

WEATHER

• **Friday:** Mostly cloudy, low 30, highs upper 30s.
 • **Saturday:** Chance of snow, low 25, highs 30s.
 • **Sunday:** Chance of snow, low 25, highs upper 30s.

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Toss up

An NMU student has turned juggling into more than a hobby.

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The hockey Wildcats take on Lake Superior State this weekend.

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Student on Senate executive committee

Will help set group's agenda

By HEATHER JENSEN
News Staff Reporter

The Academic Senate voted unanimously to elect graduate student Kari Marcotte to its executive committee at its Oct. 14 meeting.

"There have been student members in the far past," said Gloria Urban, chairwoman of the Academic Senate. "[Marcotte] was the only student elected in the recent past."

The nine-member executive committee is the Academic Senate's administrative arm, charged with setting the Senate's agenda.

"Most of the people who serve on the Academic Senate are faculty, and [Marcotte] was elected unanimously," Urban said. "It is really a reflection of their respect for her."

Although the executive committee is not a powerful body, it's important for students to be informed and involved, Urban said.

"The executive committee is the body that determines what will go on the agenda for the Academic Sen-

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In full swing



North Wind photo by Phillip Ferris

Shawn Petersen, top, Shania Heimeri, bottom left, Joselya Heimeri and NMU junior Jennifer Petersen enjoy one of the last warm days of the season on a rope swing near the university's family housing.

After the conversion to the flat-rate tuition structure, NMU expects an increase of \$3.6 million in revenue, some of which will fund new programs.

Making money

By ERIC BRADLEY
News Staff Reporter

Additional revenue created by state appropriations and the flat-rate tuition system are being used to fund projects in NMU's Plan 2003, said Michael Roy, vice president for Finance and Administration.

The university expects an increase in revenue totaling nearly \$3.6 million, he said.

"We created a little revenue by changing the structure," Roy said.

"Enrollment has gone up, not in terms of head count, but in credits taken."

The increase in revenue will affect the university for years to come by creating program initiatives aimed at improving the university's appearance and by helping students in every walk of their college education, Roy said.

Gavin Leach, budget director of Planning and Analytical Studies, said expenditure increases include adding over \$500,000 to NMU student scholarships and paying out over \$1.3 million in service contracts for maintenance and repair of university

"Whatever we get in appropriations, that is money we don't have to make up in tuition revenue. ... If we raised tuition to meet the present revenue, we would have had to raise tuition above the inflation rate."

— Michael Roy
Finance and Administration

equipment.

In addition, nearly \$407,000 was earmarked to cover marketing for the university and promotion for the centennial celebration that will take place in 1999.

Also included in the budget is money for upcoming construction projects—\$280,000 toward the \$9.5 million events center and \$551,000 toward the \$47 million West Science building expansion.

Sophomore Dillon Carr said he was happy the university will be making some changes around campus, but he would like the university to focus on education.

"I'd like them to add something to the curriculum," Carr said.

"When was the last time they

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NMU student dies in car accident

Police: alcohol was a factor

By HEATHER JENSEN
News Staff Reporter

NMU student Darren Schultz of Champion died last week when his 1992 Pontiac crossed over the center line of U.S. Highway 41 in Humboldt Township and was struck by a semitrailer driven by Wayne L. McAllister of New Brunswick, Canada.

State police said Schultz was east-bound on U.S. 41 around 11 p.m. on Oct. 15 when he veered onto the road's gravel shoulder, causing him to lose control of the vehicle. The car returned to the road and slid sideways into the path of the semi.

Alcohol was a factor in the death of the 20-year-old criminal justice major, police said.

Public Safety offers an alcohol awareness pro-

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North Wind photo by Jun Otsu

NMU sophomore Lisa Hiteshow of Brimley donates a pint at the Marquette General Hospital blood drive in the University Center on Monday.

Flat rate

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added a new program to the school? I am having trouble finding classes that are useful."

Programs to be covered by the increased revenue include \$38,500 for self-service access to personal records, using computer terminals in the Cohodas Administrative Center and the University Center.

"These allow students to look up grades, register for classes and get unofficial transcripts," Roy said.

The chairman of the University Priorities Committee will be paid \$10,000 a year to oversee the committee, which reviews financial matters in accordance with Plan 2003.

Roy said there are three main areas the university looks at when crafting the multi-million dollar budget for the coming year.

"No. 1 is the state appropriations, No. 2 would be tuition income and No. 3, budget reductions if there need to be any," Roy said. "In the past few years we haven't had to look at [budget reductions] much."

The flat-rate system changes the structure to create a revenue increase

Students eligible for tax credit

Students or their parents will again be eligible for a tax credit for 4 percent of tuition and fees.

That's because the university held its tuition increase this year below the rate of inflation set by the state - 3 percent.

Although tuition per credit hour was raised by nearly 30 percent this year, NMU reported a tuition increase of only .55 percent to the state, due in part to the flat-rate tuition system, said Gavin Leach, budget director for Planning and Analytical Studies.

"The university calculates the rate of tuition increase based on how many credits a full-year equated student might take," Leach said. "It is based on 31 credits a year for a full-time undergraduate, which works out to be 15.5 credits per semester."

State law says students or par-

ents are able to claim 4 percent of tuition and fees, not to exceed \$250, as a tax deduction. The cost of books, room and board, and transportation cannot be used in the computation.

According to the state tax Schedule CT, a student must be a Michigan resident with a household income less than \$200,000 and be working on an undergraduate degree or certificate to qualify.

NMU students can receive the credit if they are not a dependent on another person's taxes.

Bobbi McKennon, director of communications for the Michigan Department of Treasury, said most NMU students won't be able to claim the tax. "Really it's a parental tax credit unless the student is not claimed on the parents' taxes as a dependent."

— By Eric Bradley

while students see a per-credit decrease by enrolling in more hours.

"If we raised tuition to meet the

present revenue, we would have had to raise tuition above the inflation rate," Roy said.

Senate

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ate," Marcotte said. "In this regard, having a student on the committee could make a difference."

Marcotte said she was honored by the unanimous vote, and looks forward to working with her fellow senators.

"With this chair and these senators I think the Senate would be student-oriented even without student representation on the executive committee," Marcotte said.

Marcotte is working toward a master's degree in public adminis-

tration. In addition to her new duties, she is on the Senate Select Task Force on Liberal Studies.

Marcotte has served in several positions in student government during her undergraduate and graduate career at NMU.

Fatality

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gram designed to inform students of the effects of alcohol, especially when combined with operating a motor vehicle, said NMU Public Safety Captain Jeffrey Mincheff.

"Drunk driving hurts everyone," Mincheff said. "You are not only putting yourself in danger, but the entire public."

Mincheff said programs tailored to fit students' needs could also be developed. Education is the most important way students can fight these situations; he said.

Schultz was an assistant coach of

the junior varsity football team at Westwood High School in Ishpeming. The 1996 Westwood graduate was well-respected by the team and coaching staff, WHS Principal M. Dennis Bobula said.

Westwood's junior varsity game was canceled last Thursday to provide the team and the students with an opportunity to mourn, Bobula said.

Schultz is the second NMU student to die in an alcohol-related accident this semester.

USOEC biathlete Josh Villalobos, 19, died Aug. 26 after falling from a 19th-floor hotel balcony in Montreal, Canada. An autopsy revealed alcohol in his system, investigators said.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Local

Future of Michigan casinos questioned

The legal status of Indian casinos in Michigan appears to be in limbo. Michigan's attorney general says gaming compacts between the state and Indian tribes are not valid. Federal law requires Indian casinos to have agreements with states.

In an opinion released Tuesday in Lansing, Frank Kelley says the compacts were passed as resolution in the legislature. He says they should have been passed as statutes, which have the force of law.

A spokesman for Kelley says it is unclear what impact the ruling will have. Keweenaw Bay Indian Community spokesman Rich Rossway said from a legal perspective, the attorney general's opinion is wrong. The tribe believes the compact is legally binding, and business will be conducted as usual.

National

Kevorkian has heart — for sale

Assisted suicide advocate Dr. Jack Kevorkian said he plans to begin offering organs harvested from his suicide patients to people who need transplants. Kevorkian said the first organs, most likely lungs and a heart from a suicide case, will be given out on a first-come, first-serve basis. Kevorkian's attorney, Geoffrey Feiger, said the first organs will not be available until several weeks or months from now. Feiger also said Kevorkian has helped more than 70 people to die since he began his campaign to legalize assisted suicide in 1990.

... and it wasn't a falling house

Meinhardt Raabe, who played the Munchkin coroner in "The Wizard of Oz," and his wife were in critical condition Wednesday after a car accident near their home in rural northeastern Florida.

Raabe and his wife, Marie, both 82, were injured when their station wagon ran into the back of a van, authorities said.

Raabe was one of the 124 munchkins in the 1939 film classic and one of only nine who had speaking parts. He portrayed the coroner who pronounced the Wicked Witch of the East "not only merely dead, but really most sincerely dead" after Dorothy's house landed on her.

International

Pol Pot denies millions died

Cambodia's former Khmer Rouge leader Pol Pot is unrepentant about the death and suffering of more than a million people during his Maoist-style revolution, the Far Eastern Economic Review said. A correspondent for the magazine had a rare interview with Pol Pot, 72, and described him as very ill and perhaps near death. The fallen dictator defended his orders to execute political opponents and blamed many of the deaths, including mass starvation, on the work of Vietnamese agents. But he denied millions had died. Pol Pot said his conscience was clear.

Scientists warn of near-incurable TB

Health agencies say "hot zones" of drug-resistant tuberculosis are showing up all over the world and threaten to touch off a global epidemic of virtually incurable TB. The survey by the World Health Organization and others found multi-drug resistant TB in one-third of all 35 countries surveyed. The countries that had drug-resistant TB included India, Russia, Latvia, Estonia, the Dominican Republic, Argentina and the Ivory Coast. The scientists blamed poor medical practice, saying infected people did not finish their full course of antibiotics, allowing drug-resistant strains to mutate.

— Briefs from news services

It has only just begun



North Wind photo by Phillip Ferris

Unsuspecting NMU freshmen got their first taste of an Upper Peninsula winter Tuesday when several inches of frozen rain blanketed Northern's campus. Additional snow is expected over the weekend.

Priorities Committee discusses management audit and diversity

By ERIC BRADLEY
News Staff Reporter

The University Priorities Committee discussed a management audit the committee is using to review last year's programs during Wednesday's meeting.

It also heard an update on the university's efforts to diversify faculty and students during the meeting from Phillip Beukema, vice president for Academic Affairs.

UPC chairwoman Carolyn Myers said more details of the management audit will be explored in the future and that the committee is reviewing areas to cover.

"There was a lot of talk of equipment, and policies concerning it," Myers said.

"In prior meetings, the committee talked about the cost of service contracts as opposed to buying the equipment, and this [meeting] was pretty much the same."

The service contract would not

necessarily be through the company of purchase and would act similarly to an extended service warranty on the equipment purchased by the university.

Myers said the new business the committee dealt with consisted of talking over committee expectations concerning the UPC Planning Day, which is tentatively set for Nov. 13.

On that day, the committee holds conferences and informational talks that focus on the future of the university and discusses the steps that will be taken to achieve them, Myers said.

"The main thing is just to get people together," she said.

Beukema gave a brief overview on the university's focus for diversifying NMU across many levels.

"The work spans several years, not only involving academic affairs and enrollment but faculty members," Beukema said.

Beukema said he will present more of his research on the diversity of the university's student body and faculty at the committee's next meeting.

Governing Board fills positions

By ERIC BRADLEY
News Staff Reporter

Sunday's ASNMU meeting turned into a game of musical chairs when ASNMU President Ryan Weidner replaced Chief of Staff Terry Hall as chairman of the Appointments Committee.

Vice President Chris Mann will now be chairman of the Appointments Committee, while Hall was appointed to the yet-to-be-formed Referendum Committee.

"In the past, the president appoints the chief of staff to the Referendum Committee. We can appoint any board," Weidner said. "This will free up more of [Hall's] time by having [Mann] chair the Appointments Committee."

The Referendum Committee will review the year-end budget report for each student group that receives a direct allocation from the Student Discretionary Activity Fee. If the Governing Board finds evidence to warrant future funding with direct allocation of

Student Discretionary Funds, it may

ASNMU

vote to accept the annual report. The group can then ask for an increase of the direct allocation. The student body votes to approve any changes to how the fee will be disbursed.

Mann said he plans to change a few details of the Appointments Committee, but he has no intention of governing it differently.

"The only difference I am going to make is by setting a specific time for those who want to apply and be interviewed," Mann said. "That will be 5:15 p.m. every Sunday."

Mann has never held a position on the Appointments Committee, but he said his duties are clearly outlined in accordance with ASNMU bylaws.

"There is no room for a personal agenda in the Appointments Committee, if you read the bylaws," Mann said. "My job is just to make sure the meeting is orderly, and vote in case of a tie."

Mann said the position will be a lot of work but it will be the most important work he does during his term as vice president.

"It is a referendum year, and that means we have to fill four vacant at-large student positions," Mann said. "The biggest thing I have to do in the next couple of weeks is advertise the vacancies. We can't get any work done if those positions are not filled."

In other business, Amy Mikolajek was accepted to fill the last vacancy for off-campus representative.

CAMPUS NOTES

Public Safety makes changes

Northern's Public Safety Department is in the midst of an overhaul, spurred by the retirement of a 20-year university employee.

Captain Thomas Leisure, the assistant director of Public Safety, will be retiring in January 1998. Due to budget constraints, his position will not be filled.

The responsibilities of the position have been dispersed to other positions throughout the department.

The following personnel changes were effective Oct. 1.

Patti Rizzio is the new parking services coordinator. Captain Jeffery Mincheff's title has changed from patrol services supervisor to assistant director for Police Services. The position of assistant director for Public Safety is filled by Captain Darwin Gager.

—By Heather Jensen

Academic Senate picks speaker for graduation

Dr. Jerry Linenger, medical doctor and U.S. astronaut, will be the guest speaker at the spring commencement, the Academic Senate announced at its Oct. 14 meeting.

Also discussed at the meeting was the possibility that Donna Kay Kuster, who was killed a block from campus the first day of classes this semester, may receive her bachelor of science degree in earth science.

Kuster was in good standing with 96 credits and would have graduated in the spring. The motion concerning her degree has been suspended for further discussion.

The health education liberal arts degree has been reduced from 128 credits to 124 credits required for graduation. The general electives for this degree will be reduced from 30 to 26 credits.

—By Anna Bauer

WUPX broadcasting world wide through the Internet

By LUCAS SPONSLER
Online Editor

Radio X has gone global via the World Wide Web.

One of the more recent self-promotional spots on NMU's student FM radio station, WUPX, Radio X, features co-webmaster Vlad Sedov saying, "Hi, I'm Vlad the Impaler and I was born and raised in Russia. Now that we broadcast live on the Internet, my mom can listen to my show whenever she wants at www.nmu.edu/wupx. Hi Mom."

Web surfers visiting the Radio X home page now have the opportunity to listen to the station's live broadcast using

"real audio." Real audio software makes it possible to send information in a continuous stream.

