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It was the biggest computer distribution ever, IBM said. Here's how NMU handled...

BY KURT MENSCHING
COPY/LAYOUT EDITOR

Sophomore Kari Merryfield walked into the Superior Dome for the laptop distribution a few minutes before noon Friday. Soon after, she walked back out as the first of 4200 students who will begin the era of a "truly connected learning community" at NMU.

"The laptop is a tool," NMU President Judy Bailey said, "that opens up the world of knowledge from Marquette, to Australia, to Germany, to Ann Arbor, to Spalding Hall."

Not only will the laptop aid in communication, Bailey said, but it will also help the student to become comfortable with emerging technologies and have the skills needed in a competitive job market.

Though the Teaching Learning Communication (TLC) Initiative has been planned for three years, Vice President of Academic Affairs Fred Joyal said the idea originated many years before that.

"We asked ourselves, 'How long will

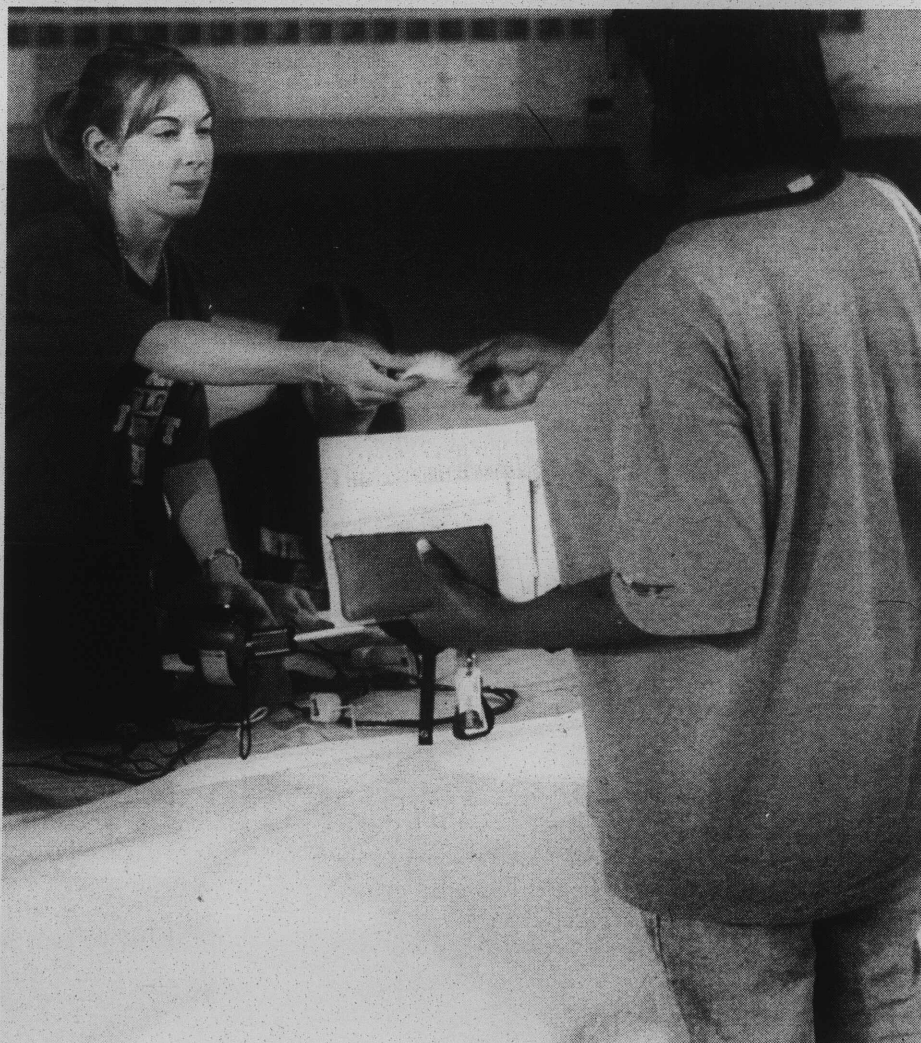
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— Nathan Leach

it be before technology brings what we're looking at here as this big desktop unit, down to a small thing that everybody can carry around with them and have all the time?" Joyal said. "It was 15 years for that time to be right."

When Merryfield arrived, she had forgotten her lease agreement. Another contract was printed out for her at the entrance to the distribution area. An NMU then scanned her ID into the system. She proceeded to one of 10 distribution centers to receive her laptop and additional information. After a security check to exit the distribution area, she chose to view the ten-minute training video.

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Jason Barnes/NW

Freshman criminal justice major Shanel Snyder is issued one of 4200 IBM Thinkpads at the Superior Dome Saturday. The distribution took four days to complete.

Student stabbed during fight at Aurora

A fight at local club left one NMU student hospitalized for a stab wound last Thursday morning.

At 1:05 a.m. Aug. 24, a Marquette City police officer responded to an altercation in the 100 block of West Washington Street in downtown Marquette.

The officer found that a group had been involved in a fight. The victim, NMU stu-

dent Wesley Nordstrom, 22, of Marquette, was later found by officers and transported to Marquette General Hospital by ambulance due to a stab wound to his neck. Nordstrom said the wound occurred inside Club Aurora.

Marquette Police Captain Andrew Henderson said the victim was not stabbed with a knife, however, the incident

remains open for investigation.

Officers of the Marquette Police Department were assisted at the scene by officers from the Chocolay Police Department and later by officers from Northern Michigan University Public Safety.

"The campus officers helped to locate suspects and witnesses who were located

on campus," Henderson said.

Henderson said the other individuals involved were residents of NMU's campus, but no additional names were released. No subjects are being held at this time.

— By Travis Margoni
and press release

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"Students, as well as faculty, are excited over the TLC program," ASNMU President Nathan Leach said. "This is the most excited I've been over a new technology since I received my Nintendo back in 1990."

Leach supports the laptop requirement now, but he said he first opposed it.

"I didn't like the university forcing the students to have computers. But after seeing all the advantages to it, seeing that this is going to prepare students for the real world, especially in a technology driven workforce, this is going to prepare students

for when they leave NMU."

Leach said the student government will work with the administration to make sure the university maintains its mission of service and support.

"We're going to be the link between students and staff in communicating what are the problems with the TLC program, and how we can alleviate them when they arise," Leach said.

Though NMU is not the first public university with a laptop program, they are the largest in the nation. This was the largest one time distribution of laptops in the United States, IBM representative Mark Syban said.



Come sail away

Howard Becker of Marquette discusses a sailing class to Senior Nursing Major Jayne Billings. The course is offered through Michigan State University and is one credit hour.

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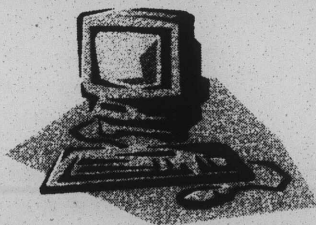
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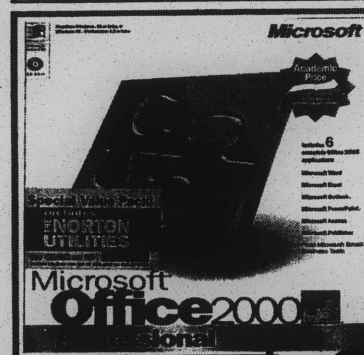
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Local

Missing woman found dead

MARQUETTE — The Marquette County Medical Examiner Office has positively identified the human remains found in Negaunee Township on Saturday, August 20th as the body of Erin Rebecca Taylor. Taylor was reported missing on August 15th. The medical examiner has ruled the manner of death as homicide. The cause of death has not been disclosed yet, and no suspects have been named. The investigation is a combined effort including Marquette City Police, Michigan State Police Negaunee Post, Michigan State Police Crime Lab, and the Marquette County Sheriff's Office.

State

Shooting of deaf man probed

DETROIT — An investigation into the shooting death of a deaf and dumb man by police is beginning. Police were summoned to the house of Erroll Shaw, Sr., responding to reports that he was attacking his parents. Police say Shaw came at them, brandishing a rake, and was within striking distance when an officer fired two shots, killing him. Neighbors, however, say that the police ignored cries that Shaw was deaf and could not hear nor respond to their instructions. Shaw, who lived in his parents' home with his four children, had a history of mental illness, and police had been summoned in past instances, including a time when Shaw had to be talked down from his own rooftop.

National

Bush outlines higher ed program

HAMPTON, N.H. — Republican presidential nominee George W. Bush unveiled a five-year program for higher education, including a call for almost \$7 billion in new aid for higher education. The Texas governor's five-year program included \$1.5 billion in grants to states to cover one-third of the cost of setting up merit scholarships for high school students and a \$5 billion increase in Pell grants. Bush also proposed to encourage parents to save early for their children's college education by making state and independent prepaid tuition programs exempt from taxes. Bush's aides said this would cost \$275 million over five years.

International

Clinton ends protest-marked visit

CARTAGENA, Colombia — After a 10-1/2 hour visit during which he reiterated support for the war against the booming drug trade, President Clinton left Colombia last night. Clinton's visit was marked by a number of rebel attacks and anti-American, anti-imperialist demonstrations in which at least 20 were killed. Clinton was careful to stress that the recently-approved \$1.3 billion U.S. aid package was not meant to aggravate the country's three-decades old civil war, but to fight drugs. The war, fought between guerrillas, anti-communist paramilitary gangs, state security forces and drug traffickers, has cost 35,000 lives over the last 10 years.

— Compiled from news sources

Next stop,
University
Center

Jason Barnes/NW
Kristan Kieffer, a freshman majoring in public relations, accepts a lift from one of the new NMU shuttles that have been patrolling campus since Monday. The shuttles will be running from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday this semester, and can be flagged down at any point along the route.

NMU offers a free ride

BY JACKIE WAGNER
STAFF WRITER

NMU is now offering a shuttle service to its students. The shuttle service will bring students from campus out to the Jacobetti building and the PEIF/Dome complex.

"There is a shortage of classrooms in the academic mall area this year, so classes are more spread out into both Jacobetti and the PEIF buildings causing people problems getting to class on time," said Public Safety Assistant Director Darwin Gager. "Also, it is hard to find on-campus parking spots. This allows students to park in places like the PEIF building and Jacobetti where parking is easy to find and ride the shuttle around campus."

The buses used for the shuttle service will be 25-passenger Marq-Tran buses. "The main message we're trying to send is

"Use it or lose it." This is a fairly expensive system and the students have to show that they want it around by using it or they will lose it." Gager said.

"The new shuttle system was designed to complement the new parking system," said Vice President of Finance and Administration Michael Roy. "The system was mainly designed because of parking and to get students to classes at the Jacobetti building quickly."

The new shuttle system will be free of charge to anyone on campus.

"We had talked to Marq-Tran about the possibility of a bus system on campus last year," Roy said. "But we were not sure how the new parking system would work out and were not sure what effect having West Science closed would have on students' class schedules."

The new shuttle system will cost \$33,000 per semester to run.

The shuttle will run Monday through Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. every week this semester. There will be two buses with two separate routes. Pick-up times will be at ten to the hour, and ten after the hour. One shuttle will run a loop starting at the LRC and going to Jacobetti, and then returning to the LRC.

The second bus will also pick people up at the LRC and take them to the Superior Dome/recreational complex (which includes the PEIF) in between pick-up times; both buses will do a larger, more extensive loop around the main campus and student apartment areas. Either bus can be flagged down at any time and anywhere during its route.

Editor's note: Staff writer Amy Fuller contributed to this story.

FORECAST

- **Friday:** Cooler with a chance of showers, high near 65.
- **Saturday:** A chance of showers and thunderstorms, high near 70, lows 50 to 55
- **Sunday:** Mild and dry, high 70 to 75, low 55.

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NMU pares down size of administration

BY ERIN SNODDY
STAFF WRITER

Over the summer, NMU's administration withstood some reorganization including diminishing the number of colleges and vice president positions to two.

The measure went into effect July 1 of this year and was headed by NMU President Judi Bailey. The process toward change began in July of 1999, when Bailey and her senior staff met at an informal meeting, the President's Retreat, to examine issues such as the budget, enrollment, and growth. That meeting brought forth the idea of a more combined system with fewer senior administrators.

The next month the group presented their ideas to the Board of Control and they were met with

approval.

"My whole theme was greater integration so that we can work together more efficiently and better serve students," Bailey said.

The offices of Academic Affairs and Student Affairs were combined, which, Bailey said, was the key to organizing the new administration. She said the reason for the joining was to form a better support system for students, seeing them through from enrollment to graduation.

"What we are trying to do is make the administrative functions more integrated and increase efficiency," Bailey said.

To do that, the previous vice president of academic affairs, Fred Joyal became both the vice president of the office and the provost. A provost is a university senior administrator who tradi-

tionally oversees both academic and student services.

"So far everything has been pretty positive," Joyal said.

He also said he feels the quality of communication between the various offices has increased, and he is looking forward to learning from the student affairs professionals.

"It is a way to increase cooperation rather than competition," he said. "We work out the priorities before we create the master budget."

Two associate provosts were added. The associate provost for student services is Karen Reese while the associate provost for academic affairs is Leonard Heldreth.

With the new plan, the office of University Relations was eliminated and its functions of alumni

relations, development and communication and marketing moved to the office of the president. Those involved in these areas report directly to Bailey.

The departments of Auxiliary Services, Athletics and Recreation and all self-financing services were moved from the president's supervision to that of finance and administration.

Kenneth Godfrey, the associate vice president of Recreation and Athletics, also didn't sense any discomfort at the thought of the reconstruction.

"Thus far it is working out fine," Godfrey said.

He noted many changes have occurred in his office with the new system and the newly hired Director of Intercollegiate Athletics, Dan Spielmann. He feels that people will just have to

adjust to the change.

The number of colleges also decreased from five to four. Because NMU is a smaller institution, Bailey said it would benefit the university to have fewer colleges.

