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The Future of Sustainability

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On the cover:

Eric Singsaas (left) and Don Guay, ’96, (right) UWSP professors in biology and paper science and engineering respectively, are working together on processes needed to create biofuel from wood pulp. (For more on their work, see page 4.) This issue of the Pointer Alumnus will focus on UWSP’s recent efforts to be a sustainable campus in a sustainable community. Singsaas and Guay’s research is covered by a parent’s plan. when children are no longer students and can’t be covered by their alma mater – short term health insurance.

Look throughout the issue for examples of sustainability efforts at UWSP and ways you too can “go green.”

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At UWSP, The Wisconsin K-12 Energy Education Program (KEEP), located at UWSP, has successfully reached over 2,500 teachers throughout the state through graduate-level courses and materials, helping increase the quality and quantity of energy education for over 200,000 K-12 students in Wisconsin.

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UWSP alumni now have an additional benefit from their alma mater – short term health insurance.

GradMed® is available for new graduates, alumni and their families to fill the gaps between graduation and a first job, insurance changes due to divorce or when children are no longer students and can’t be covered by a parent’s plan.

Information on GradMed® and the other many benefits for UWSP alumni may be found at the UWSP Alumni Association Web site at www.uwsp.edu/alumni/alumnibenefits.aspx.

Alumni Association Board of Directors

The Alumni Association Board of Directors and Alumni Affairs staff gathered last fall during Homecoming. The group includes, with officer’s names boldered and former board member’s names italicized, in the back row, from left, Katie Carlson, assistant director of Alumni Affairs; Shannon Loecher, ’93, Minneapolis, Minn.; past president; David Breunig, ’82, Wisconsin Rapids; Mary Wescott, ’75, Stevens Point, president elect; Jeff Buhrandt, ’00, Madison; Andrew Halverson, ’01, Stevens Point; Cindy Polzin, ’01, Madison, member at large; Tom Klismith, ’80, Plover; John Jokela, ’89, Schofield; Grant Winslow, ’89, De Pere, member at large; Ray Oswald, ’97, Milwaukee, vice president; Al Barrows, ’89, Stevens Point; Scott Thomas, ’58, Millwood, Fla.; Tom Girolamo, ’82, Mosinee; Gordon Faust, ’58, Waukesha; Warren Wenstrom, ’50, Stevens Point; and Patrick Braatz, ’84, Portland, Ore.; president.

The second row, from left, includes Terri Taylor, director of major events for Alumni Affairs; Carol Lagequert, ’66, Green Bay; Mary Ann Negher, ’67, Stevens Point; Betty Jenkins, ’63, Stevens Point; Joanne Loefller, ’88, Seymour; Melissa Hardin, ’87, Madison; Tamara Butts Moore, ’92, Colorado Springs, Colo.; Patricia Curry, ’58, Wisconsin Rapids; Jon Greenender, ’04, Stevens Point; and Julie Johnson, administrative assistant for Alumni Affairs.

The front row, from left, includes Ed Richmond, ’93, Stevens Point; Jenny Baeseman, ’98, Fairbanks, Alaska; Laura Gehman-Rottier, ’02, Stevens Point; Jean Ann Day, ’92, Stevens Point; and Kelly Eisenman, ’09, Whitelake, Future Alumni Association president.

Not pictured members are Erich Bacher, ’92, Denver, Colo.; Bruce Bay, ’65, St. Louis, Mo.; Michael Korrmann, ’90, Webster; David Marie, ’81, Plover; Judith Miller, ’86, Wausau; Pattie Noel, ’70, Stevens Point; and Justin Gladowski, ’08, student body representative.

Dear UWSP alumni and friends,

UWSP has long been a trendsetter in the higher education landscape. From its roots as a co-ed campus in 1894 to leading the way for paper science and environmental education as well as working for a total wellness approach in education, UWSP has built itself around the best interests of the students, friends, families and the community.

Given this rich history of leadership and innovation, it came as no surprise when Governor James Doyle announced in September 2006 that an initiative to move four UW campuses off the energy grid in the coming years would include our alma mater. UWSP has already been moving in this direction for several years. We are home to an environmentally conscious student body that is supported by a strong eco-minded community. While not entirely off the grid yet, the campus is already home to solar panels, mandatory recycling (I even remember my friends being fined for having recyclables in the regular trash bag!‐), bioswales, and two eateries on campus that are almost exclusively organic, sustainable and supplied by locally grown foods. UWSP also continues to be the largest purchaser of green energy among the UW schools.

While the students, faculty, staff and community are doing their parts in Central Wisconsin, our alumni are also having a positive impact on the global climate, from those who make the choice to living green to alumni who devote their careers to environmental research and education.

It is humbling to see the Pointers of yesterday and today uniting to enact change to ensure the future of our environment and our world. UWSP is making its mark as part of the global solution, and that’s a distinction of which we can all be proud.

Laura Gehman-Rottier, ’02, director of Alumni Affairs

Alumni Association Travel to China with the UWSP Alumni Association

In a city more than seven centuries old, the ghosts of the past linger in the Ming Tombs, the Summer Palace and the Temple of Heaven. In this city, a wall can be seen for miles and dragons perch like angels. Every taste and sensation is as different as east is from west. Welcome to Beijing, China.

The UWSP Alumni Association and UWSP Foundation are sponsoring an eight-day trip to Beijing from Thursday, November 13, through Thursday, November 20. The trip includes first-class accommodations for six nights at the Capital Hotel in the heart of Beijing, six breakfasts, two lunches, a welcome gathering, professional guides and tours of Tiananmen Square, the Forbidden City, the Great Wall and Ming Tombs. The trip is $1,299 per person, double occupancy or $1,799 per person, single occupancy. A $130 Visa fee is extra, as is an optional two-day excursion to Xi’an.

Airfare is extra and may be purchased for $1,099 for departures from Central Wisconsin Airport, Green Bay, Milwaukee, Madison, Chicago or Minneapolis/St. Paul. This includes all hotel transfers via deluxe motor coach, luggage handling and tips, airline fuel surcharges, taxes and security fees.

An informational meeting on this trip will be held Wednesday, April 16, at 7 p.m. in the Founders Room of UWSP’s Old Main.

Laura Gehrman Rottier, ’02, director of Alumni Affairs
Alumni to celebrate milestone reunions this summer

For the second year in a row, three UWSP classes will join together to mark a milestone in their years as alumni.

In addition to these activities, a scavenger hunt will be held, with winners announced at the Saturday evening program. A separate track of activities for children may be offered at an extra cost if there is enough interest.

The weekend registration fee is $95 per adult for the 50th Reunion Package, $75 for the Milestone Package or $65 for the Saturday and Sunday Package. The fees include meals, workshops, socials, entertainment and tours. The canoe trip will be an additional $15 per person.

Milestone reunion attendees may stay in a block of rooms reserved at the Ramada Inn (formerly the Country Springs Hotel) or on campus in a double or single room in air-conditioned Steiner Hall.

Members of the graduating classes of 1958, 1983 and 1998 will mark their 50th, 25th and 10th college reunions respectively with an activity-filled weekend at their alma mater from Friday, June 20, through Sunday, June 22.

“We’ve never before experienced different generations of alumni sharing milestones through a reunion,” said Patty Dreier, ’82, Stevens Point, a member of the Milestone Committee. “It really gave me a strong sense of the flow of time and how every university student contributes to building a future for those students who follow. Celebrating our shared university heritage was a blast.”

Many of the milestone reunion activities will be held in the newly remediated Dreyfus University Center (DUC) for the first time, as the center was under construction last summer.

A 50th Reunion Brunch kicks off the weekend on Friday, June 20, from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Alumni Room of the DUC. A social will be held there as well from 5-6:30 p.m. for all alumni, followed by a performance of the Jump Ship Blues Band in the DUC Encore Room from 8-11 p.m. Other activities on Friday include a genealogy workshop and a visit to the UWSP archives.

Activities on Saturday, June 21, include rock wall climbing, a campus and DUC tour, the milestone picnic on the front lawn of Old Main, a planned giving seminar, canoe trip down the Plover River, workshops on positive psychology and chemistry, a wine tasting, city tour, study abroad reunion and Clam Lake/Treehaven reunion. The evening will end with an all-alumni milestone social, awards dinner and program in the DUC Laird Room from 5:30-8:30 p.m., at which alumni may record their memories of UWSP.

On Sunday, June 22, a farewell reception will be held at the Ramada Inn from 9-11 a.m.

Alumni Association Milestone Reunion
June 20–June 22

Final Scott Schultz golf outing set for August 11

Having raised more than $40,000 in scholarship funds, the Scott Schultz Memorial Golf Outing will be held for the last time on Monday, August 11.

The event will be held at Glacier Wood Golf Club in Iola, with men’s, women’s and mixed gender competitions and hole prizes and surprises for all. Alumni and community members are encouraged to get their four-person teams together and register with the Alumni Affairs Office by calling (715) 346-3811.