The feature was added because Radio X D.J.s wanted their home-town friends to be able to listen, Sedov said.

An updated copy of Real

Audio can be obtained via the Internet by going to <http://real.com>. Those who wish have the opportunity to download a temporary version of the software, which will expire after a given period of time. A permanent and more powerful version can be purchased. Radio X is best enjoyed online using a modem that is 28.8bps or faster.

Most student organizations use

NMU's student server for the posting of their Web pages. The majority of Radio X's page is on this server, the real-audio link is not.

"The Radio X computer is also the server for the real audio," Radio X Production Manager and co-webmaster Kent Randell said. "HTML [hypertext markup language, the computer language used for materials posted on the Internet] is my hobby; Vlad's Mr. Computer Science Major."

Another constantly changing link on the Radio X home page allows surfers to view a picture of the announcer on the air at that time. Announcers will soon have the opportunity to add such things

as favorite links to their own personal part of the page.

The page is constantly under construction. "Sometimes it's not totally reliable right now, but we're working hard to do as much as we can with this Web page," Sedov said.

"I do a lot of the leg work. When I run into problems [Sedov] comes to the rescue," Randell said.

In this case, too many webmasters does not spoil the brew. The two seem to work well together in building and maintaining the rather intricate Web page.

"I rely on Kent for the content of the page and I work on the technical aspects of it," Sedov said.

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MARQUETTE**

NMU medical technology advancement lauded

Northern Michigan University is one of few schools in the country to offer both associate's and bachelor's degrees in clinical laboratory science. It has been singled out by a national publication for setting a standard that enables students to climb the "perfect career ladder."

NMU was highlighted in the September issue of "Laboratory Medicine." Lucille Contois, director of the two-year and four-year tracks, said Northern's dual role of community college and university helps ensure a smooth transition for students who have achieved an associate degree. They can either enter the work force as a medical laboratory technician or press on toward a bachelor's degree and the title of medical technologist.

"The real selling point for our program is that all of the credits students earn in the first two years are directly applicable to the four-year degree because we only have to articulate within this one institution," Contois said.

Four-year universities that don't offer an associate's degree have a problem, she said, because they group together students from two different populations in the same junior class. Some are community college transfers from an MLT program who have experience and confidence working in a lab. The others are "generic"

students who haven't become certified or had any practical training.

"The MLT transfers often aren't given nearly as much credit as the generic students, yet they're farther ahead in terms of what they can do," Contois said. "It's a real dilemma having to articulate between institutions. We've escaped that by virtue of offering both the associate's and baccalaureate degrees under one umbrella."

When the laboratory sciences profession stratified into various levels, it was done with the premise that an MLT perform 75-80 percent of the work in all areas of the laboratory, she said. And the MT, who has a more advanced degree, should be capable of doing all that and more.

Based on the natural progression from one career to another in a practical setting, Contois and other faculty decided it would be attractive to ladder the two programs in education as well.

"Once they achieve MLT status with marketable skills, they decide for themselves whether to seek employment or stay in school," she said. "Other universities offer career ladder programs, but haven't achieved our exact complement of moving from two- to four-year. Usually, there's some branching off when it comes to the clinical practicum part."

—NMU news release

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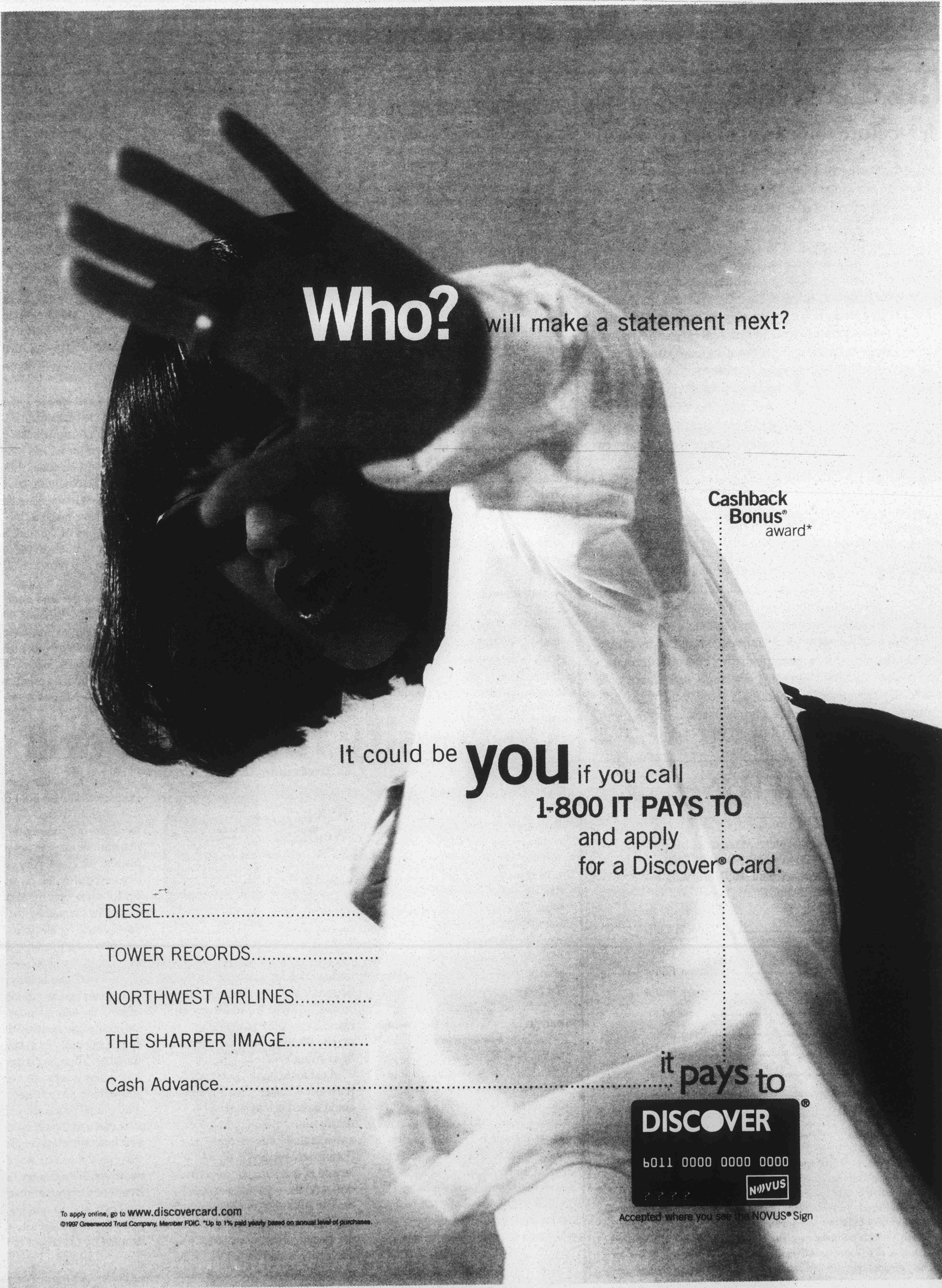
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EDITORIAL

Take a little break

Relax before things get really stressful

Ready for Spring Break?

If this were the winter semester, this would be our first week back from seven days of rest, relaxation and road trips.

But, of course, this isn't winter, and we don't have more than a day off until Thanksgiving. (That "reading day" on Oct. 10 doesn't count.) So stressed-out students have to get creative and find ways to forget class for a while and live a little.

Family Weekend activities on campus on Friday and Saturday provide some chance to get away without going anywhere, and students should find no problem creating a retreat before the semester reaches the ultimate stress point.

Here are some ideas to get you started:

1. Make a snowperson. Woman or man, it doesn't really matter. The important thing is just to get outside in the crisp air and get some exercise. An alternative to this is a snowball battle, of course, and there probably won't be a shortage of snow this weekend.

2. Call the NMU Volunteer Center and sign up for Make a Difference Day activities. It's not too late; organizers will be more than happy to find a spot for anyone willing to get involved.

3. Take in an NMU sporting event. On Friday and Saturday nights in Lakeview Arena, the hockey Wildcats play their first CCHA games since the Reagan administration, and the football Wildcats attempt to continue their 10-game home winning streak Saturday afternoon in the Superior Dome.

4. For those of you who have family coming to Marquette this weekend, milk your parents for all they're worth. Remember to remove the incriminating beverage containers and mind-altering substance paraphernalia from your residence before they arrive. The cleaner your apartment is, the less you'll have to explain the ring through your eyebrow.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

U.S. should back ban on land mines

Jody Williams of Putney, Vt., coordinator of the International Campaign to Ban Land Mines, recently landed a Nobel Peace Prize for moving ever so close to realizing the goal.

Immediately after learning about the prize, Russian President Boris Yeltsin joined a little over 90 countries around the world in favor of the ban on land mines, the man-made juggernaut of mass misery and misfortune. The United States and China are still opposed to the ban.

According to a White House spokesman, President Clinton had no intentions of altering his opposition to the ban because mines protected the U.S. "interests" around the world. It is ironic that such a callous statement came from the United States, a self-proclaimed "champion" of human rights, that routinely chastises every country in the world for human-rights violations.

The 60-plus countries that lose tens of thousands of innocent civilians to land mines, and repair hundreds of thousands of broken limbs and shattered lives every year, don't understand the American hypocrisy: claiming to be a top humanitarian while indiscrimi-

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nately disassembling the body parts of unsuspecting humanity. Incidents like this, and the political double-talk that follows the incidents, keep the hatred for Americans high enough to necessitate the use of land mines to protect its "interests" abroad. I guess on one likes a bully especially the one who claims to be a saint.

Hypocrisy is the single most damaging malady of American foreign policy. It continues to play havoc with American image abroad. In the name of U.S. "interests," a lot of bad things are routinely done all around the world. Bad things set bad ex-

amples and lead to sad retaliations. The cycle of absurdities and counter absurdities has gone unabated for far too long. Something must be done, something can be done, something has been done.

Jody Williams and her organization have taken a firm stand against one of the most absurd weapons in human history, the weapon that primarily aims to maim innocent civilians — 80 percent of the land mine casualties are civilians. When is the United States going to join its internationally celebrated Nobel laureate, Jody Williams, and work toward banning the land mines forever?

— Masud A. Mufti, Ph.D.

University failed fire drill

As an elected official of the student body, it is my duty to ensure that the university maintains a safe environment. There comes a time when I just have to wonder, Why would a professor hold class in the dark? Buildings that are out of power would never meet fire codes. The power was out for close to an hour on Tuesday. The university needs to examine its policy and have a clear plan as to what is to be done when the power does go out on campus.

I walked the halls of Jamrich only to find that many classes were being held by the emergency flood lights. I would estimate that more than 300 students were forced to stay in an unhealthy and unsafe environment, which is not conducive to learning. I continued to the lower level to find that there was a student stuck in the elevator and Public Safety couldn't open it.

Take a moment to picture yourself trapped inside the elevator. Now let us say the building is on fire. Smoke has begun to billow into the elevator. Then you listen only to hear voices. At first this brings you reassurance. The reassurance is

Ryan Weidner

ASNMU President



soon swept away by the voices saying, "I don't know how to get it opened." Not sure, he grasps for straws, "Maybe we could pry it open." You wait, hoping that maybe someone who knows what he is doing would rescue you.

As student body president, I must ask whether this situation could have been avoided by a timely notice. I do not like the answers that I have received. Fortunately there was no fire. I looked at this situation as a fire drill, and the university failed. I have to give credit to the teachers who were wise enough to release the students from class. The university would be liable for the problems associated with students not being able to exit in a timely manner due to poor lighting.

When the power goes out, instructors should hold class for a few minutes to find out whether the lights are coming on. After a realization that it is not possible, dismiss the class. Any classes not dismissed after the power has been off for more than 10 minutes should be cleared by the staff in the building. If this does not occur, students need to take a stand, just as I did in Music in Society at about 11:10, and leave class.

I encourage all students to address the administration. The university has violated the students by placing them in a dangerous situation. There are ways you can let the administration know that you want to see a change. First send e-mail to me at rweidner@nmu.edu and then send e-mail to Matthew Surrall, vice president for university relations and development and the secretary of the NMU Board of Control, at msurrall@nmu.edu, and let him know that you want to see the situation handled by the Board of Control.

Editor's note: Ryan Weidner is president of ASNMU. He can be reached at rweidner@nmu.edu

Sunday drive raises questions on policy

Took a leisurely drive Sunday morning ... and found myself zig-zagging around all the cars parked illegally in the traffic lanes outside the churches on Presque Isle Avenue. Curious as to why this seems to happen every Sunday, I called the Marquette City Police Department and inquired. I was told the churches are short on parking space, and this illegal parking has been "going on for years."

That's fine, I guess, it's not like I think this parking outside the churches is necessarily bad, but I don't think an occasional look aside during some other events in town would be detrimental either — an example being a few weeks ago, when I parked across from Kaufman Auditorium to see the George Winston concert, I got a ticket for parking in a restricted zone. If ever there was a place in Marquette that was short of parking, it's Kaufman Auditorium.

That night outside Kaufman, my car was not parked in traffic, jamming up a turn lane on a busy thoroughfare like those on Presque Isle Avenue. In fact, at that particular spot across from the auditorium on Front Street, there's plenty of room for parking, and I can't for the life of me figure out why you shouldn't be able to park there, at least at night. The signage is pretty poor also. After I got the ticket, I had to actually go *find* the "no parking" sign. And I don't mind paying my ticket ... the law is the law. I was illegally parked, regardless of how stupid the designated "no parking" spot was. I do mind, however, when there is preferential treatment of certain segments of the community and my police department turns a blind eye as a matter of *policy*.

Something else that I ques-

John Council

Staff Columnist



tioned on Sunday, the least of which would seem to be an insurance liability nightmare, were non-students from those churches being allowed to park on Northern's property. A call to Public Safety cleared up the confusion. It seems that the university has an agreement with the churches in the immediate area to allow on-campus parking. But what happens if someone falls in the parking lot and hurts themselves? Can't they sue the school for millions? I'll bet the university has coverage for that ... paid in part by those overpriced parking stickers and the tickets that Public Safety writes in a New York minute on a *student's* car.

God forbid if you actually go to school here, and you can't find a place to park because the morons running this place seem to think we should all be riding bicycles, and it's 20 below and you're late for class and you park somewhere that doesn't quite pass Public Safety's guidelines and they write you a big fat ticket, the proceeds of which go to providing parties for the president or insurance premiums to protect us from lawsuits by non-students using our facilities.

Hey, we're nice guys here at Northern. Just ask our neighbors.

Editor's note: John Council wants to hear your stories of life at NMU. He can be reached at jcouncil@nmu.edu

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Self-expression can lead to great rewards

After my first column, I received feedback from fellow columnist Don Wilkie. He paraphrased a quote by E.B. White: "Writing is like removing one's clothes on stage, while trying not to show one's genitals." I laughed because of the image it suggests, but as I thought about it I was struck by how accurately it describes writing, or any other form of self-expression, for that matter. Deep down inside all of us, we all want to know that we can just be who we are, without fear of judgment and retaliation.

