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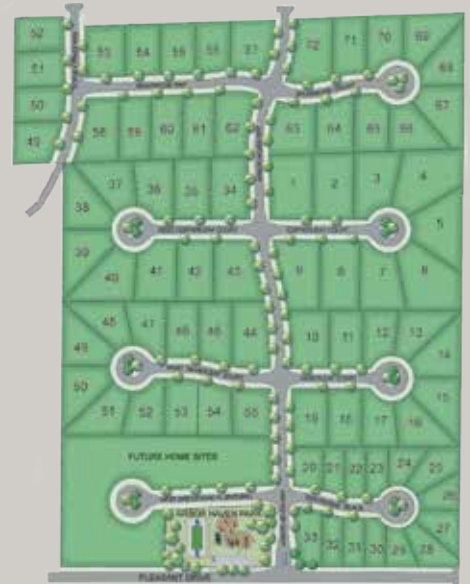


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I look forward to the future when we can look back at this entire pandemic situation and learn from our mistakes and see what steps were necessary and what step for prevention caused more harm than good. In the mean time I will be like most and just continue to move on with the support of family and friends. Our best wishes to everyone in our community from everyone here at the *Point & Plover Publication*.



This September issue of *Point & Plover Publication* will keep you up to date on local happenings. Read about a areal gathering that will have us all stepping to the music. Discover how an upcoming banquet will help support young families. While many area events have been canceled we have come up with a list of performances and activities to fill your fall season schedule.

Find out about the upcoming theater season and the performances that will have you standing up and cheering. Check out the status of the communities new Curling Center or read about the UWSP Natural History Museum and see what you have been missing. These stories and more are waiting for you inside the September 2020 monthly issue of the *Point & Plover Publication*.

If you know of a local resident or business that we should all learn about or, if you have an event or activity you want to share with everyone in the Stevens Point and Plover communities, please let us

know. The *Point & Plover Publication* is the local community's publication, and we all wish to know more about residents and neighbors and how special a place our communities are.

Last but not least, this magazine is possible because of the support of its many sponsors. Be sure to remember them, and show how much you appreciate their support of your local publication, by supporting them and their valued community businesses.

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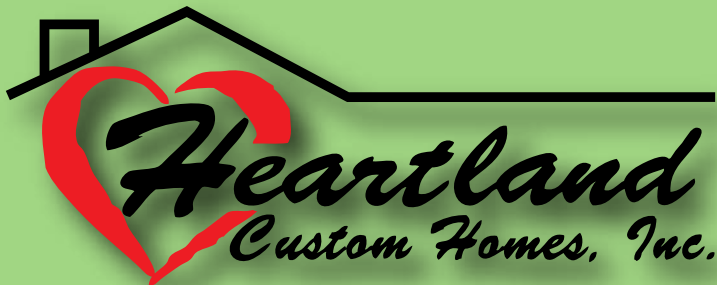
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## MID-STATE TECHNICAL COLLEGE UNIVERSITY TRANSFER DEGREES ELIGIBLE FOR GUARANTEED ADMISSION TO UW-MADISON

Thanks to a new agreement with UW-Madison, students earning Mid-State's Liberal Arts University Transfer associate degree under the College's partnership with Nicolet College are now eligible to participate in UW-Madison's guaranteed admission agreement.



"This new agreement is a testament to the increasing recognition of the rigor of our programs and the quality of our students," said Suzanne Rathe, Mid-State's dean of general education. "Being able to earn guaranteed admission to UW-Madison gives our Liberal Arts University Transfer program students access to even greater opportunity and security as they move forward in their education journey beyond Mid-State."

The agreement requires interested Liberal Arts, Associate of Arts (AA), or Liberal Arts, Associate of Science (AS), students to sign and submit a Declaration of Intent to Participate before completing 30 credits. The student can transfer after earning a minimum of 54 credits but must earn the AA or AS degree before transferring.

Other requirements include:

- Earn a 3.0 cumulative GPA and a minimum of 2.0 GPA at the term prior to transfer.
- Meet UW-Madison's minimum requirements for admission, which include two high school years or two college semesters of one world language.
- Meet UW-Madison's curricular requirements.
- Complete the Transfer Contract requirements within three academic years.

Students will still need to complete and submit an application for transfer admission to UW-Madison and should note in their essay that they are applying under Nicolet College's Guaranteed Admission Transfer Contract.

Mid-State's University Transfer Liberal Arts programs provide the first two years of a four-year degree. Courses are taught by highly qualified instructors who hold advanced degrees in their discipline and bring invaluable real-world experience to the classroom. Students enjoy seamless transfer to hundreds of colleges, including every University of Wisconsin four-year campus, whether the

student attends for one term or one year. Once admitted, the full associate degree is guaranteed to transfer in and satisfy all general education requirements, regardless of the individual courses taken.

Guaranteed admission is an added benefit offered by UW-Stevens Point, UW-Stout, UW-Platteville, UW-Superior, UW-Green Bay, Northland College and Northern Michigan University, and now UW-Madison.

Mid-State's University Transfer program includes a fully online option this fall.

## A THANK YOU FROM THE VICE PRESIDENT OF ASPIRUS STEVENS POINT HOSPITAL & CLINIC

To our amazing community: On behalf of everyone at Aspirus Stevens Point Hospital & Clinic, thank you for voting us best hospital in a recent Best of Portage County poll.

There is no greater honor than to be recognized by the community and patients we serve. Being voted best hospital is a reflection of our compassionate, skillful providers and staff. Thank you to all my teammates at Aspirus Stevens Point for everything they do to care for our community.



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Collaboration is one of our core values at Aspirus, and it has certainly been put to the test with the arrival of COVID-19. Aspirus is collaborating at local, state and federal levels to keep our patients and community safe throughout this pandemic. Locally, we have screening stations at all our entrances, require patients and visitors to wear face masks, enforce social distancing in all areas, offer tele-health options for patients who need care but are not comfortable with an in-person visit, provide 24/7/365 emergency care, and have implemented visitor guidelines to keep our patients, visitors and staff safe. We also have a drive-up COVID-19 testing site that is open to everyone with an appointment, regardless of where you usually receive medical care.

Many in health care have a special calling: To care for people in their time of need. To see our Aspirus team step up, volunteer, and dedicate themselves to finding ways to manage this pandemic has been inspiring. Patients come to us worried, hurt, and sometimes in crisis. We have the privilege to care for them and help them heal. It is a calling our Aspirus Stevens Point team has lived up to since joining this wonderful community in 2006.

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## STUDENTS “CLOSE TO GRADUATION” INVITED BACK TO COMPLETE UW-STEVENS POINT DEGREE

Jordan Kumm left the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point in 2016 just short of completing his bachelor’s degree, having found a job he enjoyed. He thought he might go back to school someday, but several circumstances pointed him toward his goal.

