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University board member dies at 84



Courtesy of Tom Buchkoe

Ellwood A. Mattson, an NMU alumnus, Board of Trustees member and respected Marquette resident, died at the age of 84.

BY ADAM WESTHOUSE
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Ellwood A. Mattson, NMU Board of Trustee Member and Marquette area civic and business leader, died at his home on the morning of Nov. 30 at the age of 84.

More than 1,000 people paid their respects to Mattson at the NMU visitation, held from 4 to 8 p.m. on Dec. 3 in the Great Lakes Rooms in the University Center. A Masonic Service was also held at 7 p.m.

Mattson served on the Board of Trustees for more than 10 years. He was instrumental in founding the Northern Michigan School of Banking in 1961 and was an instructor for 25 years. He also was a member of the Golden Wildcat Club and was the honorary national chairman for This Decisive Season: The Campaign for NMU. Mattson also received the Distinguished Alumni Award and Distinguished Citizens Award

from the university.

NMU President Judi Bailey said Mattson is highly respected throughout the campus and Marquette communities.

"He was so kind and compassionate and would always accept challenges and work with everyone on making difficult decisions," Bailey said. "Ellwood always looked at the long-term picture. He was a great coalition-builder by bringing together people from different organizations to find solutions."

Aside from his extensive involvement at NMU, Mattson was an active member and well-known figure throughout the Marquette area and the entire Upper Peninsula.

In 1991, Mattson retired from his position as President of the First National Bank and Trust Company of Marquette, now known as Wells Fargo Bank, Michigan. He continued to serve on the Marquette General Hospital Board of Trustees, the Marquette

County Chamber of Commerce and the Marquette County Board of Commissioners, and was also a member of the K.I. Sawyer Air Force Base Conversion project.

"Leadership like his is hard to come by, and he always cared passionately about the students," Bailey said. "He was one of our dearest friends and alumni members."

NMU Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs Fred Joyal said Mattson was a person who believed in moving forward.

"He was interested in people making things happen rather than waiting for things to happen," Joyal said. "He recognized that it required discussion and debate to arrive at a consensus, but he never lost sight of the fact that consensus was the goal, and not just discussion."

Executive Director of Development Virginia Zinser worked with Mattson on the NMU
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Fatal traffic accidents claim students' lives

Student dies in two-car collision by Iron River

BY ADAM WESTHOUSE
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

An NMU student was killed in a two-car accident in the early morning hours of Nov. 29 near Iron River.

Sophomore environmental architecture major Nathanael Timbrook, 31, was driving along the Caspian Cutoff Road between M-189 and County Road 424 south of Iron River when his car was struck by a vehicle coming from the opposite direction, Michigan State Police Trooper Chad Strutz said.

Strutz could not specify what injuries Nathanael sustained to cause his death, nor any further details about the accident itself due to an ongoing investigation.

Strutz said the driver whose vehicle struck Nathanael's was charged with Operating Under the Influence of Liquor. Strutz didn't identify the driver or any other charges that were pending against him.

Nathanael's sister, Kimberly Timbrook, said that the preliminary investigation found that Nathanael may have crossed the centerline.

The time of the accident was around 2:30 a.m.

It is still unclear what the cause of the crash was, although Kimberly said her brother may

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Conditions blamed for weekend car accidents

BY ADAM WESTHOUSE
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Hazardous driving conditions due to one of the largest snowfalls of the early winter season caused a number of fatal automobile accidents, one including an NMU student and another involving the parents of another student.

The first incident occurred at about 2:18 p.m. on Dec. 1, when authorities arrived on the scene of a fatal accident on U.S. 41 South near Furnace Street, Marquette City Police Sgt. Steve Snowaert said.

Snowaert said undeclared freshman Jason Fall, 19, of Newberry, apparently lost control of his 1991 Oldsmobile while heading north on Front Street.

The vehicle slid sideways and crossed the centerline before being broadsided on its passenger side by a 1990 Mitsubishi SUV heading south on Front Street.

Freshman English major Michael Richards, 18, also of Newberry, who was sitting in the passenger seat of the Oldsmobile, was rushed to Marquette General Hospital where he was pronounced dead, Snowaert said.

Fall was also taken to MGH where he received treatment for a broken pelvis and

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Crime scene



Kelly Adams/NW

One incident of breaking and entering was reported at the Center Street home of President Judi Bailey on Nov. 26. Public Safety Capt. Jeff Mincheff said it is still under investigation.

The next issue of The North Wind will be published Jan. 16, 2003. Happy holidays!

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Development Fund and said she remembers him as a leader and mentor to many administration and staff members at NMU.

"Elwood was instrumental in serving the community," Zinser said. "He was an incredible man of character, but he had a quiet way of bringing out the best in people."

"He was a treasured man and his presence will be greatly missed, especially by those who worked with him at NMU."

Mattson was born on Nov. 15,

1918, in Iron Mountain and graduated from NMU in 1950 with a B.S. degree in business administration.

He also graduated from the University of Wisconsin School of Banking.

Mattson is survived by his wife Idamae, two children and four grandchildren.

Additional visitation services took place at the Messiah Lutheran Church in Marquette on Dec. 3.

Funeral services were held at 5 p.m. on Dec. 4 at the Messiah Lutheran Church.

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have fallen asleep at the wheel and crossed the centerline as he drove home following a Thanksgiving gathering with family and friends.

Conditions on area roads that night were slick and icy in many spots, Kimberly said.

She said her brother probably took the Caspian Cutoff Road as his route home after dropping off a friend a few minutes before.

The crash site was only about one half mile from his residence in Iron River.

Kimberly said Nathanael, whose nickname was "Stucky," was a very well-liked person among those who knew him.

"Nathanael loved his family

and friends," Kimberly said. "He also loved music — he played guitar and wrote his own songs. He was always a happy person and never had unkind words for anybody."

Nathanael had worked as a cable constructor in several communities around the country before returning to the Upper Peninsula and NMU this fall to continue his undergraduate studies.

He is survived by his mother, five brothers, six sisters and numerous nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held at 6 p.m. today at the Langenberg Funeral Home-Iron River Chapel.

No visitation services are planned.

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ribs, Snowaert said.

The driver of the Mitsubishi, Joy Hadley, 43, of Harvey, sought her own medical treatment for minor injuries, Snowaert said.

Both Fall and Richards were returning to NMU to resume classes after the holiday weekend.

Junior ecology major Lindsay Anderson, a student personnel supervisor at the Marketplace, worked with Richards.

"He was quiet, but he was really nice," Anderson said. "He was really cool and always willing to help out."

Richards was an accomplished musician who participated in the Taquamenon High School Band and was a recipient of the Helen Permort and John Phillip Sousa awards for music.

Richards is survived by his parents, sister, fiancée, maternal grandmother and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

A memorial celebration will be held at 7 p.m. on Dec. 6 at the United Methodist Church in Newberry.

A second fatal accident took place at 3:30 p.m. on U.S. 41

LOCAL COUNSELING SERVICES

The following places can help when dealing with the death of a friend or relative:

NMU Counseling Center
227-2981

**Marquette General Hospital
Department of Pastoral Care**
225-7540

Pathways
225-7250 or 1-888-728 4929

Area churches

about two miles south of Trenary.

A 1996 Plymouth Voyager heading southbound crossed the centerline and was hit by a northbound 1998 Jeep Cherokee, said Dan Martin, Michigan State Police Trooper of the Munising Post.

The driver and passenger in the Voyager, Roland J. Hopp, 60, and his wife, Pamala J. Hopp, 55, of Vandalia, were pronounced dead at the scene, Martin said.

The Hopps were returning

to their downstate home after visiting their daughter Jodie Hopp, an NMU student, for the holiday weekend, Martin said.

The driver and passenger of the Jeep, Robert Mank, 20, of Battle Creek and Margaret T. Bush, of White Pigeon, were taken by ambulance and treated at Marquette General Hospital.

Martin said the snow-covered road conditions were most likely to blame for the accident.

Michigan State Police Trooper Jason Wickstrom said Sunday was the worst day of the holiday weekend in terms of accidents.

"Conditions were iciest on Sunday," Wickstrom said. "It would have been the average weekend but the increased traffic for Thanksgiving caused all the more problems."

Wickstrom said the snow and ice-covered roads made it extremely difficult for drivers to bring their vehicles to a stop while remaining in control.

The U.S. 41 and M-28 corridors were the most hazardous roads to drive on during last weekend's storm as they received more snow and also funneled the most traffic in the region, Wickstrom said.

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Fishermen drown after boat sinks

ESCANABA — A Lake Michigan boating accident off the Stonington Peninsula in Delta County claimed the lives of two out-of-state fisherman on Saturday. U.S. Coast Guard authorities recovered the bodies of Joseph Zahn, 50, of Sheboygan Falls, Wis., and Robert Hudgens, 49, of Batavia, Ill., after their 18.5-foot fishing boat took on excess water and capsized around 1:20 p.m. The boat's lone survivor, Stephen Smithberger, 43, of Union, Ill., was found over four hours later clinging to a sheet of ice after an onshore resident reported seeing a person floating in the water, authorities said. Smithberger was rescued and treated for severe frostbite at St. Francis Hospital in Escanaba.

National

Winter weather strikes Carolinas

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Freezing rain, ice and heavy snowfall resulted in major power outages and poor road conditions throughout North and South Carolina on Wednesday evening. The storm system which moved through had already caused widespread havoc on areas of Oklahoma and Arkansas as well as the mountainous areas of Tennessee and Virginia. Tens of thousands of people remained without power in Arkansas and Oklahoma as of late Wednesday evening. Authorities in the Carolinas said they were prepared for the worst on Wednesday night, as weather forecasters called for the possibility of an additional inch of ice coating to accumulate, which could leave more than one million people without power.

International

United Nations extend aid in Iraq

UNITED NATIONS — The U.N. Security Council voted unanimously Wednesday to extend their humanitarian program in Iraq for six months and review a list of goods that Baghdad needs approval to import within 30 days. The resolution marked a compromise between the United States, which hopes to quickly add about 50 items with possible military uses to the list, and the other 14 council members, led by Russia, who hoped to renew the oil-for-food program for the typical six-month period. The United States has been at odds with the Security Council on the what the renewed length of the program should be. The compromise preserves council unity over Iraq at a critical time, with U.N. inspectors entering the country searching for illegal arms.

Weird News

Oasis singer loses teeth in brawl

MUNICH, Germany — Liam Gallagher, frontman for the British rock group Oasis, was involved in a nightclub brawl on Monday which left the singer with several missing teeth and other facial injuries, German police said. Gallagher was accompanied by two other members of Oasis when the fight broke out between the band members and five Italians in a nightclub at Munich's top hotel, the Bayerischer Hof. Authorities said that when Gallagher was detained he attacked a police officer and kicked him in the ribs "with full force." Oasis' concert scheduled for Monday night in Hamburg was cancelled due to the incident. According to a spokesperson for Oasis, Gallagher said he would be spending much of Tuesday in the dentist's chair.

— Compiled from news sources

Assault suspect charged

NMU student James Brown turns himself over to police

BY SCOTT SWANSON
STAFF WRITER

An NMU student and former USOEC boxer has been arrested in connection with alleged incidents of sexual assault that took place in Halverson Hall on Nov. 15.

Charles Brown turned himself in to authorities at approximately 3:30 p.m. on Nov. 25, Assistant Director of Police Services Jeffrey Mincheff said. He was subsequently released on \$25,000 bond.

"He had his lawyer call us to say that he would be turning himself in," Mincheff said. "Brown must have known we were looking for him."

Brown is facing charges of home invasion and criminal sexual assault.

The preliminary hearing is scheduled for Dec. 6, Mincheff said. At the hearing, a judge will review the case and decide if it

will go to court.

Mincheff said he is sure the case will go to court.

"After it goes to court, we'll have an opportunity to sit down and talk with him," he said.

If convicted, Brown could face maximum sentences of 15 years in prison for criminal sexual assault and 20 years for home invasion, Marquette County Prosecuting Attorney Gary Walker said.

The two penalties would not be added together, however.

"There could also be additional penalties that haven't been worked out yet," Walker said.

Brown, who is in his mid-20s, allegedly entered Halverson Hall on Nov. 15, where he proceeded to the second floor and began entering unlocked rooms. He entered 11 rooms in all, Mincheff said.

Several female residents claim to have been sexually assaulted.

USOEC Director Jeff

Kleinschmidt confirmed that Brown had formerly been a member of the boxing team, but was not at the time the incident occurred.

"He was removed from the team because he had dropped some classes without prior approval," Kleinschmidt said.

Kleinschmidt said he was not aware of any behavioral problems Brown may have had while a member of the team.

Mincheff said Public Safety hasn't encountered many similar incidents in the past.

"In the last 10 years, there's only been one other occasion like this that I know of, where somebody randomly entered numerous rooms," Mincheff said.

According to the Northern Michigan University Public Safety and Police Services Crime Statistics Web site, there were 10 reported accounts of criminal sexual conduct at NMU between 1999 and 2001. Of those, four cases have been classified as unfound or baseless.

Public Safety reminds all students to keep their doors locked at all times, Mincheff said.

Victims offered support

BY MARY ANN CANCELLA
NEWS EDITOR

In an effort to deal with the occurrences of sexual assault in Halverson Hall on Nov. 15, Director of Housing Carl Holm and the NMU Counseling Center set up a counseling session for anyone affected by the incidents.

Holm said approximately 20 people attended the meeting.

"We wanted to put counselors faces with names so students know who to see and how to see them," Holm said.

He said many students said they weren't sure who to call during an emergency situation such as this.

"We were concerned about how the students were doing," Holm said.

Some people were upset by the incidents and needed to talk to someone immediately, Head of the Counseling Center and Associate Professor Thomas Stanger said.

"That is our business as usual," Stanger said. "We offer help for anyone affected by sexual assault and that's pretty much all you can do."

Stanger said a lot of people who were affected by the incidents of sexual assault were dealing with pure fright.

"The sooner people talk about accounts of sexual assault, the less traumatic the experience will be," Stanger said.

He said some people who experience sexual assault will tuck it away and not talk about

the incidents may have happened at NMU.

"because it is too painful to deal with, but people who do talk about it must be willing to come forward."

"There is a real sense of powerlessness, guilt and sadness that people feel," Stanger said. "It's an emotional upheaval and step number one is to let it all out."

Stanger said victims don't necessarily need to talk to counselors, but to anyone they can trust.

He said between one out of four and one out of six college women are sexually assaulted at some point during their college career.

However, the statistics are difficult to verify because most people will not see a counselor, Stanger said.

He estimated that he saw approximately 20 students last year who were dealing with sexual assault, but said that not all of

the incidents may have happened at NMU.

The counseling session set up for students was coordinated with the resident advisers and resident director of Halverson Hall, Stanger said.

"We discussed how to approach the situation and provided open communication," Stanger said. "The RA's know they always have our ears."

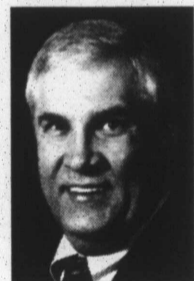
Holm said no other meetings were held other than the counseling meeting in Halverson Hall.

