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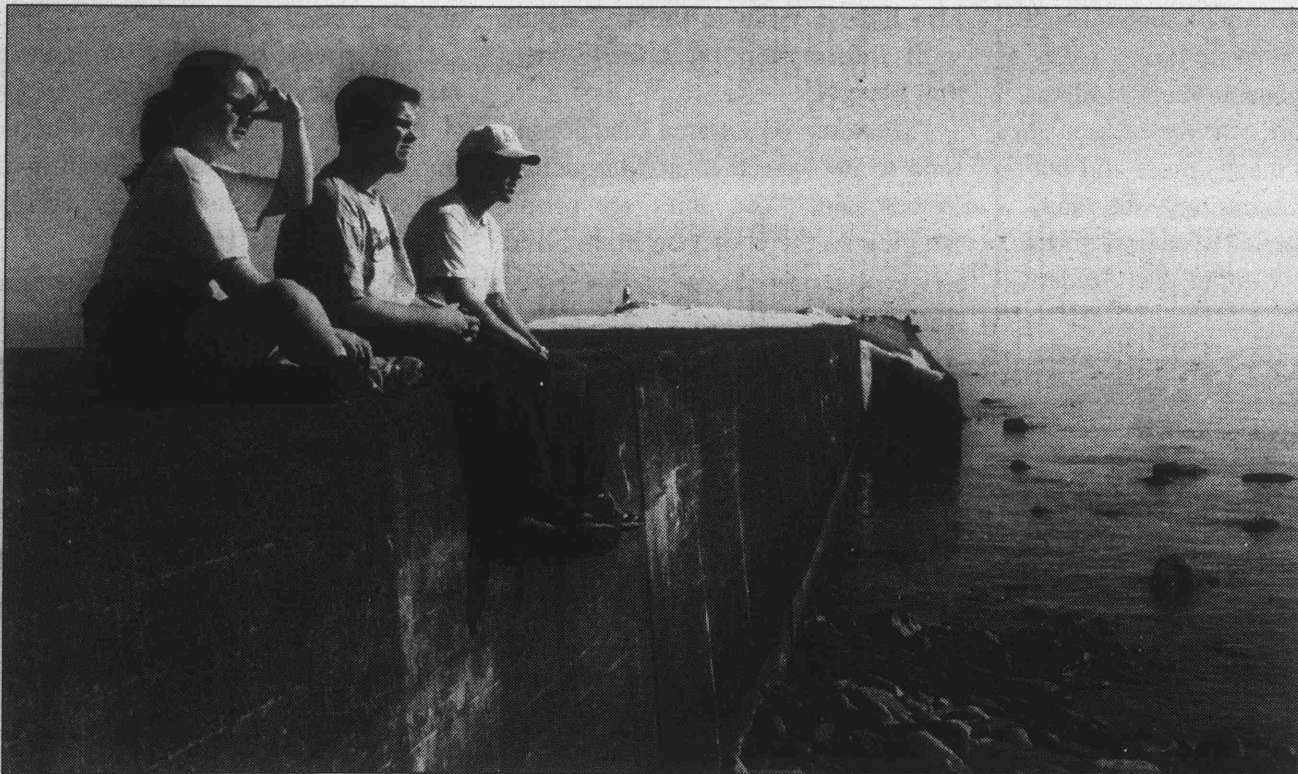
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Soaking it up



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From left, Lona Larson (undeclared freshman), Eric Easterling (freshman, architecture) and Joshua Wright (sophomore, environmental conservation) take in a view of Marquette from the breakwall Tuesday at Presque Isle. This week's record-high temperatures will be followed today by blowing snow.

Awareness first step toward helping hungry, homeless

BY LUCAS ANDERSON
NEWS EDITOR

One in 10 people in Michigan lives below the poverty line, according to a 1998 census report.

Making people aware of the issues of poverty and homelessness and their prevalence everywhere, including Marquette, is the goal of next week's Hunger and Homeless Week, which is sponsored by the Catholic Campus Ministry.

"We want to raise awareness of underprivileged areas in Marquette and what needs there are," said sophomore nursing student Becky Weber, this year's coordinator.

CCM will show the film "Roger and Me" at 8 p.m. Tuesday in Jamrich Hall Room 102. The 1989 documentary, directed by Michael Moore ("The Big One," "TV Nation") is about General Motors' downsizing in Flint. "It's intended to give people an awareness of how big business affects poverty," Weber said. The admission price is a can of food.

There will be a panel discussion at 7 p.m. Wednesday, in the Pioneer Room of the University Center. The panelists will be seven community members who work with the less fortunate in Marquette, Weber said.

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Assembly approves referendum ballot

BY LUCAS SPONSLER
EDITOR IN CHIEF

The future of the Student Activity Fee will be determined when students vote in a campus referendum April 4 and 5.

The ASNMU Student Assembly approved Monday the ballot recommended by its referendum committee. Students will have the opportunity to vote whether to raise the fee, keep it the same or do away with it. With regard to a possible increase, students will vote on each of four Direct Allocated Groups who are asking for individual increases.

• ASNMU is asking for a 15-cent increase, from 75 to 90 cents.

• Radio X is asking for a 20-cent increase, from \$3.10 to \$3.30.

• The North Wind is asking for an increase of 35 cents, from \$2.75 to \$3.10.

• The Student Finance Committee is asking for a 65-cent increase, from \$12.35 to \$13.

The Association of Information Technology Professionals has declined its previous allocation of 10 cents.

If all of the proposed increases are approved, the overall fee will go from \$19.05 to \$20.30, with a total increase of \$1.25.

"The student activity fee started in 1972 at \$5," said Nick Vivian, ASNMU president and referendum committee chair. "If

the increases in the student activity fee would have kept up with the cost of inflation, the student activity fee today would be over \$27."

Vivian is confident the proposals will find the necessary support.

"We feel it's justified; we feel the administration ought to support it," he said. "We feel that students should support their student organizations, and support the quality that the groups are bringing to campus."

The referendum provides students with one of the few opportunities to have a say in how their money is spent, Vivian said.

As with last year, voting will take place in an online format.

"We're working on the kinks right now," Vivian said.

Polling stations will be set up in Jamrich Hall, the Jacobetti Center, the Wildcat Den and the Payne/Halverson lobby. A fifth polling station will be set up, but the location has yet to be determined, Vivian said.

While the polling stations will be set up from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on each of the two days, students will be able to vote from any time, from any web browser between 8 a.m. April 4 to 5 p.m. April 5.

With online voting, Vivian expects an increase in the number of students voting in this election.

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"Two years ago we had about 600 people vote," he said. "Last year we had more than 800 people vote. Now this year we see no reason why we shouldn't have at least 1,000, upwards of 1,200 people vote. That's our goal."

Radio X Station Manager Julie Henner said the extra funds will go a long way to help the station to better serve students "by using some of that money to get better equipment, which will make for better production quality. Some of it will help pay for our real audio, so students and alumni can listen on the Internet."

Henner said it is important for students to recognize the benefits of the SAF.

"If you think about it, every speaker, every band, virtually every event on campus comes from the fee," she said. "Without the Student Activity Fee, there'd be nothing to do on campus."

The referendum, however, is not the last stop for the SAF, which comes under student vote once every two years. NMU's Board of Control must give final approval of any increase in fees.

If the university can avoid raising its tuition and fees more than the rate of inflation — about 3 percent on the dollar — it will be eligible for special funding incentives from the state. A raise in the SAF would count toward such an increase, as will the TLC laptop initiative fee.

If the TLC fee is exempted from inflation increase consideration, as the university is lobbying the state government to do, any increase in the SAF will not matter. However, if the exemption is granted, the university will work to keep any increase to a minimum.

"It depends on what that total percentage increase is," NMU President Judi Bailey said. "A lot will depend upon the total tuition package."

The next meeting of the Board of Control is scheduled for April 28.

"We, of course, will take into account that the students have voted on this," Bailey said.

SFC Chair Alison Johnson feels students will only benefit from more activity fee money.

"An increase in funds means more and better programming for students," she said. "Students want to have better events to go to, and they can't do that without the Student Activity Fee."

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They will disseminate information about the prevalence of poverty in the area and about the organizations trying to help. The admission price is a can of food.

Finally, CCM and any interested community members will volunteer at Habitat for Humanity on Saturday morning, Weber said. They will meet in the Catholic Campus Ministry Center at 1200 Hebard Court, kitty-corner from the University Center, at 9:45 a.m.

There will also be a can drive, with drop-off stations in the UC, Cat Trax and Jamrich Hall. CCM will also have a table in the UC atrium with information on homelessness and poverty.

"[Poverty is] an area that doesn't tend to be looked at in Marquette," Weber said. "You don't see people begging on the corner on Main Street

or at City Hall, but a lot of people are not getting what they need.

"Sometimes they'll have one meal in a day, and that's it. They're not getting enough."

Catholic Campus Ministry Director Kim Dolan said when solving problems, there are two steps. One is facilitating change, but the first is an awareness of the problem.

"We would like to raise awareness that there is a demograph of people who don't have as much as the average student, as the average person," Dolan said. "Oftentimes, individuals or families can have financial troubles, and it can often be more by coincidence or circumstance than anything else."

Either way, he said, "We have a responsibility to help people."

Students have many ways of helping, Dolan said, including donating to can drives, volunteering or taking alternative spring break trips.

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BRIEFS

Local

NMU student fights off assailant

MARQUETTE — A 20-year-old NMU student fought off a potential assault in her northside apartment on Longyear Avenue at about 7:50 a.m. on Tuesday. Twenty-two-year-old Nathan John Schei, an NMU student, was arrested in connection with an incident where a man entered the apartment through an unlocked door with a knife. The man threatened the woman and threw her on the bed. When he took out a roll of duct tape, the female bit his left middle finger, which prompted him to drop the tape and knife and flee the scene. Schei is being held at Marquette County Jail on three charges, and bond has been set at \$76,000.

National

Crash spills acid and kills three

WELLBORN, Fla. — More than a dozen cars and a truck carrying drums of acid collided on a smoke-clouded highway in north Florida on Wednesday, killing three people, investigators said. Twenty-one people were injured, some critically. One of the vehicles involved was a truck carrying 200 drums of acid, believed to be hydrochloric and sulfuric acid, investigators said. Investigators said some of the acid had leaked, but the spill was contained. Smoke from a smoldering brushfire had drifted over the highway, obscuring motorists' vision. The crash occurred near Wellborn, about 70 miles west of Jacksonville.

International

US plane spots stranded victims

MAPUTO, Mozambique — A United States aid plane on Wednesday spotted a group of 20,000 Mozambicans left stranded by flooding that has devastated the African country. The group was filmed by an American aircraft initially detailed to ascertain the flood damage to Mozambique's railroad, said Guillaume Demontraver, an official of the U.N. Humanitarian Office. The latest sighting pushes the estimated number of people displaced to 270,000. A death toll of 212 was announced by President Joaquim Chissano. A spokesman for the U.N. Children's Fund UNICEF said the floods and their aftermath of disease and hunger could push the death toll to thousands.

Weird News

Transsexual goes back to school

TOKYO — A male-turned-female transsexual will get a second shot at high school after a Japanese court Wednesday overturned an education board decision to bar the 30-year-old graduate from re-enrolling as a woman. The woman told the court she had transformed herself to female "physically and mentally" after graduating from high school in 1987 and had been diagnosed by a hospital as "very close to being a woman biologically," Kyodo news agency said. The education board in Tokushima, Japan, had rejected her application on the grounds she had graduated already and admitting her would deprive other students of a chance to attend the school, Kyodo said. "I want to start my life over as a female high school student," the transsexual said.

— Compiled from news sources

Mmm, mmm good



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Senior outdoor recreation major Jeff Valentine adds another tofu "not-dog" to the grill while Bylee Smith worked the condiments and beverages at their picnic at Tourist Park on Tuesday.

Greeks get it together

BY TRAVIS MARGONI
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

The second annual Greek week will begin on Saturday in the PEIF. NMU's three sororities and two fraternities are planning many activities, beginning with the 3 p.m. Anchor Splash water activities.

There are currently about 100 Greek members. Greek Council President Maria Vezzetti, a senior health education major, said she would like to see an increase in members.

"One of the hardest things to deal with is the stereotypes," Vezzetti said. "Even the professors stereotype. It's not like the movies."

Vezzetti said there are many reasons to live the Greek life.

"I felt like something was missing when I was a freshman," she said. "I had lots of friends and a boyfriend, but fundraising and volunteering really satisfies me."

On Sunday, the Greek community will clean up garbage on campus. The idea was proposed by Stacy McDonald of the NMU Volunteer Center.

"The Greek Council has always volunteered willingly," McDonald said. "On Make a Difference Day, they are very active."

In addition to these two days, a clue hunt will take place Monday when the Greek community members will be wearing shirts to identify their fraternity or sorority.

The God and Goddess competition is Tuesday in the University Center, which consists of a talent competition, a question-and-answer section about the history of Greece, and each contestant will dress as a mythological creature.

