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Freshman history and secondary education major Joe Pinkowski currently shares his Hunt Hall dorm room with two other people.

With residence halls holding near their capacity, some students are starting the new school year living in

Close quarters

BY ADAM WESTHOUSE
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

This year, NMU residence hall rooms have been met with tighter housing situations than in previous years.

The department of housing and residence life is currently faced with an overflow of on-campus students, and officials are in the process of alleviating the situation.

According to Housing and Residence Life Director Carl Holm, this year NMU had about four times as many late applicants for on-campus housing than in previous years.

This was the main contributing factor in the current over-filling of residence hall rooms, as housing officials were met with the dilemma of trying to ensure no applicant would be turned away.

"Housing counts were

behind for most of the summer, but at the end there were more than four times the usual amount of late applicants," Holm said. "It really caught us off-guard."

Overall, Holm projected an application increase of about 50 for this school year, but the final tally ended up being about 150. Students now living in triple rooms were mostly late applicants. On-campus residence halls are near or at their carrying capacity of 2,356.

Due to the sudden overflow of residents, temporary housing has been set up in Meyland Hall. The third-floor rooms in Meyland Hall, normally reserved for United States Olympic Education Center students, have been set up for temporary housing assignments. The USOEC allowed for room for the 20 students

currently occupying the third-floor space of Meyland Hall.

"Our effort was to find spaces for everyone," Holm said. "The good news is not a single person is without a room."

Although Holm said that students and staff have generally been understanding of the overflow, some students have mixed emotions about the situation.

"It's a tight squeeze," undeclared freshman Dan Houghton said. "[My roommate and I] didn't even know about the third roommate until we got here. But we're all dealing with it OK."

Freshman history and secondary education major Joe Pinkowski is less than pleased with having to share a small space with two other people.

"If we want another desk,

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Academic Senate meets

Enrollment, budget, academic quality improvements discussed

BY RYAN CHARTER
STAFF WRITER

At the Academic Senate meeting on Sept. 3, Chairman Brent Graves, Vice Chairman Aura Syed, NMU Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs Fred Joyal and the committee discussed student enrollment, the university budget and the Academic Quality Improvement Program (AQIP).

With a projected target enrollment goal of 10,000 students by 2005, the question how sufficient room will be made to house and teach these incoming students must first be answered, Joyal said.

On the fifth day of classes, Joyal said Northern was already at a four-percent increase in enrollment.

Student enrollment is currently just under 9,000 students.

"This is a limit we can handle due to available space, though classes are as full as they have

ever been at a 90-percent limit across campus," Joyal said. "I have every reason to believe that we can stay in control of any calamitous things that may happen."

In January of 2003, President Judi Bailey will discuss the concerns of the budget for the upcoming years with the Senate.

"The forecast for the state budget for this year is not good, and the following year looks worse," Joyal said.

However, there are still no numbers known at this time.

A new accreditation project has and presently is being considered at Northern. The AQIP is designed to improve the benefits of higher learning for both the students and for the faculty.

In a report provided by Leonard Heldreth, associate vice president of academic affairs, statistics show that the current 10-year checks on schools have not been helpful enough.

With the adoption of AQIP,

more frequent checks can be made, ensuring that proper development is occurring in the university.

The AQIP accreditation process would be made up of a three-year cycle, consisting of strategy, forum and systems appraisal. This would also include annual updates on action projects that take place on campus.

"The accreditation process would work with the school in a collaborative attempt to resolve critical issues before accreditation is tested," Heldreth said.

This project will involve and orient the community to be included with the accreditation, Joyal said, since it is the community that is the beneficiary and stakeholder of the university.

"It is the consensus of the community that will decide the most important needs of the departments at NMU," Joyal said.

At the present time, only a few schools have implemented AQIP; however, more schools are opting for the program due to the high possibility for benefits that AQIP has to offer.

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DORM

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 we'd only have room if we built a loft," Pinkowski said. "I think the university should pay for it to be built."

Holm pointed out that the rooms with extra occupants were spread out around campus and not relegated to a certain residence hall building or floor.

There are nine designated triple rooms currently across campus.

"It's a tight squeeze ... But we're all dealing with it OK."

— Dan Houghton
 Freshman, undeclared

"We will be conducting an audit, for lack of a better term," Assistant Vice Provost of Student Services and Enrollment Bill Bernard said. "We'll have to physically go to each room and see who is here and who isn't. This will help us determine where the vacancies are."

Due to factors such as students dropping out or not showing up, there will still be a fair amount of change in housing assignments within the first few weeks of the semester.

Bernard said once vacancies open up, the university will start with moving people out of those temporary three-person rooms and then the other remaining over-capacity rooms.

It is projected that the USOEC rooms in Meyland Hall will soon be free of overflow students and will become available to the incoming USOEC students.

"Out of respect for [the students], we would want to see that a person who moves out of the triple would be a reasonable match for the person they are assigned to be roommates with," Holm said.

"We also understand that it is difficult for students who move in and get to know their suitemates and neighbors and then suddenly have to move out."

Governing bodies



Mary Ann Cancilla/NW

ASNMU President Carissa Waters, Chairman Greg Ragan and Vice President Sam Paciero discuss the committee arrangements on Tuesday at the ASNMU meeting in the University Center.

FOR THE RECORD

Due to complications with the switch to the new paper size, text was lost or shifted in the production process in last week's issue of *The North Wind*. Full versions of last week's stories and photo captions are available online at www.thenorthwind.org.

We apologize to our readers for any inconvenience, and hope to have things remedied in forthcoming issues.

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BRIEFS

Local

Kohl's plans to open in

MARQUETTE — Kohl's Department Store is planning on opening in the space once occupied by Kmart in the Westwood Mall. The clothing retailer is expected to remodel its space in the building and should open some time in the summer of 2003. Since the closing of Kmart over the summer, area residents speculated what would become of the empty space the store once occupied. Last week, word that a chain store would move in to the former Kmart site was confirmed by the building property's management company, EBL and S out of Philadelphia, Penn. At this time, no plans have been made to add on to the Westwood Mall. There are currently more than 400 Kohl's Department Stores nationwide.

National

Wisconsin tornado damages

LADYSMITH, Wis. — A Labor Day tornado wreaked havoc on Ladysmith, a small northwestern Wisconsin town approximately 100 miles south of Duluth, Minn. Although no fatalities were reported, about 40 people were injured and damage assessments are predicted to be in millions of dollars. The downtown area was hit particularly hard, as were nearby residential areas. Approximately 100 to 150 structures in the tornado's path were either badly damaged or destroyed. Debris, along with downed trees and power lines, covered the streets. A state of emergency has been declared in the community of 4,000 residents. Gov. Scott McCallum visited the town on Tuesday to assess the damage and meet with residents.

International

Earth Summit agreements

JOHANNESBURG, Africa — Delegates at the Earth Summit meeting have overcome the main stumbling blocks for a long-running plan to be approved by participants. The documents in negotiation deal with a wide variety of global concerns and issues, including energy, clean water and air and health. Among the specific agreements are the improvements for sanitation, which should decrease the spread of cholera and other fatal diseases, as more than 2.4 billion people lack proper sanitation and/or drinking water. The document also includes an agreement to restore depleted fish stocks by 2015 and to phase out subsidies that contribute to overfishing and also calls for a significant increase in renewable resources across the globe.

Weird News

Fisherman killed by leaping

MORRO BAY, Calif — A California fisherman died on Tuesday when a large whale breached over his boat without warning, a U.S. Coast Guard official said. Jerry Tibbs, a 51-year-old restaurant owner from Bakersfield, Calif, was out on a tuna fishing trip with several companions when the whale leaped out of the water and landed on the boat deck, badly damaging Tibbs' 22-foot fishing vessel and sending him overboard into the water. The whale then slid off the boat and back into the water. Tibbs' body was recovered 12 hours later by the Coast Guard. Although the species of whale was not identified, most believe it was a grey or humpback whale, which frequent the waters off the California coast. No one else on the boat was hurt.

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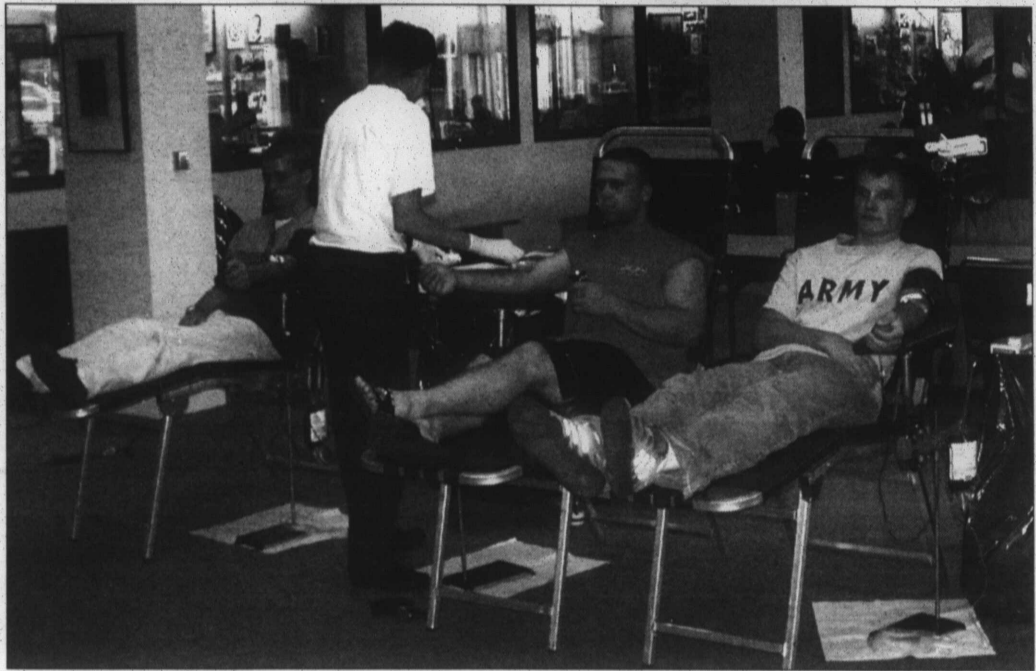
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Blood drawn for a cause



Mary Ann Cancilla/NW

Donor technician Michael VanDyke assists undecided freshman Josh James, left, business management junior Jesse Sacia and pre-med freshman Eric Rizk at the blood drive on Aug. 29.

University adds programs
NMU Board of Trustees will implement three new majors

BY MARY ANN CANCELLA
NEWS EDITOR

The Northern Michigan University Board of Trustees approved the addition of three new academic majors — earth science, geographic information science and entertainment and sports promotion at its Aug. 9 meeting.

The entertainment and sports promotion program is a spin-off of the currently existing public relations program, Associate Dean of Arts and Sciences Don Rybacki said.

Rybacki, who is also head of the CAPS department, said that a significant difference in the new program is that entertainment and sports promotion generally places more stress on publicity.

"Work in the entertainment and sports industry places a lot of emphasis in terms of promoting teams, athletes [and so on]," Rybacki said.

Career opportunities in the entertainment and sports promotion field include publicist, sports information director and travel services specializing in tours for sports fans.

"Entertainment and sports is the second largest industry in the United States, second only to the auto industry," Rybacki said.

Three to four new courses will be added to the public relations curriculum, Rybacki said. However, no new instructors will be needed to teach these courses.

NMU will be one of three schools in the Midwest to offer an undergraduate program in entertainment and sports promotion.

Rybacki said this would also help bring more students to

NMU.

"If the program becomes as large as we think it might," Rybacki said, "some staffing needs will have to be address."

Rybacki also said that NMU has a lot to offer students who are interested in this field.

"We have great facilities like the Superior Dome, the Berry Events Center and the Forest Roberts Theatre," Rybacki said. "The USOEC, the U.P. 200 and the Lake Superior Theatre all offer students hands-on experience."

"[NMU has] great facilities to offer students hands-on experience."

— Don Rybacki
Associate Dean of Arts and Sciences

The entertainment and sports promotion program will be offered in fall of 2003.

The geography department has also added two new academic majors, including geographic information science and earth science.

Head of the Geography Department Michael Broadway said that earth scientists work to understand the natural processes of the earth, investigating its soils, bodies of water and atmosphere.

In addition, earth scientists also forecast the weather, develop land-use plans and explore other planets and the solar system.

The new earth science major will incorporate both aspects of geography and geology.

