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# **UW-Stevens Point** Receives \$4.3 Million Donation

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Former Port Edwards teacher Dorothea Harju gave a surprise gift the UW-Stevens Point School of Education to fund the Harju Center of Equity in Education, 20 scholarships, and grants for local high school teachers.

The gift is the single largest donation UWSP has ever received in its 125-year history.

The gift was announced on Oct. 30 at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point at Wausau during the All In Wisconsin Tour. In attendance for the announcement was Chancellor Bernie Patterson and Associate Dean of the College of Professional Studies and Chair of the School of Education Dr. Lynda Fernholz.

The gift comes from the estate of Dorothea Harju, an alumna of UWSP and former reading specialist for the Port Edwards School District. Harju passed in 2017 at age 98.

The gift came as a surprise to the School of Education and Chancellor Patterson. Neither Harju nor her husband informed anyone of the intention to gift the money.

In a release, Chancellor Bernie Patterson said, "The reaction was 'Oh my, look

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# Large Dairy Company, Dean Foods, Files for Bankruptcy

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Dean Foods, one of the nation's largest dairy companies, has filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection.

The dairy giant has a processing plant nearby in De Pere, Wisconsin as well as plants in Illinois. Nationwide, the company has 60 processing facilities and employs 16,000 people. Dean says it does not intend to close any of these plants.

Dean Foods has secured \$850 million in commitments in the form of debtor-in-possession financing. This money will be used to keep the business going and address debt and unfunded debt obligations. Ultimately, the company may sell its assets to Dairy Farmers of America, a marketing cooperative that is owned by thousands of U.S. farmers.

Over 14 percent of U.S. milk is produced in Wisconsin. Eventually, some of that milk is sold to Dean Foods. The company has lost money in 8 of the last 10 fiscal quarters and cites falling milk sales as a huge contributor. In 2018, 67 percent of Dean's sales came from milk.

Erv Ziese, adjunct lecturer in the UWSP School of Business and Economics, grew up on a small dairy farm. He says that falling milk sales is especially harmful to Dean Foods.

"Bottled milk, which was one of Deans big things, was considered to be the 'cash cow,' so to speak. It's where they



Erv Ziese, adjunct lecturer, UWSP **School of Business and Economics** 

made the most money."

Jake Feltz works for Feltz Family Farm and Dairy Store in Stevens Point. The fifth-generation family farm does not sell milk to Dean Foods.

"All we produce is fluid milk, which we ship to a cheese plant, and it gets made into cheese," says Feltz.

According to data from the United States Department of Agriculture, milk sales have risen once, and only barely, since 1985. Additionally, the amount of per capita milk consumed in the U.S. has fallen by more than 40 percent since 1975, and by 13 percent since 2010. But oddly enough, milk production has risen by 13 percent between 2008 and 2017.

According to Feltz, "Milk production on the farm has stayed pretty consistent for about the past four years."

Photo by Nathan Dorn

U.S. butter and cheese consumption has increased since 1996. Most milk produced in Wisconsin is made into cheese.

Feltz's Dairy Store opened in June 2017. Feltz says that the store 'has seen steady increases in cheese and ice cream sales.'

Other dairy products, such as whey protein isolate and baby formulas, are doing well in the U.S.

In place of dairy milk, a multitude of beverages, including sports drinks, fruit juices and others, have flooded the market and store shelves. Plant-based milk beverages have also drawn sales away from dairy milk.

According to Ziese, "Dairy industry-type milk is suffering from soy milk, oat milk and all those types of things."



Jake Feltz, employee for Feltz Family Farm and Dairy Store

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Dorothea Harju (pictured above) gave the single-largest gift in the 125-year history of University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point.

Photo Courtesy of University of Wisconsin- Stevens Point

at what we can do for teachers, for rural education, for the citizens of Wisconsin'. This is an amazing gift from an amazing woman."

It has already been announced that a new center is being created in Harju's honor. The Harju Center of Equity in Education is an extension in the School of Education to support rural school districts and prepare elementary education students.

The remainder of the donation will go towards 20, \$1,000 scholarships to incoming students starting in 2020 for elementary education students, which have the possibility of being renewed according to academic standing.

The rest is planned to go to grants to local area high school teachers to begin Educators Rising clubs in the schools and to get teaching supplies.

According to Fernholz, "We will give each of those teachers \$1,000- five hundred for them to spend however they want and five hundred for their club.

[This will allow] our teachers to begin inspiring our high school juniors and seniors so they can begin thinking about a career in elementary, middle, or secondary education."

Educators Rising is a division of Phi Delta Kappa, a professional teaching organization designed to cultivate teacher recruitment and development. They provide hands-on teaching experience starting in high school to students interested in the education field to prepare them for the workforce after graduation.

In a news release after the announcement, Port Edwards school district administrator Kyle Cronan said, "Sometimes, it's hard for small schools to attract teachers, so I think this goes a long way to develop programs, in conjunction with the university to bring teachers in the door."

In the same news conference, Patterson said, "We all know that the rural schools in Wisconsin are challenged by insufficient resources and an inadequate num-

ber of teachers. The new Harju Center will help us supply more teachers to rural school districts around our state."

The Harju Center for Equity in Education has five primary goals. The goals include creating a literacy program to serve children of Central Wisconsin, giving UW-Stevens Point education students hands-on learning experiences, providing fellowships for rural district teachers who want to start an Educators Rising Club and mentor students for the teaching profession, hosting summer camps for high school students interested in becoming teachers, providing grants to purchase teaching materials and professional development opportunities for K-12 teachers, UW-Stevens Point students and faculty, and providing renewable scholarships and mentoring for UW-Stevens Point students.

For more information on the gift and the center, the UWSP website has a page dedicated to the donation on the School of Education homepage.

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# **Large Dairy Company**

According to the Plant Based Foods Association, cow milk sales declined by 6 percent, while plant-based milk sales increased by 9 percent between 2017 and 2018. Globally, Forbes estimated the dairy-alternative market, as of 2017, at \$11.9 billion.

Sales of a variety of plant-based milks, including soy, almond, cashew and coconut, increased by 61 percent from 2012 to 2017. Nielsen data found that oat milk sales have risen by 636 percent over the past year, amounting to over \$52 million.

Dairy farmers in Wisconsin have likely been impacted by this trend. During the first half of 2019, a total of 449 dairy farms were lost: in other words, two dairy farms were lost per day. One reason for this trend, according to Ziese, are large, agri-business conglomerates.

"What we see is large-scale farms taking over."

Part of the reason that companies do this is to keep economies-of-scale, so they can continue to make money.

Additionally, Ziese said, "Fifty or sixty years-ago the average farmer was maybe doing 160 acres. Now, some of these [farms] are thousands of acres. It's changed a lot."

Wisconsin farms have also felt the effects from overproduction of milk, which is often sold at low or negative mark-up prices. That excess milk has to go somewhere, and Ziese said this affected Dean Foods

"A company contracts with the individual farmer for all of their milk. That means if I [a company] contract for all your milk, and you [the farmer] doubles

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your herd, I have to do something with it as a producer; and that's where Dean [Foods] was caught."