Doughnuts and beverages will be available across campus Wednesday. The Donut Hole of Marquette is donating doughnuts

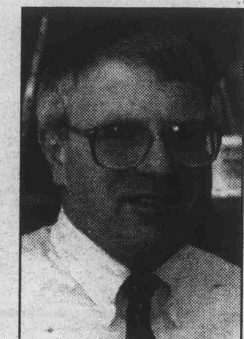
to the Greek Council. They will be available at Jamrich Hall and in the University Center.

Director of Student Activities and Leadership Programs Dave Bonsall has been advising the Greek council on campus

since the early 1980s. He said the number of students in sororities and fraternities has been declining nationally for years.

"The issue is making it relevant to students and their interests," Bonsall said. "NMU is a blue-collar campus, so dues and fees are also a consideration."

In the early 1970s, he said, NMU had 15 fraternities and nine sororities, with more than 1,000 members.



Bonsall

FORECAST

- Friday: Some sunshine with a few flurries, highs 20 to 25, low around 10.
- Saturday: Partly to mostly cloudy, high around 30, lows 10 to 15.
- Sunday: A chance of snow late, highs 30 to 35, low around 15.

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Departments, organizations and faculty will represent at Academic Major Fair

BY LUCAS ANDERSON
NEWS EDITOR

Whether students are having second thoughts about their major or have yet to declare one, the annual Academic Major Fair is there for them.

The fair is scheduled for 1 to 4 p.m. Tuesday in the Peter White Lounge in the University Center. In case of inclement weather, it will be rescheduled for Thursday.

"The event is primarily for the more than 800 undeclared students, and the students who are thinking about changing," said event coordinator Colleen Gaffney of the Academic and Career Advisement Center.

It is also intended to benefit prospective students and incoming freshmen.

College students, on average, change their major three times before they graduate.

The fair will be especially helpful for students who are just curious about other majors but haven't necessarily decided on a change, Gaffney said.

"For a lot of students, it may be easier to walk around an event like this and get that information than to have to go to a department," she said.

Student and faculty representatives will be on hand at the event. All 32 academic departments will have space in the Peter

White Lounge, and there will be information on the more than 120 majors available at NMU.

Some student organizations will have tables in the atrium outside the NMU Bookstore, as will student affairs offices such as the JOBSearch Center and the Hub Student Resource Center.

"High school students can know that we're here, and current students can be reminded about our services," said Diane Mankamyer, principal secretary at the JOBSearch Center. "They can find an area of services that they might not be aware of."

There will be a concession stand, as well as a raffle with prizes donated by area businesses.

The event is sponsored by the Academic and Career Advisement Center and the Admissions Office.

For more information, call 227-2971.

Dave Pelzer

As a child, his resilience enabled him to overcome extreme life-threatening obstacles. As an adult, his inspirational message, sense of humor, and wit have empowered countless individuals. As an author, educator, and consultant, Dave has dedicated his life to helping others... to help themselves.



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Student newspaper grabs pair of awards

North Wind wins second place in two categories

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The North Wind was awarded second place for both overall excellence in four-year colleges with greater than 5,000 enrollment and overall excellence for specialty publications.

The Nov. 18, 1999 edition and Oct. 7, 1999 hockey season preview were submitted for the categories.

The awards were received Sunday at the Best of the Midwest Associate Collegiate Press Conference reception held in the Hilton Towers of downtown Minneapolis.

"It has really been encouraging because we have a younger

staff right now," said North Wind Editor in Chief Lucas Sponsler. "It will push us through the last few weeks of the school year and get us excited about the summer months as far as internships and professional experience goes."

The University of Minnesota's Daily took first place in the overall category. Truman State University's Index (Kirksville, Mo.), The University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire's Spectator and Central Michigan LIFE placed third, fourth and fifth, respectively.

The Minnesota Daily also took first in the specialty publication category. Third place went to Milwaukee Area Technical College's Times.

"I don't like to settle for less

than the best," Sponsler said. "Considering that the Minnesota Daily has a staff of 300 and also won the overall excellence award nation-wide, I think we can be comfortable with second place."

Aside from entering competitions, the eight staff members who took the trip participated in critique and brainstorming sessions and attended other informative workshops.

The awards are the publication's 12th and 13th in its 28-year history, all of which have been received in the last five years.

"I think it shows that we've really worked hard to develop and maintain high standards and to transmit them to the future staff," Sponsler said.

— By North Wind staff



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The North Wind staff: In front, News Editor Lucas Anderson and Editor in Chief Lucas Sponsler. With the award at left, Managing Editor Jason Lauren, Staff Writer Jon Sicotte, Features Editor Miriam Möller, Opinion Editor Kristy Basolo and Sports Editor Jeremy Pickens. In back, Assistant Sports Editor Jenn Jurewicz.

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EDITORIAL

Lambs, lions march

March is a unique month in the lives of college students. Having returned from spring break, and probably more exhausted than when they left, many students stumble their way through the first few days of class as though they never really returned.

Yet there is much to look forward to in the weeks that come. Here is a short list:

- Consistent weather. Um, OK, sure. If you didn't notice, temperatures this week reached record highs. Yet some students who went to class wearing shorts and enjoying the sunshine Wednesday were greeted by clouds, cold and rain for the walk home. Welcome to Michigan. Perhaps the best thing to do is bring your parka and be ready to crank your favorite student radio station when you get home. While it may be partly cloudy, there's a high chance of rock 'n' roll.

- March Madness. It's tournament time, and NMU's teams are anxious to make a run for it all. While for some folks March Madness means nothing more than a chance to scam a little cash from the fellow in the next cubicle in the office pool, the Wildcats are ready and rearing to put on quite a show for the green and gold faithful.

- April. Well, not really. April usually brings a sense of panic. Students will be faced with questions such as "Where am I going to work this summer?" and "Where am I going to live?" as well as "What am I going to do with all my stuff?" Oh, yeah, and there's also the question, "How am I going to pass my classes?" Students who ask these questions in March are more likely to have them answered in April, if not before then.

In a month which shares its name with the category of the bulk of John Philip Sousa's musical compositions, an awareness arises as to the need for discipline. Go to class, step to the beat, enjoy some good classic rock, and all will be well in your world, that is, of course, if you heed our warnings.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Affirmative action as necessity for diversity

Our society has many misconceptions about affirmative action, so I'm glad to see that people are willing to dialogue about the issue. To understand the policy, we really need to understand its purpose and provisions. President Johnson instituted affirmative action to make up for past racism. All too often we interpret this to mean that affirmative action was set up in reparation for the sins of our forefathers.

We really need to understand that past racism still affects our society. For example, it has been proven that banks often deny loans to upper middle class minority families, while approving loans for white families with lower incomes. Are white bankers sitting around somewhere conspiring against minorities? Not that I know of, but it is true that banks take into account the past interest rates when determining loan eligibility. The formulas that use this information should make decisions objective and prevent bias, but unfortunately they don't because past racism once forced many minority families to borrow from virtual loan sharks at rather high interest rates. So, would it really be such a bad thing to practice affirmative action and change the criteria for determining loan eligibility for people of color?

The same principle applies in hiring people. In our society, gender and racial differences result in cultural differences (We do not often think of women and men as having separate cultures, but if a social scientist observed my lifestyle and compared it with that of my female friends, I'm sure she or he would notice

a difference.), and it would not seem entirely unnatural for a hiring body made almost entirely of people from one culture to want to hire people with the same cultural traits. Therefore, a need exists to make institutions that hire people more diverse.

So, why accomplish this through quotas? Because we're not! NMU has set goals, not quotas. It has decided to make an honest effort to hire a staff that better resembles the general population. NMU could never hire a less competent minority female over a white male. The Supreme Court has made it clear that this is illegal. It could, however, take gender and ethnicity into account in determining who to hire for a position.

I fear that misconceptions about affirmative action arise in large part from poor administration of the policy. A friend of mine from a different university was recently accepted into medical school. Despite near perfect grades, a history of service and leadership roles and excellent MCAT scores, she was very much made to feel as though her acceptance came solely as a result of her status as a working class female from a rural area.

What an insult after all that hard work! She merited acceptance because of her qualifications. Her status as a woman from a working class, rural family is a plus, however. After all, rural, working class women make up a sizable portion of the medical industry's clientele, yet most doctors do not come from that background.

Erik Kaeding

Student appalled by 'Christian' behavior

This letter is in response to

the protesters in front of the university center the night of the drag show. This group is present any time there is an event on campus that goes against their beliefs. They parade around in front of the building telling people they're are going to burn in hell and giving out pamphlets to save the heathens who are going to these events.

I am part of the Presbyterian Campus Ministry group and consider myself to be a Christian. The judgmental behavior the protesters are demonstrating is offensive to me. One member of campus ministry was told by a protester that he was going to burn in hell because he is Presbyterian. I don't know what religion these protesters claim to be but they are not acting in a Christian manner.

Being a Christian is not about judging others or their actions. There is not one denomination which is going to burn in hell because they are of that chosen religion, nor are the students and community members who go to events like the drag show heathens and going to be condemned to hell. Being a moderate Christian is about loving others and excepting them for what they are. We are all different and need to respect the people around us for their differences.

Amy Moore
Presbyterian Campus
Ministry

Requirement meets with more opposition

As the tutor for CIS 110 during the last several semesters, I am very concerned about the university's requirement for laptop computers without a plan for confirming that students are indeed

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Responsible to bear arms

In the aftermath of last week's shooting death of 6-year-old Kayla Rolland in Mt. Morris Township, the already-hot topic of gun safety/control has risen to a fever pitch. Political figures are left pointing fingers, while the roots of the problem continue to grow right underneath their feet.

We live in a country that guarantees the right to bear arms. With that freedom comes a higher price tag: the risk of higher shooting fatalities. How much higher? According to President Clinton's State of the Union Address, American children are killed by gunfire at a rate nine times higher than the combined total of the next 25 top industrial nations.

In the past week, President Clinton has made several appeals to Congress to institute the gun safety laws he has proposed during the last year. In reaction, Jim Nicholson, chairman of the Republican National Committee, in what could be the most narrow-minded and callous comment I've ever heard, accused Clinton of exploiting the death of Kayla Rolland "to score political point for himself and Al Gore."

The Democratic call for more gun laws won't fix the

STAFF COLUMN



By GEOFF HINEMAN

problem, nor will the Republican stance of putting more weight into the gun laws we already have.

Remedying the situation with new laws is treating the symptom and not the problem. Children are getting their hands on guns because of the negligence of adults. Six-year-olds don't go into sporting goods stores and pick up guns; adults do. Just because things such as gun locks are available doesn't mean that a negligent adult, who doesn't bother to keep guns away from children, is going to use them.

The Republican solution, drafted in part by the NRA, is to avoid new gun laws and enforce the laws we have more strictly. Well, that's a great reactionary strategy: let's wait until another child is killed, then punish the shooter harshly.

What does that leave you? One child dead and another locked away for a very long time. I think that's an even bigger problem. Not only is denying new gun laws on principle alone shallow, it's a step backward. Some work very well. Since 1993, the Brady background-check law has prevented 500,000 purchases by felons.

The real solution is to get people to take more responsibility. The idea is never addressed because it is not a quick-fix solution. If it were to happen, it would take years of work with people at levels with which politicians don't associate. This kind of work isn't cheap either, but if politicians are serious about saving our nation's children, they might look at using some of the billions spent on national defense.

I would like to conclude with a request. If anybody reading this has a better idea, send me an e-mail. Maybe we could get it moving up the political ladder now so, when we have children, we can worry about more important things — like the dreaded sex talk.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Geoff Hineman welcomes reactions to his columns at ghineman@nmu.edu.

LETTER

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able to utilize this tool efficiently. I believe the student body should take a stand regarding the need for a technology requirement as part of Liberal Studies.

President Bailey has been quoted as saying that the immediate goal of the TLC program is to make NMU "the high-touch, high-tech university" of the Midwest. However, just because NMU is requiring students to get a laptop does not mean they can use them properly. We cannot call ourselves a high-tech university if we have computers and no knowledge of how to use them. Dr. Fred Joyal was quoted in *The Mining Journal* as saying, "The decision to implement the TLC program was motivated in large part by today's global economy, which will require college graduates to have a working knowledge of word processing functions, spreadsheet and database programs, e-mail and Internet access." I would like to know how they believe college graduates will learn to utilize this tool efficiently if course requirements do not exist. An educational plan for teaching students how to use this tool should be in place so students will get a return on their investment.

My concerns are based on the experiences I have had working with all students, regardless of

major or age. On a daily basis, I encounter students in the computer labs who do not have the necessary computer skills to successfully type a paper, create a simple spreadsheet, explore the Internet or even send an e-mail message. I spent one day showing a senior, who was typing her résumé, how to use the Tab and Backspace keys. I also spent an hour-and-a-half showing a student how to open and save a document. I could fill up pages providing you with examples. I believe it is an injustice to the students of this university if they are mandated to pay for a laptop — a tool that NMU publicizes will make students more technologically literate — without a requirement that they learn to efficiently utilize it in their work.