Over its eight years, the Scott Schultz Memorial Golf Outing has established three scholarships: a $1,000 award through the UWSP Foundation for an incoming freshman and two $500 awards through the Portage County Community Foundation, one for a Stevens Point Area Senior High School student and one for a Pacelli High School student.

“Our family has been blessed to have known so many people who have shown their love to the Stevens Point community and have donated their time and money to help us create these three scholarships,” said Mary Schultz Anderson, Scott Schultz’s widow. “Scott felt that it was vital for our youth to be able to continue in the educational process. It was his wish for us to help those who need it.”

Schultz was a 1971 alumnus who served as Student Government Association president while a student and was the mayor of Stevens Point for seven years. He later worked in the UWSP Foundation and was executive director of the Community Foundation of Portage County when he died suddenly at age 51. The scholarships acknowledge incoming students who, like Scott, have provided outstanding service and leadership to their school and community.

“Scott did so much for the university and the community during his life, it is appropriate that we honor his memory and his contributions with these scholarships,” said golf outing committee member John Jury, a former UWSP administrator and Schultz’s longtime colleague.

“I would like the committee, our sponsors and golfers to know how grateful we are for everything that they have done,” said Schultz Anderson. “We still feel the pain of not having Scott with us, but this event has lessened the feeling.”

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At UWSP: A “green roof” on one section of the University Library offers five different drought tolerant plants that provide an extra layer of insulation for the building and evaporative cooling in the summer, reducing energy usage and runoff as well as improving air quality by trapping and absorbing nitrous oxides, volatile organic compounds, and airborne particulate matter.

At home: Insulate your home, saving 2,000 pounds of carbon dioxide and $245 a year.

Alumni helping future Pointers with admissions

A new program between the UWSP Alumni Association and the Admissions Office partners alumni with accepted students in hopes to help these students decide to attend UWSP.

The alumni admissions volunteers are given the names of about 10 students who either share their major or minor or live in the same geographical area. The volunteers call or e-mail the students and share personal stories and fond memories of UWSP.

“Our hope is that these prospective students come to see UWSP as not just a place, but as a family they want to join,” said Laura Gehman Rottier, ’92, director of Alumni Affairs.

“Most of them were very friendly and happy to hear from me,” said volunteer Laurie Schaefer, ’00, Milwaukee. “I had a good time talking to all of them.”

More student names will be ready for volunteers this spring. If interested in joining this effort, contact the Alumni Affairs Office at (715) 346-3811 or e-mail alumni@uwsp.edu.

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Kermit the Frog said it best when he sang, “It’s not easy being green.” Even so, for decades UWSP has heartily embraced the challenges created by a changing environment and the ever growing needs of a consumer population. From the 1930s when conservation education was being taught to future teachers by Fred Schmeec, through today, as our professors research biofuels and students lead sustainability efforts, UWSP has and continues to enjoy “being green.”

In 2006, Governor James Doyle named UWSP one of four UW System campuses targeted in the state’s energy independence project. By pursuing renewable energy options and aggressive conservation efforts, these campuses aim to be completely energy independent by 2011. Of these four campuses, UWSP uses the most “green” energy. Nature-Wise, renewable electrical energy powers 22.85 percent of the campus and 56.69 percent of the residence halls. These units of energy are paid for by the Student Government Association, campus administration, Residence Hall Association and Residential Living office.

This is in addition to the use of solar panels on three residence halls, rain gardens, low flow plumbing fixtures, high efficiency lighting, photovoltaic window panels, a huge recycling and surplus reuse program and many other conservation efforts on campus.

The task set before the campus by the governor is being handled by UWSP’s Sustainability Task Force, created last fall and led by Bob Oehler, ’87, the new director of Facility Services, and College of Natural Resources student Colleen Kiefer. Chancellor Linda Bunnell has named sustainability the theme of the current academic year. In 2007 she was one of the first 100 university leaders to sign the American College and University Presidents Climate Commitment. This contract committed UWSP to the pursuit of climate neutrality to avert the impacts of global warming.

More recently, Bunnell was called upon to chair a session on campus sustainability at the national meeting of the American Association of State Colleges and Universities in San Francisco, and will have a commentary on sustainability in the association’s upcoming magazine.

“Our university enjoys a strong reputation for its commitment to the environment, rooted in our leadership in natural resources conservation,” Bunnell noted. “We’ve taken many steps toward sustainability within our facilities that place us at the forefront among American universities. We are fortunate to have a supportive student body as we move forward toward the goal of energy independence.”

So what exactly is sustainability? More than just putting your recyclables at the curb each week, “being sustainable” refers to the ability to meet the needs of the present while living within the carrying capacity of supporting ecosystems and without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.

Oehler simplifies it, saying “It’s an economic, environmental and social movement aimed at encouraging planetary thinking.”

By being a sustainable campus, UWSP encourages a sustainable community, where students, faculty, staff and residents not only use renewable energy and make decisions that support a sustainable earth, but learn how to continue these efforts for the future.

So just like Kermit, UWSP is quite happy being green… as is the next generation who will reap the benefits of the work being done today for a more sustainable campus and planet.

"Getting this job at Stevens Point was a blessing,” he said. “I came back to Point because of the people here and the work I enjoy. The bonus is that the sustainability effort is something I believe in and I knew it was already being practiced in a very natural way here with many opportunities in our future.”

At UWSP, he co-chairs the Sustainability Task Force with senior Colleen Kiefer, the Environmental Issues Director for the Student Government Association. This group of students, faculty and staff work to meet the initiatives set by Governor Doyle and the American College and University Presidents Climate Commitment.

A native of Green Bay, Oehler says that deciding to come to UWSP after his family moved to the area “was one of the best decisions of my life.”

While he was a student, he was a member of the Reserve Officer’s Training Corps (ROTC), University Activities Board and Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity and started the University Bicyclers and Triathletes Club. He was also a resident assistant, assistant hall director and member of the summer orientation staff.

“I recall Chancellor Marshall introducing the orientation staff as ‘the cream of the crop,’ I realized I was in good company and part of influencing the new generation of students as many had done for me when I began.” Oehler said. That influenced him to consider university administration as a career. He earned a master’s degree in higher education administration at Michigan State while he was an officer in the United States Army.

His first job in higher education was at Ithaca College in New York, where he was a residence director. He also worked as assistant director of operations at the UC-Irvine before working at UC-Merced and UC-Berkeley.

In addition to sustainability, Oehler’s other avocation is creating models of cars, airplanes and military equipment. For two years he worked as the national marketing and product development manager for Tamiya America, a Japanese model manufacturer, and he continues to serve as an associate U.S. editor for Tamiya Model Magazine International and a book series consulting editor for historical publisher, Osprey Publishing.

His wife, Valerie, who works for the Office of the President for the UC System, will be moving to Stevens Point this summer with their two children, Kendall and Jakob.

Bob Oehler, ’87, feels fortunate to be where he is right now. He returned to his alma mater in October as UWSP’s director of Facility Services, and he’s able to work toward something he feels strongly about - sustainability. “I’m lucky,” says Oehler. “I have my vocation in facilities and my avocation in sustainability, all right here at a place I love. It’s pretty cool.”

Oehler enjoys his vocation, avocation at his alma mater

Eric Singsaas (left) and Don Guay, ’96, (right) are collaborating on a process to create biofuel from wood pulp.

Two UWSP faculty members, alumnus Don Guay, ’96, and Eric Singsaas, are working on a way to create a biodiesel fuel from wood that has energy potential close to that of gasoline.

Guay, an assistant professor of paper science and engineering in the College of Natural Resources, is a wood chemist and Singsaas, an associate professor of biology and forestry in the College of Letters and Science, is a plant biologist, but the two are working together in a new multi-college collaboration at UWSP, the Wisconsin Institute for Sustainable Technology (WIST). Once this biodiesel is developed, the two plan to manufacture it on a commercial scale. UWSP has applied for patent protection for this process.

Both have recently received grants to continue this work. Guay received a $49,018 grant from Hydrite Chemical Company, a privately held company based in Brookfield, to studying a process to liberate glucose from cellulose for the production of biofuel. Singsaas received a $25,139 grant from American Science and Technology of Wisconsin, a research and development firm based in Chicago, in support of a process of creating a bio-chemical pathway where terpenoids (such as isoprene) could be used in the manufacture of noncarcinogenic products ranging from fuel to the rubber in sneakers.

According to Gerry Ring, chair of the Paper Science and Engineering Department at UWSP, biofuels created by wood can be made in local pulp mills with a wide range of wood waste, helping the economy by creating new jobs at these mills. He also lauded the use of wood as a sustainable material since forests are a renewable resource.
Distinguished Service Award from UWSP in 2007. He was also a member of the Wisconsin Natural Resources Board. He won the William C. Hansen recycling group in Stevens Point. He also served numerous state and local boards, including the Plover River watershed. He was a founding member of Intra-State Recycling, a pioneer like extended family. I never met one who wasn’t proud to be a Point graduate.”