Writing is one of the many ways in which we try to communicate who we are. Speech, art, music, movement. These are ways for us to express something about ourselves. It is a removing of our clothes, an opening up.

We all recognize this when we see it in the work of someone else. We somehow seem to know when an author, an artist, or a musician has opened up. Somehow, it's easy to appreciate this kind of vulnerability when we are exposed to it.

This is also what makes writing

Matt Zastrow

Staff Columnist



so hard. We all want to open up. We know it is the only way we can be truly appreciated for ourselves. But at the same time, we all have aspects of ourselves that are so tender, so vulnerable, that we are terribly afraid of exposing them. We are afraid that if we open up and expose this tenderness, someone will take advantage of it and hurt us. No one wants to be hurt. So we try not to show our "emotional genitalia," our most vulnerable aspects. Instead, we put up walls and barriers.

I think it's unfortunate that we hide ourselves. I'm not a religious person, but I remember reading in the Bible, "Our strengths become our weaknesses, and our weak-

nesses become our strengths."

When we hide our innermost selves, we are withholding the truth. We are going to be misunderstood by doing this, and we should expect this as natural consequence of deception.

When we show our innermost selves we also risk getting hurt, but the rewards are so much greater. When we open up to others, they learn to trust us. They learn that they can open up to us. Instead of being separated, two people are brought together. Some people could even call this love.

And what of the people who will take advantage of another's openness and vulnerability? In my experience, I've found that people rarely try to hurt me. The satisfaction of having given them something special is what makes it easy. If my openness is unappreciated, that's OK. I find myself glad to have shared. Like the saying goes, "Love is its own reward."

Editor's note: Matt Zastrow welcomes reactions to his columns. He can be reached at mzastrow@nmu.edu

YOUR CONTACT

Your contact for the Comment section is **Michael Murray**, editor-in-chief of *The North Wind*.

If you have any questions, comments, suggestions or snide remarks about these pages, call him at 227-2545 or send e-mail to nrthwind@nmu.edu or mmurray@nmu.edu.

Of course, you can also visit our office in Room 2310 of the University Center.

PHOTO OPINION POLL

If you could design the Kaye Avenue monument, what would its features be?



"The clock tower is a good idea, but it should have something to do with NMU, like a Wildcat."

Brandon Ford
junior, criminal justice



"They should make a more traditional clock tower with an NMU logo on it."

Derek Perlongo
senior, criminal justice



"I would build a big Wildcat."

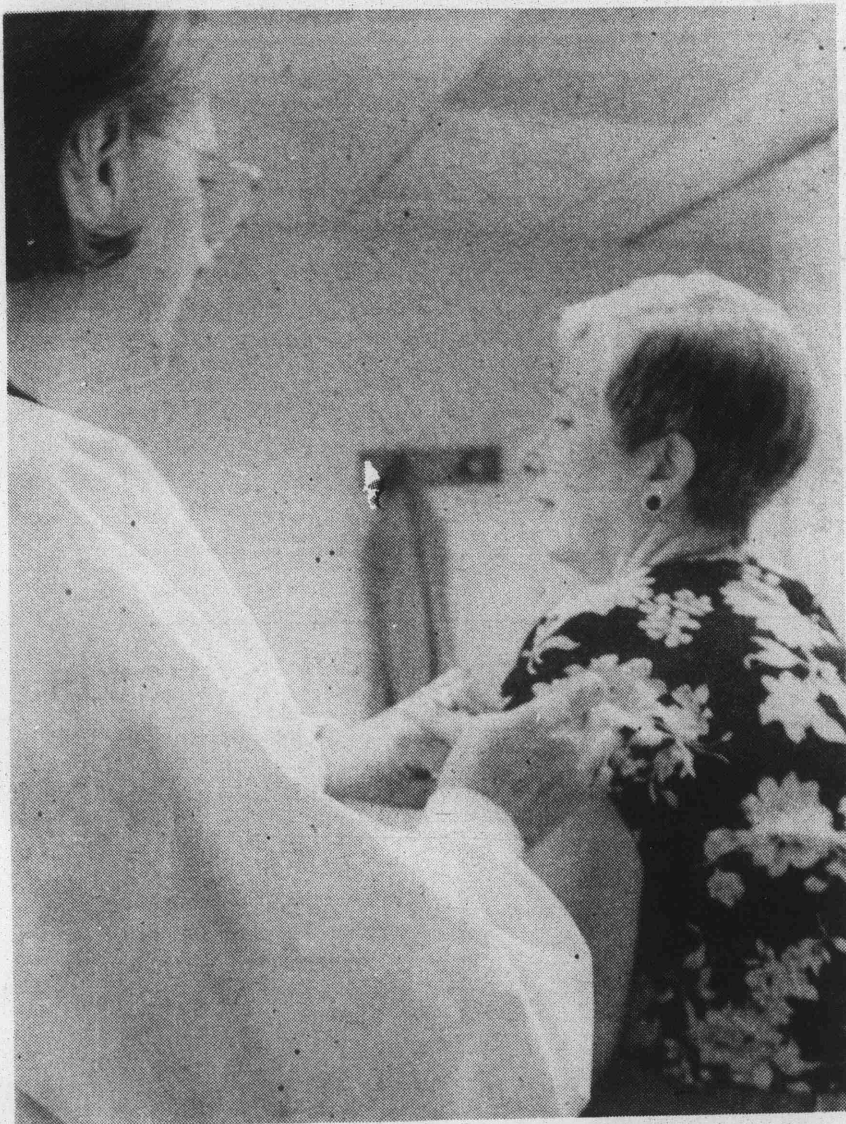
Aaron Rochon
freshman, CAD



"We don't need a clock tower or anything. We all have watches!"

Jay Teal
freshman, undeclared

The president has been shot!



North Wind photo by Jun Otsu

Northern Michigan University President Judi Bailey received her flu shot last week at the Health Center in Gries Hall. Students can get flu shots by appointment during Health Center hours. Call 227-2355 for details.

WANTED

Applicants to fill student positions for the North Wind board of directors. Responsibilities include attendance of bi-weekly meetings and possible subcommittee duties. Obtain applications from 2310 University Center or call Kristy at 227-1854 for more information or e-mail nrthwind@nmu.edu.

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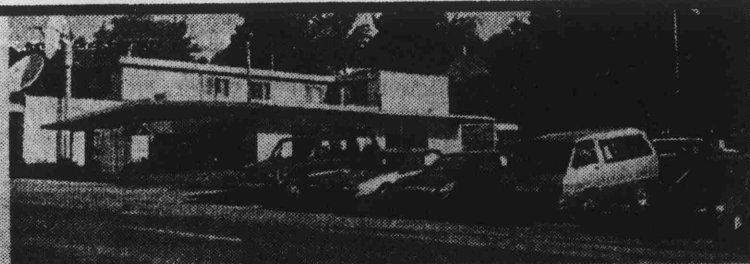
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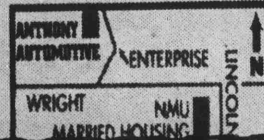
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Students plan to make a difference

An estimated 700 NMU students will donate hours of their time Saturday without getting paid or earning college credit. It's part of Make a Difference Day, a national event promoting community service.

According to a recent survey conducted by the Student Activities and Leadership Office at NMU, at least 2,465 students volunteered last year.

The Volunteer Center is interested in expanding it to eventually include all the area schools. They are also holding their first blood drive of the year, on Oct. 20 from noon to 5 p.m. in the UC.

Students interested in signing up for Make a Difference Day should contact the NMU Volunteer Center.

Charity Night tickets on sale

The USOEC and other community organizations are selling tickets for \$5 each to Younkers Charity Night, held Nov. 9 from 6 to 9 p.m., which takes place after regular store hours where customers are treated to food, entertainment, activities, shopping and beverages in a carnival-like atmosphere.

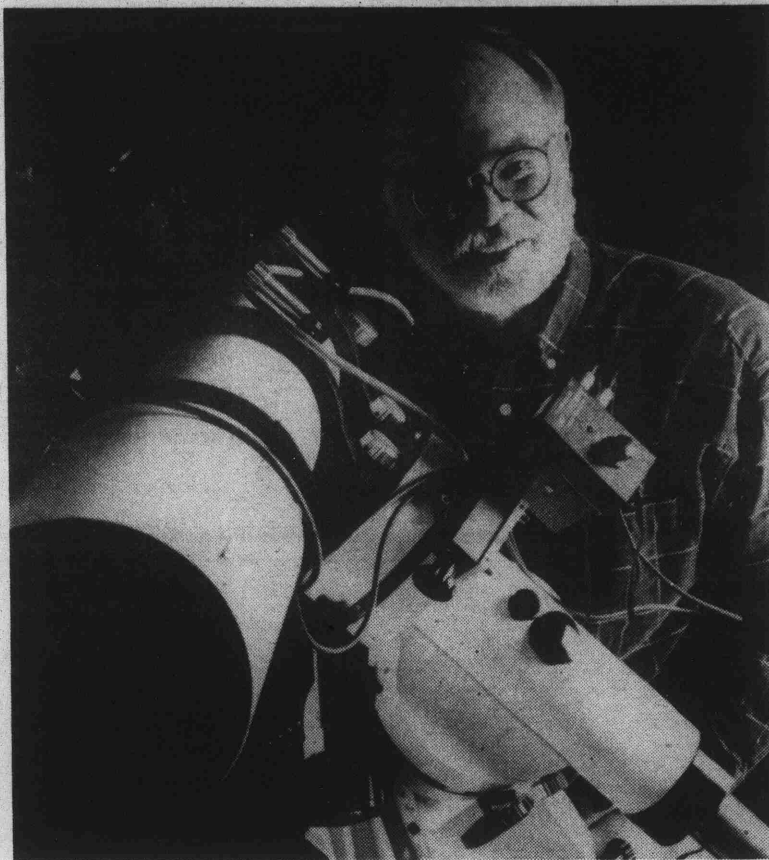
Customers must have a ticket to be admitted and receive 20 percent of every regular and sale price item.

City parking ban soon in effect

The night parking ban will go into effect on Nov. 1. The ban prohibits parking on any city street or city-owned parking lot between 1 and 6 a.m. during the winter months. The fine for violation is \$50 and a vehicle will be removed by wrecker.

Sexual assault panel planned

A Sexual Assault-Prevention and Response discussion will take place Monday at 7 p.m. in 102 Jamrich Hall. A panel of experts will discuss the legal, emotional, judicial and health issues related to crimes of sexual and domestic assault at NMU and in the Marquette community.



NMU photo
NMU professor Dennis Staffne has turned two of his favorite pastimes into published art. Staffne combined his photography and astronomy interests and has perfected the skill that scientists call astrophotography.

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Northern professor's astrophotos published

Dennis Staffne, professor of art and design at Northern Michigan University, has been perfecting his astrophotography skills for nearly two years.

Staffne also has been very active exhibiting his work in regional, national and international shows.

"Circle of Grass II" was displayed at the ACM-97 Art Show in San Jose, Calif.; another of his fine art prints appeared in "A Computer Interface" at the Marist Art Gallery in Poughkeepsie, N.Y. "Lost Containment" was displayed in "Personal Visions V" in Chicago; "Collusions in the Dark" has been selected for "Digital Salon 5-1997" at the Visual Arts Museum in New York City, and will also appear in a special edition of "Leonardo" a publication of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Two astrophotographs made by Staffne were published this year.

"M42-The Orion Nebula" appeared in "Explore the Universe 1997" by Astronomy Magazine, and "M45-The Pleiades" was published in "The Universe Comes Alive," a poster produced by Astronomy Magazine.

Staffne earned a photography and print-making degree from the Art Institute of Chicago and has taught photography at Northern for 22 years.

"Today, amateur photographers can do what astronomers couldn't do 20 years ago because of improved equipment, film and techniques," he said.

Staffne said astrophotography has great educational value because some people have never seen the complete night sky. People who live in the city have a hard time seeing the stars because of light pollution.

Staffne hopes his photographs will help people see what they usually miss.

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**Deadline is October 31, 1997 for Members
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CAMPUS SCANNER

October 16, 1997

9:11 a.m. Subject reporting malicious destruction of property to motor vehicle.

10:28 a.m. Subject reporting malicious destruction of property to university vehicle.

10:41 a.m. Traffic stop Lot 8, one citation issued.

12:11 p.m. Traffic stop Harden Circle Drive, one citation issued.

12:20 p.m. Traffic stop Lee Hebard Court, one citation issued.

12:29 p.m. Traffic stop Fair and Northrup, one citation issued.

October 17, 1997

10:57 a.m. Report of property damage accident Lot 28.

10:59 p.m. Loud noise complaint Halverson Hall, room cleared.

October 18, 1997

12:23 a.m. Report of fight in progress Halverson/Gant area, subjects escorted off campus.

1:02 p.m. Traffic stop Center and Lot 10, one citation issued.

October 19, 1997

1:09 a.m. Traffic stop Lot 20, two citations issued.

10:51 p.m. Subject with State of Michigan property, Center and Schaffer, property confiscated.

October 20, 1997

1:48 a.m. Traffic stop College and Lincoln, one in custody of opporating under the influence of liquor.

11:08 a.m. Traffic stop Lot 8, One verbal for disregard stop sign, one citation issued for speeding.

6:40 p.m. Subject reporting a stalking complaint.

October 21, 1997

9:09 a.m. Report of property damage accident Lot 29.

9:56 a.m. Subject reporting unauthorized use of computer center.

10:56 a.m. Female reporting property damage accident Lot 28.

11:00 a.m. Subject reporting being stuck in elevator in Jamrich due to power outage.

11:20 a.m. Subject reporting being stuck in elevator in Cohodas due to power outage.

2:06 p.m. Subject reporting property damage accident Lot 13.

4:40 p.m. Traffic stop Lot 28, one hazardous citation issued.

NEMU hires new faculty and staff

Several new faculty members have begun work at Northern Michigan University this semester.

Ragene Henry of Marquette is an education instructor. She has a master's from NMU.

Michele Johnson of Marquette is an adjunct faculty member in the practical nurse program. She has a master's in nursing from NMU.

Helen Kahn of Burlington, Vt., is an associate professor of communication disorders. Kahn has a doctorate from the University of North Dakota.

Michael Letts of Marquette is an adjunct faculty member for art and design. Letts is the sabbatical replacement, teaching painting, drawing and print making. Letts has a master's from Ohio State.

Richard C. Lumb of Charlotte, N.C., is an associate professor and graduate studies coordinator for criminal justice. Lumb has a doctorate from Florida State University.

Gary McDonnell of Traverse City is an economics instructor. McDonnell has a master's from Western Michigan University.

Kevin McDonough of Grayling is a reference and research support services librarian for Olson Library and academic information systems.

McDonough has a master's from the University of Michigan.

Marie Moio of Sault Ste. Marie is an assistant professor in the College of Business. Moio has a master's in administrative service from NMU and a national certification from the American Health Information Management Association.

David Francis O'Haran of Butler, Ala., is an assistant professor in social work. O'Haran has a doctorate from the University of Alabama.

Amy S. Orf, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, is a Spanish instructor in the languages department. Orf has a master's from the University of Michigan.