In March, the casino where he worked laid him off because of COVID-19. Unsure of what to do next, Kumm recalled a letter he received from his alma mater the previous fall.

Sally Cayan, a university enrollment outreach coordinator, sent letters to students from the past 10 years who had accumulated more than 100 credits but did not complete their degree. The “Close to Graduation” program offered them assistance in finishing their final requirements toward a bachelor’s degree.

“We wanted to remind them that they were close – and we were here to help,” she said.

“The letter struck a chord with me,” Kumm said. “I had time off and with all the uncertainty around my job, I had a chance to better myself. I quit smoking, and I went back to school.”



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This month, he earned his long-awaited bachelor's degree in political science. He was short nine credits, so Cayan forwarded his information to his adviser and graduation auditor. On review, they were able to reduce that to four credits. Over the summer, Kumm, Nekoosa, completed a three-credit biology class and a one-credit wellness class, all online, over six weeks.

Cayan became a great resource for him. "She made the process super easy for me, went to bat for me and made me feel welcome," he said.

Since the "Close to Graduation" program began, nine students graduated during the spring and three more graduated this summer. More students are set to take classes this fall, Cayan said.

The program is a team effort, with input from academic departments, advisers, office of the registrar, financial aid and admissions, she said.

"We do all we can to help them graduate," Cayan said.

"I'm really happy I made the decision to return to UW-Stevens Point," Kumm said. "Now I'm in a position to re-enter a competitive job market with the degree I need.

"Earning my diploma has given me a great sense of accomplishment," he added. "I hope to find a job I enjoy, that offers me security and a chance to do some good in the world."

"I'm so proud of Jordan," Cayan said. "It is so good to see him succeed. This outreach makes a difference."

For more information on returning to UW-Stevens Point to complete your degree, contact Cayan at (715) 346-2764.

## **HISTORIC MILL FEATURED IN GALLERY Q SHOW**

Gallery Q in Stevens Point will host "Inside Out," a show featuring Robert Rosen's photographs of the Rising Star Mill in Nelsonville, Wisconsin. The show opened on September 2nd and runs through October 29th.

Visitors will be treated to an expansive exhibition, covering some 70 feet of the gallery's wall space. Rosen announced that "There will be up to 28 large images, each 37 inches on the long side. Some images focus on the architecture, some on the mechanical components, some are what I call industrial still life, and some are just abstracts. Jim Walker, mill historian, has provided descriptions of several images that I will include alongside them." Rising Star Mill was built by Jerome Nelson in 1868 and run as a flouring mill until 1984.

More than creating simple photographs, Rosen uses an intensive process to select and produce images for final display. For this show, he created a presentation called "Genesis of an Image," which has six letter-size images showing his process.

Rosen is also a professional musician and describes his "experiences in photography [as] similar to my experiences in music improvisation. I enter a zone receptive to that place and time and operate in the moment. Every phase of the process from image capture, development, and printing are impacted by that state-of-mind."

Other original art by Gallery Q members and commission artists will be displayed during Rosen's show. All art is available for purchase.

Gallery Q is run by a cooperative of local and regional artists, accepted through a juried process. The gallery offers a range of fine art in painting, printmaking, photography, fabric, jewelry, clay, glass, furniture, lamps, and more - all handmade. The gallery is located at 1108 Main Street in downtown Stevens Point. Hours and additional information can be found online at: [www.qartistscooperative.com](http://www.qartistscooperative.com).



## **MID-STATE FOUNDATION SAND VALLEY GOLF OUTING RAISES NEARLY \$5,000**

Golfers in the community again tested their skills on one of the area's most sought-after courses during the third annual Mid-State Sand Valley Golf Outing on Aug. 5. Thirty-five golfers on seven teams competed for a good cause on the 17-hole par-3 Sandbox course, raising close to \$5,000 in proceeds to help fund Foundation scholarships, grants and emergency funding for students through the school year.

Tying for first place in the competition were the Solarus and ERCO teams. Both shot 41 on the par-51 course, requiring one step of Sand Valley's tie-breaking rules to determine team ERCO the winner. Other winners at the event included Josh Dhein, from Team ERCO hitting a hole-in-one on 15, along with the many sponsors and volunteers who generously gave of their resources and time to support students.

“Due to the uncertain times we are all facing with the COVID pandemic, we were extremely excited to be able to continue the tradition of playing such an amazing course to benefit students with scholarships and grants,” said Jill Steckbauer, director of Mid-State’s Foundation & Alumni. “It was a fun and relaxing day for players and volunteers alike, all for a good cause, and the views of the courses were incredible,” she said.

For more information about Mid-State’s Foundation & Alumni and its efforts to help students reach their educational goals, visit: [mstc.edu/foundation](http://mstc.edu/foundation).

## REMODEL TO CREATE UW-STEVENSONS POINT WELCOME CENTER

Work on a new Welcome Center at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point has begun in partnership with the UWSP Foundation.

The former Newman Center at the corner of Reserve Street and Fourth Avenue on campus was acquired and will be remodeled through the UWSP Foundation and support of several individuals and businesses. Ellis Construction is the design-build contractor.

The building will be used by the Admissions and Recruitment Office to welcome visitors, especially prospective students and their families.

“Campus visits remain a crucial component of the college search process for prospective students and parents,” said Marc Young, director of Admissions and Recruitment. “A Welcome Center in the heart of campus will give our visitors a great first impression of Pointer culture and help create a memorable experience as they explore academic facilities, residential living and student activities.”

University Facility Services staff created initial floorplans, with interior design input from three Interior Architecture student interns.

“Their design was inspired by the theme ‘Cutting Edge, Sophisticated, Inviting, Energetic,’” said Peter Crawford, UWSP Foundation president and project manager. “The design work is impressive and certainly highlights the opportunity and quality typical of programs at UW-Stevens Point.”



A number of technology features will also assist Admissions employees, Crawford said. The reception area includes an interactive screen, and five meeting rooms with communication connectivity will accommodate visitors from a family to a large tour group. “We worked together to best support the admissions team, and also give them new tools to grow enrollment at UW-Stevens Point.”

With enrollment up at all three UW-Stevens Point campuses, excitement is building for the start of the fall semester, said Chancellor Bernie Patterson. “There has never been a more important time for a new generation of leaders to earn their degrees, graduate and help solve the world’s challenges.”

Plans for a fall opening will be announced as the project progresses, said Crawford.

The UW-Stevens Point Foundation, Inc. is the primary fundraising and gift-receiving organization for UW-Stevens Point. The Foundation is the university’s development and financial partner.

## BUSINESS COUNCIL HONORS BUSINESSES AND INDUSTRY LEADERS

One Portage County business, one nonprofit organization, one teacher and one young professional in the county’s business community were singled out for honors at the Portage County Business Council’s Creative Excellence Awards Breakfast held at the Holiday Inn Hotel & Convention Center earlier this summer.