"We did relay all the information about the assaults to all of the housing staff so that they were aware of the security issues," Holm said.

However, Holm said he did not feel it was necessary to have other campus-wide meetings about the incident.

He said there hasn't been much discussion about changing the current security at NMU as a result of this incident.

Holm also said that he would like to remind students that their best security is to keep their doors closed and locked at all times.



Holm

FORECAST

- **Friday:** Mostly cloudy with a chance of snow flurries. High around 21. Low in the lower teens.
- **Saturday:** A 50 percent chance of snow. High around 26. Low around 8.
- **Sunday:** Mostly cloudy with snow possible. High around 24. Low around 10. Chance of snow 30 percent.

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Where to report sexual assault

- NMU Counseling Center—201 Cohodas, 227-2981
- Dean of Students—1104 University Center, 227-1700
- Vielmetti Health Center—ground floor, Gries Hall, 227-2355
- Marquette General Hospital ER—420 Magnetic St., 225-3560
- NMU Public Safety—100 Services Building, 227-2151
- Women's Center Crisis Line—1310 S. Front St., 226-6611
- Marquette County Sheriff—236 W. Baraga Ave., 228-6980
- Police Central Dispatch—911

Broken steamline cuts off heat, classes

BY MARY ANN CANCELLA
NEWS EDITOR

A main steamline at NMU broke between 10 and 11 p.m. on Dec. 1, causing the loss of both heat and hot water to all campus buildings, with the exception of the Lincoln Street Apartments, and all classes were canceled on Dec. 2 as a result.

Director of Plant Operations Dennis Cieslinski said the broken steam pipe was caused by a rupture in an expansion joint within

the pipe.

"We have thousands of feet of steam lines and when they heat up they expand," Associate Vice President of Business Services and Facilities Carl Pace said. "The pipes must have a joint within them that allows them to expand and contract."

The break caused a loss of steam pressure within the pipe and NMU was forced to shut down the line, Cieslinski said.

Cieslinski said the pipe was one of the main steam pipes used

to heat campus and that the break occurred in the part of the pipe that leads directly out of the NMU heating plant.

The plant is located on the northwest corner of Wright Street and Sugarloaf Avenue. Cieslinski said the broken pipe was one the original pipes installed at NMU in 1961.

"We've had smaller expansion parts of the steam line go, but it was nothing we couldn't take care of relatively fast," Cieslinski said.

In order to bring the pipe back on line, NMU hired Dressler Mechanical Contractors to weld the pipes.

However, before the welding team could begin working on the pipe, NMU was also forced to call an emergency asbestos abatement crew to remove asbestos in order to reach the broken piece of the pipe. Pace said the welding team cut a portion of the pipe out where the expansion joint was.

He said the welding team fabricated a piece of the pipe to use as a temporary replacement for a expansion joint.

"These are specialty parts that must be ordered," Pace said. "You can't just walk into Menards and buy them."

Cieslinski said Plant Operations workers are hoping to



Chris Mosier/NW

Junior industrial technology major John Jessen spends the afternoon testing out his snowboarding abilities on the hill between Art and Design Studios North and the Summit Street apartments.



Chris Mosier/NW

Sophomore marketing major Kristin Thorrington gets help from sophomore criminal justice major Eric Junot on Dec. 2. Classes were canceled due to a ruptured expansion joint in a steam pipe.

go in and completely fix the pipe at convenient time, since the entire operation will take up to 10 hours, in which the university would lose heat.

"We had to bring the heat on real slow and we have our fingers crossed," Cieslinski said.

He said they brought in the first crews to work on the pipe at approximately 3 a.m. Dec. 2.; however they did not complete the job until 1 p.m. Heat was turned on again at this time and

by 6 p.m. students around campus should have noticed a difference, Cieslinski said.

Pace said everything seems to be running smoothly since they worked on the pipes. He said Northern is currently operating at 70 pounds of steam pressure.

"These things rarely fail," Pace said. "If we have another failure, we will do what we have to do."

Pace said he is sure NMU will not experience another failure.



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Dorm sprinklers break

BY JEREMIAH BRITT
STAFF WRITER

Two sprinkler heads — one in the Gant/Spalding lobby and one in the Payne/Halverson lobby were damaged as a result of a broken steam pipe that lowered the lobby's temperature on Dec. 2.

Director of Housing and Residence Life Carl Holm said ice had formed around the sprinkler heads and when it started to thaw it allowed water to flow from the sprinklers.

Senior physics major Dan Welling said the problem was quickly addressed by many staff members and residents in the lobby.

"Fortunately in Payne/Halverson we had a lot of [help] — not just RAs but residents as well," Welling said.

Resident adviser of Springfield House in Payne Hall Kevin Conlin said he was impressed by how quickly people pulled together and helped out.

Conlin said Mary-Kate Dietrich, the resident director of Halverson Hall, helped organize people to help get the water out of the lobby as fast as possible.

"It was very cool because we had 30 people helping out,"

Deitrich said. "People just jumped in to help."

Sophomore political science major Britt Johnson-Dunlop said he walked into very wet lobby floors at 10 p.m. on Dec. 2.

"I came home and there was water streaming out of the building and the RAs were all standing there with brooms in their hands," Johnson-Dunlop said. "I was down here [in the lobby] playing canasta and all of a sudden I noticed a real oily smell coming my way."

Johnson-Dunlop said he then heard the water drop and people shouting "sprinklers!"

Sophomore electronic journalism major Chad Silbur said the residents all went to different maintenance closets and got mops and sponges to help clean up the mess.

"After the black stuff came out, the sprinklers were pouring cold water, and we stood under them and tried to push it out the door," Silbur said.

Dietrich said the oily smell was due to a black substance that initially came out of the pipes, which may have been a fire retardant or a chemical to stop the pipes from freezing.

While nearly 30 residents helped mop and clean in the

Payne and Halverson lobby, a similar situation presented itself in the Gant and Spalding lobby. There wasn't nearly as much resident support, Dietrich said.

"After the black stuff came out, the sprinklers were pouring cold water, and we stood under them and tried to push it out the door."

— Chad Silbur
sophomore,
electronic journalism

"This side (Payne/Halverson) worked together so much better, even though it was a lot worse," freshman physical geography major Katrina Bosma said. "When everyone came together, it was so much more impressive than what happened over at Gant/Spalding."

Johnson-Dunlop said the volunteers from the Payne and Halverson side immediately ran over to the Gant/Spalding lobby to help the residents there deal with the mess.

"The guy who came into fix [the pipes] said the maintenance staff pretty much knew it was going to happen," Johnson-Dunlop said.

Lab science gets high rating

Clinical laboratory sciences at NMU has been reaccredited at the bachelor's and master's levels for seven years — the longest term available.

A site visit report submitted to the National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences failed to identify a single deficiency, concern or suggestion for improvement.

"It was spotless," CLS Director Lucille Contois said. "I like to make the analogy of a white-glove inspection. They left with white gloves."

Contois said site visitors are volunteers from different programs, so it is never known what their interpretation of the criteria will be.

"Very few schools offer the career-ladder programming like we do, so its sometimes worrisome when the site visitors have a different frame of reference," Contois said. "Fortunately it all worked out very well in the end."

NMU is one of the only schools in the country to offer both associate and bachelor's degrees in CLS. In 1997, it was singled out by the national publication, "Laboratory Medicine," for setting a standard that enables students to climb the "perfect career ladder."

Contois said NMU's dual role of community college and university helps ensure a smooth transition for students who have achieved an associate degree.

They can either enter the work force as a medical laboratory technician or press toward a bachelor's degree and gain the title of medical technologist.

Contois said the department enrolls approximately 100 students.


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EDITORIAL

Dear Santa,

The holiday season is officially upon us. Santa will be visiting the University Center at the "Lighting Up The Holidays" celebration this evening, and we, members of The North Wind staff, have prepared our wish list:

- Please give us more money for next year's university budget. It's not looking good, and we can't afford a tuition hike.
- Electric blankets for people in the dorms and on-campus apartments. That way, when the steamline blows again and we don't have the special-ordered parts, we'll be ready.
- Get us a new, pro-peace president to lead our country. You know, someone less "inherently evil." Violence is not the answer.
- Please supply us with a team of reliable and persistent writers who turn stories in on time.
- We'd like safe winter travel conditions for everyone.
- Send down some stockings full of coal for the people who stole the 3,000 copies of the Nov. 14 issue of The North Wind. They should be on Santa's naughty list this year.
- Can you please bring Harry Senate back to "Boston Public?" He was our favorite character and the show isn't the same without him.
- Please put in a good word for Tracy Hruska so she can continue as our volleyball coach. She did a great job this season and is also highly quotable.
- Give the university a hand with the Hedgcock renovations. We always have great intentions, but our follow through is usually a bit shaky.
- Could we get some security guards and a snow fort of epic proportions to surround the Bailey house to intimidate Marquette thugs?
- While John Madden is an improvement over Dennis Miller for a Monday Night Football commentator, we still think there is a more suitable personality out there for the job.
- Please make sure everyone has a happy and safe holiday season.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Blame shouldn't be placed on everyone

I am writing about the article "Rape Prevention Should Be Everyone's Job" written by Kyle Ortiz (Nov. 21).

I understand the significance and seriousness of rape, but the blatant attempt to label men in this article as the only offenders of rape is a disgrace.

Not only does Kyle do this, but the fact that the writer makes all readers feel that they are partially to blame also disturbed me.

A large majority of rape occurrences happen to women, I acknowledge that, but it happens to men as well.

There are times when we see someone forcing themselves on others and I do agree that intervention is needed.

Unfortunately though, we find that a large majority of rapes happen when people are alone.

Rape tends to be a reactive crime, such as burglary. We usually can't take action against the perpetrators until the crime has been committed. Of course then it is too late, and someone has been victimized.

There are things we can do to prevent this.

We do need to be aware of the people at social gatherings that we attend. But the article failed to mention any prevention

tips beyond this.

There are self-defense classes available for females and several martial art groups in the area.

I do not understand what drives people to rape; then again I do not know what drives some people to lash out at the opposite sex either.

Maybe that is why I am not in college to become a psychiatrist, but to become a teacher. In the end, rape prevention is hard, that is a known fact otherwise it would be easy to prevent.

Unfortunately we have to be realistic and understand that to blame everyone is not fair.

Brandon J. LaVictor
 junior, business secondary education

Deaths offer reminder

A theme of death seems to prevail in the newspaper this week. Learning about the untimely deaths of three members of the campus community, I began thinking about my own mortality, and the ramifications thereof.

It was sad to think of those who have passed and my heart goes out to their grieving families. These deaths reminded me just how fragile we are as human beings, and how easily we can lose our precious gift of life.

Looking at the obituaries made me wonder what my own might read like one day. Would it say I was an aspiring journalist? A mediocre copy editor? A wife? Mother? How would I be defined by those people I had just left behind?

As a wordsmith, I found myself wanting the opportunity to craft my own eulogy, to perhaps make my life seem more tidy and glorious than it actually was, to make it seem like I had actually done something with my time on earth.

While no one can forecast the future, I do believe we all have a say in how things turn out.

In reading the obituary of

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BY KRISTY BASOLO

Ellwood Mattson, I realized the impact one person can have on the lives of others. It is apparent that Mattson inspired many people and touched many lives. With an estimated 1,000 people paying their respects to him at NMU on Tuesday, it is hard to ignore the influence he had in both the campus and Marquette communities.

Involved in many boards and committees, he seems to have spent his life giving to the community — and making it a better place for those living in it.

Mattson wears many titles after 84 years of living: husband, father, mentor and leader, just to name a few. His presence will be missed.

"I just wonder who will fill his shoes," a community mem-

ber said. "He was everything to this area. I don't see how you can replace him."

Over the years, Mattson was presented with honors and awards, thanking him for the many things he had done to serve Marquette.

These awards were tokens of thanks, but we can only hope he understood how much he was appreciated.

We all can't become what Mattson was to the Marquette community, but we certainly can aspire to. Each of us has unique gifts and talents which allow us to give back to the community we live in, to those who are less fortunate than us, to our families and friends.

Perhaps in this season of giving, we can all be reminded that it isn't the presents under the tree which define us as givers. As college students, we hopefully have years to accomplish our dreams and goals. But our most precious commodity — time — is precisely what we must learn to give back to those around us.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Kristy welcomes reactions to her columns at opinion@thenorthwind.org.

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Dream offers future insight

So I'm thinking about the future, a lot lately, especially since I couldn't go home over break and was very bored. This led me to dream about the future, and here are the bulk of my dreams:

The Internet, as we know it, will die, go the way of the laser disc and the eight track. With dot-coms continuing to fail, and the prices for web-hosting going up, it will become improbable for Average Joe to keep his Web site "Having Sex Wearing a Star Trek Uniform Made of Pine Cones" hosted on Geocities.

Thankfully for Joe, these "free" hosting sites will be unnecessary.

Computers are getting better every moment and broadband communication is becoming the norm. Soon, everyone will have a hard drive and a separate (for security reasons) "web drive" which will host the person's sites and allow quick read times for uploading.

However, due to increases in illegal file sharing and pornography, people will have to apply for "Web licenses," with a point system similar to driver's license. One will still be able to Web design drunk.

Also, the Internet will stop being pompous and simply use lower-case letters to be known as "the internet."

Genetic manipulation will be the next rebellious youth fad, although I doubt my dream's prediction of lobster-clawed and multiple-headed teens of angst. Most likely it will involve impossible eye colors (paisley) and poorly thought-out animated tattoos (Spongebob doing something improbable to the president with rutabaga).

Here my dream was briefly about emu and ostrich rodeos, which I hope don't come into fashion, even though I'm sure it's all the rage in Brazil.

People will discover that the best way to break down walls between groups of race, creed and sexual orientation will be to build even higher walls between individuals with instant messaging, which allows a 57-year-old Jewish African-American male to become a 17-year-old white Catholic lesbian. Everybody will instant message, and it will surpass phone use simply because a "smiley alphabet," over 5,000 characters long, will be taught in public

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BY JEREMIAH BRITT

schools. Instant messaging spelling will evolve into an unintelligible language all of its own, with changes being made at such a pace that failing to instant message for two days will cause total incomprehension.

Ironically, personal instant messaging devices will have voice recognition and synthesizers, so people can still talk into cell-phone-like devices in public areas.

This is why restaurants will become "cell phone free," much in the way many became "smoke free" in the nineties. High quality electronics and software will be so abundant that prices will drop to the point where the average consumer can make movies on par with '80s Hollywood. Neighborhood cinemas will pop-up that show locally produced films exclusively, and talent shows will take 100 times longer. CG people will still look like Jell-O.

Video games will become so realistic that they will be exactly like the real world and, therefore, boring. The end of my dream got a little rushed, as surely the prophecy was trying to make as much of itself seen as possible.

Medicine will never cure AIDS or cancer, but it will cure morning breath, bags under the eyes and hangnails. Cloning will fall into disfavor overnight when a priest is caught with his younger, altar-boy self. We will never have flying cars, but Fisher Price will have a limited run of Baby's First Jetpack.