Larry G. Pagel of Grafton, Iowa, is an assistant business professor with a doctorate from the University of North Dakota.

Mark D. Paulsen of Grand Island, Neb., is an assistant professor of chemistry. Paulsen received his doctorate from the University of Wisconsin.

Cynthia Prosen of Marquette is an assistant professor of psychology. Prosen received her doctorate from the University of Michigan and a post-doctoral fellowship at Northwestern University.

David L. Prychitko of New York

is associate professor and interim department head of economics. He got his doctorate at George Mason University.

Earl Todd Ray of Ann Arbor, Mich., is an assistant professor of nursing. He received his master's from the University of Michigan and is a doctoral candidate.

Barbara Rhyneer, of Anchorage, Alaska, is the orchestra conductor and strings instructor. She is a doctoral candidate at Ball State University.

Marcus Robyns of Eugene, Ore., is a records manager for archives and academic information service. He has a master's from the University of Oregon.

James A. Strain is an assistant professor of percussion and music education. He has a doctorate from Eastman School of Music.

Gregory Thomas of Potsdam, N.Y., is an instructor in the military science department. He is a sergeant first class in the U.S. Army.

Jennifer Vaught of Bloomington, Ind., is an English instructor, specializing in Shakespeare and Renaissance literature. She expects to receive her doctorate from Indiana University.

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Leadership changes in three university departments

New heads in geography, criminal justice and psychology

Michael Broadway, Paul Lang and Harry Whitaker have at least one thing in common with students attending NMU for the first time this fall. This is also their first semester here.

Broadway is the new head of the geography, earth science, conservation and planning department. Lang is the new head of the criminal justice department and Whitaker heads the psychology department.

• **Michael Broadway** comes from the State University of New York at Geneseo.

He said the NMU position is an opportunity to work in a department undergoing change.

"I was at that point in my career when I was

looking for some new challenges," Broadway said.

Broadway said he will encourage joint faculty-student research and student participation in professional meetings.

He earned a bachelor's degree in education from Nottingham University, a master's degree in geography from London University and a doctorate from the University of Illinois.

• **Paul Lang** comes to NMU from Radford University in Radford, Va., where he was professor of criminal justice.

"If this department had any weaknesses, I'd be willing to take them on," Lang said. "But

there are no such problems here."

The department is assessing the need for a master's program in criminal justice and is looking at collaborating with other departments, Lang said. He also wants the criminal justice program at Bay de Noc Community College in Escanaba strengthened.

Lang earned a bachelor's degree in psychology from St. Fidelis College in Herman, PA, and a master's degree in criminology from Indiana University of Pennsylvania. He was awarded his doctorate with an emphasis on public policy.

• **Harry Whitaker** comes to NMU from

the University of Quebec in Montreal.

"I have had the good fortune to take over a very, very strong department which needs no repair," Whitaker said.

Whitaker is the editor and founder of two journals: "Brain and Language" and "Brain and Cognition."

He was the director of the Cognitive Neuroscience Research Program at the Neuropsychiatric Institute in Fargo, N.D.

He earned his bachelor's degree from Portland State College and his doctorate from the University of California at Los Angeles.

Whitaker wants to explore the possibility for post-baccalaureate programs.

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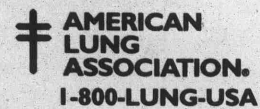
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Love makes you do crazy things. Loneliness simply makes you crazy. I happen to be in that second category at the moment.

I've been single for well over a year now, and I'm just about ready for my padded cell. I remember love fondly though.

I remember being a freshman, separated from his downstate girlfriend, and driving eight hours, 424 miles to see her almost every weekend. It was pretty ridiculous now that I think about it.

My little Honda Prelude was on its last leg from the first day I owned it. It was a used beater my dad had bought me for a song. Every weekend I would top off the tank with fresh gas, wipe the bug guts off the windshield and ride the clutch like a stock-car racer.

Empty Mountain Dew and Jolt bottles littered the back seat as I squinted drowsily along at 75 m.p.h. in the middle of a Thursday night and blasted Rush's "Fly By Night" on my stereo. "Fly by night away from here! Change my life again! Fly by night something blah blah blah, My ship isn't coming and I just can't pretend! Yeah!"

I love that song. I wish I knew all the lyrics.

Just about as soon as I got down there, I would be turning around to come back again. I was so brainlessly exhausted, I barely remember the weekends.

One time I fell asleep at the wheel and sideswiped this guy's fifth-wheel trailer. You know, the kind that are so huge they take all the fun out of camping and are basically homes latched onto trucks too small to haul them? Well, I hit one. I awoke to a sound much like a thousand tin cans falling into a garbage disposal.

As you might imagine, I was pretty startled. I grabbed the wheel with a herky-jerky spasmic motion and swerved headlong into the median dividing the highway. Impending death tends to pull a person out of sleepiness pretty quickly, so gaining control of the car wasn't as hard as you might think.

I soon found a hole in the traffic and rolled nervously back onto the pavement. I pulled off to the right and surveyed the damage. It was pretty bad. It looked like someone had scraped and pounded a garden rake all along the right side.

Luckily the monstrosity I hit was too big to even notice anything happened. He was nowhere in sight.

I climbed back into my coffin on wheels and sputtered down the road. About a half mile later, there he was. Some jerk had flagged him over and given him specifications of my car and my stupidity.

As you might imagine, the fifth wheeler was a hulking beast of a man, an irritable Floridian vacationing around the Great Lakes. As I crept out of the car, I was met with a blue streak of profanity.

By the way, I was raised under the idea that honesty is the best policy, so basically I spewed apologies faster than an auctioneer on speed. I even told the guy I had fallen asleep at the wheel. His little wife looked frail enough to get whiplash in a golf cart. God help me, I might as well have given the guy a loaded gun.

All this and for what? A movie I didn't get to watch and a hickey I couldn't hide. But that's love, I guess. The truly sick part is, I'd do it all again. For the sweet sincerity of a few whispered words, I'd swallow a pint of molten lava.

But that's loneliness, I guess.



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For What
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DIVERSIONS

Anatomy of a dorm

By ANNA NORDSTROM
Features Staff Reporter

In a 12-by-12-foot room, some people find friends and some lose them.

But one thing many people living in NMU's residence halls have in common is stuff. Lots of stuff.

Bill Harris, a freshman in West Hall, said his room is packed. He and his roommate have a full-size refrigerator, two TVs and VCRs, lots of posters and "an eight-dollar Wal-Mart toaster that doesn't work half the time."

They also have a La-Z-Boy recliner. He said they have bunkbeds, which gives them more room.

Sharing a bathroom with three others hasn't proven to be a problem, because they all have different schedules, he said.

But Harris added that although he and his roommate have been friends for a long time, it is still difficult sharing a room.

"If I ever have to live in the dorms again, I'm getting my own room," he said.

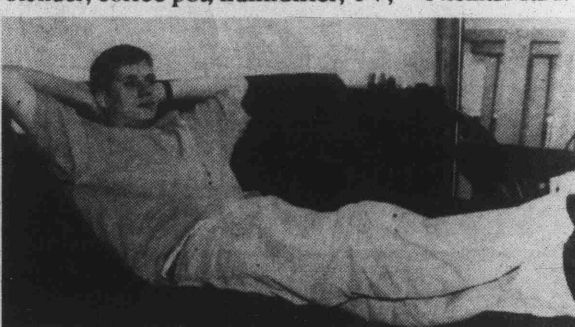
Sophomores Erin McMinn and Sabrina Nieman share a room, which they said is clean, but cluttered.

"There's a lot of stuff in a tiny space," Nieman said.

Besides laundry, they have a microwave, refrigerator, toaster, blender, coffee pot, humidifier, TV,

VCR, phone, answering machine, stereo and a number of alarm clocks.

"None of our clocks ever say the same time, but they're all fast," Nieman said.



Sophomore Craig Howard relaxes in his clean room.

Wired up

Cable television fees are now included as part of housing costs for students on campus. Before this year, cable was optional.

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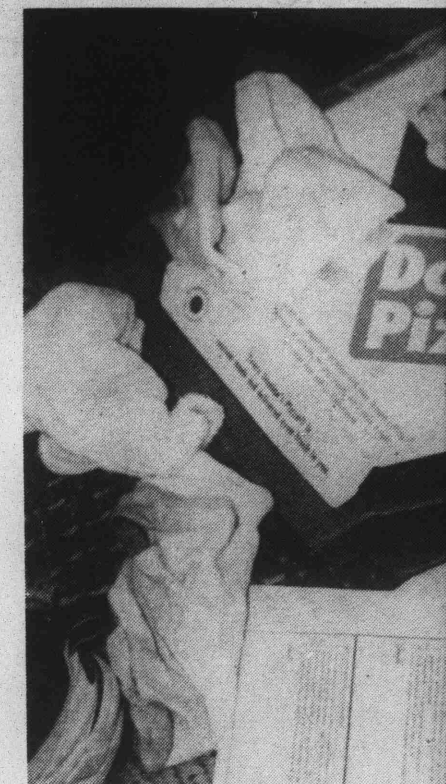
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By
BRIAN
SHUSTER

CHAOS



As he read the headline in horror, Larry knew that now he'd HAVE to take Bertha to the prom.

'Mannequin Americans' take political correctness to new heights

By MIRIAM MOELLER
Staff Writer

Producing vocal sounds in a way that they seem to come from a source other than the speaker's mouth isn't something most people are skilled at, but entertainer Dan Horn has mastered the technique.

The man who has won the International Ventriloquist of the Year award performs at 8 p.m. in the University Center's Great Lakes Rooms on Saturday, as part of NMU's Family Weekend.

Horn is a "stand-up ventriloquist" well-known for his appearances on "Showtime," "Comic Strip Live," "An Evening at the Improv" and other shows.

Sara Carter, chairwoman of Northern Arts and Entertainment, said that what makes Horn so funny and entertaining is the way he uses his voice through his characters.

Horn and his "Cast of Several" spent seven years writing and performing comedy on television in Phoenix, Ariz., before taking his brand of fun nationwide to colleges, comedy clubs, and corporate events.

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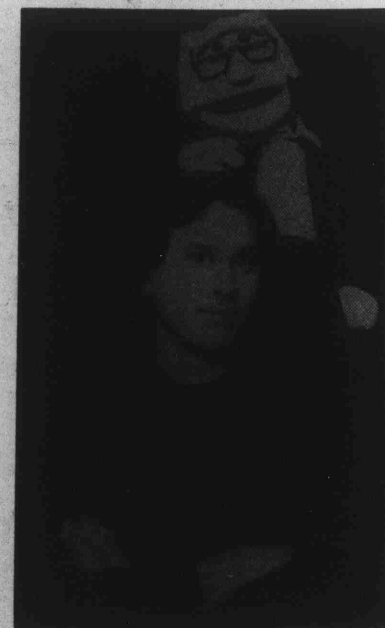
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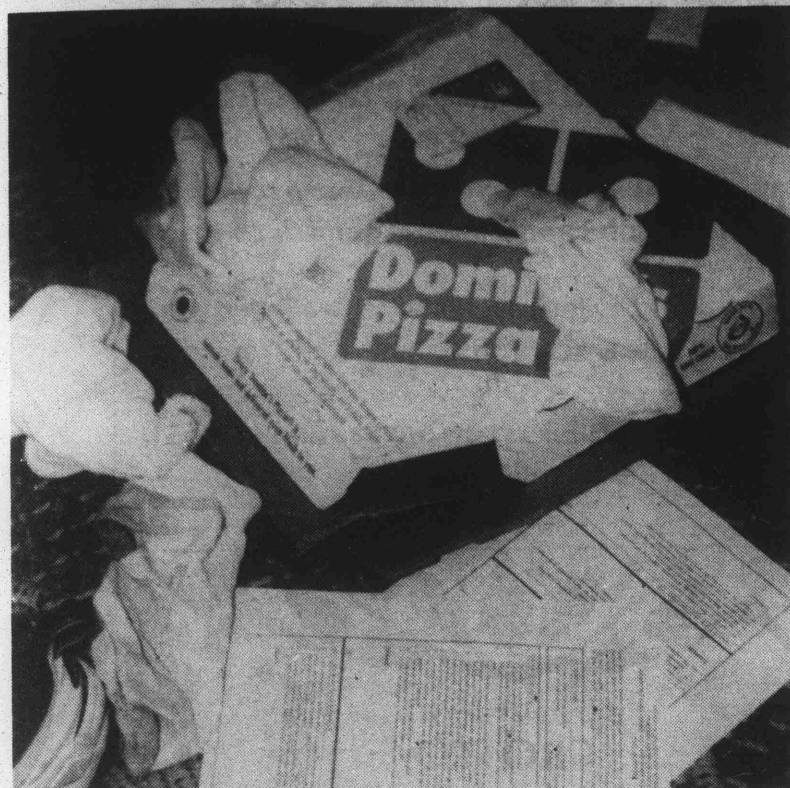
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They also have two arm-chairs, but one is dismantled and stored under the bed.

Despite some problems, both said they enjoy life in residence halls.



North Wind photos by Phillip Ferris
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is pretty chaotic," he said of the bathroom he shares with his suitemate.

Overall, Dean dislikes life in residence halls.

"It flat out doesn't work and it's a bad experience," he said.

Kim Rotundo, assistant director of Housing and Residence Life, said the residence halls are supposed to be more of a home for students.

That, she said, is the reason they are called "residence halls" instead of dorms. The word "dorm," she said, brings to mind a vision of military housing.

"We wanted it to be a place that people would feel they could call home," she said. "A dorm is just a place for people to sleep."

What goes up must come down

By JONI GLEASON
Staff Writer

Some kids grow up throwing balls back and forth across the yard to each other, but it isn't every boy who grows up throwing things to himself — especially not three at a time.

Sophomore Marc Casadei has been juggling since before he can remember, but about three and a half years ago a friend showed him a few tricks and the hobby turned serious.

"In the learning stages I practiced one or two hours a day," Casadei said, "but I don't consider it practice. It's too fun."

He juggles all kinds of balls: big plastic balls, small beanbag balls, even glow-in-the-dark balls. He likes lacrosse balls — bouncy enough that he can do tricks off the floor. He also juggles clubs, which can be a little dangerous.

"I hit myself in the head and collar bone many times with the clubs," Casadei said. "I got a little scared after that and stayed away from them for about a week."

Casadei has taught many of his friends to juggle so now just about everyone he knows does it a little, including sophomore Luke Miller.

"I don't think I have the knack for it. I tried — I broke too many things. I hit a few of my friends, especially trying to juggle the glow balls in the dark," Miller said.

"Marc is pretty amazing really," he said. "He used to walk around juggling everywhere — around the dorms or to classes. People would say 'aren't you the juggling guy?'"

Casadei juggles wherever he is, but aspires to be more than entertainment for his roommates.

"I'd like to be semi-pro someday for parties or Renaissance festivals," Casadei said.



North Wind photo by Phillip Ferris

Mark Casadie juggles clubs, balls and any object of uniform size. He has been hit with falling clubs, but with practice comes skill and less pain.