Since it was decided that the College of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences and the College of Social, Behavioral Science and Education both provide professional services, they were integrated to form the College of Professional Studies.

Bailey said she is proud of the faculty and staff of NMU due to their ability to envision the future and work collaboratively to benefit the university.

"Change is always hard for people," Bailey said. "But we are working together very well and building new relationships."

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Filled positions bring change to campus

BY JACKIE WAGNER
STAFF WRITER

While scanning a list of new administrators, both familiar and new names appear. Applicants from across the country applied for the six major positions available after the winter 2000 semester.

In NMU's case this year, students and faculty are exposed to both familiar faces and new additions to the administration. In addition to these five positions, Dan Spielman was hired as the new Athletic Director. See page 19 in the sports section for a Q&A with Spielman.

Timothy Compton

Timothy Compton is the new Head of the Language Department. He has spent 12 years at Northern as a full professor.

"The previous head had to step down, and I was picked for the position out of the department staff," Compton said.

Aside from being department head, Compton also teaches part time, works closely with the study abroad program and supervises the student teachers.

"It's important for a department head to teach. If you don't teach you lose touch with what's really important, and that's learning," Compton said.

"The biggest challenge for our department is that historically language has been pushed into the corner of the liberal studies program and we want faculty, staff and students to see that learning languages can open worlds to them."

David Lucas

David Lucas is the new Head of the Physics Department. He was the only professor with tenure when the last department head, Dwaine Faller, stepped down after 23 years in the position.

"We needed a change and I was the only one able to take up the position," Lucas said. Aside from being a professor Lucas has also been the Chair of the UPC, on the President's Council, and is currently the pre-medical student advisor.

"I teach half time; I am the pre-medical advisor a fourth of the time; and I am the department head a fourth of the time," Lucas said.

"The biggest challenge to this position is timing, trying to get everything done, and balancing all the things that need to get done."

Ira Hutchinson

The Department of Sociology and Social Work has a new Head in Ira Hutchinson. He has been a professor for 30 years and spent the last 27 at the University of North Carolina.

"I'm crazy about Northern. I like the size of the campus, the friendly students and staff, and I love the programs that Northern has to offer," Hutchinson said.

Hutchinson specializes in Sociology of

Marriage and the Family, and has researched domestic abuse.

"I bring my experience to the position and to the university. This winter semester I will be teaching the Sociology in Marriage and the Family course," Hutchinson said.

This is the first time in many years that this course has been offered at Northern.

"The hardest thing about this position is learning the new ways of doing things here at Northern," Hutchinson said. "I hope to increase the visibility of the department and bring some new people into the department in the future."

Margaret Sklar

Margaret Sklar is the new Director of Academic Affairs for the College of Business. Sklar has been at NMU for 18 years, teaching computer information systems.

"I like Northern and am happy with my new position," Sklar said.

Aside from being Director of Academic Affairs, Sklar also teaches four credit hours, is a Chair on the Community on Undergraduate Programs, and Advisor for the International Dance Club.

"My job is dealing with the problems of other people. If a student has a problem, often they come to me," Sklar said. "I enjoy my job; I like dealing with people more than being in meetings, but I enjoy my job."

James Schiffer

The vacant English Department Head position has been filled by James Schiffer. Schiffer was a professor at Hampton-

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—Timothy Compton
Language Department Head

Sydney College in Virginia. There he also served as Elliott Professor of English and Chair of the English Department.

"I'm happy to be here and am very impressed with the English Department and with the students, who are so willing to learn," Schiffer said.

This past spring Schiffer directed a videotape that will be shown on WNMU TV later in the academic year.

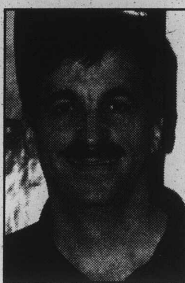
"I have 10 years of experience and hope to bring the feel of a small liberal arts college to NMU," Schiffer said.

"I have never been in the Upper Peninsula before this and hope to learn how to cross country ski this winter," Schiffer said.

Schiffer said that he thinks it is important that Northern guarantees that their graduates can write well.

"I am all for raising standards."

"It makes Northern graduates more marketable," Schiffer said. "We have lots of room for growth and I hope that the English staff has lots of ideas for the future."



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EDITORIAL

Choices linger beyond the now

Life is based on decisions. They are impossible to avoid. With the start of a new academic year, every person in the university community is faced with decisions.

The common college student will be faced with a bevy of life-affecting decisions.

Decide on a major. Decide whom to vote for. Decide what classes to take, and when. Decide whether to drive a car or ride a bicycle to class. Decide whether to study or go to a party. Decide to take a nap or go for a hike. Decide who to love and how that love manifests itself. Decide where and with whom to live.

Yet amidst so many questions, few answers are black and white as the admonition to sink or swim. Most of the time it's easier to just bob along, treading water.

Usually it's a this or that concern. Take the studying versus carousing example.

Setting aside a night of homework may have a detrimental effect on the success of a student. Yet, if that same student who neglects the important social development provided by the college setting is doing himself no favors with regard to personal growth and development.

One constant in decision making is the fact that we must live with our decisions. Before long, students who opted out of the laptop program will know if they made the right decision. The same holds true for students who chose to get the laptop.

Good decisions have a cumulative effect. The person who seeks to maintain balance within his life is likely to be a person who tends to make good decisions.

This holds true for faculty and staff as well.

Where the university community chooses to take NMU is reflected in how it makes decisions now.

As the first week of the fall semester comes to an end, all who are associated with NMU should keep in mind the importance of choosing wisely.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A welcome from NMU president

Are you ready for Fall 2000? I am.

The semester is already off to a fabulous start with the successful Welcome Weekend activities and Be a Part from the Start student rally, a glitch-free distribution of 4,200 ThinkPad computers, and the opening of the new Science Facility.

If the whole semester is as exciting as the first week, this campus is in for a mind-boggling good time.

We still have some challenges to work through such as dealing with the renovation of West Science, completing the final touches to the new roads and parking lots, and making sure that every student who now has a ThinkPad notebook feels comfortable using it.

To address the latter, I remind all of you that the HelpDesk located in the Learning Resources Center (LRC) is at your service.

Information about the HelpDesk can be found on the Internet at

www.acs.nmu.edu/helpdesk or by calling 227-2468.

Additionally, there are several computer courses with open sessions still available, if you feel you need more assistance in

using your laptop, the Internet or any of our campus-wide technology.

The laptops will give you the kind of flexible learning schedule that has never been possible before. NMU is now a 24-7 learning community. So, the student who needs research material at 1 a.m. to finish a term paper will have it.

Communication between you and your classmates, professors and staff can happen anytime from almost anywhere. (Note: The professors, staff and I will respond to your 4 a.m. e-mails when we wake up!)

While the laptops give you the opportunity for 24-7 studying, I don't recommend such a schedule. Study hard, but also get out there and join a student organization, become a volunteer, get involved with a campus or community activity and enjoy our incredibly beautiful U.P. environment. There are hundreds of opportunities for you here at NMU. I encourage you to take advantage of many of them.

I hope you had a relaxing summer, and that you've returned to Northern ready for another exciting semester of learning, participating and growing.

Judi Bailey
 NMU president

A welcome from ASNMU president

On behalf of the Associated Students of Northern Michigan University governing board, I welcome you to the 2000-2001 academic year!

ASNMU is, by definition, the ultimate official voice for the more than 8,000 students who attend Northern Michigan University. We are advocates for students and for new opportunities.

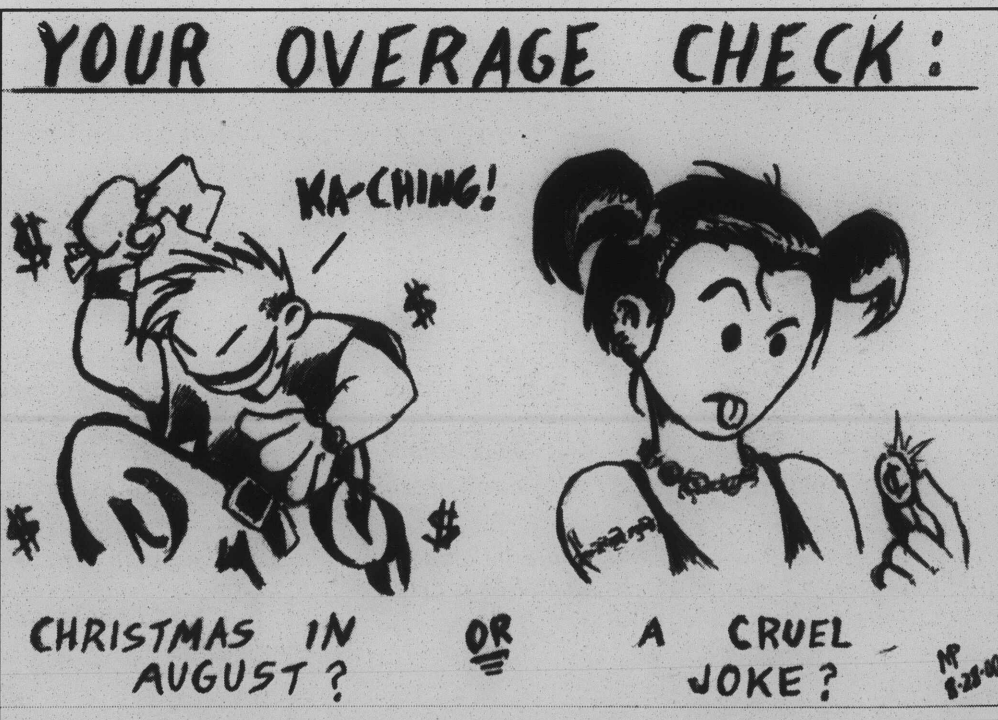
As this academic community constantly changes, the needs of its students change as well. ASNMU works to ensure that the university is responsive to the changing needs of students on this campus. Every student should be offered maximum opportunity to reach his or her fullest potential as both a student of NMU and as a resident of our community.

ASNMU's ultimate goal is to serve the students. This service originates from constantly asking ourselves and others, how can Northern Michigan University provide better service to the students?

How can we make sure that this academic environment, which is aspiring to earn greater national recognition, can also

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 MARK PATRAW



The evolution revolution

This summer has been filled with more medical breakthroughs than any period in recent history. The combination of the first complete draft of the human genome coupled with new combination treatment for those with HIV present hope for millions worldwide. But at what cost?

Regardless of religious beliefs, most people are willing to acknowledge some degree of evolution. Throughout history, species have survived by breeding developed versions of themselves. Those that couldn't ceased to exist. Then humans came along and changed the rules.

The face of evolution soon discovered the path of technology. Those who discovered fire were able to cook their food, reducing illness. Weapons were created to allow hunters to put themselves at a safer distance from their prey. You can follow the line right through boats, reapers, telephones, computers, and of course, medicine. For a while it seemed that humans no longer followed the evolutionary trend. New advances in medicine made it possible to keep alive the sick and wounded who, in other animal societies, would die and never reproduce.

But lately a new link has been

added to the evolutionary chain: money. For millions — possibly billions — worldwide, medicine is not an option because it is not affordable; leaving the sick and wounded to die while others with the same disease and more money live.

On July 7, a Reuters news release mentioned the "T-20 'fusion inhibitor.'" This drug, which is part of the triple-drug therapies is greatly decreasing mortality rates. The catch is it costs about \$10,000 a year per person. Considering 70 percent of the world's infected population (34.3 million) live in sub-Saharan Africa a population noted for its poverty. At the going price for triple-drug therapy, it would cost nearly \$95 billion over the next five years for South Africa alone.

The mapping of the human genome has been touted as the greatest moment in the history of science. However, health insurance providers are still figuring out how they will handle genome testing because, well frankly, it ain't cheap.

In an article published in the July 2000 issue of Scientific American, a woman whose mother died of Huntington's disease was curious of her own odds of having the disease. A newly

STAFF COLUMN



By Geoff Hineman

available genetic test costing \$450 would tell her. Unsure of whether her insurance provider would cover the cost or, upon being notified of the results, consider it a pre-existing condition that would not be covered, she paid out of pocket.

The test results showed that she would never have Huntington's. Her first response was the relief, for if she were predisposed to the disease, she vowed not to have children.

What about those who could not afford the money to pay for such a test? And if insurance companies decide to cover such a test, the uninsured still wouldn't have an option.

With billions uninsured worldwide and unable to access such testing, will they be doomed to continue breeding disease because they can't afford not to? Is that really evolution?

Goal of The North Wind: seek balance

The goal of The North Wind is to seek balance. That's our slogan: seek balance.

When this newspaper serves its purpose, it strives to be a voice for the students, as well as a transmitter of information.

Balance is found through understanding. The better students understand the administration, the faculty and staff and each other, the more effective the university community can be in achieving its goals. If The North Wind can spread understanding, it will help people to find balance within this community.

For those who have for the first time picked up a copy, welcome. This new edition was designed and published specifically with you in mind.

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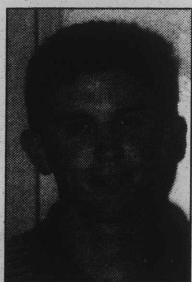
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Next Week: When not studying, working or in class, what do you do?

If you were a shoe, what kind of shoe would you be and why?



Andy Grosvenar
senior, ecology

"I wouldn't wear shoes if I didn't have to, but my toes aren't pretty."



Stephanie Speaker
freshman, undeclared

"I would be a sandal because I love being 'free'."



Kimmy Neill
senior, spanish education

"I'd definately be Kangaroo shoes (Roos), that way I could hippity-hop-hop down to the out-back to watch the Olympics."



Andrew Kail
freshman, ceramics

"I would be the shoes that that one kid in the movie 'Goonies' had. You know tht asian kid (Data), they had all kinds of cool sh@t built into 'em."



Jason Gerbig
senior, public relations

"NIKE."