Other countries, such as China or Japan, buy dairy products from Wisconsin and other states. Dairy markets in these countries have room to grow. The collapse of these export markets is another issue plaguing farmers.

In 2017, Walmart started processing their own milk, which hurt more than 100 milk contracts that Dean Foods had with dairy farmers. Ziese said this hurt Dean because it was the biggest milk supplier to Walmart before 2017.

While numerous issues are affecting the dairy industry and small dairy farms, Feltz says the biggest challenge for their farm is misinformation about farms.

To address this issue, Feltz says, "We

open our farm up to the public and give tours to the public and many local schools."

According to Mark Stephenson, director of dairy policy analysis at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, milk prices have been on the mend during late 2019, and should continue to rise in 2020.

Even if milk prices do increase, falling milk sales will continue to plague dairy farmers here in Wisconsin and nationwide as consumers continue to drink less dairy milk and more plant-based alternatives

But as milk consumption has decreased, Feltz says, "Our business has fared well because we have adapted to the environment. In the end, every product's demand is determined by the consumer."



# **New Title IX coordinator at UWSP**

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Terri Frank, UWSP compliance specialist in Human Resources, has been named UWSP interim Title IX coordinator. Nick Schultz, UWSP media relations director, informed, "the most significant aspect is not the interim appointment but the university's commitment to prohibiting sexual discrimination, as defined by Title IX, and investigating any complaints that may arise from students, faculty or staff."

The UWSP web site provides information about Title IX and complaint procedures. "Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 states: No person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity receiving Federal financial assis-

tance."

According to the National Women's Law Center, Title IX protects students, faculty and staff in federally funded education programs, Title IX covers admissions and recruitment, athletics, career education, employee discrimination, pregnant and parenting students, sexual harassment, student services. It is a tool to provide equal opportunities to everybody.

Dean of students and deputy Title IX coordinator Troy Seppelt; and Terri Frank, interim Title IX coordinator provided the following information about Frank's new position.

Terri Frank was "officially named as the interim Title IX coordinator on Nov. 1, 2019." "This is in addition to her duties as a compliance specialist in Human Resources here at UW-Stevens Point."

Seppelt and Frank also informed that "Terri has been with UW-Stevens Point

since September 2017 as the Human Resources Compliance Specialist. She is a trained Title IX investigator, and her duties already include facets of compliance issues that arise from human resources and affirmative action."



Terri Frank, UWSP interim Title IX coordinator and UWSP compliance specialist in Human Resources

Photo by Jeremy Wolfe

With reference to the Title IX coordinator at UWSP, Seppelt and Frank informed, "The University's Title IX Coordinator has primary responsibility for coordinating the institution's efforts to comply with Title IX. This rule prohibits sex discrimination in all operations of the University and prohibits retaliation for interfering with any right or privilege secured by Title IX. Sexual misconduct against students or employees, including sexual harassment, sexual assault, rape or sexual exploitation, are forms of sex discrimination under Title IX. The Title IX coordinator oversees the University's response to reports and complaints that involve possible sex discrimination. The coordinator monitors outcomes, identifies and addresses any patterns, and assess effects on the campus. Several staff members in the Dean of Students office and Human Resources serve on the university's Title IX investigative team."



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The Student Life and Academic Affairs Director, Morgan Benjamin-Ede, does a lot for our campus and students. It is a very important position in SGA that deals with everything from housing issues, to parking. The goal of the position is to ensure student life on campus remains at an acceptable standard.

One of the coolest initiatives led by the Student Life and Academic Affairs Committee involves the recent passing of legislation to change the name of Pink Week to Pink/Lavender Week. This is in an effort to bring awareness to all types of cancers some of which have very low survivability rates. Showing support for students and families going through a cancer diagnosis is a good step in acknowledging the struggles these people are going through.

Further, the Student Life and Academic Affairs Director is also working with the athletic department to put on an event called Relay for Life. This event would help raise funds for cancer research! This is a great way for our school to give back to those who need help and who's lives could be changed through cancer research.

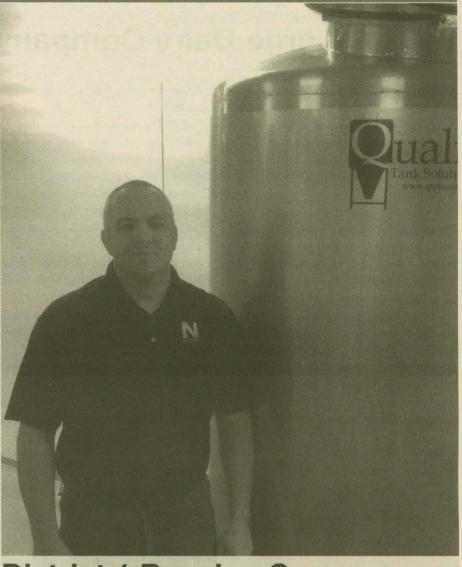
Some other goals the director has include establishing a twenty-four-hour

workspace on campus. It is currently in the process of being remodeled and will be located in the George Stein Building. There will be free parking and twentyfour-hour security at this location.

Parking is also an issue the Student Life and Academic Affairs Director is concerned with. The parking passes are slated to be raised again next year; however, commuter students will see a raise in price less than those who live on campus. The Chief of Parking on campus is also going to release a statement in the near future explaining the needs for more funds and the parking situation on campus in general.

Lastly, two other things the director is working on is ensuring faculty and staff are reporting incidences in accordance with Title IX. She is also working to make sure students know what resources are available to them when it comes to reporting incidences of sexual assault or abuse. She also hopes to help educate students on what types of questions they should be asking at housing fair events. This will ensure all students are educated as best as they can be on housing issues and can make the best possible decisions.

As always, please come to SGA with any concerns you may have on campus! We are here to serve you! Stop on by the office or contact us on social media.



# District 1 Brewing Company Offers Beer and More

Chris Gethers, one of six co-owners of the new District 1 Brewing Company, poses in front of a brewing barrel.

Photo by Nathan Dorn

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A new brewery in Stevens Point, District 1 Brewing Company, will soon open its doors, providing craft beer and community.

The brewery, located at 200 N. Division Street, wants to create a space for people to come together.

District 1 is really focused on building community and educating people on styles and the history of beer.

"We want to share the experience, we want to share the history of the beer style, and we want to wrap it around the social structure," says Chris Gethers, interim Head Brewer and one of six co-owners.

The 12,000 square foot space will include a community center, which will offer customers a space to get-together, play pinball, and listen to live music.

Additionally, District 1 hopes to partner with UWSP to bring in, for example, student-artists to share their work and talents in the community space.

Gethers points to different unused buildings around the community, and says that he is excited to breathe new-life back into the building space. The owners have been renovating and working on the building, since it was purchased in October 2018.

The District 1 space will also include an area for meetings, events, or parties, as well as workspace for someone to rent and utilize during the day.

District 1 will brew a variety of beers including lagers, ales, and stouts. Gethers also notes he's excited to serve a root beer him and his daughter spent years working on, perfecting the recipe since she was

young.