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A little help goes a long way

By MICHELLE KANGAS
Staff Writer

Seven years ago, an organization called the Point Light Foundation put together a national celebration of volunteer service — a day designated to give those who don't volunteer time every day a chance to do so.

At NMU, 56 student organizations and more than 700 students have committed to various activities around Marquette for Make a Difference Day this Saturday. Activities range from household repairs to raking leaves ... or shoveling snow.

"Make a Difference Day is a one day event. It's easy for groups to get involved," said NMU Volunteer Center Director Christy Osborn. "If every day were Make a Difference Day, the world would be a better place."

For the two years that Tom Flanigan has been a member of Lambda Chi, the fraternity has raked leaves on Make a Difference Day.

"The day reminds us to do something, and this kind of work makes you a better person," Flanigan said.

Marquette has been celebrating Make a Difference Day since 1994.

Marquette County Volunteer Center Director Vince Borleske said that in 1995, 250 volunteers helped with 40 projects. This year, he expects more than 1,000 volunteers for about 100 projects.

Those interested in participating in Make a Difference Day can contact the NMU Volunteer Center at 227-2466, or the Marquette County Volunteer Center at 228-9111.

"It only takes a few minutes to make a difference. People should take the time to get to know their neighbors," Borleske said.



North Wind file photo

Many students rake leaves for senior citizens on Make a Difference Day, as sorority sisters Dee Harrington, left, and Liz Walls did in 1994.

Stone's 'U-Turn' follows a violent course

Film: U-Turn
Starring: Sean Penn, Jennifer Lopez, Nick Nolte, Billy Bob Thornton
Director: Oliver Stone
Rating: 6 out of 10

When Oliver Stone's quirky and bizarre film "U-Turn" began, I thought I was watching a sequel to his previous violence-filled picture, "Natural Born Killers."

What was once experimental for Stone has now become his trademark.

"U-Turn" is shot in the same MTV flickering-image style. But thankfully Stone has cut back on the number of cuts and different types of film and lenses.

Sean Penn plays a gambler, Bobby Cooper, who is put through the test of a lifetime.

He's driving the open Arizona desert enroute to pay off a debt when suddenly his convertible's radiator hose blows, stranding him in the little town of Superior. His first encounter with a resident of this town from the Twilight Zone is a sordid mechanic (Billy Bob Thornton) who is hired to fix his vehicle and send him on his way. Then the frustration begins.

Kelsey Mann

Movie Reviewer



All Bobby wants to do is get his car fixed and drive out of town with his duffel bag full of his debt money. In an encounter with a robber he loses all of his cash, so he can't pay for his car repairs or pay off the people who have previously cut off two of his fingers for being late with the repayment. He then spends the rest of the film trying to find a way out of the mess and out of the nightmarish town.

Though Penn's character is an unscrupulous man, the audience can't help but feel his frustration and hope he'll get out. Everything goes wrong. Everything he tries ends up blowing up in his face, even when he's doing nothing.

What I liked about "U-Turn" is that it has something that "Natural Born Killers" lacked — a story. "U-Turn" is a mix of a Hitchcock film

and "Double Indemnity" with a violent and bloody twist. The things that he encounters and the problems he faces work wonderfully with the story. Just when you think he's out, Bobby is suddenly forced to take five steps backwards.

It seems as though the film is a series of backstabs and double crossing. Superior is a town in which residents care only for themselves, and all they care about is money and sex. The characters will also do anything to get it.

"U-Turn" is filled with stabbings, shootings and rape. Sometimes it appears to be bloody just to entertain, which is ironic if "N.B.K." is supposed to be a reaction against violence.

There really hasn't been a film out lately that tries to push the envelope. "U-Turn" isn't something radically new, but it's a different film from everything else right now.

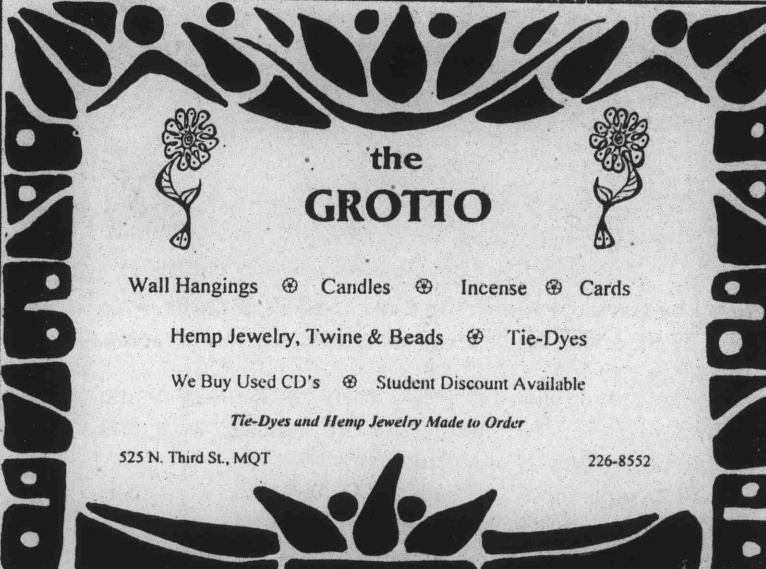
It's a very interesting style to watch visually, and unlike "Natural Born Killers," you can leave the theater without a visual headache. But don't worry, you'll still leave the theater with one. This time it's not caused by the visuals but by the nightmarish story and the annoying music.

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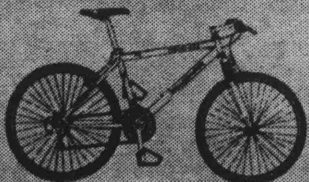
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Fire-eating college rockers make a run for the 'Buzz Clip' club

Jonathan Fire Eater
"Wolf Songs for Lambs"
Dreamworks

As I sat listening to this CD, I couldn't think of a good way to describe this band to save my life. Then it hit me — Jonathan Fire Eater. It's all in the name!

This CD makes me think of a wide variety of other Jonathans. Or Johns. It's got a heavy kind of beat in every track that reminds me of a marching band cadence. The rhythms are complex and fragmented, like a composition from John Philip Sousa.

"Wolf Songs for Lambs" is also catchy and lyrical. You don't always notice how great the lyrics are because this is an extremely talented group of musicians, and they don't have the recognition and respect that they deserve, much like the late, great John Denver.

Then there are some tracks, like No. 10, "A Night in the Nursery," that are mysterious and darkly sensual, with softly slurred lyrics and

Bridgette Jaakola

Music Reviewer



Morphine-esque melodies that simply mesmerize the listener, as does the fabulous actor, John Malkovich.

Lastly, you really have to listen to this a couple of times to appreciate it fully and hear all of the harmonic nuances in the overall fabric of the band's sound, quite similar to a Johnathan Demme film.

As for the Fire Eater part, I associate fire eaters with circus freaks, and this band is a little bit odd. They don't sing about anything earth-shaking.

I think they're the kind of people who can find inspiration for a great song from a funky set of curtains.

I would even dare to say that

Jonathan Fire Eater is one of the best examples of "college rock" that's out now. Though they are signed to a major label with Dreamworks, they have maintained that garage-like attention to detail that makes good college bands successful.

Eventually, I expect a Buzz Clip hit from these lads, but hopefully it won't be too soon.

WIG
"Wireland"
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I bet you've heard of WIG. They were, until this album, from Ann Arbor, and they've played here at Northern more than once.

Since their last release, they moved to L.A., got a cool space to play in and decorated it with glitter

guns from the Home Depot.

With "Wireland," WIG enters some new territory, and I have to say that although I dig WIG in general quite a bit, I really like this new album more than other things I've heard from them. "Wireland" is less about expressing overall sentiment and more about being specific about what is going on and why.

It's like when you're little, and the words you use are either sad, mad or happy, but by the time you turn 18, you're depressed, elated or enraged. WIG, like all great bands, is getting better with age.

If you haven't heard of WIG, the best way to describe them to you is to give examples of who they sound like, but they're pretty darn original.

I hear some things reminiscent of Jane's Addiction, Queensryche and

maybe some early Black Sabbath, but I don't want you to think that WIG is a metal band. That's where their originality comes in. The guitars have this lofty, ethereal quality to them, and the title track mixes in some elements of orchestration that give it a Pink Floyd tinge.

You should listen to this CD and form your own opinion, though, because everyone I know thinks something different about WIG.

I spoke with John Burke, WIG's drummer, about "Wireland" and he said that the band is very pleased with this effort. They should be.

"Wireland" is an excellent album. It is full of variety and real substance, not to mention ass-kicking music from the kind of talent that it takes to make a lasting impression on the new music scene.

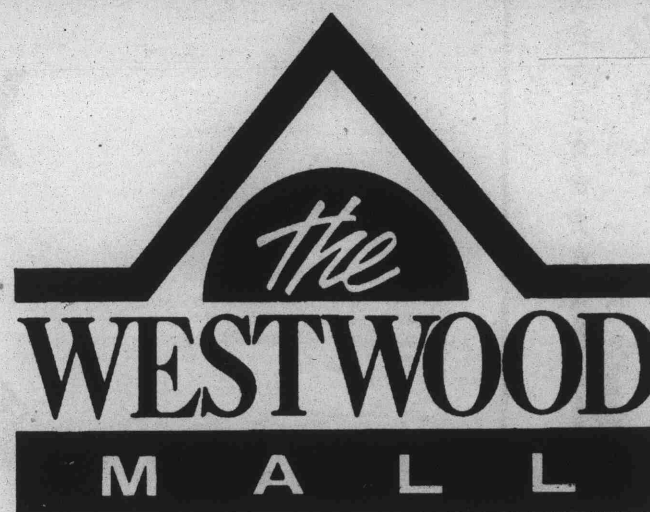
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Program Guide

Fall 1997

Monday

12a-3a Crazy Dave
Dead Dreams, Playing Greatful Dead and related music

3a-6a Kevin Weed
You have the need for weed. Anthrax to Zappa, Dylan & Marley or Coltrane and Miles eclectic as I wanna be. I'm not afraid of Pat Boone or Donny Osmond either.

6a-8a Ryan Hines
Check it out!

8a-10a Mark C.
Tune it in and find out...

10a-12p Rude Dawg
Jazz till Noon - Phishin with Frank - Something Else
Jazz till Noon features a variety of jazz styles and musical textures to put a swing in your day. Phishin with Frank is an hour of Phish followed by an hour of Zappa. Something Else is exactly that.

12p-2p Lil' Suzee
Playing music to earn her radio badge.

2p-4p Dr. Dave
Blues 101, Playing traditional and contemporary blues.

4p-6p Anthony
Exploring the world of Jazz.

6p-8p Josh the Punk Guy
The Punk Marathon w/a sideorder 'O' Ska. Featuring a featured artist of the week every monday at 7:30.

8p-10p Dill Robert
Wide World of Punk playing everthing that I think is punk rock. If you don't like it, I'll kick yer head in.

10p-12a Seth
Checkered X From Old-Skool to Ska-Punk, its all ska, and its all good.

Saturday

12a-3a Einstein
The Beverage Factory
A very nice formula of today's and yesterday's alternative hits. With a half an hour of a featured artist every week, followed by a half hour of pure METALLICA.

3a-6a Doc Rock
3am Eternal...Playing today's hits and requests...Aerosmith,311,Bush.

6a-9a Mike
Playing Music from 6-9 on a Saturday morning...

9a-11a The Kid and Doug
A veritable Montage of Funk and Punk

11a-1p DJ Double A
Canned Beats, Two hours of Hip-Hop. New mixed with old school.

1p-3p The Black Knight
The Ugly Pet Show. Its like listening to a one legged dog chasing a frisbee.

3p-6p Dr. Polyester
Hesitation Lounge. Playing a virtual cornucopia of music.

6p-9p Prurrock
All Request Saturday Night.
"Mon Crayon est grand et jaune"

9p-12a Bridgette
All Request Saturday Night. Get Saturday Night Fever on Radio X with Bridgette, the mistress of cheese. You want it, you got it.

Tuesday

12a-3a Slick Rick
"Midnight Mental Arrest" Playing 311,Cake, Beastie Boys,311,Metallica,and all REQUESTS,along w311.

3a-6a Krazy Kacie
Variety Styles of Music

6a-8a That Guy Before the Toaster
Check it out!

8a-10a The Toaster
Steaming Breakfast Eruption - Just what the name implies. "Critically Acclaimed"

10a-12p Spike Chiquet
The MANBD still playing a nu breed of modern rawk.

12p-2p Empire
Special Secret Show. I play Alternative in a melting Pot fashion Throw in everything else (baby)!

2p-4p Mr. Mike
Mr. Mike's Swingers Club, Playing Big Band Swing, Old School Crooners, Jazz and a side order of Lounge Lizards.

4p-6p Kent the DJ that Cares
The Great & Simple Show. The quiet eerie calm before the storm of Thrash & Trash Tuesday. College Rock and other Artsy complicated stuff.

6p-8p THE ENFORCER! -In Your Face!
Kicks off Thrash n' Trash Tuesday. Heavy Metal and Hard Rock. 'Nuff said!

8p-10p Siddhartha - The Express Train to a Ritalin Addiction. Heavy,fast,preferably both. Stuff you don't want the guy you just cut off listening to.

10p-12a Jayce the Ace
Metal Madness. The thunderous finale to Thrash-n-Trash Tuesday. Death,speed,grind, and a touch of GLAM! Simply the best and newest Metal.

Wednesday

12a-3a Einstein
The Beverage Factory, Playing your favorite alternative music New and old. Half an hour of a featured artist followed by a half hour of METALLICA.

3a-6a Clint
Going insane from lack of sleep, with Punk,Metal,Alternative,Classic Rock...Whatever I'm in the mood for.

6a-8a Mark the Conservative Guy
He's Conservative. Check it out!

8a-10a The Toaster & Bridgette
Wussy Wednesday
Two hours of dumb stories about nothing, plus the occasional song.

10a-12p Biff
The Morning Madness. Anything goes, from Korn to Tiny Tim to Bim, Skala Bim and Soul Coughing...ITS ALL GOOD...Requests Welcome.

12p-2p Jentrix
New Music Show Case, Playing the newest in Indie Rock & Alternative. Some of it fresh from the mailbox.

2p-4p Jordan
The J between Jentrix and J!!

4p-6p J
Rockin' your ride home!!

6p-9p Empire
25th Hour, Playing Pure PHAT,Hip Hop,Industrial and Techno from another dimension.

9p-12a Mark the Conservative Guy - Elux The best in dancey Eurotrash and east/west coast.

Thursday

12a-3a Vlad
The Circus, Playing mostly Industrial,some Techno. Stuff that kicks you in the teeth.

3a-6a Greenturd
Punk/Blues Tune in and check it out!

6a-8a Josh
Tune in and Check it out!

8a-10a Bridgette
The Happy and Obnoxious Show
A unique blend of dumb jokes, scatological humor,happy music,and cool giveaways to get your ass out of bed. 8th grade slow dance moment of the week.

10a-12p Rudy
Jazz 'til Noon - Phishin' with Frank - or Somethin' Else... Same as Tuesdays

12p-2p Steve Your Radio Friend
120 Minute Power Lunch, A little bit new,a little bit old,and a lot of unusual stuff to make your lunch go down easier.