How are students going to obtain these skills if they are not properly trained? We must remember that these skills are not part of the laptop package. Giving a student a laptop, with no prior computer training, is like giving an illiterate person a book to read or mandating that students purchase a car without providing them drivers education. I tutored one student who got a laptop; he could turn it on, but he couldn't do anything else once it was on. I had to explain to him what the start menu was!

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SOUND OFF

Next Week: Should the student activity fee be increased?

Would you be in favor of a \$5 to \$11 tuition increase in exchange for access to all NMU athletic events?



Alison Hoffman
senior, art education

"I would be in favor of the increase just to have the option to go if I wanted to. Besides, tickets are at least \$5 a piece anyway, so if I went to one game, it would already be worth it."



Rob Palmer
junior, undecided

"No, because I usually find a way to sneak in anyway."

SOUND OFF gives students the opportunity to voice their opinions. Each week we will pose a question. If you have something to say on the topic, stop by The North Wind office in room 2310 of the University Center and fill out our SOUND OFF questionnaire by 7 p.m. Monday. We will choose two opposing views to print in the next issue.

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LETTER

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These students typically know only how to surf the web, use e-mail and chat rooms, and type a paper. All students, regardless of their level of technology skill, should be encouraged to expand their knowledge base. After all, this is the philosophy universities have had for decades regarding English, math, science, and history. Children in the United States have grown up learning to speak and write all of their lives. English is taught in every grade, beginning in kindergarten. However, this university has the well-established procedure of requiring two writing courses for all students. How is this any different than requiring technology courses? In fact, technology changes so fast, it is imperative that students keep up-to-date with these changes. English does not even change! Because technology does change rapidly, if NMU truly wants to live up to their "high-touch, high-tech" reputation, the faculty should be encouraging students to continu-

ally upgrade their knowledge-base by taking additional technology courses. If the faculty does not certify that students really know how to properly apply technology in their work, this "high-touch, high-tech" university has no meaning and is simply a publicity gimmick. Students are here to learn.

Jennifer Shaffer

Professor addresses handicap access need

Add my name to the list of faculty who concur with Joe Olson's concern over handicap accessibility at NMU. He rightly points out that accessibility to most buildings on campus for those in wheelchairs is dependent on someone else being there to open one or more doors.

He is also justified in pointing out that being stranded outside a building in winter poses a health and safety risk for those in wheelchairs, and that's in addition to the slippery and slushy walkway conditions posed by the U.P. winters.

As far as I know, Cohodas is the only building regularly used by students that has an automated system, and that system appears to be rather cumbersome. Buildings which have been renovated, expanded or newly constructed since the passage of the Americans with Disabilities Act have not included automated entrances. I wish they had.

Perhaps NMU should explore the automated sliding door system in use in business throughout the community. That system seems to be affordable and effective, if its increasing use is any indication. Why, I'll bet engineering and the CITE could develop a system which operated from a switch on the outside cover of our laptops, sort of like an automatic garage door opener! Certainly, however, Northern needs to do something. Handicap accessibility to buildings is not a luxury for some students; it is a necessity.

Ray Ventre
English Department



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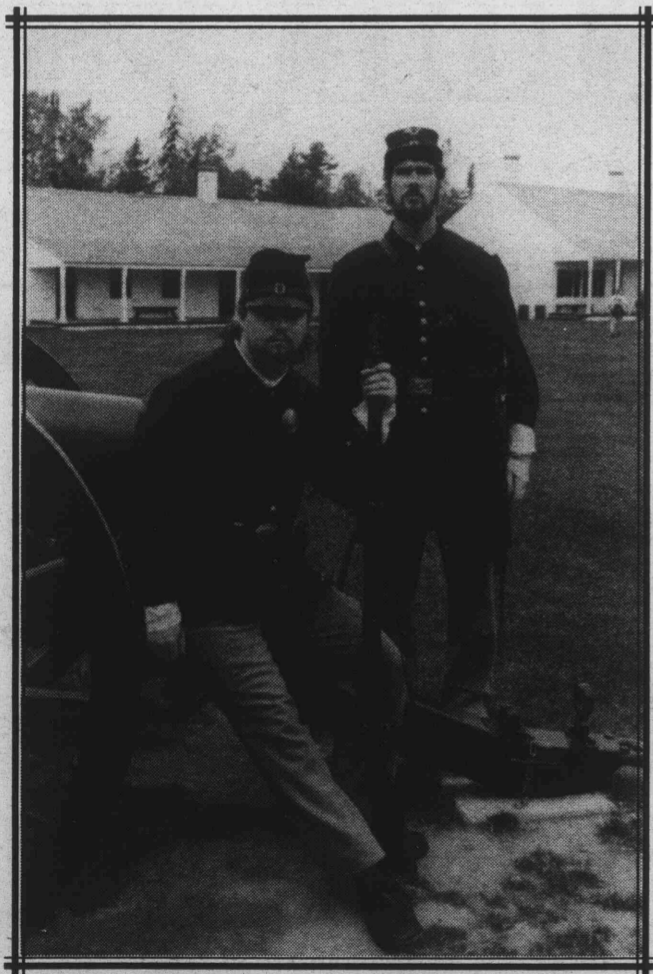
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Prof's financial foresight helps theater

BY TRAVIS MARGONI
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

NMU professor Robert Dornquast recently shelled out the equivalent of \$10,100 to underwrite Forest Roberts Theatre's productions of "A Chorus Line."

This is the first time in school history that an individual has underwritten the cost of a theatrical performance.

"Robert really enjoys giving his money to causes he finds important," said Barbara Burri, Director of the NMU Annual Fund. "We had two other individuals in mind, but when I approached [Dornquast] with the situation, he jumped at it."

Dornquast originally suggested asking area businesses to underwrite the productions on a regular basis at a meeting of the First Nighters Club — the theater's — support group, last summer.

Dornquast has been a member of the First Nighters Club for the past six years and president for the past three.

"I didn't understand the need for microphones at the time," Dornquast said. "Being a musi-

cal, the production needed about a dozen more for performers."

Dornquast said the microphones should be usable for about five years, then may need to be repaired or replaced.

Dornquast's donation was made to the university in the form of 100 shares of Sun Microsystems stock, worth \$101 each at the time he donated them. The stocks are to be sold by the

university. Dornquast said he purchased the stocks more than three years ago, and the company has since "bloomed and blossomed."

By donating stock rather than cash, the law allows for taxing of the money to be eliminated.

"[Dornquast's] help has hopefully been a key to getting people interested in supporting other productions," Burri said.

Both Dornquast and Burri said they hope to see more donations from faculty, as well as other members of the community.

"I hope the faculty will respond well," Dornquast said. "Most have money there for this kind of situation."

Dornquast said he wants to leave a gift for the university to have in his name when he leaves.

"By contributing, we can help

many people," Dornquast said. "The students are then able to put on a better performance. The university doesn't have to search for funding, and the public is presented with a great performance like 'A Chorus Line.'"

Anyone interested in donating any amount of money for theatrical performances can call Barbara Burri at the NMU Annual Fund at 227-2531.

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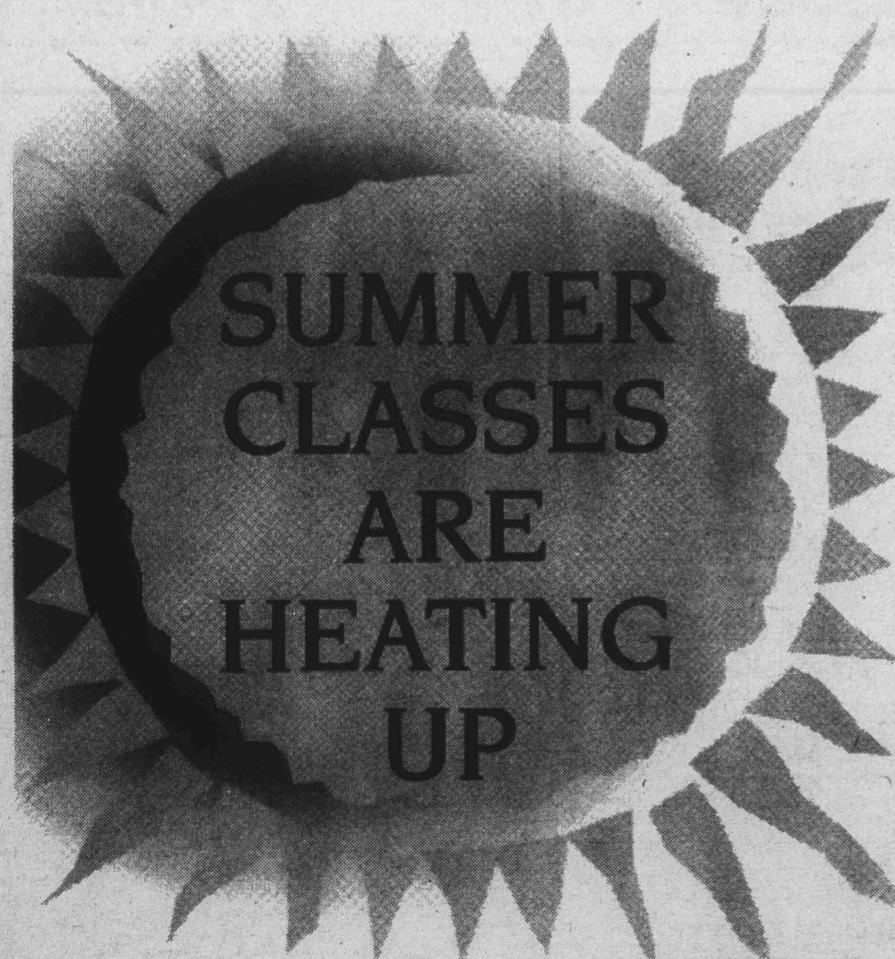
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CAMPUS NOTES

"A Child Called 'It'" author visits

Dave Pelzer, author of three bestselling books, "A Child Called 'It,'" "The Lost Boy," and "A Man Named Dave," will speak at 7 p.m. Wednesday in the Great Lakes Rooms of the University Center. It is free to NMU students and \$1 for non-students.

Wartime effects on U.P. explored

Russ Magnaghi, an NMU history professor, will present "The U.P. During World War II" at 7 p.m. Wednesday in Room B101 of the Superior Dome. Using vintage slides and information gathered from interviews and research, he will explore the impact World War II had on atti-

tudes and activities in Upper Peninsula communities. The presentation is sponsored by the Northern Center for Lifelong Learning. The cost is \$3 for NCLL members and \$5 for non-members.

Forum addresses global warming

"It's God's World: Christians, Care for Creation and Global Warming" is a five-session study of issues related to global warming from a Christian faith viewpoint. It will be held at noon on Tuesdays at the Internet Bagel Cafe, starting March 14. The study will address questions about global warming, what can be done and what role faith plays in these issues. For more information, call 226-0616 or e-mail cwest@portup.com.

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Great tale of the wolf

BY MIRIAM MÖLLER
FEATURES EDITOR

A coat of gray fur, the predator silently appears, presenting its beautiful form that has been a part of human's history for a long time.

Wolves and people in the Upper Peninsula is the topic of a slide presentation by wildlife biologist Bill Robinson, being held at 7 p.m. today in West Science Room 270.

Sponsored by the Central Upper Peninsula Group Sierra Club, Robinson will speak on the history of the relationship and interactions between wolves and people in the U.P.

"It's primarily about my experiences when we released four wolves back in the 1970s," said Robinson, a former NMU professor. "[It is] about people's response to the wolves."

All of the four wolves were killed. One was trapped and shot, two were shot and one was hit by a car, Robinson said. People were worried the predators would attack what the people called "good animals," and they were afraid of attacks on their children.

People's perspectives have changed with the help of better information on the behavior of

the wolves and what they are really like. The wolf population has also changed.

"Since 1989, wolves have been a breeding population," said Jim Hammill, west U.P. wildlife management supervisor for the DNR. "Prior to that time, we did not have a record of wolves producing young."

The wolf population grew from three to 174 on the mainland in Michigan, in addition to 25 on Isle Royale. Great increases in the wolf population in Minnesota and in Canada helped increase this number because wolves expanded their range into the U.P., Hammill said.

Strong and healthy deer herds also attracted wolves. Wolves hunt deer, moose and beaver, but deer are the primary food source



Photo Courtesy of Jim Wuepper

Wolves could once be found throughout the United States.

for wolves, Hammill said.

People's fear of the predators seems senseless since wolves have an excellent record regarding attacks on people. They have a better record than black bears, Hammill said.

"They are not animals that need to be feared; they need to be

respected," Hammill said.

The DNR hopes that, in the next year, wolves can be reclassified from endangered to threatened in Michigan.

The presentation is open to everybody, as are all meetings of the local Sierra Club group, president Richard Posey said.