The Entrepreneur of the Year Award was presented to Feltz’s Dairy Store, owners Ken and Jackie Feltz was selected from several nominees based on their:

- Growth and financial stability
- Dedication to customer service and community needs
- Personal commitment
- Innovative efforts to identify a market niche.

In 2017, Ken and Jackie Feltz along with their children Taryn, Jake and Jared opened Feltz’s Dairy Store to the public. The store, located at 5796 Porter Drive in Stevens Point offers many dairy products, agricultural items, meats, pizzas and local specialty goods. The store features viewing windows of their robotic milking barn, family-friendly attractions such as a 10-acre corn maze, a pumpkin patch, and petting zoo.

The Portage County Charitable Community Award was presented to the Boys & Girls Club of Portage County. Since opening their doors in 2002, they have served an estimated 5,000 families, 10,000 youth, and served more than 70,000 meals to children in Portage County. They also offer free dental services through The Delta Dental Smile Club and more than 20 structured programs such as CareerLaunch, Health Habits, Triple Play and PowerHour.

The Golden Apple for Excellence in Education Award was presented to Megan Boldig, a life sciences teacher at Rosholt Schools. Megan has coached volleyball and basketball, served as student council advisor, advisor to the Portage County High School Leadership program, and advisor to Safe Schools Ambassadors. She was instrumental in the creation of a school store for Rosholt, helped resurrect the winter formal, and organized the first ever "Haunted Hustle" 5k fundraiser. Megan attends her students' activities, sporting events, and they seek her out for conversation and advice as their trusted role model.

The Ignite Young Professional of the Year Award was presented to Jeanna Trzebiatowski. Jeanna is self-employed as the Owner/Operator of two businesses since 2017 - the Central Wisconsin American Poolplayers Association, and Simply Stitches where she crafts and creates keepsakes, quilts, memory quilts, bed quilts and more. Jeanna serves on the Ignite Board, Chairperson of the Community Committee, Green Circle Trail clean up, Village of Whiting Public Works and Parks Committee, Tree Board, member of the Star Point Quilt Guild and plays in softball and volleyball leagues to support local businesses.

Representative Katrina Shankland and Senator Patrick Testin were in attendance to hand out State of Wisconsin proclamations to the award recipients.

Deborah Adams, owner of The Wellness Spa was the guest speaker for the event. Her presentation was entitled "Business Warriors".

The corporate sponsors of the event included Anderson O'Brien, Buzza Drier & Johnson LLC, CliftonLarsonAllen, Community First Bank, Herrschners, and Regnier Consulting Group. The hand sanitizer sponsor of the event was K-tech Building Maintenance.

The media sponsor of the event was NRG Media and Aleese Fielder from NRG Media acted as Master of Ceremonies of the event.

## **MID-STATE TECHNICAL COLLEGE ANNOUNCES PLAN FOR ADVANCED MANUFACTURING, ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY, AND APPRENTICESHIP CENTER IN STEVENS POINT**

Stevens Point could soon be a hub for hands-on training in advanced manufacturing, engineering technology, and apprenticeship thanks to a new cutting-edge training center Mid-State Technical College has planned for the Stevens Point Industrial Park just off I-39.

Local community members, business partners and state representatives learned more about the project at last Wednesday's capital campaign launch, as they celebrated a generous donation of nine acres of land for the planned facility from Wayne Bushman of Bushman Electric Crane Systems. Bushman's donation, on behalf of Sunrise Pointe Ventures, LLC, also includes renovation of an existing parcel and building formerly occupied by Joerns Healthcare for the future home of area manufacturer Gamber-Johnson.

"Mid-State has been an asset in training highly skilled employees for over 100 years," Bushman said. "When I learned of the need and the idea of the expansion to bring programming to the Stevens Point area to better serve the district, I wanted to take action to get it done. I'm hoping me doing my part will inspire others in the community and central Wisconsin to make a difference as well."

The Advanced Manufacturing, Engineering Technology, and Apprenticeship Center will expand Mid-State's educational programming in the skilled manufacturing and engineering trades and train over 400 students annually at the center alone when fully operational. This 175-percent increase in training capacity is designed to infuse central



Wisconsin with highly skilled workers and sustain and grow area businesses to meet Wisconsin's critical advanced manufacturing, engineering technology, and apprenticeship workforce needs. By 2026, the annual local student economic impact is anticipated to exceed \$1.8M in lodging, meals and gas, with another \$1.5M estimated in skilled salaries made possible by this local training. This estimated \$3.3M annual impact will positively affect the region's economy.

"This is something that is going to benefit every single person in central Wisconsin and beyond for generations to come," said Stevens Point Mayor Mike Wiza. "It makes me so proud to be a part of this community."

Mid-State President Dr. Shelly Mondeik spoke to the continued need for the center in a post-pandemic world, including a Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation projection that 79 percent of manufacturers in the state expect to be back to normal operations within 12 months. "With that being the case, this center needs to be ready for them," she said.

In addition to the land donation by Bushman, a number of businesses in central Wisconsin have already come forward with financial contributions for the Advanced Manufacturing, Engineering Technology, and Apprenticeship Center project, including Gamber-Johnson, Hastreiter Industries and Skyward. Investors Community Bank and Heartland Farms, Inc., joined the capital campaign, each presenting \$100,000 checks at the launch event. In addition to Bushman, Joe Kinsella of Pointe Precision and Scott Groholski of Point of Beginning share in the capital campaign leadership.



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# JAZZY MUSICAL TALENT

Article by Hope Hahn - Photography Provided

Do you love live music and a picturesque setting? If so, you will not want to miss Central Wisconsin's largest festival, as it returns to the Stevens Point Area this fall. Mark your calendars for September 5th and 6th, bring your dancing shoes, and get ready to enjoy some Jazzy Classics at the Pfiffner Pioneer Park.



The Riverfront Jazz Festival began taking place on Labor Day Weekend in 2004. The non-profit raises funds for the UWSP Student Jazz Musicians Scholarships. It was originally named the Stevens Point Jazz Festival; the goal was to promote local jazz musicians, nationally renowned artists, tourism, and provide a family-friendly environment. In 2004, the event had an attendance of almost 2,000 people for the one-day event. Then in 2005, the event was expanded into a two-day event, and the attendance was over 3,000 people each day; that made it the largest Jazz Festival in Central Wisconsin in just two years. Today, it continues to grow with an estimated number of 5,000 festival goers each Labor Day Weekend.

The mission and primary goals of the festival are to:

Promote local musical talent as well as feature internationally renowned headliners annually.

Bring people together in Central Wisconsin to enjoy high quality music along with diverse cuisine for a wonderful experience in an outdoor setting.

Establish funds for the UWSP Jazz Program.