While some beer will be available and sold in four-packs, the majority will only be available for customers to enjoy in the building.

Another focus of District 1, according to Gethers, is the customer. The brewery will offer a mug club program and loyalty rewards program, as well as self-serve nitro coffee for customers and those renting workspace in the building.

Gethers hopes the brewery will open by Dec. 1. At that point, the brewery will serve 20 to 24 quality beers on tap, selected from various breweries, until they begin to brew their own and can serve the first batch.

The brewery utilizes a fully-automated, 10-barrel system, that will produce craft beers in small batches. This system was made using American steel from a company in Marshfield, Wisconsin, which is only about 35 miles west of Stevens Point.

Gethers says that District 1 values purchasing local products and supporting quality, local businesses. The brewery will purchase all of its malted barley for brewing from Briess Malt and Ingredients Co. in Chilton, Wisconsin.

Gethers is one of 51 certified cicerones, or beer experts, in the state of Wisconsin. He graduated from UWSP in 1998 with a degree in Paper Science and has been brewing beer for 20 years. During that time, he ran a nano brewery in Munising, Michigan for over three years.

The six owners of District 1 all have a passion for beer, while each bring unique perspectives and life experiences to the business.

Overall, Gethers says, "[I'm] excited to share [the brewery] with people going forward."



# Global Buddy Program Kicks Off at UWSP During International Edu-

cation Week

International Club and International Education Resource Center celebrate Friendsgiving.

Photo by Diana Heineck

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UWSP International Students are starting the Global Buddy Program at UWSP to get together with US students. This Program begins on Wednesday, Nov. 20 during International Education Week.

UWSP is celebrating its International Education Week from Nov 18 to Nov 22. During this week UWSP students can learn about other countries, cultures, meet and get together with international students that are sharing their culture, and learn what the International Education Resource Center (IERC) offers to UWSP students. All Students have been invited to participate in the International Cookie/Tea Tasting, Cake and Celebration, Germany, England and Spain Info Sessions, International Friendship Program and Friendsgiving hosted by the

On Wed Nov. 20 the New Global Buddy Stammtisch kicks off from 12pm to 1pm at the International Education Resource Center (DUC 203). This program

will meet on Wednesdays at noon for one hour. During this time, UWSP students can meet UWSP international students, bring their lunch, chat and have fun. There will be different topics and guests every week. Everybody is welcome, even students who are not registered in the Global Buddy Program.

Students can fill up a UWSP Global Buddy Program application anytime, explaining their interests and hobbies. The IERC will match the student with a global buddy. The students participating in this program can meet according to their schedules and as often as they can. The IERC will organize events for the students participating in this program also.

Johannes Schmied, International Student Adviser, informed, "The Global Buddy Program is a unique opportunity for any student who would like to connect to a peer from another country. Students who consider studying abroad during their time at UWSP can dispel their worries about living abroad by befriending somebody who does just that "living abroad". It provides a safe environment to get to know somebody from

another country who is equally interested to learn about your cultural background."

Schmied also informed that, "It is the first program that informally connects domestic and international students based on their hobbies and interests one student at a time. The aim of this program is to connect domestic students and international students and to create a natural peer-to peer cultural learning space for all program participants. The common inter-



Johannes Schmied, UWSP International Student Adviser

ests of students serve as an initial bridge which builds the foundation for trust. Once trust is established students can build an increased understanding about the differences and similarities between their upbringings. It has the potential to reduce stereotypes domestic students have about international students and international students have about domestic student. The benefits of the Global Buddy Program are:

- This peer-to-peer program allows to connect students informally which allows for a wonderful cultural learning experience for both program participants.
- The program creates awareness about similarities and differences between cultures.
- The program informally connects domestic and international students by doing so it makes our UWSP campus a more globally minded place and sets the foundation for the creation of more interculturally competent leaders going forward."

For more information students can visit the International Education Resource Center at DUC203. Schmied said, "the IERC is open for students all week and free to use. UWSP students are always welcome to come in and start a conversation with each other."

# Students Weigh in on Ever's First Year as Governor

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During his first year in office, Gov. Tony Evers created a climate change task force, signed an order to promote diversity, and pardoned eight individuals.

Maxwell Johnson, treasurer for 350 Stevens Point, voted for Evers hope he would contribute to the fight against climate change. Evers recently created a climate change task force which will provide recommendations for policies to combat climate change. He also created the Office of Clean Air and Sustainability.

Johnson stated "Using current institutions is not enough. Creating a new bureau seems on paper to the layman voter; yes that issue is getting attention! But unless it is specifically focused on individual things, specifically reducing the amounts of carbon emitted and increasing the amount that we sequester, I think those are effective and are leading."

Specifically, he believes we must put a price on carbon. Johnson is also a member of Citizen's Climate Change Lobby. According to their website "CCL empowers everyday people to work together on climate change solutions. Our supporters are organized in more than 400 local chapters across the United States. Together we're building support in Congress for a national bipartisan solution to climate



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change.

350 Stevens Point is a nonpartisan group, they work to raise awareness for the climate change crisis through nonpolitical means. CCL is a bipartisan group; they work to make change through legislation.

Johnson attended the CCL November Lobby Day in Washington DC. At this event, Johnson talked to politicians, such as Sen. Ron Johnson, about House Resolution 763. The bill that would put a fee on carbon that contributes to greenhouse emissions.

Johnson said, "If you can mark climate change as a public safety concern, I think with that bureau he can do a lot. Unfortunately, this is a global issue, so leading is the only thing we can do right now."

While Evers may not be able to fix climate change on his own, but being a leader for the cause will influence others to

follow.

Evers also recently pardoned eight individuals in Wisconsin. Erick Walter, Vice President for Eco-Socialist of UWSP, believes this is a step in the right direction for prison reform. Walter said, "I am a huge proponent of prison reform."

These pardons provided these former convicts with opportunities they did not previously have. According to the Milwaukee Journal Sentinel, one of the recipients, Dwight Allen, was seeking a pardon so he can join the insurance business which he was previously prohibited from doing due to chargers for marijuana possession and carrying a concealed weapon.

Most of the recipients applied in order to pursue a different career. Their options were limited due to their criminal history.

Evers said "For so many of these individuals, their past record has held them back from achieving personal or career goals, and I look forward to seeing how they use this second chance to give back to their communities and our state," in a public statement.

Walter said, "This is a big part of prison reform: making sure that companies do not automatically throw out your application just because you checked the 'I committed a felony' box."

Evers also signed an order on Nov. 12 to promote diversity. The bill creates a Council on Equity and Inclusion and directs state agencies to create a diversity and inclusion plan. These agencies must also provide an annual report on these goals while also providing diversity and inclusion training.

Evers said, "This is an extraordinarily important executive order for me personally. I was born and raised in a small town in Wisconsin, and 99.9 percent of the people that lived in that town looked exactly like me."