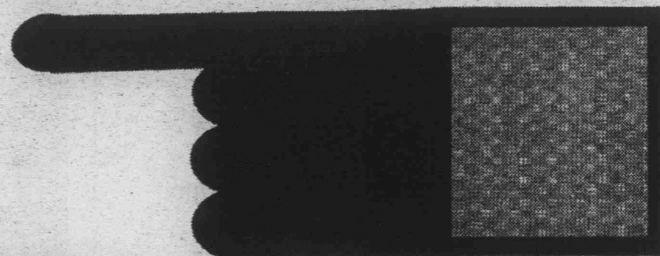
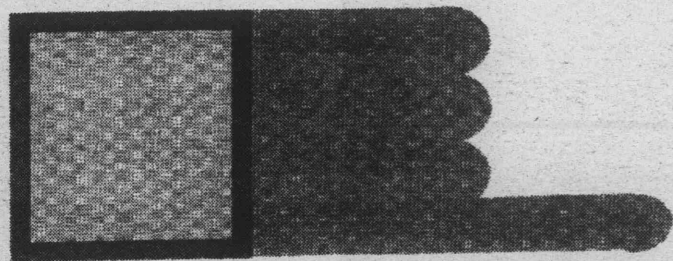
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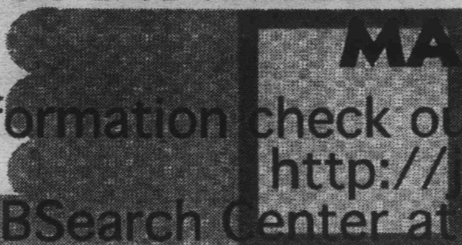
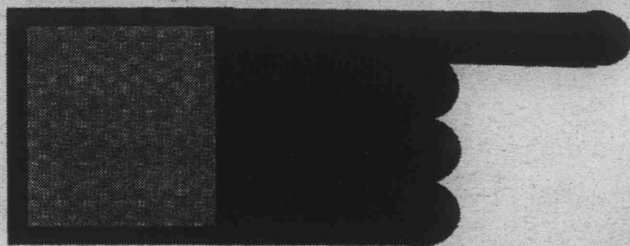
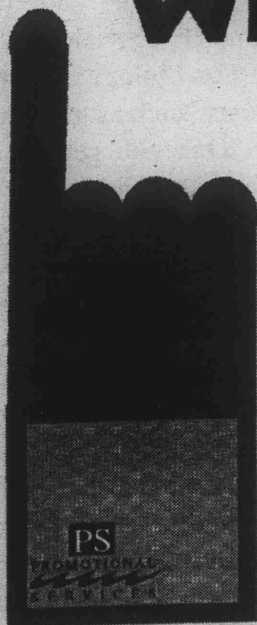
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The power of toys

It was a beautiful Monday morning. Reveling in the out-of-hand weekend I had just survived, I gathered my books to head to campus. The sun warmed the back of my neck in between the swishes of my ponytail. I took one last look at my Rollerblades, dusty from winter storage, and ran out the door before I changed my mind.

At work, the phone rang and one of our salespeople, Rick, took the call. It was an out-of-town customer making arrangements to pick up some merchandise later that day.

In the meantime, I was praying to God that my class would be cancelled. Sitting through even the most interesting class on a day like this would definitely be cruel and inhumane torture. As I reached the top step in Jamrich Hall, the building fell into darkness. I stopped and threw my hands up in jubilation. Tripping over people while meandering down the hallway, I arrived at my class.

Of course, we had work to do — and just enough light from the windows in which to do it. I gazed outside and sighed.

About the same time, Rick began to wonder if the callers would even show up.

While he was waiting, his girlfriend called to chat about the strange things that had been going on that day. First, the power had gone out in the greater Marquette area. Then, upon trying to access the highway, she was greeted with a road block the size of Tallahassee.

This was the cops biggest operation since someone stole the doughnuts from the stations break room. The officers had a man lie on the ground — guns pointed at his head, ready to rock his world.

Shortly after the conversation, Rick spotted a couple who could be his customers.

"Did you guys get backed up in the traffic on US 41 with that thing goin' down?" he asked politely.

"We were that thing," the customer told him, as Rick's jaw dropped through the floor.

Earlier that morning, the couple had explained to their son why he couldn't take his favorite toy — a plastic laser gun — to school with him. The child was adamant, but the toy was left in the vehicle.

On their way to Marquette, the couple paused at a stoplight. Joking, the husband put the toy gun to his wife's head and yelled "Drive through the red light!"

Apparently, they were the only ones laughing. Someone in a car behind them dialed the locals on a cell phone, and a few miles down the road the couple was embraced by five cop cars, fanned out behind them.

The state boys tracked down the vehicle near the M-35/US 41 intersection, approximately 15 paces east from their desks.

The Mining Journal reported that, "After an investigation, police determined that the passenger and driver were playing with a plastic toy gun, troopers said."

Good thing they investigated first.

Police also said the toy gun was seized until the Marquette County Prosecutor's Office reviews the information.

Poor kid. So much for his favorite toy.

FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH



BY KRISTY BASOLO

A jungle on campus

BY MARY ANN MCCOY
STAFF WRITER

Regardless of the weather, geraniums, tomatoes, corn and jade plants reside in an igloo-shaped dome across from Jamrich Hall, attached to the West Science Building.

The dome is the biology department's greenhouse that will soon be torn down and relocated as part of the new Seaborg Science Complex. The entrance to the new Seaborg Center will be located where the old greenhouse is now standing, and the new greenhouse will be attached to the renovated West Science building, Cumberlidge said.

"The new greenhouse will be bigger and rectangle-shaped," said Neil Cumberlidge, department head and biology professor.

Donna Becker, NMU assistant biology professor, oversees the greenhouse, which is funded by the biology department. The caretakers of the plants in the greenhouse are Joanne Jones and Jennifer Sundquist, who are senior biology graduate students.

"I work with plants for my graduate research, and I enjoy greenhouses and volunteered for it," Jones said. "It's something I'm interested in. I learned about plants I didn't know about before."

Jones' and Sundquist's tasks include watering the plants, sterilizing the soil and basically keeping the plants healthy.

"We get rid of the bugs," Sundquist said.

Both Jones and Sundquist are teaching assistants and need to take on extra work outside their studies.

"I wanted to learn how to take care of things," Sundquist said.

Their favorite plants are the cacti and the jade. They both love the rubber tree in the middle of the greenhouse, which has been there since 1966.

"We're hoping it will be transplanted into the new greenhouse, but it will be difficult getting the roots out," Jones said.

The roots are underneath the building.

"It will be hard to move due to the tree's size and roots," Cumberlidge said. "We'll try to save it rather than kill it."

The biology department uses the plants for conducting experiments, such as growth response.

"One will get sun and one won't," Jones said. "One will get water and one won't."

The experiments will give answers to which plant will grow the fastest.

"Most of the plants are for research and classes," Cumberlidge said.

Some of the plants will be sold in April to raise money for the new greenhouse and to buy new plants, Jones said. The rest will be transplanted and stored until the new greenhouse opens.

The greenhouse is currently not open to the public because some plants are being treated for infestations. If a door is left open, it could infect the other plants, Jones said. However, anyone who is interested in visiting the greenhouse may make arrangements with Becker, Jones or Sundquist at 227-2310.



Duane Pape/NW

Working in NMU's greenhouse has been a regular task for graduate students Joanne Jones and Jennifer Sundquist. They take care of the plants in the igloo-shaped building near West Science.



Brian Gibson, a senior

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The greenhouse is currently not open to the public because some plants are being treated for infestations. If a door is left open, it could infect the other plants, Jones said. However, anyone who is interested in visiting the greenhouse may make arrangements with Becker, Jones or Sundquist at 227-2310.



Duane Pape/NW

Brian Gibson, a senior criminal justice major, is a dispatcher at NMU's Public Safety and works with officers such as Sgt. Don Petermam.

The other end of the line

BY MARY ANN CANCELLA
STAFF WRITER

The clock on the wall in Office 103 in the Services Building — otherwise known as Public Safety — reads 4:25 p.m. when student dispatcher, Marc LaForest, sits behind a hunter green desk cluttered with two computers, a TV monitoring the back door entrance, a radio with a scanning feature and a TV set to the Weather Channel.

As a Public Safety dispatcher, LaForest, a criminal justice senior, is a vital link to the safety of NMU's campus.

Minutes later the phone rings into the switchboard and LaForest picks up the receiver. After listening patiently, he answers a few questions and then transfers the call appropriately. As a dispatcher, LaForest is responsible for directing phone calls to on-duty officers, monitoring the radio calls and handling all campus-wide emergencies.

"[An average day] consists of lots of phone calls," LaForest said. "You never know what you're going to get."

The calls LaForest receives at any given day may range from parking complaints to domestic violence, or as in one case, a student called to notify Public Safety of an alligator on the loose inside one of the residence halls on campus.



LaForest

All student dispatchers must participate in six organized training shifts in order to master the difficulties of the job. Public Safety's requirements for the job are basic. Public Safety looks for students in the field of criminal justice who are dependable, taking into consideration the seriousness of the job.

Calling in sick is not an option for dispatchers, since the desk must be manned at all times, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Good communication skills and familiarity with modern technologies are also a significant part of a dispatcher's job.

"It's hard not to be a jerk, I just try to kill them with kindness," LaForest said about the occasional complaints, usually pertaining to parking tickets, although he is quick to point out that ticket writers are technically a different department.

Student Public Safety Dispatchers receive hands-on training in the field of Criminal Justice, since everything they do must be done with precision and accuracy — from keeping an alert eye on the computer monitoring the fire and security alarm system installed in the buildings throughout campus, to keep an exact log of everything that occurs. Everything must be logged correctly, so if needed, the notes may be used in court to validate evidence for testimony.

Information crucial to the enigmas facing everyday college students lies at the fingertips of these well-trained individuals who call themselves student dispatchers. Their job is real, and they do it competently. Most hoping to pursue a career in criminal justice find student dispatching a rewarding stepping stone, Senior Dispatcher Julie Genore said.

"It's a good foundation for beginning a career in Criminal Justice," Genore said.

MUSIC REVIEW ALTERNATIVE

Ode to Sandman

Morphine
"The Night"



Grade: B+

BY SARAH RUMPEL
MUSIC REVIEWER

Morphine, a Boston legend, has now released its last album ever. Lead singer Mark Sandman died of a heart attack on stage in Italy last July at the age of 46. "The Night," which was released this week, is the band's final album featuring all three original members.

When the band began, there were many skeptical voices. Without a lead guitar, it used this obstacle to its advantage by creating and perfecting its own individualistic sound.

Morphine's first album, "Good," won the Independent Album of the Year award at the 1992 Boston Music Awards.

Rolling Stone Magazine has called them "1994's biggest underground pop success."

Now with the last album completed, this latest edition wears the suit of honor as well as its predecessors.

From soothing to sexy, Sandman's deep vocals smoothly intertwine with the low hum of his two-string slide bass. "I'm nothing till you look at me/ Leave your world and come to me," he taunts in the track "Like a Mirror."

Morphine has always had an exotic tone, and it is shown on this album in "Souvenir" and "The Way We Met." By altering the scales in "Rope On Fire," Morphine created a middle-eastern type of sound with accents of instrumental treats, yet another display of the band's lust for innovation.

Overall, this album is a melodramatic delight. It is the type of music for a bath, massage, and well, other recreational activities.

Sandman may be gone, but his music will continue to transport listeners from the humdrum monotony of real life to personal dreamlands.

ON THE SCENE LIVE MUSIC

Blues with Jimmy Thackery



Living-legend and veteran guitar ace Jimmy Thackery and his band, The Drivers, will rock at 8:45 p.m. Saturday in the University Center's Great Lakes Rooms.

Thacker is best known after 14 years with the Nighthawks. His powerful style has earned him a reputation as being one of the top talents of the music industry.

Reviews from The Boston Globe to Downbeat Magazine compare Thackery's white-hot mix of blues and blues/rock to the likes of Jimi Hendrix, Stevie Ray Vaughn and the Rolling Stones.

"If you are even thinking of

going, you should," said English Professor Tom Hyslop. "He's one of the best guitar players around."

Spouting humor and sporting a fedora, he now packs a punch fronting a hot-rod, hard-driving, three-piece blues band.

According to Blind Pig Records, Jimmy Thackery & The Drivers' fifth release, "Switching Gears," encompasses everything "from urban and acoustic blues to Hendrix-esque rockers and a splash of contemporary zydeco."

The event is sponsored by Performing Arts Series. To order tickets, call 227-1032.

— By Darcia Mattson

Domestic Problems back in U.P.

The electrified roots-rock sextuplet Domestic Problems will be performing at Club Aurora this Friday and Saturday night.

This is the second trip up north for Domestic Problems. The band played last year at the University Center and at Club Aurora last year.

The band has been together

since 1993, and has gone from local bar band to a band with national prowess.