This year, The 2020 Riverfront Jazz Festival will feature: The Buchman-Robinson Quintet and The Donny McCaslin Trio on Saturday September 5th and on Sunday September 6th Sullivan Fortner; for both days, other artists have yet to be determined. Another great thing about the event is you don't have to worry about leaving the park to find something to eat because vendors will be available on site to serve you with a variety of cuisine options, including: Indian dinners and BBQ beef tenderloin from Michele's Restaurant and Catering. Parmesan herb popcorn, gourmet cookies, coffee, water, and canned soda are also available for purchase.

Even with all of the good Jazz music, food, and time with friends and family we must remember to thank the sponsors who helped make this event possible; sponsoring this year's event are the following organizations and individuals:

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If you still aren't convinced the Riverfront Jazz Festival is something you and your family would enjoy, here are five things to know about the event:

1. The Riverfront Jazz Festival is a completely FREE, family-friendly event - Thanks to area businesses and individual sponsors the general admission is covered!
2. Check out the live music line-up, to plan your visit. Visit the website to view the live music line-up, and don't forget to bring chairs and blankets. Set up, sit back, and relax and enjoy the show.
3. The event welcomes more than 5,000 music-lovers to the shores of the Wisconsin River for the weekend, in addition to promoting the involvement, advancement, and enjoyment of jazz-based music in the community!
4. The festival will be celebrating its 17th year in 2020, and has grown each year since it first started. It was created to promote local talent, bring the community together, and to raise funds for the UWSP Jazz Music Department.
5. Come hungry! There are several food options available at the event, including: Indian food, and gourmet food from Michele's Restaurant and Catering.



With all of the great involvement, promotion, and activities that draw people in every year there is no question about the festivals increasing success.

The Riverfront Jazz Festival is an event all ages will love to attend. The Jazzy music will have you tapping your toes and moving your feet to the slow but steady beat, so put on your dancing shoes, grab a partner or two, and head on over to The Pfiffner Pioneer Park on Labor Day Weekend to listen to some tunes!

Your generous support and participation is greatly appreciated; if you are interested in making a monetary donation to the Riverfront Jazz Festival;

Please visit: <https://createportagecounty.networkforgood.com/projects/59546-riverfront-jazz-festival> to contribute.

Come and enjoy the food and the festivities, while listening to the lighthearted stylings of many different Jazz Artists. The performers, vendors, and event staff look forward to being together with the community at this year's event.

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# Banquet of Life

Article by Katie Schimke - Photography Provided

First Choice Pregnancy Center is a beacon of hope for many during some of the best and most difficult times in their lives. First Choice Pregnancy Center is a non-profit organization that helps with provide free resources, education, and material supplies to many Central Wisconsin community members. Some of their free and helpful services include pregnancy testing, ultrasound, options information, pregnancy and parenting classes, miscarriage and post abortive recovery programs, and sexual health and risk avoidance education and information. First Choice Pregnancy Center is always at the ready to help anyone who may need it with just about every possible tool and facet of knowledge that they can offer.

Every fall, First Choice Pregnancy Center holds an annual event, Banquet of Life, to help raise awareness and money to support the local community members all year. However, this year the event will look a little different due to the ongoing health crisis. In an effort to keep some normalcy in a very not normal world, First Choice is managing to offer both an in person and virtual attendance option. The in-person option will be held October 1st at Bullseye Country Club in Wisconsin Rapids. Doors will open at six in the evening, the program to follow includes dinner and a presentation by clients and guest speakers to showcase everything First Choice stands for and believes in. This year, clients will offer stories of hope and guest speaker, Kailee Perrin will bring a transformative story of how a pregnancy help center played a large role for her to find her faith, overcome addiction, and choose life for her baby. Throughout the night, First Choice hopes to raise \$30,000. To attend the in-person event, it will cost \$45 for an individual, \$80 for a couple, or \$350 for a table of eight.

The virtual event will be held one week later on October 8th. This option will include an online presentation of the in-person event. Guests can enjoy a similar, but shorter, program which details First Choice's operations in the past year. Attendees, though virtual, are still encouraged to donate and give back.

This year's Banquet theme is Stand by Me, embodying the ministry aspect of First Choice Pregnancy Center as they have the unique opportunity to stand with their clients during the most vulnerable moments. However, as the year develops the theme has taken a bit of a new twist." Stand by me... but not too close," to commemorate the craziness of 2020.

Community members are encouraged to participate at the Banquet of Life in any way that they can. If one chooses to attend, they will learn just how much First Choice impacts community members. Individual's, businesses, and organizations can underwrite the event by providing a financial gift to cover the hosting costs, where they purchase a table for \$350 to seat eight people.

The Banquet of Life is only one of two large events that First Choice puts on each year to raise a large portion of the operating budget. On Mother's Day Weekend you can join community members and First Choice at a 6k Walk for Life. Participants help raise money and then enjoy a walk around Lake Wazeecha in Wisconsin rapids. It's a wonderful way to help the entire family raise money for a great cause and enjoy the beautiful nature we live in.

Whichever event you choose to attend, you are guaranteed to learn about a great local organization and the community members that you may know who have grown in hope from the amazing works of First Choice!



# The Shows Will Go On

Article by Catherine Jozwik - Photograph Provided

The COVID-19 pandemic has brought about many societal changes over the last five months, perhaps most notably in the arts and entertainment industry. While many independent Wisconsin theaters and performing arts venues have closed their doors, either temporarily or permanently, others, such as the Arts Council of Wood County, have decided to weather the storm and forge ahead—with numerous safety and social distancing policies and precautions in place.

“All the performances were already contracted for the 2020/2021 season, so now it was a waiting game,” said Sally Kissner, executive director of the Arts Council, which is located in Wisconsin Rapids. “Do we solicit sponsors, donors, and advertisers, not knowing whether we could proceed with the season? We had already paid most of the deposits to guarantee these performances.”

As the months went by, the Arts Council spent lots of time weighing its options for the upcoming season. “We spent countless hours mapping out various scenarios—full season; half season; no season,” Kissner noted. The Arts Council finalized its decision in June.

“After careful consideration, the Board of Directors opted to move forward with a full season, minus the first performance, which was to include a student outreach that would likely not happen, based on input from our superintendent of public schools. That performance was moved to Fall 2021,” said Kissner.

Finding itself three months behind on marketing and fundraising efforts, the Arts Council had another challenge to face. “In addition, we had to look at new ways to approach entertainment while keeping public safety at the forefront,” Kissner added.

Patron, staff, performer and volunteer safety is paramount for the Arts Council, which has implemented health and safety precautions consistent with state and federal guidelines. Precautions include hand sanitizing stations, advanced ticket sales only due to box office closure, possible elimination of intermissions, the adjusting of HVAC controls to increase airflow, a mask requirement for all, and “one-way” restrooms with separate entrances and exits. Also, water bottles will be allowed in the theater. “We will do what is necessary to give our patrons an opportunity to experience pure enjoyment while staying healthy,” said Kissner.

