls on Friday, Dec. 1. Game time is set for 7 p.m.

Current Standings

UW-Eau Claire	0-0	7-3
UW-Stevens Point	0-0	6-3-1
UW-River Falls	0-0	3-5-1
UW-Stout	0-0	3-6-1
UW-Superior	0-0	3-6

WOMEN'S HOCKEY CURRENT  
STANDINGS

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UW-Stevens Point	0-0	6-3-1
UW-River Falls	0-0	3-5-1
UW-Superior	0-0	3-6

MEN'S BASKETBALL FALLS SHORT  
TO ST. NORBERT

The University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point dropped a close game on the road to St. Norbert College 58-54 on Saturday, Nov. 25, to put its record at 1-2 as the Pointers continue to navigate the early portion of its non-conference schedule.

Aaron Knez and Drew Fredrickson led the Pointers with 8 points each.

Sophomore forward Blake

Ehrke recorded a team leading 3 blocks, while junior forward Brett Tauber led the team with 5 rebounds.

Stevens Point shot 52.6 percent from the field and 46.7 percent from beyond the arch.

The Pointers return to the court when it travels to take on UW-Superior on Saturday, Dec. 2. Tip-off is set for 5 p.m.

Current Standings

UW-Whitewater	0-0	4-0
UW-Oshkosh	0-0	3-0
UW-La Crosse	0-0	4-1
UW-Platteville	0-0	4-1
UW-River Falls	0-0	4-1
UW-Stout	0-0	3-2
UW-Eau Claire	0-0	2-2
UW-Stevens Point	0-0	1-2

WOLF TAKES 187TH AT NCAA  
CHAMPIONSHIP



The women's cross country team lines up for a photo after a meet. Photo courtesy of Sam Krebsbach.

UWSP sophomore athlete Bailey Wolf took 187th out of 279 cross country runners at the Division III NCAA Championship on Saturday, Nov. 18, in Elsah, IL., after advancing to the event with her 16th place finish at regionals the previous weekend.

Wolf finished with a time of

22:51.70. The time was her second best of the season for a 6K distance meet.

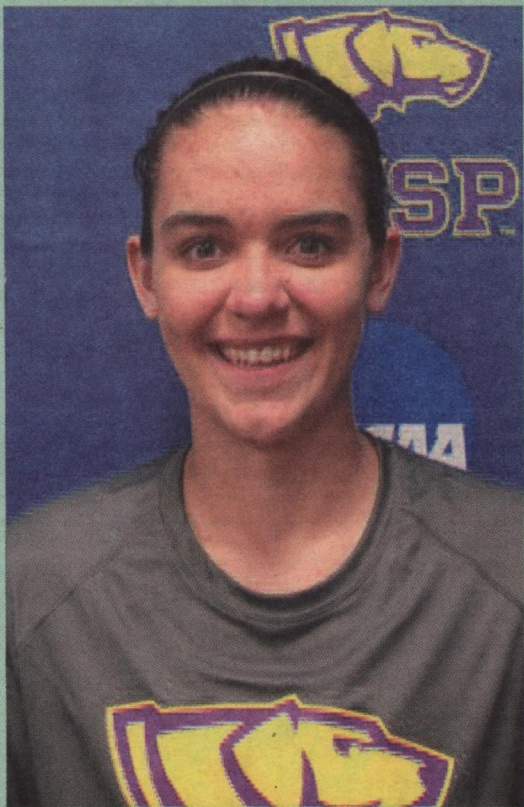
Stevens Point will now turn its attention to the upcoming track and field season that begins with the annual alumni meet on Saturday, Jan. 13, at 12 p.m., in the Multi-Activity Center.

WRESTLING CURRENT  
STANDINGS

UW-Whitewater	3-0	3-0
UW-La Crosse	1-0	1-0
UW-Eau Claire	1-1	2-1
UW-Stevens Point	1-1	1-1
UW-Platteville	0-1	0-2
UW-Oshkosh	0-3	0-3



# Student-Athlete Profile: Taylor Barrett



Taylor Barrett looks to finish her senior year strong.  
Photo courtesy of UWSP Athletics.

**What does basketball mean to you?**

Basketball is something that I grew up playing and my dad coached me in youth team and I really grew up loving it. It's become a passion and it's my last year doing it so you got to give it your all every time you are out there. It's love.

**What does it mean to you to be a Pointer?**

Pointer pride is a big thing for us. I came here, Coach Egner has got a great tradition here and that was definitely what drew me here. They took me in for my recruit visit and when you say we win almost every eight out of ten times that we are on the floor, that makes you want to come here.

**Where do you see yourself after your sports career is over?**

I'm hoping to get into grad school after I graduate here in May.

**What is your favorite class?**

Any of the psychology courses

**What is one destination you would like to travel to?**

I would love to go to Ireland. That's my go to place.