They have been described as having the musicianship and the emotion of the Dave Matthews Band, Phish and Rusted Root, but they have the on-stage antics of the Barenaked Ladies.

"The last time they were here, they blew the roof off the place,

and we still haven't fully recovered," said Ryan Romeike, of Club Aurora. "We're excited to have a band play here that plays on the H.O.R.D.E. festival."

Domestic Problems has shared the stage with big stars, including Barenaked Ladies, Rusted Root, Third Eye Blind, Eve 6 and Soul Coughing.

— By Matt Meyer

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MOVIE REVIEW SCREAM 3

Wait for Scream on video

BY CHASE MURDEY
MOVIE REVIEWER

★★★☆☆

It pains me to say this, but I liked "Scream 3." By no means does this indicate it was good, but I liked it. Anyone who could sit through the first two movies would probably get a kick out of this one.

The plot focuses on Hollywood, where the shooting of the movie "Stab 3" is underway. Based on the Woodsborough murders, this movie is basically a story of what happened in the first two movies, with other characters playing the parts. A movie within a movie. You get the idea.

Deputy Dewey (David Arquette, "Buffy the Vampire Slayer," "Never Been Kissed") is on hand as a technical supervisor, adding his perspective on what actually happened. When cast members start turning up dead in the order they are killed in the movie, investigative reporter Gail Weathers (Courtney Cox, "Friends," "Ace Ventura") shows up to try to get the scoop. Pictures of Sydney Prescott's mother start showing up on the corpses, leading Sydney (Neve Campbell, "The Craft," "Wild Things") out of hiding to work with LAPD Detective Kinkaid (Patrick Dempsey, "The Escape," "Me and Will"). They try to unmask the killer before "Stab 3" director Roman Bridger (Scott Foley, "Dawson's Creek," "Felicity") ends up with an empty cast.

A lot of the movie has to do with Sydney's mother, who was briefly mentioned in the first movie as having slept with the killer's father, driving his mother away and thus giving him motive. More of her past is revealed in this, the (hopefully) last part of the trilogy, which gives fuel to the motives of all the "Scream" killers, including this one.

The plot of the movie, frankly, makes me shudder. The whole idea of "Stab 3" is pretty lame, and the parodying of hor-

ror movies, while subtle in the first movie, comes out blatantly in some cheesy dialogue. The killer, without saying too much, is certainly a surprise when revealed, though not in a good way.

The ending is awful, and the only redeeming quality is the dialogue — which is full of one-liners — and the cameos, which include Jay and Silent Bob, Carrie Fisher and Randy from the first two movies.

The movie was well made, with some clever aspects such as Sydney wandering onto the movie set of her own house and being chased through it in "Scream 1" fashion, and the constantly changing voice of the killer — which makes Sydney wonder if she is going crazy or being haunted by the ghost of her dead mother.

All in all, the movie isn't the most awful thing I ever sat through, but my theory holds firm that they should have let the



"Scream" series die with the first one.

Definitely one to take the friends with to laugh at or wait for it on video. Not exactly my six bucks' worth.

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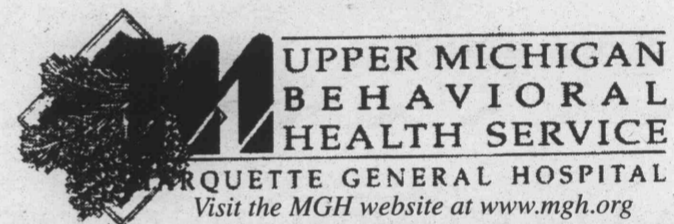
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FILMS

Thursday, March 9

"The Mouse that Roared," Jamrich Hall Room 102, 7 p.m.

"Return of the Pink Panther," Jamrich Hall Room 102, 10 p.m.

Sunday, March 12

"Sleepy Hollow" (R), Jamarich Hall Room 102, 6:30 p.m. and 9 p.m.

MISCELLANEOUS

Thursday, March 9

Last day to add second block courses.

Lecture: LeLy Hayslip, Great Lakes Rooms in the University Center, 7 p.m.

Friday, March 10

Last day to receive 100 percent refund for reduced credit hour load (second block courses).

Chemistry Seminar: Dr. Deborah McCarthy will present "From Ferraborane Clusters to Silicon Phosphates: Research Projects for Undergraduates" at 3 p.m. in Lecture Hall A of West Science. Contact Tom Getman at 227-1067.

Saturday, March 11

Last day to obtain 90 percent tuition refund for complete withdrawal from the university (second block courses).

Learning to Walk Together Pow Wow, Jacobetti Center, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Sunday, March 12

Free Yoga Class at 7:30 in the Ontario Room in the University Center. Classes are given through the student club "Heart of Yoga," and beginners as well as others are welcome.

Learning to Walk Together Pow Wow, Jacobetti Center, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

"Why People Don't Heal and How They Can." In this video presentation, Dr. Carolyn Myss shares her insights, based on 15 years of healing and details the five myths of healing as well

as five steps to healing. Sponsored by Institute of Noetic Sciences. Every second Sunday from 6 to 8 p.m. Call Clark at 228-5294 for any questions.

Tuesday, March 14

Northern Michigan University's Asian Pacific Islander heritage Club and Peter White Public Library's Youth Services Department are celebrating Asian-Pacific Islander Heritage Month, every Tuesday this month from 6:30 to 7 p.m. Call Tanya at 227-1554 or Cathy at 228-9510.

Wednesday, March 15

Upper Great Lakes Collegiate Job Fair, Great Lakes Rooms in the University Center, 1 to 4 p.m.

Lecture: Dave Pelzer, Great Lakes Rooms in the University Center, 7 p.m.

Hunger & Homeless Panel, Pioneer A in the University Center, 7 p.m.

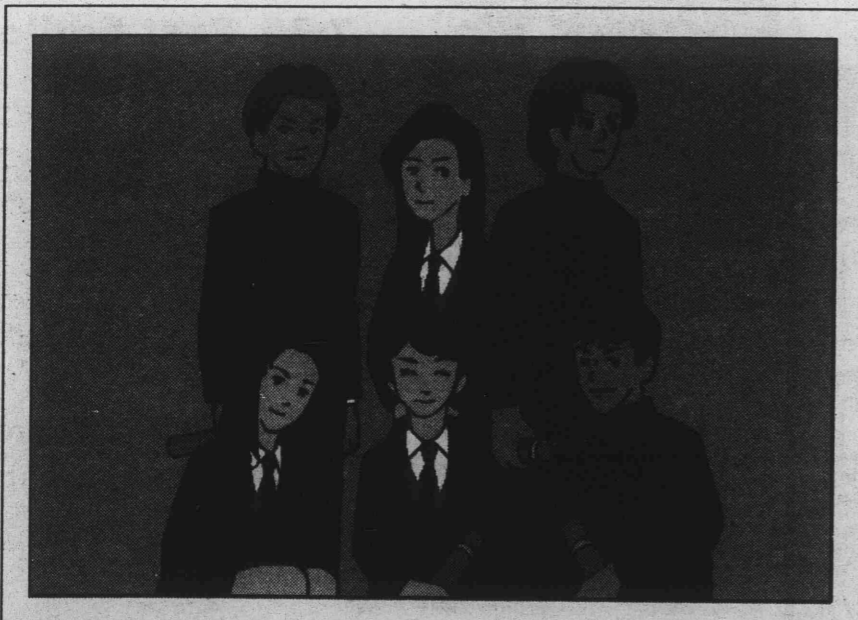
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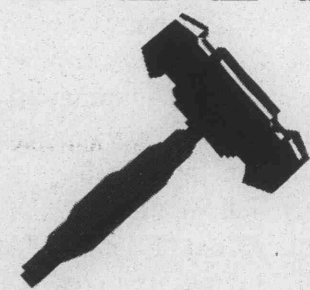
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Volleyball team hires new coach

BY KIRSTY BASOLO
OPINION EDITOR

The Northern Michigan University women's volleyball team needed a change.

After posting 11 losses last season, the most in a season since 1990, the Wildcats will look to new head coach Scott Sandel to take the team in a different direction. Sandel will replace Toby Rens, who resigned in January.



Sandel

"When the team met in January for training, we talked," sophomore outside hitter Alesia Hanzal said. "From that day on, we all promised each other we're moving ahead together as a team, starting over fresh. I feel we're all going to be stronger together."

NMU Athletic Director Rick Comley said a selection committee began with about 60 applicants. The field was narrowed to eight candidates. Phone interviews determined three finalists.

"[Sandel] presented somebody that was successful at both the Division-I and Division-II levels, which was attractive to us," Comley said. "Also, he was familiar with our program, having competed against us."

Hanzal said the team met with the coach for about 20 minutes March 1 for brief introductions.

"I thought he was very professional," Hanzal said. "He was open and up front with us. We all definitely took a liking to him."

Comley said they used former NMU volleyball coaches Mark Rosen (1994-97) and Jim Moore (1989-93) for their expertise. Rosen, currently the head coach at the University of Michigan, was happy to offer insight.

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MEN'S NCAA GREAT LAKES REGIONAL PREVIEW

NCAAs could mean redemption

BY KURT MENSCHING
STAFF WRITER

Last year, the NMU men's basketball season ended in defeat at the hands of eventual national champion Kentucky Wesleyan College.

This year, NMU head coach Dean Ellis hopes to get another shot at nationally ranked No. 2 KWC (27-2); however, his team must first earn that right by facing nationally ranked No. 24 Northern Kentucky University (24-5) in the NCAA Great Lakes Regional at 3 p.m. Friday in Owensboro, Ky.

"We're looking forward to the tournament and really have a big desire to play against Kentucky-Wesleyan," Ellis said. "Obviously we have to win our first game, and I think that incentive to play [KWC] will be

a big factor for us."

The NKU Norse bring a strong three-point threat against the Wildcats. Brian Lawson leads the team, recording in 41 percent of his attempts.

NMU's ability to stop that threat will be important, Ellis said.

"We've been successful [stopping the threat] against other teams," he said. "So hopefully our defense can keep going."

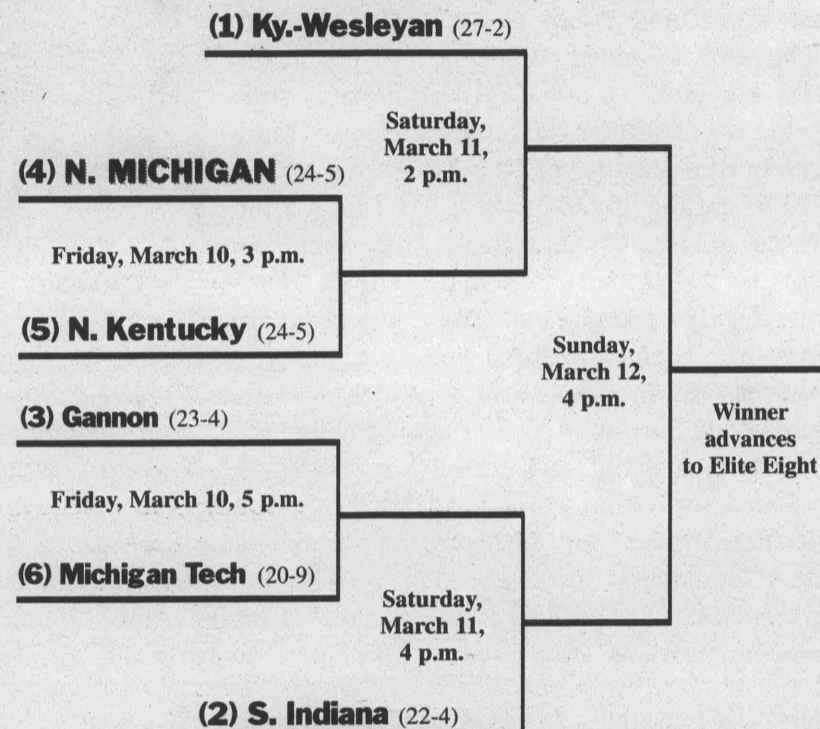
Also important for the Wildcats is keeping NKU away from the free throw line, where they rank fourth in the nation hitting 76 percent of their attempts.

"They're one of the best shooting teams in the nation," senior forward Jimmy Roberts

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NCAA MEN'S TOURNAMENT

Great Lakes Regional at Owensboro, Ky.



Note: NMU games will be broadcast live by WGLQ-FM (97.1). For the entire 48-team tournament brackets, visit www.NCAA.org on the Internet.

WOMEN NCAA GREAT LAKES REGIONAL PREVIEW

NMU earns NCAA first-round bye

BY JON SICOTTE
STAFF WRITER

The No. 16 NMU women's basketball team will make another run for the NCAA-II title starting a day after most begin seeking the crown.

NMU (24-5) will have a first round bye as it awaits the winner of Ferris State University (22-6) and the University of Missouri-St Louis (18-10) from today.

"It's a tremendous advantage going into a three-day tournament when you know you only have to win two games," NMU head coach Mike Geary said. "You play all year to get one of those slots."