I woke to go to work, but, as my alarm went off, I fell out of bed shouted these cryptic words: "Why dog carry leash on back? Glow Shovel Knapsack!" Truly these words will carry us into the New Year.

Glow Shovel Knapsack to you, and Peace On Earth!

EDITOR'S NOTE: Jeremiah welcomes reactions to his columns at opinion@thenorthwind.org.

Respect Mother Earth

Our economy is suffering. So what do we do in an attempt to remedy this problem? We take shortcuts with the environment in order to fix our short-term economic problems while ignoring the long-run consequences and contributing too much larger problems that can affect the survival of people on this planet.

President Bush has — in one week's time — eased the EPA clean-air rules and cut back on logging restrictions in national forest. The environment seems to be the first thing ignored by people when economic problems arise. A country disregarding its environment to remedy its economy is like a person selling his or her limbs to pay back their debts. You may get out of debt, but you've greatly crippled yourself. Likewise, these policies may help alleviate some of the problems with the economy, but at what cost?

With an easing of the clean air rules, environmentalist warn, air quality will worsen causing a rise in asthma attacks, premature deaths and emergency room visits. Under the new provisions, coal-burning power plants would be allowed to upgrade and not have to meet standards for up to 10 years. This is a frightening prospect considering a recent Harvard study linking 300 deaths and 500,000 occurrences of upper respiratory disease annually to nine coal-burning

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BY KYLE ORTIZ

plants in Illinois, numbers that will only worsen with relaxed standards. Are we willing to sacrifice the air we breath to shorten this recession that is already showing signs of waning? I'd rather not suffer from Uncle Sam's second-hand smoke.

Air quality is only going to be further damaged by the Bush administration's decision to cut back on logging rules. Fewer trees mean more carbon dioxide and less oxygen in the air. Even more devastating, however, is where these extra trees are coming from. Under the new rules, logging companies will be allowed to start cutting into formerly-protected areas of national forest. The rationale for this decision was that national forests are for everyone and this move will help more effectively involve the public. It is true that national forest are for everyone, but they are for everyone who is willing to go out and enjoy them, not for them to be brought to the public in the form of paper napkins.

Many of these national forests contain trees that are older than this country.

But our country doesn't seem to mind tearing things down, especially when it comes to the environment. Americans continually refuse the little extra effort to ensure success over the long haul. We litter what can be easily thrown out; we drive when we could walk; we repeatedly abuse the environment with our immense consumption, then when we consume too much and can't afford it we take back what protection we have given the environment in order to abuse it more efficiently and cheaply. For a country so obsessed with investing let's actually invest in something that will give us returns — the environment.

It is a gross misconception that we are killing the planet. Only Americans would be arrogant enough to think we have that ability. In truth, the more we abuse this planet the less hospitable it will be towards us, until one day when it's had enough, and it will just shake us off and go on long after we are gone. So start treating this gracious host of a planet with some dignity and respect, or don't be surprised when we are no longer welcome.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Kyle welcomes reactions to his columns at opinion@thenorthwind.org.

SOUND OFF

What is on your wish list this year?

— Compiled by Arthur Gelsing



Kristin Bycroft
sophomore, microbiology
"An engagement ring!"



Sarah Clarke
sophomore, biology
"To pass my finals."



David DeChambeau
freshman, criminal justice
"A 6'2" blonde."



Celia Menz
freshman, photography
"To get out of the U.P. and go home."



Kurt Payne
junior, network computing
"I just want my wife to get well."



Jeremy Wills
sophomore, nursing
"New alignment, new back tires for winter and a four-wheeler."

Students deserve warning

Recently 11 rooms in Halverson Hall were illegally entered by an intruder and several female students say they were sexually assaulted in the early morning hours of Nov. 15.

However, any information concerning this incident was not released to the campus community at large until much later.

Although reasons of confidentiality make it necessary to keep details of the incident private, the campus community should have been informed much earlier.

The student who allegedly broke into Halverson Hall, Carlito Brown, turned himself in on Nov. 25.

This means that for approximately 10 days he was still out there in the community.

That was 10 days that he could have entered more rooms on campus and assaulted more women since campus officials had not notified the public.

Telling the public of the incident may produce a state of fear within the community, but with a suspect who allegedly entered 11 rooms and sexually assaulted many female students still at large, it seems that fear may have been an appropriate reaction.

Brown allegedly walked throughout Halverson Hall checking for unlocked doors.

While it should go without saying to keep your doors locked at all times, we cannot place the blame on this fact. The blame remains with the person who ille-

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BY MARY ANN CANCELLA

gally entered those rooms.

However, in order to prevent the crime from occurring again, hall residents should have been reminded to lock their doors and been told about the incidents.

At NMU, and in Marquette in general, we live in relatively safe environment and we often don't think about checking to make sure that a door has been locked.

However, we have established a false sense of security because crimes do happen here.

Dorm meetings were held in Halverson Hall to confront the issue and counseling sessions were set up for anyone who may have been affected by the incident.

I feel that these sessions and meetings provided great support and the appropriate reaction to what happened. But while these events may have affected the residents of Halverson Hall more than others who live elsewhere on campus, it still affects everyone.

People who live on the other side of campus, such as West Hall, probably didn't know much about the incident.

Commuters should also have been made aware of the situation. Who knows what may happen in a parking lot after dark?

Revealing Brown's identity is not even necessary in relaying the information to the public. All the public needs to know is that the incident occurred so that they may take the proper safety precautions.

In the beginning of this year, after several incidents of sexual assault had been reported to Planned Parenthood, groups on campus responded with a series of events including sexual assault forums sponsored by ASNMU and rape self defense class given by NMU Public Safety.

Students should keep in mind the incentive behind these events is to provide awareness to the community. Sexual assault does happen here; in fact it can happen anywhere.

The U.S. Department of Justice reported in 1994 that nearly six of every 10 sexual assaults occur in the victim's home, or the home of a friend, relative or neighbor.

Home should never be a place someone feels unsafe — but sometimes a place is only as safe as we make it.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Mary welcomes reactions to her columns at opinion@thenorthwind.org.

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NMU faces budget cuts

BY MATT SCHNEIDER
STAFF WRITER

The NMU administration is preparing for a budget reduction due to the expected cuts in state appropriations and an executive order from the governor.

Due to the budget problems this year, it is expected that either Gov. John Engler or Governor-elect Jennifer Granholm will issue an executive order that will withdraw between one and two percent of state appropriation from higher education, Associate Provost of Finance and Administration Gavin Leach said.

"I think our lobbyist explained it as a very fluid situation right now," Leach said. "Numbers and percentages have been all over the board."

The executive order is anticipated to come in early December, and it is unlikely that higher education will be affected by the budget cuts, Leach said. However, the extent of the reductions remains unknown.

The executive order allows the governor to withdraw money that has already been allocated from state institutions. Early reports indicate that Engler will issue an order to reclaim one per-

cent of higher education funds, Vice President of Finance and Administration Mike Roy said.

Leach said NMU President Judi Bailey has requested a Budget Alternatives Committee to review the school budget and find ways to reduce costs as much as 10 percent.

He said the goal is to make things more efficient, but that it is a difficult task.

Roy is the co-chairman of the Budget Alternatives Committee, which held its first meeting on Dec. 2.

"Our territory is to look at budget recommendations for 2004 and 2005," Roy said. "Our charge is to have the recommendations ready for the president by March 1."

Roy said the committee, which is comprised of administrators from various departments including Academic Affairs and Finance and Administration, will look at budget reductions, cost avoidance and revenue enhancements.

"We really didn't get into any specific recommendations," Roy said. "It was really more of an organizational meeting."

Leach said they have cut back on administration costs quite significantly.

The two issues facing NMU are the executive order, which will affect the school budget this year, and the amount of the appropriation for next year, Leach said.

The executive order, which has already been factored into next year's budget, will withdraw money that has already been figured into this year's projected budget. Leach said when the state budget is decided in mid-2003, it will affect the planning of next year's budget, which includes tuition costs.

Leach said NMU is looking for one-time sources of funding and a projected increase in next year's enrollment will ease some of the financial burden.

He said, however, that a school budget cannot be organized until the state budget is approved.

Since there is a new governor this year in addition to new state congress members, the budget will not be approved until much later, Leach said.



Leach

United Way donates books

The United Way Volunteer Center, in conjunction with the NMU Volunteer Center and the Retired Senior and Volunteer Program, will continue its tradition of visiting area schools and day care centers with its Seventh Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Service Initiative.

Every January, this initiative distributes age-appropriate books about the life and philosophy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., to 4th grade students and preschoolers throughout Marquette County.

Along with books, the students are given a presentation by students from Northern Michigan University, volunteers from the RSVP and the United Way Volunteer Center.

During the hour-long presentation, the students will have the opportunity to talk with the volunteers about the life of Dr. King and issues like discrimination, racism, civil rights and community

service. Volunteers are needed to help make these presentations and distribute the books.

Those who enjoy children and feel that multicultural education is important are encouraged to partake in the event. Minority volunteers are especially encouraged to participate.

For anyone who would like more information about this program, can stop by the United Way Volunteer Center at 129 W. Baraga St. or call 228-9111.

Those who are NMU students wishing to pledge their time, can stop by the Volunteer Center office in Room 1206 of the University Center or call 227-2466 for additional information.

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Starbucks may soon find home at NMU

BY ADAM WESTHOUSE
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

The aroma of frappaccinos and mochaccinnos may soon be wafting through the Student Commons Area in the Learning Resource Center, as NMU is currently negotiating to bring a Starbucks Coffee shop to campus.

If an agreement is reached, Starbucks could open up in the newly-constructed commons area by Fall 2003, Associate Vice President of Auxiliary Services Andy Wasilewski said.

"Although no contracts have been signed, it is a very good likelihood that Starbucks will move into NMU," Wasilewski said. "We are still conversing with Starbucks associates, but we haven't made any commitment that can't be revoked."

Director of Business Services and Purchasing Art Gishia said that a coffee shop in the student lounge behind Bookbinders Eatery had already been planned in the latest construction project of the LRC.

The coffee shop would have essentially been an extension of Bookbinders, Gishia said.

However, he said once Starbucks expressed interest in coming to NMU during the summer of 2002, university officials decided to hold off on finishing the project until after a set plan for the open space had been decided.

The cost of bringing Starbucks has not been determined or released, as delibera-

tion continues between the university and the national chain, Gishia said.

The addition and operation of Starbucks will be self-funded and operate in conjunction with NMU Dining Services, Wasilewski said.

"It won't raise tuition for students or anything like that," Wasilewski said. "Dining Services has been doing better financially which has allowed us to consider the Starbucks option."

Wasilewski said in the event of Starbucks being brought to NMU, its opening in Fall 2003 remains tentative.

"We must consider design, construction and employee training before the shop is ready for opening," Wasilewski said.

Starbucks CEO Howard Schultz is a graduate of NMU.

Junior financial planning major Launa Dyer said she would be excited to see the coffee chain brought to the NMU community.

"I think it's a great idea for a Starbucks to be on campus," Dyer said. "A coffee area is great for studying and it would be a good addition because we need more variety in coffee shops on campus and in Marquette."

Gishia said the draw for Starbucks is the market here at NMU.

"Starbucks are selective about selecting their locations," Gishia said. "They want to succeed. They wouldn't put their shop in a place that would oversaturate the market."

Wasilewski said the addition of the nationwide chain to campus would likely



Arthur Gelsinger/NW

Students at Bookbinders Eatery peruse the food menu for lunch on Dec. 3. Bookbinders may soon share space in the Learning Resources Center with a Starbucks Coffee Shop, which university officials are looking to bring to campus.

attract students from downstate and other areas where Starbucks coffee shops are more commonly found.

Currently, there are several other universities across the country that have Starbucks shops on campus, including the University of Notre Dame and the University of Kentucky.

Wasilewski said he has spoken with officials from both universities to assess how they are operating the Starbucks coffee shops.

"NMU will either reach an agreement with Starbucks or we will probably move on and consider another vendor," Wasilewski said.



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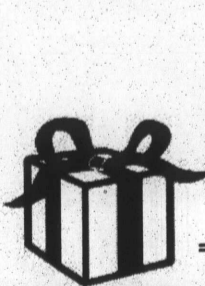
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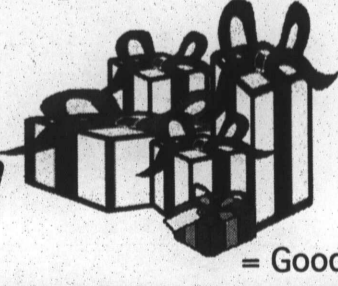
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Student, bank fall victim to Internet scam

BY RYAN CHARTER
STAFF WRITER

Marquette City Police are currently investigating an Internet scandal and an incident in which an NMU student cashed a counterfeit cashier's check at a local Wells Fargo Bank.

In October, a Marquette branch of Wells Fargo lost several thousand dollars through a faulty transaction of a cashier's check.

Wells Fargo Bank Supervisor Mary Erspamer said the incident involves a large amount of fraud.

"If something doesn't make sense, than to be safe, don't do it," Erspamer said.

The check was cashed by an NMU student who did not realize they were about to fall victim to an international Internet scam, said Detective Lt. Gordon Warchock of the Marquette City Police Department.

Marquette City Police, the FBI and Wells Fargo are all combining their efforts to find any information leading to clues that will solve this case, Warchock said.

He said the case involves three states and at least two different parties from two countries.

The student was fooled by two different false addresses, Warchock said.

Warchock said the incident started as an attempt by the student to sell his mountain bicycle via an online Internet auction site.

He said the identification of the student is not being released at this time.

An individual who reportedly resided in

a New York city contacted the NMU student via e-mail, Warchock said.

The New York resident negotiated a payment plan with the NMU student to buy the bike for \$1,300.

Payment for the bicycle went from, seemingly simple to an entanglement involving a third party who allegedly resided in Colorado, Warchock said.

Apparently, the supposed resident of Colorado owed the resident of New York money and was going to pay the NMU student the money for the mountain bike with a Federal Express cashier's check for the amount of \$7,950.

Once the NMU student received the check, the student was to subtract the price of the mountain bike and any shipping costs, as instructed by the New York resident, Warchock said.

He said the remaining amount, approximately \$6,600, was to be wired to the New York resident through Western Union.

Unaware the cashier's check was fake, the NMU student followed through with the plan as agreed upon and wired the check to the residence in New York. The cashier's check was discovered by the bank to be counterfeit, thus starting the need for investigation, Warchock said.

Following the discovery of the counterfeit cashier's check, the mountain bike was later returned to the student because the address given was also fake, Warchock said. He said the bike was attempted to be delivered to an address in New York.

The routing numbers on the Federal Express envelope from the alleged New York resident were traced by the police and had been found to have actually come from someone in Nigeria and arrived through Great Britain, Warchock said.

The money sent to the resident of New York was apparently collected by someone in Nigeria, Warchock said.

"The FBI is handling the brunt of the case," Warchock said. "And still no suspects have been identified yet."



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Wells Fargo of Marquette recently became involved in a Web scam when an NMU student cashed a counterfeit check there. The bank lost several thousand dollars.