NMU has many valuable

resources to offer students in this field of study, Broadway said, due in part to the geological sites located within a 30-minute drive of campus.

"There are at least a dozen geological sites of international renown that are visited routinely by scientists from around the world," Broadway said.

Students who graduate with a degree in earth science can expect to obtain employment in governmental agencies, establishing governmental policies for resource management, or even in consulting and engineering firms.

Also new to the geography department, the geographic information science degree program represents the meshing of both information science and geography.

Students in this field learn the theory and application of technologies needed to develop geographic information including: geographic information systems, computer science, remote sensing, computer cartography, and aerial photography interpretation, image processing and global positioning systems.

The new program will allow students to access information from the geography department, the mathematics and computer science department and computer information systems in the College of Business, Broadway said.

Currently, students are able to enroll in classes in both the earth science and geographic information science program.

However, all three of the new academic programs must wait approval of the States Presidential Council.

The States Presidents Council is made up of university presidents and vice presidents who oversee the academic departments.

Professor receives grant

Louise Bourgault plans trip to study AIDS crisis in Mali

BY MATT SCHNEIDER
STAFF WRITER

Dr. Louise Bourgault, of the Communication and Performance Studies Department at Northern Michigan University, has been awarded a Fulbright Grant to study street theater in Mali next semester.

The grant allows Bourgault to study an all-female street theater troupe in the African country.

The group performs sketches that address the AIDS crisis and sexual responsibility.

"We should fund academics and artists instead of the military and make theater, not war."

— Louise Bourgault
CAPS Professor

"It was so different revolutionary," Bourgault said.

Bourgault stated that theater can be used as a very powerful force in social change.

"We should fund academics and artists instead of the military," Bourgault said. "Make theater, not war."

Bourgault first encountered

this performance troupe three years earlier during her last trip to Africa.

She said most of the audience for the street performances would be young men, because women stay at home and do not normally engage in theater.

Older men in the largely Islamic society would not be open to such a liberal message, Bourgault said.

"Gender relationships have to change," Bourgault said. "This genre is important for making gender shifts."

The group's performances involve satire of the macho attitudes and persona they think men of that culture have.

At the heart of the comedy is the message that men have to be more careful and responsible about their sexual activity.

While researching material for a book in which South African society deals with social issues in folklore and storytelling, Bourgault decided to seek out an additional perspective on the issue.

This led her to Mali, a midsize country located in northwestern Africa.

Bourgault saw the group perform one night and when she

returned to Marquette, she put together the necessary material for a research proposal and then proceeded to apply for the Fulbright Grant.

Bourgault's research has also led a group of NMU graduates to pursue creating a documentary on the subject.

Graduate student Anthony Whitlock, who majored in broadcast studies, is involved with the project.

Whitlock said that there are no definite plans for filming, but if they can find a source for funding, the film crew would start production in August of 2003.

"I think it is amazing what's going on down there," Whitlock said. "Just having the chance to go to Africa and witness this first hand and document it, that is a big thing for me."

Bourgault said that she plans to leave for Mali sometime in late December or early January, and then return in April.

The Fulbright Association is a federal program that offers research and teaching opportunities around the world through its grants.



Bourgault



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Web site replaces SOLAR

BY MARY ANN CANCELLA
NEWS EDITOR

Northern Michigan University is currently working on a new Web site to replace SOLAR, which will offer students, faculty and staff a more personalized and convenient Web link.

The new site, www.mynmu.edu, will be completed by Winter 2002 semester and while the "Web for faculty" portion of the site has been up and running since last January, the "Web for students" will not be completed until Winter 2003 semester.

"For the first time last April, faculty was able to enter their grades into the Web site [instead of] bringing the grades into Cohodas," Flack said.

However, many of the features on the "Web for students" page are currently accessible, but not complete.

The new Web site is a Web front end, which directly links visitors of the site with other sites.

Students enter the Web site by typing in their NMU user name and password, which will automatically link them with other NMU Web sites.

"An advantage of this system is that students do not have to re-enter anymore passwords or PIN numbers after gaining access to the site," Director of Support and Consulting Services Felecia Flack said.

Another benefit of the new

Web page is that students will be able to access their student e-mail from any computer, on-campus or off-campus.

However, students checking their e-mail through the Web site must keep in mind that their e-mail will only remain on the server for 21 days.

"Mail can be transferred from the student's inbox's to another based off storage," Support and Consulting Services Senior Analyst Kevin Goethe said. "But after 21 days it's gone, whether it has been read or not."

"An advantage of this system is that students do not have to re-enter any passwords."

— Felecia Flack
Director of Support and Consulting Services

Due to storage factors of the Web site, Goethe said that large attachments sent by e-mail may produce some problems.

Other features of the new Web site include a personalized calendar, course chat and personalized news headlines.

"My headlines" are links to outside Web site's that may be customized by the student based on specified interests.

In addition, the Web page also contains a link to campus life, which cites campus events.

"We are also looking for more feedback on what else students might want on the Web site,"

Goethe said.

Having a targeted audience — student, faculty and staff members — will allow content to be pushed based on role.

"You will see what you need to see and have a more personalized view of the Web," Flack said.

The "Web for students" portion of the Web page will currently continue to work like SOLAR, with availability ending at 10 p.m.

"At 10 p.m. the system has to come down in order to do batch updating," Goethe said.

This means that the student files stored in the system must all be updated overnight.

Once work on the student portion has been completed, the Web page will be accessible 24 hours a day.

"We still have a lot of work to be done," Goethe said.

Currently there is a sub-committee composed of students assisting faculty on how best to design the student portion of the Web site.

"People need to know that it is new and that there may be possible problems," Goethe said.

To best help the progress of the Web site, Goethe said students should report any problems and be patient.

"The more input we receive the better," Flack said.

If anyone has interest or any questions about the Web site, they may e-mail wfs.help@nmu.edu. or contact the NMU Help Desk.

The NMU and local Marquette community has planned the following activities to take place in memory of the Sept. 11 attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon.

• On Sept. 10, a Silent Parade will begin at 6 p.m. Line-up for the parade begins at 5:30 p.m. on Prospect Street.

The parade will continue south down Third Street and then onto Baraga Street to St. Peter's Cathedral.

Local departments planning to participate are the Marquette City Police Department, local emergency rescue squads, the DNR fire squad and area fire departments.

The parade will be led by 50 uniformed officers, each carrying an American flag.

Events scheduled for Sept. 11 include:

• A moment of silence at the time of the attacks, 8:46 a.m.

• Commemoration Walk

starting at the center of the Academic Mall at 12:45 p.m. and ending at the Peter White Lounge.

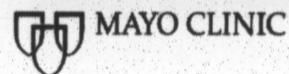
• Ecumenical Service held at 1 p.m. in the Peter White Lounge of the University Center.

• Reflection on 9/11: Academic and Personal Perspectives. A panel discussion to take place at 7 p.m. in Jamrich 101.

• Color Guard from the NMU Department of Military Science will march at the Women's Soccer game at 3 p.m. on the club fields at NMU.

• A walk to begin at 5:30 p.m. at Mattson Park in Marquette continuing down the bike path towards the Fireman's Bell Memorial.

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EDITORIAL

Following through

If setting and achieving goals were the lone measure of success, Northern Michigan University would surely rank among the top institutions in the world.

In recent years, NMU has been very active in setting goals. For the most part, these goals are achieved according to their timeline. But NMU seems to get to the end product through a rather haphazard means, at times without adequate pre-planning or follow through. While the goals are achieved, kinks are numerous and take much too long to work out. With the TLC program, the enrollment increase and the dorm sprinkler system, the process used to achieve these goals has not been beneficial to students.

Northern initiated the TLC program to be Michigan's laptop university, but parts of the program, like support and connection availability, were not well planned. Parts of campus are completely wireless, yet some students still have the older model ThinkPads without wireless capability. In addition, many faculty members are not properly trained, or have no desire to incorporate the technology.

NMU has set expectations of increased enrollment and is making plans to increase the housing, but many will not be implemented for years to come. However, NMU has additional students to accommodate now. This semester, there were cases in which three people were housed in a dorm room barely suitable for two; in addition, students who were promised a single room were often met by a roommate when they arrived. While no one was living in a cardboard box, the inconvenience is still not acceptable.

The sprinkler system in the dorms was initiated, but not completed in a timely manner. Rather than inconveniencing students with privacy-invading building and fire code inspections, the project should have been completed during the summer when campus wasn't packed to capacity.

To better serve the students, NMU must work on anticipating setbacks and refining timelines gradually to prevent ending up in overwhelming and inconvenient situations. While the reasons behind their goals are admirable, administrators must be flexible to integrate change into students' lives so it does not interfere with academic progress.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Student fed up with inaccessible dial-up

I'm writing concerning NMU's "laptop initiative." For the past two days, I've been unable to log on. The reason is simple: NMU's eagerness to assess a laptop fee has exceeded its capabilities.

While I fully expect a response by someone who works under the Cohodas building to tell me that they are "in the process of streamlining the program," or are making it "more accessible and a few minor setbacks are to be expected," I resent having my career goals and ambitions referred to as such by a school which supposedly prides itself on concern for its individual students (its size affords this luxury).

Last year I had the option of not participating in this program, and opted instead to buy a computer on my own.

So for the same price I would have paid to rent a laptop, I now own one. NMU could easily waive the fee for those who already own computers; they chose not to (this is the "just-because-we-can" fee).

The cost of the laptop fee for the next three semesters is \$825. My total cost for a laptop will total roughly \$2,200. For this fee I received unlimited access to a busy signal.

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It would be nice if NMU were as aggressive in servicing students as they are in accessing fees.

While this letter is not directed at anyone in particular, I would be intrigued by a theory that can explain how an institution of higher education can implement a program they do not have the capability to run.

Does anyone remember the Boston Tea Party?

Chris Valenti
 Graduate student, education

Reader: "Criminals have rights, too"

[Mary Ann Cancilla's] opinion on sex offenders (Aug. 29 issue) makes me think, does our hatred of these offenders make it right for a person who has

served time for their crime that they have committed to continue once their punished mandated by the government is completed?

Should we force people who have been convicted of crimes ranging from DUI's to manslaughter to even murder, to carry signs or tell their neighbors that they have committed these crimes?

Must these people carry the stigma of their past transgressions forever? Should we place on their gravestones the crimes they have committed? Should we have them sew a scarlet "M" on all their clothing (molester)? How far would you like to see this go?

Once a person has paid for the crime they should be left alone; if you don't agree with that then you should push for harder laws, longer sentences and maybe a two strikes and you are out policy.

There are so many things that can be done.

My point is, we as individuals have rights, and when you start taking them away you whittle away at our own freedoms.

Yes, those are horrible crimes and if it were up to me they would never see the light of day again.

But they are people and their rights are the rights that everyone gets.

Aaron Krieger
 NMU alumnus

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DATING SUCKS!!
 IT'S MERELY SOMETHING HUMANS DO TO MAKE THEM FEEL BETTER ABOUT THEMSELVES...

Hi!

Want to take it back?

I'm the dumbest man in the world...

Asking for help, not admitting to failure

I was on my way back to Marquette on U.S. 41 late Sunday evening when my truck began to slow down. I pressed my foot farther to the floor, only my truck didn't move any faster. I was out of gas, since I had been neglecting it all week because I was overwhelmed with the sudden responsibilities of school.

Putting gas in my car or doing the laundry, for that matter, had not even crept onto my list of the things to do. In fact, sleep barely made the list.

As a college student, I am certain that I am not alone. Those who know me best are quite familiar with the high-strung vibes that I perpetuate in times of stress. Synonymous with hypochondriac or paranoid freak, I could quite possibly worry myself insane.

Since I had time to reflect while stranded on the side of the highway, I realized that my overstuffed list in part comes from biting off more than I can

chew and also from never stopping to ask for help.

Like most of you, I set goals and set out to achieve them, but my problem lies in trying to achieve them all at once. The result is that I always come up short-handed. As the baby of my family, I was always determined to be independent. Independence is a desirable quality, but learning how and when to ask for help is essential too.

In some viewpoints, stopping to ask for help is seen as giving up or failing at what we set out to do. But sometimes if we don't stop and ask for help, failing becomes inevitable.

Our friends, family and colleagues are there to lend support, to help out and possibly remedy solutions that we might not think of ourselves.

I never ask others to help me out until the worst case scenario presents itself. I am overbooked and realize that the only

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By MARY ANN CANCELLA

way I may accomplish anything is if there was at least three of me. Suddenly, I have no other choice but to request help or admit failure. As a working, full-time student it is easy to commit myself to so many tasks that I cannot possibly be everywhere I need to be, like working at the same time I am supposed to be in class.