For many students and colleagues, Trainer was a mentor and a friend. “Dan’s greatest contribution was his teaching and mentoring of students, faculty, citizens, and those in the profession through five decades of involvement in Wisconsin conservation,” said Christine Thomas, current CNR dean and a former student of Trainer’s. “He took his place in the line of great conservationists. He led by example.”

He approached life with enthusiasm and good humor. He was part of the “Dan’s work in conservation continued after he retired from UWSP, as he helped develop the nationally acclaimed Green Circle Trail in Stevens Point and protected the Plover River watershed. He was a founding member of Intra-State Recycling, a pioneer group in Stevens Point. He also served numerous state and local boards, including the Wisconsin Natural Resources Board. He won the William C. Hansen Distinguished Service Award from UWSP in 2007.

Among Dan Trainer’s conservation accomplishments:

- Member and vice chair of the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Board
- Chair of the Wisconsin Natural Resources Foundation
- Established the first Wildlife Society chapter in the state at UWSP
- Member of numerous state wildlife and civic organizations
- Won the Distinguished Service Award of the Wildlife Diseases Association
- Cited as one of 20 who most influenced hunting and fishing in Wisconsin by the Wisconsin Outdoor Journal
- Formed a citizens recycling group in Stevens Point before it was required
- Helped create the 30.5-mile Green Circle around Stevens Point
- Founded the Plover River Alliance
- Created the CNR Rendezvous to raise scholarship funds
- Inducted into the Wisconsin Conservation Hall of Fame in 2006
- Begun a natural resources scholarship endowment

Trainer leaves a legacy of conservation

Remembered for his positive and inspirational influence on the education of more than 5,000 natural resource professionals in the United States and across the globe, UWSP College of Natural Resources (CNR) Dean Emeritus Dan Trainer died on December 8 at age 81. One of Wisconsin’s most recognized and respected conservationists, Trainer was honored in November when the CNR building at UWSP was named for him. The Daniel O. Trainer Natural Resources Building (TNR) bears the name of a man who, as dean of the college from 1971 to 1988, is recognized for making the college the premier undergraduate institution of its kind in the nation. He helped establish hands-on field experiences for students.

His many accomplishments were recognized when, in 2006, Trainer was inducted into the Wisconsin Conservation Hall of Fame located in the Schmeeckle Reserve Visitor’s Center. As a speaker at the building naming ceremony, Stevens Point writer and Trainer’s friend Bill Berry commented, “Trainer had that ability to seize the moment and he was also ahead of his time. Add to this the thousands of people, young and old, who have benefited from Dan’s counsel, good humor and special smile, and you have the makings of a real hero, not just in the field of conservation but in the even more important field of human relations.”

Looking back on a distinguished career, Trainer said, “I’ve always had the best job in the world – natural resources and young people, and all in the state of Wisconsin.”

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Café promotes healthy eating through local foods

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This not only supports the local economy, she says, it provides better quality foods that don’t need to be grown to “ship well” or may be too ripe or not ripe enough when they are transported.

“It’s also important to eat down how far food has to travel,” she said. “Transporting foods from far away contributes to global warming through carbon dioxide emissions. It also makes more use of packing materials.”

Buying locally also eliminates eating processed foods and helps people see their food as something more than just fuel for their bodies, said Brennecke. “People are also more apt to try something new when it’s fresh and locally grown.”

The café is also able to offer more options for vegetarians or those with food allergies or restricted diets. According to Steinmetz, buying local foods generates both economic and physical benefits for everyone in a community.

“For every dollar spent by consumers in local markets, three dollars goes back into the local economy and the growth in your area. Buying local food not only creates sustainable systems in your area, it tastes better and is better for you.”

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“This move strengthens our campus by allowing us to meet the changing needs of our students and the region,” said Mark Nook, UWSP provost and vice chancellor for Academic Affairs.

Noting that Central Wisconsin’s economic development organization, Centerey, identified that a high-quality business program was vital to the regional economy, Bunnell said, “In the end, our business division will be nationally accredited and able to compete for top students and faculty with the underlying goal of providing business graduates for the region and the state.”

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“For every dollar spent by consumers in local markets, three dollars goes back into the local economy and the growers in your area. Buying local food not only creates sustainable systems in your area, it tastes better and is better for you.”

Denise Brennecke and student Tonya Konkol, Amherst, prepare food in the CPS Café.

It’s Easy Being Green

At UWSP, UWSP’s Resource Recovery and Reuse program has recycled nearly 36 million pounds of everything from aluminum to waste oil over the last 18 years.

At home: Take shorter showers or install a low-flow showerhead, as showers account for two-thirds of water heating costs. Save 350 pounds of carbon dioxide and over $100 a year.

At UWSP: Recycling is 50% of everything from aluminum to waste oil over the last 18 years.
More Walk Wisconsin info is available online at www.uwsp.edu/hphd/bikehike or e-mail bikehike@uwsp.edu.

University supports walking marathon

UWSP is working with other community and statewide health providers and health promoters to support the fourth annual Walk Wisconsin walking marathon on Saturday, June 7. “Walk Wisconsin” is just one of the ways the community is encouraging Wisconsinites to take more responsibility for their own health. A Kid’s Walk Wisconsin with shorter distances will take place the evening of June 6.

In the first three years of the event, more than 4,500 participants have walked collectively more than 56,000 miles on the beautiful trails in and around Stevens Point. In this fourth year, committee members have set 25,000 miles as a goal. In addition to the 26.2 mile marathon, a 13.1 mile half marathon and 6.5 mile quarter marathon are also offered.

Organizers believe that in training for a distance walk, participants will become more positively addicted to this simple, inexpensive and extremely beneficial form of exercise. “Walking is an exercise that can be enjoyed by all ages, the “Culture of China” trip will be offered by UWSP's Continuing Education December 27 through January 16, 2009. The group will be led by George Kung, retired professor of math and computing at UWSP. Fluent in four dialects of Chinese, this will be Kung’s ninth tour.

Participants will gain an understanding of China’s cultural contrasts. Highlights will include Buddhist temples, a river cruise, a visit to a silk factory, Wuyi Mountain, coastal Fujian Province, and the island of Hangzhou. The group will also visit the Terra Cotta Warriors in Xian, the Great Wall, the Forbidden City, Tian‘anmen Square and the Olympic Stadium in Beijing. This tour will include explorations of relics from the past and scenic landscapes as well as modern cities.

“This was the trip of a lifetime,” said Judith Dukes, a member of last year’s tour. “The whole group was like one big family, with George [and his wife] Sunny setting the tone. Everyday was more special than the next. I saw things I never imagined, and things I imagined I’d never see.” The estimated cost is $4,599, including round trip airfare from Chicago, lodging, flights within China, most meals, group ground transportation, entrance fees, guide fees and instructional costs.

Space is limited, so early registration is recommended. For more information about the trip, travel and accommodations, contact Kim O’Flaherty, UWSP Continuing Education, at (715) 346-2246 or koflaher@uwsp.edu.

**Faculty News Briefs**

Faculty and staff were awarded more than $7 million in grants during fiscal 2006, with the CNR garnering 78 percent of the campus total.

Michael Dombreck, ‘71, master’s ‘74, natural resources, testified before the U.S. Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources in January, giving perspective on reforming a U.S. mining law created in 1872.

Anne-Bridget Gary, art and design, was a presenter at the International Ceramic Magazine Editors Association conference in China, last fall. She uses Asian techniques in teaching ceramics.

Michael Hansen, ‘79, Stevens Point, received the Meritorious Service Award by the North Central Division of the American Fisheries Society in December. He was nominated by Patrick Schmalz, ‘97, master’s ‘99, Atkin, Minn., and Jessica Doemel, ‘97, master’s ‘00, Marquette, Mich.

Patricia Kluetz, interior architecture, received the American Society of Interior Designers’ highest state honor, the Chapter Educator Medallist Award, in September. The award is only given when a state has a qualified candidate.

Ron Zimmerman, ‘74, Amherst Junction, and Jim Buchholz, ‘00, Stevens Point, directors at Schmeeckle Reserve, are serving as consultants on interpretive center plans at Denali State Park in Alaska; Black Kettle National Grasslands in Cheyenne, Okla. Route 66 from Chicago to St. Louis; and Rib Mountain State Park in Wausau.

From classroom to library: faculty books

Richard Barker, foreign languages, published “The Long Trauma of an Andalusian Town: Republic, Repression, War, Postwar” after five years research and oral history collecting in Castilleja del Campo, Spain. The book tells about the small town’s experiences during the Spanish Civil War and following dictatorship.


Tom Johnson, anthropology, along with his wife, Helen, published “Also Called Sacajawea: Chief Woman’s Stolen Identity,” which documents that American icon Sacajawea was a Shoshone-Comanche Indian woman named Paravia.