SEXUAL ASSAULT RESPONSE / PREVENTION POLICY
NORTHERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

INTRODUCTION

Sexual assault, including acquaintance or date rape, is criminal sexual conduct and a violation of the Michigan Penal Code. Sexual assault also violates the University's Student Code of Conduct.

A reported sexual assault will be treated with the highest degree of concern by the University. A University student charged with sexual assault may be prosecuted pursuant to the Michigan Penal Code and/or be subject to University disciplinary action up to and including expulsion. In addition to criminal prosecution, a University employee charged with sexual assault may be subject to University disciplinary action up to and including termination of employment.

The University affirms the need for a comprehensive sexual assault prevention education program. Prevention education and awareness efforts are essential in order to better insure a positive experience for all members of the University community.

This policy provides the following information to members of the University community:

- Definition of sexual assault;
- Policy concerning sexual assault victims;
- University response to reported sexual assault, including services available to victims of sexual assault;
- Education and prevention efforts and programs; and
- Information regarding periodic review of this policy.

DEFINITION

Sexual assault is sexual contact without consent. More specifically, "sexual assault" for purpose of this policy means any of the forms of criminal sexual conduct described in Sections 520 (b) through 520 (g) of the Michigan Penal Code (MCL 750.520 (b) - (g)). A victim of sexual assault may be either male or female. Regardless of the relationship that exists between the parties, if consent is not given or force or coercion is used against a party, any sexual contact is within the definitions of criminal sexual conduct and sexual assault. Sexual assault is intrinsically injurious and degrading, and will be treated as resulting in injury for the purposes of the University Student Handbook, Part 2, Section 2.2.1, General Regulatory Statement, and as a violation of the Student Handbook, Part 2, Section 2.2.2, Personal Abuse, which prohibits acts which injure, threaten, endanger, or degrade a member of the University community. Use or abuse of alcohol or other drugs by a person charged with a sexual assault does not diminish, and may increase, personal responsibility. The same criminal offenses and penalties apply in cases of acquaintance rape or date rape as in cases of rape involving a stranger.

POLICY CONCERNING SEXUAL ASSAULT VICTIMS

If you are the victim of a sexual assault which is reported to the university, it is the policy of the university that:

1. You and the matter you report will be treated with the greatest concern and seriousness, regardless of your gender or the gender of the suspect.
2. Your name will not be released to the public or to the media.
3. You will be advised of and, if you desire, assisted in receiving services from community agencies that provide assistance to victims of sexual assault.
4. You will be provided with information regarding your options for reporting the sexual assault, and your right to make choices based on this information will be respected.
5. If you file a complaint with Public Safety and Police Services, staff from that office will investigate your complaint. You will be notified of victim's rights and remedies accorded in the Crime Victim's Rights Act and you will be kept up to date on the status of the investigation. If the Health Center provides medical assistance, appropriate methods for preserving evidence of criminal sexual assault will be followed.
6. University staff will neither coerce you to report a sexual assault as a lesser offense nor prevent or discourage you from reporting a sexual assault to another person or authority.
7. If you request, the University staff will take any reasonable steps to prevent unnecessary or unwanted contact or proximity with the suspect.
8. You will be made aware of options provided under law regarding the mandatory testing of sexual assault assailants upon conviction for communicable diseases and notification to the victim of the results of the testing.

UNIVERSITY RESPONSE TO REPORTED SEXUAL ASSAULT

The University departments listed below are most appropriate to receive a report of a sexual assault and to provide support and other assistance:

- Office of Public Safety and Police Services, 511 (Emergency) or 227-2151 (100 Services Building)
- Office of the Dean of Students, 227-1700 (1104 University Center)
- The Health Center, 227-2866 (Cries Hall)
- Counseling Center, 227-2381 (201 Cottrill Administrative Center)
- Office of Housing and Residence Life (any resident hall or on-campus apartment staff member)

While each of the above departments is different from the other and have different functions, the staff from those departments will work very closely with one another to provide assistance to those involved, to review available services and options, and to coordinate appropriate problem solving prevention activities.

Students who have been sexually assaulted are strongly encouraged to file a complaint with the Office of Public Safety and police services so that criminal charges may be pursued against the assailant, or to the Office of the Dean of Students to initiate charges within the university judicial system. All complaints of sexual assault, whether made to the Office of Public Safety and Police Services or the Office of the Dean of Students, will be investigated by Public Safety and Police Services.

In cases in which Public Safety and Police Services is not the first office contacted by the victim, information regarding the incident will be reported to Public Safety and Police Services in accordance with the Student Right to Know and the Campus Security Act. This report will not include the name of the victim or other identifying information. In addition, Public Safety and Police Services is required to report information concerning criminal acts on an annual basis under the requirements of the Uniform Crime Reporting Act, but such a report will also not include the victim's name or other identifying information.

A report of sexual assault will initiate a response from the university as explained below.

The Office of Public Safety and Police Services. When a report of a sexual assault is received, the Office of Public Safety and Police Services will immediately assign a specially trained "case officer" to investigate the incident and work with the victim through all stages of the investigation, prosecution and/or university judicial system action. The case officer will also inform the victim of other support services available including the services of the Marguise Women's Center's Rape Victim Support Team.

The Office of the Dean of Students. The Office of the Dean of Students will provide information to the victim about options for pursuing a charge against the assailant through the university's judicial system. After receiving a complaint, the Dean of Students will request an investigation by Public Safety and Police Services. If the results of this investigation indicate that the regulations of the University's Student Handbook have been violated, the Dean of Students will initiate the appropriate judicial proceedings. If the investigation yields unclear evidence, appropriate follow-up activities may be initiated. The Dean of Students will also determine the necessity for safeguards in the best interest of the students involved.

The Health Center. The Health Center provides services to NMU students and staff who have been victims of sexual assault. The physician provides examination, treatment, and information about the possibility of venereal diseases and pregnancy, and provides referrals to other support services as appropriate. Health Center hours are from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. throughout the academic year and during posted summer hours. If a student is in need of emergency medical services after 5 p.m. or on weekends, he or she should go to Marguise General Hospital Emergency Room (225-8660). None the less, when receiving medical care after a sexual assault it is important to have physical evidence collected for possible future legal action.

The Counseling Center. The Counseling Center counsels students dealing with the emotional impact of sexual assault. The Counseling Center staff will provide assistance in decision making regarding reporting of the assault to Public Safety and Police Services or the Dean of Students, contacting parents or significant others, modification of living arrangements, handling academic schedules and commitments, etc. Services are also provided to students who come to the center for other reasons and in the course of treatment disclose a past sexual assault. Strict confidentiality is maintained.

The Office of Housing and Residence Life. Residence hall and on-campus apartment staff will provide immediate support and assistance to a student who reports a sexual assault as well as to others who may be involved. Staff will inform the victim of the services that are available from the Counseling Center, the Office of Public Safety and Police Services, the Health Center, and the Office of the Dean of Students, and will help the victim obtain those services that are desired. These staff members can also be helpful when the student returns to his or her room or apartment. In addition, the Office of Housing and Residence Life staff may provide alternative living arrangements for the accused or the victim, if the victim and the accused live close to one another.

Other Support Services. Faculty and staff who are contacted by someone who has been sexually assaulted are encouraged to provide empathetic support, to respect the victim's privacy, and to consult with the refer the victim to Public Safety and Police Services, the Office of the Dean of Students, or the Counseling Center. If the victim declines university services, she or he may be referred to the Women's Center (225-1846), a private therapist, or other help as appropriate.

Timely consultation will be initiated by the university office reviewing the complaint with one or more of the offices listed above which may have a support role for the victim or others affected by the assault.

PREVENTION EDUCATION

Northern Michigan University provides ongoing prevention education of faculty, staff and students in an effort to decrease the incidence of sexual assault.

Prevention Education for Faculty/Staff. A copy of this policy will be sent to all university departments by September, 1995, and subsequent revisions will be sent to all departments as they are approved. The policy will also be distributed to all new faculty and staff by the Human Resources Department. Staff members of those offices which are most likely to deal with prevention response to sexual assault - the Office of Public Safety and Police Services, the Office of the Dean of Students, the Counseling Center, the Health Center, and the Office of Housing and Residence Life - will receive regular in-service training to review office and university policies regarding the prevention of and response to sexual assault.

Student Prevention Education. This policy will be published annually as a supplement to The North Wind. To request a copy of the policy, contact the Office of the Dean of Students (227-1700) or the Office of Public Safety and Police Services (227-2151).

The university also provides a variety of programs on sexual assault prevention for students:

Yearly Programs. Each year a session or orientation containing information about the prevention of sexual assault will be presented to all incoming freshmen students and accompanying parents. Printed material providing information about safety, sexual assault and acquaintance rape will be distributed to all attendees. Additionally, residence hall staff encourage and support residence hall student programs which focus on healthy relationships, personal safety and sexual assault prevention.

Programs Offered on Request. Both the Counseling Center and the Office of Public Safety and Police Services will present sexual assault prevention programs tailored to the needs of student groups. These offices encourage interested student groups to call and schedule a presentation.

PERIODIC REVIEW OF POLICY

This policy will be reviewed yearly by a committee composed of representatives from the Office of Public Safety and Police Services, the Office of the Dean of Students, the Counseling Center, the Office of Housing and Residence Life and two students appointed by ASNMU. Other individuals may be included as appropriate. The Dean of Students will convene the committee. Any changes recommended by the review committee are subject to the approval of the Board of Control.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

LEACH

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which is aspiring to earn greater national recognition, can also aspire to create the best learning and living environment for students?

In the upcoming year, you can expect your ASNMU governing board to constantly strive for a better learning and living environment for all students. A few examples of ways ASNMU will work to make your NMU experience more enjoyable: encouraging the university to expand the Bookbinders Eatery area into a true student center, encouraging students to vote during our Rock the Vote campaign, beautifying our campus through a Campus Wide Clean-up Day, and saving students money during the annual ASNMU Book Sale.

You will also see a reawakening of Wildcat pride and spirit during Homecoming 2000,

Winterfest and athletic events.

ASNMU will continue looking for creative ways to communicate and receive feedback from students. An ASNMU Update e-mail will be sent to students who wish to be kept informed of any university issues on the horizon. Throughout the year, you will see ASNMU representatives around campus surveying your opinion on certain campus issues.

Our office is located on the first floor of the University Center and is open for you to express your concerns. ASNMU may not be able to solve all the problems students face, but we will listen to your concerns, voice your concerns, and provide you with a quick response.

ASNMU will continue working with students and administration to ensure that we continue a strong tradition of service to

the students and student organizations of this university.

Whether we are advocating a student issue before the university or building support for an upcoming event, ASNMU will strive to serve you in every way possible.

I encourage each one of you to look beyond the boundaries of what is here to the boundaries of what could be. As your student body president, I will do my best to serve you by constantly striving to expand the boundaries and opportunities for the students of our great university.

Nathan Leach
president, ASNMU

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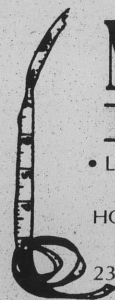
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Bodies found near campus

Son believed to have shot mother, then self

Last Monday, August 28th, at 3:22 p.m., the Marquette Police responded to a complaint made by maintenance personnel of a possible deceased subject at 222 Dobson Place in Marquette.

Upon arrival, officers determined that there was an elderly female and middle aged male dead at the residence.

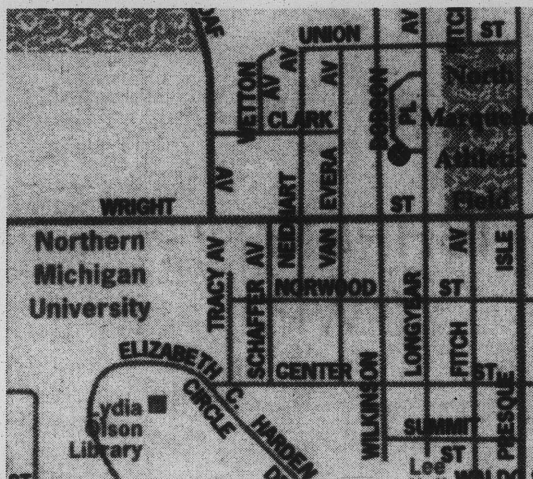
Marquette Police Chief Salvatore Sarvello said the female was located in bed and the male was located in the bathtub. There was no sign of forced entry. Detectives said that the bodies may have been dead for a week.

A 357 Magnum revolver was removed from the bathroom and taken to the Michigan State Police Crime Lab.

At an autopsy was conducted on both bodies Tuesday at Marquette General Hospital. It was determined that the bodies were those of Mary Jane Niemi, 71, and her son, Michael Alan Niemi, 40, both residents of the apartment they were found in, at 222 Dobson Place.

Detectives believe that Michael Niemi shot his mother four times while she was in bed, then shot himself.

Sarvello said Mary Jane Niemi was shot once in the head and three times in the side. Michael Niemi was shot once in the head.



"The gun that was recovered was found in the bathroom near the son's body," Sarvello said.

Sarvello said that a motive has not been established for the shooting.

Marquette Police will continue to conduct interviews in an attempt to determine the motive and have ruled this incident a murder/suicide.

Investigators do not believe that these deaths are related to any other investigations currently being conducted by local police agencies.

— By Travis Margoni and news release

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Wolves may change status

BY MIRIAM MÖLLER
OUTDOORS EDITOR

Gray wolves may soon be reclassified from an endangered status to a threatened status due to a stable wolf population for the last six years according to the US Fish and Wildlife Service.

Due to the complete elimination of gray wolves from Wisconsin, Michigan and most of Minnesota (excluding Isle Royale), in 1960, the state of Michigan gave the wolf protection in 1965. The same year the gray wolf was put on the endangered species list.

A recovery plan was introduced that set the goal to keep the wolf population over 100 for six consecutive years.

"We did reach that level a couple of years ago," DNR Wildlife Technician Monica Joseph said.

The Wolf Recovery Management Plan was completed in December 1997.