However, why wait until life becomes so unbearable that the nearest psych ward,

sounds more appealing? Why not anticipate or accept the fact that everything cannot be done at once? Planning ahead and reaching for attainable goals would make life more enjoyable.

It sounds simple enough, but how many of us out there don't know how to say, "No, I don't have time to right now."

There are people out there who are more than willing to help out, but just waiting for an invitation.

On a larger scale, there are organizations centered on helping out. The tutoring center and the writing center are both good examples.

Learning to ask for help shouldn't have to wait until your stranded on the side of the highway because you neglected to remember that you needed gas.

Editor's Note: Mary welcomes reactions to her columns at opinion@thenorthwind.org.

Trendy choice: Abortion now used as birth control

For a mere \$600 a pop, you, too, can avoid unwanted pregnancy and keep your sleek, Abercrombie & Fitch body without the hassle of stretch marks, increased weight or bloating.

As of late, abortion seems to be the trendiest method of birth control. It amazes me how many people I encounter on a daily basis who have either had an abortion or have had a sexual partner have one ... or more than one. Surprisingly, a large number of women don't learn the first time around.

According to Planned Parenthood, one in 10 females between the ages of 15 and 19 will get pregnant this year. Of those pregnant teens, only half of them will become mothers.

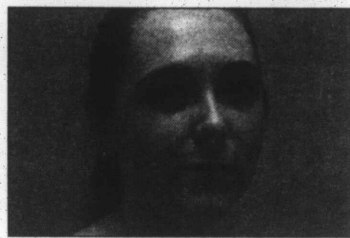
Yikes.

It makes me wonder if more extensive sex education is needed in our school systems; perhaps these young ladies don't know what's causing the pregnancy. Or maybe they don't care what causes the pregnancy — or who causes it.

Accidents happen. But it's not an accident if your having unprotected sex. Even if you're having protected sex, there is still a chance you could become pregnant. I personally don't see how it's not a consideration for some people. To me, it's a fact of life. Pregnancy, diseases and possible death are pretty straightforward consequences.

I mean how difficult is it, really? Condoms are available from resident advisers and in gas station bathrooms and in a lot of cases, health insurance helps pick up the tab on birth control pills. There's much less stress involved in being preventative than having to go through an

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By KRISTY BASOLO

abortion.

Abortion may take care of an unwanted pregnancy, but it doesn't remove the unwanted nightmares and feelings of guilt it has on the human beings who are involved — and possible physical repercussions on the would-be child bearer.

In all honestly, I'm still on the fence about the whole abortion topic itself. While I don't like the idea of taking away people's choices and rights, I really don't like the idea of giving idiots an easy way out. But there are cases of rape and incest in which the would-be mother should not have to bring the child into the world when it wasn't her choice to create it in the first place — these are the instances where I see abortion fitting into our grand scheme of things.

Of course not everyone who gets pregnant out of wedlock is an idiot. There are couples who are preventative, but still acknowledge the possibility. There are women who get pregnant and take on one of the hardest jobs in the world — being a single mother.

But too many times I've seen the ole keep-a-boyfriend-baby trick, which has turned into the ole keep-a-boyfriend's-money-baby trick; lately, it's the ole

keep-a-boyfriend-by-saying-you-had-an-abortion-for-him-when-you-were-never-pregnant-in-the-first-place trick. Frankly, it's disgusting.

I really am all about giving people choices; go to the university of your choice, have a Burger King meal your way, right away, dye your hair florescent burgundy. But randomly reproducing isn't just one of those choices that doesn't affect anyone but yourself. And neither does randomly ending the pregnancy.

It bothers me to think that the potential for life (or life itself, depending on your view) is ended 1.4 million times a year in this country.

While it takes a 24-hour waiting period to get an abortion in Michigan (in the first 12 weeks of the pregnancy), on average, it takes at least a year for willing, upstanding parents to adopt a child. Something just doesn't equate there.

What it comes down to is that when people are given the right to choose, they often abuse it. Instead of taking responsibility for our actions, we have become accustomed to opting for instant gratification.

Remember back in high school when our health teachers told us that part of being mature enough to have sex means being mature enough to handle the consequences of having sex? Hmm. I guess a lot of people were absent for that lecture.

They were probably somewhere in a back seat in a school parking lot having a good time.

Editor's Note: Kristy welcomes reactions to her columns at opinion@thenorthwind.org.

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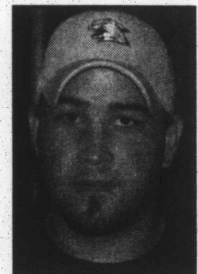
What portion of the time you spend using your laptop is for academic

Compiled by Dan Grimm and Scott Salisbury



Nicole Gromara
freshman, elementary education

"I spend about a half an hour each day checking up on WebCT for homework. Otherwise I just download music."



Benjamin Ganzer
freshman, business/CIS

"Two to three hours a day, at least."



Vernon Davis
senior, CIS/accounting

"I ... use it in all my classes. I do outlines for the reading assigned. I follow along with the teacher's lecture."



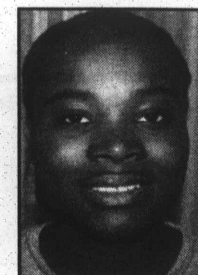
Jessica Desormeaux
freshman, secondary education/mathematics

"Probably only about 20 percent because most of my professors tell us they have no reason for us to use them."



Paula Englund
freshman, undeclared

"Three-quarters of the time; the rest is spent on Instant Messenger."



Dávide Donaldson
senior, social work

"I only use it for that; I am not a computer person."

Under God unconstitutional

FOR WHAT IT'S



BY TRAVIS MARGONI

Last fall, actor Tom Hanks created a stir when he recited the Pledge of Allegiance on a televised Sept. 11 fundraiser and omitted the phrase "under God." Around that same time, political leaders tried to help Americans cope with the acts of terrorism against our country by making statements like "God bless America" on national television.

On June 26, the U.S. 9th Circuit Court of Appeals ruled in a 2-1 vote that the Pledge of Allegiance is unconstitutional because it includes the phrase "under God," which the court said amounts to a government endorsement of religion. Our nation's leaders didn't think so, as Congress voted 99-0 condemning the court's ruling. The 9th Circuit Court, one of the most liberal in the country, made the correct ruling, but President Bush and others were quick to criticize the court's decision and let their faith in God keep them from realizing what is best for the country.

The Pledge of Allegiance as it is worded today promotes discrimination and segregation within our country. The words "under God" were included in a Christian sense, and when the Pledge is recited in public school classrooms, it defies not only the First Amendment, but education in the most important forms — social and religious tolerance.

The wording of the Pledge has been changed three times since it was written in 1892. The final change added the phrase "under God" on Flag Day in 1954, amidst fears that Godless communism would take over America. The addition of "under God" came after a campaign by the Knights of Columbus and other religious groups. Then President Dwight D. Eisenhower authorized the change, saying, "In this way we are reaffirming the transcendence of religious faith in America's heritage and future; in this way we shall constantly strengthen those spiritual weapons which forever will be our country's most powerful resource in peace and war."

With that statement and the addition of "under God," the Pledge of Allegiance transformed not only into a show of faith in our country, but a public prayer. At the time, Eisenhower and many people in America were blind to the consequences that the change could support.

Now, after Sept. 11, we've seen the way our lack of tolerance for and understanding of other cultures can slowly build and damage our country.

America's faith in God obviously can't stop hijackers from killing thousands of people and sending our economy into a tailspin. Pray all you want, but fundamental changes need to be made in the way we think as a society.

While we may be a Christian nation in that the majority of U.S. citizens practice Christianity, for anyone to argue that every resident should accept Christianity as a part of their daily life as an American is to argue for ignorance.

This topic needs to be objectified, but when President Bush can't set his personal religious opinions aside, many other Americans feel they are not obligated to do so either. So, here we struggle.

I'm a patriotic person. While there are many times when I'm discouraged with our society and our government, I appreciate the fact that we can question our political moves, laws, justice system or anything about the United States. We all have a responsibility to caress democracy if we want to see our government continue to make improvements for its people.

As the World Trade Center towers fell last Sept. 11, patriotism in America grew. But through the dust, smoke and tears, it became difficult to see definite lines that shape patriotism. Simply stated, patriotism is doing what is best for the country; if you want to be patriotic, support the removal of "under God" from the Pledge of Alliance.

Travis Margoni welcomes reactions to his column at tmargoni@nmu.edu.

New administrator chases storms

BY TOM MURPHY
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

When a tornado comes ripping through a town, most people run for shelter. Bill Bernard runs for his camera.

NMU's new Associate Provost for Student Services and Enrollment Bill Bernard is a storm chaser.

He, along with his brother, Mark, and a few others get together for two weeks in Amarillo, Texas every year to capture video footage of deadly tornadoes.

They usually meet in the end of May or early June during peak tornado season.

The storm chasing team is led by Warren Faidley, a photo journalist. Faidley is widely considered the best storm chaser in America. The script for the movie "Twister" was based on his life.

Faidley is the only one of the group that makes money from storm chasing;



Courtesy of Bill Bernard

Bernard and his storm-chasing team were the subject of an hour-long documentary that aired on MSNBC.



Courtesy of Bill Bernard

Bill Bernard, associate provost for student services and enrollment, teams up with his brother and others for two weeks each year. The team meets at the end of May in Texas to chase storms during the peak tornado season.

for everyone else it's a hobby.

"It's fun," Bernard said. "It's a rush."

The storm chasing team usually consists of four vehicles. The lead vehicle contains all of the photo equipment, while the second vehicle contains all of

the navigation and weather radar equipment. The third vehicle has all of the communication equipment used to contact the national weather service and local weather authorities. The fourth vehicle contains a team of people that work for Microsoft. Their job is to keep all of the computer systems up and running.

Bernard has been chasing storms for five years.

"Faidley, Phil Henry and my brother originally organized the team and my brother called and asked me if I was interested in driving his vehicle, the communications vehicle," Bernard said. "I said sure. I went out and drove for him and got hooked on it. I go back every spring."

Bernard said that although his team is very safety conscious, there is still an element of danger.

"My first season of chasing we identified a hail shaft in front of the storm and we relocated to get out of the way, except for one member of the team that thought they would be OK," Bernard said. "It literally flattened their vehicle with hail."

Bernard said he remembers a day when he was running parallel with a storm that was so large that it peaked the radar scales. The storm turned so he had to get across the interstate before it intersected the road.

Bernard said his crew didn't make it.

"Softball-sized hail got us," he said. "It was a little scary driving in that."

Bernard's team was the subject of an hour-long documentary produced by MSNBC.

"MSNBC sent a team to travel with us," Bernard said. "They went at it from a different perspective than we did. They wanted action and you can't always control the action. But we did get on some good storms and a couple of good chases when they were with us.

We were humbled and honored to be selected as the group that they wanted to chase with."

Bernard said that he loves storm chasing and as long as his schedule permits he will continue to chase every year.

The next time you see footage of a twister tearing up the flatlands of the Southwest, Bill Bernard may be right there.



Courtesy of Bill Bernard

During his first season of chasing tornados, Bernard's team ran into a bad storm that flattened their vehicle.

DIVERSIONS

Fraternity breaks stereotypes

BY YONIKA WILLIS
DIVERSIONS EDITOR

For junior media and new technology major Darrick DeMeuse, finding an open place that is inviting for gay, bisexual and progressive males to connect was very difficult, so he, along with freshman undeclared major Eric Otradovec, decided to start an interest group of Delta Lambda Phi on Northern's campus.

"Basically what the fraternity is, is an openly accepting fraternity for gay, bisexual and progressive males, or males that are open-minded and open to new ideas," DeMeuse said.

DeMeuse, who started attending Northern in 1997, said that he was never really into the fraternity crowd until he left for a year and a half and saw how nurturing they could be.

"I left [Northern] for a year and a half and when I left I turned to a couple of fraternities and I saw how accepting they are to have people hang around and treat them like they belong," DeMeuse said.

He said that he always had a warped view of what fraternities were until he actually joined one

and saw what they had to offer.

"I thought fraternities were like 'Animal House,'" DeMeuse said. "But once you see the respect that you get from them and how accepting they are, it's an all-around good idea and it's about time that there is a fraternity of this type coming to campus."