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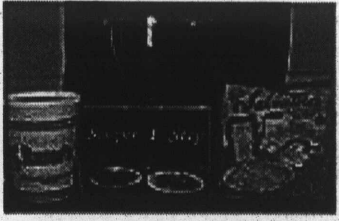
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BY AMBER BENGTTSSON
STAFF WRITER

New to the area, the Iron City Bookstore offers students textbooks at a price two to three percent lower than the standard book price and will also buy back books still in use at half price.

The Iron City Bookstore, 525 N. Third St., is managed by Upper Peninsula native Carl Lungerhausen.

The Iron City Bookstore carries textbooks, vinyl records, flags and school supplies. The majority of NMU classes will have their books available at the Iron City Bookstore.

The only exception is for classes with less than 10 people. For classes this small the Iron City Bookstore may not carry the books on hand but would be willing to order them for a student, Lungerhausen said.

Lungerhausen said he receives ordering information directly from the NMU Bookstore. By law the university must make the textbook lists of professors accessible to the public, he said.

"They (NMU Bookstore) have been really great and helpful to me," Lungerhausen said. "Especially, considering I'm competition."

The Iron City Bookstore orders mostly used textbooks. Lungerhausen said if a new edition or no used texts are available then he orders new books.

He also said he tries to keep his prices below the standard book price. The standard book price is usually a 25-percent mark up of the publisher's price.

When a student enters the Iron City Bookstore they will not see shelves loaded down with textbooks. That is because the textbooks are stored behind the counter and the employees find a student's books for them, which effectively cuts down on students getting the wrong book.

He said while this may cause a line at times, this fall the lines went quickly and students did not seem to mind waiting the few extra minutes.

"A student comes in with their class schedule and we bring their books from the back room," said

Scott Frein a junior outdoor recreations management and leadership major and Iron City Bookstore employee. "They then decide if they want to buy the books or if they want to wait."

Even though students are waiting for someone else to find their books, they are also waiting in the checkout line, Frein said.

"Most students don't wait more than 10 minutes," Frein said.

For books that will be used again in the following semester, Iron City pays half of the cover price in cash. Books not be used for the next semester will still be bought back, but at a lower price.

The Iron City Bookstore's regular business hours will also change during the first week of classes to better accommodate student's hectic schedules.

From Jan. 12 through Jan. 17, the Iron City Bookstore will be open 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. and on Thursday and Friday they will be open from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Lungerhausen earned a bachelor's degree in psychology from Michigan State University. While attending MSU, he worked in a bookstore and said his experience there is what led him to decide to open a textbook store in Marquette.

ASNMU holds textbook re-sale

BY JEREMIAH BRITT
STAFF WRITER

ASNMU is sponsoring a textbook resale next week that will offer NMU students the opportunity to get more money back on their used textbooks, while also saving money on books for next semester.

The resale takes place from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. every day during finals week, starting on Dec. 9.

ASNMU will set up tables in the atrium of the University Center, just outside the NMU Bookstore and the Students' Art Gallery.

College of Arts and Science Representative Erin Spencer is in charge of running the resale, which allows students to set their own price on the books they plan on selling.

Spencer said students must sign a contract, and if their book sells they will get 85 percent of their listed price.

The remaining 15 percent will go towards state sales tax and ASNMU.

"The ASNMU consignment book sale is a great way for students to make more money than they would selling their books back through the university bookstore," ASNMU Chairman Greg Ragan said.



Ragan said that while ASNMU collects the money throughout the sale, students would not get their share until after winter break.

Although the student would not receive money right away as they would if they went through the university bookstore or Iron City, the opportunity to set their own prices gives them the possibility of much higher returns, Ragan said.

"I [resold through ASNMU] last year and I made a lot more money than I did my freshman year," junior English major Sarah Powers said. "They even helped me set the price."

Students wishing to sell their textbooks through the resale will be able to submit them as late as the last day of the sale, Dec. 13.

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Student Employees of the Month for Fall Semester

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Melissa Dillinger (University Center Dining Services - Conference & Catering)
Erika Seiter (Wildcat Den)

Carrie Bowerman was named the Student Employee of the Month for September, 2002. Carrie is employed as a mail courier for the Housing and Residence Life Department.

Lauren McCauley was named the Student Employee of the Month for October, 2002. Lauren is employed in the Dining Services Department's central office as a console operator.

Phongphon Gunnara, an assistant student supervisor, was chosen as the Student Employee of the Month for November, 2002. "Mee" works for the Dining Services Department in the Wildcat Den.

Calvin Nelson is an assistant student supervisor in The Marketplace. He was named the Student Employee of the Month for December, 2002.

Congratulations to all of these OUTSTANDING student employees!

CAMPUS NOTES

Shoppers may park for free

Enforcement of the metered parking areas will be suspended in downtown Marquette for the holiday season.

Director of the Downtown Marquette Association Kathy Weber said complimentary parking is available Monday through Friday after 3 p.m. for shoppers.

Visitors to downtown Marquette are invited to park without restriction in any parking lot within the downtown district, except those reserved for handicapped or loading zones. This includes the Lakeshore Boulevard parking lot, the upper level of the Bluff Street ramp, Main Street lot and the newly redesigned Marquette Commons lot on the 100 block of Third Street.

The suspension of enforcement has been a long time practice in cooperation with the Downtown Development Authority and the Marquette Police Department.

Library offers chair massage

One of the key ways to tend to

your body's health by easing muscular tension with therapeutic massage.

The public is invited to experience a 10 minute chair massage from 2 to 4 p.m. on Dec. 6 in the Peter White Public Library on the main level.

In exchange for the massage, money will be donated to support "Knead to Read," a children's literacy program.

Certified massage therapists include Janet Jarvela, Kathy Hendricks, Dawn Holmes and Christine Simonetta.

For more information or to get involved contact Christine Simonetta at 228-2128.

Meetings held to plan forest

A series of public meetings have been scheduled in several Upper Peninsula communities beginning Dec. 9.

This will be the first series of meetings allowing the public an opportunity to provide comments and become engaged in the revision of the Forest Plan for the Hiawatha National Forest.

The meetings will provide information about the plan revision process, revision schedule and offer ways the public can

participate and comment.

The first meeting will be held from 6:30 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. on Dec. 9 in the Peter White Library in Marquette.

For more information contact Dave Maercklein at 789-3301 or Ted Schiltz at 789-3346.

Grant awarded to United Way

The Marquette Community Foundation has recently announced two grants that have been awarded to the United Way of Marquette County.

A grant for \$1,500 was given to cover the cost of the Compass II Community Needs Assessment. This Needs Assessment will be a county-wide collaboration to update the information gathered in the last one done in 1995.

The information indicates areas of need in Marquette and Alger County in several different areas, such as health, education, mental health and human services.

This data will help community organizations make programming decisions, write grant proposals and avoid the duplication of services.

The other grant in the amount of \$250 will help sponsor the 2003 Make A Difference Day, a countywide day of service, held every October. The Volunteer Center coordinates the program in conjunction with the NMU Volunteer Center.

VA helps fund Toys for Tots

Van Antwerp Hall will be hosting "Sledding for Santa; Toys for Tots," from midnight to 2 a.m. on Dec. 6 and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Dec. 7.

The program is designed to help raise money and toys during the holidays.

Sledding will be located on the hill near Whitman Elementary school.

Pick up, drop off or send forms to Kerry in 345 Van Antwerp Hall, or by e-mail at

kwallaer@nmu.edu.

Contact Kerry at 227-4345 for more information.

Easter Seals to hold relay

Easter Seals of Marquette are currently accepting registration forms for the Easter Seals Relay on Jan. 11.

Teams of 10 to 20 people will take turns walking, running or wheeling around the track from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. inside the Superior Dome to raise money for the Easter Seals.

The Easter Seals is an organization dedicated to providing services to children and adults with disabilities and their families.

Volunteers are also needed to count laps, serve refreshments and collect money among other jobs. To volunteer, contact the NMU Volunteer Center at 227-2466.

Contact the Easter Seals at 228-5816 for more information about the relay.

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Kindness appears unexpectedly

FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH



BY TRAVIS MARGONI

Some days — those cloudy ones when a cashier or professor or any ol' stranger reveals his or her indifference toward me — I forget that I am occasionally surrounded by good people.

Last week, a stranger walked up to me at a gas station and reminded me that kindness is still prevalent in many people.

I had just returned about \$3 in cans to ensure that I would have enough money for gas to get home for Thanksgiving. As I put the nozzle of the gas pump into my tank, a middle-aged man approached my car with ice lining the edge of his hood.

"Would you happen to have the time to give a guy a ride in exchange for cash on the spot?" he asked.

Having to make a quick character judgment, I paused, scanned his face, and sensed sincerity in his eyes. I agreed to drive him across town, not so much for money, but because he looked like a decent guy who simply needed a ride.

He handed me \$20 and told me to fill my tank up and keep the change. He insisted on paying me, despite my opposition. Jeff, a Stephenson resident, explained that he is the second mate, in charge of navigation, on the S.S. Herbert C. Jackson.

While the ship was docked and filled with iron ore pellets, he walked across town to ShopKo, where he received a call on his cell phone informing him that the vessel would be leaving sooner than he expected.

As we drove toward Lake Superior, Jeff asked me if I would like to board and tour the 690-foot ship.

Jeff's timing was oddly convenient; this Tuesday night before Thanksgiving break was the first time in weeks that I didn't have any commitments — no classes, meetings or even homework. Suddenly I found myself climbing a ladder up the side of the S.S. Jackson. I don't really believe in fate; this just seemed like dumb luck.

I've watched these huge ships dock and leave the Marquette shore under the sunlight, in the snow and through the fog, often wondering what life must be like on the water. Jeff walked me through his living quarters, a room the size of a dorm room with satellite television and a private bathroom. As we walked through the large kitchen and dining room, Jeff even went so far as to offer me a job for a few months on the ship when school was out for the summer.

We walked below the dining room to the 7,000-horsepower steam engine, and then back across the deck of the ship to the wheelhouse. At the front of the wheelhouse the satellite navigation system clearly showed the S.S. Jackson's location along the upper harbor dock. Maps were opened behind the satellite image, marking the ship's 42-hour path to Detroit — a 14-mile-per-hour journey.

As the last of the 21,000 tons of iron ore pellets were loaded and the ship balanced, Jeff and I walked across the deck and talked to several members of the 28-man crew before descending the ladder to the dock. Walking back towards my car, I returned my hardhat to Jeff, and assured him that I would keep in touch.

I thanked Jeff for the tour of the ship, but I was most thankful for the realization that Jeff provided me with: there are good people in the world who act kindly only for the sake of helping and enriching others.

While Jeff needed a ride, he did not need to give me money, and he didn't need to go beyond saying, "hey thanks, buddy," when I dropped him off. But, he extended his career to me; maybe it was the kindness that I showed him by giving him a ride across town that led him to return and outshine my benevolence.

This encounter reminded me that civility is circular ... it's a good thought to keep in mind as the holidays grow close.

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

Off-roaders take advantage of winter weather

BY JOSH JOHNSON AND YONIKA WILLIS
STAFF WRITERS

A vehicle that performs well in mud, rain and snow may be an obvious necessity for those who choose to make Marquette their home.

However, some residents feel the arrival of rough road conditions is an opportunity to test the capabilities of their vehicles and share the experience with others.

Many students on and off campus have started off-roading groups such as the NMU Trail Cats and the U.P. Big Wheelers. These groups use trucks, sport utility vehicles and possibly four-wheel drive vehicles to off-road for various purposes.

Last February the NMU Trail Cats, an off-road organization formed.

The club is advised by Steven Lockwood an occupational studies professor.

The NMU Trail Cats are a club where off-road enthusiasts from NMU have been driving trails and gathering together in ever-increasing numbers.

Sophomore criminal justice major and Trail Cats president Trevor Gorang said between 35 and 40 people participate in the weekly trail runs the group organizes.

Last year, there were only about 20 core members, Gorang said.

The main activity of the Trail Cats is their weekly jaunts to various off-road trails throughout the area.

Adam Ferris, a sophomore heating ventilation air conditioning repair major and Trail Cat founding member said roughly five or six trucks participate in each run.

Though not every member of the Trail Cats drives during their runs, Ferris said many people enjoy going along for the ride in the different trucks.

"It's a completely new experience to what you've ever been used to," Ferris said.

The club meets before runs at 9:30 p.m. Tuesdays in parking lot 36 behind Spalding Hall.

Similarly, not long after the Trail Cats came together, a group of guys on campus met up with a few others to do some off-roading or "wheeling" and soon came to form the U.P. Big Wheelers, Marquette's



Kelly Adams/NW

Freshman political science major Tara Sheperski stands at the passenger side door of a Jeep on Tuesday evening with the NMU Trail Cats during their weekly off-road run.

local off-road club.

"We decided to meet and do a little wheeling," said Chad Gilbert, a junior economics major and U.P. Big Wheelers president. "Then we talked and realized there really wasn't a whole lot of organized four wheeling in the area."

Gilbert said currently five NMU students are involved in this organization.

Unlike most off-road clubs, the U.P. Big Wheelers not only off-road for fun and sport but they also help clean the community and raise awareness from the bad name the sport has historically gained.

"We wanted to try and stop land closures and help out rather than hurt the cause for all users of public lands," Gilbert said. "Many uneducated people use the trail systems and abuse them. We want to have fun, but do it within the rules."

Gilbert said unlike most off-road clubs, the U.P. Big Wheelers try and use trails not just for off-roading, but for hikers, fishermen and hunters.

They want their clean up to not only benefit other off-roading teams, but everyone that uses the trails.

The group has encountered unusual items on their clean up such as tires, bottles, cans, diapers and tampons, Gilbert said.

The Trail Cats extend an invitation to anyone interested in riding along with them. However, those who wish to drive a vehicle must meet certain club specifications, such as the presence of front and rear tow points, Ferris said.

Also, the consumption of alcohol or drugs is also not allowed on the trail.

The Trail Cats are planning several activities in the future which may include camping trips, paintball wars, bowling and an off-road trip to Talaco, S.C. over spring break, Ferris said.

Like the Trail Cats, the U.P. Big Wheelers welcome those interested to ride the trails with them to see if they fit in.

If interested in joining the U.P. Big Wheelers e-mail Gilbert at cgilbert@nmu.edu.

The group requires people join some important four-wheel drive organizations such as the Great Lakes Four Wheel Drive Association, as well as the United Four Wheel Drive Association.



Kelly Adams/NW

While participating in one of their weekly runs Tuesday night, a member of the Trail Cats gets his vehicle stuck in the snow in the middle of one of Marquette's forested areas.

Students, families light up holidays with joy

BY YONIKA WILLIS
DIVERSIONS EDITOR

This evening students, faculty and staff along with their families can bring in the holiday season by decking the halls, jingling their bells and watching as Santa Claus comes to town on his sleigh.

Lighting Up The Holidays is an annual event that celebrates the lighting of the holiday tree located outside of the University Center. The event begins at 4 p.m. and lasts until 8:30 p.m.

This year's event is supported by on-campus organizations Alpha Phi Omega, Copper Country Pride, Mortar Board and the on-campus apartments.