2p-4p Sprocket
Spinalfunkida - Funk,Blues,and Groovy tunes. Ouch! Hurts so good.

4p-6p Stuys
The Dinner Hour - Dinner music...Sort of.

6p-9p Z-Love
Kickin' off R&B night.

9p-12a Dee Dee
Three hours of R&B to end R&B night.

Friday

12a-3a Early Pete
Its early and he's Pete. Check it out!!

3a-6a Chadwick
Anything I feel Like...Requests.

6a-8a Gary Gas
The quiet before the storm of Mr. Mike's Poop Show

8a-10a Mr. Mike
Zany antics and music from R.E.M. to Tom Jones. This show is a jumpstart into the weekend...Mr. Mike's Poop Show...

10a-12p Spike Chiquet
The MANBD, Playing a Nu Breed of Modern Rawk!!

12p-2p Radio X News the Show
Local and National News anchored in the only way that Radio X CAN!! Hosts: Jayce the Ace, and Prurrock

2p-4p Rev. Sumyung Boogie
Peoples Reactionary Boogie Music Front...Playing various forms of Soul, Jazz, Blues and Funk.

4p-6p John's Echo
Classic Rock - Just about anything. "You never know what might turn up"

6p-8p Doobis, Gumbly, Tim, Doug
We don't know exactly who will be here, but we do know that the Quality of Music is 'Da Bomb.

8p-10p Sneaky P
Cool Stuff. Check the stuff OUT!!

10p-12a Jim Bolinger
Classic Rock, Older Metal, interviews. Plus bits of humor....

Sunday

12a-3a Jentrix
The "Beat you-till-you-like-it" Show.
Passive/Aggressive Alternative Indie rock.

3a-6a Joker
Psychadelic Flashback, classic rock from the 60's, 70's maybe 80's. (Woodstock style)

6a-9a Scott Jones
Playing songs meant to be played on Sunday Morning. Folk/Jazz/Funk

9a-12p Dinosaur Don
"The music you forgot to remember; the music I remembered not to forget."

12p-2p TIM SYSKO
Playing an assortment of music.

2p-4p Spider Monkey
Resurrection Sunday, Playing Alternative, some heavy metal, and requests.

4p-6p Sister Dread
The Roots Rock Reggae Show. Sip your cup and soothe your ears while Burning to the Roots of Reggae.

6p-7p Nathan Lyle
The Highland, playing Celtic Rock/Traditional music.

7p-9p Jendy
Jendy's Bevy of Musical Booty. An enjoyable Mix of Music including: Dave Matthews Band, Phish, moe., Guster, Widespread Panic, suitable for a Sunday Evening.

9p-12a Forte
Playing Gothic Rock, Some 80's Pop, RPM's, all kinds of S#&\$!!

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Marquette's Music Alternative...Radio X

**Thursday
October 23**

"The American Friend" (R) will be shown at 7 and 10 p.m. in 102 Jamrich.

The American Marketing Association will have a brat sale from 11 to 3 p.m. between Jamrich and the LRC. They will also be collecting clothing for the Salvation Army.

Model UN will meet at 8 p.m. in Room 311 in the LRC.

The College Republicans will meet at 7 p.m. in Room 311 in the LRC.

Campus Crusade for Christ will meet at 8:15 p.m. in the Charcoal Room of the UC.

The Academic and Career Advisement Center presents "The Secrets of Success," Achieving Academic Excellence seminar at 4 p.m. in Room 311 in the LRC. Call 227-2971 for details.

Free Hunter Safety Courses will be offered from 6 to 9 p.m. in the Room 241 of the PEIF. Call 227-2151 to register.

College of Behavioral Sciences, Human Services and Education will have a colloquium "Race and Depression: Early Life Choices as Intervening Variables" from 3:10 to 4:15 p.m. in 167 Gries.

InterVarsity Christian Fellowship will

meet at 7 p.m. in the UC.

Impromptu garbage can percussion jam at 1 a.m. in Room 2310 of the UC. Call 227-2545 for details.

**Friday
October 24**

The Wildcat hockey team will host Lake Superior State University at 7 p.m. in Lakeview Arena.

Dietary Control of Fat Genes seminar will be held at 3 p.m. in West Science A.

Free Hunter Safety Course will be offered from 6 to 9 p.m. in Room 241 of the PEIF. Call 2151 to register.

The Peter White Library will have a haunted house for children of all ages from 6 to 9 p.m. at 135 W. Ridge St., Marquette.

**Saturday
October 25**

The U.P. Heart Club will meet at 1 p.m. in Room 1 of the Marquette General Hospital Conference Center.

The Wildcat hockey team will host Lake Superior State University at 7 p.m. in Lakeview Arena.

Dreamscapes will have a role-playing session from noon to midnight in the Charcoal Room of the UC.

Society for the Preservation of the Imagination will meet from 5 p.m. to midnight in the Pioneer Rooms of the UC.

The Wildcat football team will host Ashland University at 1 p.m. in the Superior Dome.

"Operation Condor" (R) will be shown by Campus Cinema at 7 p.m. in 102 Jamrich.

Ventriloquist Dan Horn will perform at 8 p.m. in the Great Lakes Room.

The Peter White Library will have a haunted house for children of all ages from 6 to 9 p.m. at 135 W. Ridge St., Marquette.

**Sunday
October 26**

"Operation Condor" (R) will be shown by Campus Cinema at 6:30 and 9 p.m. in 102 Jamrich.

Catholic Campus Ministry will have Mass at 7 p.m. in the Brule Room of the UC. Call Cathy Mills at 228-3302 for details.

His House Christian Fellowship will meet at 7 p.m. at 1701 Presque Isle Ave. across from the Dome.

Copper Country PRIDE will meet from 2 to 5 p.m. in the Charcoal Room of the UC. All drug-free students welcome.

NMU Outlook will meet at 7 p.m. in the chapel in the UC. Call 361-2343 for details.

ASNMU will meet at 7 p.m. in the UC, check the announcement boards for room assignment.

**Tuesday
October 28**

The Wildcat volleyball team will host Michigan Tech at 7 p.m. in the Vandament Volleyball Arena.

Wine night at Lucas's.

**Wednesday
October 29**

Lutheran Campus Ministry will have "The Gathering" at 7 p.m. in Pioneer B of the UC.

Catholic Campus Ministry will have a pasta & prayer meeting at 5 p.m.

His House Christian Fellowship will meet at 7 p.m. at 1701 Presque Isle Ave. across from the Dome.

Up all night at the North Wind office.

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Air Force One R Mon-Fri: 5:00, 7:15, 9:30 Sat-Sun: 12:30, 2:45, 5:00, 7:15, 9:30	I Know What You Did Last Summer R Mon-Fri: 5:00, 7:00, 9:00 Sat-Sun: 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00
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Conspiracy Theory R Mon-Fri: 7:15 Sat-Sun: 2:45, 7:15	Most Wanted R Mon-Fri: 5:15, 9:45 Sat-Sun: 5:15, 9:45
Leaves Thursday: Wishmaster	In & Out R Mon-Fri: 5:15, 7:15, 9:15 Sat-Sun: 1:15, 3:15, 5:15, 7:15, 9:15

Starts Friday: Gattaca A Life Less Ordinary
MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY OPEN AT 2:30 p.m. CLOSE AT 10:15 p.m.
SATURDAY AND SUNDAY OPEN AT 12:15 p.m. CLOSE AT 10:15 p.m.

Wildcats defeat Lakers

By KRISTY BASOLO
Managing Editor

The NMU volleyball team defeated Lake Superior State, 3-0, Wednesday despite what head coach Mark Rosen called a "mental lapse" in Game 3 due to the injury of Wildcat **Kris Backstrom**.

"The emotional part of Kris going down changed the team's whole mentality, which is natural," Rosen said. "When they were working on Kris I just told the team to make sure we finished [the win] and to execute our system. We had to refocus a bit."

Backstrom was injured in Game 3 after executing a successful spike for a sideout when the team was up 8-4. Upon landing, she fell to the floor with an apparent right knee injury.

Backstrom had recently reappeared in the Wildcat lineup after

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NMU opens CCHA season at home

LSSU could become new conference rival

By JASON LAUREN
Sports Editor

The Northern Michigan University hockey team hopes to rebound this weekend against Lake Superior State University in its first Central Collegiate Hockey Association game since the 1983-84 season.

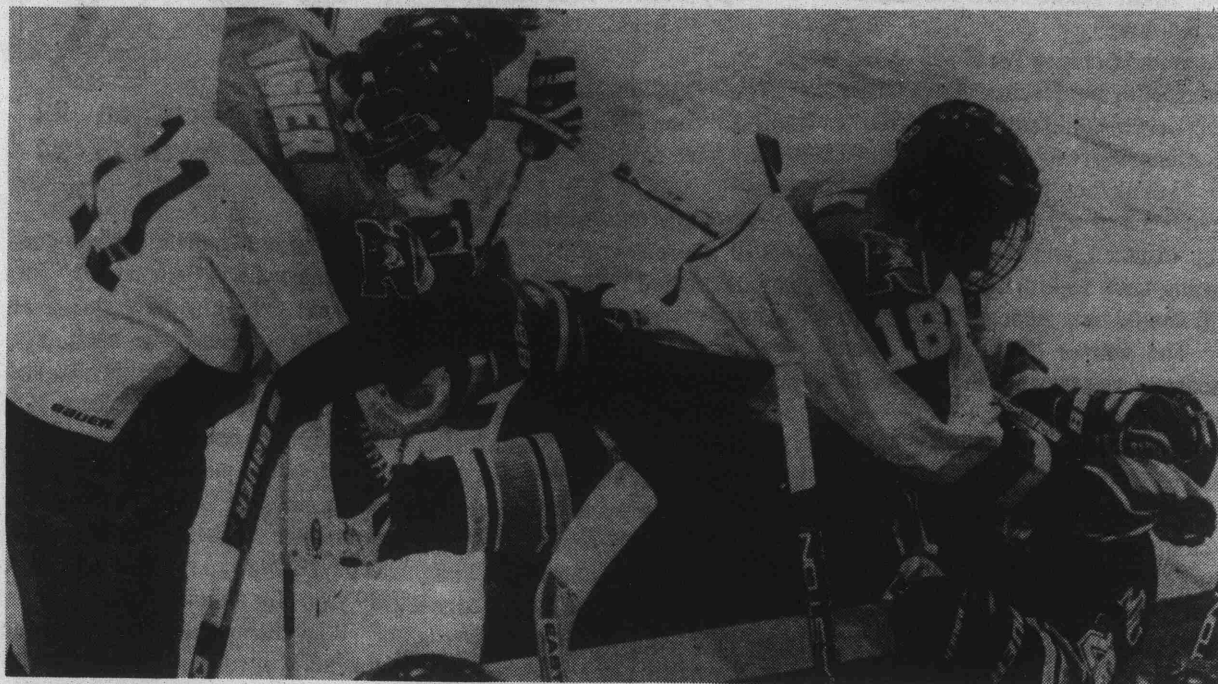
The Wildcats face the Lakers Friday and Saturday in Lakeview Arena. Faceoff time for both games is 7 p.m.

"We're pumped," Buddy Smith said, who leads the team with three goals. "We want to redeem ourselves from last weekend and show that we're a team that is improving and not going downhill."

LSSU is winless in the season, losing to Windsor (5-4) and Ferris State (6-1) in a Central Collegiate Hockey Association game. NMU leads the all-time series, 26-16-3 holding a 16-5-1 advantage at Lakeview Arena.

"They had a little rough luck against Ferris, but that doesn't mean anything early in the season," Smith

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North Wind photo by Duane Pape
Northern Michigan defenseman Curtis Sheptak, 18, welcomes Michigan Tech's left wing Bret Meyers to the Wildcats' bench by delivering a body check. Right wing J.P. Vigier, 11, looks for the puck along the boards.

'Cats suffer worst loss ever to Huskies

By JASON LAUREN
Sports Editor

The NMU hockey team found the road wasn't too friendly last weekend against Michigan Tech.

The Wildcats (1-1-1 overall) tied Michigan Tech (2-0-1 overall) 4-4 in Lakeview Arena on Friday before losing, 8-2, in Houghton on Saturday.

The 8-2 defeat was the worst loss to MTU ever and

the largest regular-season margin of victory in the series since Northern won, 8-1, on Dec. 14, 1985.

"It was very disappointing," NMU center Buddy Smith said. "We went down there with pretty good hopes and we came out flat and had a lot of penalties in the first period, and we never really recovered."

Michigan Tech head coach Tim Watters credited his team's success with the Huskies' effort to keep the puck

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Northern preparing for Ashland

'Cats' home win streak on line

By MICHAEL MURRAY
Editor in Chief

The football Wildcats continue their sampling of the Division II poll at 1 p.m. Saturday when they play No. 19 Ashland University in the Superior Dome.

For the third time in four weeks, the Wildcats (4-2 MIFC, 5-2 overall) play a nationally ranked opponent, and this one comes in with the top-rated defense in the Midwest Intercollegiate Football Conference.

The Eagles (6-1, 6-1) are No. 1 in pass defense and scoring defense and No. 2 in run defense.

NMU split end Travis Whelan said the 'Cats will have to both run and pass the ball well to beat Ashland.

"They have a very good defensive line, and they dare you to run the ball," Whelan said. "We have to pass with consistency so that will open up the run. We need balance."

The NMU offense has slipped to ninth in the MIFC (ninth in run offense and sixth in pass offense), but Whelan said he saw glimpses of the

unit's potential in the loss at No. 8 Grand Valley State last weekend.

"We had times in the Grand Valley game where we showed what we can do, but we have to be more consistent," Whelan said. "We have to reestablish ourselves on offense and get back on track."

Junior linebacker Luke Miljour said the Wildcat defense also has to get back on track after giving up 39 points to Grand Valley.

"We know we didn't play well, but we're trying to stay up for this week," Miljour said. "We're disappointed, but we're still in the thick of things. We're 5-2, and we think we can still make the playoffs."

The Ashland offense ranks third in the conference, thanks primarily to the run. The Eagles have gained 1,503 yards on the ground while passing for 1,169.

"This week is different from last week because Grand Valley could run and pass," Miljour said. "Ashland doesn't pass the ball often, so it will be easier to focus on defense. We have to stop their running attack."

THE MATCHUP



NMU	W-L	Ashland
5-2		6-1
OFFENSE		
25.0	Points (avg.)	25.1
108	First downs	130
132.0	Rush (avg.)	214.7
180.3	Pass (avg.)	167.0
21/3.0	TDs/per game	19/2.7
10	Rushing TDs	15
11	Passing TDs	4
1	Return TDs	0
6/10	FG/FGA	10/13
DEFENSE		
18.7	Pts. allowed (avg.)	12.6
121	Opp. first downs	112
154.9	Rush (avg.)	130.7
170.6	Pass (avg.)	137.6
18	Sacks	20
10	Interceptions	4

The 'Cats hope to keep their 10-game home winning streak going.

"We can sleep in our own beds and not have to be on the bus for hours," Miljour said.