DeMeuse said that the reason why he wanted to bring the interest group of Delta Lambda Phi to Northern was because he knows how it can be a hard time in a young man's life dealing with sexuality, especially while attending a university.

"People really need a safe haven where they can feel like they really belong and can discuss issues," DeMeuse said.

Otradovec said he wishes that they had started a group like the interest group of Delta Lambda Phi in his high school because not too long ago an ex-boyfriend of his friend committed suicide because he had no place to go to let out his feelings.

"I think that if we start something like this, we can get people more interested and aware," Otradovec said.

DeMeuse added that one doesn't necessarily have to be gay, bisexual or progressive to join.

"Anyone can join," DeMeuse said. "We don't even ask what their sexual preferences are;

they are here to have a good time and to just feel like they fit in."

Although the Northern chapter of the National fraternity Delta Lambda Phi won't receive chapter status for another 18 months, DeMeuse and Otradovec have been working since July to get the first interest group started.

"People really need a safe haven where they can feel like they really belong and can discuss issues."

— Darrick DeMeuse
Junior media and new technology major

The two have tossed around the idea of holding dances to get their name out and they would like to eventually work with other groups such as Outlook and bring guest speakers to Northern.

"We just want to get our name out and get members for the winter semester so that we can get this organization going and succeed," DeMeuse said.

Otradovec said that right now they are working on getting an interest meeting started, but haven't worked out where or when it will be.

DeMeuse feels that by starting up a chapter of Delta

Lambda Phi in Marquette could bring prospective students to Northern.

"[The interest group of Delta Lambda Phi] could help the university when it comes to people deciding on where to go," DeMeuse said.

"Plus, this will be the only progressive and non-discriminating fraternity in the Upper Peninsula."

Adviser of the interest group Chet Defonso, believes that the group is a good way for students to show support for their fellow students.

"I think that starting up this fraternity gives students who may be gay or supportive of gays an outlet to support their students," Defonso said.

Although the interest group of the fraternity currently only has two members, DeMeuse said that they have received very positive feedback regarding the interest group of Delta Lambda Phi from various people and offices on campus.

For more information regarding the interest group of Delta Lambda Phi you can e-mail them at DLP@nmu.edu or their national Web site at www.DLP.org.

There will be a table set up from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sept. 10 in the academic mall area as part of the Involvement Expo as well.

Center provides free services

BY YONIKA WILLIS
DIVERSIONS EDITOR

With the school year getting off to a start and students leaving home and begin to experience life on their own for the very first time in their lives, many students may start to feel overwhelmed as their workloads begin to increase.

For many students, starting a new semester can be very stressful. Northern's counseling center provides free counseling service to campus.

Director of the Counseling Center and psychologist Thomas Stanger, believes that Northern's counseling center is a luxury to campus because unlike most counseling facilities, Northern's Counseling Center provides free, professional services conducted by doctorate level counselors.

"We have just gotten reaccredited from the International Association of Counseling

Services," Stanger said. "We got extremely positive feedback about the quality of our operation here."

The Counseling Center deals with a wide range of services ranging from consultations such as depression.

Stanger said that they see many people due to depression. He said that depression is on a continuum, meaning that there are different levels.

Some of the early signs include feeling down, isolating oneself from others more than usual and being less physically active and anxious due to self doubt.

High levels of depression include a lack of motivation and may even interfere with one's ability to concentrate.

Although the Counseling Center does deal with a lot of students who suffer from depression they also do consultations for their clients.

"We encourage people to come in if they just want some kind of consultation and information," Stanger said.

"For example, if they are having roommate difficulties, or just

need some guidance to get some information or advice to help them handle something better."

Although people come to the Counseling Center at various times throughout the semester, Stanger said that the majority of students come in about three quarters of the way through the semester when the semester begins to get stressful and hard.

At the beginning of the semester, the Counseling Center puts on presentations in classes informing students of how to deal with depression and stress.

The Counseling Center also informs students about its facility throughout summer orientation sessions and radio promotions.

"We do encourage freshmen to use our services," Stanger said. "For the first week or two of school, students can feel pretty up in the air because this is their first time away from home. The biggest thing is when they get pretty worried about it. We want to let them know we're here."

Sophomore chemistry major Kevin Shaw said that he was a little overwhelmed by Marquette

his first year since he was from a big city, but he didn't know much about the counseling services at Northern.

"It was sort of a culture shock and I had a hard time adjusting to my surroundings," Shaw said. "But if I had known more about the counseling center my freshman year, I would have gone to them."

Stanger said that the easiest way to find the Counseling Center is through the NMU Web site.

Among other things, the Web site includes a column in which students may write into if they have problems or concerns that they want to address.

"Students can click on our character, Dr. CC Willy, and we will put things on the Web that deal with the issues in the column," Stanger said.

He added that the Counseling Center is also keeps in touch with other students services and organizations on campus and make pretty frequent referrals to provide help for their clients.

For more information call the Counseling Center at 227-2981 or visit 201 Cohodas.

Today, September 5

Deadline: Last day to obtain 90-percent tuition refund for complete withdrawal from the university (full semester courses).

Comedian/Magician: Brian Brushwood will perform at 7:30 p.m. in Jamrich 102. Free for students, \$3 for non-students.

Film: "Shanghai Triad" (R) at 10 p.m. in Jamrich 102.

Meeting: Intervarsity Christian Fellowship will meet at 7 p.m. in the Marquette and Nicolet rooms in the U.C. to discuss "Love for God; Love for God's Word," presented by Pastor Bob Donaldson.

Friday, September 6

Activity: SLFP Fall Retreat. Call the Student Activities and Leadership office at 227-2439 for more information.

Activity: International Folk Dancing at 8 p.m. in the building on the corner of Third and Bluff streets. No partners or experience needed. Call 226-9617 for details.

Meeting: North Wind interest meeting at 1 p.m. in Room 2310 in the U.C. Call 227-2545 for details.

Activity: Gant Hall Basement Bash will be

held from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m. Call Jason at 227-3450 for more information.

Activity: Psychology Colloquia Series "Discourses from the Academy." Beverly Matherne presents her research and prose poetry on Antoine Laumet de Lamothe-Cadillac from 3:10 to 4:15 p.m. in 167 Gries.

Saturday, September 7

Activity: SLFP Fall Retreat. Call the Student Activities and Leadership office at 227-2439 for more information.

Film: "About A Boy" (PG-13) at 9 p.m. in Jamrich 102.

Auditions: NMU Dance Squad is holding auditions from 2 to 5 p.m. at the PEIF Dance Studio. Doors open at 1:30 p.m. Please come early with proper dance attire. Call Janel at 228-8587 for details.

Sunday, September 8

Deadline: Last day to obtain 50-percent tuition refund for complete withdrawal from the university (first block courses).

Film: "About A Boy" (PG-13) at 6:30 & 9 p.m. in Jamrich 102.

Dinner: Lutheran Campus Ministry, ELCA,

is hosting a welcome dinner at St. Mark's Lutheran Church at 6 p.m.

Monday, September 9

Activity: Shiras Planetarium Public Show "Galaxies," at 7:30 p.m. at the planetarium in Marquette Senior High School on West Fair Avenue. \$3 for adults, \$2 for students and senior citizens. Call 225-4205 for more information.

Tuesday, September 10

Activity: Sept. 11 remembrance at 5:30 p.m. beginning on Prospect Street and continuing down Third Street to St Peter's Cathedral, sponsored by the Marquette Fire Department.

Meeting: NMU Lion's Club's first meeting at 8 p.m. in Pioneer A in the U.C.

Activity: The Involvement Expo runs from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Academic Mall. Student organizations will display information and recruit new members. Free banana splits while supplies last.

Activity: ORC Tuesday Night Mountain Bike Ride.

Wednesday, September 11

Activity: Sept. 11 Memorial Walk at

Mattson Lower Harbor Park at 5:30 p.m.

Activity: "NMU Remembers Sept. 11 Commemoration Walk" at 12:45 p.m. starting at the Academic Mall and ending at the Peter White Lounge in the U.C. Ecumenical Service follows at 1 p.m.

Activity: "Reflection on 9-11: Academic and Personal Perspectives" at 7 p.m. in Jamrich 101. Panelists include Candy Bays (English), James Green (Philosophy), Robert Kulisheck, (Political Science), Mowey Mowafy (HPER) and Major John Vickers (ROTC)

Deadline: Registration deadline for Sept. 13 to 15 ORC Boulder Blast Weekend.

Deadline: Registration deadline for Intramural Sports Entries in flag football, ultimate frisbee and ice hockey.

Sports: Women's soccer hosts St. Joseph's at 3 p.m. at the NMU soccer field.

Activity: The Peter White Public Library invites youth ages six to 10 to an "After School Adventure" from 4:15 to 5 p.m.

Activity: Northern Center for Lifelong Learning Poetry Interest Group at 10 a.m. in 414 Cohodas. Free for NCLL members, \$3 for non-members. Pre-registration required. Call 227-2979 for details.

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Interest Meeting
For NEW writers
Friday, September 6th
(TOMORROW)
1 p.m.
In The North Wind office
2310 U.C.
Call 227-2545 with any
questions

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Shop at
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Gwinn, Marquette
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1 item

One Year Later:
NMU Remembers Sept. 11
Students, faculty, staff, retirees, alumni, and friends are invited to join the campus of Northern Michigan University in remembering the victims of the Sept. 11 tragedies.

Wednesday, Sept. 11, 2002

Commemoration Walk

- 12:45 p.m., starting at the center of the Academic Mall and ending at the Peter White Lounge, University Center

Ecumenical Service

- 1 p.m., Peter White Lounge, U.C.

Reflection on 9-11: Academic and Personal Perspectives

- 7 p.m., Panel discussion in Jamrich Hall, Room 101

Panelists
Dr. Candy (Carol) Bays, English
Dr. James Greene, Philosophy
Dr. Robert Kulisheck, Political Science
Dr. Mowey Mowafy, HPER
Major John Vickers, R.O.T.C.
Moderator: Dr. Chuck Ganzert, CAPS

...age of our fellow Americans.
...t of our country's people
... of our national pride.

We reflect.

Marquette General Health System would like to take this opportunity to thank NMU students who selflessly donated their resources to assist in healing our nation, specifically those who donated blood to the U.P. Regional Blood Center.

The Blood Center will be holding a special blood drive Wednesday, Sept. 11 from 10am to 7pm in the Marquette General Hospital main entrance lobby. Q107 WMQT will be broadcasting live from the drive. There will be refreshments and special tokens of thanks. For more information or to schedule an appointment, please call the Blood Center at 906-225-4610.

MARQUETTE
GENERAL HEALTH SYSTEM

Volleyball team takes two in invitational

BY MELANIE BOLTHOUSE
SPORTS EDITOR

The NMU volleyball team opened their season on their home court as they hosted the NMU Ramada Inn Invitational this weekend.

The 'Cats began the tournament Friday against the University of Minnesota-Crookston. NMU came out on top winning three of four games. The 'Cats won the first two games 30-22 and 30-20. They lost the third match, 28-30, but rallied in the fourth to win 30-17.

Freshman middle blocker Holly Greenamyre led the team with 17 kills, three service aces and three solo blocks. Senior Beth Laveen followed with 14 kills and two solo blocks.

"They came out strong," head coach Tracy Hruska said. "They had a slight focus problem in the third match, but they showed character coming out the first match after having major jitters."

NMU continued their winning streak as they beat Rollins College in four games, winning three of the four with scores of 30-18, 25-30, 30-17 and 30-28.

Sophomore outside hitter Jennie Little and Laveen led the team in kills with 17 each. Sophomore setter Kelly McCune



Scott Salisbury/NW

The Wildcat volleyball team comes in to celebrate after their first victory of the season against the University of Minnesota-Crookston at the NMU Invitational.

dominated in assists with 44 for the match.

Saturday, the 'Cats met with the University of Minnesota-Duluth. The two teams came out strong and went point for point in four games.

The undefeated Duluth team came ahead for the weekend, winning three of the four games with scores of 28-30, 28-

30, 30-25 and 24-30.

Little and Greenamyre led Northern with 13 assists apiece. Senior defensive specialist Meghan Kimball had a match high of 21 digs.

Hruska said matches against Duluth have always been evenly matched.

"It always comes down to who's going

to kill each other," she said. "Duluth won this time, but we'll get them down the road."

Northern came out of the tournament with a record of 2-1.

Overall, Hruska said she was pleased with her team's performance and the players that stepped up.