Although 70% of Arts Council revenue comes from ticket sales, Kissner remains hopeful that the organization will recover from its financial setbacks. “We realize the numbers will be down this year, but we hope as time progresses that patrons will become more confident in attending. The arts are often a source of comfort when the world feels uncertain and overwhelming. With all that has happened these past few months, we’d like to make THIS the season to savor the arts, the excitement, the experience, (and) our community.”

The Arts Council director said the organization is “deeply touched” by the flood of support by community residents and businesses during these past stressful months. “We would like to thank everyone who has contributed to our mission, not just this year, but over the 44 years we have been in existence,” she said.

The Arts Council performance schedule is subject to change. “Please know that we may be forced to cancel a performance, possibly on short notice,” Kissner said. “Rest assured that anyone who purchased a ticket to one of those performances will be treated fairly and given an opportunity to choose from among several options. Think of it as ‘ticket insurance’ without paying a premium.”

## The 2020-2021 Season Includes:

**Country vocalist Lorrie Morgan at 7:30 p.m. October 15th.** One of the most eloquently emotive country vocalists of modern times, Lorrie Morgan is the first woman in her genre with three consecutive Platinum albums. She made her debut on the Grand Ole Opry stage at age 13. Her biggest hits include “Paper Roses,” “Slow,” “The Sad Café,” “Strange,” and “How Does It Feel.”



## The Hit Men 7:30 p.m. November 13th.

Classic rock’s unique Supergroup of legendary side men, are the 2019 recipients of Nashville’s Musicians Hall of Fame and Museum (TM) first-ever Road Warriors Award, given to them to honor “their years of dedication to the music, and the countless miles... that they have traveled in delivering so many hits throughout the world.” These five brilliant musicians recorded and/or toured with Paul McCartney, Elton John, Frankie Vallie, Foreigner, and more! They have appeared on 85 albums, many of them Gold and Platinum. In their spectacular multi-media show, The Hit Men not only play the classic rock hits they helped rocket to the top of the Billboard charts, they also share fascinating insider back stories about their days on the road and in recording studios with rock royalty.



**Christmas with the Nelsons 7:30 p.m. December 10th.**

This heart-warming multi-media live concert experience stars the third generation of #1 Nelson Family hitmakers, Matthew and Gunnar Nelson. A genuine blend of Everly Brothers-style harmonies and Smothers Brothers-style comedy, multi-platinum recording artists Matthew and Gunnar have been thrilling sellout audiences worldwide for the past decade with their high-integrity Ricky Nelson Remembered show...and they've got a new gift for you to open.



**"The Greatest Love of All" 7:30 p.m. January 28th.**

A show to honor the talent, music, and memory of Whitney Houston. Featuring the breathtaking vocals of Belinda Davids, accompanied by a fabulous 6-piece live band and dancers, this is a beautifully crafted tribute to one of the world's most revered singers.



**Brazilian group B2wins 7:30 p.m. February 11th.**

These twin brothers' mission says it all: "We came from a reality in which some days it was hard to smile. Our desire is to positively impact the world and bring a smile to everyone we encounter." From the violet slums of Brazil, B2wins broke the mold of society by using music as a movement to bring about positive change. That force has defeated violence, poverty, depression, and cancer. Now they are on a mission to make the world smile!



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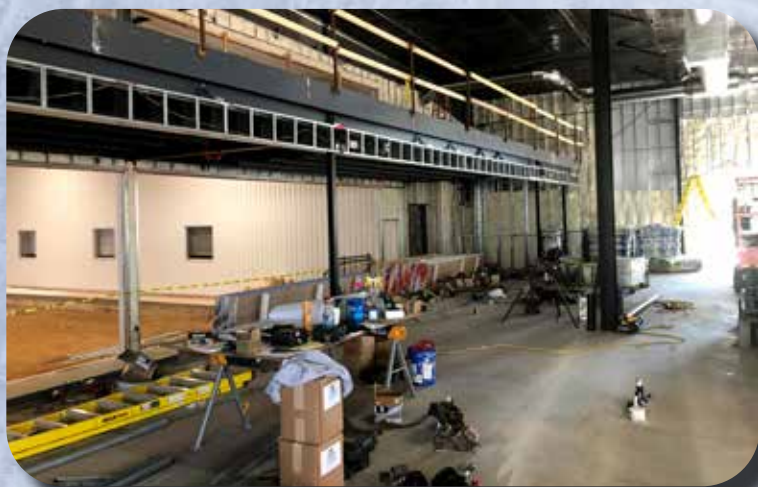
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# Sliding into a New Location

Article by Catherine Jozwik - Photography Provided by Doug Anderson

Thanks to loans and donations from members and the Sentry Foundation, along with rent-free land offered by the Village of Plover, the Stevens Point Curling Club will open the Sentry Curling Center, a 20,000-square-foot facility, in October.

Located on Interstate 39 near Lake Pacawa Park and the Korean War Memorial, the new wheelchair-accessible facility will include four curling ice sheets, a tiered viewing area for spectators, and a professional-grade kitchen and lounge area, complete with a fireplace, sofas, and tables. According to the Stevens Point Curling Club website, <https://pointcurling.org/index.php>, the expanded facility will enable the club to host tournaments, known as bonspiels, and a larger number of school groups, seniors, and people with disabilities. The center will also help bring revenue to Portage County.



Despite the COVID-19 pandemic, construction of the center, which broke ground in mid-April, has been right on schedule, said Curling Club president Doug Anderson, who has been practicing the sport since 1997. "The construction has gone very well," he noted. "It's really an impressive building. What's unique about this club is that we'll have the upstairs viewing (area)."

Curling, a sport in which players slide stones along sheets of ice, is similar to shuffleboard, bowls and boules (bocce ball-like sports), according to [www.wikipedia.com](http://www.wikipedia.com). Curling has a long history, originating over 600 years ago in Scotland. Canada is home to the largest number of curling participants today, although Wisconsin boasts 25 curling clubs across the state in cities including Milwaukee and Portage.

The Milwaukee Curling Club, which was founded in 1845 by Scots immigrants including prominent politician and financier Alexander Mitchell, is the oldest curling club in the state and the longest-operating curling club in the nation. According to Anderson, Wisconsin experienced a "big curling boom" in the middle of the 20th century.



Stevens Point has been a curling hotspot for more than 60 years. In 1956, Howard Woodside, an attorney and member of the Stevens Point Country Club, and curling enthusiast Ed Stratton formed the Stevens Point Curling Club. With the help of a \$20,000 bank loan, the club's original small facility was built at its present site of 1628 Country Club Drive in 1959. Nowadays, the Curling Club consists of around 200 members and offers men's and women's leagues, as well as a Kid's Curl program teaching curling basics to youngsters ages 6 through 10. Founded in 1958, the United States Curling Association is headquartered at 5525 Clem's Way.

These days, curling takes place year-round in indoor facilities, although Wisconsin's cold seasonal temperatures and numerous lakes and ponds make it an ideal winter activity. "The sport of curling makes winter go by very quickly in Wisconsin," Anderson said.