A senior at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, starting post player Taylor Barrett has earned playing time in each of her four seasons on the UWSP women's basketball team and broke into the starting lineup as a junior. The Monroe High School graduate is majoring in psychology with an emphasis in human services and with a minor in sociology at UWSP. Barrett enjoys volunteering at local schools and the Boys and Girls Club of Portage County.

## Sports Events

**Men's Basketball**

Dec. 2,  
at UW-Superior  
5 p.m.

**Swimming & Diving**

Dec. 1-2,  
at Wheaton Invite

**Men's Hockey**

Dec. 1,  
at UW-River Falls  
7 p.m.

Dec. 2,  
vs. UW-Superior  
7 p.m.

**Wrestling**

Dec. 2,  
Candlewood Suites Duals  
vs. Concordia College  
9 a.m.

vs. Wartburg College  
10:30 a.m.

vs. Loras College  
12 p.m.

**Women's Basketball**



Nov. 29,  
at Carthage College  
7 p.m.

Dec. 1,  
vs. University of St. Thomas  
5 p.m.





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Interested applicants should email Co-Editor-in-Chief, Anyon Rettinger at arett489@uwsp.edu with questions or to apply.

## Take the Night Off

Over 30% of UW-Stevens Point students choose not to drink. Stay safe if using alcohol.

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Safe Point  
UW-Stevens Point

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DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION IS  
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Interested graduate students can email Linda Pflugradt at [lpflugra@uwsp.edu](mailto:lpflugra@uwsp.edu) for an application form or pick up a copy in the School of Education Office, 470 CPS. Placements vary from 10-20 hours a week.



## Humans of Point

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### What is your favorite part of winter?

My favorite part of winter is seeing all the houses decorated in lights and just the holidays in general. Everything seems more magical when communities are sparkling and full life in contrast to the dark of the night.

### What is favorite outdoor or indoor activity?

One of my favorite activities is going to Roseberry Bird Rescue and helping take care of the parrots there. It's become a huge part of my life and nothing makes me happier than a bunch of birds squawking for my attention when I walk into a room. They are incredibly smart creatures that have quickly become a passion of mine because of their uniqueness.

### Are you looking forward to anything over break?

I am ready for a month long break from school! I can't wait to spend quality time with my friends and family without worrying what assignments I have to do.

### What is your favorite part of winter?

My favorite part of winter is the fact that it's the season of giving. I think the holidays give people an opportunity to come together and spread joy to others. Whether you're spending time with family and friends or getting involved in the community, it's just a happy season...and Christmas music and holiday cookies are never bad either.

### What is favorite outdoor or indoor activity?

I'm a big fan of painting and it's become a hobby of mine over the past few years. I've always been a pretty creative person and painting is just another way to express that creativity. If it's a beautiful day, I'll go outside and paint, or I'll cozy up in my room and take some time to create something new.

### Are you looking forward to anything over break?

I'm looking forward to some much needed rest and relaxation! This semester has been pretty busy for me, so I'm excited to spend time with family and friends, eat some home-cooked meals, celebrate the holidays, and catch up on sleep!

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# Now Playing in a Theater Near You: Holiday Movie Season Begins

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With the coming of the Holiday season, new movies have arrived in theaters across the country.

The Thanksgiving weekend box office has been dominated by high-octane superhero flicks and touching emotional adventures.

For fans of fights and tights, “Thor: Ragnarok” and “Justice League” have entered theaters to provide moviegoers with a new round of action movies based on beloved comic-book characters. “Thor: Ragnarok” is the third entry in the Thor franchise and stars Chris Hemsworth as Thor, Tom Hiddleston as his brother Loki and Mark Ruffalo as The Incredible Hulk. The

movie follows their journey to defend Thor’s homeworld of Asgard from its prophesied destruction. Longtime fans of Marvel will appreciate the character development of Ruffalo’s Hulk, as well as a spirited cameo from Benedict Cumberbatch as Dr. Strange.

“Justice League,” DC Comics’ long-awaited flagship premiere to challenge Marvel Comics’ Avengers franchise, boasts a star-studded cast portraying the iconic team led by Superman, played by Henry Cavill, and Batman, played by Ben Affleck, to defeat an alien invasion of earth.

Fans online have been divided on the film thus far, but loyal fans of “Man of Steel” and “Batman vs. Superman: Dawn of Justice” will leave the theater satisfied. They may strug-

gle to overlook the regrettably obvious CGI removal of Henry Cavill’s mustache, as he was contractually obligated to keep it during reshoots while filming for “Mission Impossible 6,” but at least it’s funny.

For audiences looking for something more emotional and relatable, Stephen Chbosky’s “Wonder” may be more appropriate.