"Jennie Little had an incredible day," she said. "She hit .400 against Crookston, she hit .469 against Rollins, and she had an enormous amount of kills above her errors."

Hruska also said she felt Greenamyre was solid all the way around in the tournament.

Next weekend, Northern travels to Denver, Colo. to play in the Colorado Premier Challenge at Regis University.

The Wildcats will be working this week to clean up mistakes that emerged throughout the tournament.

"They need to keep working on service receives," Hruska said. "That's key. If you have a solid serve-receive team, then your offense is going to be able to be effective."

Hruska said she would also like to strengthen movement on defense and enhance communication on the court before the girls meet their opponents in Colorado.

'Cats dominate season opener

BY HANNAH REEL
STAFF WRITER

The NMU women's cross country team opened their season with a first place finish at the Michigan Tech Invitational.

The 'Cats finished in first place with a score of 15 points.

Tech finished second with 53 points, followed by Lawrence University with 72 points.

The contributing factor to this win was that the girls ran as a competitive team.

"They had fast times on a challenging course," head coach Sten Fjeldheim said.

Fjeldheim said he was proud that 12 girls from Northern finished in the top 12 places.

Junior Caitlin Compton led the 'Cats with a first place finish with a time of 18:14:02.

An outstanding performance also came from senior Jordan Seethaler, who fin-

ished second with a time of 18:14:26.

"She came into the season very fit," Fjeldheim said. "She challenged the No. 1 runner."

All NMU runners finished under 23 minutes.

Fjeldheim said this year's freshmen are tough and contributed to the strong showing by the 'Cats at the Tech Invitational.

He said he is looking forward to a very good season, and making it back to Nationals.

Last year, the 'Cats finished sixth overall in national competition. This year, he said they are hoping to do the same or better.

Their next meet is the Lester Park Invitational at the University of Minnesota on Saturday.

Fjeldheim said he plans on going in with the same competitive attitude.

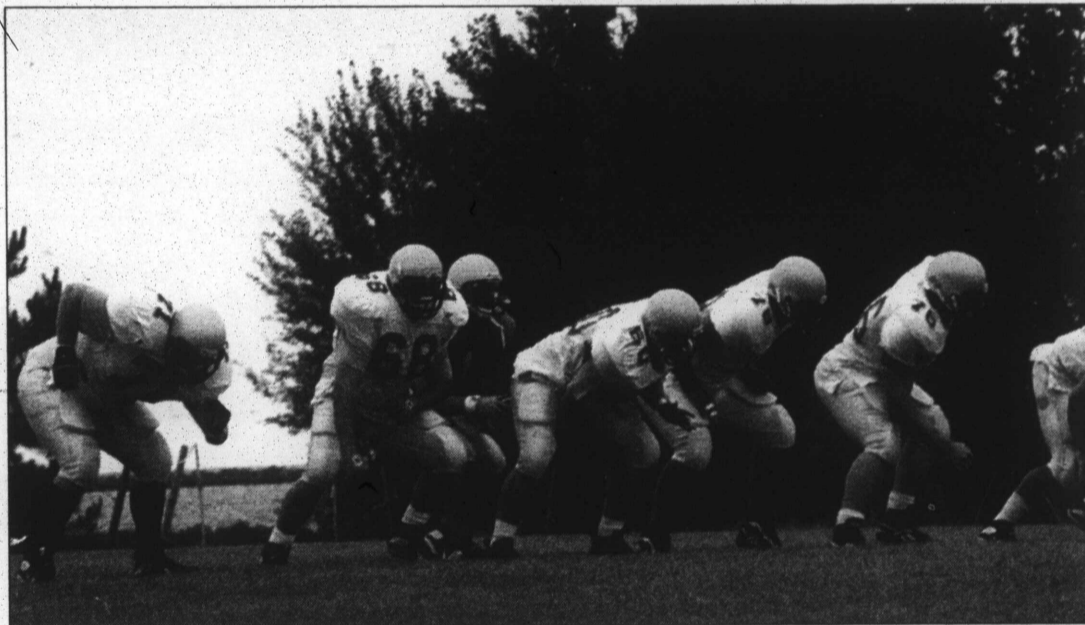
NMU has won the last two years, and Fjeldheim said they're hoping to do it again.



Compton



Seethaler



Scott Salisbury/NW

The football team has been practicing since Aug. 12 to prepare for their first game. The 'Cats will be on the road this weekend as they face St. Cloud State College in their first non-conference game.

Season begins on the road

BY TOM MURPHY
SPORTS STAFF REPORTER

The Northern Michigan University football team has made a lot of changes since they walked off of the football field at the end of a losing season.

With changes come questions.

How quickly will new starting quarterback junior Kyle Swenor adjust to his role? Who will fill the void in the backfield left by last year's Most Valuable Player James Randle? How will the team react to new NMU head coach Doug Sams' game plan? How quickly can a defense that lost six starters from last year come together?

This Saturday those questions

will be answered as NMU travels to St. Cloud State College.

"We've practiced all we can practice," Sams said. "Now it's time for us to go out and compete. I think we're ready."

Sams said that although the offense isn't perfect, he feels that Swenor and the rest of the offensive squad are coming along nicely.

"I don't think we're ready for a shootout," Sams said. "But if we minimize our mistakes and do our assignments, I think we will be OK."

Swenor said that he feels comfortable in his starting role.

"The quarterback does have a lot of leadership responsibilities, but there are a lot of seniors on

the team," Swenor said. "They do a lot of that work too. It's not all on my shoulders."

Swenor said he feels prepared to handle his new responsibilities.

In the backfield, Sams said that redshirt freshman Corey Woods will get the starting spot, but there are at least five players that can run the ball for the Wildcats.

"I think running back is our strongest position," Sams said. "We have a lot of guys that can play. Woods is real strong at catching the ball out of the backfield and blocking. He is a real multi-purpose back."

Included in the list of backs is

Please see SEASON on Page 14

'Cats drop two in overtime

By ROB HAMILTON
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

The NMU women's soccer team opened their season with two heartbreaking overtime losses at the Quincy Invitational tournament last weekend.

Despite dropping both games, head coach Carl Gregor said that he was happy with how his team played.

"We played very well," he said. "The biggest thing that we need to work on is getting the 11 players out there to gel with one another."

On Saturday, the 'Cats were beaten by the host team, Quincy (Ill.) University 2-1 in the first overtime.

NMU trailed 1-0 in the second half until sophomore forward Kerri Vandervelden scored in the 77th minute to tie the game.

The game stayed tied through regulation and until the third minute of overtime, when Quincy's Julie Baron shot the ball over the head of NMU goalkeeper Caroline Bonygne to win

the game.

Junior forward Caroline Kunas led the Wildcats with 2 shots on goal, while Bonygne tallied 11 saves.

On Sunday, NMU was defeated in the second overtime by Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville. Once again, the team trailed 1-0 in the second half, but came back and tied the game.

Sophomore midfielder Rachel Vilders found the back of the net off of a free kick from 20 yards out in the 70th minute.

The 'Cat's kept the score even until the beginning of the second overtime, when SIU midfielder Colleen Creamer beat Bonygne for the game winner.

Sophomore defenseman Tara Baker led the NMU defense, which was heavily pressured throughout the game.

"We were really strong defensively," Baker said. "We were pressured for most of the game and we stepped it up and held them for a long time."

Bonygne also came up big on

the defensive end, making 14 saves, while Vilders led the offensive attack with three shots on goal.

Gregor said that hot weather conditions had a significant impact on his team's performance at the tournament.

"It was really, really hot and we do not have an opportunity to train in that type of weather," he said. "We just ran out of gas."

The Wildcats next action will be this weekend in the Saginaw Valley Invitational against Virginia Wesleyan College and Wheeling Jesuit University.

Both games this weekend will be played at University Center, Mich.

NMU will play Wesleyan at 3 p.m. Saturday and Wheeling Jesuit at 11 a.m. Sunday.

Vilders said that she was happy with the way her team played, but thought that they could improve their performance this weekend.

"We played really well for the first games of the year," she said. "We know what to do we just need to practice it more."

After the weekend tournament, the Wildcats will play their first home game against St. Joseph's University at 3 p.m. on Wednesday at the NMU soccer field.



Vilders



Baker

2002 WOMEN'S

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
Aug. 31	*Quincy University	1:30 p.m.
Sept. 1	*NIU-Edwardville	1:30 p.m.
Sept. 7	**West Virginia Wesleyan	3 p.m.
Sept. 8	**Wheeling Jesuit	11 a.m.
Sept. 11	St. Joseph's	3 p.m.
Sept. 14	Clayton	2 p.m.
Sept. 15	Lewis	1 p.m.
Sept. 19	Minnesota-Mankato	4 p.m.
Sept. 21	North Dakota	12 p.m.
Sept. 22	UW-Green Bay	5 p.m.
Sept. 23	Ashland	12 p.m.
Oct. 5	Concordia	11 a.m.
Oct. 6	Mercyhurst	TBA
Oct. 12	Minnesota-Duluth	TBA
Oct. 18	Grand Valley State	3 p.m.
Oct. 20	Ferris State	12 p.m.
Oct. 27	Findlay	2 p.m.
Nov. 2	Hillsdale College	2 p.m.
Nov. 3	Saginaw Valley State	2 p.m.
Nov. 9	Northwood	12 p.m.

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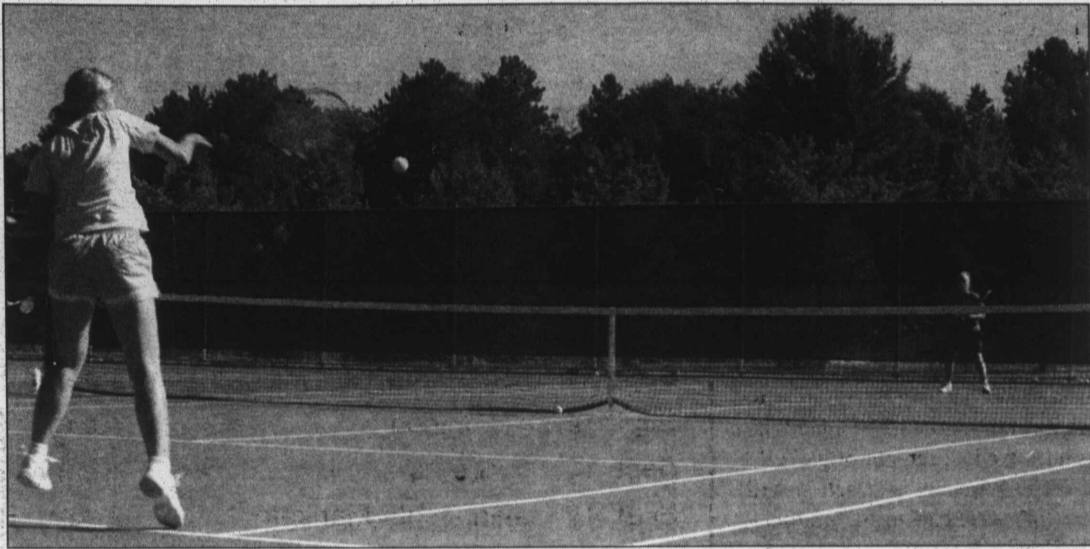
Friday & Saturday
20th & 21st

Shaking Tree

Wed. & Thu.
25th & 26th

Rooster

Friday & Saturday
27th & 28th



Scott Salisbury/NW

The NMU tennis team practices in preparation for their first match against Northwood on Sept. 7.

Tennis takes on Northwood

BY MELANIE RASMUSSEN
STAFF WRITER

This weekend proves to be a challenging one for Northern Michigan University's women's tennis team.

The Wildcats will face off against Northwood University on Sept. 7 on Northwood's court in their first match of the season.

"It will be a close match that will come down to the wire," head coach Troy Mattson said.

Northwood took first in the conference last year, while NMU took second.

This year, the tennis team's goal is to come away from the

season with the conference title.

The upcoming game against Northwood will be a good test of what the Wildcats will be made of this season.

This will be Mattson's ninth year as NMU's head coach. He is the coach with the best record in NMU women's tennis history ending his eighth year with a record of 71-52.

Last year was Mattson's best year overall, with the team ending with a record of 20-4.

The team also won the GLIAC and NCAA II Regional titles. They competed in the NCAA II Championship for the second year in a row.

"Last year the team went to Nationals," senior Brooke Aronin said. "We did not win the conference outright. This year our goal is to be first in the conference. This first match is where we need to make a statement."