Some of the organizations have been

preparing for the event since October.

"The event is a lot of fun," said Mandi Steffes, a junior social studies secondary education major and co-president of Alpha Phi Omega. "There's kids everywhere. It's happy and joyous and there's a lot of positive energy. It just sort of takes all of your worries away."

Steffes' organization is in charge of the sleigh rides for the children.

"We work with the sleigh rides by helping kids get on and off of them and we set up the movies while they are waiting for the sleigh rides," Steffes said.

Other events for the evening include horse-drawn hayrides, Santa's arrival, holiday films and free books for children. Speeches from NMU President Judi Bailey and ASNMU President Carissa Waters and a reception will follow these events.

Kelli Large, a junior elementary education major and team manager for Copper Country Pride said her organization is in charge of taking pictures with Santa.

"I think it's an important event. It brings the community together, spreads joy around and gives the Christmas spirit."

— Mandi Steffes
junior social studies secondary education major

"I think one really cool thing is the kids being able to see Santa Claus," Large said. "It's like when you go to a mall and there are long lines to see Santa and you have to pay a ridiculous amount of money to see him and get your picture taken — you can do that

same thing up here for free."

Mortar Board is in charge of the music for the event by providing a piano player and leading the caroling.

Senior nursing major and Mortar Board treasurer Rachel Ward said this year has potential to be better than previous years.

"I think there's always the potential to improve from previous years and I think it will be fun this year since there will be more snow," Ward said. "There are a couple hundred more strands of lights on the tree this year as well."

Steffes agreed that the snow will help to make the event look more Christmas-like.

"I think it is an important event," Steffes said. "It brings the community together, spreads joy around and gives the Christmas spirit and gives us a break from exams — a stress reliever."

Graduating students display talents in senior art exhibit

BY YONIKA WILLIS
DIVERSIONS EDITOR

This winter 18 graduating art majors are showing their artwork in this semester's senior art exhibit titled "Wheeties."

The show began Nov. 25 and will run through Dec. 13 at the NMU Art Museum.

At the end of every semester, the students in the 403 individual art review class showcase their work in the senior art exhibit. The final graduation requirement for senior art majors is to showcase their work in the senior art exhibit and work on it class. The students have worked all semester inside and outside of class to generate art for the show.

"I've put in a hell of a lot of work into my project this semester," senior art illustration major Gnora Ford-Lepthien said. "I worked on it a little bit last semester and I also worked on it in my senior seminar class and out of class as well."

Ford-Lepthien is the only illustration student showcasing work in this semester's exhibit.

The students came up with the name of their show almost by accident. Electronic imaging major Angela Osterlund said the professor told the class to come up with a name and after no names worked, a student shouted out Wheeties and the name stuck.

Osterlund is presenting three large digital self-portrait prints in the show.

"I guess I just wanted to do something different than what I'm used to doing," Osterlund said. "I haven't worked with prints this large and I wanted experience of working with large prints."

For many of the students this is the first time they have presented their work. Senior graphic communication major Georgiana Quigley, is showing a business system for a clothing line along with business cards and packaging.

"Usually you don't see a lot of graphic work, but 40 percent of the students that are showing this semester are graphics major," Quigley said. "It's sort of interesting getting reactions from people and seeing how they feel about it."

Quigley said presenting graphic communication art is rare but since there are many different types of graphics the group tried to expand on the idea of graphic design and provide more of a variety. On the other hand, Ford-Lepthien, who has presented



Kelly Adams/NW

Senior graphic communication major Georgiana Quigley displayed a clothing line and business system in the senior art show.

artwork before, said she's more concerned with the events after the show than anything about showing her work in the show.

"I'm not nervous," Ford-Lepthien said. "I'm more worried about a finding a job."

Digital cinema major Josh Quigley who is showing a short film in the show said he's a little apprehensive about showing his work.

"I have never showcased my film before, just my photography work," Josh said. "It makes me sort of nervous to be showing my work. I'm acting in it too. It makes me feel a little vulnerable."

Osterlund, who has gone to previous shows, said no two shows are the same.

"There are so many students with so many different ideas," Osterlund said. "This year the size is a lot smaller than last semester and there are lots of graphic majors showing their work."

Quigley said feels this year's exhibit is lacking.

"I think this show is pretty weak compared to previous shows," Quigley said. "I think a lot of people are trying to get done versus showing what they can really do."

Not everyone agrees with Quigley. "I think it looks nice and we have a good variety of work," Quigley said.



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Senior graphic communication major Jessie Stapleton's designed 62 jar labels using words describing emotions like love, hate and anger, for her piece, titled "The Consumer's Reality."



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MUSIC REVIEW MISSY ELLIOTT

Slimmer Missy still lyrical heavyweight

Missy Elliott
"Under Construction"



Grade: A-

BY CHRIS MOSIER
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Missy Elliott has changed in many ways.

Besides the very obvious change in her physical appearance, the slimmed-down singer/rapper has changed her outlook on life.

Missy tells listeners in the intro of her album that since the death of long-time friend and fellow R&B songstress Aalyiah, she has viewed life in a more valuable way.

Rebuilding is the theme of Elliott's fourth album, "Under Construction." Even with her efforts to tell us we're all constantly under construction, this album is solid and complete.

Missy begins her album with

a promise to return hip-hop to its essence. What follows is nearly an hour of music saturated in hip-hop nostalgia.

The entire album relies heavily upon references to the past, shown by Timbaland's musical palette of old-school samples and borrowed lines from classic cuts.

"What happened to them good old days?" Missy asks on "Back In The Day." The stand-out track features Jay-Z and reminisces about hip-hop's glory days, from Slick Rick and Salt N Pepa to fat-laced shoes and thick gold chains.

While "Back In The Day" is sure to be released as a single, radio stations and video channels have been constantly working the album's first single, "Work It." Easily her biggest song to date, the song features the sound of trumpeting elephants when she references the male anatomy.

The minimalist beat, with a combination of future and retro grooves, along with the suggestive lyrics, make "Work It" an infectious dance track unlike anything currently in radio or club rotation.

With the similarities of recent hip-hop releases in both beats and lyrical content, Missy's renovations to the genre with "Under Construction" couldn't have come at a better time.

References to classic hip-hop make this album familiar, but with a fresh twist.

"Funky Fresh Dress" features Timbaland's patented choppy beat style and well-known hip-hop beat. Missy snags an old MC Lyte line for the hook, and the music eventually flips into the beat of the Beastie Boy's "Paul Revere."

A variety of other musical heavyweights help build the album's strength. Method Man lends his vocals to "Bring The Pain," a song derived from his 1994 track by the same name.

Ludacris guests on "Gossip Folks," which is supported by a light-hearted chorus of children singing nonsense words. Beyonce Knowles makes an appearance on "Nothing Out There For Me," a song about standing by your man.

The surviving members of TLC join Elliott in a tribute to Aalyiah and Lisa "Left Eye" Lopes on "Can You Hear Me."

The only drawback on this album is the constant talking between tracks, but even that doesn't weaken the structure of the album, as she has relevant things to say.

Missy says hip-hop is about having a good time. She even tells other rappers they should dance, saying that a few years ago, most of the thugs in the industry were rocking Michael Jackson zipper jackets with the

gloves to match.

Elliott says the hating and violence need to stop, because hip-hop should be fun. Then she proves that it can be done with 14 tracks of innovative beats, nostalgic lyrics and uninhibited party vibe.

"Under Construction" is undoubtedly Elliott's sturdiest album. Missy may have slimmed down, but she's still a heavyweight on the mic.

Other albums
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Meeting: Intersarsity Christian Fellowship will meet at 7 p.m. in the UC.

Film: "Waking Life" (R) begins at 10 p.m. in JXJ 102.

Meeting: The Northern Lights Photo Club will meet from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in Pioneer A in the UC.

Friday, December 6

Meeting: Superior Nights, a role-playing, inpromtu acting student organization, will meet at 5 p.m. in the UC.

Class: Budo Taijutsu, a Japanese martial arts class, will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. in the PEIF Dance Studio.

Athletics: The Wildcat hockey team will host the University of Michigan at 7:05 p.m. in the Berry Events Center.

Play: "Ebenezer Scrooge" begins at 7:30 p.m. in the Forest Roberts Theatre.

Activity: Dave Russo will perform, time and location to be announced.

Activity: Van Antwerp Hall government will host "Sledding for Santa," which is a fundraiser for Toys for Tots. The sledding

will begin at midnight at Whitman Elementary. Call 227-4238 for information.

Presentation: Biology Seminar Series presents "The Ecology of the Lake Superior Wave Zone" by Dr. Mac Strand which, begins at 3 p.m. in the Mead Auditorium in the West Science Building.

Saturday, December 7

Last day of classes

Play: "Ebenezer Scrooge" begins at 1 and 7:30 p.m. in the Forest Roberts Theatre.

Meeting: Citizens Opposed to War with Iraq (COWI) will meet at 7 p.m. at Messiah Lutheran Church, Room 202.

Film: "Signs" (PG-13) begins at 9 p.m. in JXJ 102.

Athletics: The Wildcat hockey team will host the University of Michigan at 7:05 p.m. in the Berry Events Center.

Activity: Phi Sigma Sigma hosts a Rock-A-Thon (rocking in rocking chairs) for the National Kidney Foundation from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Westwood Mall in front of JC Penney's.

Activity: The Van Antwerp Hall Government will host "Sledding for Santa" from 3 to 6 p.m. at Whitman Elementary, which is a fundraiser for Toys for Tots. Call 227-4238 for more information.

Sunday, December 8

Film: "Signs" (PG-13) begins at 6:30 and 9

p.m. in JXJ 102.

Athletics: The Wildcat women's basketball team will host Northland at 1 p.m. in the Berry Events Center.

Play: "Ebenezer Scrooge" begins at 1 p.m. in the Forest Roberts Theatre.

Monday, December 9

Exams

Activity: ASNMU will host "More Bucks for Your Books" from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the UC Atrium.

Meeting: OUTLook will meet at 9 p.m. in Marquette Room in the UC. Call Nick at 227-1554 for more information.

Class: Budo Taijutsu, a Japanese martial arts class, will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. in the UC.

Athletics: The Wildcat women's basketball team will host Minnesota State-Moorhead at 5:30 p.m. in the Berry Events Center.

Tuesday, December 10

Exams

Activity: ASNMU will host "More Bucks for Your Books," from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the UC Atrium.

Wednesday, December 11

Exams

Activity: ASNMU will host "More Bucks for Your Books" from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the UC Atrium.

Activity: The Lutheran Student Movement (ELCA) will host an Advent service at 8:45 p.m.

Thursday, December 12

Exams

Activity: ASNMU will host "More Bucks for Your Books" from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the UC Atrium.

Meeting: The Northern Lights Photo Club will meet from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in Pioneer A in the UC.

Friday, December 13

Exams

Activity: ASNMU will host "More Bucks for Your Books" from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the UC Atrium.

Athletics: The Wildcat hockey team hosts Michigan Tech at 7:05 p.m. in the Berry Events Center.

Saturday, December 14

Exams

Activity: Commencement will begin at 10:30 a.m. in the Superior Dome.

Athletics: The Wildcat men's basketball team will host St. Norbert at 7:30 p.m. in the Berry Events Center.

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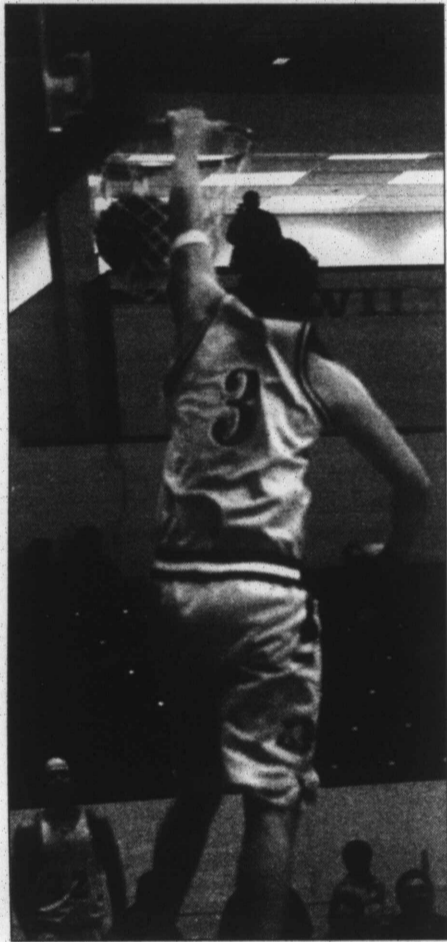
BY MELANIE BOLTHOUSE
SPORTS EDITOR

The men's basketball team opened its official season on Nov. 22 and came away with a record of 3-2 in a five-game stretch.

Redshirt freshman guard Louie Koskey said the team expected the road trip to be a tough way to open the season.

"We knew it was going to be a long trip," he said. "We knew we would have rubbery legs."

The road trip opened on Nov. 22 in Fargo, N.D. against Minnesota State-



Scott Salisbury/NW
Junior forward Steve Watts dunked his only two points against Northland Baptist. He had 22 points against LSSU.

Moorhead. The 'Cats fell to the Dragons, 83-72.

Head coach Dean Ellis said Minnesota was very competitive and had a more experienced roster with only two freshmen.

NMU was outscored in both halves, 41-40 and 42-32.

The 'Cats were led by junior forward Billy Hill, who had 22 points for the evening. He was followed by freshman forward Marco Volcy, who had 12 points.

Senior center Raef Lizak led the team with six defensive rebounds.

On Nov. 23, NMU claimed its first season victory over North Dakota State.

Ellis said North Dakota was a tough opponent to beat on its home court.

Despite being outscored in the second half, 40-38, Northern held on to a 10-point lead to win, 77-67.

Leading the Wildcats in scoring for the game was freshman guard Antwan Holt with 18 points. Freshman guard David Noel followed with 15 points.

Koskey said his team was pleased with the win against North Dakota State and the road trip as a whole.

After two days on the road, the 'Cats came back to Marquette to host Northland Baptist Bible College on Nov. 25.

NMU took an easy win over the Pioneers with a final score of 108-48.