Since then trackers have counted at least 174 wolves in 1998-1999 and 216 in 1999-2000 in late winter, said DNR biologist James Hammill in a report of the US Fish and Wildlife Service.

This new status will help the DNR to handle "problem ani-

mals" with more freedom, but the wolves will be still protected in Michigan. Under the status "endangered," the DNR is only allowed to move "problem animals." The status "threatened" gives them more options to solve the problem.

"If we downlist (the animal) that wouldn't entail a (hunting) season," Joseph said.

A public hearing on the proposal will take place Oct. 17 at 6 p.m. at the Holiday Inn in Marquette. For more information on the gray wolf reclassification, check out the gray wolf Web Site <http://midwest.fws.gov/wolf>.

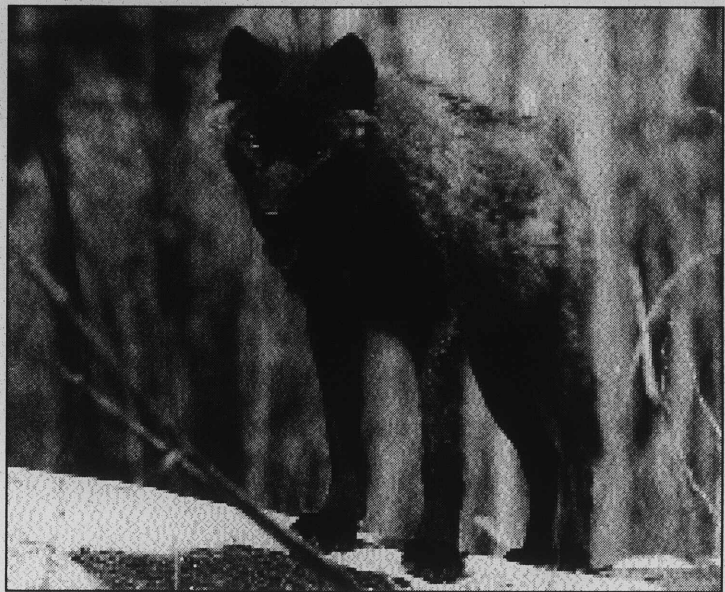


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CAMPUS NOTES

Symphony to play in October

The Grand Rapids Symphony is scheduled to perform at NMU at 8p.m. on Friday, Oct. 6th at the Berry Events Center.

The program will include performances of works written by Britten, Mozart, and Dvorak.

Because of its innovative outlook, the orchestra has, in the past, been recognized by the American Society of Composers and Publishers award and the Michigan Governor's Arts Award.

Tickets will be available Sept. 5th by calling 227-1032 or online at <www.nmu.edu/tickets>. The cost is \$25 for premium seats, \$15 and \$10 for general seating and \$5 for NMU students with identification.

Art Museum to feature sculptures

The NMU Art Museum will feature the sculptures of David Robert Nelson and Christopher Furman through Oct. 7th.

An "Artist's Talk" will be held at 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 7th.

Nelson creates fabricated wall sculptures out of metal, wood and leather.

Furman does large installations of metal and machines that move and react to viewers.

The NMU Art Museum is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 1 to 4 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday.

UC hosts concert

On Friday, Sept. 1st, acoustic and electric folk rock band Seeds

will be performing parables, prayers and songs in the Great Lakes Rooms of the NMU University Center.

Doors open at 6:30 p.m. and the show will begin at 7:30 p.m.

The band will be brought to campus by the NMU InterVarsity Christian Fellowship.

Bus takes fans to hockey game

On Saturday, Oct. 7th at 2:30 p.m. a bus will be leaving the Berry Events Center and taking fans to the NMU Michigan Tech hockey game at MTU.

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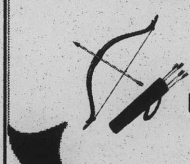



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October 16, 2000	Last day for a student participating in commencement to order cap & gown.
November 3, 2000	Last day for a student to drop a full semester course with a "W" grade.
November 15, 2000	Last day for a Master's degree candidate, who had previously applied for graduation, to finalize graduation including submitting thesis, file papers or project. Candidates who have not completed their requirements by this date will not be allowed to participate in commencement.
December 15, 2000	Commencement rehearsal in the Superior Dome at 2:00 p.m.
December 16, 2000	Commencement. Ceremony begins at 10:25 a.m.
December 19, 2000	Official graduation date and last day grades for the Fall semester are received.

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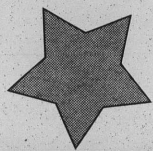
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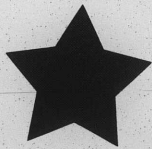
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Wednesday, September 20
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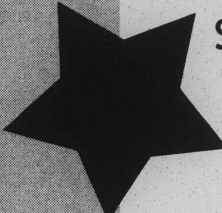
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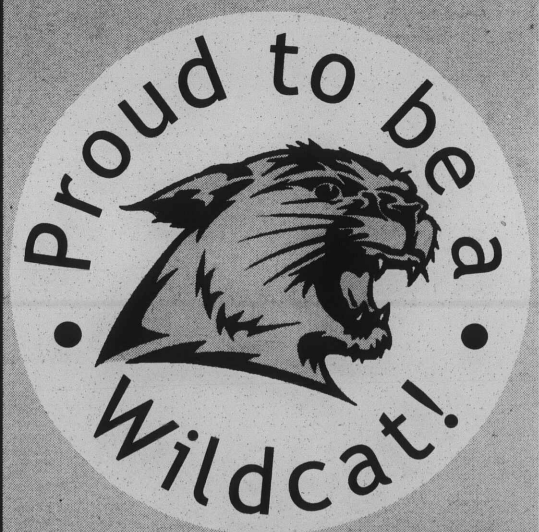
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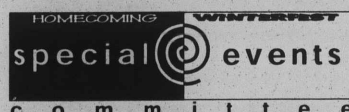
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The profundity of a morning hike

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My favorites are the folks who wait out almost the whole class, knowing full well that they are in the wrong room, then they get all their things together and with a huge production, leave, scraping every last shread of dignity and the harsh stares of the now settled in, presently confident class.

FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH



BY DANEIL POWELL

The thought makes the hair stand on the back of my neck. It is true human experience of people at their most vulnerable. Make no mistake we all go to that place at least once in our life. And we all watch with a chuckle as others do it.

Today my hiking class was the typical organizational meeting: "No hike - go home until next week." Since we were already up, my housemate, J-Money, and I went for a hike without the class.

We left my '78 Chevy Nova, "Green Tony," stashed in the Mead Pond lot, and bolted into the woods. I don't know how many of you hike or bike in the woods early in the morning, but I will say it is choice.

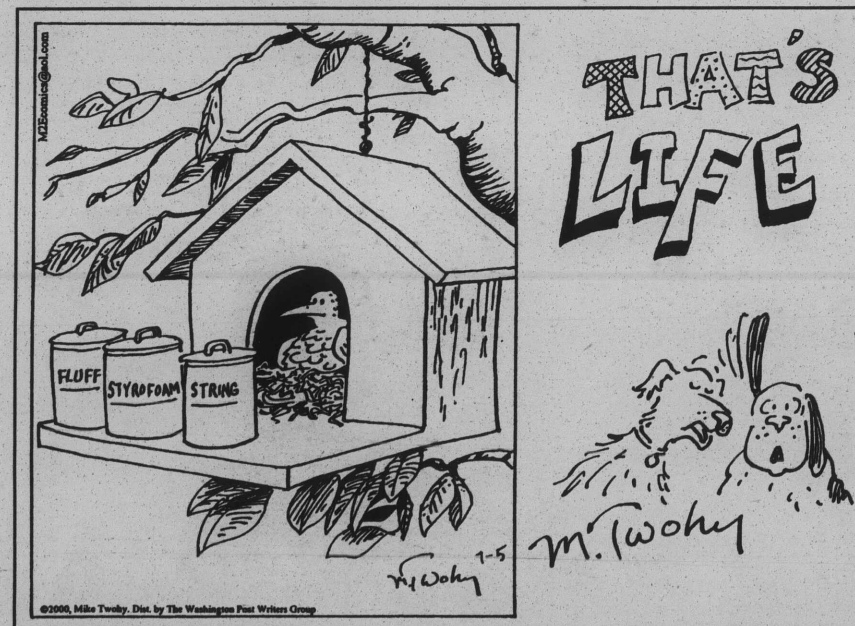
It was quickly obvious that the hike would become a trail run to the top.

I could have sworn the DJ on my radio told me it was just under 50 degrees at the lake shore. But as we climbed Hogback Mountain and sweat burned my eyes, I knew he must be on crack.

Our hiking instructor just told us such a hike would take us an hour and a half. J-Money turned to me and swore, "up and back in 45 minutes."

As we caught our breath peering back toward Marquette, I couldn't help but think that I love this town, and there is no better way to earn credits than running in the woods.

Running down the mountain trail, on that knife edge of out of control, the trees were a blur. I knew that the return to Green Tony held the promise of cold beverages and K-Rock. And I couldn't think of anywhere else I'd rather be, or anything else I would rather be doing.



DIVERSIONS

Love your bike

A loved bicycle is a happy bicycle. The fact is, if you ignore your bike, it will go away. There are several key points to maintaining your velopeid.

The first steps are familiarity with, and the awareness of your bike, it's noises and it's nuances.

Take a minute and when you need it, your clean, well oiled machine will take you where you need to be.

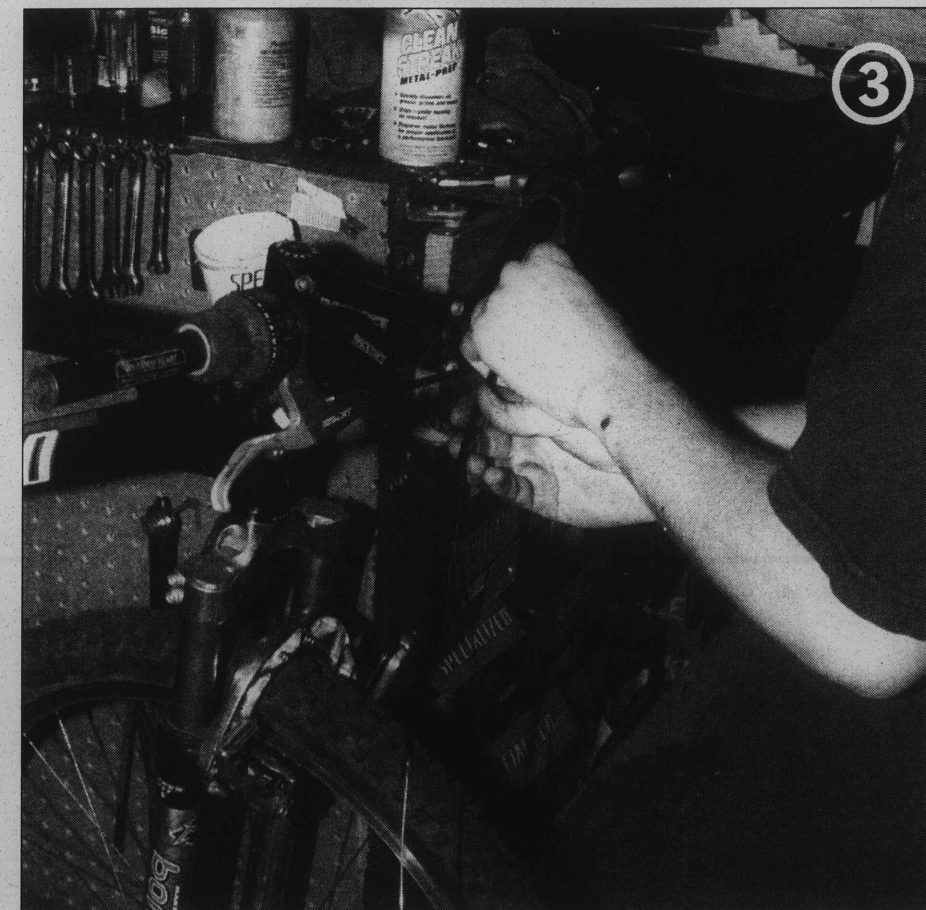
Beyond that fundamental element, riders should take into consideration the list below. By no means is it comprehensive, but it is a good start. Remember, the best bike is the one that is being ridden.

Bike Maintance Top Five

1. Keep a clean bike
2. Lube it up
3. Brakes, not breaks
4. Wheels correctly installed and true
5. Air in tires

The surrounding photos depict the Bike Maintenance Top Five as demonstrated by the members of the staff at Lakeshore Bike Shop, located at 505 Lakeshore Blvd., in Marquette. 1. Patrick Myron removes dirt from the rear wheel cassette; 2. Rob Dault applies lubrication to this wheel; 3. Rob overhauling a brake system; 4. Patrick Myron trues, or straightens, a wheel; 5. Mike Burnett tests the tire pressure in a customer's tires.

Photos and text by Jason Barnes/NW



MUSIC REVIEW TRADITIONAL

Celtic blend from Canada

BY MIRIAM MÖLLER
OUTDOORS EDITOR

Scrúj MacDuhk
"The Road To Canso"



Grade: B+

I invite you to join me in taking The Road To Canso, listening to six friends and their version of Atlantic Canadian, French Canadian, Irish and Scottish songs.

Scrúj MacDuhk is a band from Winnipeg that I first encountered and fell in love with at this year's Hiawatha Traditional Music Festival in Marquette. That's where I found out about their second CD, The Road To Canso.

The first song, "Cidermill," is an instrumental piece with a fiddle solo that made my heart jump.

The combination of fiddle, drums and guitar spreads energy that won't keep you sitting on your butt. Even if you don't dance the Irish jig you will at least start tapping your feet to the rhythm.

The longer the song lasts the faster the music (and your dancing) becomes, ending abruptly, only to lead you into the next

song...

"I am a rambling Irishman," sings vocalist Ruth Moody with her beautiful, high pitched voice.