"For some reason it's tough for teams to come in here and beat us."



North Wind photo by Duane Pape

Wildcat tailback P.J. Lewis and the Northern Michigan football team hope to rebound against Ashland University at 1 p.m. Saturday in the Dome.

LSSU

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said. "We're expecting a hard battle. I'm sure they'll come out flying."

Last year LSSU won 5-0 in Sault Ste. Marie before NMU rebounded to a 4-4 tie.

With Michigan Tech in the Western Collegiate Hockey Association the Lakers could step up as NMU's conference rival.

"I think they'll be the new Michigan Tech of the CCHA because of the distance, and the fans will be going back and forth," Smith said. "It should be a great rivalry."

The winner of the three-game season series between the two teams takes home the Cappel Cup.

NMU will skate without junior left wing Rich Metro (sprained knee), sophomore right-wing J.P. Vigier (stomach muscle pull) and sophomore left-wing Roger Trudeau (separated shoulder).

When the Wildcats were in the WCHA all the teams made the playoffs, but the CCHA has different qualifications.

"Only eight teams make the playoffs in the CCHA [out of 11 teams], so every game carries added significance," head coach Rick Comley said. And we are at home so we have to take advantage of that if we want to do well [in the conference]."

Huskies

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out of center ice.

On Friday the Wildcats rallied from a two-goal deficit to earn a tie.

"You never like to get a tie at home, but I thought we worked really hard to get the tie and the fact that we came back from two down and had chances to win it makes it easier to take," Comley said.

MTU held a 4-2 lead heading into the third period before the Wildcats came back in the third, outshooting the Huskies, 11-4.

Saturday's contest appeared it was going to be another close game.

MTU held a one-goal advantage halfway through the game before they scored five unanswered goals.

"It wasn't that we got overwhelmed," Comley said. "We gave a lot of bad goals."

"We didn't give up a lot of shots, and they didn't outshoot us and they didn't control play, but they just scored easily on us."

The Huskies victory was largely due to their five-for-seven power-play performance.

"Our draws were terrible and we lost just about every draw," Smith said.

"And that really gets things set up. They would just drag it to the middle and shoot it on net and we couldn't clear any rebounds. I think they banged in three or four rebound goals and that really hurt us."

Grand Valley State too much for Wildcats

By JASON LAUREN
Sports Editor



Northern Michigan 22
Grand Valley State 39

The NMU football team's attempted comeback against Grand Valley State came up short last Saturday.

The 'Cats suffered their second loss of the season to No. 8-ranked and undefeated Lakers, 39-22.

With the loss the 'Cats slip one step closer to being eliminated in the playoff race.

"It is in other teams' hands," NMU defensive coordinator Keith Jordan said. "The only thing we can do is keep on winning and see where the chips lie. A 9-2 season puts us in pretty good shape nationally."

Northern's offense struggled as it was outgained 371-181 in total yards.

"They did a nice job of mixing up the run and pass, but they hit a couple of long passes early, and that hurt us," Jordan said.

Grand Valley jumped out to a 23-0 lead in the first half before Todd Drake connected with tight end Matt Beauchamp on a touchdown pass.

Drake's one-yard touchdown run cut the Lakers lead to 23-15.

"You could feel the difference in their players and their crowd," Jordan said. "Our kids have shown all year that we can come back. You could feel it in their players and crowd that they were thinking, 'Oh no, here they come.'"

A blocked punt in the Wildcats' end zone gave Grand Valley a 10-point edge. Jason Graves then intercepted a Drake pass and ran it back 29 yards for a touchdown.

Beauchamp caught his second touchdown of the game to pull Northern within 10 points. Jeff Fox's 28-yard run secured the win for GVSU.

The 'Cats' defense held the Lakers to only one touchdown.

"We started doing a better job on first down in the second half, which put us in a situation where we could blitz because it would put them in a running situation," Jordan said.

SCOREBOARD

CALENDAR

Friday, October 24
NMU volleyball vs. Lewis Univ., 6 p.m.; Wis.-Parkside, 9 p.m. (Great Midwestern Showdown).
Lake Superior at NMU hockey, 7 p.m.
NMU tennis at GLIAC Championships

Saturday, October 25
Wayne State at NMU swimming, noon
NMU volleyball at Northern Kentucky, noon; IUPU-Fort Wayne, 6 p.m. (GMS).
Lake Superior at NMU hockey, 7 p.m.
Hillsdale at NMU football, 1 p.m.
NMU tennis at GLIAC Championships
NMU cross country at GLIAC Champ.

Sunday, October 26
NMU tennis at GLIAC Championships

Tuesday, October 28
MTU at NMU volleyball, 7 p.m.

MIFC STANDINGS

	MIFC OVERALL	
Grand Valley State	7-0	7-0
Indianapolis	6-1	7-1
Ashland	6-1	6-1
Saginaw Valley State	5-1	6-1
NORTHERN MICHIGAN	4-2	5-2
Michigan Tech	2-5	2-5
Northwood	2-5	2-5
Hillsdale	2-5	2-6
Wayne State	2-5	2-6
Ferris State	2-6	2-6
St. Francis	0-7	1-7

UPCOMING MIFC GAMES

Saturday, October 25
Grand Valley at Saginaw Valley, noon
Ashland at Northern Michigan, 1 p.m.
Hillsdale at Northwood, noon
Indianapolis at St. Francis, 2 p.m.
Wayne State at Michigan Tech, noon

GVSU 39, NMU 22

N. Michigan 0 8 7 7 22
Grand Valley 10 13 0 16 39

First Quarter
GVSU—Doug Kochanski 35-yard field goal, 7:23.

GVSU—Mike Hazimeh 44-yard pass from Jeff Fox (Kochanski kick), 5:33.

Second Quarter

GVSU—Bruce Calhoun 1-yard run (Kochanski kick), 11:45.
GVSU—Kochanski 33-yard field goal, 9:35.
GVSU—Kochanski 43-yard field goal, 2:51.
NMU—Matt Beauchamp 21-yard pass from Todd Drake (James Randle pass), 0:58.

Third Quarter

NMU—Drake 1-yard run (John Duginski kick), 3:43.

Fourth Quarter

GVSU—Team safety, 13:28
GVSU—Jason Graves 29-yard interception return (Kochanski kick), 9:11.
NMU—Beauchamp 9-yard pass from Drake (Duginski kick), 7:20.
GVSU—Fox 28-yard run (Kochanski kick), 4:02.

FIRST DOWNS - NMU 11, GVSU 18
RUSHING - NMU 27-15 (Todd Stoner 11-35); GVSU 53-154 (Calhoun 25-88).
PASSING - NMU Todd Drake 13-34-1-164; GVSU Fox 11-21-0-217.
RECEIVING - NMU Wilkinson 6-84, Beauchamp 4-47; GVSU Jason Trice 5-55.

NMU 4, MTU 4

Michigan Tech 13 0 0 - 4
N. Michigan 0 2 2 0 - 4

First Period — 1, MTU, Riley Nelson 1 (Andre Savage, Bret Meyers), 17:22.
Second Period — 2, MTU, Austyn Kryzer 1 (Brad Mueller, Tab Lardner), 6:16; 3, NMU, Buddy Smith 3 (J.P. Vigier), SHG, 9:48; 4, MTU, Meyers 2 (Mat Snesrud, Nelson), PPG, 11:38; 5, NMU, John Coyle 1 (Mike Sandbeck, Rich Metro), 12:46; 6, MTU, A.J. Aitken 1 (Savage, Andy Sutton), PPG, 17:39.
Third Period — 7, NMU, Coyle 2 (Smith, Curtis Sheptak), PPG, 0:38; 8, NMU, Jeff White 2 (Vigier, Fred Mattersdorfer), 13:06.
Power-play opportunities — MTU, 2-9; NMU, 1-8.

Penalties — MTU, 10-20; NMU, 11-22.
Goalie saves — MTU, 26 (David Weninger 13-5-9-2); NMU, 33 (Jason Flick 10-6-4-2).

Volleyball

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recovering from two knee surgeries before the season. Rosen believed it was her "good" knee that she injured in Wednesday's match.

"After Kris went down, we just wanted to get things over with," co-captain Erin Hamilton said.

The Wildcats (13-0 GLIAC, 21-1 overall) won both Games 1 and 2 by 15-4 margins. They finished with a 15-9 win in Game 3.

Kathy Jewell led the 'Cats with nine kills and 11 digs. Setter Heather Mizer had 40 assists, four digs and four kills for the team.

The Wildcats travel to Kenosha, Wis., for the Blocksport Great Midwestern Showdown Oct. 24-25. They face Lewis (Ill.) University and Wisconsin-Parkside on Friday and Northern Kentucky and IUPU-Fort Wayne on Saturday.

Rosen said the tournament will provide good competition in some important matches for the team.

"The opposition are regional teams and we're only going to get a chance to play them once. That means we only get one chance to prove where we deserve to be ranked. There is a lot of pressure this weekend, and we need that pressure."



North Wind photo by Duane Pape
Joy Hanzal

MTU 8, NMU 2

N. Michigan 11 0 - 2
Michigan Tech 3 4 1 - 8

First Period — 1, MTU, Devin Hartnell 1 (Tab Lardner, Brad Mueller), PPG, 1:43; 2, MTU, Bret Meyers 3 (Mat Snesrud, Andre Savage), PPG, 4:34; 3, NMU, Curtis Sheptak 1 (unassisted), 7:53; 4, MTU, Riley Nelson 2 (Savage, Meyers), PPG, 11:38.
Second Period — 5, NMU, Colin Young 1 (Buddy Smith), SHG, 2:45; 6, MTU, Craig Perrett (unassisted), SHG, 9:26; 7, MTU, Hartnell 2 (Andy Sutton, Lardner), PPG, 13:04; 8, MTU, Savage 2 (Nelson, Meyers), 16:34; 9, MTU, A.J. Aitken 2 (Jason McKee, Perrett), 18:03.
Third Period — 10, MTU, Lardner 2 (Andrian Fure, Sutton), PPG, 6:56.
Power-play opportunities — NMU, 0-7; MTU, 5-7.
Penalties — NMU, 7-14; MTU, 7-14.
Goalie saves — NMU, 17 (Jason Flick 5-7-x, Dan Ragusett x-x-5); MTU, 22 (Todd Weninger 6-8-8).

GLIAC VOLLEYBALL

NORTH DIVISION		GLIAC OVERALL	
NORTHERN MICHIGAN	13-0	21-1	
Michigan Tech	11-2	15-8	
Northwood	9-3	24-3	
Grand Valley State	9-3	16-10	
Saginaw Valley State	6-6	14-10	
Ferris State	5-7	13-13	
Lake Superior State	3-11	9-13	
SOUTH DIVISION		GLIAC OVERALL	
Wayne State	8-4	22-6	
Hillsdale	6-6	17-9	
Ashland	6-6	13-13	
Gannon	3-9	4-17	
Findlay*	1-11	6-15	
Mercyhurst	0-12	2-20	

* not eligible for GLIAC championship in 1997

VOLLEYBALL POLL

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1. N. MICHIGAN (18) 20-1 1

2. CSU-Bakersfield (3)	16-1	2
3. Univ. of Tampa (3)	20-1	3
4. Regis (Colo.) University	21-2	7
5. West Texas A & M	23-3	6
6. Barry (Fla.) Univ.	14-3	4
7. North Alabama	26-3	5
8. Nebraska-Omaha	17-6	8
9. North Dakota State	19-4	9
10. Central Missouri State	18-5	10
11. The Met	18-5	12
12. Augustana (S.D.) Coll.	19-6	13
13. Colorado Christian	17-6	11
14. Nebraska-Kearney	12-7	14
15. Northwood Univ.	24-3	17
16. South Dakota State	19-5	15
17. CSU-Los Angeles	20-6	19
18. Southern Colorado	16-6	16
19. Minnesota-Duluth	13-5	20
20. Northern Kentucky	21-2	21
21. IUPU-Fort Wayne	21-2	22
22. UC-Riverside	14-12	18
23. Northern Colorado	14-8	23
24. Cal Poly Pomona	16-6	NR
25. Florida Southern	17-8	NR

GLIAC SOCCER

GLIAC OVERALL	
Ashland	6-0 11-5
Mercyhurst	4-0 11-1-1
Findlay	4-1 10-4
Gannon	4-2 9-6
Saginaw Valley State	2-4 6-7
Grand Valley State	2-4 4-9
Northwood	1-5 7-8
NORTHERN MICHIGAN	0-7 0-13

GLIAC TENNIS

MIFC OVERALL	
Ferris State	10-0 10-0
Grand Valley State	10-1 16-1
Northwood	9-2 9-2
Hillsdale	8-3 10-3
Saginaw Valley State	7-4 7-4
NORTHERN MICHIGAN	6-5 6-5
Mercyhurst	5-6 7-7
Wayne State	4-7 5-7
Lake Superior State	4-7 4-8
Michigan Tech	3-8 4-8
Gannon	1-10 3-12
Findlay	0-11 0-11

Swimming and diving team defeats Illinois-Chicago

By MINDY KOZLOWSKI
Sports Staff Reporter

The NMU women's swimming and diving team took first-place honors Saturday against the University of Illinois-Chicago in its opening meet.

Several swimmers took individual first-place finishes also.

Sophomore Erin Vostad took first place in both the 100 and 200 freestyle; freshman Nicole Jesperson was first in the 200 backstroke; junior Jenny Laughna placed first in the 500 freestyle with freshman Ashley Chavez taking second place only .58 behind her.

Amy Schulz, Dancien Taylor and Darby Berger swept the 200 breaststroke.

Alison Snapp took first place in both the one- and three-meter dives.

Absent from the meet was NMU's top diver, Debbie Duncan. She is listed as day-to-day with a lower back injury.

With the return of 12 letterwinners, including Taylor and Vostad, NMU head swimming coach Karl Zueger feels optimistic about the season.

"I feel we are pretty solid in all events," Zueger said.

"We have people within the program who have been solid and have proven themselves."

Zueger begins his first season as head coach after serving as interim coach last year and assistant coach for the four previous years.

Since he has been at NMU, the 'Cats have had a top-five finish nationally and a second-place GLIAC finish each year.

Five national champions and three GLIAC swimmers of the year have also come out of the swimming program.

Assisting Zueger is Milton Braga, who returns as diving coach. Last year he was selected as NCAA II

diving coach of the year.