Evers has been busy during his first year in office. However, with three



350 Treasurer Maxwell Johnson



# Habitat for Humanity holds Pizza at Polito's

Members of Habitat for Humanity, UWSP chapter Photo by Florence Anderson

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A night of pizza at Polito's provided students and members of the community to enjoy a nice meal while also giving back to the community. Polito's partnered with UWSP's chapter of Habitat for Humanity to raise money for the group on Nov. 19, from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. A portion of the proceeds from that night's orders were donated to Habitat for Humanity.

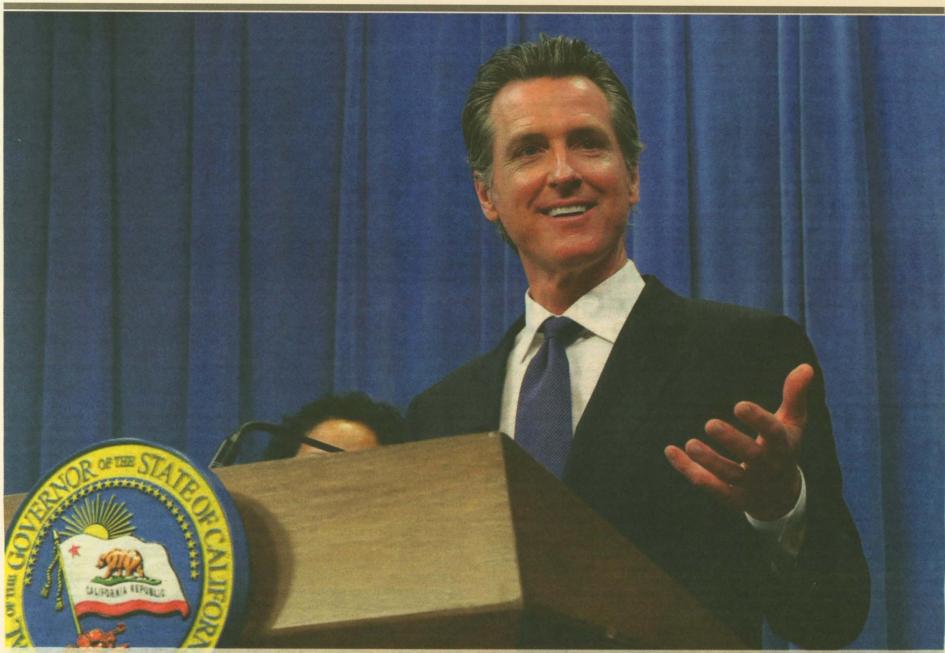
The event was organized by Michaela Kraft, director of local fundraising. She worked persistently with Polito's to arrange the event to gather money for their local ventures. Habitat for Humanity hosted many fundraising events throughout the year to help raise money for their local and campus projects. They also raise money for their spring break trips to less fortunate areas of the country. This specific event was held to help put money towards more of their local projects. While they are not able to build a house this year, the UWSP chapter looks forward to being able to undertake that project next fall.

Aside from simply raising money, the event stood to remind the community of Habitat's presence. Kraft spoke on the matter, saying "we really want people to see that we are out there... a lot of people don't know we have a chapter on campus and bringing awareness to that, people will have more of a desire to get involved." Almost all events that Habitat holds are open to the

President Craig Fisher weighs in on community involvement, stating that typically when they build houses, many of the people that come "to help are retired or come through other organizations. In the past, we've only done part of the building." The group feels fortunate to have a community that not only wants to give their time to helping build houses but also a community that is willing to help the campus chapter with their other projects. Fisher says "every time we see people in the community getting involved it's really fantastic," and hopes the community continues to support them as well as they have in the past. Habitat plans to hold more events similar to this one in the future to continue community involvement.

While community involvement is very important to the group, it's very important that they have equal interest from students at UWSP. The group attends all student recruitment events and Fisher and Kraft agree that their efforts have paid off. Fisher considers themselves lucky to have such a large number of students, so many so that "[they] don't have enough things for all the students who want to help." Fisher further explains that they've "been going out of our way to find different projects." Habitat has started working with other student organizations to find more volunteer opportunities. They've been a part of Sundays with Seniors through CASE and Sustainable Saturday through Farmshed. Kraft adds that Habitat aims to have a "great group that can get together and helps the community."

Habitat for Humanity is holding a similar event to Pizza at Polito's at Noodles and Company Dec. 3 from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m, where they will receive ten percent of all proceeds that night. Habitat is also holding a cookie sale in December where students can order a dozen cookies for five dollars. Students can get involved by attending general membership meetings every other Tuesday at seven p.m. For more information on these meetings or upcoming events, contact Fisher, Kraft, or any other member of the UWSP chapter of Habitat for Hu-



California Law Changes Future of College Athletics

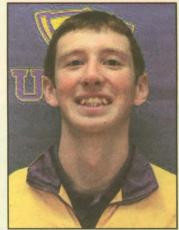
California Gov. Gavin Newsom speaks at a press conference on May 7, 2019

Photo courtesy of AP/ Rich Pedroncelli

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California Gov. Gavin Newsom signed the Fair to Play Act in late October which will allow collegiate athletes to profit of off their image and likeness. The law is planned to take effect in 2023.

UWSP sophomore track and cross country athlete Jared Oemig believes this law will interfere with athlete's ability to perform as students. He believes, while in school, student-athletes should focus on academics.



Sophomore Track and Cross Country Athlete Jared Oemig Photo courtesy of UWP Athletics

He also believes sponsorships and endorsements could get in the way of the game. When universities bring money into college sports it could cause jealousy. This could damage the team dynamic in sports such basketball.

Oemig said "I disagree with it because students are there to receive an education. I understand the purpose of broadening your horizons to support your future and I believe it is important to seek sponsorships but that should be reserved for after school. Doing that in college can hinder your ability to be a student. As soon as a you become a spokesperson it changes your ability to be a student; it becomes your priority."

National Collegiate Athletic Association President Mark Emmert also expressed concern for maintaining a league of students, not professionals. He said, "As a national governing body, the NCAA is uniquely positioned to modify its rules to ensure fairness and a level playing field for student-athletes," in a statement Tuesday Oct. 29. "The board's action today creates a path to enhance opportunities for student-athletes while ensuring they compete against students and not professionals."

Currently the National Collegiate Athletic Association prohibits athletes from earning any profit from their sport. This can include both monetary compensation and other products. In 2010 when five players from The Ohio State Football team had to sit out the first five games of the season after selling memorabil-

ia for profit and receiving free tattoos.

This law would allow student-athletes to sign endorsements, sell autographs, and advertise on social media. After signing the bill Gov. Newsom tweeted "Colleges reap billions from student-athletes but block them from earning a single dollar. That's a bankrupt model." According to Forbes, the top 25 college football programs earn \$1.5 billion out of an annual revenue of \$2.7 billion. Texas A&M has the highest earning program with a three-year revenue of \$147 million.

The National Collegiate Athletic Association has agreed to revisit its policy. They agree that policies must change in order to create the best experience for college athletes. Michael Drake, National Collegiate Athletic Association board chair and Ohio State President, said, "This modernization for the future is a natural extension of the numerous steps National Collegiate Athletic Association members have taken in recent years to improve support for student-athletes, including the full cost of attendance and guaranteed scholarships."