“Wonder” tells the heartwarming story of a young boy called Auggie Pullman, who navigates the rocky social waters of middle school while dealing with Treacher Collins syndrome, which has given him severe facial deformities. “Wonder” has been well-received by critics, receiving an 86% “Certified Fresh” rating on film review aggregate Rotten Tomatoes.

Fans of animated films looking for a similarly heartwarming experience will be blown away by Disney-Pixar’s “Coco,” the tale of a young boy from Mexico who runs away from home on Día de Muertos (Day of the Dead) and becomes trapped in the land of the dead. What follows is a visually stunning and musically captivating adventure to reunite with his runaway great-great-grandfather to receive his blessing and return home. Love it or hate it, be warned that feature screenings are preceded by the 21-minute animated short “Olaf’s Frozen Adventure,” starring the cast of Disney’s 2013 film “Frozen.”

All of these movies are currently being screened at Rogers Cinema 7 at 2725 Church Street. Showtimes can be found online.

## ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT EVENTS

Wednesday  
November 29

**Coffee and Culture:  
Let’s take a walk;  
Diversity in action**

DUC Laird Room (230)  
6-7:30p.m.

Thursday  
November 30

**Want to be  
Turtely Cool?**

Schmeckle Reserve  
Visitor Center  
6-7p.m.

**Orchestra/Choir  
Concert**

Michelsen Hall, NFAC  
7:30-10 p.m.

**Foreign Goods  
with Kyerokaya  
(Jazz/Reggae)**

DUC Encore  
8-10:30 p.m.

Friday  
December 1

**Orchestra/  
Choir Concert**

Michelsen Hall, NFAC  
7:30-10 p.m.

**Mike Paramore  
(Comedian)**

DUC Encore  
8-9:30 p.m.

Saturday  
December 2

**Breakfast with  
Santa**

DUC Laird Room (230)  
9 a.m.-12 p.m.

**Brett Byrnes  
(Saxophone)**

Michelsen Hall, NFAC  
1-2:30 p.m.

**Birrrrrds Braving  
Wisconsin Winters**

Schmeckle Reserve  
Visitor Center  
1-2 p.m.

**Piano Area  
Recital**

Michelsen Hall, NFAC  
3-4:30 p.m.

**Winter Wonderland  
Craft Night**

DUC Encore  
10 p.m.-12 a.m.

Sunday  
December 3

**Brett Byrnes  
(Saxophone)**

Michelsen Hall, NFAC  
1-3 p.m.

**A Robin’s Story**

Schmeckle Reserve  
Visitor Center  
1-2 p.m.

**Winter Wonders  
Planetarium Show**

Science Building Blocher  
Planetarium  
2-3 p.m.

**Season of Light  
Planetarium Show**

Science Building Blocher  
Planetarium  
3:15-4:15 p.m.

**Women’s Choir  
Concert**

Michelsen Hall, NFAC  
7:30-9:30 p.m.

Tuesday  
December 5

**Campus Band/  
Orchestra  
Concert**

Michelsen Hall, NFAC  
7:30-10p.m.



## Local Buisness Offers Indoor Entertainment Year Round



Locals give Putt-N-Play a shot. Photo by McKenzie Noltner

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Putt-N-Play, an indoor mini golf facility, opened on Oct. 4 to provide food and entertainment for the colder months.

The northwoods themed, family-friendly business, founded by Will and Aloha Seitz, offers putting holes for golfers of all ages and abilities to play.

It features 18 holes total, three of which are glow in the dark. The business also has an arcade and The Northwoods Café which serves concession style food. The most popular items are their cheese burgers, cheese curds, hot pretzels and funnel cakes.

"Our family enjoys playing mini golf. It's a great way to make fun memories with those you enjoy being with. We thought about how nice it would be to have one in our home town," Aloha said.

For seven years, Will and Aloha have been searching for the perfect place to launch their business when Will came across the property that used to be Benard's Restaurant up for sale.

"We went to view the property and the moment we saw the ball room we knew this was the right place," Aloha said.

The mini golfing at Putt-N-Play isn't just for children. Aloha said that all ages are welcome. Their oldest player yet was an 88-year-old Navy

veteran. Being handicapped, he golfed from his wheelchair and had a blast because the facility is wheelchair accessible.

Putt-N-Play also caters to parties, offering a large private party room and party package pricing which often includes food and drink.

If anyone wishes to give the gift of mini golf for this

holiday season, Putt-N-Play is selling gift certificates for rounds of mini golf. Community members can also sign up for leagues and challenge coworkers or other people in the community and compete for championships.

Teams must have a minimum of four people on their team and compete in their leagues against other teams

to win a pizza party at the end of the tournament.

For more information, community members and students can visit their website at [www.puttnplay.today](http://www.puttnplay.today) or their Facebook page @puttnplayllc.



Homemade mini-golf course at Putt-N-Play. Photo by McKenzie Noltner