Benjamin Percy, English, received national acclaim in 2006 for his novel, “The Sea of Cortez,” for his country for his second book, “Refresh, Refresh.” His screenplay of the same name has been accepted by the Sundance Institute. The book is a collection of short stories depicting the lives of rural Oregon’s mostly poor communities impacted by the war in Iraq. Rixey Ruffin, history, published “A Paradise of Reason: William Bentley and Enlightenment Christianity in the Early Republic,” through Oxford University Press. The book examines the struggle of faith and reason as it unfolded during the 18th century Enlightenment, or Age of Reason.

David Williams, political science and philosophy, is getting good reviews for his recently authored book, “Rousseau’s Platonic Enlightenment,” published by Penn State University Press. “David Williams offers a carefully researched and well-argued case for Rousseau as a latter-day Platonicist,” said Lawrence D. Cooper of Carleton College. “Readers who care about Rousseau and his role in the unfolding of modernity will want to read this book.”
Celebrating the Dreyfus University Center

The Dreyfus University Center was officially named for Governor and UWSP Chancellor Lee Sherman Dreyfus on October 12. Students dressed in red vest T-shirts greeted the Dreyfus family (left) and guests enjoyed red vest cookies. The new center held its grand reopening on January 22, with Stevie and Stephanie Pointer receiving the keys to the building from the contractor and leading students and other attendees into the building (above). For more photos of these events and the center, go to www.uwsp.edu/news/DreyfusCenter.htm
Alumni remember Lee Sherman Dreyfus

As a 1974 graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, I want to express my gratitude to Chancellor/Governor Dreyfus for his contributions and efforts in making UWSP a great place to obtain a degree from. As a working student, selling office equipment, he not only bought things from me but he was also kind, considerate, and instrumental in helping me become a better person/salesperson. He made UWSP fun for all.

- Mark Hadley, '74, Wausau

I met Lee Dreyfus in a bar. In fact, a lot of students met Lee Dreyfus in a bar, not because he was a drinker but because he wanted to meet his students on their turf and that is where he knew they would be.

As was his mindset, he made no judgment about this happenstance, it was what it was. I was a student at UWSP from 1968 to 1976 and was fortunate to know Lee Dreyfus very well. Back then I was a student leader, so had many opportunities to interact with him. And, although we disagreed on almost every issue, he was never disagreeable. One of the greatest lessons I learned from him was, in fact, the ability to disagree with someone and still respect them.

As chancellor he gave students an enormous amount of power over their own lives and finances, a practice much disdained by his fellow chancellors. I asked him once how he came to embrace this philosophy and he told me this. He said, "Jim, I've seen 19 and 20 year olds lead platoons into battle. I know they are capable of making good decisions if just given the chance."

"God bless you Lee Dreyfus. Rest in Peace."
- Jim Hamilton, '76, Stevens Point

We are saddened by the death of Governor Lee Sherman Dreyfus - our “Students’ Chancellor.” Chancellor Dreyfus was a man of great reputation who left a huge footprint on the educational and political landscape of Wisconsin. We made us feel welcome to the United States and to UWSP in particular. He inspired us to work energetically toward accomplishing our objectives. He was a “best friend” for all international students and he knew us on first name basis. He will be missed dearly by all of us whom he nurtured and inspired and by others who knew him and admired him. We wish his family well!

- Dr. Greg Okoro, '78, Stone Mountain, Ga.

My deepest sympathies to the Dreyfus family. Wisconsin has lost a true statesman and a great person. I had the great honor to work with Governor Dreyfus during my years as a member of the Young Republicans. I was honored to have him tape a television commercial many years when I ran for the State Assembly. I had worked up some copy and he told me he had an idea while we were taping. I turned to him and ripped up my copy and said, “Governor, whatever you have written has got to be better than what I wrote.”

As president of the UWSP Alumni Association Board of Directors, I had the honor this fall to be present at the naming ceremony for the Lee Sherman Dreyfus University Center, an honor bestowed on him in recognition of his lifelong promise that he'd keep it on until the war was over. It stayed on and became his signature.

Remembering “The Students’ Chancellor”

Reminded fondly as “The Students’ Chancellor” at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, Lee Sherman Dreyfus became the university’s ninth president in October 1967. At that time when students were protesting the Vietnam War and holding beer riots, he knew he needed to stay visible and accessibly named. He began wearing a red vest with the promise that he’d keep it on until the war was over. It stayed on and became his signature.

While chancellor, Dreyfus visited students in their residence halls and stopped downtown to chat with them. He ate lunch at the university center, got to know many students by name, taught communication classes and worked closely with the Student Government Association. He was the first chancellor to allow students to decide how to allocate their fees.

“Dreyfus was ahead of his time,” said former SGA president Jim Hamilton, ’76. “He gave students a voice that was carried across the state.”

At the merger of the UW System in 1974, Dreyfus’ title was changed to chancellor. His 11 years as president and chancellor of UWSP were ones of unparalleled growth and change.

In 1977 Dreyfus announced that he would seek the Republican nomination for governor and took a leave of absence to run his campaign. He won the election and was inaugurated as Wisconsin’s 40th governor on the front lawn of Old Main on Jan. 1, 1979.

After his term as governor he was president of Sentry Insurance Corporation then began a career as a national speaker and member of the Washington Speakers Bureau. He served as a member of the UW System Board of Regents from 1989 to 1996 as interim state superintendent of the Department of Public Instruction in 1993.

Over the years, Dreyfus and his wife, Joyce, contributed generously to the UWSP Foundation. In 2001, in the dedication of a plaque that marks where he took the oath of governor in front of Old Main, the couple presented the foundation with $100,000, establishing the Dreyfus Speakers Series Endowment to bring outstanding and inspiring speakers to UWSP. The Dreyfus University Center was officially named in honor of The Students’ Chancellor in October 2007.

Governor Dreyfus died peacefully at his home in Waukesha on January 2, 2008, at the age of 81. He is survived by Joyce, his wife of 61 years; two children, the Honorable Lee S. Dreyfus Jr. of Waukesha and Susan Dreyfus-Fosdick of Eagle River; six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Keep the Red Vest rolling

Governor Dreyfus loved and mastered the art of communication, and because of his passion as a speaker, he and his wife, Joyce, established the Dreyfus Speaker Series in 2001 to expose students to public speaking at its best.

“The Dreyfus Speakers Series is not about politics, personal beliefs or specific issues, it’s about learning and experiencing the art of oratory,” said Dreyfus. “I am passionate about everyone learning to READ and WRITE, to SPEAK and LISTEN. I am told that life is short but I think it’s WIDE. It is important to add to your storehouse of experiences, and one of these is to listen and be enthralled with a fine speaker.”

The Dreyfus Speakers Series Endowment campaign through the Division of Communication hopes to raise $1 million to endow this series and attract first-class speakers annually.

“An investment in this endowment ensures that future generations will be inspired by speakers like Governor Dreyfus,” said CJ Robinson, director of development for the College of Fine Arts and Communication. For more information on making a donation to the endowment contact Robinson at (715) 346-3056 or CJ.Robinson@uwsp.edu.

Lee Sherman Dreyfus was sworn in as governor of Wisconsin by Portage County Circuit Judge James H. Levi on Jan. 4, 1979, on the front lawn of Old Main. A monument now stands in front of Old Main commemorating the occasion. (Portage County Gazette photo)
Annual Campaign enables students to succeed

Thanks to the support of UWSP alumni, parents and friends, the Annual Campaign for Point raises nearly a half million dollars per year to directly benefit UWSP students and campus programs.

“The Annual Campaign is making a personal impact on the lives of many students,” says Deb Ansott, ’74, director of development for the UWSP Foundation. “We awarded $571,000 in scholarships last year.”

One of these scholarships is the Alumni Honors Scholarship, given to incoming students in the top five percent of their high school graduating class who show leadership qualities and are nominated by guidance counselors.

Britta Einck, a UWSP senior from Verndale, Minn., was one of the recipients of this scholarship. The biology and Spanish major is also a member of the swimming and diving, track and field and cross country teams and the Future Alumni Association, and the scholarship allowed her to participate in athletics at UWSP.

“This scholarship allowed me to focus more on my academics and athletics, rather than worrying about working to pay for college,” she said. “It is possible that I would not have chosen to attend UWSP if I had not received this scholarship as an incoming freshman.”

Senior music major Jessica Ryan of Schofield was able to improve her violin playing skills through the Alumni Honors Scholarship she received. A member of the Central Wisconsin Symphony Orchestra and a teacher of violin and viola, Ryan was able to attend summer music camps for the last two years with the additional funds. “The fact that I received extra help as an undergraduate will make it easier for me to pay for graduate school,” she said.

It’s Easy Being Green

At UWSP: The Noel Fine Arts Center features photovoltaic windows on its south side. The amount of electricity generated by the photovoltaic panels is equal to an overall annual average of about 104 watts of continuous power, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. That would power eight compact florescent lights continuously.

At home: Air dry your clothes and save 700 pounds of carbon dioxide and $57 a year.