The 'Cats have been busy in practice preparing for the Northwood match and the upcoming season.

With five returnees from the top six and everyone in good shape, the upcoming women's tennis team will be a force to be reckoned with.

The 'Cats will compete at home on Sept. 21 against Ferris State University.

NMU golfers open season

BY ROB HAMILTON
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

While most athletic teams on campus hold their tryouts weeks before their first match, the NMU golf team will start their season the day after finalizing their roster.

Tryouts were held this week at Marquette Golf and Country Club on Wednesday and at Wawonowin Country Club in Ishpeming on Tuesday and Thursday. The tryouts were only open to NMU students with an established handicap of six or under.

After the final roster is set Thursday night, the team will travel across Upper Michigan to play in the Lake Superior St. Invitational Friday at Brimley, Mich.

They will then travel back home for the NMU Invitational tournament, which takes place on Saturday and Sunday at Wawonowin Country Club.

Head coach Dean Ellis, who is also NMU's men's basketball head coach, said he doesn't really know what to expect in the upcoming tournaments from his team.

"We're not going to know what our team looks like until [the tryouts] are over," Ellis said.

At their home tournament, NMU will have to contend with teams from the University of Findlay, Grand Valley St. University, Hillsdale College, Lake Superior St. University and Wayne St. University.

Assistant coach and Marquette Golf and Country Club golf pro K.C. Bjorne will actually do the majority of travelling and coaching during away tournaments.

"Last year [Coach Ellis]

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Ellis

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junior Terrell Goldsmith. Goldsmith ran for over 1,000 yards in 2000, but was forced to miss last season due to ineligibility.

"Goldsmith has a knack for getting the tough yards," Sams said. "He is a proven back and we'll use him in certain situations. Our goal is to use our personnel against the opponent's strengths."

As for the transition for the players to the new coaching staff, Swenor said that it won't be very difficult.

"It's awesome; the coaches are a lot of fun," Swenor said.

"You can't deny that everyone has a lot more energy around these guys."

Last year, the Wildcats defeated St. Cloud State 27-24 in a thrilling come-from-behind victory.

Sams said this year he would love for the team start the year with a win, but he is also looking for some answers from his team.

"Mostly, I want to win," Sams said. "But ideally, I think we should be able to have 3-5 scores, a 100-yard rusher and 300 yards passing. We're going to try to be the best we can be and not worry about the opponent. I just want us to play to our capabilities."

GOLF

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was having trouble recruiting and travelling with the team because of basketball, so he asked me to help," Bjorne said.

NMU's top returning golfer, fifth-year senior Eric VanDamme will only be able to play in a few tournaments this year because of student teaching, Bjorn said. Last year, VanDamme placed 3rd in the NMU Invitational and 13th at the GLIAC championship.

Junior Mark Nutuni, who placed 34th at the GLIAC championship last fall, will be the Wildcats, only other returning player from last year.

"Were going to be pretty weak this year," Bjorne said. "I don't really have any expectations other than for my returning guys. I expect them to do well."

Bjorne said that tryouts were held late so that the golfers could get settled in with their classes.

"I want to get the guys that are here comfortable," he said. "Right now I'm just feeling this team out."

Last year NMU finished fifth out of eight teams at their invitational tournament.

Ellis said Findlay, Ferris St. and Grand Valley St. are expected to be the toughest competition this year in the GLIAC North.

Biathletes show skill

Jill Krause and Jesse Downs of the USOEC scored impressive victories at the National Biathlon Summer Trials held in Jericho, Vermont.

Biathletes competed on roller skis on the paved trail system that many consider to be the best summer biathlon venue in the world.

Krause won both the Sprint and Pursuit competitions, while Downs won the Pursuit and finished fourth in the Sprint.

Krause, who narrowly missed qualifying for the 2002 Olympic team, redeemed herself with impressive results on the Europa Cup in February and March.

She continued her trajectory toward to top of the U.S. Women's Biathlon with victories at the National Summer Trials.

Krause trained at the USOEC under head Biathlon coach Patrice Jankowski from 1996-2001. She now skis for the U.S. National Biathlon

Team.

Downs shared a similar rise to the top of the U.S. Men's Biathlon. He emerged as one of the nation's top biathletes last winter with a victory at the National Guard Championships and finished as the top American at the World Military Championships in Slovenia.

Downs also skied under the coaching of Jankowski while competing for the USOEC from 2000-2002.

Downs recently joined the U.S. Biathlon National Training team and resides in Burlington, Vermont.

Krause won the Pursuit by 1:50 over current USOEC biathlete Sara Granroth.

Krause scored nine shooting penalties, while Granroth scored only three.

Krause skied faster, however, and was able to overcome Granroth's skilled shooting performance.

The 10 kilometer race included a total of 20 shots.

The USOEC's Lindsey Cox finished fourth.

Down's skied evenly with Olympian Jeremy Teela's six which allowed the USOEC alum to win by a 54 second margin.

Current USOEC biathlete Brian Lilly finished fifth in the Pursuit race.

USOEC newcomer Tim Meehan finished third in the Junior Men's competition.

In addition to roller ski events, athletes also participated in a running and shooting competition.

The USOEC's Sara Granroth ousted Krause to win the 5 kilometer women's event, while the USOEC's Brian Lilly finished second behind Olympian Dan Campbell in the men's 6 kilometer race.

Overall, USOEC biathletes distinguished themselves from other competitors with their shooting skills.

—USOEC Press Release

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September 11, 2001

Students, faculty, staff, retirees, alumni and friends are invited to join the campus of Northern Michigan University in remembering the victims of the September 11 tragedies.

September 11, 2002

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 Moment of silence is encouraged in remembrance of the tragedy on 9/11

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 Walk will take place from the center of the Academic Mall to the University Center

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Layla - Don't worry if Nibbles dies; we'll go live in a camper - **Becci**

Damian - Sorry pal, Melanie traded you in for a newer model.

Don't worry, I'm still down - **Sport-O**

Everyone - If all of us aren't looking and expect to find it, how are any of us going to find it? - **A concerned single**

Boy - Don't take it personally, it wasn't intended to offend. You know that's all behind us. I love you - **Girl**

Ladies - Francis Daniel is going to be single on the 13th. He is hot - **C & B**

Dante - I'm coming home soon, pup. Hang in there - **Mom**

Candyfreak - Really, quit saving my ass - **Me-Me**

Becci - Maybe not with the whole "superfun" thing. Ugh - **Melanie**

Ruff Ryder - We're going to have to work on that new engine thing. Boy says he's got first dibs on my cash flow. Sorry man - **K-Lo**

Moby - I'd hit a guy with glasses, too - **KB**

LLL - If you miss this one I quit! Kill me for not calling I am a dumbass - **MAC**

Tony Hawk - I'm sorry I'm neglecting you. Tell PS2 that I'm going to spend some quality time soon - **NumbThumbs**

Travis - This is NOT the kind of assistant job I had in mind - **AW**

Jolene - I think I need a change. You and I may need to dye together sometime soon, hopefully not on the treadmill - **Kristy**

Sabrina - Sorry I cursed you with the allergy. I miss you pal - **Marla**

NMU students - Tired of seeing our lame personal ads? E-mail us your own shout out at opinion@thenorthwind.org by Monday at 5 p.m. - **Editors**

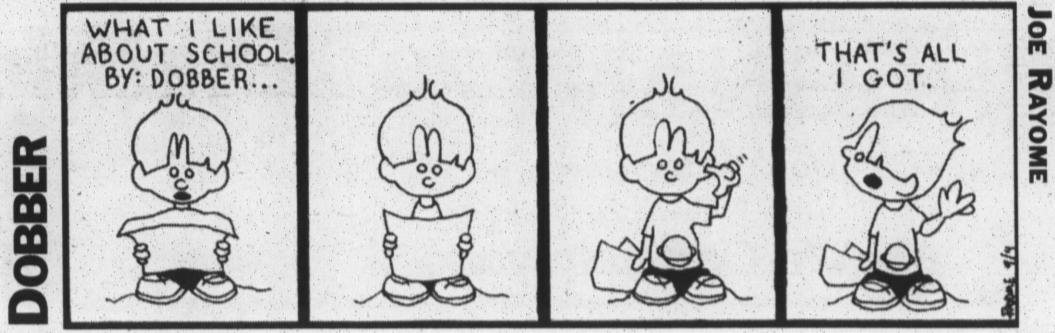
Buck - Get a life. We all know you're really a woman - **Sister #2**

MGM - Soon, we will dominate the ink - **KLB**

Flip and Flop - Does the hoochie train ever stop? You have exceeded my expectations with the numbers - **DownStairs Chic**

Boo Boo - Congrats on your first day of school. I wish I was there to walk you to the bus. I miss you. Tell Mr. Long I said hi. I love you! - **Chris**

Tubesock - Stay out of the hospital, eh? Burger King needs you.



And take care of Big Blue - **Big sis**

Curse - How's Art? I hope you haven't been neglecting him. Do you what you say, and what you tell US to do. Go to class, biatch! - **KRS1**

Travis - This is NOT the editor in chief position I had in mind. Miss it? - **CM**

Bucky - Where's that column I was promised? - **Curse**

Staff - Once again, excellent job. Thanks for hanging out with me until the wee hours. Let's try to get on track so we can do what

normal people do at night ... sleep - **Chief**

Diver - Hey, dude, you're in my class. What the heck? I almost missed you in that room of 150 - **Old roomie**

Crackmonkey - Am I there yet? - **Captain Damage**

ANZ - Thanks for saving us - **NW staff**

D - Your words inspire me to no end. Thank you for the hugs from so many miles away, and for the grilled cheese. I hope you have a safe trip back to New York. Happy birthday. - **Hip hop**

Melanie and Rob - Soon you'll be insert-free and better rested. Thanks for hanging in there - **Staff**

Students - The North Wind interest meeting will take place tomorrow in The North Wind office, located at 2310 University Center. Just thought we'd let you know - **Editors**

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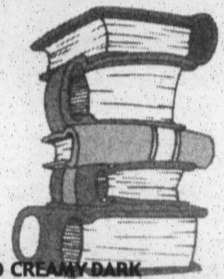
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Superior Dome

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Superior Dome (Pine St. Parking Lot)

**Sunday, September 29
Dead River Games**
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Dead River Beach

**Monday, September 30
Scavenger Hunt**
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Great Lakes Rooms

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The Northern Michigan University coaching staff, led by new head coach Doug Sams, expects the following players to see some action during the 2002 football season. With the change of coaches comes a new attitude among the players and a new coaching philosophy. Coach Sams

said he hopes to build the football program to where the community will enjoy coming and supporting the NMU football team as they look to gain a GLIAC conference championship.

	JUNIOR 6-3, 210 LBS
	QUARTERBACK
	Last season, Kyle played in three games after transferring from Iowa State University. He completed 18 of 35 passes for 189 yards with one touchdown.
KYLE SWENOR	1
Petoskey, Mich.	

	REDSHIRT FRESHMAN 6-2, 194 LBS
	QUARTERBACK
	Last season, Luke was redshirted. He came to Northern from Marian Catholic Central where he earned All-Area honors his senior year.
LUKE COMMARE	1
Spring Grove, Ill.	

	SENIOR 6-3, 214 LBS
	WIDE RECEIVER
	Last season, Brandon was named to All-GLIAC Offense Honorable Mention team. He completed 36 catches for 553 yards and had four touchdowns.
BRANDON MUNSON	7
Petoskey, Mich.	

	JUNIOR 6-1, 170 LBS
	WIDE RECEIVER
	Last season, Chris had 14 pass receptions for 180 yards and one touchdown. He averaged 12.9 yards per reception.
CHRIS MESSANO	8
Shelby Township, Mich.	

	JUNIOR 6-3, 170 LBS
	WIDE RECEIVER
	Last season, Pat played for Sierra College in California. This will be his first season with the NMU football team.
PAT ROUZARD	9
Miami, Fla.	

	SOPHOMORE 5-9, 170 LBS
	WIDE RECEIVER
	Last season, Manuel was named NMU's Freshman of the Year. He had 15 receptions for 150 yards and led the team with 23 kickoff returns for 470 yards.
MANUEL DIAZ	1
Fountain Valley, Calif.	

	SENIOR 5-11, 222 LBS
	TIGHT END
	Last season, Matt handled long snapping duties and also played tight end. He had two pass receptions for 53 yards and three tackles.
MATT BUSH	8
Interlochen, Mich.	