The song describes a poor Irishman's journey from Ireland to America. At first the only instrument that accompanies her voice is a guitar, but by the time the chorus starts the sounds of the fiddle (played by Jeremy Penner), bass fiddle (played by Oliver Swain) and banjo (played by Leonard Podolak) appear and take you on the traveler's sailing trip.

At Hiawatha, Scrúj MacDuhk's song "The Rambling Irishman," was probably many people's favorite. The energy and excitement that could be felt in the air is almost indescribable. Especially if a couple hundred people or so get off their lawn chairs and blankets only to dance and sing the chorus along with singer Moody: "Ri-tun-tun-na-na, tun-tun-na-na, Ri-tun-tun-nanoui-nandi."

By Sunday night CD's were sold out and the band members themselves were fascinated how much people liked their music.

When everybody finally left on the last day of Hiawatha Fest you could hear people wander off mumbling: "Ri-tun-tun-na-na,"...

"La Banqueroute/La Reel St. Jean," is a song in French performed by banjo player Podolak. It starts out rather rapid, letting the words dance along with the sounds of the fiddle that stands

out over the other instruments.

A more quiet song is "Silence They Say," which leaves out the fast fiddle play but replaces it with strong guitar and piano play. Jeremy Walsh is singing and playing the guitar. He also rules the flute, which adds to his versatile talent.

Back to the typical elements of the Irish music brings us "Nonsuch/Dinky's Reel/The Meech Lake Breakdown," with again, a fast fiddle, banjo and percussions play from Christian Dugas. This is again a song where your foot automatically taps to the music.

"The Northern Set," starts out with a flute play by Walsh, soon accompanied by the fiddle which seems to wait in the background, longing to perform in full force, which happens as soon as the flute picks up speed.

Among the twelve songs on the album is a tune called "Roddy McCorley/Lost Gander," that begins with a sparkling banjo play and Moody's bright voice. Slowly all the band members join with their instruments and voices. Outstanding in this song is the banjo play and the fiddle that sounds like it is crying in the background.

So, if you didn't fall in love with Scrúj MacDuhk at Hiawatha, you will so sooner or later when you listen to their music. For more information go to their Web Site <http://scrujmacduhk.tripod.com>.

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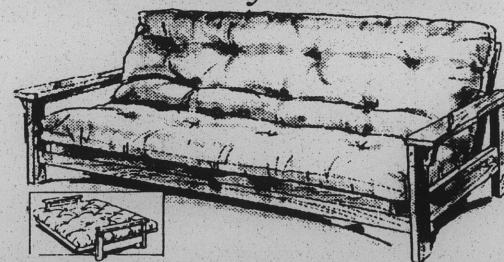
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MOVIE REVIEW BOONDOCK SAINTS

Vigilante film reverent amidst slaughter

BY LUCAS SPONSLER
MOVIE REVIEWER

★★★★☆

This film relies on the same oxymoronic irony as holy war. We don't know if we should laugh or cry at the idiocy of it all.

Troy Duffy's directorial and screenwriting debut taps into many people's dark desire to buy a gun and remove from this existence people who do evil things.

After their killing of two Russian mobsters is ruled to be self defense, Connor and Murphy McManus, played by Sean Patrick Flannery ("Powder," "The Suicide Kings") and Norman Reedus ("Mimic," "8MM"), spend the night in a South Boston jail, for their own protection.

The Irish Catholic brothers have a mys-

tic quality about them, speaking Latin to each other when they don't want anyone else to understand, wearing rosaries whenever they leave the comfort of their shabby loft, never missing Mass, swilling beers and brawling in pubs, saying a special family prayer before dispatching their victims.

One of the evil doers to be killed by the brothers is played by Ron Jeremy. Readers who recognize this name, shame on you.

As the brothers sleep in the jail, water pours from the ceiling and, amidst baptismal imagery, they awaken to their calling to be agents of a vengeful God.

Bloodbath ensues.

Duffy worked as a bartender before selling Miramax on his script. But the deal,

which included making Duffy part owner of the bar in which he worked, fell through because of casting disagreements.

Instead, Boondock Saints was picked up by indie studio Franchise Films, which let Duffy cast as he pleased.

The most notable performance comes from Willem Dafoe ("The English Patient," "The Last Temptation of Christ"), who plays a FBI agent with a penchant for recreating crime scenes while listening to classical music.

While their characters never really take shape, and are almost stereotypical, the McManus brothers are playful and antagonistic toward each other, as brothers will be,

One of this movie's greatest strengths is

its dialogue, which is fast paced and witty. This, when coupled with Duffy's acute ability to tell a story, makes for an extremely enjoyable film.

The ultimate irony of this film is, however, that even amidst such unChristian activity as murder, Boondock Saints never loses its reverence for God and the church. Perhaps we are comfortable with the actions of the McManus brothers because we really wish God would send a couple of Irish guys to rid the world of evil men.


This is the kind of movie college students need to watch. It has an intellect not often found in shoot-'em-up comedys.

Another piece of good news is that Duffy has been hired by another major studio to write two more screen plays.

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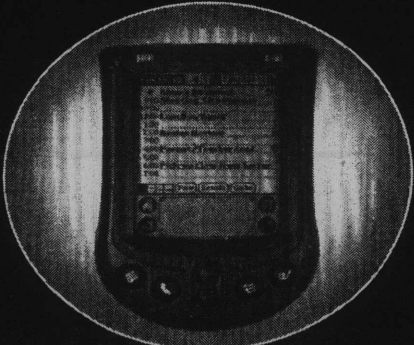


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Last day to add full semester and first block courses.

Friday, September 1

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Saturday, September 2

Last day to obtain 90% tuition refund for complete withdrawal.

Monday, September 4

LABOR DAY! NO CLASSES.

Tuesday, September 5

Last day to receive 100% refund for reduced credit hour load (full semester courses).

Wednesday, September 6

Student Organization Fair: 10:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Academic Mall

Swing Club: Swing lessons/dance; fall semester Wednesday 7-9 p.m. at the University Center in the Brule Room.

Thursday, September 7

Last day to obtain 90% tuition refund for complete withdrawal (full semester courses).

Harry Potter Read aloud: Children and adults ages 8 and up. 7:00 - 7:45 p.m., Peter White Library. Meet in the Youth

Services Department. 228-9510 for more information.

Getting in the Groove: All-Campus Fun Night, 7-11 p.m., Great Lakes Rooms.

FILMS

Thursday, September 7

Gonzo presents: "Kiss or Kill" 10 p.m., JXJ 102

Sunday, September 10

Campus Cinema presents: "Gladiator" 6 & 9 p.m., JXJ 102

Thursday, September 14

Gonzo Presents: "Run Lola Run" 10 p.m., JXJ 102

LIVE MUSIC

Friday, September 1

InterVarsity Christian Fellowship presents: Seeds, an acoustic / electric folk rock band. Doors open @ 6:30. Show

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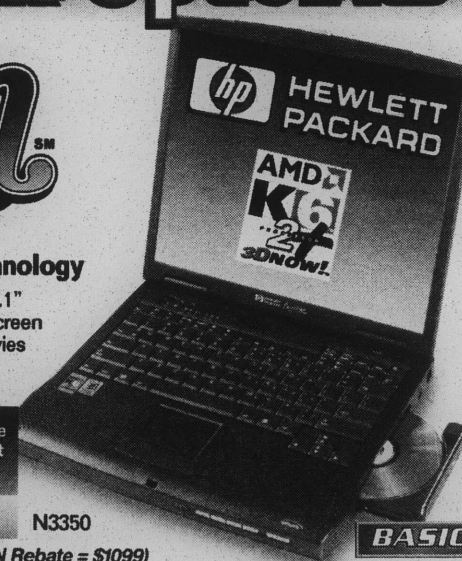
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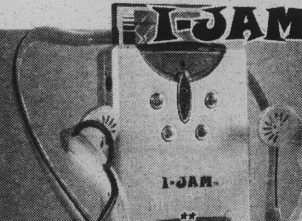
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Spielmann hired as new athletic director

Last spring, Rick Comley announced he was stepping down as athletic director but would continue to coach the hockey team. Comley completed his duties on June. 30.

Dan Spielmann of Green Bay, Wis. was hired in as the new AD July 12. He started his new job at NMU Aug. 1. Spielmann spent 24 years at the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay, where he was AD for 10 years. During his time at UWGB, Spielmann upped the program's number of sports teams from seven to 15 and tripled the department's opening budget. Also, Spielmann helped establish two athletic conferences and led UWGB to become one of the top Division I programs in the country.

Recently, The North Wind Sports Editor Jenn Jurewicz talked to Spielmann about his new position. Here are some excerpts of their conversation.

Q How did you hear about the position and why did you make the decision to leave a Division I school for Division II NMU?

A I heard about the job from a couple sources. One was the NCAA news which had the job listing, but certainly I also talked to a lot of people

who knew about the position who had either attended [NMU] or were close to the area. I had not been in athletics

in the past couple of years. I had gotten out of athletics to do work for the chancellor [of UWGB] doing a variety of things specifically for him. I was his chief of staff and continued to do legal counsel and be a lobbyist for the campus. After a couple of years it became clear to me that I really missed being athletic director, so I was looking for a position. Both of my sons had graduated high school, and I was trying to do it all at a time when I wouldn't have to disrupt my family any more than I had to, and this was the position that really interested me because it had a good reputation. It was the type of position that I thought would be a good one. The type of programs - Green Bay's and Northern's - are pretty comparable

in terms of size, number of sports, number of athletes. The budgets are all very close, except that [UWGB] was Division

I and this is Division II with Division I hockey.

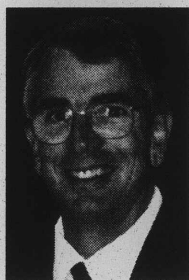
Q What is your role at the university as AD?

A The theory is that you are there to give leadership to the department, dealing with personnel issues, student-athlete issues, eligibility - in other words you're providing guidance to the athletic department. In addition I view my role as trying to increase attendance at various athletic events. I'm not saying that the support hasn't been good but it can always be better. I think I have a pretty fair background in fundraising, so I'm going to try an increase the fundraising a bit as athletic director. So I would say those three major things are what I'm looking to do.

Q What is your impression of NMU and our athletic programs?

A First of all, the facilities are excellent. I've not seen a program of this size with these types of

Q&A WITH



Dan Spielmann

Please see SPIELMANN on Page 24

VOLLEYBALL RAMADA INN INVITATIONAL PREVIEW

NMU awaits non-conference foes

BY JENN JUREWICZ
SPORTS EDITOR

It's hot and humid in Vandament Arena this week as the NMU volleyball team prepares to meet three non-conference teams for its home-opener the NMU Ramada Inn Invitational.

The Wildcats (0-2 overall, 0-0 GLIAC) face Northern Kentucky University at 7 p.m. Friday at Vandament Arena. On Saturday, the 'Cats play Lock Haven University (Pa.) at 1 p.m. and California State University-San Bernardino at 7 p.m.

"After today's [Monday] practice I'm feeling like we better be playing pretty good," junior outside hitter Alesia Hanzal said. "We've been working hard today and I know the rest of the week is going to be tough. I'm expecting our team to play 100 percent better than last weekend."

NMU head coach Scott Sandel

said the team's standards are even higher now than it was coming into camp.

"We need to learn how to compete from the minute we start," Sandel said.

"We've put a little more pressure on them in practice and by doing that we hope to bring out that competitive spirit to the point where they learn as soon as they step on the floor it's time to compete."

The team that will most likely pose a threat is No. 3 Northern Kentucky (1-0, 0-0 GLVC). NKU is a fast, low-error, good ball-control team so NMU needs to be on top of its game, Sandel said.

The Lock Haven Lady Eagles (1-3, 0-0 PSAC) were the 1999 PSAC and NCAA II Atlantic Region Champs and were ranked No. 25 in the AVCA Top 25 Preseason Coaches Poll.

No information on Cal. State-San Bernardino was available at press time.



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SOCCER CONCORDIA, ST. CLOUD STATE, MINNESOTA-DULUTH PREVIEW

Soccer season fast approaching

BY KURT MENSCHING
COPY/LAYOUT EDITOR

With just two weeks of practice and one exhibition game, the women's soccer team opens its regular season with a three game trip to Minnesota.

"We need to be hungry," Gregor said of what it will take to win this weekend.

The matchups against Concordia, Saturday, and St. Cloud State, Sunday, should be easiest for the team, he said.

The two teams combined last season for a record of just 4-36.

The team will face stiffer competition at Minnesota-Duluth, a perennial favorite.

"Playing on turf is always a bit harder," Gregor

said.

The team will start 10 freshman to begin the season.

"They're playing a lot better than I expected," he said.

Gregor said the 12-0 loss in last Friday's home exhibition against Siena Heights was not indicative of what his team can do this season.

"I purposely scheduled the first game against Siena," Gregor said, "so that the team could see how a good program plays."

It was 0-0 halfway through the first period when Siena scored the first of three first half goals.

"I think the team was just nervous after that first goal," he said.

VOLLEYBALL REVIEW UM-D INVITATIONAL

Northern drops season opener

BY JENN JUREWICZ
SPORTS EDITOR

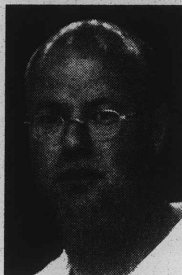
The Northern Michigan volleyball team opened up its 2000 campaign on the road Aug. 25-26 in Duluth, Minn. at the University of Minnesota-Duluth Invitational at Romano Gymnasium.

The 'Cats bowed to Minnesota-Duluth 0-3 (6-15, 8-15, 11-15) on Friday before falling to Augustana College (S.D.) 0-3 (3-15, 4-15, 11-15) on Saturday.

"Minnesota-Duluth had a lot of returners," junior outside hitter Alesia Hanzal said. "So they ran smoothly together. For the first two games it took us a long time [to adjust], but we had a good set up all around by the third game and I think if we would have start-

ed that way then a lot of things would be different right now."