Students, alumni help bring trees to campus for Earth Day

Students for Sustainable Communities, an environmental student organization, will mark Earth Day this year by planting 60 large trees on the UWSP campus.

More than 75 student volunteers will help the organization plant oak, pear, apple, spruce, tamarack, cherry and flowering crab trees on Tuesday, April 22. The trees will be placed across campus, including the front lawn of Old Main, near DeBot Center, adjacent to the Health Enhancement Center and the baseball fields. The trees were purchased through the UWSP Sustainability Reserve Fund, funded annually by student fees.

The trees will be purchased from Eco-Building and Forestry, a company owned by Tom Girolamo, ’82, and Kathy Clarke-Girolamo, ’83, Mosinee. The couple will assist students with materials and planting on Earth Day.

“We can help reduce the effects of carbon emissions simply by honoring our former governor, Gaylord Nelson (Earth Day founder), and the legacy he left behind,” said Kevin Hite, treasurer for Students for Sustainable Communities. “Earth Day is an opportunity to enhance the world around us and simply plant a tree.”

The organization hopes to sponsor an Alumni Adopt-A-Tree program on campus for next year’s Earth Day, said Hite.

Alumnae offer nature-based wellness

Founded by alumnae Patty Dreier, ’82, Stevens Point, and Judy Butcher, ’87, Plover, EarthWonders LLC® is partnering with UWSP’s School of Health Promotion and Human Development to offer the Nature-Inspired Health Promotion and Wellness certificate program.

This first-of-its-kind certificate program will be held from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the UWSP Dreyfus University Center.

Attendees will learn about the evidence-based research behind the nature-human health connection as well as understand how to apply nature-inspired practices in their life. There will also be an overview as to how the certification will increase marketability for today and future.

The certificate program is aimed at university students or professionals in the fields of health, environmental education, youth programming, public health, psychology, long term care, parks and workplace wellness.

The cost is $150. The course may be taken for undergraduate or graduate credit. To register or for more information, go to www.earthwonders.org, e-mail earthwonders@charter.net, or call (715) 321-0227.

EarthWonders LLC® was created to spearhead the movement to integrate nature-based health and environmental wellness, principles, products and practices into everyday life, workplaces and communities to improve the health of people, organizations and the planet.

Chris Brindley, ’93, (left) and Tom Girolamo, ’82, of Eco-Building and Forestry, LLC, plant one of 12 donated trees near the College of Natural Resources building with the help of student Matt Cantlon.
British teens visit UWSP with their teacher, a UWSP alumnus

Many UWSP alumni who are teachers have brought their high school students to campus for a visit. Many have brought them to UWSP for a more extended visit, such as Ian Plant, '04, a Beckfoot School teacher from England.

Ian Plant arrived in February as a Beckfoot School teacher, and he spent six of his best years as a student at UWSP. He first came to campus as a coach of a soccer camp and stayed.

During their five days in Stevens Point, they stayed with host families and spent a lot of time on campus. They have the rock climbing wall at UWSP, and they enjoy the rock climbing wall at UWSP while their teacher, Ian Plant, '04, takes photos in the background.

Below, the students enjoy their visit to the United States.

It's Easy Being Green

At UWSP: The UWSP campus recycled 69,980 pounds of glass and plastic in 2007.

At home: Replace three frequently used light bulbs with compact fluorescent bulbs and save 100 pounds of carbon dioxide and $60 per year.

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2000s

Amanda Baker, '07, Hudson, created the illustrations for “The Cheesehead Night Before Christmas,” a book written by Fred Lane and Rotary Wagner that parodies “Twas the Night Before Christmas” with Wisconsin traditions and culture such as Packer mania, cheese and polka. Baker said she infused her drawings “with the spirit of what I consider to be Wisconsin, kind of goofy and marching to the beat of their own drummers. It has a Northwoods, go-out-and-have-fun-in-the-snow kind of mentality.”

Andrew Belanger, '07, and Kirsten Belanger, Appleton, announce the birth of their daughter, Grace Ann, in November.

Emily Majestros, '07, Green Bay, is an interior designer with the firm Short Elliott Hendrickson.


Kyle Marinoff, '07, Rawlins, Wyo., is a stewardship technician with Conservation Seeding and Restoration Inc. in Rawlins.

Angela (Samulinski) Marshack, '07, Player, is a homemaker. She and her husband have a baby last year.

Chealsey Ross, '07, Waukesha, works in the Advancement Office at Marquette University in Milwaukee. She won the 2007 National Gold Key Award of the Public Relations Student Society of America for her work as the past president of the UWSP PRSSA chapter.

Jordan VanProosdy, '07, Kau, Claire, is a mathematics teacher at Chippewa Falls High School and will marry Shea Melanson in June.

Sam Weber, '07, Charleston, S.C., is a member of the Resident Acting Company at the Charleston Stage in Charleston. He has performed lead roles in Gerbsam at Folly and Tick...Tick...Boom!

Evi Lim, '06, Madison, is an associate research specialist with the Pulmonary and Molecular Arthritis Research Program within the UW-Madison Department of Medicine.

Adam Mueller, '06, Tomahawk, is a process engineer at PCA in Tomahawk. He moved to Milwaukee with his wife, Megan, when he was ready to move back to Wisconsin after living in California. “Wisconsin has always been home to me,” Adam says.


Elizabeth VanWieringen, '06, Plover, married Chet Ortowski last June in Stevens Point. Liz is a program coordinator with Wisconsin Women’s Health Foundation in Stevens Point.

Daniel Gutierrez, '05, Milwaukee, is a member of the national tour of Chicago. This May the tour will appear in La Crosse and Platteville as well as Peoria, Ill. For more information, go to www.chicagorthemusical.com.

Javier Alaniz, '04, and his wife, Kristine (Rudhok) Alaniz, '02, Varnusta, South Pacific, are Peace Corps volunteers at the Ekpoe village in the Republic of Vanuatu, an island nation east of Australia. Javi is organizing baseball leagues for the children of the area. His blog may be found at www.peacecorps.gov and he can be reached by e-mail at javieralaniz@和平corps.gov.

Ruthie Baker, '04, Astoria, N.Y., says she “is living the dream” in New York City, auditioning for theatre work as well as working as a personal assistant and tour leader.

Carrie (Sassman) Heiling, '04, and her husband, Eric Heiling, '06, Davenport, Iowa, were married last July. Carrie teaches German at Bettendorf Middle School and Eric is an assistant teacher at Positive Parenting Day Care and an insurance salesperson with Combined Insurance.

Daniel Hetzer, '04, Madison, is the lead designer for the Bontrager line for Trek bicycles. He and Jessica (Schihs) Hetzer, '05, were married in October.

Gini Jones, master’s ’04, Oshkosh, is in the communication PhD program at Kunsan University and was a member of a panel on the history of rhetoric at the National Communication Association meeting in Chicago last fall.

Michelle VanSchalk, '06, Woodhaven, N.Y., is an actress in New York City. Her education at UWSP was applauded by one of her directors recently so she sent a thank you to Professor Steve Smith of the Theatre and Dance Department, saying, “I’m having a ball out in NYC and it’s in part because of you and your teaching.”

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“I was there the year Point had the Asia flu. We the healthy and fireman carried the sick to St. Mike’s Hospital across the street from our dorm, which I think was Delphyl Hall. Doggs Meurid and his cousin, Big George Meurid, were a couple of lifesavers. Annie Amanns and Brian Meikle (my roommates) and a large group of guys would bring food back from the cafeteria for the ones who had 104 degree fevers and lower. Those with above 104 went to the hospital.”

John Freimuth, ’58, Palos Heights, Ill.
Adriane Fang, 1994 New York, N.Y., was presented with a “Bessie,” a New York Dance and Performance Award, at the annual ceremony in September. A dancer with Doug Varone and Dancers in New York, she was praised for “uncannily encompassing minute detail and wild abandon in a rigorously and dancing with dreamlike naturalness.” Fang will be a featured speaker at the 2008 Melvin Laird Youth Leadership Day at UWSP April 21.

Aaron Felke, ’00, will perform in Celine Dion’s International Tour in 2006. Felke was a dancer in her Las Vegas show as well.

Jessica Hallam, ’94, Los Angeles, was selected for the 2007 Music Center artist educator program at the Performing Arts Center of Los Angeles County. She joined a team of artists to instruct dancing classes throughout art programs and schools in L.A.

Candace Jablonski, ’02, New York, N.Y., has been a member of the Radco City Music Hall Rockets Company for the past two years.

Eddie Oroyan, ’01, Minneapolis, Minn., dances with the Sanぽ Smith Dance Company in “Arytown” and with the Southern Theatre in Minneapolis. Elle was named dance artist of the year in the Minneapolis City Pages and given an honorable mention in the Yule Tribune.

Adrianne Svoboda, ’74, Wisconsin Rapids, is an actor and producer in Los Angeles. Svoboda was named a regional center of excellence by the Wisconsin Arts Board. She recently completed a presurgical orthopaedic residency at Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center in Winston-Salem, N.C.