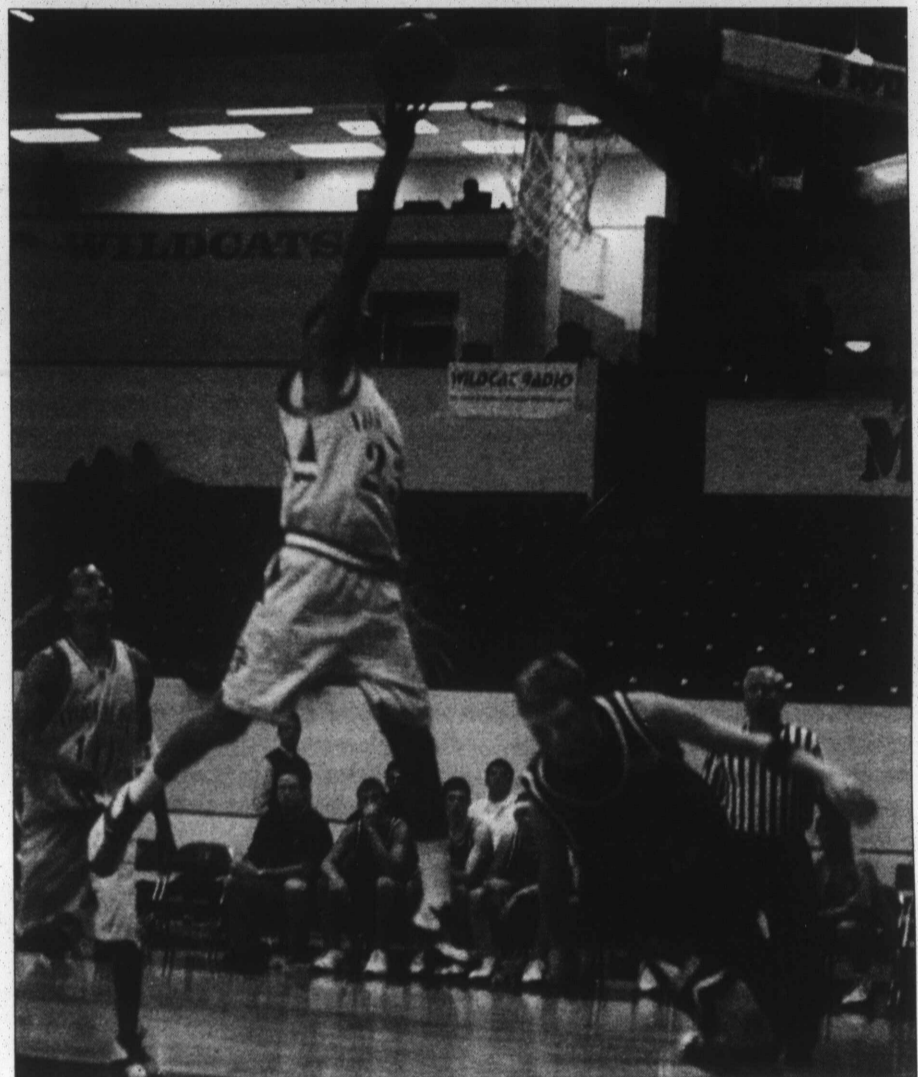
Five NMU players scored in double digits. Volcy led with 23 points, followed by Hill with 21, Lizak and Holt with 18 each and freshman guard Keder Hyppolite with 11.

On Nov. 27, Northern was back on the road to face Wisconsin-Parkside.

The 'Cats fell to Parkside, 70-65, in a game Koskey and Ellis said should have ended differently.

"I think that was the game we should have won but they had a good ball team," Koskey said. "We played hard but didn't play to our full ability."

Noel and Holt led the team in scoring with 12 points. Volcy, Hyppolite and Holt



Scott Salisbury/NW

Freshman forward Marco Volcy had a team-high 23 points against Northland Baptist. He recorded 48 points during the five-game stretch to start the season.

led in total rebounds with six each.

To end the five-game series, NMU met LSSU on Nov. 30 in the Berry Events Center.

The 'Cats captured a close win over the Lakers, 94-86.

"LSSU is a big rival," Ellis said. "Any time you can beat them, it's a big victory."

Ellis said four players stepped up big against Lake State.

"(Junior center) Milan Azanjac had 14

points and did a good job rebounding," he said. "(Junior forward) Steve Watts played the best game of his career."

Watts recorded 22 points and had six total rebounds.

Hill led the team with 28 points, while Noel added 12 for the 'Cats.

Ellis said NMU needs to continue to work on being a team and getting those valuable conference wins as the season progresses.

Northern hosts nationally-ranked Wolverines

BY ROB HAMILTON
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

The NMU hockey team will play at the Berry Events Center for the first time in nearly a month as they host the eighth-ranked University of Michigan in a two-game series on Friday and Saturday at 7:05 p.m.

After playing only one series in the past three weeks, the Wildcats (6-4 CCHA, 7-5-1 overall) will be well rested as they take on one of the best teams in the nation.

"These guys are going to be our biggest test of the year," head coach Walt Kyle said. "They bring a lot of speed and skill to the ice. They only recruit the top players in the country."

Michigan (6-1-1 CCHA, 11-

2-1 overall) is coming off two big victories against WCHA teams in the College Hockey Showcase at Madison, Wis.

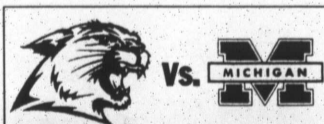
The Wolverines defeated Wisconsin, 4-1, on Nov. 29 and then beat 10th-ranked Minnesota, 3-1, two days later.

U of M boasts the third-best defense in the country, allowing only 1.79 goals per game.

They also have the 12th-best offense, scoring 3.93 goals per game this season.

One of the reasons for the Wolverines early success has been the emergence of 17-year-old freshman goalie Al Montoya. He has allowed 1.80 goals per game and has a .934 save percentage.

Senior forward Terry Harrison said his team has talked about Montoya's youth



THE MATCHUP		
NMU	W-L-T	UM
7-5-1		11-2-1
OFFENSE		
3.69	Goals (Avg.)	3.93
86	Assists	81
134	Points	136
26.2	Shots (Avg.)	31.1
DEFENSE		
2	Shutouts	2
3.08	Goals Against (Avg.)	1.79
27.5	Opp. Shots (Avg.)	27.5
.883	Save Percentage	.935
SPECIAL TEAMS		
26.8	PP Percentage	20.0
76.8	PK Percentage	95.1
15	PP Goals	15
0	SH Goals	6
14.77	Penalty Min. (Avg.)	18.57

and inexperience and said they need to put pressure on him

early in the game.

"We need to generate more shots on him," Harrison said. "We want to get him off his game early."

Underclassmen have also led the Michigan offense this season. Sophomore forwards Dwight Helminen (six goals, eight assists) and David Moss (four goals, seven assists) and sophomore defenseman Eric Werner (four goals, seven assists) have led the team thus far.

On the defensive end for NMU, junior goalie Craig Kowalski will return after missing the team's last two games.

Kowalski was suspended for breaking team rules and was replaced by sophomore goalie Tuomas Tarrki in the team's last series against Nebraska-Omaha

on Nov. 22 and 23.

"I broke a few team rules and I paid a price that was pretty severe," Kowalski said.

In the Nebraska-Omaha series, Tarrki made 26 saves in the 'Cats 2-1 win in the first game of the series. He made 21 saves in his team's 5-4 loss the following night.

Senior forwards Mike Stutzel and Chris Gobert each had three points in the series.

Gobert leads the team this season with 20 points (six goals 14 assists).

Stutzel leads the team with seven goals on the year, five of which have come on the power-play.

NMU has the second best power-play in the CCHA, but they will have their work cut

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NMU takes fourth at Nationals

BY RACHEL GRIFFIS
SPORTS STAFF REPORTER

The cross country team concluded its season with the highest finish in school history at the NCAA II National Championship on Nov. 23 in Ashland, Ohio.

Northern took fourth place with 129 points and had three runners rewarded with NCAA II All-American honors for being in the top 25 to finish.

Western State College claimed the 2002 title with 43 points. Adams State scored 46 points for second place. Grand Valley State University followed in third with 97 points.

Following Northern in fifth place by more than 100 points was California State University.

Leading the 'Cats was senior Caitlin Compton in 16th place with a time of 22:27.0. Junior Jordan Seethaler took 30th place in 22:48.9 and senior Aubrey Smith

followed in 34th place with a time of 22:57.8.

Also running for NMU was freshman Maria Stuber, who took 43rd place with a time of 23:07.3.

Next was junior Jennifer Lahr in 46th place with a time of 23:11.9. Junior Katherine Huemmer placed 83rd with a time of 23:48.3 and sophomore Tami Kochen finished 101st with a time of 24:03.5.

Going into Nationals, the 'Cats were ranked sixth in the nation.

"We hoped for fourth and achieved it," Smith said. "We were really tough."

Smith also said the weather was cold and the golf course the race was held on was covered in snow, slush and mud, which slowed down the footing of the runners.

"With every step, we sunk in," she said. "But it was a great advantage over other teams because we are so used to training in hard weather."

Compton said they even had a runner from another team ask them how to run the course.

She also said that some of the team drove down to encourage them through the race.



Smith

Cross Country Nationals	
DIVISION II CHAMPIONSHIP	
TEAM	POINTS
1. Western State College (CO)	43
2. Adams State (CO)	46
3. Grand Valley State	97
4. N. MICHIGAN	129
5. California State	241
6. North Florida	248
7. South Dakota State	249
8. Kennesaw State (GA)	255
9. Wayne State	274
10. California-Davis	287
11. Colorado-Col.Springs	291
12. Indiana U of Pennsylvania	292
13. Pittsburg State	315
14. Southern Indiana	346
15. Wisconsin-Parkside	369

Smith and Compton both ran their last collegiate race at Nationals.

"I had a lot of fun this season," Compton said. "I had a great time training with the team."

Northern won its first five meets, then took second at the GLIAC Championship and Great Lakes Regional behind Grand Valley State.

Smith also said she was very happy with the season.

"We were very mentally prepared," she said. "And everyone just ran their hearts out."

Club team continues success

BY KATHIE COLE
STAFF WRITER

The NMU women's club hockey team defeated Michigan State for the first time in club history while splitting a pair of home games on Nov. 23 and 24, bringing the team's record to 10-3-3.

Junior right wing Kelly Thomsen scored the only goal in a 4-1 loss on Nov. 23.

"We played like we were intimidated by MSU," sophomore left wing Erin Harter said. "We realized how we actually played, and we knew we could do better."

Junior right wing Mary Daavettila said State beat them to the puck quite a bit.

On Nov. 24, Northern regained its confidence, beating MSU for the first time ever, 3-1.

"State has always beaten us and we knew we could beat them," Harter said.

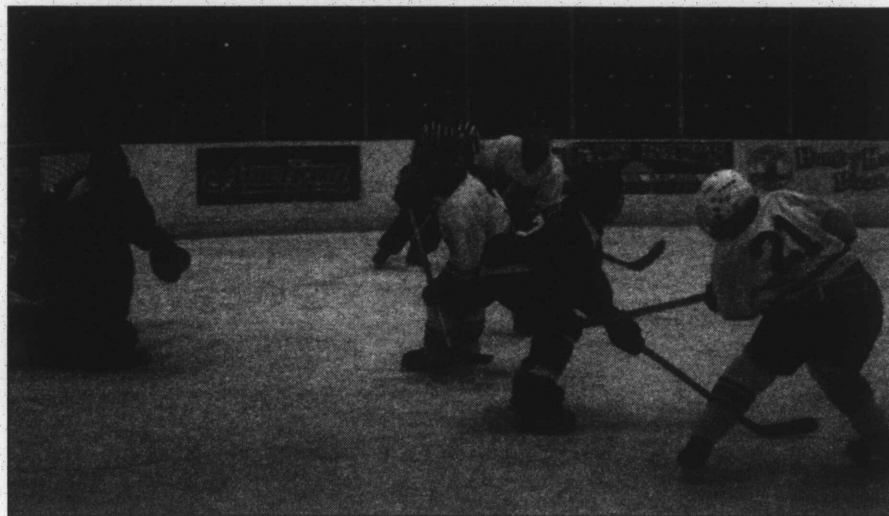
The game was scoreless going into the third period. Goals for Northern were scored by freshman defense Betsey Leinonen, sophomore left wing Stephanie Madziar and sophomore left wing Amy Klifman.

"It feels good because we've never beaten State before," Daavettila said.

She also said that the MSU games will increase Northern's chances of qualifying for Nationals.

Northern also played a pair of games on Nov. 15 and 16 against Michigan Tech in Houghton.

The Nov. 15 game ended in a 1-1 tie.



Scott Salisbury/NW

Sophomore left wing Stephanie Madziar (21) scored a goal to help the NMU women's club hockey team defeat the Michigan State Spartans, 3-1, on Nov 24.

Northern's lone goal came in the first period when freshman center Laura Amenson scored on assists from Thomsen and Klifman. Tech tied the game late in the third period. Sophomore goalie Tara Trombly made 32 saves for Northern.

NMU came out the next day looking for a victory. They scored twice in the first period on goals from Klifman and Madziar. Klifman's second goal of the game came in the middle of the second period. Tech answered with two goals in the second period.

The final blow was delivered in the third with a goal from Harter.

"I didn't even know it went in," Harter said.

Northern held on to the lead and came

away with a 4-2 victory.

Harter said overall her team played better with the offense taking more quality shots on goal.

"The team got together and played well as a whole," Harter said.

Amenson and junior center Kristin Kurian each had two assists. Daavettila, sophomore right wing Alison Jenner and freshman defense Kristy Allen each contributed with an assist. Trombly had 29 saves for the win.

Sophomore right wing Kristen Connolly earned team MVP honors for the weekend.

Northern will resume its season next semester with a game against the University of Michigan on Jan. 18.

'Cats aim to work as a team

BY MELANIE BOLTHOUSE
SPORTS EDITOR

Going into the December and January stretch of the basketball season, head coach Dean Ellis said his team is entering a unique time of the year.

After a short break between exams and Christmas, the team will come back for practice and a seven-game schedule beginning Dec. 26 and ending on Jan. 13.

"It's a long time to be around each other without classes," Ellis said. "You eat and sleep basketball. It can be a productive time."

Last season, the break proved to be a frustrating time for the Wildcats, with a 12-day road trip ending in a record of 3-3.

Ellis said the schedule is looking a little bit better this season.

"The home games are first when we are rested," he said. "The early January stretch hurt us last year. We're looking to play well in this stretch this year."

Freshman guard David Noel said the 'Cats are aiming to work more as a team as the season continues.

"We're playing as individuals right now," he said. "We need to work as a group."

NMU will finish out the semester with two games.

On Dec. 7, Northern will travel to St. Cloud, Minn. to meet with St. Cloud State University.

SCSU is 3-1 on the season and was picked to finish fourth in the North Central Conference by the media.

The team will return home on Dec. 14 to play St. Norbert and will begin the Christmas break at home against Northland College on Nov. 16.

The 'Cats will then travel to Owensboro, Ky., to meet with Kentucky Wesleyan on Dec. 19 before beginning their GLIAC schedule.

Ellis said his team has to compete going into conference games.

"It's conference time and you have to beat opponents in home games and also win a couple on the road," he said.

Redshirt freshman Louie Koskey said the team is taking its schedule game-by-game.

"We're looking at who we play next and not looking ahead two or three games," he said.

NMU begins the conference schedule in a series of three home games.

On Dec. 31, Northern plays Gannon at the Berry Events Center. Gannon is currently undefeated with an overall record of 5-0. They are ranked second in the South Division in the 2002-03 GLIAC pre-season coaches poll.

On Jan. 2, NMU meets Ashland. Ashland is also undefeated with an overall record of 5-0 and was ranked fourth in the pre-season coaches poll.

Before heading out on the road, the 'Cats will play Mercyhurst on Jan. 4. They will then travel from Jan. 9 through 18.



Noel

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for them this weekend.