Interestingly, these comments preceded the announcement that Ohio State defensive end Chase Young would be sitting out the game against Maryland due to a loan he accepted from a family

friend last season. He could miss up to four games due to the loan. If the National Collegiate Athletic Association's policy changed this situation would be completely different.

Other states, such as Florida, Illinois, and New York have introduced similar bills. If these states pass these laws college sports could change dramatically.

If the National Collegiate Athletic Association does align with these states decisions school could separate from the league. Lisa Masteralexis, a sports management instructor at the University of Massachusetts-Amherst, told NBC News that the "Power 5" conferences, the Big Ten, Southeastern, Pacific-12, Big 12, and Atlantic Coast Conferences, could potentially create their own compensation packages and create their own leagues independent of the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

Masteralexis said "The power conferences have leverage. If you look at the Power 5 conferences, they have enough money and media attention, some with their own TV networks, they can drive the bus."

The future of college athletics is uncertain. But laws such as the one passed in California will shape the future of college athletics.

# **Pointer Profiles**

These profiles highlight student athletes that have been competing for UWSP.

# Pointer Profile - Alex Grubbs

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Sport: Women's Hockey
Position: Wing
Year: Senior
Major: Wildland Fire Science

Hometown: Minong, WI

When did you start playing hockey? I started playing hockey when I was three years old.

Why did you start playing hockey? Mom always said that with all of her kids she would let us try whatever sports we wanted to -and whatever we stuck with and seemed most interested in she would let us do. =

What other sports have you played? In high school, I also did volleyball and track, but as a young kid I played softball, soccer -again trying everything just trying to see what I really liked and wanted to stick it out with.

Why did you choose hockey? It has always been a different sport, it's not something that is easy and that everyone can pick it up and do it. In high school we originally had a girl's team, and then we made a co-op, and we made it to state a couple of years -and then Coach Ninnemann came up to me and asked if I wanted to play in college. I had already picked out that I wanted to go to school here for my major, and then hockey and track kind of fell into my lap.

What would you consider a successful season for you? Just a winning program and seeing everyone stick it out and enjoy it. It's a fun game when you make it fun, but, when you have people tearing it down or don't want to be there, it makes it difficult for anyone to want to stick around. If you get those positive teams, or those teams that click together, it makes winning a lot easier and seems a lot simpler. I would just say a winning season with a team that wants to be there.

What is your favorite part about playing hockey? All of my teammates definitely. On and off the ice we are roommates, best friends, people you can constantly call over to watch a movie. You always have those inside jokes with each other. You are on the same schedule more or less, so you know how time-consuming it can be, and you realize that you still have school on top of it. But you are there to help each other out with school and, most importantly, on the ice. You see someone having a hard time, it's like, "hey, you're alright, you're at practice, shake it off. You can worry about school in an hour and a half." So, definitely the teammates that you have around.

Where do you hope to see yourself in five years? That has been a question that I have been asking myself quite a bit lately, because I did just apply for graduation for next semester. Being a Wild Land Fire Science major is only in the summertime, roughly the summer months,

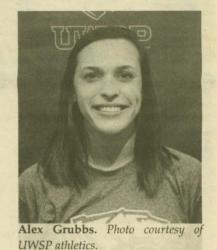
so I've definitely thought about coaching in the winter, because I'm obviously going to need something to do in the winter. I don't know, just always being open to some type of coaching, assistant coaching, even if it's just stepping in and helping with tryouts or something. Definitely do fire in the summer, it's what I'm getting my degree for, but I've always loved helping kids and, if I can stay on the ice, it'd be good to stay on there for as long as I can.

If you could give one piece of advice to an incoming freshmen athlete what would it be? Just be open to anything, be open to change. I know that I have definitely changed a lot in the four years that I've been here, and, a lot of times, it comes from being able to take criticism and actually listen to it and try to change from it. But, if you are confused or you have a problem with something, don't be afraid to ask the questions, because once you start to ask those questions, you gain more experience, you gain more knowledge and you might even come up with more questions and you just keep building -so be open. If you could travel anywhere in the world where would you go? I've traveled a lot in the United States so I'd like to go out somewhere like Iceland or Greenland or something. Just somewhere that is completely different. I'd like to travel out of the country, it doesn't really matter to me where.

What was your favorite movie as a kid? Okay, favorite movie as a little kid

was always Fox and the Hound. I don't know why, I just always wanted it on, every day after school.

What is your favorite class? Probably my GIS classes, all of them together. I like mapping. I don't necessarily like the mapping on the computer aspect of it, but the geographic maps. All of the data that you can pull up with a simple search or a click of a button and it all just appears, you can see all of the work that you've done. It's your own map, you can make it your own way, however you want. You can use it in so many different professions. They always say that it's one of those extra things to have that I really enjoy.



# **Pointer Profile - Carly Cerrato**

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> Sport: Basketball Year: Senior Major: Social Work and Sociology Hometown: De Pere, WI

When did you start playing basket-ball? Competitively I started playing when I was five or six in a YMCA league but my dad always shot hoops with me, probably from when I could throw a ball.

Why did you start playing basket-ball? My parents were athletes when they were younger and they put me in everything. They put me in basketball, soccer, volleyball, swim, dance, piano. They put me in a broad list of things and then from there they let me pick and choose what I liked. I think that I really excelled in basketball, volleyball, and softball and then from there I just grew up playing with our school travel team, AU, and then college.

What made you choose basketball over the other sports? Well, when I first came here I played volleyball, so I didn't even play basketball when I first got here. I played volleyball and then after my freshman year I really missed basketball and so I walked into Coach Egner's office and I asked if I could try out and try to walk it out and she gave me the opportunity which I am extremely thankful for.

What would you consider a successful season? A successful season for me would include our team putting up a fight every single game, whether that ends up being a win or a loss. I think if we compete every game and we gave our best effort and put our best foot forward then I think that would be a successful season. In practice and games, all the time give 100% of our effort.

How does it feel being the only senior on the team? It's kind of sad, it is a running joke that I scare people out of my class because I've had several walk on's come on in my four years here and every one of them has left the team. I am extremely close with my younger teammates so from that perspective it isn't that different. Senior day will be weird though for me.

Where do you see yourself in five years? I am currently applying for graduate school and that is only a one-year program and I am going for school social work. So hopefully, in five years I will be a school social worker and coaching somewhere as well. Hopefully within the same district as well, but I am not opposed to coaching in other districts as well. Either volleyball or basketball, softball would be okay as well honestly I just want to coach and be in the schools.

What is your favorite part about play-

ing basketball? My favorite part about playing basketball would definitely be my teammates and my coaches. The relationships that I have built with other people, past and present- that is my favorite part. I still talk to people that I met 10 years ago, my high school teammates talk about our high school experience. We had a really good team in high school. My teammates now, I am extremely close with and I don't expect to lose contact with them in the future. That is probably my favorite part is building relationships with other people and working towards a common goal, and even when things get tough, it's working through adversity and working towards something that everyone wants to accomplish -and you don't have to find that in many places.