The 'Cats enter with a six-game winning streak, their third streak of six or more games this season. NMU will play the winner of the Bulldogs and the

Riverwomen at 5:30 p.m. Friday.

Should NMU face FSU, it will be the fourth meeting of the season between the two. Northern has won two of the three by an average of 12 points.

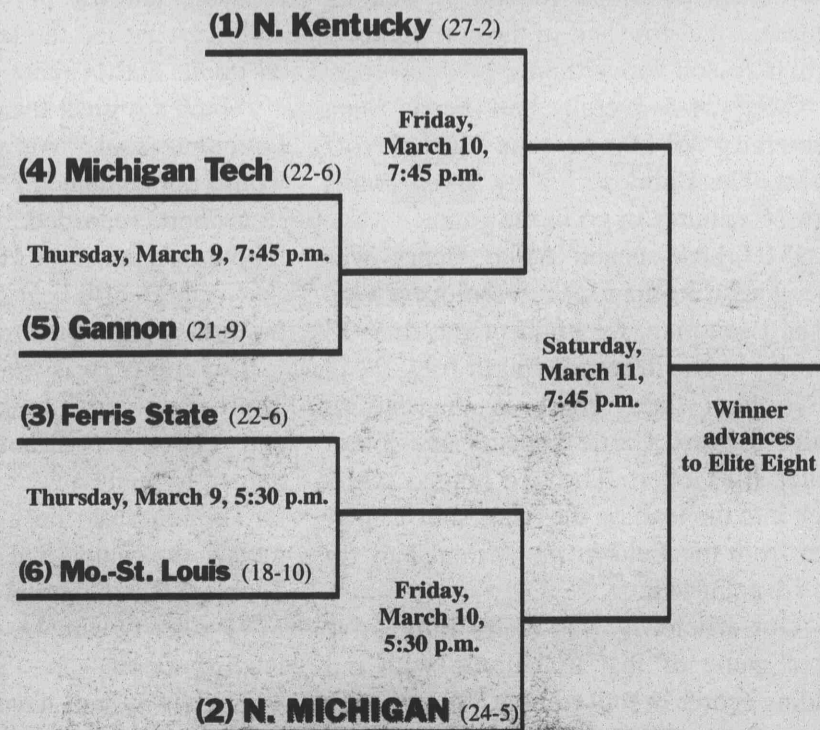
"They are a good team, a team that matches up well with us," Geary said.

Tianna Kirkland, who was a GLIAC All-Tournament member last weekend, leads the Bulldogs in scoring, with 11.7 points per game. She also leads in blocks (21), field goal percentage (.57) and rebounds per game (9.0). Debbie Killips (7.5 points per game, 3.0 steals per game), who also made the GLIAC All-Tournament team, and Jenny Newsone (11.6 points per game) are the top threats for the Bulldogs.

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NCAA WOMEN'S TOURNAMENT

Great Lakes Regional at Highland Heights, Ky.



Note: Friday's NMU game will be broadcast live by WFXD-FM (103.3), while Saturday's game will be covered by WKQS-FM (101.9). For the entire 48-team tournament brackets, visit www.NCAA.org on the Internet.

HOCKEY CCHA TOURNAMENT PREVIEW

Pressure builds entering CCHA playoffs

BY JASON LAUREN
MANAGING EDITOR

The NMU hockey team will need to win the CCHA Tournament to qualify for the NCAA Tournament, NMU head coach Rick Comley said.

The No. 4-seeded Wildcats (21-11-4 overall, 16-8-4 CCHA) face the No. 7-seeded University of Nebraska-Omaha (12-17-7, 10-12-6) starting Friday in a best-of-three series at the Berry Events Center in the first round of the CCHA Tournament. The games are each scheduled to begin at 7:05 p.m. Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

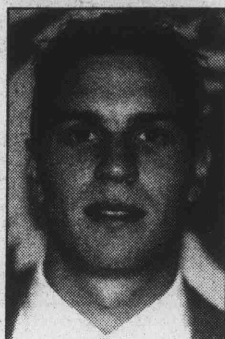
Northern is ranked No. 25 in the Pairwise Rankings, which have determined the 12-team NCAA Tournament the last three years and it has three points as an honorable mention team in the

U.S. College Hockey Online Poll.

"I don't even know if we would get as high as a bubble team," Comley said if his team makes the finals and loses. "That's a lot of spots to climb, [but] you never know."

Comley said he does not agree with the new 10-team format. With the addition of Nebraska-Omaha to the league this year, the CCHA expanded from its previous eight-team playoffs.

"I think it should be eight teams," Comley said. "I don't like the midweek game, and Joe



Trudeau

Louis [Arena] didn't want five teams. I think eight is cleaner and everybody has the same opportunity."

The Mavericks are winless (0-3-2) in their last five games and rank in the bottom half in the CCHA in goals per game, goals allowed per game, power-play percentage and penalty kill percentage.

"They work hard," senior left wing Roger Trudeau said of UN-O. "They're going to come out with the intent to beat and come out and outwork us. It's going to come down to who is going to work harder."

If NMU wins, it will play Tuesday in a play-in game, against the Notre Dame-Ferris State winner with the winner advancing to the semifinals in Detroit if the top three seeds (No. 1 Michigan, No. 2 Michigan

State, No. 3 Lake Superior State) all win their series.

"We have to make sure we don't relax," Trudeau said. "We have to work hard the whole 60 minutes of the game and not let them have any opportunities to get back in the game."

Junior center Allan Carr leads UN-O with 28 points (10 goals, 18 assists). Two Mavericks — forward David Brisson and defenseman Greg Zannon — were named to the CCHA All-Rookie Team.

"We need to improve our whole game — our scoring, our intensity," Trudeau said. "I don't think we need to work on one part of the game, it's everything."

Wildcat leaders

Trudeau, 20 goals, 35 points; Bryan Phillips, 17 assists; Jimmy Jackson, 113 shots, 81 penalty minutes; Chad Theuer, six power-play goals; J.P. Vigier, six shorthanded goals;

THE MATCHUP



NMU	W-L-T	U-NO
21-11-4		12-17-7
OFFENSE		
3.36	Goals (Avg.)	2.89
190	Assists	165
311	Points	269
31.8	Shots (Avg.)	29.0
DEFENSE		
2.19	Goals Against (Avg.)	3.46
8	Shutouts	0
23.2	Opp. Shots (Avg.)	31.1
.905	Save Percentage	.888
SPECIAL TEAMS		
16.4	PP. Percentage	14.9
83.0	PK. Percentage	78.0
34	PP Goals	33
11	SH Goals	4
791	Penalty Minutes	752

Jason Lauren/NW

Dan Ragusett, 2.09 goals-against average, .910 save percentage.

MEN'S/WOMEN'S GLIAC TOURNAMENT REVIEW

Wildcats claim conference championships

No. 4-seed women win conference tournament after sweeping opponents

BY JON SICOTTE
STAFF WRITER

The No. 16 NMU women's basketball team made a clean sweep in the GLIAC Tournament in Grand Rapids by beating the teams that finished in the conference's regular season above them.

NMU (24-5 overall) beat Ferris State University 93-80, to take the playoff crown. The Bulldogs led by seven points with 16 minutes to go in the game.

NMU head coach Mike Geary was forced to sit leading scorer, senior forward Sasha Leverentz, for eight of the final 13 minutes as she drew her fourth foul.

Northern then relied on the duo of senior forward Carrie Dykstra and junior center Jill Gobert. The two helped NMU back into the lead, as the 'Cats shot 73 percent from the field in the second half for the 13-point win.

"Our efficiency was really impressive for a game of that magnitude with our leading scorer in foul trouble," Geary said. "I was really proud of our execution from about the 16-minute mark until the end."

Geary said the game of more impor-

tance was the Wildcats' first win in two seasons over Michigan Tech University. NMU beat the Huskies in the semifinals, 71-66. The 'Cats took a 37-29 lead at half-time, but shot 39 percent from the field in the game and was out-rebounded by two.

Leverentz led the team in scoring with 24 points and 11 rebounds.

"Tech's a great team, and we are too," Leverentz said. "We went out there and would not be denied."

Gobert recorded 13 points and 10 rebounds against the Huskies.

Northern also beat Hillsdale College in the first round of the tournament, 67-51.

Leverentz was named GLIAC All-Tournament MVP for averaging 23 points and rebounds per game. Gobert was also named to the team.

The end of the regular season also meant the individual awards. Michigan Tech's Clara Goggins was named league MVP over Leverentz, who is the league's leading scorer.

"In a way you have to be pissed about it, but we had found out about it before we played [Tech] and the win over them just made it even sweeter," Leverentz said.

Three victories fuel men to first conference title in school history

BY KURT MENSCHING
STAFF WRITER

Three victories last week in Grand Rapids gave the NMU men's basketball team its first GLIAC Tournament title.

Northern (24-5 overall) defeated Michigan Tech University 73-70 in Saturday's championship game.

"It's always a great feeling to cut the nets down and accept trophies," NMU head coach Dean Ellis said. "Fortunately our ladies were able to do the same thing, so it was a special weekend for Northern basketball."

Ellis said he felt the defense stood out in all three games.

Also key against Michigan Tech (20-9) was the play of NMU senior forward Cory Brathol, who recorded 36 points.

"[Brathol] scored key basket after key basket at important times of the game," Ellis said. "He just stood head and shoulders above all players on the court."

On Friday, senior guard Pete Moe provided last-second heroics to lift the 'Cats to a 64-63 overtime win over Northwood University (15-13).

Moe dribbled the length of the court and scored a layup with three seconds left.

Brathol led the team in scoring against NU with 27 points.

NMU defeated Wayne State, 81-61, on March 1. Northern led by four points at halftime before going on a 17-3 run.

Senior Jimmy Roberts said easy baskets and better play in the second half contributed to the victory.

Brathol paced the team with 26 points. Brathol and Price each had seven rebounds.

The GLIAC named Brathol MVP of the tournament. He scored 89 points in three games for a 29.6 average.

"[Brathol's] tournament performance was the best I've ever seen of any player since I've been at Northern since 1980," Ellis said. "He was exceptional at key moments of all three games."

Coduti was named to the GLIAC's 2000 all-tournament team.

Coduti was named to the GLIAC All-Tournament Team.

Brathol was also named the GLIAC Player of the Year. He averaged 22 points and 5.6 rebounds per game this season.

WOMEN

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"[In the first three games], we got into the post great, and that's when we score," NMU senior forward Sasha Leverentz said. "They are a good rebounding team, so we have to get them on the boards.

"We are a better team, by far. Every time we believe in ourselves, we come out on top."

The University of Missouri-St. Louis could be the 'Cats first challenge in the second round of the tournament. UM-SL finished third in the Great Lakes Valley Conference, lost in the semifinals of its tournament, but still made the NCAA-II Tournament

because second-place Lewis University lost in the first round.

NMU will see the Riverwomen in action live for the first time tonight as it takes on FSU.

"We'll fully utilize the opportunity to scout them, and we've also seen a tape of their most recent game," Geary said.

UM-SL is led by Tawanda Daniel (18.9 points per game, 7.4 rebounds per game) and Sara Mauck (11.2 points per game, 4.4 assists per game).

The team has had 10 of its 13 players average 15 minutes plus per game, giving them a wide range in scoring.

"They have some big guards

,and they are a perimeter-oriented offense as far as scoring," Geary said.

"But any team at this time of year is going to be a good team."

The general consensus among the Wildcats is for Northern to face the Bulldogs in the second round of the tournament.

"I'd rather play Ferris," Leverentz said. "I love beating them. I don't like Ferris."

Wildcat leaders

Leverentz 22.5 points per game, 1.5 steals per game, 88.0 free-throw percentage, 39.1 three-point percentage; Jill Gobert 7.5 rebounds per game, 56.7 field-goal percentage; Dykstra 5.6 assists per game.

SCOREBOARD

CALENDAR

THURSDAY, MARCH 9

Nordic skiing at NCAA Championships, Salt Lake City, Utah, all day.

FRIDAY, MARCH 10

Hockey vs. University of Nebraska-Omaha, CCHA Tournament, Berry Events Center, 7:05 p.m.

Men's basketball vs. Northern Kentucky, Great Lakes Regional, Owensboro, Ky, 3 p.m.

Women's basketball vs. Ferris State/Missouri-St. Louis winner, Great Lakes Regional Semifinal, Highland Heights, Ky, 5:30 p.m.

Nordic Skiing at NCAA Championships, Salt Lake City, Utah, all day.

Swim/dive at NCAA Championships, Buffalo, New York, all day.

SATURDAY, MARCH 11

Hockey vs. University of Nebraska-Omaha, CCHA Tournament, Berry Events Center, 7:05 p.m.

Men's basketball vs. Kentucky Wesleyan, Great Lakes Regional Semifinal, Owensboro, Ky, 2 p.m., if necessary.