NMU head coach Scott Sandel said the junior-senior dominated team of Minnesota-Duluth executed well and played what he calls clean volleyball, without a lot of unforced errors.



Sandel

"I think we reflected what we are," Sandel said. "We're a young team with a lot of new players.

"I think we played timid with a little fear, and I think by the time game three came around we decided we could play and we put

ourselves in the position to win the game."

Hanzal and freshman outside hitter Kristen Koralewski had eight digs each. Koralewski also led in kills with 10, and sophomore setter Liz Madsen, who started in both matches, posted 30 assists.

Sandel said the Augustana match was quite similar to the UM-D match, but Augustana was a more focused and athletic team.

"I thought our blocking game was good," Sandel said. "Our left side played well although their stats may not reflect it - they had a good handle on the ball."

Hanzal and Madsen led the team with nine digs each against Augustana. Madsen also posted a high of 29 assists, while Koralewski recorded 11 kills.

Football team plays first game Sept. 2



Duane Pape/NW

The Northern Michigan Wildcats will open the 2000 season with a non-conference road game on Saturday, Sept. 2 at Truman State University, coach Holm's alma mater.

The Wildcats posted a 6-4 overall record and finished tied for third place in the GLIAC with a 6-3 record. Truman State was 4-7 overall and 4-5 in the Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association Conference. This will be the fifth contest between the two teams, with NMU winning the four previous games. The last times the two teams met was in 1987, with NMU winning 27-13.

Northern will host Indianapolis on Sept. 9 at 7 p.m.

Look for The North Wind football season preview insert in next week's paper.

Swimmer places 63rd at Olympic trials

NMU senior Cary Greegor (Boise, Idaho/Boise H.S.), a member of the Wildcat swimming and diving team, placed 63rd in the 100-meter breaststroke this morning during the preliminary round of the United States Swimming Olympic Team Trials in Indianapolis, Ind.

Greegor, who did not qualify for the semifinal round, finished the event with a lifetime-best mark of 1:14.44. Megan Quann won the preliminaries with an American-record time of 1:07.12.

"I'm very proud of Cary, and she's represented her club and the University extremely well," NMU

head swimming coach Chris Coraggio said. "The dedication and commitment she showed in preparing for the Olympic Trials is certainly going to benefit her as she prepares for her senior year. I'm looking forward to having her back."

Greegor became the first swimmer in school history to qualify for the Olympic Trials when she posted a time of 1:03.88 in the 100 breaststroke at the Notre Dame Invitational last November. By qualifying for the Olympic Trials, Greegor placed herself in the top one-half of one percent of Americans that compete in the 100 breaststroke. The Olympic Trials run through Saturday (Aug. 12) at the IUPUI Natatorium on the campus of IUPUI-Indianapolis.

Greegor, the 1999-2000 NMU swimming MVP, will return to Northern Michigan for her senior year attempting to earn All-American honors for the fourth consecutive season. At the 2000 NCAA II Championships, Greegor finished second in the 200 breaststroke and third in the 100 to receive All-American recognition.

— NMU sports release



2000 swimming recruits announced

Head swimming coach Chris Coraggio announced the addition of 12 freshmen and three transfers who will enroll at Northern Michigan this fall.

Signees include:

Jill Bren, Verona, Wis. (backstroke), a four-time letterwinner at Verona Area High School where she was a member of the all-state 200 medley relay team and earned all-state honorable mention honors in the 100 backstroke. Holds 100 backstroke team and Badger Conference record. Swam on the 1998 Division II state championship team. Also competed for the Madison Aquatic Club and Shorewood Swim and Dive team.

Elizabeth Brus, Bolingbrook, Ill. (freestyle/butterfly). High school did not sponsor a team. Swam for the Bryall YMCA National Team and the Bolingbrook Lightning Bolts. Has competed in the Junior Olympics, Illinois High School Association Sectionals and various conference and YMCA championships.

Chrystal Chartier, Marquette, Mich. (diver), a three-time letterwinner at Marquette High School. In addition to diving, she also competed in the backstroke.

Kathy Cole, Elmhurst, Ill. (diver), a four-time letterwinner at York Community High School. Earned all-conference honors and was captain of the team. Also, was a member of the Elmhurst Park District team where she was undefeated in individual meets during the 1999 season.

Marci Nader, Canonsburg, Pa. (backstroke), a four-time letterwinner at Canon McMillan High School. Earned Rookie of the Year honors for 1996-97 season and was named Most Valuable in 1997-98 and 1999-00 seasons.

Swam on 200 medley and 200 freestyle relay teams and 400 freestyle relay team.

Brooke Ralston, Cedar Rapids, Iowa (backstroke/individual medley/butterfly), a four-time letterwinner at Jefferson High School. Named All-Metro First-Team, MVP and team captain. Set new school records in 100 backstroke, 500 freestyle and 200 individual medley. Also, swam for Cedar Rapids Aquatics Association club team.

Shelly Ruspakka, Champion, Mich. (backstroke/freestyle), a four-time letterwinner at Westwood High School. Three-time All-Upper Peninsula selection, two-time MVP and three-time U.P. champion in 100 backstroke. Set four Mid-Peninsula Conference records in the 50 freestyle, 100 backstroke, 100 butterfly and was a member of record-setting 200 medley relay team. Also, swam for Marquette County YMCA Watercat team.

Debbie Sheehan, Seward, Alaska (breaststroke), a four-time letterwinner at Seward High School. Holds school record in 100 breaststroke and was a member of three-setting relay teams. Two-time selection as Most Improved Swimmer and MVP senior year.

Krista Skodack, Oscoda, Mich. (backstroke), four-time letterwinner at Oscoda High School. Won conference championship in 100 backstroke and was a member of conference champion 200 medley relay team. Was a state qualifier and earned all-conference honors. Also, a member of the Oscoda Otters Swim Club where she was a nine-year state qualifier.

Alison Smith, Soldotna, Alaska (backstroke), four-time letterwinner and four-time MVP at Soldotna High School. Swam on 1999 Region III Soldotna First-Place team that set numerous records in Soldotna and Seward.

Patti Wegner, Rosemount, Minn. (individual medley/butterfly/freestyle), four-time letterwinner at Rosemount High School. Was captain of state championship team in 1999, setting a new state record while winning the 200 individual medley. Twice selected to All-State team, three-time MVP and named to three all-conference teams. Competed on Dolphin Aquatics amateur team where she was a Junior National qualifier and 1999 state champion in 400 meter freestyle.

Asa Wollblad, Boras, Sweden (sprint freestyle). Swam for Simklubben Elfsborg amateur team earning region master honors in 50 and 100 freestyle.

Transfers:

Ellen Miesle, Indianapolis, Ind. (diver), a transfer from Edgewood College in Madison, Wis. Three-time letterwinner at Lawrence North High School where she set several diving records.

Audrey Molinaro, Bakersfield, Calif. (breaststroke), a transfer from Cal State-Bakersfield. Was a four-time letterwinner at Garces Memorial High School where she was the school record holder in five events.

Stacie Sizer, Omaha, Neb. (diver), a transfer from the University of Nebraska where she was a member of the gymnastics team. Graduate of Millard North High School in Omaha.

—NMU Sports Release

NMU football player named MVP

Wildcat football recruit, quarterback Frank Novak, Jr., was selected Offensive Most Valuable Player of the North Squad in the Massachusetts Shriners All-Star game played recently.

Novak completed 10 of 20 passes for 120 yards and also ran for a touchdown. His North Team lost to the South Team, 33-24.

He is the grandson of Green Bay Packer special teams coach, Frank Novak, a former Wildcat player and coach.

Novak completed his career at St. Bernards Central Catholic High School with 59 career TD passes, second best in state history.

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Tennis, golf, cross-country action to start

The Wildcat women's tennis and men's golf teams will open play next weekend. The NMU net- teters will host Michigan Tech on Saturday, Sept. 9, before traveling to Lake Superior State on Sunday, Sept. 10.

The Wildcat golfers will travel to Brimley for the Lake Superior State Invitational on Friday, Sept. 8 before hosting the Northern Michigan Invitational on Saturday-Sunday, Sept. 9-10, at Wawonowin

Country Club in Ishpeming, Mich.

Men's and women's cross country opens their campaign with the only home meet of the season, hosting the Wildcat Open on Saturday, Sept. 2. NMU, Lake Superior State, Finlandia, and Wartburg College (Iowa) are scheduled to partici- pate, with race time set for a 10 a.m. start at the Blueberry Ridge Ski Pathway in Marquette.

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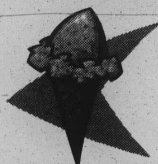
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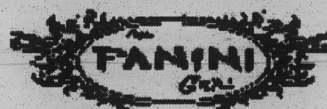
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Excuse me. I write news. I write sports. Sometimes I mix up the two in conversations.

"What do you think about the new program?" I was asked, referring to the laptop initiative.

"The women's soccer team does have a lot of new players this year," I replied, "but I think Coach Gregor will whip 'em into shape and have a successful season."

A blank stare.

"Oh, you mean the laptop program? Well that's a whole other story..."

I think I've found a way to combine NMU sports and NMU's new commitment to tech-

nology, though. Let's get rid of that old team name — the Wildcats — and update it for the 21st century.

The Initiatives

See, it even sounds offensive. "The Initiatives take the initiative," the announcer will say when the football team wins the coin toss and choose to go on offense first.

A drawback, though, would occur if we didn't. I can see it now. "The Bulldogs take the initiative from the Initiatives!"

Say it aloud once. Just for me. Thanks.

The Laptops

Quick and to the point, I feel it's great advertising about our university right on the back of

Staff column



KURT MENSCHING

our student athletes. If we tinkered with it a bit and called the team the "Thinkpads" IBM may even throw a few dollars into the athletic budget for the new year.

A downside though: opposing teams may taunt the "Lapdancers." Unless we use that nickname for our cheerleaders.

Hey. That's an idea that might work. ...

The Cyborgs

I'm not quite sure what a cyborg is, but I'm pretty sure it would sound menacing to opposing teams and their fans.

The problem is, though, in the movies cyborgs usually lose to their human opponents. Crossreference "Star Wars" and "Those funny looking guys in white" on your new laptop when you get the chance, and you'll see what I mean.

The Propellerheads

Electronica fans and computer nerds know what I'm getting at here. The trouble with this one: no one else does.

The football team could install

handy beanies on their helmets. If they didn't take a moment to stop laughing, our team would knock them to the ground and score. Not that they'd care. They're still laughing.

We'll put that one on the back burner to think about at a later date.

The Wildcats

Maybe after all its best not to tinker with a good thing. It's been around for a long while. It's recognizable.

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facilities before. They're much better than what Green Bay has and many other Division I schools. The people - I think we have a good staff here in athletics, plus the campus.

Q Are there any changes in the program you have made or that you intend to make?

A I think it's a little early to make changes. What I'm trying to do is get acquainted with people. It's a learning process - you spend 24 years at one institution and move to another in a new town, you need to get acclimated to the people. So I've been spending a lot of time meeting people both in town and on campus, getting out and introducing myself. So I have a steep learning curve as they say and I guess I'll take a look at how things go this year and go from there. I have no preconceived changes or thoughts along that line.

Q Will you be attending many sporting events?

A As many as I can. My belief is that the AD should be at virtually all the home game and events. You go there as a fan because you want to support your team, but you're also there to make sure things go well. If there are problems, you'll be there to hopefully provide help and resolve those problems.

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—NMU sports release

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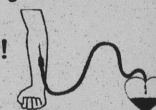
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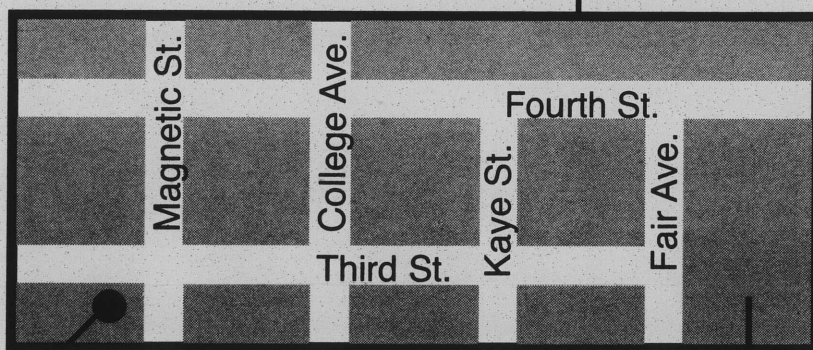
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Hey Troll: Congrats on the new digs. Welcome to the U.P., eh? You becha. — Chavez

Amy — EYE am watching you.