Michigan has the best penalty-kill unit in the nation allowing only four goals so far this season and killing off 95.1

percent of penalties.

After the U of M series, NMU will host Michigan Tech on Dec. 13 before taking another two weeks off during the holiday break.

Kyle said it is difficult for his team to get into a rhythm

with so much time off.

"We will only play five games during a seven week span," he said. "It's not enough games to stay sharp."

However, with a CCHA perennial power coming to town and a chance to move up

in conference standings, Harrison said his team would be ready to play this weekend.

"If you can't get up for this game you shouldn't be playing," he said. "The crowd is going to be in it and it should be an exciting atmosphere."

Volleyball team overcomes adversity

BY MELANIE BOLTHOUSE
SPORTS EDITOR

Despite a youthful roster and injuries to key players, interim head volleyball coach Tracy Hruska said her team's greatest accomplishment this season was staying focused and not using these obstacles as an excuse to back down.

This season's roster relied heavily upon three sophomores and two freshmen.

Hruska said the Wildcat's close games would have been lost had the underclassmen not stepped up and went above and beyond her expectations.

With key injuries to senior middle blocker Beth Laveen, who was recovering from knee surgery performed last spring, and sophomore outside hitter Aimee Dewitte, who was fighting back spasms all season, Hruska said everyone had to step up and fill the voids.

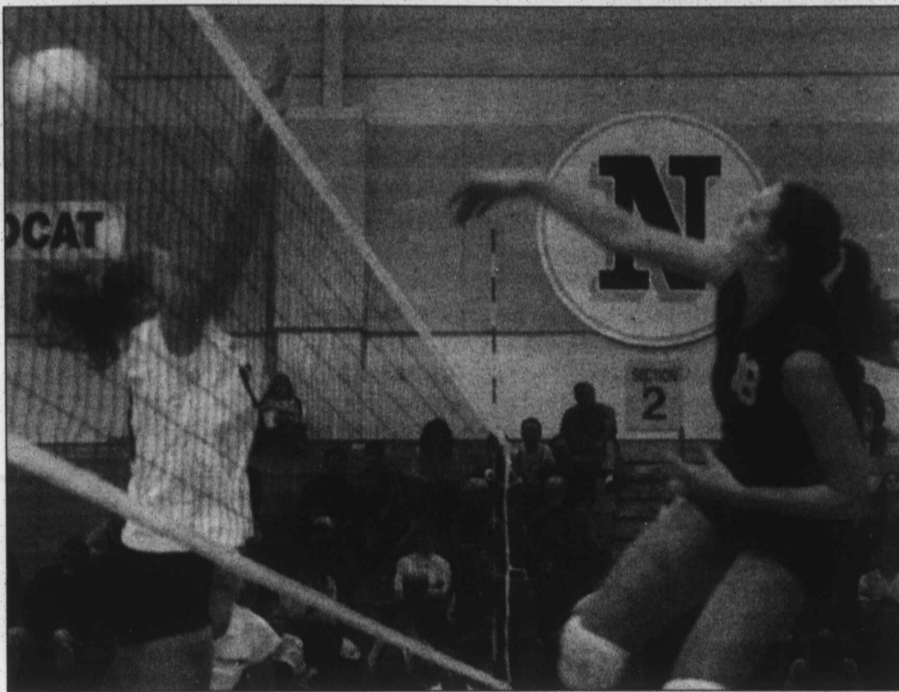
While the 'Cats did not reach their goal of taking home a conference title, they were constantly adding and accomplishing new goals as the season progressed.

"We had to make several goals throughout the season," senior defensive specialist Meaghan Kimball said. "We had to make goals that were more attainable."

She said the team made goals game-by-game in reaching certain hitting percentages and having at least 10 blocks per game.

Sophomore setter Kelli McCune said the team also had goals to beat certain opponents.

With a new rival found in the



Scott Salisbury/NW

Head coach Tracy Hruska said freshman middle blocker Holly Greenamyre stepped up this season. Greenamyre finished the season second in total blocks with 106.

University of Findlay, NMU set out to carry its three-game victory in the regular season to the GLIAC tournament. Northern defeated Findlay in another three-game match to move on to the next round of play.

NMU also defeated two other rivals during the season. In the GLIAC/GLVC Crossover tournament at Grand Valley State in September, the team defeated Northern Kentucky University in a 3-1 match where the 'Cats looked to show

NKU they were a team to fear.

Northern also reached its final goal to finish the season. After falling to Michigan Tech in a three-game match in Houghton, the team set out to avenge the October match and took Tech in three in Northern's final home match of the season on Nov. 8.

Kimball said she felt the team's biggest accomplishment was growing as a team and getting better as the season progressed.

She also said the most memorable thing

for her as she leaves Northern's volleyball program is finishing her final season knowing the girls she played with this year are going to continue to build the program.

"I'm leaving knowing I had a hand and a part of that," she said.

Hruska said three players stepped up big for her.

She said freshman middle blocker Holly Greenamyre played a consistent position. Greenamyre ended the season with 358 kills and was second on the team in total blocks with 106.

Hruska said sophomore outside hitter Jennie Little was the go-to hitter. Little led the team in kills for the season with 402.

She was also the only Wildcat named to the GLIAC All-Tournament Team.

Hruska also said Kimball stepped up and took care of 90 percent of the serve receive and the defense. Kimball recorded 511 digs for the season.

Laveen was second in kills with 366 and led the team in total blocks with 128.

She was named GLIAC player of the week for Nov. 11 and also made the All-GLIAC First Team.

McCune was given All-GLIAC Honorable Mention.

With the end of the season, the interviewing process for a new official head coach will continue. While the athletic department is required to post the position, Hruska said she is confident that she will be asked back next season.

"Everyone around me has been supportive," she said. "They know what I can do."

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Sams brings winning, fun back to program

BY ROB HAMILTON
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

When Doug Sams was hired as the new NMU football head coach in February, he brought in different coaching philosophy than returning players were used to.

Many players said Sams was unlike previous coaches because he made the game more fun.

"It was a real loose atmosphere," senior wide receiver Brandon Munson said. "The coaches' attitudes and approach were different. The coaching staff listened to the players."

Coming off a 4-7 season, nobody expected much out of this year's Wildcat team. But after being picked to finish eighth in the preseason GLIAC coaches poll, the Wildcats finished fifth in the conference, going 6-4 in the GLIAC (6-5 overall).

Munson said one of the biggest reasons for the team's improvement was the different atmosphere that Sams created on the field.

"When you have a guy that respects you and lets you have fun a little bit, you're going to respect them and work hard to do the things they want you to do," Munson said.

Sams not only brought in a new philosophy, he brought a new offense as well. He instituted a West Coast offense, which featured much more passing than in previous years.

Playing in the new offensive system, Munson led the league in receptions and



Scott Salisbury/NW
Head coach Doug Sams (middle) and the NMU football team gathered at the 50-yard line to sing the NMU fight song to the band after every home game this year.

receiving yards per game. He was named to the All-GLIAC First Team after making 76 catches for 950 yards and scoring six touchdowns.

"When you have your best season as a team and as an individual in your last season, it's a good way to go out," Munson said.

Several other players also put up big numbers in the new offensive system, including junior quarterback Kyle Swenor.

In his first year as a starter, Swenor broke the NMU all-time record for passing yardage (2,839), passing completions (269) and passing attempts (462).

Swenor said he hoped his team could

put up even better offense numbers and have a better record next season.

"We've got a year of experience with our coaches and with the new guys," Swenor said. "Nobody really wants a 6-5 record, but not many people thought we could even do that."

NMU will return four out of five starting offensive linemen next season, the team's leading rusher and scorer, junior Terrell Goldsmith (731 yards rushing, 14 touchdowns) and junior receivers Pat Rouzard (64 catches for 622 yards) and Chris Messano (31 catches for 304 yards).

The Wildcats defense will have second team All-GLIAC linebacker junior

Brandon Genwright back next season. Genwright led the team with 102 tackles and three forced fumbles.

First team All-GLIAC punter, Ryan Wettstein will also be returning next year. He led the league in punting this year with 41.9 yards per punt.

After starting their season out with a non-conference loss to St. Cloud State, the 'Cats won six out of their next seven games before losing their last three. NMU went 4-1 at the Superior Dome. Their only loss came to 14th-ranked Saginaw Valley State in a close game.

"I think the guys achieved a lot," Sams said. "We were in the hunt for the playoffs until late in the year. We made some strides forward. I think the disappointing thing is that we didn't get win No. 7."

If the Wildcats look to improve on their record next season they will have to do so without 16 graduating seniors from this year's team.

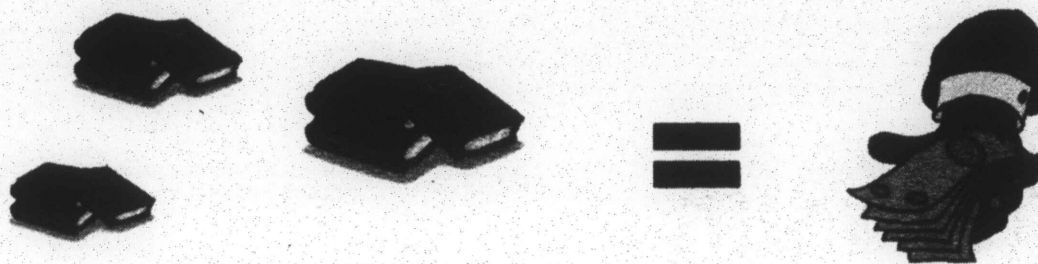
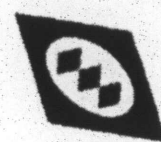
The Wildcats will lose 11 starters: Munson, second team All-GLIAC offensive linemen Jesse Loeffler, fullback Jeff Osborne, tight end Matt Bush, defensive backs Nathan Twork, Casey Young and Mike Oswald, linebacker Ben Laarman and defensive linemen Luke Selden, Nick Nordstrom and Ryan Vanderlist.

Several of the seniors said they felt confident that the program was in the right hands.

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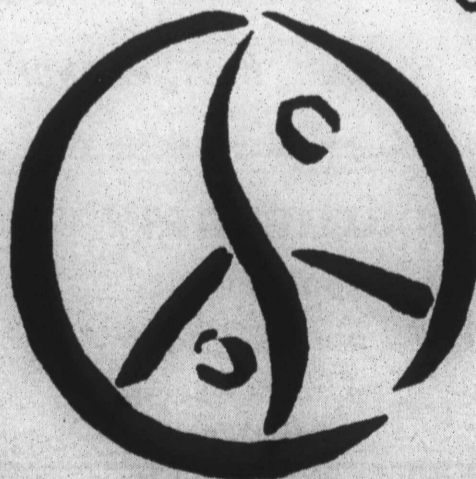
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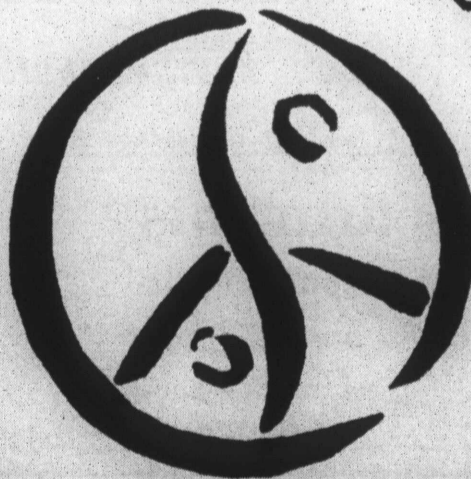
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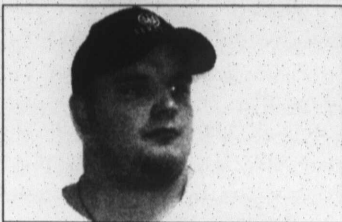
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USOEC Boxer wins bronze in Copenhagen

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NMU football players earn academic honors

Four members of the Northern Michigan football team were named to the 2002 Verizon College Division Academic All-District IV football team as selected by the College Sports Information Directors of America.

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Junior defensive end Josh Sherko was selected to the First-Team Defense as a defensive lineman. He carries a 3.89 GPA in accounting.

Senior linebackers Mike Oswald and Ben Laarman were selected for the second-straight year to the First-Team Defense. Oswald carries a 3.91 GPA with a major in construction management and Laarman has a 3.97 GPA with a major in physical education.

Other Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference players that were selected to either the offensive or defensive first-teams were Jorge Gomez, a junior running back from Wayne State

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Oswald was NMU's second leading tackler this year with 89 total tackles.

Football locker room renamed for alumnus

The NMU football locker room was named the Dr. John and Mary Jane Beaumier Football Locker Room in a dedication ceremony at halftime of the final home football game against Saginaw Valley State on Nov. 9.

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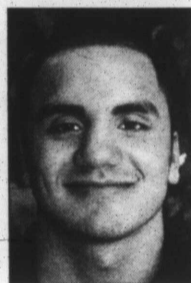
The campaign resulted in 75 donors "buying" the naming rights to the individual lockers and raising \$400,000 in support for the locker room renovation.

Dr. Beaumier, a retired orthopedic surgeon, is a 1953 NMU graduate and a former Wildcat football player.

"John and Mary Jane have generously given to both athletic and academic programs for many years," said Virginia Zinser, executive director of the NMU

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Jan. 11	Hillsdale	1 p.m.
Jan. 13	Wayne State	5:30 p.m.
—HOCKEY—		
Dec. 29-30	Badger Showdown	6p.m./9p.m.
Jan. 10-11	Bowling Green	7:05 p.m.
—NORDIC AND ALPINE SKI—		
Dec. 14-15	Christmas Cup	TBA
Jan. 1-4	Nor Am Cup	TBA

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—TODAY—
 • The NMU swimming and diving team will compete in the Notre Dame Invitational at Notre Dame, Ind.
—FRIDAY—
 • The NMU hockey team hosts Michigan at 7:05 p.m.
 • The NMU swimming and diving team will compete in the Notre Dame Invitational at Notre Dame, Ind.
—SATURDAY—
 • The NMU hockey team hosts Michigan at 7:05 p.m.
 • The NMU men's and women's nordic skiing teams hosts the NMU Open
 • The NMU men's basketball team plays St. Cloud State at 9 p.m. at St. Cloud Minn.
—SUNDAY—
 • The NMU women's basketball team hosts Northland College at 1 p.m.
 • The NMU men's and women's nordic skiing teams hosts the NMU Open

CCHA STANDINGS

Team (Overall)	W-L-T	Pts.
1. Ferris State (11-3-0)	9-1-0	18
2. Miami (12-3-1)	7-2-1	15
3. Michigan (11-2-1)	6-1-1	13
4. N. MICHIGAN (7-5-1)	6-4-0	12
5. W. Michigan (7-7-1)	6-6-0	12
6. Ohio State (8-4-1)	5-2-1	11
7. Alaska-Fairbanks (5-7-2)	4-6-2	10
8. Notre Dame (5-6-2)	4-6-0	8
9. Michigan State (6-6-1)	3-4-0	7
10. Nebraska-Omaha (5-7-2)	3-5-0	6
11. Bowling Green (3-8-1)	1-7-1	3
12. Lake Superior (3-11-0)	0-10-0	0

NMU 2, UNO 1

N. Michigan 1 0 1 2
 Nebraska-Omaha 0 1 0 1
—FIRST PERIOD—
 1. NMU Mike Stutzel 6 (Nathan Oystrick, Jimmy Jackson), 16:14.
—SECOND PERIOD—
 2. UNO David Brisson 5 (Andrew Wong, Micah Sanford), 8:36.
—THIRD PERIOD—
 3. NMU Bryce Cockburn 4 (Stutzel, Peter Michelutti) PP, 2:11.
—GAME STATS—
 SHOTS — NMU 19; UNO 27.
 POWER-PLAYS — NMU 1-3; UNO 0-4.
 PENALTIES — NMU 4-8; UNO 3-6.
 SAVES-SAVE ATTEMPTS — NMU Tuomas Tarkki (1-0-0) 26-27; UNO Dan Ellis (3-7-1) 17-19.