Women's basketball vs. Michigan Tech, Gannon winner, Great Lakes Regional Final, Highland Heights, Ky, 5:30 p.m., if necessary.

Nordic Skiing at NCAA Championships, Salt Lake City, Utah, all day.

Swim/dive at NCAA Championships, Buffalo, NY., all day.

SUNDAY, MARCH 12

Hockey vs. University of Nebraska-Omaha, CCHA Tournament, Berry Events Center, 7:05 p.m., if necessary.

Men's basketball vs. Kentucky Wesleyan, Great Lakes Regional Semifinal, Owensboro, Ky, 2 p.m., if necessary.

LSSU 3, NMU 1

Lake Superior State 1 1 1 3
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FIRST PERIOD

1. LSSU, Ben Keup, 13 (Aaron Phillips, Yevgenly Dubravi), 10:36.

SECOND PERIOD

2. LSSU, Jason Nightingale 9 (Jeremy Bachusz, Tyson Turgeon), 1:37.

THIRD PERIOD

3. NMU, Roger Trudeau 20 (Chad Theuer), 4:26; 4. LSSU, Phillips 1, 8:03.

POWER-PLAY OPPORTUNITIES —

NMU, 0-2; LSSU, 1-4.

PENALTIES — NMU, 5-10; LSSU, 3-6.

GOALIE SAVES — NMU, 23 (Dan Ragusett 10-12-1); LSSU, 21 (Jayme Platt 16-11-8).

LSSU 4, NMU 3

Lake Superior State 2 1 1 4
N. Michigan 1 1 1 3

FIRST PERIOD

1. NMU, Chad Theuer, 9 (Schmidt), 5:40; 2. LSSU, Vigilante, 5 (Nightingale, McCauley) PPG, 6:53; 3. LSSU, Vince, 6 (Davis, McNamara) 15:23.

SECOND PERIOD

4. NMU, Gobert 17 (Owens), 13:16; 5. LSSU, Bachusz 10 (Vigilante, Nightingale) ppg, 16:54.

THIRD PERIOD

6. LSSU, McCauley 2 (Vigilante), ppg, 7:13; 7. NMU, Theuer 10 (Trudeau), 8:15.

POWER-PLAY OPPORTUNITIES —

NMU, 1-8; LSSU, 3-8.

PENALTIES — NMU, 18-44; LSSU, 16-32.

GOALIE SAVES — NMU, 23 (Ragusett 4-6-13); LSSU, 35 (Platt 8-12-15).

NMU 73, MTU 70

N. MICHIGAN

Brathol 14-26 2-4 36; Maseller 4-8 0-0 10; Matacz 1-4 7-8 9; Moe 1-6 0-0 2; Price 1-2 0-0 3; Ramberg 0-0 0-0 0; Whitten 1-3 0-0 2; Roberts 1-1 0-0 3.
TOTALS 26-57 11-14 73.

HALFTIME — NMU 38, MTU 34.

FOULED OUT — Coduti.

REBOUNDS — NMU, 36 (Brathol 9); MTU, 30 (Fogle 6).
ASSISTS — NMU, 16 (Coduti 3); MTU, 14 (Fogle 4).

TOTAL FOULS — NMU 16, MTU 14.

ATTENDANCE — 1,100.

NMU 93, FSU 80

N. MICHIGAN

Dykstra 6-9 9-11 23; Leverentz 10-15 4-5 25; Gobert 2-3 12-12 16; Rehmann 2-6 0-0 2; Weber 1-4 1-2 3; DellAngelo 6-9 3-4 17; Dalton 0-2 2-2 2; Keranen 1-1 0-0 2.
TOTALS 28-49 31-36 93.

HALFTIME — NMU 30, FSU 28.

FOULED OUT — Leverentz.

REBOUNDS — NMU, 39 (Ramberg 7); FSU, 32 (Anderson 11).
ASSISTS — NMU, 21 (Moe 5); FSU, 6 (Anderson, Tinsley 2).

TOTAL FOULS — NMU 15, FSU 10.

ATTENDANCE — 1,100.

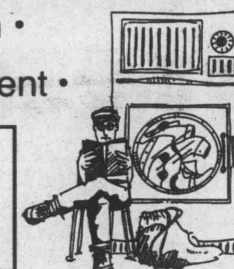
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ALPINE NCAA EAST REGIONAL REVIEW

Wildcats disappointed

The NMU alpine ski team's season came to a close last weekend at the NCAA East Regional in Middlebury, Vt.

Due to high winds and fog, Friday's giant slalom event was canceled, leaving the team to make only one giant slalom run and both slalom runs Saturday.

"We were a little disappointed that no one qualified for NCAA Championships," NMU head coach Jill Rogers said. "It's always a pressure situation to qualify especially when it all depends on one race. The weather hurt us. It was icy and brought our confidence down."

The top finisher for the Wildcats was senior Christy Salonen, who placed 38th in the giant slalom and 15th in the slalom. Senior Liz Welles finished 35th in the slalom.

The Wildcats won six of the eight team events they entered this season, including the USCSA Divisionals.

"Overall this season, we raced like a team and each person helped the team," Rogers said. "Key individuals were seniors Michelle Murray and Wells, who will be missed next year. Salonen also stepped up for us this year. The freshmen showed good strength too."

"We will have to have strong recruits next year."

Salonen said her last race was a bittersweet experience.

"I skied my best at Regionals and I'm happy with it," Salonen said. "I've just never been done skiing in February before."

—By Tina Tschohl

MEN

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Kentucky's scoring attack with an average of 12.3 points per game. Craig Conley averages 11.2 points per game, and has 6.8 assists per game.

NKU brings a balanced rebounding attack. Kevin Listerman, Adam Norwell and Zach Wieber each average 5.0 per game. Northern Kentucky has outrebounded its opponents by 3.6 per game.

Ellis said of the interior matchup, "I think our size, through and through, is a bit better than theirs. In a tournament, you have to be very physical and be able to rebound the ball and control the lane, defensively and offensively. That will be a big part of us being successful."

Roberts said NMU's ability to make key plays will be an important factor in the game.

"We think if we play hard, we should be able to win," Roberts said. "We just have to make plays, give the best effort and do the best we can."

A victory over NKU would allow a rematch with Kentucky Wesleyan at 2 p.m. on Saturday. The Panthers will play the

game at home, where a 58 game winning streak was recently ended.

"Last year, we were in awe when we played there," Roberts said. "We didn't know what to expect. This year, it will be an advantage playing there again."

The Panthers are led in scoring by Lorico Duncan, who averages 19.2 points per game. Leroy John leads UK-W with 10.3 rebounds per game.

Both players were named to the Great Lakes All-Region first team.

Senior center Kevin Coduti and sophomore center Damian Matacz. Coduti and Matacz lead NMU in rebounding with 146 (8.1 rebounds per game) and 178 (6.1 rebounds per game), respectively.

The Wildcats shoot 48 percent from the field and 40 percent from behind the three-point line. They rank sixth in the nation in free throw percentage with 75 percent.

Wildcat Leaders

Brathol, 22.8 points per game. Coduti, 8.1 rebounds per game. Moe, 2.6 assists per game, 1.3 steals per game, Steve Masetler, 48.2 field-goal percentage, 47.9 three-point percentage.



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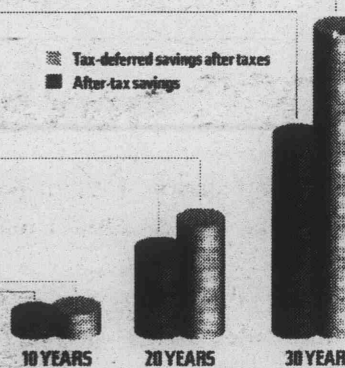
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Marquette connection

Northern hockey team features five local products

BY JENN JUREWICZ
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Marquette could rival Detroit for the title of "Hockeytown."

Five players presently on the hockey team were born and raised here and are graduates of Marquette Senior High School.

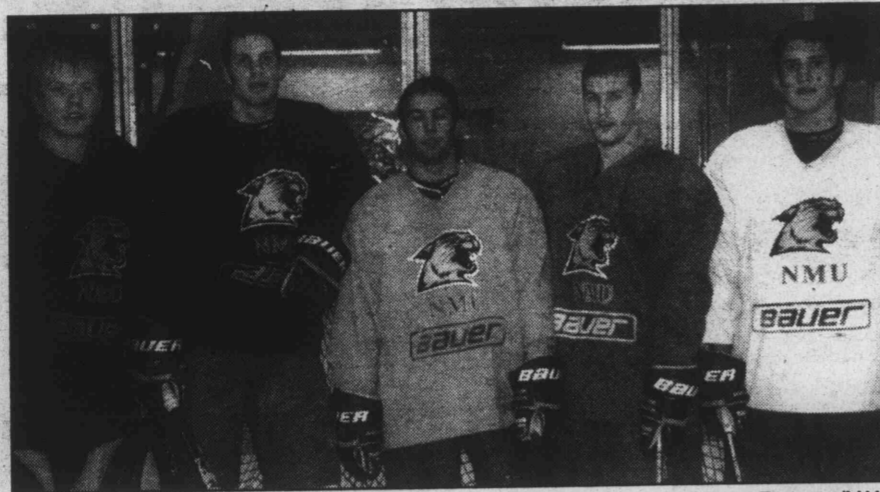
These are Wildcat veterans senior left wing Roger Trudeau, junior center Ryan Riipi, junior goalie Dan Ragusett and freshmen center Chris Gobert and defenseman Jimmy Jackson.

NMU head coach Rick Comley said he always tries to give local players the opportunity to play.

"We've been fortunate lately," Comley said. "The local players have been better. They're all good players on our program, they've all had very good success. I think that's attributed to the minor hockey organizations that we have locally."

All took to the ice at 3 years old, except Ragusett who began at age 8.

The veterans played on teams together since the squirt level. A coach told Ragusett that he could not skate, so he put him in net.



Jason Barnes/NW

from left, junior Dan Ragusett, senior Roger Trudeau, freshman Chris Gobert, senior Ryan Riipi, and freshman Jimmy Jackson.

"I didn't even know how to be a goalie," Ragusett said.

All players were members of the Marquette Electricians Midget AAA team and went on to play for other junior teams.

Growing up, Trudeau had a rink in his backyard on Arch St. Ragusett and Riipi, together with five other guys, would play all day on weekends.

"After Saturday and Sunday games, we'd come back to my house and play all afternoon," Trudeau said.

"Then we'd take a break and play more at night."

Even with a lifetime of experience so far, the five said college is a tremendous change and has taught them the most in their young hockey careers.

"In college you get a sense of what it's like in the real world," Riipi said.

"You have to juggle school and practice and traveling, as well as deal with the public."

Now that they are at the college level, they have become role models for younger local players.

Playing college-level hockey in their home town has many benefits, such as local support, family and friends.

"You put a lot of money into hockey," Trudeau said. "It's good for your family to be able to watch you in a local facility."

After college, all hope for the next best thing, whether it's the NHL or minor league hockey.

"Whatever comes first," Gobert said.

2 USOEC boxers qualify for Olympics

U.S. Olympic Education Center boxers Brian Vilorio and Clarence Vinson turned their Olympic dreams into reality Feb. 24 as they qualified for the 2000 team by winning titles at the Olympic box-offs.

"I'm just in shock right now," Vilorio, the reigning 106-pound world champion after qualifying for the Olympic team said. "I'm just gonna take this thing one step at a time."

USOEC assistant coach Larry Nicholson said both boxers have worked extremely hard and deserve to be on the team.

At the Foxwoods Resort Casino in Mashantucket, Conn., Vilorio became the first member of the 2000 team by defeating former USOEC teammate Karoz Norman (St. Louis, Mo.), 19-5.



Vilorio

"It was close in the first round because Brian stayed in front of [Norman], and that's exactly what we didn't want to do," Nicholson said. "In the second round he started boxing and moving and that forced Norman to chase and lunge. What he did that, Brian would catch him with straight rights and left hooks. After that, there was no doubt who the Olympian would be."

Vinson, the nation's top-ranked 112-pound boxer, defeated fourth-ranked Aaron Garcia (Vista, Calif.), 9-4.

"Vinson was clearly the winner, but I got a little scared in the fourth round," Nicholson said. "Vinson used his speed and landed the cleaner shots. He was the stronger boxer."

In a disappointing bout for the USOEC team, David Jackson was defeated, 18-4, by Marshall Martinez (Fontana, Calif.), in the 132-pound competition. Jackson will be the Olympic team alternate.

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BY JEREMY PICKENS

The NMU magnificent seven

The Winter 2000 semester at Northern may well, and deservedly so, be deemed a pilgrimage to the NCAA sports holy land.

NMU has always had a strong athletic department. This semester, however, we have traversed from an outstanding season for one or two sports to the magnificent seven. It seems we have become a mecca for sports teams to flourish. Maybe it's something in our U.P. superior water.

Seven NCAA sports are played during the winter semester. Men's and women's basketball, men's and women's Nordic and alpine skiing, swim and dive, and hockey have turned in some of their best overall performances all in one season.