	SENIOR 6-3, 230 LBS
	TIGHT END
	Last season, Matt had six receptions for 87 yards including a career-long reception of 37 yards. He was named to the All-GLIAC Academic Team.
MATT VICENZI	8
Iron Mountain, Mich.	

	JUNIOR 6-1, 190 LBS
	WIDE RECEIVER
	Last season, Micah played in nine games after transferring to NMU from Fort Lewis College in Colorado. He caught one pass for 57 yards and had a touchdown.
MICAH BILLINGSLEY	3
Aurora, Colo.	

	REDSHIRT FRESHMAN 6-2, 201 LBS
	WIDE RECEIVER
	Last season, Nick was redshirted. He was named the Offensive Scout Team Player of the Year.
NICK MAUTHE	8
Barron, Wis.	

	SENIOR 6-5, 297 LBS
	OFFENSIVE LINEMAN
	Last season, Chris played as a guard and a tackle for his third starting season at Northern.
CHRIS JAUQUET	7
Kingsford, Mich.	

	SENIOR 6-2, 296 LBS
	OFFENSIVE LINEMAN
	Last season, Jesse transferred from Shasta Community College in Redding, Calif. He started at Northern as an offensive guard.
JESSE LOEFFLER	5
Hayfork, Calif.	

	JUNIOR 6-3, 260 LBS
	OFFENSIVE LINEMAN
	Last season, Dan earned the title of Most Valuable Offensive Lineman. He was named to the All-GLIAC Academic Team. He is the starting center.
DAN NETT	6
Appleton, Wis.	

	SOPHOMORE 6-5, 270 LBS
	OFFENSIVE LINEMAN
	Last season, Bret was named Wildcats Most Improved Player. He started all 11 games at offensive tackle.
BRET WICKSTROM	7
Florence, Wis.	

	SOPHOMORE 6-3, 267 LBS
	OFFENSIVE LINEMAN
	Last season, Cliff played at offensive tackle and earned his first letter at NMU.
CLIFF CARTER	7
Ishpeming, Mich.	

	JUNIOR 6-2, 280 LBS
	OFFENSIVE LINEMAN
	Last season, Jeff started as offensive guard and earned his second letter at NMU.
JEFF BENETEAU	6
Shelby Township, Mich.	

	REDSHIRT FRESHMAN 6-3, 291 LBS
	OFFENSIVE LINEMAN
	Last season, Drew was redshirted. He came to Northern from Dearborn High School where he served as captain of his football team.
DREW SCHWARTZ	5
Dearborn, Mich.	

Photo Not Available	FRESHMAN 6-5, 316 LBS
	OFFENSIVE LINEMAN
	This season will be Robert's first season at NMU. He came to Northern from Charlevoix High School.
ROBERT BOSS	7
Charlevoix, Mich.	

	JUNIOR 6-3, 215 LBS
	OUTSIDE LINEBACKER
	Last season, Josh saw action as both a starter and a back-up at defensive end. He had 27 total tackles including 15 solos. He recorded 6 tackles for loss.
JOSH SHERKO	4
Lockport, Ill.	


	JUNIOR 5-10, 210 LBS
	OUTSIDE LINEBACKER
	Last season, Ryan was redshirted. He played in 2000 as a true freshman on defensive secondary and on special teams. He recorded four tackles.
RYAN WENDER	2
Iron Mountain, Mich.	

	JUNIOR 5-10, 210 LBS
	MIDDLE LINEBACKER
	Last season, Brandon recorded nine solo and 10 assisted tackles, including one tackle for a loss. He earned his second letter at Northern.
BRANDON GENWRIGHT	6
Saginaw, Mich.	

	SENIOR 6-1, 217 LBS
	MIDDLE LINEBACKER
	Last season, Ben recorded 52 total tackles. He intercepted three passes. He was named to the All-GLIAC Defense Honorable Mention Team.
BEN LAARMAN	5
Appleton, Wis.	

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JUNIOR
5-9, 170 LBS

CORNER

Last season, Sydney played for Sierra College in California. This will be his first season at Northern.

SYDNEY ST. HILAIRE 2
Miami, Fla.




REDSHIRT FRESHMAN
5-11, 180 LBS

CORNER

Last season, Matt was redshirted. This will be his first season starting for Northern.

MATT SHEM 2
Massillon, Ohio




SENIOR
5-10, 175 LBS

FREE SAFETY

Last season, Casey played on special teams and in the defensive secondary. He recorded 38 total tackles and had two quarterback sacks.

CASEY YOUNG 1
Gladstone, Mich.




SENIOR
5-8, 190 LBS

STRONG SAFETY

Last season, Nathan played on special teams and as a back-up in the defensive secondary. He recorded eight tackles and blocked one kick.

NATHAN TWORK 1
Menominee, Mich.




SOPHOMORE
6-0, 220 LBS

LINEBACKER

Last season, Dan played on special teams and as a back-up linebacker. He recorded 34 tackles and two quarterback sacks for a loss of 13 yards.

DAN STUDER 5
Massillo, Ohio



REDSHIRT FRESHMAN
5-10, 185 LBS

RUNNING BACK

Last season, Corey was redshirted. He came to Northern from Saginaw Nouvel Catholic Central where he was named to the All-Area First Team.

COREY WOODS 2
Saginaw, Mich.

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FRESHMAN
5-11, 190 LBS

RUNNING BACK

This season, Abram will start as a true freshman. He was recruited to Northern from Waverly High School.

ABRAM MCCOY 3
Lansing, Mich.




REDSHIRT FRESHMAN
5-9, 185 LBS

RUNNING BACK

Last season, Chad was redshirted. He came to Northern from Ishpeming High School where he was named All-State and All-Upper Peninsula.

CHAD KURIAN 2
Ishpeming, Mich.




SENIOR
6-3, 240 LBS

DEFENSIVE END

Last season, Luke played as both a starter and a key back-up defensive end. He had nine tackles for 40 yards in losses including two sacks.

LUKE SELDEN 4
Iron Mountain, Mich.




SENIOR
6-1, 243 LBS

DEFENSIVE LINEMAN

Last season, Ryan was named Wildcats Most Valuable Defensive Lineman. He recorded 42 tackles and had two quarterback sacks.

RYAN VANDERLIST 7
Big Rapids, Mich.




SENIOR
6-5, 235 LBS

DEFENSIVE END

Last season, Jamie was a starter and a back-up as defensive end. He recorded 12 solo and 14 assisted tackles. He recovered one fumble.

JAMIE CLOUS 9
Cadillac, Mich.




SENIOR
6-2, 252 LBS

DEFENSIVE LINEMAN

Last season, Craig started and played back-up as a defensive tackle. He recorded 17 total tackles including five for losses.

CRAIG DELEON 5
Ecorse, Mich.




SENIOR
5-10, 215 LBS

FULLBACK

Last season, Jeff played in all 11 games as fullback and was the second leading rusher with 244 yards. He had three touchdowns and 20 pass receptions.

JEFF OSBOURNE 5
Muskegon, Mich.



SOPHOMORE
6-1, 297 LBS

DEFENSIVE LINEMAN

Last season, Adam played on special teams and was a back-up in the defensive line. He recorded nine tackles, including one quarterback sack.

ADAM LEWINSKI 5
Detroit, Mich.


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SENIOR
6-2, 246 LBS

DEFENSIVE LINEMAN

Last season, Nick played for the University of Tennessee-Martin. This will be his first season at Northern.

NICK NORDSTROM 9
Sterling Heights, Mich.




SOPHOMORE
5-9, 190 LBS

DEFENSIVE BACK

Last season, Mike was a NMU squad member. He was named to the All-GLIAC Academic Team.

MIKE PLOURDE 3
Marquette, Mich.




JUNIOR
6-1, 201 LBS

DEFENSIVE BACK

Last season, Drew played in nine games before suffering an injury. He had 16 solo and 10 assisted tackles. He was named to the All-GLIAC Academic Team.

DREW BUYARSKI 1
Menominee, Mich.




SENIOR
5-11, 185 LBS

DEFENSIVE BACK

Last season, Valentine transferred to Northern from Modesto JC in California. He played in the defensive backfield and on special teams.

VALENTINE MANADA 1
Fountain Valley, Calif.



SENIOR
5-10, 198 LBS

DEFENSIVE BACK

Last season, Mike started all 11 games as a strong safety. He was the third leading tackler with 73 total tackles including seven for losses.

MIKE OSWALD 3
Hillman, Mich.

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FRESHMAN
5-10, 186 LBS

DEFENSIVE BACK

This season will be Joshua's first at NMU. He came to Northern from Harold S. Vincent High School in Wisconsin.

JOSHUA REED 4
Milwaukee, Wis.

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JUNIOR
6-2, 206 LBS

PUNTER

Last season, Ryan was named to the All-GLIAC First-Team. He was the only player in the GLIAC to average over 40 yards for the season.

RYAN WETTSTEIN 4
Chilton, Wis.


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FRESHMAN
6-0, 198 LBS

PUNTER

This season is Dan's first at NMU. He was recruited to Northern from Gwinn High School.

DAN RICKABY 9
Skandia, Mich.



REDSHIRT FRESHMAN
5-9, 165 LBS

KICKER

Last season, Kyle was redshirted. This season he will take on the job of handling field goals and extra points.

KYLE MAROTZ 8
Green Bay, Wis.

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FRESHMAN
5-11, 185 LBS

KICKER

This season will be Pete's first at NMU. He came to Northern from Flathead High School in Montana.

PETE SLOAN 8
Kalispell, Mont.

With a new coach and 14 returning players, the Wildcats are optimistic about the season. Head coach Doug Sams is looking to start the team off with a quick win and keep building upon each success until they are playing for a GLIAC championship.

New season gives new hope

BY TOM MURPHY
SPORTS STAFF REPORTER

With the disappointment of a losing season and the controversy of the resignation of Eric Holm behind them, the NMU Wildcat football team is optimistic and focused on improving on last year's 4-7 record.

New NMU head coach Doug Sams brings 11 years of head coaching experience to NMU.

Sams has a 58-52 career record. In 1996, while coaching at Fairmont State College in West Virginia, he was named Coach of the Year in the West Virginia Intercollegiate Athletic Conference. His team won two WVIAC conference championships (1996 and 2000).

Sams has been described by his players as upbeat. He has created a pleasant atmosphere at practice and in the locker room.

"The transition has been great," senior offensive lineman Craig Jaquet said of the coaching change.

Jaquet said the difference in coaching philosophies has been a noticeable change.

Sams is coming in with an open, fast-paced passing-oriented offense. The offense returns eight starters, including the entire offensive line.

"As a group, we've played together for a year now," Jaquet said. "Anytime you play together for years on end, you come together as a whole."

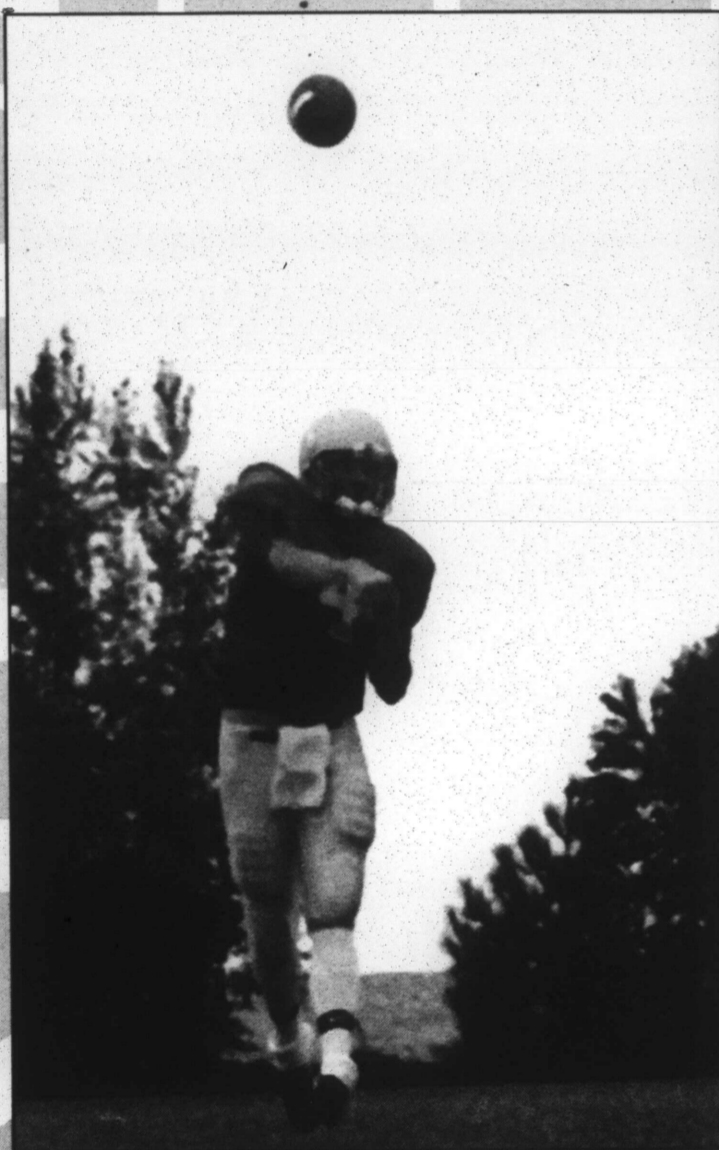
But the offense did suffer some major losses at quarterback and running back.