UNO 5, NMU 4

N. Michigan 2 0 2 4
 Nebraska-Omaha 2 3 0 5
—FIRST PERIOD—
 1. NMU Dan Donnette 4 (Jimmy Jackson), 5:17; 2. UNO David Brisson 6 (Andrew Wong, Greg Zanon), 6:16; 3. UNO Brisson 7 (Wong, John Thomas) 12:05; 4. NMU Mike Stutzel 7 (Jackson, Chris Gobert) PP, 14:06.
—SECOND PERIOD—
 5. UNO Micah Sanford 3 (Scotty Turner, Jason Jaworski) PP, 10:26; 6. UNO Thomas 3 (Brisson, Wong), 13:05; 7. UNO Thomas 4 (Wong, Zanon), 19:07.
—THIRD PERIOD—
 8. NMU Terry Harrison 6 (Gobert), 3:13; 9. NMU Gobert 6, 18:19.
—GAME STATS—
 SHOTS — NMU 29; UNO 26.
 POWER-PLAYS — NMU 1-6; UNO 1-3.
 PENALTIES — NMU 13-26; UNO 14-28.
 SAVES-SAVE ATTEMPTS — NMU Tuomas Tarkki (1-1-0) 21-26; UNO Brian Halland (1-0-0) 25-29.

GLIAC Men's BASKETBALL

NORTH DIVISION		
Team	GLIAC	Overall
1. Michigan Tech	1-0	4-0
2. Saginaw Valley State	2-0	4-2
3. N. MICHIGAN	1-0	3-2
4. Ferris State	0-1	2-1
5. Grand Valley State	0-1	3-3
6. Lake Superior State	0-2	3-4
7. Northwood	0-1	1-3

NMU 94, LSSU 86

Lake Superior State 43 43 86
 N. Michigan 44 50 94
LSSU (86)
 Ben Dewar 12-21 17-18 45; Scott Parrish 4-4 2-2 10; Scott Jamison 3-10 2-2 9; Steve McDonald 3-7 0-0 8; Ryan Hiller 1-7 2-4 5; Paul Kurtz 1-6 0-0 3; Evan Engle 1-1 0-0 2; Andy Bosscher 1-3 0-0 2; Frank Suszynski 1-2 0-0 2; Eric Marquardt 0-1 0-2 0; Dave Zeitlin 0-1 0-0 0.
TOTALS 27-63 23-28 86.
NMU (94)
 Billy Hill 9-16 8-9 28; Steve Watts 8-13 1-2 22; Milan Azanjac 7-9 0-2 14; David Noel 3-6 4-4 12; Antwan Holt 2-4 0-0 5; Louie Koskey 1-3 2-4 4; Raef Lizak 1-1 1-1 3; Keder Hyppolite 1-5 1-2 3; Adrian Whitten 1-2 0-6 2; Marco Volcy 0-6 1-2 1.
TOTALS 33-65 18-32 94.
—GAME STATS—
 TURNOVERS — NMU 18; LSSU 15.

FOULS — NMU 22; LSSU 22.
THREE-POINT GOALS — NMU 10-24 (Watts 5-8); LSSU 9-29 (Dewar 4-11).
REBOUNDS — NMU 45 (Volcy 9); LSSU 35 (Dewar 11).
ASSISTS — NMU 11 (Whitten 4); LSSU 11 (McDonald 4).

UWP 70, NMU 65

N. Michigan 30 35 65
 Wisconsin-Parkside 34 36 70
NMU (65)
 David Noel 4-8 0-0 12; Antwan Holt 5-10 2-2 12; Steve Watts 4-11 2-2 11; Marco Volcy 3-8 0-0 8; Adrian Whitten 3-4 0-1 8; Billy Hill 2-7 0-0 5; Milan Azanjac 2-7 0-0 4; Raef Lizak 1-1 1-2 3; Keder Hyppolite 1-7 0-0 2.
TOTALS 25-63 5-7 65.
UWP (70)
 Glen Barlow 6-8 5-8 17; Dean Pogodzinski 5-8 2-4 15; Gareth Malkowski 3-6 2-4 9; Jerome King 3-7 1-2 8; Quincey Moman 3-8 1-1 7; Marc Forbush 2-3 1-2 6; Brian Jordan 2-5 0-0 4; Brian Maastricht 1-4 0-0 2; Dominick Melton 0-2 2-2 2.
TOTALS 25-51 14-23 70.
—GAME STATS—
 TURNOVERS — NMU 12; UWP 14.
FOULS — NMU 23; UWP 11.
THREE-POINT GOALS — NMU 10-25 (Noel 4-7); UWP 3-18 Pogodzinski (3-6).
REBOUNDS — NMU 39 (Watts 6, Azanjac 6); UWP 33 (Barlow 5).
ASSISTS — NMU 4 (4 tied with 1); UWP 8 (Maastricht 3).

NMU 108, NBBC 48

Northland Baptist 26 22 48
 N. Michigan 62 46 108
NBBC (48)
 Drew Scott 7-12 0-1 19; Craig Yarnell 4-8 2-3 13; Bob Gibler 3-9 3-5 9; Josh Woodward 2-3 0-0 4; Phil Von 1-2 0-0 3; Patrick Gehndyu 0-1 0-0 0; David Jones 0-1 0-0 0; Matt Summer 0-2 0-0 0.
TOTALS 17-39 5-9 48.
NMU (108)
 Marco Volcy 9-15 5-5 23; Billy Hill 7-11 3-6 21; Raef Lizak 7-7 4-6 18; Antwan Holt 7-11 3-3 18; Keder Hyppolite 5-9 0-0 11; Louie Koskey 3-5 0-0 7; Adrian Whitten 2-6 0-0 5; David Noel 1-4 0-0 3; Steve Watts 1-2 0-0 2.
TOTALS 42-70 15-20 108.
—GAME STATS—
 TURNOVERS — NMU 14; NBBC 40.
FOULS — NMU 16; NBBC 19.
THREE-POINT GOALS — NMU 9-21 (Hill 4-6); NBBC 9-17 (Scott 5-9).

REBOUNDS — NMU 33 (Lizak 7); NBBC 20 (Gibler 3).
ASSISTS — NMU 17 (Volcy 3, Noel 3, Whitten 3); NBBC 10 (Von 3).

NMU 77, NDSU 67

N. Michigan 39 38 77
 North Dakota State 27 40 67
NMU (77)
 Antwan Holt 5-11 6-7 18; David Noel 4-7 6-6 15; Billy Hill 5-14 0-0 11; Louie Koskey 5-8 0-0 11; Steve Watts 4-9 0-0 9; Keder Hyppolite 3-8 1-2 7; Marco Volcy 2-8 0-1 4; Adrian Whitten 1-4 0-2 2; Raef Lizak 0-3 0-0 0.
TOTALS 29-72 13-18 77.
NDSU (67)
 CoCo Coffield 10-16 4-5 26; Denver TenBroek 5-17 3-4 16; Ben Nemmers 5-8 0-0 14; Adam Dobmeier 1-6 0-0 3; John Banks 1-3 1-2 3; Adam Witt 1-3 0-0 2; Andy Kelchen 1-2 0-0 2; Shawn Gabbert 0-3 1-2 1; Tyrone Terry 0-2 0-2 0.
TOTALS 24-60 9-15 67.
—GAME STATS—
 TURNOVERS — NMU 10; NDSU 16.
FOULS — NMU 16; NDSU 15.
THREE-POINT GOALS — NMU 6-19 (Holt 2-2); NDSU 10-26 (Nemmers 5-8).
REBOUNDS — NMU 49 (Watts 9, Volcy 9); NDSU 37 (TenBroek 8).
ASSISTS — NMU 11 (Hill 3, Holt 3); NDSU 10 (Gabbert 3).

MSU-M 83, NMU 72

N. Michigan 40 32 72
 Minnesota-Moorhead 41 42 83
MSU-M (72)
 Jake Kruse 9-14 5-5 23; Kyle Staloch 5-8 10-12 20; Jared Bledsoe 7-14 6-7 20; Samuel Marlon 3-6 1-2 7; Ben Aalto 3-8 0-0 6; Alan Hooper 0-2 4-4 4; Billy Halter 1-3 0-0 2; Eric Prchal 0-2 1-2 1.
TOTALS 28-57 27-32 83.
NMU (83)
 Billy Hill 9-17 1-2 22; Marco Volcy 5-10 0-0 12; Keder Hyppolite 4-10 0-1 9; Antwan Holt 3-6 0-0 9; David Noel 4-7 0-1 8; Louie Koskey 2-4 1-1 6; Steve Watts 3-6 0-0 6; Raef Lizak 0-4 0-0 0.
TOTALS 30-64 2-5 72.
—GAME STATS—
 TURNOVERS — NMU 25; MSU-M 15.
FOULS — NMU 21; MSU-M 13.
THREE-POINT GOALS — NMU 10-29 (Holt 3-6); MSU-M 0-12.
REBOUNDS — NMU 32 (Noel 6); MSU-M 37 (Bledsoe 6).
ASSISTS — NMU 18 (Hill 3, Whitten 3); MSU-M 15 (Bledsoe 4, Staloch 4).

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

LSSU 94, NMU 89

N. Michigan 45 44 89
 Lake Superior State 44 50 94
LSSU (94)
 Allyson Conaway 9-17 2-4 20; Alice Duesing 6-11 8-8 20; Hillary Bultema 5-7 2-2 16; Brooke Henderson 2-6 4-4 8; Randi Johnson 1-3 5-5 7; Anne Leonard 3-4 0-0 7; Becca Johnson 3-5 0-1 6; Becky Marquardt-King 2-2 2-2 6; Danielle Pettingill 2-13 0-0 4.
TOTALS 33-68 23-26 94.
NMU (89)
 Tiffany Grubaugh 7-15 8-8 25; Jessica Nohl 7-11 8-8 22; Emily Samuelson 5-11 2-2 14; Michelle Moard 3-3 5-5 11; Elena Keranen 2-4 2-2 8; Jackie Dummer 0-1 3-4 3; Emily Belland 1-3 0-0 2; Shannon Boyer 0-1 0-0 0.
TOTALS 25-49 32-36 89.
—GAME STATS—
 TURNOVERS — NMU 28; LSSU 21.
FOULS — NMU 23; LSSU 25.
THREE-POINT GOALS — NMU 7-21 (Keranen 2-4); LSSU 5-16 (Bultema 4-6).
REBOUNDS — NMU 33 (Keranen 12); LSSU 31 (Henderson 7).
ASSISTS — NMU 15 (Keranen 4); LSSU 10 (Pettingill 3).

LU 92, NMU 87

N. Michigan 44 43 87
 Lewis University 51 41 92
NMU (87)
 Jessica Nohl 8-14 5-8 21; Elena Keranen 6-13 0-1 13; Emily Samuelson 4-11 2-2 12; Michelle Moard 5-10 0-0 10; Jackie Dummer 2-4 4-6 9; Tiffany Grubaugh 4-13 0-0 9; Alyse Shier 3-5 1-3 7.
TOTALS 33-76 16-27 87.
LU (92)
 Callahan, Bryanne 6-10 9-10 22; Harris, Kim 9-17 0-0 20; Smith, Faith 6-12 4-6 16; Francik, Chelsea 5-8 0-0 10; Wong, Kari 3-10 3-5 10; Buchholz, Tracy 3-8 2-2 8; Lyles, Danielle 1-4 0-0 3; Thompson, Kelly 1-3 0-0 3; Grappin, Becca 0-1 0-0 0; Glenn, Shante 0-1 0-0 0.
TOTALS 34-75 18-23 92.
—GAME STATS—
 TURNOVERS — NMU 13; LU 14.
FOULS — NMU 17; LU 21.
THREE-POINT GOALS — NMU 5-20 (Samuelson 2-5); LU 6-19 (Harris 2-4).
REBOUNDS — NMU 42 (Belland 6); LU 43 (Francik 12).
ASSISTS — NMU 25 (Samuelson 7); LU 22 (Wong 8).

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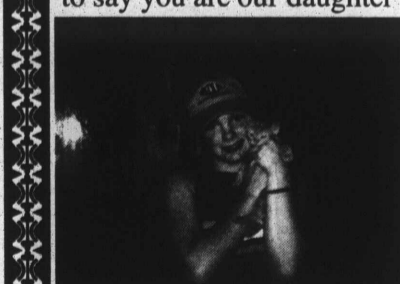

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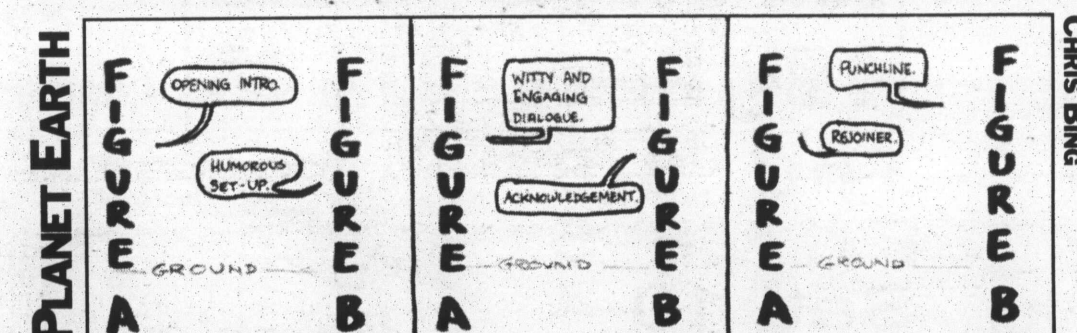
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Studier - Good luck on your exam tomorrow and the ones next week too - Slacker

Crackmonkey - Thank you for sharing your family at Thanksgiving. Happy holidays - Captain Damage

Boy - Happy 21st Birthday! I



hope you have a great day! Love you - Girl

KB - Thanks for all your help this semester. Are you gone for real this time? - Chief

Natural Born Killer - Let's be honest. You did it all for the money - All-American Boy

Jessie - Do you really have to

graduate? Don't leave me alone with these people! - Chris

Camero Boy - The half-moon wasn't all it was "cracked" up to be - The Girlfriend

B.O.C. - I don't know man, those mindreaders really screw with your head - E.L.O.

Jimmy Spittoon - Here you go,

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