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Darla (Engwall) Allen, ’98, Nekoosa, and Eugene (Kitowski) Allen were married in June and have a son, Thomas Cash. Darla is a librarian for Portage County and Eugene is a chef. Alumni attending the wedding included Stephanie Feldner, ’98, Adam Poskon, ’95, and his wife, Jessica (Nelson) Poskon, ’99, and Eric Heeren, ’99.

Rachel (Foster) Baumgartel, ’98, Westminster, Colo., is a viewpoints columnist at D-Life.com, a Web site dedicated to the needs of those with diabetes. She also works full time at a small IT products supplier in Boulder, Colo.

Sam Handley, ’98, Chicago, is a member of the apprentice program with the Lyric Opera of Chicago for the 2008-09 season. He earned a master’s degree in vocal performance at UW-Madison and a doctorate at the University of Houston. He has also served an apprenticeship with the Santa Fe Opera and Merola Opera in San Francisco.

Lisa Johnson, ’97, Chicago, is engaged to Douglas Bakker. Lisa is the gallery manager for the Kovler Family Foundation.

Heather (Skumatz) Stihokal, ’97, and Randy Stihokal, ’98, Waupaca, were married in September.

Jessica (Johnson) Yung, ’97, Saint Paul, Minn., and her husband, Andy, announce the birth of Grady Ga-Yuee in March. He joins big brother Quentin.

John Hagengruber, master’s ’96, Moren, Wyo., manages 700,000 acres as the Buffalo District ranger at Bridger-Teton National Forest in northwest Wyoming, adjacent to Yellowstone and Grand Teton National Forests. Previously he was a manager at Bighorn National Forest in Sheridan, Wyo. He and his wife, Shari, and their four children (including identical triplets) “enjoy looking out the window and seeing the Grand Tetons,” he says.

Susan Gunderson, ’93, Placer, has joined with a fellow retired UWSP employee, Barbara Borokie, to form Love Creek Designs. The two design one-of-a-kind jewelry hosting shows at their studio, private parties and at juried art shows across the state. For more information, call (715) 340-0732.

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Darla (Engwall) Allen, ’98, Nekoosa, and Eugene (Kitowski) Allen were married in June and have a son, Thomas Cash. Darla is a librarian for Portage County and Eugene is a chef. Alumni attending the wedding included Stephanie Feldner, ’98, Adam Poskon, ’95, and his wife, Jessica (Nelson) Poskon, ’99, and Eric Heeren, ’99.

Rachel (Foster) Baumgartel, ’98, Westminster, Colo., is a viewpoints columnist at D-Life.com, a Web site dedicated to the needs of those with diabetes. She also works full time at a small IT products supplier in Boulder, Colo.

Sam Handley, ’98, Chicago, is a member of the apprentice program with the Lyric Opera of Chicago for the 2008-09 season. He earned a master’s degree in vocal performance at UW-Madison and a doctorate at the University of Houston. He has also served an apprenticeship with the Santa Fe Opera and Merola Opera in San Francisco.

Lisa Johnson, ’97, Chicago, is engaged to Douglas Bakker. Lisa is the gallery manager for the Kovler Family Foundation.

Heather (Skumatz) Stihokal, ’97, and Randy Stihokal, ’98, Waupaca, were married in September.

Jessica (Johnson) Yung, ’97, Saint Paul, Minn., and her husband, Andy, announce the birth of Grady Ga-Yuee in March. He joins big brother Quentin.

John Hagengruber, master’s ’96, Moren, Wyo., manages 700,000 acres as the Buffalo District ranger at Bridger-Teton National Forest in northwest Wyoming, adjacent to Yellowstone and Grand Teton National Forests. Previously he was a manager at Bighorn National Forest in Sheridan, Wyo. He and his wife, Shari, and their four children (including identical triplets) “enjoy looking out the window and seeing the Grand Tetons,” he says.

Susan Gunderson, ’93, Placer, has joined with a fellow retired UWSP employee, Barbara Borokie, to form Love Creek Designs. The two design one-of-a-kind jewelry hosting shows at their studio, private parties and at juried art shows across the state. For more information, call (715) 340-0732.
Cindy (Temple) Klebe, '95, Muscatine, Iowa, is sharing her enthusiasm for the outdoors by helping raise money for Silver Beach, an organization she has been involved with self-developing outdoor adventures (summitforsomeone.org). Call, e-mail or write her through The Connecting Point, saying, "I absolutely love catching up with you all!"

Tracie (Nelson) Radelfill, '95, Kenosha, married Mike Radelfill in 1995 and took a trip to Italy in October. She is an executive team leader for Target. Tracie asks that friends contact her at Tracie711@hotmail.com.

Tedrosy (Mart) Gesteland, '94, Houston, Texas, earned a doctor of musical arts in voice from the University of Houston Moores School of Music in December. She is an assistant professor of voice at Texas Southern University. Kirk Miller, '94, San Francisco, is a global account manager for Vodafone and leads global mobility projects for three major companies.

Debra Weitzel, '94, Houston, Texas, earned a master of science degree in nursing from the University of Texas Health Science in 2007. She was formerly a park ranger. The NPS named her the 2006 Park Ranger of the Year for her work as a park ranger in the Grand Tetons National Park; Rita's depicted the Saint James Christmas tree in the Blue Room. Each of them manages their state headquarters staff in Madison and is responsible for the five major commands of the guard across the state. He has served the US Army Reserve since 1983 and has served in Iraq as a senior advisor to the Iraqi army. Previously he was resources manager for Consolidated Water Power Company New Page Corporation. He is a graduate of the Wisconsin Military Academy and earned a master's degree from the Army War College in Carlisle Barracks, Pa.

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Kenneth Cerny, '84, Wausau, is an EMD pilot with Air Medical and flies the MedEvac helicopter for Aspirus Hospital. He retired from the U.S. Army in 2006 then owned his own business, Leader-Team Dynamics LLC, which he continues part time.

Lenore Tooser-Alder, '83, Clayton, Mo., the deputy city manager in Clayton, received the 2007 Outstanding Assistant Award from the Missouri City Manager's Association. She has served Clayton for seven years.

Patricia Koppa, '82, Manitowoc, was the registrar in probate and court commissioner for Manitowoc County for the last 10 years. She is on the Records Management Committee of the Wisconsin Supreme Court.

Warren Jacob, '80, Los Angeles, Calif., is an attorney with Reed Smith LLP, a Philadelphia-based law firm. He directs the state appellate practice in Los Angeles.

Lenna Froehlich, '79, Vassalboro, Maine, received the National Arts Commission Award. She volunteers as a court appointed special advocate for Alegent Health in Omaha and an adjunct faculty member at the University of Nebraska at Omaha.

Mary Pat (Linton) Klevan, '78, Bellevue, Neb., is a business owner of two companies in the Welding Industry. She and her husband, Emery, co-own KP Communications, a network of farm radio, weather and market reports that air in four Midwestern states. Mary Pat is also a legal assistant for Alegent Health in Omaha and an adjunct faculty member at Metropolitan Community College, teaching medical law and ethics. She volunteers as a court appointed special advocate in Sarpy County, Nebraska, with children who are the victim of abuse and neglect. She and Emery have six children.

Thomas Dalling, last attended '87, Stevens Point, owner of Thomas Dalling Designs at Lee Ayers Jewelers in Stevens Point, won first place in the American Vision Award Design Competition and third place in the Colored Stone Magazine's Reader's Choice Award during 2007. He has won multiple awards at major shows and is featured regularly in major jewelry publications. His wife, Diane Bywaters, is a professor of art and design at UWSP.

Eldon Voigt, Jr., '87, and his wife, Melissa, International Falls, Minn., own The Elm Tree Farm Fruit LLC, specializing in the production of blueberries and Hi-Tunnel vegetables. The farm was the 2006 Northern Minnesota Tree Farm of the Year and was featured in the University of Minnesota Extension Services magazine for use of Hi-Tunnel production.

Brigadier General Mark Anderson, '86, Madison, is the full-time commander of the Wisconsin Army National Guard, a 7,700 soldier Guardsmen. He directs the state headquarters staff in Madison and is responsible for the five major commands of the guard across the state. He has served the US Army Reserve since 1983 and has served in Iraq as a senior advisor to the Iraqi army. Previously he was resources manager for Consolidated Water Power Company New Page Corporation. He is a graduate of the Wisconsin Military Academy and earned a master's degree from the Army War College in Carlisle Barracks, Pa.

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Faculty obituaries
Duaine Counsell
Duaine Counsell, '49, La Crosse, an associate professor emeritus of business, health, physical education, recreation and athletics (now health promotion and development), died Dec. 24 at age 83. He joined the UWSP recreation faculty in 1957 and was head football coach for 11 years, leading his 1961 team to a conference championship. He also coached baseball, wrestling and track and also taught courses in driver training, safety education and physical education.