Junior quarterback Kyle Swenor takes over this year as the starting quarterback, replacing Brian White.

Last season Swenor played in just three games, and threw 35 times, completing 18 passes for 189 yards and one touchdown, while throwing three interceptions.

"I am very excited to be starting," Swenor said. "The practices haven't been too hard. Everything is easy to learn (and) easy to do, after you get the first learning out of the way."

Last year's leading receiver senior Brandon Munson returns and should thrive in the Wildcats' new offense. Junior tailback



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The Wildcats are looking to their quarterbacks this season to change the offense from a running game to a passing game.

Terrell Goldsmith has returned to the Wildcats after having to sit out the past three semesters for academic reasons. In the 2000 Goldsmith ran for 1,030 yards and six touchdowns.

"Offensively, we're trying to not be so up and down," Sams said. "We have our good days and our bad days. We're looking to be better finely tuned in game situations."

Defensively, the Wildcats lost six starters, including their top two tacklers and most of their secondary.

"Defensively, we want guys to be more consistent," Sams said. "If you make a play one day you've got to make it the next. So we're looking for consistency on defense because at times we are looking very good."

Key returners for the 'Cats include senior linebacker Ben Laarman (52 tackles, three inter-

ceptions last year) and senior strong safety Mike Oswald (73 tackles, three interceptions last year).

Sams stressed the theory of taking the season one game at a time.

"My most short term goal is to just win one game," Sams said. "Then after one, we want two. I just want us to play to our capabilities. One of the biggest things is that we need to not worry about the other team as much as we need to worry about ourselves — being comfortable, knowing assignments and playing together."

Sams said he thought the team needed to gain confidence in their abilities.

"We're going to try to be the best we can be and not worry about the opponent," he said. "We're going to try to play our style of football."



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Sophomore defensive lineman Adam Lewinski waits to begin his drill with fellow defensive lineman senior Craig Deleon and Gordon Biggums. The defense practices under the watchful eye of defensive line coach Bob Jurasin.

Head coach brings experience

BY MELANIE BOLTHOUSE
SPORTS EDITOR

New head football coach Doug Sams has made a large impact on the NMU football team, and the first game has yet to be played.

"It's been a night and day difference," senior offensive lineman Craig Jaquet said. "You go out the field and actually see guys smiling at practice."

Sams came to Northern in February with an extensive background in coaching.

He began his coaching career at Oregon State University in 1976, serving as the defensive line coach for two seasons. He then coached on multiple levels for Northern Iowa University, Idaho State University, the Cincinnati Bengals and the Ottawa Rough Riders of the Canadian Football League.

Before coming to NMU, he was the head coach at Fairmont State College in West Virginia for 10 years.

He left Fairmont with a record of 53-47-0 and two West Virginia Intercollegiate Athletic Conference football championships.

He was also named WVIAC Coach of the Year in 1996.

Since his career began at Northern, Sams has been working to continue his football accomplishments with the team at NMU.

Athletic director Dan Spielmann said he was impressed with the recruiting that Sams did for the pro-

gram and is confident in his football experience.

Sams said he chose Northern because he felt he could run the type of program he believed in.

Sams brings solid personal goals and a new coaching philosophy that the players and staff have already come to appreciate.

"It's awesome," senior quarterback Kyle Swenor said. "We can't deny that everyone has more energy. We don't have to question our work ethic because we want to work for these guys, and we're going to."

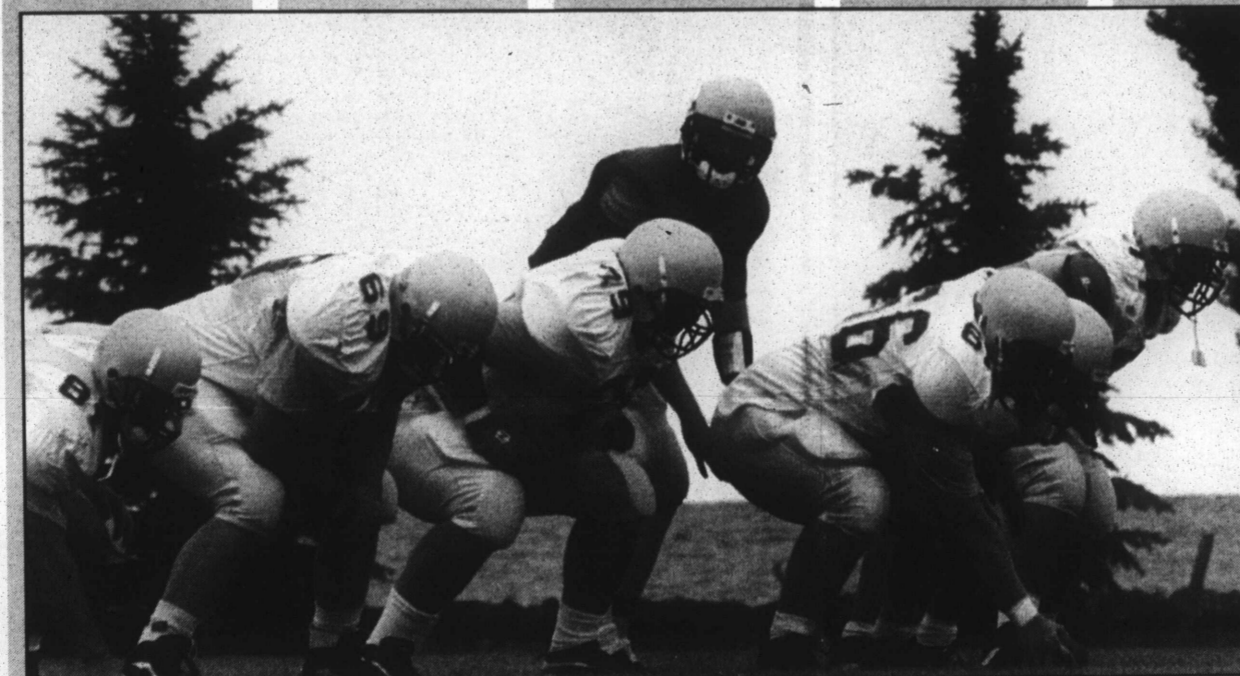
Sams said his personal goal for the season is to mold the program to where people will enjoy coming and watching them play.

"I want guys that want to be here, get an education, be part of a commu-



Sams

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The offensive line is led by offensive coach Matt Collins and offensive coordinator Mike Keller. Head coach Doug Sams is looking for his offense to gain consistency as they head into their first game against St. Cloud State.

Player overcomes obstacles to return

BY TOM MURPHY
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

Since the first time NMU junior tailback Terrell Goldsmith tried to play football, he has had to deal with setbacks.

When he was nine years old, he tried to join the local Pop Warner team with his brothers. But the coaches said he was too young.

"Man, I went home and cried," Goldsmith said. "My mom was like 'there's always next year,' but I didn't want to play next year, I wanted to play now."

When his brothers came home from practice and told Goldsmith that he would be able to practice with the team but not play in the games, that was just fine for him.

"So I joined the team," Goldsmith said. "I had the best time of my life. I've been playing ever since."

Goldsmith went on to shine as a high school player in Rockford, Ill.

In his senior season, he was being recruited by Division I schools such as Missouri and Notre Dame among others, but a shot at a DI never happened for Goldsmith.

"To this day, I don't know why," Goldsmith said. "I can't figure it out."

It was zoology class. All semester Goldsmith was asking if everything was OK. His mom even talked to the teacher and gave the teacher a work and home phone number and said "If Terrell's missing anything or not doing something, let me know."

The teacher said OK. In the middle of the semester, Goldsmith talked to the teacher and was told he had a solid 'C,' good enough to keep his G.P.A. where it needed to be to play DI football.

He did the rest of his work. "I knew I had a 'C' and really the only other assignment was this packet we had to hand in," he said. "On the last day of

class, I asked my teacher again if everything was cool. He said all I had to do was turn in my packet and that was it. So I handed in the packet."

The teacher failed him. From that class, his GPA dropped below where it needed to be to play DI football.

No other schools came calling. "That's why I'm glad (former NMU head) coach (Eric) Holm gave me a chance," Goldsmith said.

Goldsmith's GPA was good enough to play DI football and some of his high school coaches had ties to NMU, so he found his way up here. "God blessed me," Goldsmith said. "I'm glad God came when he did because home (Rockford, Ill.) is no place to be chillin'."

Goldsmith said that growing in Rockford, which is just west of Chicago, was hard at times. "I've heard people from Chicago say

that they won't ride through there," Goldsmith said. "I remember the year before I came there was a drive-by at the high school. My brother and my cousin were students there at the time. It is a wild place."

So Goldsmith came to NMU and had an immediate impact.

As a freshman, Goldsmith played in all 10 games rushing for 668 yards and he scored four touchdowns. He had an even stronger season the next year. He rushed for over a 1,000 yards and scored six touchdowns.

Then the bottom fell out again. "I think I started to look at football as being more important than education," Goldsmith said. "It wasn't that I forgot about school, it was just that I felt I had a role to live up to as a football player and I just didn't really think about classes."

Goldsmith was ruled academically ineligible after the 2000 season. He went back home to take some classes at his local junior college. He attempted to come back to the university the following semester, but

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Goldsmith

2002 WILDCAT FOOTBALL

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
Sept. 7	at St. Cloud State	2:00 p.m.
Sept. 14	Mercyhurst	7:00 p.m.
Sept. 21	Ferris State	7:00 p.m.
Sept. 28	at Univ. of Indianapolis	1:00 p.m.
Oct. 5	Hillsdale	1:00 p.m.
Oct. 12	Grand Valley State	7:00 p.m.
Oct. 19	Ashland	1:00 p.m.
Oct. 26	at Wayne State	1:00 p.m.
Nov. 2	at Michigan Tech	12:00 p.m.
Nov. 9	Saginaw Valley	1:00 p.m.
Nov. 16	at Northwood	12:00 p.m.

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With the Wildcats looking for a better passing game, wide receivers have become key elements to this year's successful offense.

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nity and play exciting football," he said. "Winning and all the other stuff takes care of itself."

Sams said he plans to take the season one game at a time and try

to build one success upon another.

"Your long term goal is in November to look and see how many games you've won," he said. "You always want to put yourself in a position the last

couple games of the year to play for a conference championship."

Since his move from West Virginia, Sams said he has been enjoying NMU and Marquette.

"I love it," he said. "Great place to be."

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after a problem with his transcripts, he was unable to return to NMU.

He took more junior college classes and attempted to go to another school in Missouri to play football. The school decided that his junior college credits would not transfer.

Again Goldsmith was dealing with the frustration of not being able to play football.

"When they told me that they wouldn't accept my transcripts, the coach said to just take another year, maybe go back to NMU and get some more classes in," he said. "I decided that I am not going

through this anymore. I was sitting with my cousin, tears in my eyes and I said 'ain't nothing going to stop me from getting to the league,' he looked at me with a blank look on his face like, 'look man, they just told you that you can't play'."

Goldsmith was determined to keep playing football.

"I got on the phone and talked to Coach Sams," Goldsmith said. "I told him exactly what happened."

NMU accepted Goldsmith's credits from the junior college. Now he's back playing for the Wildcats.

"I love this game," Goldsmith said. "Now you know why I play so hard."



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Players scrimmage in practice to fine tune their skills for the game on Sept. 7. The defensive line takes turns playing offense and listening to the advice of the coach who is watching for errors.

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