Hockey finished with its best record since the 1991 national championship season. The swim and dive team won its fourth consecutive GLIAC title, qualifying four swimmers for nationals and having junior Cary Greigor qualify for the Olympic trials. The men's basketball team finished the regular season with its best-ever record and won both the GLIAC North Division title and the GLIAC Tournament, earning a berth in the NCAA Tournament. Not to be outdone by the men, the women's basketball team also won the GLIAC tournament and earned a first round bye in the NCAA tournament. Alpine skiing won six of eight meets this year, including the NSCSA Divisional meet. The Nordic ski teams won every race they entered and qualified entire teams for the NCAA Championship meet.

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HOCKEY LSSU 3, NMU 1; LSSU 4, NMU 3

'Cats end season fourth in CCHA

BY JENN JUREWICZ
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

The NMU hockey team finished its season fourth in the CCHA after falling, 3-1, to Lake Superior State University on Saturday in Sault Ste. Marie and, 4-3, on Friday at the Berry Events Center.

On Saturday, NMU (21-11-4 overall, 16-8-4 CCHA) fell behind by two goals until the third period. Senior left wing Roger Trudeau scored 4:26 into the third to pull Northern within one. The Lakers (18-14-2, 17-9-2) however, scored again late in the period to secure the victory.

"[Jayme] Platt played very well against us," NMU head coach Rick Comley said of LSSU's goaltender. "He's played better against us than anybody else."

NMU sophomore center Chad Theuer, who had two goals in the series, said Platt let up shots

where it was difficult for Northern to get the rebounds.

"We knew we had to at least win one to get to third place," Theuer said. "I thought [LSSU] played good. We didn't play our best games against them."

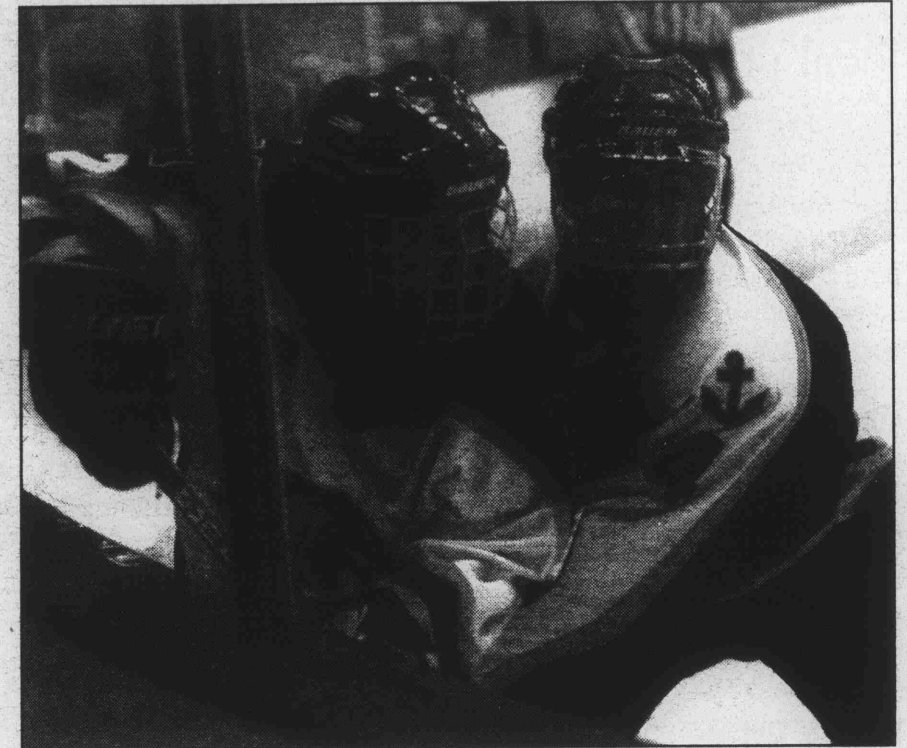
NMU junior Dan Ragusett started in goal and recorded 23 saves (4-6-13). Platt posted 35 saves (8-12-15) for the Lakers.

Theuer opened up the scoring with a power play goal 5:40 into the first period on Friday, but LSSU answered with two goals of its own. Freshman center Chris Gobert tied the game, 2-2, 13:16 into the second.

The next two goals scored were by LSSU on the power play. As has been the case all year, Northern struggled with special teams throughout the series.

"I've said many times over the year that special teams were going to hurt us, and they have," Comley said.

Ragusett made 23 saves and



Duane Pape/NW

Junior left wing Ryan Riipi and the Wildcats were held in check by LSSU while being swept in a home-and-home series last weekend.

Platt recorded 35.

NMU also spent a lot of time in the penalty box with 44 penalty minutes Friday.

"It was an intense physical series, cheap at times," Comley said. "I think the referee let it get out of control [Friday]."

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Super Cooper motivates NMU

BY JEREMY PICKENS
SPORTS EDITOR

WNBA superstar Cynthia Cooper was on campus Tuesday speaking to various student groups and the women's basketball team before spreading her motivational message to students and community members in a full University Center.

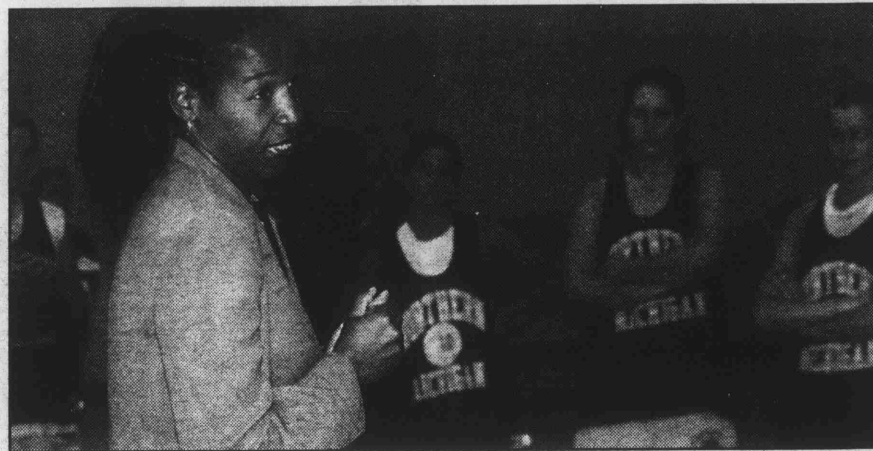
Cooper, a three-time national champion in the WNBA, two-time winner of the league's MVP, and Olympic gold and bronze medalist, spoke on motivation, perseverance and simply enjoying life.

"I'm not out here to change the world," Cooper said. "I am just here to show if I can make it, you can too. The only thing holding you back is yourself."

Cooper often referred to life before basketball while growing up in inner city Los Angeles.

"Growing up, we were too busy worrying about eating and surviving," Cooper said. "That's why I started playing basketball. When I found out I could go to school because of basketball, I wasn't going to be held back."

Cooper's mother died of breast cancer last year. She says her mother was and always will



Duane Pape/NW

WNBA's Cynthia Cooper spoke to the women's basketball team Tuesday before it begins the NCAA Tournament on Friday. be her driving motivation.

"My mother worked three jobs and raised seven children," Cooper said. "I look at that, and playing basketball is nothing. Motivation is easy to find when put in that perspective."

Cooper said her Olympic experiences and playing professional basketball are quite different in that they require different attitudes toward basketball.

"During the Olympics, you're a role player," Cooper said. "You need to do what's best for the team, and you're representing the

entire country.

"The [Houston] Comets are my team. We've only won three championships so far. I'm not content yet," Cooper said, smiling.

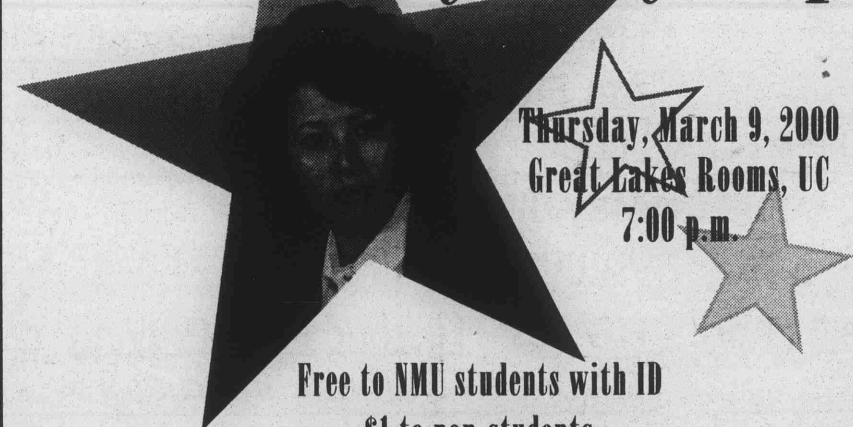
Her message to the students of NMU was not to simply stand by and be content with mediocrity.

"Who says we have to take the easy way out?" Cooper said. "If you're taking the easy way and just standing by, you're going to get run over by people like me."



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"We love NMU," Rosen said. "We wanted to help anyway we could to get that program back to where it deserves to be. I'm excited about the direction [Sandel] will take the program, continuing the success of the past."

Sandel comes to NMU from the University of South Carolina at Columbia (1997-2000), where he was the assistant women's volleyball coach. The Division-I Gamecocks finished their last season 14-12 in the Southeastern Conference. The team advanced to the NCAA Tournament in both 1997 and 1998. Sandel has also spent time coaching at Redlands Community College (El Reno, Okla., 1997), Northern Arizona University (Flagstaff, Ariz., 1990-1993), and West Texas State University (Canyon, Texas 1987-1990).

Most significantly, however, is Sandel's experience at his alma mater, West Texas A&M, where he was the assistant coach for three years. From 1993-96, he guided the Lady Buffs to the

South Central Region semifinals in 1995, as well as the finals in 1996. West Texas won a national championship in 1997.

"[Sandel] was strongly involved with three national championship teams at West Texas," Rosen said. "Between recruiting and coaching, he had a big hand in their success."

Rosen said Sandel is a talented recruiter, which is just what NMU needs at this point in its program.

"With the position the program is in right now, there is a big push for recruiting," Rosen said. "Whenever you change over coaches, there is always a certain amount of uncertainty. With the current situation with two coaches in the last few years, it makes that an even greater situation."

Rosen said he is confident that Sandel will conquer the situation.

"[Sandel] knows he will really have to work to get the program back together," Rosen said. "No question about it, he will be the man to get things back on track."

Sandel arrives at NMU on Friday.

**SWIM AND DIVE
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Swimmers
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The Northern Michigan University women's swimming and diving team is in sixth place after the first day of competition in the 2000 NCAA Championships in Buffalo, N.Y.

The Wildcats earned 41.5 points in two events Wednesday, with senior Erin Vostad finishing seventh overall in the 50-meter freestyle and NMU's 200-meter medley relay team finishing fourth.

"I thought it was kind of a slow day for us," NMU coach Chris Coraggio said.

"I was please with the way it ended for us, though. The fourth-place finish in the relay gives us something to build off of."

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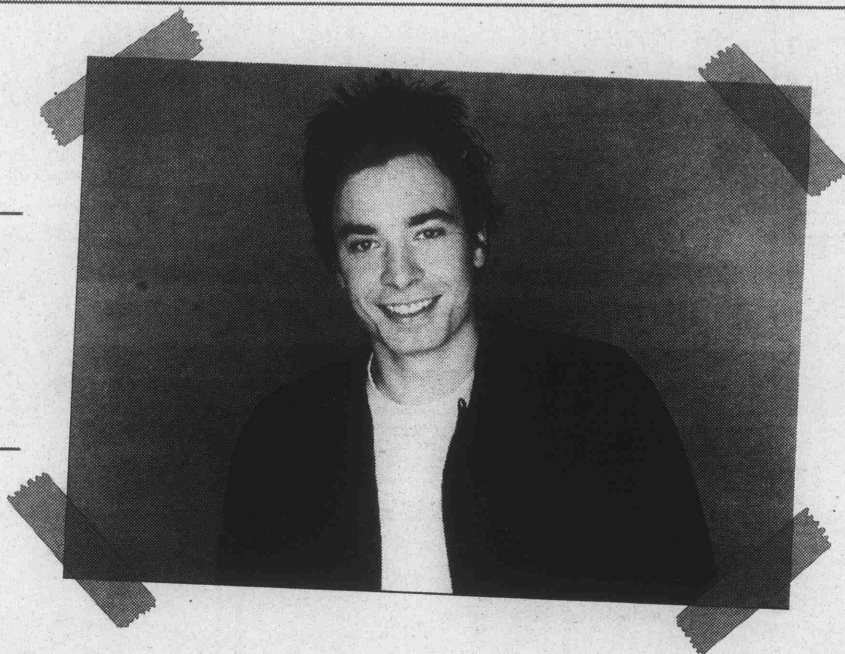
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