The Curling Club is currently following social distancing measures, such as curling in smaller groups. The club will host an opening celebration in October with a date to be determined, albeit smaller than originally planned. "We won't open with a bang, like we hoped," said Anderson.



He feels that part of the appeal of curling is that it's a sport open to all ages, from children to octogenarians, and abilities. "Curling is a lifelong sport," he added. "My dad is 89 and is still curling."

Although Stevens Point Curling Club members donated nearly \$800,000 towards the building of the new facility, Anderson said the pandemic has made community fundraising for the center somewhat difficult, forcing the club to take out loans and raise member dues.

"This put a crimp in our plans to be debt-free," he added. "Any help from the community to eliminate borrowing would be welcome. One of our goals was to keep (curling) affordable and accessible to the public."



To donate to the Stevens Point Curling Club, visit : <https://pointcurling.org/index.php>.

For events and other updates, visit the club's Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/StevensPointCurlingClub/>.

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# A Story About History

Article by Hope Hahn - Photograph Provided

Story telling is an important part of history and daily living. The stories we are told, tell us where we came from or how historical buildings are established; however, all stories are not the same. Some stories are well-known and created based on U.S History, while others take generations of students and over 124 years to develop. Nevertheless, this is no ordinary history lesson, by any means; this is the tale of The Museum of Natural History at UWSP: its mission, background, and virtual story time activities.

Now...Let's begin the story...

The Museum of Natural History is an integral resource within The College of Letters and Science at The University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point. It houses ethnographic and natural science research collections that reflect the diversity in nature and among human cultures. The mission of the museum is to:

Ensure the professional curation of the Museum's collections and foster their growth.

Facilitate access to these resources for research.

Aid in the dissemination of scientific and ethnographic information.

Encourage the integration of Museum resources in UWSP student instruction and research.

Provide for exhibition of the Museum's collections.

Serve as a teaching and learning resource for schools and the regional public community.

The earliest mention of a museum at UWSP goes back to the founding of the campus and the construction of the Normal School Old Main Building in 1894. By 1898, mounted bird and study skin collections, formerly housed in the Assembly Room, were relocated to the third floor "Biology Laboratory" and were combined with biologic and other natural history specimens. By 1903, a formal museum existed in Old Main. The museum was divided into three main disciplines: "Biological, Geological, and Historical." The majority of the biological specimens were obtained from the Smithsonian Institution and Woods Hole, Massachusetts.

The current version of the Museum of Natural History was founded in 1968, with the purpose of displaying portions of the research and teaching collections held by UW-Stevens Point and to acquire specimens related to Geology, Biology, and Anthropology.

The initial museum exhibit space and collections were located in the Science Building and overseen by Bob Searles. Later that same year, members of the Biology Department formalized the Museum of Natural History under the sponsorships of a steering committee from various departments. The committee consisted of: Charles Long (Mammalogy), Robert Freckmann (Botany), George Becker (Ichthyology), Phil Bjork (Paleontology), Vince Heig (Ornithology), Garry Knopf (Herpetology), John Moore (Anthropology), and Marshall Parry (Geology).

To date, the museum currently holds collections associated with eleven areas of natural history including:

1. Anthropology (Ethnological, Material Culture collections)
2. Archaeology (Prehistoric archaeologically recovered and donated materials. Our collections consist mainly of prehistoric Native American artifacts recovered from central Wisconsin).
3. Botany (Herbarium)
4. Entomology (Insect and Arachnid collections).
5. Geology (Mineral, and Rock collections).
6. Herpetology (Amphibians and Reptiles).



7. Ichthyology (Fish and Tissue collection).
8. Mammalogy (Osteological, Full-mount and Study Skin collections).
9. Ornithology (Full-mount, Study Skin, Egg and Nest collections).
10. Parasitology (Slide collection).
11. Paleontology (Plant, Vertebrate and Invertebrate fossils).

The museum is now divided into curator supervised areas based on scientific discipline. Each curator administers a specific collection. Acquisition, cataloguing, preservation, and conservation are the responsibility of the individual curators.

The principal foci of the UWSP Museum collecting efforts are the Upper Great Lakes and the adjacent Great Plains. In order to study these relationships properly, and offer great research coverage, some collections have global coverage. Extensive teaching collections are also maintained by the museum and the individual disciplines with total curated specimens exceeding 420,000.

Even though the history is complete, this story is not finished. There are more exciting activities to discover, but sadly due to COVID-19 a majority of them have been cancelled. In spite of this, all hope is not lost; there is still an opportunity for parents and children to join the staff of the UW-Stevens Point Museum of Natural History for a Virtual Story Time Reading. Parents and children can join in on Virtual Story Time as nature or wild life themed books are read. The kids will also participate in crafts and activities that are related to the theme of the week. Story times are geared towards ages 2-5, but everyone is welcome to join in.



You can access and watch Virtual Storytime by visiting:  
<https://www.facebook.com/watch/uwspmuseum/689241521885321/>.

If you have any questions about story time, please contact:  
[museum@uwsp.edu](mailto:museum@uwsp.edu) with your questions.

To learn more about The Museum of Natural History and the programs they offer, please visit the website at:  
<https://www.uwsp.edu/cols-ap/museum/Pages/default.aspx>

As this story comes to a close, I hope you learned a few things about The Museum of Natural History and the foundation it currently stands on. Building a solid foundation is an essential part of creating a legacy and history that students, staff, alumni, and the general public will remember forever. However, keeping the story-telling alive through future generations is significant, especially when times are tough. During these trying times, it is important to involve kids in activities, such as virtual story time, which gives them an opportunity to reach their full potential through continuous learning and growing. If you are interested in learning about different scientific disciplines, the diversity in nature and among human cultures, paying a visit to the museum is a valuable experience for all ages to enjoy.



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# Continuing to Protect Your Children During COVID-19

Article by Dr. Amy Falk, MD, Board Certified Pediatrician

The summer has flown by, and many families are trying to navigate this new back-to-school landscape. While COVID-19 has changed nearly every facet of our lives, it has certainly taken a toll on vaccination rates nationally and locally. Now's the time to be sure your child is up to date on vaccinations, as many children have fallen behind.

Vaccines are an easy and effective way to prevent many potentially fatal diseases in babies, children and adults. The vaccine schedule, agreed upon by many international health organizations, serves to protect children from diseases at the times they are most vulnerable. As one example, the measles vaccination (in the "MMR" vaccine) is estimated to have saved 17.1 million lives worldwide and prevented millions more infections from 2000 to 2015, according to the World Health Organization.

Unfortunately, as families have remained "Safer at Home," many children have fallen behind on immunizations due to missing routine medical appointments. This is especially true for infants and children under 2 years of age.