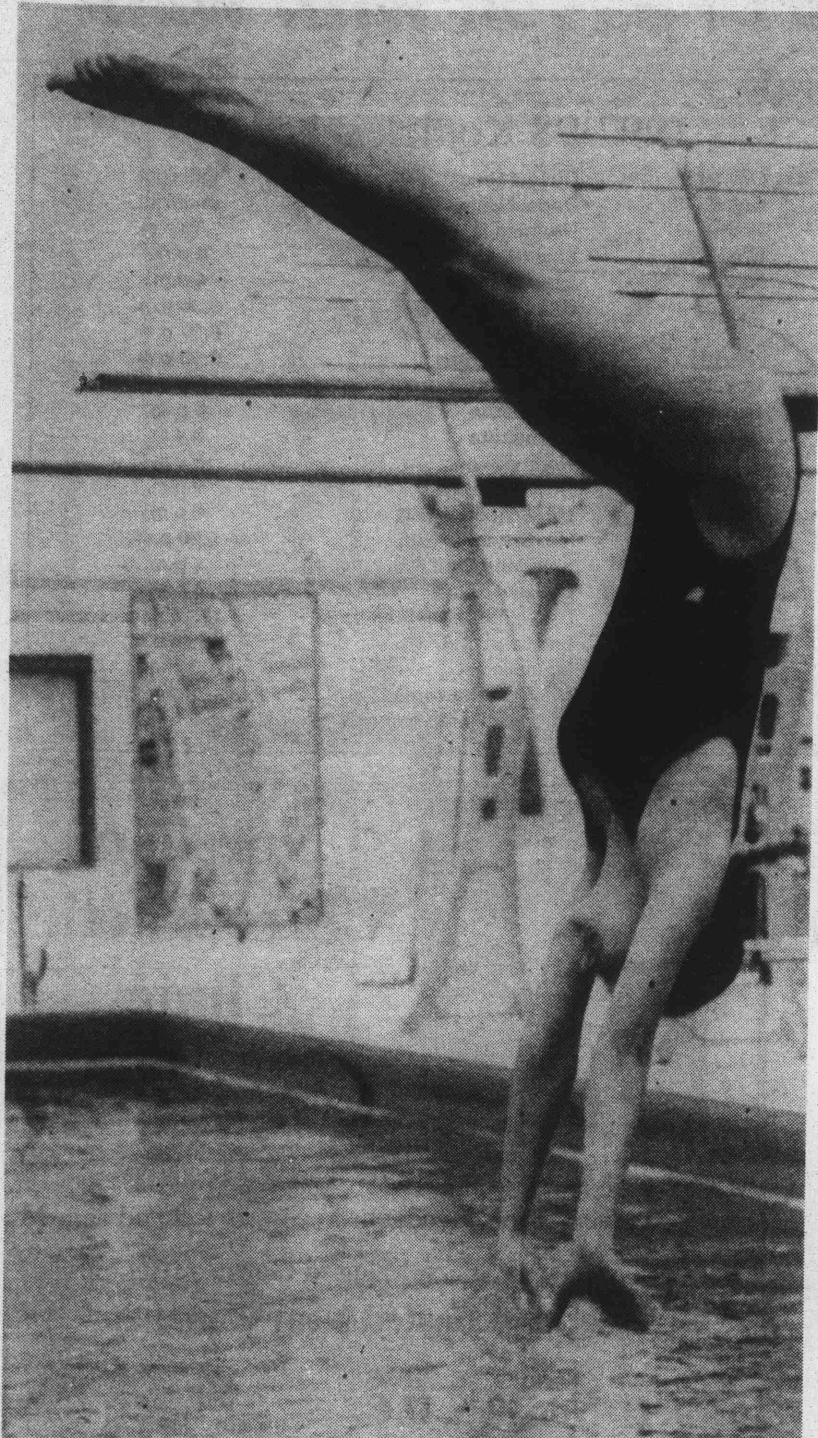
Zueger and Braga will try to repeat Northern Michigan's past success by guiding the team to championship.

"Always your goal is to win the GLIAC conference championship and to be in the top five in the country," Zueger said.

"I think the girls are starting to understand the training we are doing.

"With each week, we're going to execute better. I feel very optimistic."

The team begins its conference season when it hosts its Wayne State University at noon Saturday.



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Kit Clements and the Northern Michigan swimming and diving team opened its season defeating Illinois-Chicago with several individual first-place finishes. Saturday the team faces Wayne State University at noon.



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'Cats shut out twice

By MIKE HOARD
Sports Staff Reporter

The NMU Wildcat tennis team (6-5 overall, 6-5 GLIAC) might have got caught with sleep in its eyes last weekend during its trip downstate.

The 'Cats, who were coming off a two-game winning streak, were shut out in both matches by Grand Valley State and Ferris State.

Northern left Marquette at 4 a.m. Sunday and made it down state just in time to play Grand Valley State.

"With all the traveling we did, I was really tired out," junior Danielle Roderiguez said. "It was very hard to play, and by the second set I was drained."

Northern's closest singles matchups were by No. 1 Nancy Smith (6-4, 0-6, 1-6) and No. 6 Nicole Golbeck (4-6, 6-4, 1-6) who both were unable to come up with victories.

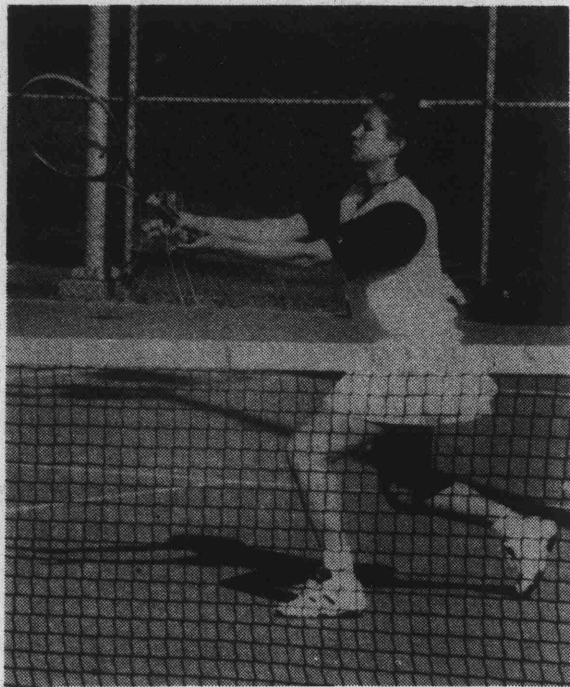
NMU was again shut out on Monday when it faced Ferris State.

"It was a good experience for us," Roderiguez said. "Ferris is a great squad, but we're going to put it behind us. Wait until we are rested up, and then we can show them."

Golbeck and the No. 1 doubles team of Smith and Spelgatti both lost in three sets.

N M U competes in the GLIAC championships this Friday, Saturday and Sunday at Northwood University.

"As long as everyone's on their game and stays focused, hopefully we'll finish in the top five," senior Jill Carson said.



North Wind photo by Duane Pape
Jessica Spelgatti and the 'Cats compete in the GLIAC championships this Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Kodiaks start season with wins

By MINDY KOZLOWSKI
Sports Staff Reporter

The NMU Kodiak Bears made their debut in Division II hockey this weekend with a pair of victories over Marquette University.

The Bears won 11-5 on Friday and 8-6 on Saturday.

On both nights, the line featuring Matt Berger, Paul Dominick and Seth Bouplon was involved in the majority of the scoring for the Kodiaks. Dominick lead the Bears with five points Saturday night.

NMU head coach Greg Come said Dominick will be relied upon for much of the team's offense.

"Berger, Paul and Seth are my main offensive line. Paul is kind of like my Steve Yzerman of the team," Come said. "He's my best player."

A problem that could face the Kodiaks is small, inexperienced defensemen.

"I want them to play physical. I want them to hit," he said. "I want the defense to hang back on the blue line. I'd like a winger to drop back and the left wing usually to play the left wing lock."

Because this is the team's first season in Division II, it is ineligible to play in the American Collegiate Hockey Association playoffs. Despite this, the team says it will not affect its motivation.

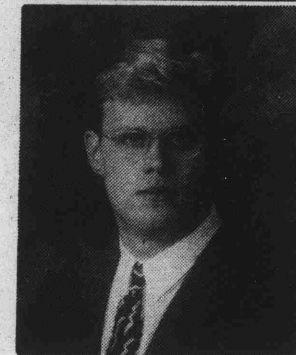
"We're mentally determined to go as far as we can go," forward Bob Fellows said.

The team travels to Chicago this Friday and Saturday to play a pair of games against DePaul University. Both games are scheduled to begin at midnight.

1997-98 Kodiak schedule

Oct. 24	Depaul Univ.	midnight
Oct. 25	Depaul Univ.	midnight
Nov. 1	Northern Ill. Univ.	9:10 p.m.
Nov. 7	Lawrence Univ.	8 p.m.
Nov. 8	Lawrence Univ.	4 p.m.
Nov. 14	U of W Whitewater	8:30 p.m.
Nov. 15	U of W Whitewater	8:30 p.m.
Nov. 21	Northwestern	8:30 p.m.
Nov. 22	Northwestern	5 p.m.
Dec. 6	Minnesota	5 p.m.
Dec. 7	Minnesota	9 a.m.
Jan. 16	Northwestern	9 p.m.
Jan. 17	Northwestern	9 p.m.
Jan. 23	Mil. School of Eng.	6 p.m.
Jan. 24	Mil. School of Eng.	9:30 p.m.
Jan. 30	Lakeland Coll.	8 p.m.
Jan. 31	Lakeland Coll.	4 p.m.
Feb. 6	Lakeland Coll.	12:15 a.m.
Feb. 7	Lakeland Coll.	10:45 p.m.
Mar. 13	Minnesota	5 p.m.
Mar. 14	Univ. of Minnesota	noon

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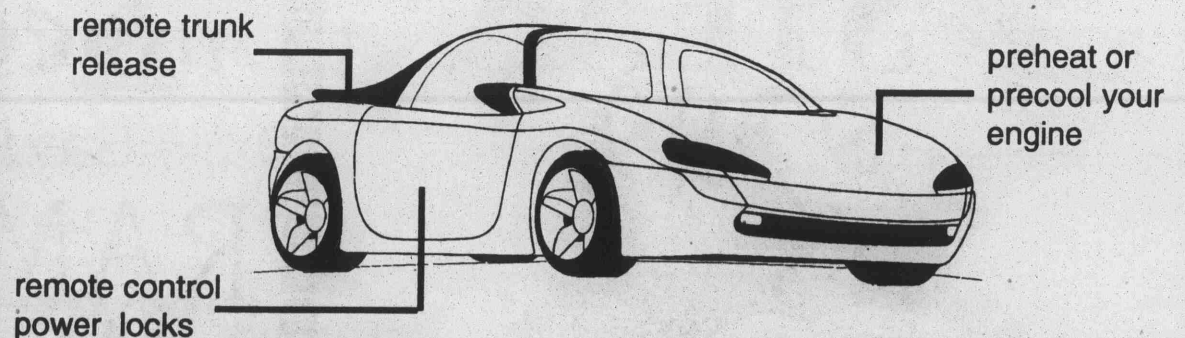
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I began to feel a bit nervous. I came to the realization that the mass could only be one thing — the North American Black Bear.

I also realized that it was not a small bear, but instead one of the largest bears I had ever seen. The bear knew I was coming and proceeded to walk toward me, which caused me to break into a sweat. I have had many teachings about bear, and somewhere in a

deep, dark corner of my brain I knew not to run. I panicked and ran for all I was worth. I could have flushed 200 woodcock and not even realized it. After running about 1,000 I looked back. The bear paid no attention to me and continued doing whatever it was he was doing.

Now panting quite heavily, I began to wonder how this was the first time I had ever encountered a bear in my walks. I also wondered why I ran. This is when I first started hearing the stories. Person after person that I have talked to have told me basically the same story over and over again. They told me they were sitting in their

Buck Wickstrom

Outdoors Columnist

bow stand and saw the largest buck they had ever seen. It was too long of a shot, so they decided to wait for the deer to come into their stand.

They watched the deer for about five minutes, and just as they were drawing back their bow to shoot their first ever Boone and Crockett buck, it bolted off into the woods and never looked back.

They waited for another 10 minutes, and then the black bear came in to eat. They swore and yelled at the bear, but to no avail; the bear just continued to eat.

Once the bear ate every last scrap in the bait pile it meandered off into the woods leaving nothing but silence. Of course, the deer never returned. After putting on my hip waders, I began picking through the obvious b.s. of the story. I found that the person actually saw nothing but the bear itself, and quite frankly I doubt they did anything either. I have heard this story many times. I have found bear have become a typical nuisance in the Upper Peninsula, and yet I find that no one has obtained a bear tag for this year,

despite the fact that they have put in several applications for one.

Bear have obviously rebounded from the earlier years of over-hunting, and the population needs to be reduced. The majority of the tags are now going to anti-hunters from downstate. These people have never been in the woods and have never experienced any kind of hunting, besides the occasional loss of their remote control.

The people who are hunting are being screwed over by this. The population of nuisances, such as coyotes, bears and even hawks, in the U.P. is on the rise in some instances.

Since the system of tags is obviously not working, it is time to open up a season.

Soccer 'Cats end year winless

By **MINDY KOZLOWSKI**
Sports Staff Reporter

The NMU soccer team concluded its second season this weekend with two more losses on the road.

Northern was defeated 1-0 by Northwood University on Saturday and 4-0 by Siena Heights College (13-3 overall) on Sunday.

In Saturday's contest, NMU goalie Kate Selke faced 17 shots while the 'Cats had only 10 shots on goal.

Sunday's game was split between goal keepers Erika Clausing and Selke. They faced a

combined seven shots on goal.

NMU ended its season with an 0-15 record and finished last in the conference, but head coach Milton Braga says he's not disappointed.

"Actually, I feel pretty good about the season," he said. "Overall, it was a year for adaptation. At the end of the season, the girls started to understand the system and the game."

Many of NMU's last games were one-goal decisions, a fact that Braga attributes to defensive improvements. Braga said the team also stopped giving up the corner kicks that were costing them goals early on.

Lisa Trotter led the team in scoring this season with six goals and 12

points. Kim Phelps was second with two goals and five points.

"Lisa had a very good season," Braga said. "She came in and asked if she could walk on and wound up being a very good addition for this team."

Although the season was worse than 1996, the team hopes to use it as motivation to work hard next year. Braga feels the experience the players gained this season will make the team more competitive next season.

"If we are going to lose, it will be because of athletic ability," he said. "We aren't going to lose because we don't know the game."

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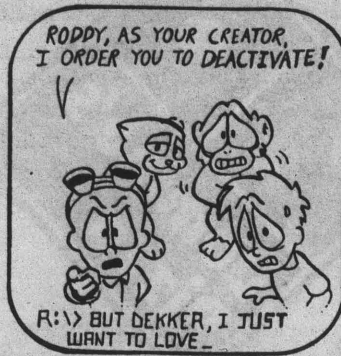
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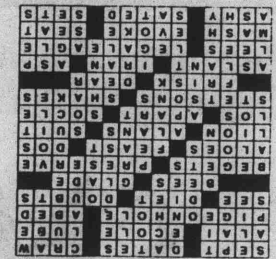
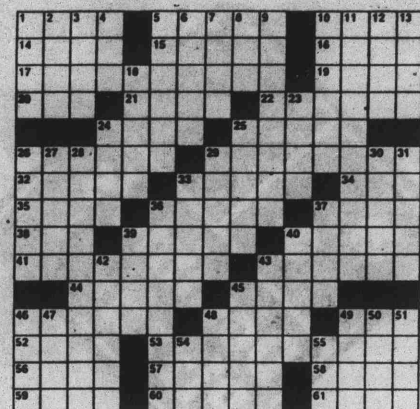
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