If you could give one piece of advice to incoming freshmen athletes what would it be? My advice would be that it goes really, really fast. This is my fifth year here and it was the fastest five years and the best five years of my life so far. I have had so much fun and I would tell freshmen to work hard in-season, out of season, and just have fun with your teammates and you will make memories that will last forever.

If you could travel anywhere in the world where would you go? Right now, I really want to go to Hawaii. I've been to

Europe three times so I've been to countries over there. But I've never really been to Hawaii, so that sounds really nice right

What is your favorite movie? I love the Hunger Games, all of the movies

What was your favorite class that you have taken? Probably my Intro to Social Work class. I had known that I wanted to do social work but that class talks about social work in a broad sense, and that really sparked my passion for doing it, and I learned a lot from that class that opened my eyes to all of the different things that I can do with social work.



# Sports of The Week

**UWSP** Athletic Calendar: Nov. 21 - Dec. 3

### Wrestling

At UW-Oshkosh, Nov 21st @ 7

At CUW Open in Mequon, WI, Nov 23rd @ 9 a.m.

At UW-Platteville, Dec 4th @ 7 p.m.

### Men's Hockey

At UW-River Falls, Nov 22nd @ 7

At UW-Superior, Nov 23rd @ 7

Vs Marian University, Nov 29th @

Vs Concordia University, Nov 30th @ 7 p.m.

### **Cross Country**

At NCAA Nationals in Louisville, KY, Nov 23rd @ 11 a.m

### Swimming and Diving

Vs UW-Whitewater, Nov 23rd @

### Women's Hockey

At UW-Superior, Nov 23rd @ 2

VS St. Norbert, Nov 26th @ 7 p.m.

### Men's Basketball

@ 2 p.m.

At UW-Superior, Nov 26th

@7 p.m.

At Wilmington College, Nov 30th @ 2 pm.

At Christopher Newport University, Dec 1st @ 4 p.m.

### Women's Basketball

At North Central College, Nov 23rd @ 5 p.m.

At Carthage College, Nov 26th @ 7 p.m.

### Women's Wrestling

Vs Augsburg University, Nov 25th @ 7 p.m.

At Edgewood College, Nov 23rd Vs North Central College, Dec 3rd @ 7 p.m.



# **UWSP Booted from the NCAA Tournament**

**Pointers:** 

15 shots

0 points

5 fouls

UWSP freshman forward Shea-Lynn Gerrard dribbles the ball in a previous game against St. Olaf.

Photo by Dana Bautch

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After making it to the NCAA Tournament for the 16th time, the UW-Stevens Point women's soccer team was unable to stay in the tournament for long.

The Pointers traveled to St. Louis, MO on Nov. 16 for the first round match and were taken out in double overtime by Adrian college who took the win with a 1-0 score. This was Adrian College women's soccer team's first NCAA Tournament win in program history.

The game was tough for both sides with solid offensive and defensive leads.

In the 22nd minute in the first half, UWSP freshman forward Kati Frierdich took a shot at the goal and hit the crossbar.

The Pointers got five corner kicks in

the first half and four in the second half but were unable to take advantage of any of them.

During the first overtime,

the Pointers were unable to earn a corner kick, but Adrian College was able to secure one for themselves. Neither team

was able to get past the other's defense in order to make a shot on the goal.

Only two minutes into the second overtime, the Bulldogs' Caroline Flem-

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rushed

past her de-

fender and

booted the

ball past the

UWSP goal-

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Pawlows-

**Bulldogs:** 10 shots 15 fouls 1 point

ki to secure the game. The assist came from Makenna Mascaro.

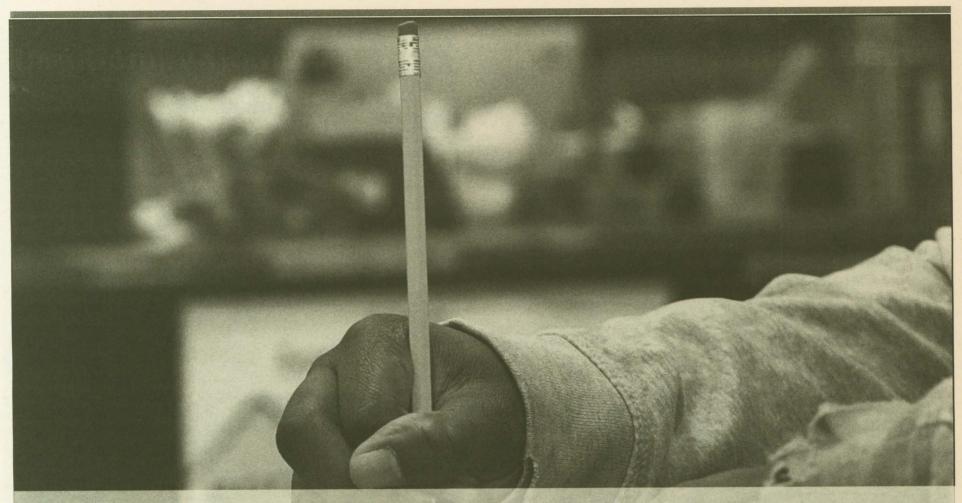
Pawlowski had four saves on the

match with Adrian's goalkeeper, Ayverie Giller, making three saves for the shut-

Kati Frierdich led the Pointers in shots with four while Caroline Fleming led the Bulldogs with three shots in the game.

Overall, the University of Stevens Point had 15 shots, three of which were on goal over Adrian College's 10 shots with five shots taken on the goal. The Pointers ended the game with five fouls compared to the Bulldogs' 15 fouls.

The loss concludes UW-Stevens Point's women's soccer team season and gives them a new goal for the 2020 season.



# **UWSP Has Room to Grow on Inclusivity**

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According to the "10-Year Underrepresented Minority Students Enrollment Trends 2008-2018," there were 1,038 underrepresented minorities enrolled at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point in 2018. Although one might presume obtaining the data might take a quick Google search, this diversity enrollment data was not as easy to come by as I originally believed.

When I initially searched for UW-Stevens Point's student diversity enrollment data, I came across a link to the Office of the Registrar. Alone on the page sat a PDF entitled "Fall 2013 Diversity Enrollment." The document reports the demographic headcount of each person of color enrolled on campus, split between incoming freshmen and the entire student population. But I immediately noticed the data ends in 2014; where was the rest of the data going through 2018? I channeled my inner Nancy Drew and determined I would get to the bottom of this case.

After a five-minute conversation with the Office of the Registrar, I was told that

university records like this were moved to another page: The Office of Institutional Research and Effectiveness. There lived an info graph detailing Diversity Enrollment from 2008 to 2018.

Nowhere on Google led me to the most recent home of this enrollment data – I had to investigate its location myself. But why is it a challenge to discover this information at my own university? I don't believe UWSP is purposefully burying this diversity data; they simply moved the information to another home and didn't update the site page. But doing this complicates gathering data on the state of diversity and inclusivity on a campus that is so outwardly spoken about the subject.