He received the UWSP Distinguished Alumnus Award in 1988, the same year he retired after 31 years at UWSP. A special events room in the Health Enhancement Center bears his name. In retirement he owned and operated a family business, Parsons Trading Post, in Lake Delton. Counsell served in Germany in the U.S. Army during World War II. Later he earned a master’s degree at UW-Madison and did an extensive doctoral study in Indiana University. He was married to Wanda Tofson for more than 50 years before she died in 1998. A daughter also preceded him in death. His wife, Donna, and a daughter survive.

Roger Fisher
Roger Fisher, Stevens Point, an associate professor emeritus of sociology, died Dec. 2 at age 83. He was a member of the U.S. Army then earned degrees at the University of Illinois before coming to UWSP in 1964 to teach courses in general sociology, formal organization and community sociology. He retired in 1996. His wife, Marjorie, preceded him in death and one son survives.

In Memoriam
Thomas Nevens
Thomas Nevens, Stevens Point, a retired professor of theatre and dance, died Nov. 21 at age 69.

Nevens came to UWSP in 1979, directing more than 100 plays, developing an improvisation class and teaching combat techniques and speech dialects. He also directed the Madrigal Dinner and won an American College Theatre Association award. He retired in 2002 and was a teacher for the Learning is Forever (LIFE) program.

Previously he taught at Villanova University, Vanguard Schools of Pennsylvania and Quincy University. He earned degrees at Villanova and Quinnipiac universities.

His wife, Jane, and three children survive.

Russell Nelson

Nelson served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He earned degrees at UW-Madison then taught for UW-Extension and UW colleges in Wausau and Menasha. He came to UWSP in 1963 and taught Native American and colonial history for 35 years, helped develop two masters degrees and was a leader for the semester in Britain in 1976. He also co-authored a book about the mistreatment of Native Americans.

He retired in 1992, and in 2003 donated more than 1,600 books, albums, videos, CDs and tapes about history, music, art, film and cooking to the UWSP library.

Michael Sullivan
Michael Sullivan, Stevens Point, an associate professor emeritus of business and economics, died Dec. 6 at age 80.

He earned degrees at the University of Denver, UW-Madison and University of Colorado-Boulder. He worked for Mountain State Telephone Company in Denver, then taught at Idaho State College, for one year before coming to UWSP in 1965. He retired from UWSP in 1994.

Sullivan served in the U.S. Army from 1945-1947. He was a private pilot and avid gardener, and he and his wife, Melba, built an energy-efficient home. She and five children survive. Memorials may be made in his name to UWSP Business and Economics Department or the Portage County Public Library.

Erol Tumer
Erol Tumer, professor emeritus of accounting, died of leukemia on September 5.

A native of Turkey, Tumer came to UWSP in 1979 then returned to his alma mater, Middle East Technical University in Turkey, to head the accounting program between 1983 and 1986. He returned to UWSP in 1986 then retired in 1999, returning to Ankara, Turkey. While at UWSP he coordinated the managerial accounting area and was on the Division of Business and Economics executive committee.

He participated in the Olympic Games in Rome in 1960 as a runner on the Turkish Olympic team.

Robert Weaver
Robert Weaver, professor emeritus of chemistry, died Feb. 13 at age 76. He joined the faculty in 1961 and retired in 1990. While at UWSP he was director of the medical technology program for nearly 10 years and chair of his department for nine years. He earned degrees at Wesleyan College and the University of Maryland and taught at UW-Madison for one year.

He is survived by his wife, Janice, and four children. A memorial has been established in his name for the Chemistry Department.

Remembering alumni and friends of UWSP

Full obituaries may be found online at www.uwsp.edu/news/alumnus/obits

2000s
2000s
Kassi Dallman, ’02, Chicago
Scott Holmes, master’s ’98, Schofield
Clifford Mancheski, ’95, Stevens Point

2010s
2010s
David Westphal, ’89, Fort Myers, Fla.
Tammy (Schmidt) Backaus, ’88, Nekoosa
Marlys (Gunderson) Matuszak, ’86, Wausau
James Adamski, ’85, De Pere
Mitchell Tomfohrde, ’84, West Allis
Kenneth Engel, ’83, Bellingham, Wash.
Dianne Huehner, master’s ’81, Plymouth, Minn.

1970s
1970s
Lynn Blajeski, ’79, Green Bay
Richard Tekippe, ’77, Cross Plains
Lois Cornelius, ’77, Bowler
Arlene Simonson, ’77, Wisconsin Rapids
James Salzman, ’75, Fall River
Hal Hefli, ’75, Stevens Point
Virginia Roeder, ’74, Saint Paul, Minn.
Dean Curran, ’73, Elcho
Peter Konopacky, ’72, Custer
Marion Holm, ’72, Tigerton
Julie (Doubek) Zabel, ’72, Las Cruces, N.M.
Lenore (Olsen) Jirovec, ’71, master’s ’83, Stevens Point
Theodore Swaneck, ’70, Neenah
Patrick Giese, ’70, Plymouth

1960s
1960s
Sue Carow, ’69, Shoreline, Ore.
Lois (Stipl) Sickingor, ’69, Ringle
Violet (Anderson) Handschke, ’68, Nekoosa
Marion (McDonald) Hahn, ’68, Merrill
Lorraine Braun, ’68, Marshfield
Joan (Schroeder) Krause, ’67, Seymour
James Kornowski, ’66, Wausau
Dennis Arthur, ’65, Rockwall, Texas
Rosemary Anglin, ’64, Lyndon Station
Robert Krubsack, ’63, Plover
Larry Fritsch, ’63, Stevens Point
William Ruppel, ’62, Soldiers Grove
Robert Beghin, ’62, Wisconsin Dells
Joe Dreifczinski, ’62, Janesville
Carol Ketter, ’62, Cedarburg
Beth (Towne) Johnson, ’62, Waupaca
Clarence Herrick, ’61, La Junta, Colo.

1950s
1950s
James Richards, ’59, Oshkosh
Jack Krull, ’59, La Crosse
LaVonne (Tellock) Drifka, ’58, Stevens Point
Glen Zieher, ’58, Wisconsin Rapids

Friends of UWSP
Margaret Berg, Woodruff
Richard Hofmeister, Hazelhurst
Ruth Lewis, Green Valley, Ariz.
Counsell to be inducted into WFCA Hall of Fame

The late Duaine Counsell, ’49, will be one of 22 inductees into the Wisconsin Football Coaches Association (WFCA) Hall of Fame in a Madison ceremony on Saturday, April 5. For his obituary, see page 14. Counsell coached the Pointers football team for 11 seasons from 1957-65 and 1967-68. During that time he guided the Pointers to a 56-33-4 record, including a conference championship in 1960. His 56 wins rank him 17th all-time among WIAC coaches. Counsell also coached the Pointer baseball team for four seasons, compiling a record of 40-14. He was inducted into the UWSP Athletic Hall of Fame in 1980.

UWSP has two Academic All-Americans

It was a great season on and off the field for a pair of Pointer athletes. Football player Dustin Robinson and soccer player Meredith DeCaluwe join 36 other Pointers (33 in the last 9 years) as College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) Academic All-Americans. Robinson to second team and DeCaluwe to the third.

Robinson, a linebacker and chemistry and pre-pharmacy major with a 3.85 grade point average, led the team in tackles and was second in the conference. He is the fourth Pointer football player to be named an Academic All-American and one of two from the Wisconsin Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (WIAC).

DeCaluwe has a 3.99 grade point average and majors in math education. She earned all-district honors for the third straight year. She was named the WIAC Lady Knuckman Scholar-Athlete in women’s soccer this past season and led the Pointers to the NCAA Division III Sectional Semifinals. Her 45 wins in net are tied for the second-most in school history.

Football

The Pointers won their first six games and had the third-longest winning streak in Division III at 10 games. They also had one of the top scoring offenses in the conference those first six weeks, averaging 37 points per game.

The Pointers scored a school-record 34 points in the first quarter vs. Iowa Wesleyan. Ryan Graboski tied a school record by connecting on four field goals in a come-from-behind victory over UW-Stout. Kasey Morgan became the eighth Pointer to participate in the Aztec Bowl. He and Brad Vickroy were both named first team All-WIAC performers.

Volleyball

The women’s volleyball team ended the season winning eight of its last 10 matches. The biggest win of the season came against UW-Oshkosh, ranked fourth in Division III. The Pointers finished with 23 wins, which marked back-to-back 20-win seasons for the second time in 11 years.

Shelly Mau earned her senior season by breaking her own record for kills in a season with 504. She holds the school record with 1,715 kills in her career. She also set a school record for block assists in a season with 153.

Cross Country

The Pointer men finished sixth at the NCAA Division III cross country championships and second at the WIAC championships and the Midwest regional. Men’s Coach Rick Witt was named the Midwest Region’s Division III Coach of the Year by the United States Track & Field and Cross Country Coaches Association. Dominic Meyer placed 25th at nationals and earned himself All-American status.