During this pandemic, many experts warn that by missing well-child care and vaccinations, we may be facing yet another pandemic of vaccine-preventable diseases such as whooping cough (pertussis) and measles. If we do not ensure that all eligible children receive vaccinations on time, there will be gaps in our "community immunity," and outbreaks of disease can occur. That would be the last thing our families need to face.

As we approach the fall months, please be sure to take your child to get the influenza vaccination. Children over 6 months are able to get the flu vaccine, and this will help their immune systems learn to fight the flu before they face infection from it. This can help lessen severity of the disease, prevent hospitalization and death from influenza, or prevent them from developing symptoms at all. COVID-19 infection rates will likely increase in the fall and winter months, coinciding with the usual influenza season. Infections with both viruses have been reported and were more severe than with

just one alone. Protecting your child against influenza can ensure you are doing all you can to keep them as healthy as possible this fall and winter.

Clinics and hospitals have taken many safety precautions to keep you and your family safe during visits. So please remember to schedule well-child exams and immunization visits. It's an easy way to be sure your child is growing and developing appropriately, check in on any medical issues, and get him/her up to date on vaccines. Please call your nearest Aspirus clinic for an appointment today. We are excited to see you again!

To view the CDC's recommended vaccination schedule for babies, children, teens and adults, please visit: [aspirus.org/healthy-living](https://www.aspirus.org/healthy-living). Click on the immunization tab.

To listen to a podcast by Aspirus pediatrician Dr. James Black, MD, please visit: [aspirus.org/podcasts](https://www.aspirus.org/podcasts).

Other excellent resources for information on childhood vaccination include:

Healthy Children (from the American Academy of Pediatrics) immunization information resources: <https://www.healthychildren.org/english/safety-prevention/immunizations/Pages/default.aspx>.

Vaccine Education Center from the Children's Hospital of Philadelphia <https://www.chop.edu/centers-programs/vaccine-education-center>.



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# Upcoming Fall Events

Article by Catherine Jozwik

Over the last several months, many events have been cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. However, a number of fall events, many of them free, with social distancing measures in place, will give Stevens Point area residents a chance to reconnect with friends and neighbors. Take an online fitness class, visit an art exhibit, and enjoy a home-cooked meal on a local farm. All information is subject to change, so it's a good idea to call or email the venue ahead of time to see if the event will still take place.

## -Panacea

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Where: Pacelli High School, 1301 Maria Drive, Stevens Point

Support Pacelli Catholic Schools at this free fund raising event, presented by Pacelli High School.



## -Golden Sands Home Builders Association Parade of Homes

When: September 11 through 14, 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Friday and Monday; 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday

Where: Neighborhoods throughout the Stevens Point area. Visit <https://gshba.org/parade-of-homes> for updates.

View the area's luxury homes, in a variety of architectural styles and equipped with the latest technology, at the Golden Sands Parade of Homes. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for ages 16 and under, with infants receiving free admission.

## -Rivers Edge Fitness Competition & Yard Games Weekend

When: 12 a.m. to 11:30 p.m. September 12

Where: Rivers Edge Campground, 3266 Campsite Drive, Stevens Point

Participate in yard games and help raise money for the Portage County Boys and Girls Club. Visit <https://www.facebook.com/events/460959368130499/> for more information.

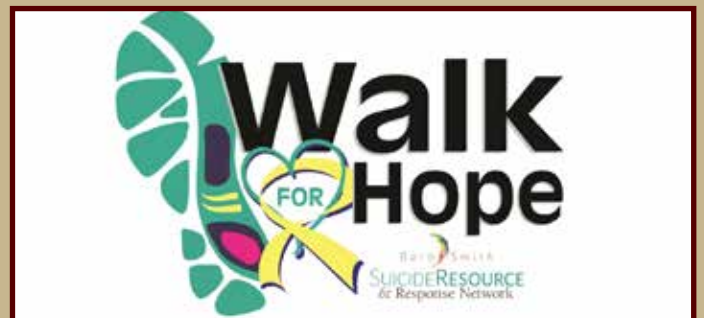


## -Walk for Hope (Virtual)

When: 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., September 12, 2020

Where: Stevens Point area neighborhoods

Now in its 14th year, Walk for Hope presented by Suicide Prevention and Mental Health Awareness Coalition of Portage County, aims to raise suicide and mental health awareness. In light of the COVID-19 pandemic, the event will be held virtually with participants encouraged to join friends and neighbors on walks throughout their neighborhoods. The registration fee is \$20. Call Michelle Nelson at 715-346-5645, or email [Michelle.nelson@ascension.org](mailto:Michelle.nelson@ascension.org) for more information.



## -Beginner Mosaic Plant Pot Class

When: 10 a.m. September 12

Where: Judah Studios, 9489 1st St., Nelsonville

Learn the art of mosaic making and make an attractive plant pot at Judah Studios. The class will be held outdoors on the Alchemy Decorative Concrete Patio. For prices and to register, call 715-347-4544. For more information about Judah Studios, visit <https://judahstudios.com/events/>.



## -The 2nd Annual Bloody Mary Competition and the Jerry Schmitt Band at Bullheads

When: 6 to 10 p.m. September 12

Where: Bullheads Bar & Grill, 3368 Campsite Drive

Watch as mixologists compete to make the best Bloody Mary, and sit back and enjoy an outdoor performance by the Jerry Schmitt Band.



## -Wisconsin/Nicaragua Packing Day

When: September 17 and October 15, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Where: Wisconsin Nicaragua Partners Warehouse, 2139 North Second Drive, Stevens Point

On the third Thursday of each month, volunteers receive, sort, and pack donations such as sewing machines, educational materials, and sporting equipment to help needy Nicaraguans. The event will include a potluck lunch hour. Snacks are always appreciated.

## -Black, White & In Between Exhibit

When: September 11 through October 18 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. An opening night reception will be held 5 to 7 p.m. Friday, September 11.

Where: Annette & Dale Schuh Riverfront Arts Center, 1200 Crosby Avenue, Stevens Point

This free art exhibit, curated by the gallery committee, will feature diverse works in artists in black, white and gray, in media including fiber, photography, glass, sculpture, paintings and drawings. For updates and more information, visit: <https://stevenspoint.com/170/Riverfront-Arts-Center>.



## -Sunday Brunch on the Farm

When: Sundays through October 25, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Where: Lonely Oak Farm, 11946 County Rd S., Milladore

Enjoy a healthy and tasty Sunday brunch on a picturesque farm. The menu will include carrot cake pancakes with a maple cream cheese sauce, cheddar bacon and broccoli cheddar quiche, and chicken vegetable soup. No reservations are necessary. The children's playhouse will be closed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Visit: <https://www.facebook.com/LonelyOakFarmLLC/> for updates.

## -Free Tai Chi

When: Tuesdays 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. through December 29

Where: The Wellness Spa, 3916 Water Street, Stevens Point

Taught by Deborah Adams, this 60-minute class for ages 10 and up is based on Chinese martial arts. According to experts, practicing tai chi will help you reduce stress, anxiety and depression, boost your immune system, and lower blood pressure, as well as offer additional health benefits. For more information, visit <http://www.wellnesssparesort.com/>.