UWSP is vocal about taking measures to achieve both diversity and inclusion; from the proposition of the Inclusive Excellence Declaration that was signed by Chancellor Bernie Patterson in May 2018 to the variety of student-led organizations centered on ethnicity and community.

To Marc Young, the Interim Director of Recruitment, inclusivity at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point encompasses everyone on campus. "Studies show that students who engage actively in diverse college environments are more satisfied with their college experience, exhibit stronger leadership skills, and are more likely to achieve their goal of receiving a degree," said Young in an email statement

But there is still so much room to grow. Diversity Enrollment statistics measure a university's outreach towards people of color. According to a report released by the U.S. Department of Education, "Gaps in college opportunity have contributed to diminished social mobility." While it may be unrealistic to obtain a student body equitably comprised of each ethnicity, we understand that reaching as many people of color to enroll in higher education as possible can lead them to larger income levels later in life.

Available access to this information implies UWSP is working to improve its programs and desires to continue cultivating the benefits of diversity. Removing accessibility to this data reads that the university isn't proud of the representation of its student body.

Lack of access to diversity enrollment data also removes a resource for incoming students who are curious about the heterogeneity of UWSP. Especially for people of color, finding a community of people that look like them and a campus that is dedicated to inclusion is important. UWSP alumnus Josiah Turner noted that the first thing he researched while exploring graduate programs was the university's demographic population. Finding a sizable Black community on campus was a critical aspect of his school decision and lacking the means to reach this data could direly impact his decision-making process and his aim to attend a diverse and safe campus.

In the Inclusive Excellence Declaration, UWSP vows to "maintain open channels of communication between all students, faculty, and staff." UWSP, while making great strides towards inclusivity in some regards, still struggles to keep an open pathway towards their Diversity Enrollment data.

Inclusion takes more than words; it requires action, and one can discern UWSP's commitment to inclusion and the value of students of color by leaving this dead-end of five-year-old data open.

# Thrift Stores Create Secondhand Solutions for Environmentally Harmful Clothing Chains

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I'm a proud thrift shopper; it brings me joy just to see an on-brand sweater for less than half its original cost. As a cheap college student, I couldn't pass up a deal like that. Yet, the best thing about thrift shops isn't the deals.

Clothing production is a serious problem for the environment. Penn State University conducted research on how much impact a single pair of pants can have; just the cotton for one pair of pants takes 1,800 gallons of water and adding the dyeing process and machine washing it brings up to about 9,900 gallons.

What makes this even worse is that not all of these clothes are even used. Nature.com states that over 60 percent of the clothes that are produced in a year are thrown away within a year of their production. What can we do to halt this harmful production? The answer is in thrift stores.

Rather than throwing them away, people can turn in their gently used clothing to second-hand stores. Instead of sending them out into landfills, thrift stores can give used clothes a new home- for a cheap price, too. Additionally, people can shop at a secondhand store instead of buying new clothes and feeding clothing chains that only harm the environment.

Some people prefer to buy new clothing; it provides them with a sense of ownership knowing it has only been theirs as well as a sense of comfort in knowing they are the only people who have owned them. Americans need to get over this sense of pride for

According to ecoGOODZ, one in five Americans shops at thrift stores. This might sound like a tremendous amount, but we're still behind. Worldwide, 80 percent of people take advantage of second-hand steals. If they can get over the idea of buying something used, why can't we?

If we start depending on resale rather than retail, then maybe the environmental havoc for clothing production can finally reduce.

Steven Point has its own thrifting options including Goodwill, Call it New/Call it Antique, Dime and Dollar, the Community Thrift Store, and the Salvation Army.

# "Super Smash Bros." Tournament Unites Gamers

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Experienced and novice gamers alike gathered together to compete in a "Super Smash Bros." Tournament on Nov. 16.

Centertainment and the Video Game Enthusiasts Club hosted both 1 v. 1 and 2 v. 2 bracketed tournament play for the most recent release of the classic game on the Nintendo Switch. Many competitors have been playing the game since a very young age, like organizer Nathan Wegner, a junior with a graphic design major.

Wegner said, "I think I first played Melee when I was four, so its been a big part of my life from a very young age."

Gamers once played "Super Smash Bros Melee," the second version of Super Smash Bros that came out in 2001, on the GameCube. However, gaming has changed a lot since the GameCube was used. Discontinued in 2007, most people who used a GameCube and other gaming consoles had a stigma around them. Many people were afraid to openly admit to playing video games in fear of being considered a "nerd" or uncool, according to student Briana Drews, a senior with a graphic design major.

Now, with the rise of games like "Pokémon Go" or the new "Mario Kart Tour", as well as movies such as "Detective Pikachu" or "Sonic the Hedgehog," these games once considered uncool are coming into style. Gamers in the UWSP community such as Wegner had mostly good things to say about the changes in gaming popularity.

"Honestly I feel like it has just made the community more inclusive," Wegner said. "We've had a lot of people who may not have been interested in it before, but they're starting to sort of pick it up. Or people who may have played it more when they were younger but dropped it,

they're kind of picking it up again because of these things. Honestly, I feel like it's just creating a bigger community, which is nice."

However, there are still some problems with inclusivity in the gaming world, explained by Drews.

"Gaming is still definitely a nerdy thing to do," said Drews. "There are still some issues with video games with like, being a girl and playing video games can be kind of hard sometimes such as in tournaments. But those events are like a minority."

With this rise in popularity in gaming, there was a larger number of attendees than expected, according to student Autumn Clement, a junior with a communications major.

"I think its really good that a lot of people are coming out. I feel like some people are shy about playing video games with other people, they feel anxious or

things like that, so I think its nice that all these people came together to play," said Clement. "The space is too small, considering we didn't expect this many people ... and if we had more setups then it would be running more smoothly."

Imran Umer, a freshman, was the winner of the 1 v. 1 tournament, while second place went to Kevin Ames, a non-student participant.

Preston Smith, student, and Ames manned one of the top two teams for the 2 v. 2 tournament, alongside the non-student team of Ben High and Takaiyo Bry-

The number of players had to be capped at 64, a much larger number than expected. With organizers eager to put on another tournament, interested players can find the Video Game Enthusiasts in the DUC in room 374 on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.



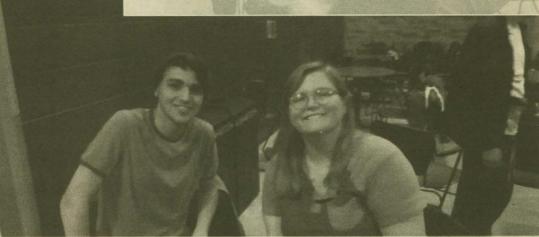






Video Game Enthusiasts and tournament participant Autumn Clemnt.

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Video Game Enthusiasts President Nathan Wegner and Vice-President Briana Drews.

# IJM Hosts Pop-Up Thrift Store, Makes Local Difference

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The International Justice Mission held a successful and popular pop-up thrift store selling freedom flowers last week on campus, on Wednesday Nov 13 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the DUC Laird Room, with all proceeds to help end anti-trafficking around the world.