The women’s team won the Concordia (Wis.) Invitational and finished sixth out of 32 teams at the Midwest Regional, just two points behind fifth place UW-Oshkosh.

Tennis

The tennis team won eight of its last 10 dual meets, closing the regular season by defeating UW-Oshkosh 5-4 and then finishing fifth at the WIAC Championships. UWSP finished sixth overall in the conference, one point behind UW-Stout. The Pointers had three members place third at conference in singles action and also had one doubles team place third.

Sophomore Rachel Brem finished 13-5 at No. 1 singles and Senior Emily Bouchie went 12-2 in singles action.

Women’s basketball

The women’s basketball team won 10 of its first 11 games and captured their second straight Slim Classic Championship in San Diego. Laura Nueenfeldt was named Most Valuable Player and Haley Houghton was named to the all-tournament team. The Pointers climbed as high as 11th in the D3hoops.com poll and won 20 consecutive non-conference games. The Pointers ended the regular season with a 21-4 overall record and a 12-4 WIAC record. The team fell to St. Norbert College in the first round NCAA Division III Basketball Tournament.

Men’s basketball

The men’s basketball team won nine of its first 10 games, clinching to as high as second in the D3hoops.com poll. The Pointers picked up a big road win over fifth-ranked Augustana College and set a conference record with 18 three-point field goals against Carroll in the season opener. The Pointers finish the regular season with a 26-5 overall record and a 12-4 WIAC record. The team finished the season March 3 with a loss to Buena Vista University in the second round of the NCAA Division III Basketball Tournament.

Winter Sports Season

Men’s hockey

The men’s hockey team, led by new head coach Wil Nicholson, finished with a 14-9-4 record, ending the season with a loss to UW-Stout in game two of the NCHA Peters Cup Quarterfinals. The Pointers had an 11-game unbeaten streak during the regular season, the fifth-longest in team history. Brett Beckfeld was named to the NCHA First Team and the Pointers had seven members named to the NCHA All-Academic Team.

Women’s hockey

The women’s hockey team started the season on a 20-game unbeaten streak and had a 21-game unbeaten streak dating back to last season, the second longest in team history and the longest in all of NCAA women’s hockey. The Pointers ended the season with an overall record of 22-3-2, a first place rank in the west region and third place at the NCHA O’Brien Cup Tournament after defeating Lake Forest College 4-0.

Wrestling

The wrestling team ended the regular season with a 15-6-2 record and a 5-1 conference record. Stevens Point took first at the Border Brawl halfway through the season. The Pointers finished in 10th place out of 60 teams at the NCAA Division III Wrestling Championships March 8. Craig Bollig placed third and Eric Bath finished fifth, both claiming All-American honors.

Swimming & diving

The men’s and women’s swimming & diving teams had another solid regular season with men winning two conference duals and three meets. The men are ranked 13th in Division III, while the women are ranked 18th. Chase Green broke his own school record in the 100-yard butterfly early in the season. The men’s team won its ninth consecutive WIAC Championship at UW-Oshkosh Feb. 21-23, while the women’s team placed second behind UW-La Crosse.

Spring 2008
April

Department of Music recitals and concerts
All events will be held in Michelsen Hall of the Noel Fine Arts Center (NFAC) at 7:30 p.m. unless otherwise noted.
- Michael Keller/Molly Roseman faculty recital, Sunday, April 6, 8 p.m.
- Composers Concert, Monday, April 7
- Opera performance, Friday, April 18 & Saturday, April 19
- Flute Choir, Monday, April 21
- Wind Ensemble, Wednesday, April 23
- Soiree Musicales, Friday, April 25, 6:30 p.m.
- Jazz Ensemble, Saturday, April 26
- Campus Band, Sunday, April 27, 3 p.m.
- Mostly Percussion Ensemble, Sunday, April 27
- Concert Band, Tuesday, April 29
- Symphony Orchestra, Wednesday, April 30
- Alumni Association trip to Paris Saturday, April 5-11

Department of Theatre and Dance:
Dantuage 2008
- April 11-13 & 17-20
- First Nighters – Friday, April 11, 5:30 p.m.
- Studio Theatre, NFAC
Trivia 38: Trivia Returns
Alumni Trivia Cookie Walk Monday, April 17, 5:50 p.m.
90 FM WWSW Trivia Contest
Friday, April 11-Sunday, April 13
Alumni Trivia photo shift Sunday, April 13, 6-10 a.m.
Communion Arts Center
Anne-Bridge Gury: Walking the Corridor
April 13-27
Reception Monday, April 14, 4-6 p.m.
Carlsten Gallery, NFAC
1st Annual Kassl Dallman Short Play Festival
April 15-16, 7:30 p.m.
Live Bait Theater, 3914 North Clark, Chicago
rbcsocietytheatreproject@yahoo.com
Alumni Association China trip informational meeting
Wednesday, April 16, 7 p.m.
Founders Room, Old Main
Alumni Association Board meeting Saturday, April 19
Dreyfus UC
Ltered Youth Leadership Day Monday, April 21
Dreyfus University Center
Beyond BOW Field Day Saturday, April 26
MacKenzie Environmental Center, Poynette
www.uwsp.edu/cofac/suzuki
Letters and Science Research Symposium Saturday, April 26
Science Building

May

Department of Music recitals and concerts
- Combined Choirs, Saturday, May 3 & Sunday, May 4, 3 p.m.
- Jazz Ensemble, Monday, May 5
- Central State Chamber Orchestra, Saturday, May 10

Department of Theatre and Dance:
Baby
May 2-4 and 7-10
First Nighters, Friday, May 2, 5:30 p.m.
Jenkins Theater, NFAC
Portage County Cultural Festival
Saturday, May 3, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Stevens Point Area Senior High School

BFA Exhibition
May 4-16
Reception, Friday, May 9, 3-6 p.m.
Carlsten Gallery, NFAC
Chancellor’s Leadership Awards
Tuesday, May 6
Michelsen Hall, NFAC
Alumni Association Awards Banquet
Saturday, May 10

Alumni Association Senior Breakfast
Monday, May 12, 9 a.m.
Dreyfus UC
Albertson Medallion Awards
Friday, May 16
Dreyfus University Center

Spring Commencement
Sunday, May 18, 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.
Spec’lt Forum/Sundial
(weather permitting)
Summer Session
Three-week session, May 27–June 13
Wisconsin Dells Alumni Weekend
May 30-June 1
Wilderness Resort

June

Youth summer camps
June-August
Central Wisconsin Environmental Station
www.uwsp.edu/cnr/bow
Walk Wisconsin
Kids Walk, Friday, June 6
Main event, Saturday, June 7
Stevens Point Green Circle
www.walkwisconsin.com
Special Olympics Summer Games June 5-7
www.specialolympicswisconsin.com

Beyond BOW workshop June 7-8
Central Wisconsin Environmental Station
www.uwsp.edu/cnr/bow
Wisconsin Aquaculture Association Alumni Event
Friday, June 13
Bayfield

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Music or Studio Art
www.uwsp.edu/cofac/FineArtcamp
Wausau County Alumni Chapter Event Tuesday, June 24
Chain of Lakes cruise
Minneapolis Alumni Chapter Event
Thursday, July 9

July

Madison Alumni Chapter Event
Friday, July 10
Fromagination wine and cheese tasting
33rd Annual National Wellness Conference
June 11-13
www.nationalwellness.org

It’s Easy Being Green

At UWSP; A new course, Water 200 - Global Climate Change and Water Resources, taught by Katherine Clancy, discusses the effects of global warming on world water resources, climate change in the past millennium, case studies including Africa, India, North and South America, China and Japan, how availability of water has shaped culture, agriculture, and diet, and how past and present stressors to available water have been dealt with in different regions.

At home: Buy local organic foods. You will reduce energy used to transport the items to the store as well as reduce water pollution from agricultural chemicals.

Save the date!

Wilderness Resort Alumni Weekend Nov. 21-22, 2008

Homecoming Saturday, Oct. 10, 2009
Saturday, Oct. 9, 2010

Trivia April 17-19, 2009
April 16-18, 2010
April 8-10, 2011

Family Camping Weekend August 8-10
Central Wisconsin Environmental Station
www.uwsp.edu/cnr/bow

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August

Alpneon Alumni Chapter Event date TBD

Green Bay Alumni Chapter Event
Saturday, August 7
Teltowles Brewery social

September

Fall semester begins Saturday, September 2

October

Alumni Board Meeting Friday, Oct. 10
Dreyfus UC

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For the most up-to-date information on Alumni Association events, to make reservations or plan your own events, go to www.uwsp.edu/alumni call (715) 346-3811 or (877)704-6001 or e-mail alumni@uwsp.edu

Tickets for campus events, unless otherwise noted, are available through University Information and Tickets, www.uwsp.edu/cnr Ticketing, (715) 346-4100 or (800) 838-3378 or at the door if not sold out in advance.