## -Arthritis Foundation Live Exercise Classes (Virtual)

When: Tuesdays from 10 to 11 a.m. through December 29

Get in shape and reduce joint pain within the comfort of your living room with these free online classes presented by the ADRC of Portage County at Lincoln Center. A donation of \$2 is suggested. Call 715-346-1401 for more information.



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# Fresh & Unique Dishes to Temp Your Tastebuds

Article by Hope Hahn - Photography Provided

Square white plates piled with bacon and eggs; Belgian waffles, and fruit, burgers and salads and plenty of other classic breakfast and lunch options to choose from. At the Wooden Chair, a downtown Stevens Point eatery, delicious food is placed on an eclectic mix of tables surrounded by an equally diverse set of chairs. Come in and enjoy all of the old-fashioned charm, including: hardwood floors, brick walls, a cozy fire place, antique chair, and of course the best omelets, home-made goodies, and specialty sandwiches by the river. Even with all of this good food right at your fingertips, one thing that must be remembered is the history that started it all.



Since the Wooden Chair opened its doors on February 10 1993, it has grown to be one of the most distinctive restaurants in Stevens Point. The restaurant is housed in the original structure, which was built in 1891 to hold the First National Bank. The exterior Lake Superior Brown Stone is still in its original condition, and the interior holds many of the early features including:

oak wainscoting, fireplaces, and brick walls; The old-fashioned charm is unique and allows the restaurant to draw in customers, who are looking for a cozy and quiet place to have a sit down meal. Open for breakfast and lunch, The Wooden Chair has its regulars, who come back for the good food, good company, and the restaurant's rich history and charm.

In addition to the charm and history, The Wooden Chair also has a variety of natural and healthy menu options that keep customers coming back for more. Some of their daily breakfast and lunch options include:

## Breakfast

- + Omelets
- + Eggs
- + French Toast
- + Waffles
- + Garden and Classic Eggs Benedict
- + Butter Milk Pancakes
- + Muffins
- + A Bowl of Fruit
- + And many more delicious dishes and side dishes!

## Lunch

### Wraps, Sandwiches & Bowls

- + Chicken Pesto Bowl
- + The Monte Cristo
- + The Wrapped Chair
- + The Crabby Guy
- + The Press Back
- + Reuben/ Rachel
- + Philly
- + And many more!

### Burgers

- + The Brewster
- + The County Fair
- + The Captains Classic

### Vegetarian Choices

- + The Tulip
- + AHHH! Vocado
- + Caprese Sandwich
- + Veggie Wrap
- + Spicy Black Bean Garden Burger

### Soups, Salads, and other healthy stuff

- + Homemade soup or chili
- + Wild Rice Grain Bowl
- + Side of Potato Chips
- + Loaf of Homemade Baked Bread to-go
- + Chicken Caesar Salad
- + Grilled Chicken and Fruit Salad
- + Grilled Chicken and Craisin Salad
- + Poached Egg BLT Salad

\*All menu options include a choice of: Tossed salad, fresh fruit, cup of homemade soup, or potato chips; Served on homemade baked bread (white, wheat, or pita).

The Wooden Chair is the perfect place to have lunch with a group of friends. With a wide variety of menu options and a unique atmosphere, everyone is sure to find something they can enjoy.

In addition to their rich history and large menu selection, customers had many good things to say about the restaurant, the food, and the service:

*"We had breakfast there. Absolutely incredible eggs. Mine had sausage, mushrooms, green peppers, Swiss cheese, hash browns and onions. ABSOLUTELY INCREDIBLE. Restaurant is in an old bank building. The place is home like and cozy. Old furniture, photos, kitchen kitsch, lanterns, coffee pots, etc. A bunch of bookcases separates dining area from kitchen. Service was excellent, attentive but not hovering. All sorts of wooden chairs and tables. If the omelets are excellent usually the menu is excellent, too. I have a bad gluten allergy. They are celiac aware. Will visit again next time I find myself in Steven's Point."*  
 —Wood Chair Customer

*"What a wonderful experience! Laid back, relaxing and a menu full of healthy one-of-a kind options for a varied palette. Food was flavorful and fresh. Would recommend as a "must" to anyone visiting!"*—Wood Chair Customer



The Wooden Chair is a charming restaurant where customers can find fresh and unique dishes to suit their taste and cleanse their palates. Whether you are a local looking for a new breakfast and lunch spot to try, or just visiting from out of town; the relaxing environment, antique feel, friendly staff, and the menu options will have you coming back for more. Visit the Wooden Chair today at 1059 Main Street for a delicious meal, and don't forget to take some time to discover the history and background of this diverse restaurant.

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# Panacea Still a Place to Visit

Article by Katie Schimke - Photography Provided

Pacelli's Panacea is the true end of summer and start to fall in Stevens Point in the most lively and enjoyable way Wisconsinites know. Through the festival of stomach dropping rides, live music, fresh and hot food, silent auctions, and so much more, Pacelli's Panacea has drawn crowds from, not only those in Stevens Point, but those from the state to enjoy one last taste of summer. That taste which happens to come in fried Oreos, cotton candy, hamburgers, cheese curds, and so much more delicious food!

While like many things during 2020, Panacea will be getting a new look as well. The beloved rides and packed crowds will be nowhere in sight this year, in order to maintain safe health standards in the fight against Covid-19. Panacea will take on a new look, while trying to keep the old traditions and festivities that makes Panacea such a beloved community event.

Many things are still moving parts as far as planning Panacea goes, as we have to come to learn seems to be the case for most things during 2020. With a changing look on the health crisis and fluctuating numbers and statistics, it is hard to safely plan an event where people can celebrate without worrying about their health and wellbeing.

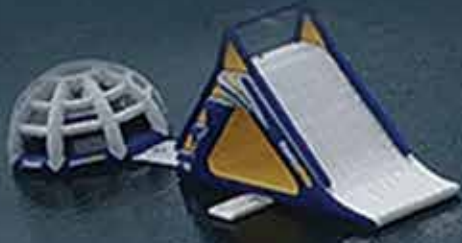
Even though many events are still up in the air, Panacea will definitely still be holding their silent auction! However, also like most of 2020, the silent auction will be held online to ensure one hundred percent participant safety. The car and cash raffles will also be held, despite the new online platform.

Though details may change, Pacelli is hopeful to hold some in person events to celebrate Panacea. A few ideas and possibilities include an event on September 12th with food, music, and a few other activities. If able to happen, all participants will be spread throughout the lawn and parking lot to maintain social distance standards.

Panacea may have a different look this year without the shining lights of the rides and packed crowds at the live music, but as a community we can see things finally move forward in the world as Pacelli manages to still keep some of Panacea's beloved traditions in a safe and healthy manner.



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