Welcome back Camel! The PCG rides again. — Gutty

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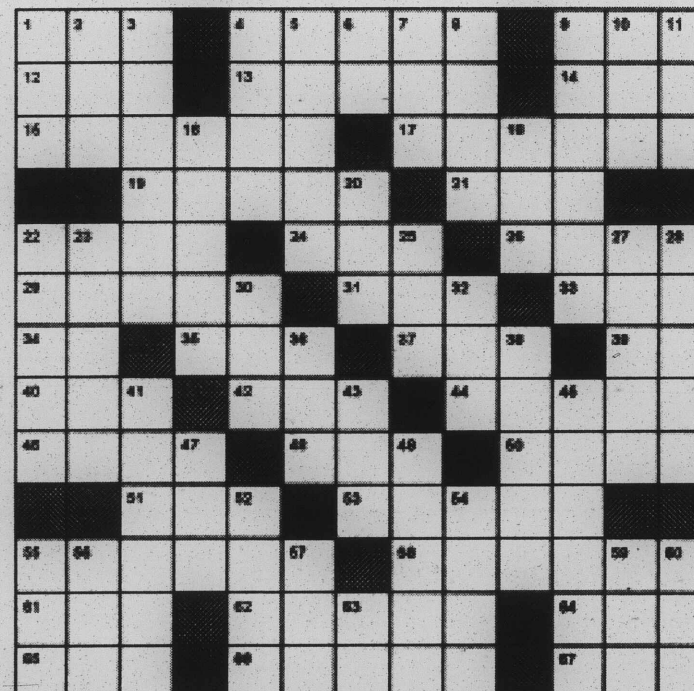
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- 1 Mire
- 4 Make points
- 9 Common noun suffix
- 12 Ever (poetic)
- 13 Path
- 14 Born
- 15 High-Pitch
- 17 Give
- 18 Smell
- 21 Catch
- 22 Passable
- 24 Miscue
- 26 Epoxy
- 29 Nymph
- 31 Children's game
- 33 Navy rank (abbr.)
- 34 Near
- 35 Animal
- 37 Chart

DOWN

- 1 Ante
- 2 Over (poetic)
- 3 Oil
- 4 Alone
- 5 Best; elite
- 6 Toward; to (pref.)
- 7 Free
- 8 Jacket
- 9 Authorize
- 10 Mesh
- 11 Prepare golf ball
- 16 Wide
- 18 Gripe
- 20 Craft
- 22 Sudsy
- 23 Correct (Comb. form)
- 25 Male goat
- 27 Join
- 28 ___ Park, Colo.
- 30 Put on, as clothes
- 32 Crack
- 36 Joke
- 38 Style of Material
- 41 Monarch, ruler
- 43 Ballet step
- 45 Performance
- 47 Paddle
- 49 Sudden flood
- 52 Always
- 54 Deteriorate
- 55 Pig Pen
- 56 Same score
- 57 Outside (Pref.)
- 59 Fork prong (Scot.)
- 60 Station (abbr.)
- 63 Form of verb "be"
- 39 Inanimate object
- 40 Degree
- 42 Rest
- 44 Dish
- 46 Toy
- 48 Fuel
- 50 High cards
- 51 No (Scottish.)
- 53 Rushlike plant (Scot.)
- 55 Hungry
- 58 Reviews
- 61 It is (Poetic)
- 62 Leaves
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Player profiles for each
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**NMU enters 2000 with a new
line-up and winning attitude
under first-year head coach Scott
Sandel/Pages 4-5**



Meet the Wildcats

Profiles provided by NMU Sports Information Department

Jill Balicki

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Senior
5-8, outside hitter
Alsip, Ill.

GP	K	PCT	A	SA	D	TB
1999	126	275	.203	13	7	142 38

1999 highlights: Earned varsity letter after seeing action in 38 matches ... Ranked fourth on the team in kills (275) ... Tallied a season-high 16 kills in 3-0 win over Michigan Tech (10/27) ... Posted 10 or more kills on eight occasions, including four straight from Nov. 3-11.

Anne Kinsella

13



Sophomore
5-8, setter
Burnsville, Minn.

GP	K	PCT	A	SA	D	TB
1999	118	8	-.216	678	18	215 6

1999 highlights: Rotated as the starting setter while seeing action in 34 matches to earn first letter ... Ranked second on the team in helper (678) ... Recorded 48 or more assists in back-to-back matches at Minnesota-Duluth (10/23) and against Michigan Tech (10/27) ... Tallied season-high 51 assists against MTU ... Posted double-digits dig totals on seven occasions, including a season-best 13 against Mercyhurst (10/8).



Yvette Sixbey

11



Senior
6-1, middle blocker
Garden City, Mich.

GP	K	PCT	A	SA	D	TB
1999	139	327	.249	21	45	288 154

1999 highlights: An All-GLIAC Second Team selection ... Tallied 154 total blocks to tie for the fifth-highest single-season block total in NMU history ... Ranked third in kills (327), including 14 matches of 10 or more terminations ... Notched a season-high 22 kills and nine block assists in 3-2 loss to Ferris State (11/12) in GLIAC tournament semi-finals ... Tallied season-high 21 digs, one of 10 matches with 10 or more digs, in 3-2 win at Wayne State (9/18) ... Also recorded four solo blocks assists, a season-high, in the win at WSU ... One of two Wildcats to see action in all 39 matches ... Earned first varsity letter.

Sarah Bauer

3



Freshman
6-1, middle blocker
Braidwood, Ill.

Before NMU: A two-time all-conference and all-area selection for Reed-Custer High School ... Earned MVP honors while serving as team captain her senior year ... Helped team to Co-Interstate 8 Championship as a junior ... Also participated in basketball, where she earned all-conference and all-area honors as a senior ... Led the team in rebounding during her final three campaigns ... A three-time letterwinner in volleyball and basketball.

Alesia Hanzal

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Junior
5-8, outside hitter
West St. Paul, Minn.

GP	K	PCT	A	SA	D	TB
1998	116	11	.133	5	26	208 2
1999	142	143	.141	24	55	344 19

1999 highlights: Member of the GLIAC All-Academic Team ... One of two Wildcats to see action in all 39 matches ... Earned second letter ... Saw action in more games (142) than any other Wildcat ... Ranked third on the team in digs (344) ... Notched 10 or more digs in 13 matches, including career high 21 in 3-2 loss to Ferris State in GLIAC tournament semifinals (11/12) ... Paced the squad with 55 service aces, including career-high five on two occasions — against Mercyhurst (10/8) and against Gannon (10/10).

Beth Laveen

10



Sophomore
6-3, middle blocker
Eagan, Minn.

GP	K	PCT	A	SA	D	TB
1999	112	132	.225	13	11	79 87

1999 highlights: Saw action in 34 of 39 matches to earn first letter ... Ranked third among blockers on the team with eight solos and 79 assists ... Posted a season-high two block solos against East Stroudsburg (9/10) in NMU WMQT "Volleyball Joe" Invitational, then followed up with six block assists against Lake Superior State (9/10) in the next match ... Recorded double-digit kill totals in four matches, including season-high 15 terminations in 3-2 win at Wayne State (9/18) ... Also tallied a season-high 10 digs in the match against the Warriors.

Beth Honaker

14



Sophomore
6-3, outside hitter
Walkerton, Ind.

GP	K	PCT	A	SA	D	TB
1999	111	128	.094	14	1	52 61

1999 highlights: Earned first varsity letter after playing in 36 matches ... Registered double-digit kills on four occasions, including season-high 15 against St. Cloud State (10/22) ... Notched 61 blocks (10 solos, 51 assists), including season-high five block assists in 3-2 win over Grand Valley State (9/25) ... Tallied season-high eight digs against Mercyhurst (10/8).

Meaghan Kimball

19



Sophomore
5-3, def. specialist
San Marcos, Calif.

GP	K	PCT	A	SA	D	TB
1999	138	34	.203	1129	33	265 13

1999 highlights: Rotated as the starting setter and saw action in all but one match to earn first letter ... Led team in assists (1, 129) ... Notched 40 or more helpers on eight occasions, including season-high 68 against North Dakota State (8/28) in NMU Ramada Inn Invitational ... Tallied double-digit dig totals in seven matches, including season-high 15 at Wayne State (9/18) ... Served a season-high six aces against Lake Superior State (8/28).

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Freshman
6-0, middle blocker
Spring Lake, Mich.

Before NMU: A two-year letterwinner for Grand Haven High School, where she earned all-area first team and all-conference honors as a senior ... Helped Grand Haven to a 54-8-1 mark and a district championship en route to all-area second team honors as a junior ... Served as team captain and received Academic All-State honors during her final season as a prep ... Also competed for the Inside-Out Baden Juniors for two years.

Thais Prandini

8



Sophomore
5-7, setter
Sao Paulo, Brazil

Before NMU: Played for National American (S.D.) University in 1999 ... Led the team to the Region III championship and an eighth-place finish nationally ... Earned Most Inspirational and Team Motivator awards while serving as team captain ... High school did not sponsor a volleyball program ... Participated with Esportiva da Peula, Clube Athletico Ypinanga, and Carinthian volleyball clubs, all of which won championships.

Liz Madsen

7



Sophomore
5-9, setter/outside
hitter
Burnsville, Minn.

Before NMU: Starting setter for Metro State (Colo.) in 1999, and paced the team in assists (833) and service aces (27) ... Helped the Roadrunners to a 10-21 mark ... A three-time letterwinner for Apple Valley High School ... Earned all-conference, Miss All-Around, and Defensive Player of the Year honors as a senior ... Helped AVHS to a 28-3 record and state runner-up status as a junior ... Named to the all-conference honorable mention squad as a junior ... Competed for the Northern Lights volleyball club as a prep, and helped the team to nationals each year she played.

Kristin Koralewski

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Freshman
5-8, outside hitter
Muskego, Wis.

Before NMU: A two-time First Team All-State selection for Thomas Moore High School ... Helped team to three straight conference championships as a sophomore, junior, and senior ... Named conference player of the year and earned all-area honors while guiding TMHS to a state championship as a junior ... A four-year letterwinner in volleyball ... Earned three letters in basketball ... Also earned two letters in track, and qualified for the state meet as a freshman and sophomore ... Competed for the Milwaukee Sting Volleyball Club, which finished third at nationals in 1997 and 1998, in addition to a fifth-place finish in 1999 ... Named to the 2000 Nike USA Girls Junior National Volleyball Championships All-Tournament Team and was the only Division II player on the list.

Sabien Heisterkamp

1



Freshman
6-1, outside hitter
Tilburg, Netherlands

Before NMU: Competed for the Boemerang and Sarto-Pellikaan Club in 1999-2000, where she helped the team to a 2nd Division Championship ... High school did not field a volleyball team ... Participated in track and field as a prep, where she set school records in high jumping and javelin.

Brooke Jenkins

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Sophomore
5-4, def. specialist
New Lenox, Ill.

Before NMU: Earned two letters for Lincoln-Way High School, where she earned the team's Most Improved and Best Defensive Player awards ... Competed for the Unlimited VBC as a prep, helping the club place third in the Far Western National Qualifier ... Also participated with the Chicago Jrs. volleyball club.

Rachel Krull

4



Junior
5-8, def. specialist
Constantine, Mich.

Before NMU: Served as a setter and defensive specialist for Kalamazoo Valley Community College in 1999, and helped the team to a 36-14 record...Earned four letters for Constantine High School, where she was a three-time all-conference selection...Also participated in track, where she earned four letters ... Member of the National Honor Society.

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Volleyball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
Aug. 25	at Minnesota-Duluth Invitational	Duluth, Minn.	L, 0-3
Aug. 26	at Minnesota-Duluth Invitational	Duluth, Minn.	L, 0-3
Sept. 1	NMU Ramada Inn Invitational	HOME	7 p.m.
Sept. 2	NMU Ramada Inn Invitational	HOME	1, 7 p.m.
Sept. 8	at Fairview Inn Volleyball Classic	Midland, Mich.	4:30 p.m.
Sept. 9	at Fairview Inn Volleyball Classic	Midland, Mich.	10:30 a.m.
Sept. 14	at Grand Valley State University	Allendale, Mich.	7 p.m.
Sept. 15	at Ferris State	Big Rapids, Mich.	7 p.m.
Sept. 19	at Michigan Tech	Houghton, Mich.	7 p.m.
Sept. 22	Northwood	HOME	7 p.m.
Sept. 23	Saginaw Valley State University	HOME	4:30 p.m.
Sept. 30	Wayne State University	HOME	4:30 p.m.
Oct. 1	Hillsdale College	HOME	1 p.m.
Oct. 6	Ashland University	HOME	7 p.m.
Oct. 7	Findlay University	HOME	4 p.m.
Oct. 10	at Lake Superior State	Soo, Mich.	7 p.m.
Oct. 14	at Gannon University	Erie, Pa.	1 p.m.
Oct. 15	at Mercyhurst College	Erie, Pa.	1 p.m.
Oct. 20	Grand Valley State University	HOME	7 p.m.
Oct. 21	Ferris State University	HOME	4 p.m.
Oct. 27	at Northwood	Midland, Mich.	7 p.m.
Oct. 28	at Saginaw Valley State	University Center, Mich.	4 p.m.
Nov. 1	Lake Superior State	HOME	7 p.m.
Nov. 4	Michigan Tech	HOME	4 p.m.
Nov. 9-11	GLIAC Championship	Big Rapids, Mich.	
Nov. 17-19	NCAA II Great Lakes Regional		
Nov. 30-Dec. 2	NCAA II Elite Eight		

Erin Guild

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Freshman
6-0, outside hitter
Tucson, Ariz.

Before NMU: A four-year letterwinner for Sahuaro High School ... A two-time all-conference first team selection ... Also earned all-conference second team and honorable mention honors as a prep ... Led team in blocking for two of her four years on varsity...Also participated in the Club Cactus Juniors and the Zona Volleyball Club.

Young 'Cats eager to prove they are contenders

BY JENN JUREWICZ
SPORTS EDITOR

This season Wildcat volleyball fans will see many new faces grace the court of Vandament Arena. Under first year coach Scott Sandel, ten new players will join the six returning players in a quest for a Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference title and a trip to the national tournament.

"It will be a different team," Sandel said. "We won't be relying on one or two people. We'll spread the wealth around and we'll try to get the ball in as many people's hands so we can stay as balanced as possible."

NMU was picked to finish third in the GLIAC North Division by the league's coaches, and is ranked 23 in the AVCA Top 25 Preseason Coaches Poll.

"I think there's some truth to that (poll)," Sandel said. "I think you never really know what's going on in the country until the second or third week. Then you kind of know where you fit. Conference-wise, there shouldn't be too many surprises, but we may be one of them."

Lineup Changes

This year, sophomore Meaghan Kimball will play as defensive specialist rather than her former position at setter. Kimball recorded the high of 1,129 assists as a setter last season. Sandel said Kimball was originally recruited as a defensive specialist, but because of injuries she ended at the setting position. Her main role will be to help with ball control and serving.

"I've felt recruiting-wise we needed to bring in a couple of extra setters and give more size to that position," Sandel said.