The International Justice Mission's goal is freedom for slaves and justice against their owners. They are the largest anti-human trafficking organization in the

IJM is in partnership with CRU, which is a Christian organization that CRU has been on campus for about 60 years. Six years ago, they brought International Justice Mission to campus. University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point is actually one of the very first campuses across the nation to start this special partnership.

The thrift shop sold all types of clothing from tops and pants, to sweaters and dresses. The rest of the week they sold freedom flowers that were handmade by the IJM club members.

James Cherewan, president of the International Justice Mission chapter at UWSP, talked about doing these events on campus. Cherewan stated that the International Justice Mission " [IJM] rescues and restores slaves and puts slave owners behind bars and transforms broken justice systems. These thrift shops make the most impact, so we are even thinking of doing it again next semester."

Cherewan can see how much of a difference these events are making for the organization globally, and plans to continue them until this issue is resolved.

International Justice Mission is a Christian based organization but not everyone has to be Christian. Cherewan explains that "it's not about religion, it's about finding justice in the world. We view it as God's justice for everybody."

To make an impact locally, globally, and have a passion for helping others, Cherewan emphasizes that this is the best organization to do so. They are a welcoming community who care about people.

Rachel Zenisek, an intern with CRU and coach leader to Cherewan, said "[This is] a really big issue that has 40 million people being trafficked, and [IJM] is raising awareness and raising fundings to stop the cycle."

Many people have different religious views or don't have any at all, but Zenisek has some advice for people who are on the edge of either joining CRU or IJM. "Just come. There are people who love to meet new people, answer questions for

Cherewan and Zenisek both expressed these organizations are very passionate about the community and find how you belong while making an impact on yourself and people all around you. As well as, that if there's less help then there's less action/support in ending this huge crisis.

The International Justice Mission also has summer trip opportunities, such as going to Ghana and helping rescue young boys from labor on Lake Volta.

Summer mission trips, thrift stores, and freedom flower sales, are only a few events IJM puts on to help make a difference locally to provide a bigger impact globally. For more information on the International Justice Mission and how to do your part, they have weekly meetings on Wednesdays from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. in DUC 376 and follow their Facebook page



### Top 10 Albums

Nov. 18 - Nov. 21

- 1. The Shivas Dark Thoughts
- 2. Berhana HAN
- 3. Stolen Jars A Remind-
- 4. Geoffroy 1952
- 5. Anna of the North -

### Dream Girl

- 6. Begonia Fear
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### 90FM Music Director Album of The Week

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Brother Ali - Secrets & Escapes

Most hip-hop veterans would tell you poetry is dead in the genre. The general public is shifting attention away from the lyricism of rhythmic poetry. We now find solitude in runof-the-mill trap beats and repetitive hooks. Traditional hip-hop has taken damage but is still alive. Minneapolis native hip-hop legend Brother Ali has teamed up with L.A. producer Evidence to release the 10-track project "Secrets & Escapes." The mixtape was recorded over three separate day trips to Los Angeles. Evidence mixed with old-school samplers while Brother Ali spontaneously arranged his verses over the freestyle beats. It's powerful, free, unhinged, and glorious.

Brother Ali was born in Madison in 1972. He was born with Albinism which became a common theme in his songs in relation to being born different. He moved to Minneapolis at a young age. Living in the city had him rapping by the age of 8. He converted to Islam at 15, which also influenced his poetry. He grew to be an entrepreneur of the hip-hop subgenre "backpack rap." This became the staple Midwest hip-hop sound. Backpack rap is the alternative sound to the mainstream of the genre. It's not about gang activity or partying. It's about everyday life problems that make you relate it to yourself as you digest the complex rhyme schemes. It received the name "backpack" because it's typically listened to by people wearing backpacks in transit.

Through reciting truth, he became a political and religious activist. His lyricism is loaded with messages about raising his family, having to stay silent in our political climate, and being unworthy of what his faith

has gifted him. Evidence on the samples crafts a free-flowing delicate hip-hop album like no other. It features C.S Armstrong, Talib Kweli and Pharoah Monch. This album will help you watch the world revolve around you. You'll be sucked in to reevaluate your impact in society, which is the true power of poetry. You can find "Secrets & Escapes" in heavy rotation on 90FM, Your Only Alternative.



"Secrets & Escapes," album cover.

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# Team Leader Mackenzie Staid! with her consulation prive. Photo by Florence

# Team Leader Mackenzie Staidl with her consolation prize. Photo by Florence Anderson.

# Sexual Wellness Trivia Provides Fun, Educational Opportunity

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Sexual wellness can be very difficult to learn about, especially with all the contradicting information online, abstinence-only sex education classes, and the general misconceptions around sex and the human body. Luckily, Wellness Navigators and Reproductive Health Peer Educators got your back. On Nov. 6, the groups teamed up to hold a sexual wellness trivia night to test students' knowledge of sexual wellness and teach them on the subject as well.

Students were quizzed in six categories with over 30 questions, touching subjects like birth control, STI's and prevention, general health, and other miscellaneous questions. Points were based on student's confidence in their answers: the more

confident on a scale of one to five, the more points you received. The final question allowed students to wager as many points as they'd like for a chance to double it. The winning team finished the game with 120 points and earned a \$20 gift card to Zest.

Wellness Navigators and Reproductive Health Peer Educators came together to write 15 questions each. Maddie Kinscher and Rebecca Alter from Wellness Navigators wrote questions that centered around general health, such as what are three of the seven dimensions of health a person can have, how much exercise a day is needed to maintain your weight, etc. The other half of the questions were written by Julie Martin from Reproductive Health Peer Educators. Together, the three hosted for the night, reading off questions and revealing the answers

The hosts also put out multiple

types of condoms and lube for students to take home. They also offered snacks and even offered a fake breast containing various ways cancer can form in the body, for people to touch and feel. There was also a chance for people to sign up for monthly visits from the condom fairy.

Ten teams of four or less competed to win the gift card. The team Pretty Muffins took the last place, wagering all their points in the final question and then losing them all when they got the question wrong. Despite their loss, the team still left with a new understanding of sexual and overall wellness. Freshman Mckenzie Staidl learned about the different types of condoms, stating "I knew the male and female condom existed, but I didn't know dental condoms were a thing. It was really cool they were handing out different types of condoms... since they are the only birth control that prevents [sexually transmitted infection's and pregnancy." Staidl led the team with fellow first years, Madie Larson and Matt Lacher. The two agreed the event was both entertaining and educational.

The Wellness Navigators can be found in Delzell Hall in room 122. They are open on Mondays and Wednesdays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. as well as Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. They can be reached through email at wellness.navigator@uwsp.edu as well. Wellness Navigators offer health coaching and online newsletters that cover subjects such as self-care, nutrition, and mental health. Reproductive Health Peer Educators can also be found in Delzell Hall in room 122 and are open every Monday and Wednesday from 2 to 3 p.m. They also have a facebook page where they share their upcoming events and more information on sexual wellness.

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