Along with returning letterwinner sophomore Anne Kinsella, newcomers sophomore Thais Prandini (Brazil), or sophomore Liz Madsen (Minn.) will be standing at the front of the net. Kimball said she knows she is short at 5-3 and a deficit in the front row.

"I'll do whatever's best for the team," Kimball said. "Wherever [Sandel] needs me, I'll go. I've never actually been a defensive specialist, but I've been playing defense all my life so I'm ready to take it on."

Two players not returning to the lineup are Meirong Lu and Nirvana Kos, who are now pursuing volleyball careers at different schools. Lu led the team in digs (472 overall) and posted the highest attack percentage (.295), whereas Kos recorded the most kills per game (3.9 and 520 overall) and the highest number of service aces (52).

"I honestly think we're not going to skip a beat [without Kos and Lu]," sophomore outside hitter Beth Honaker said. "I think we're going to do really well. Our freshmen are all talented and our returners have improved immensely."

"I think we'll be fine without them. I think it's great that they went on to play volleyball someplace else. I wish them the best but I think Northern Michigan's still going to succeed without them."

Sandel said he can't really look at what the team has lost, but he knows what the team has. He said he sees many good outside hitters on the left side. Senior Yvette Sixbey, who led the team in blocks last season (43), will play a big role in the middle blocking position. Sandel is asking sophomore Beth Laveen to step up in that position as well. Senior Jill Balicki and Honaker will mostly occupy the right-side position.

"One of our strengths is definitely our depth," Sandel said. "We're a pretty big team and we can put a good size block up, but we also have kids who can ball control behind it."

GLIAC Expectations

Last season the Wildcats finished in second place in the GLIAC, posting a 17-2 league record and were 28-11 overall. Those 11 losses were the most in a season since 1990.

Competition the team is most concerned with is Northwood University, whom it lost to in the first round of the NCAA-II championships, Grand Valley State University, and Ferris State University.

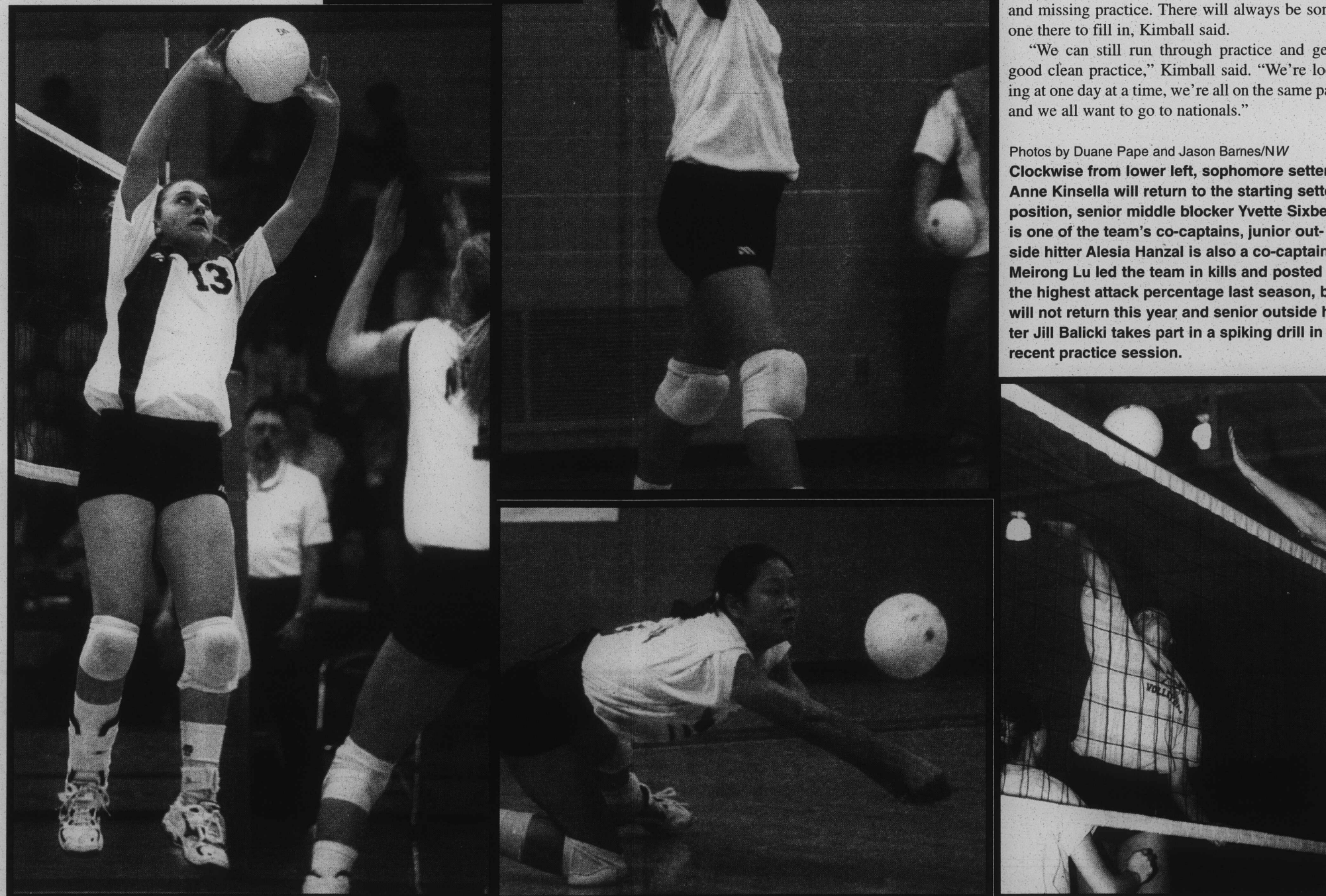
"I definitely think Northwood will be the toughest opponent," Sixbey said. "We got beat by them three times last year and we're ready to beat the pants off them - more than ready."

NMU fell to Northwood, 2-3, on Oct. 1; 2-3, on Nov. 7; and 0-3, on Nov. 20. The

last loss is what put Northern into second place.

"[The season is] going to be very interesting because every team's improved and we have a huge new group of girls," junior outside hitter Alesia Hanzal said. "Hopefully we'll continue Northern's past and become GLIAC champs."

Sandel said it is hard to say exactly what Northern needs to do in order to defeat these teams, because he has not seen them



play yet. But for NMU to be successful, he said it needs to key in on making few errors, which will come as the season progresses. The team has to expect to make mistakes early on.

"My biggest concern is the competition," Sandel said. "Not just the first weekend, but the first four weekends. It will be important for us to be a competitive team right away. If we don't come out and be competitive, we're going to struggle for awhile, and we're going to lose our confidence. I'm looking for us to really battle."

Team Strengths

"Talent-wise everyone coming in has something else to bring to the team," Honaker said. "Whether it be a better blocker, hitter or digger, everyone adds something in their own individual way. I think in the long run — once we put everything together — it's going to mesh really well."

Another advantage of the team's depth is it erases the worries caused by players being injured and missing practice. There will always be someone there to fill in, Kimball said.

"We can still run through practice and get a good clean practice," Kimball said. "We're looking at one day at a time, we're all on the same page and we all want to go to nationals."

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Clockwise from lower left, sophomore setter Anne Kinsella will return to the starting setter position, senior middle blocker Yvette Sixbey is one of the team's co-captains, junior outside hitter Alesia Hanzal is also a co-captain, Meirong Lu led the team in kills and posted the highest attack percentage last season, but will not return this year and senior outside hitter Jill Balicki takes part in a spiking drill in a recent practice session.

Wildcats welcome coaching change



Sandel

Birthplace: Amarillo, Texas

Alma Mater: West Texas A&M University

Previous coaching experience:

- University of S. Carolina asst. coach, 1997-2000
- Redlands Community College head coach, 1997
- West Texas A & M asst. coach, 1993-96
- Northern Arizona University asst. coach, 1990-93
- West Texas State University asst. coach, 1987-90
- Amarillo JO's club team director, head coach, 1993-97; head coach, 1987-90

Outlook: "I think the biggest thing I'm going to bring to this program is my experience. I've won a Division II national championship and I've been in very successful programs throughout my career."

"I know what it takes and what the stepping process to success is going to be like. We're going to have to be patient and I hope our fans will be too. We're going to be a much better program in two or three years down the line than we are right now."

Junior outside hitter Alesia Hanzal

"The new coach is great. There's a great atmosphere in the gym. Coming into practice he tells us what we're going to tackle each day in a very professional manner. I think it will be fun playing for him."



Hanzal

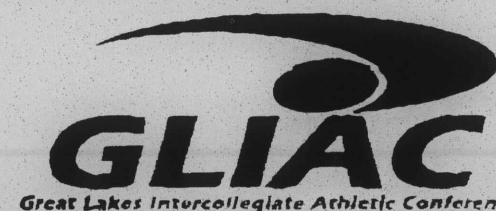
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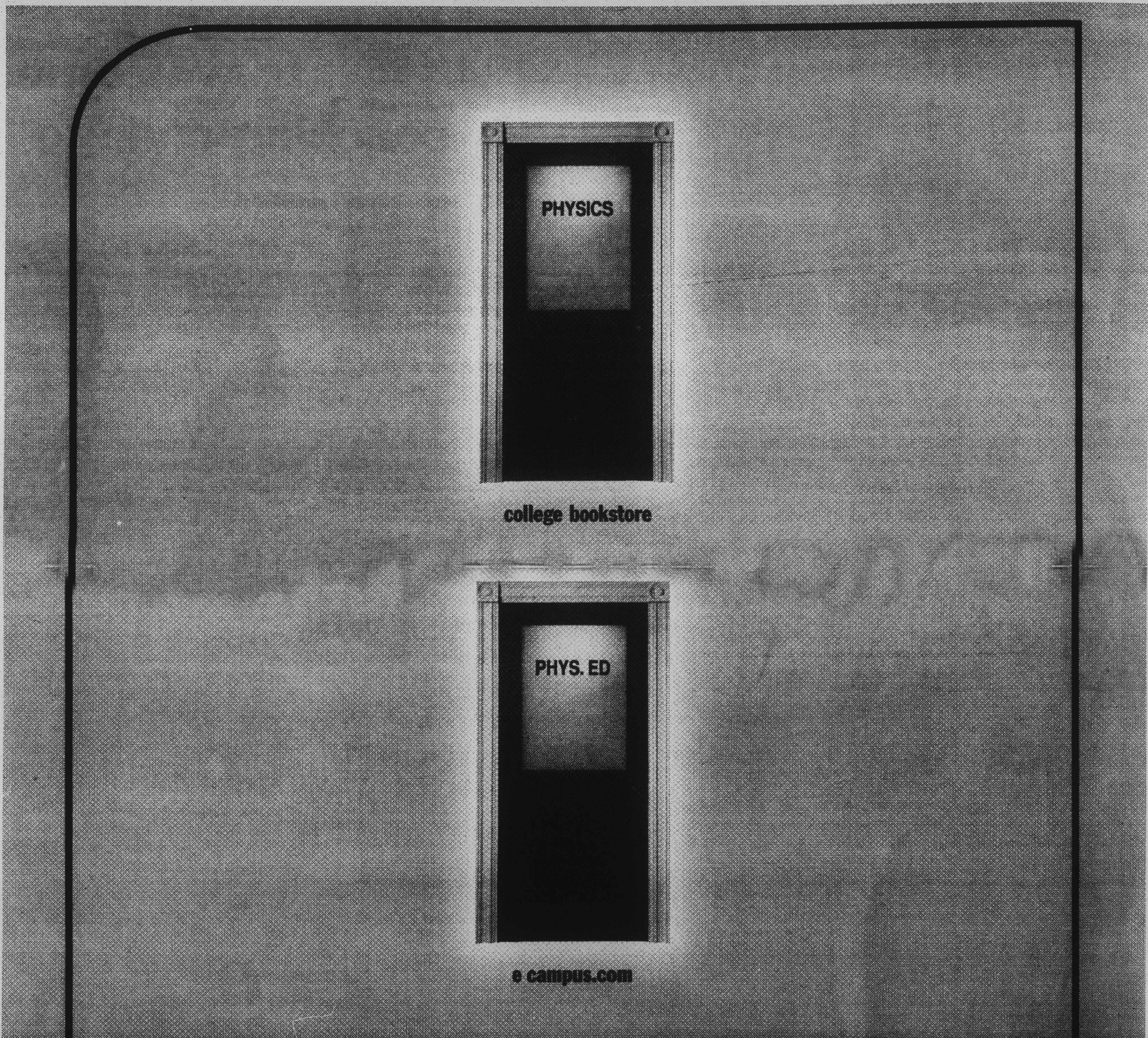
Honaker

Sophomore outside hitter Beth Honaker

"[The new coach] is awesome. He pushes us really hard, but he knows when we've had too much, and he'll let us take a break or leave practice earlier. That gives us more time to recoup and focus on what we need to be doing in the gym. He's definitely an improvement."



North Division Preseason Coaches Poll	Rk (first place votes)	Pts.
	1. Northwood (6)	36
	2. Grand Valley State (1)	30
	3. Northern Michigan	25
	4. Ferris State	23
	5. Michigan Tech	15
	6. Saginaw Valley State	12
	7. Lake Superior State	6



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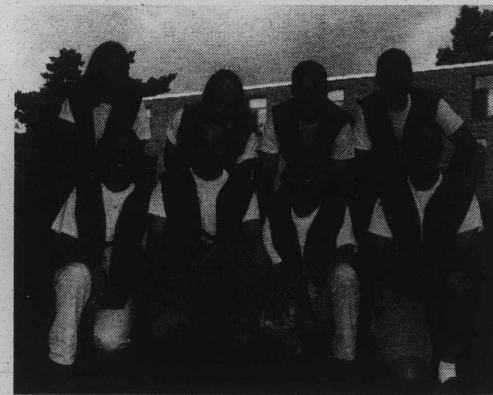
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