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Construction of new roads will grant easier access to NMU recreation facilities

BY MARY ANN CANCELLA
NEWS EDITOR

Northern will begin constructing a new road in May that will connect Wright Street to the Superior Dome and the Physical Education Instructional Facility in conjunction with city building plans to create a road linking Wright Street to Lakeshore Drive.



Kelly Adams/NW

Construction will begin just beyond the intersection of Presque Isle Avenue and Wright Street.

Northern hired Overstar Excavating Co. to complete the project for approximately \$560,000, NMU Project Manager Jim Thams said.

The new road will be constructed off of the new city street leading into the Superior Dome and running around it to the practice fields and travel parking lots, Thams said.

He said once completed, students and visitors will be able to access the sports complex from the north off of Wright Street, from the west off of Pine Street, from the south off of Fair Avenue and from the east off of Summit Street.

Northern applied for a grant from the Michigan Department of Transportation. Please see **ROADS** on Page 2

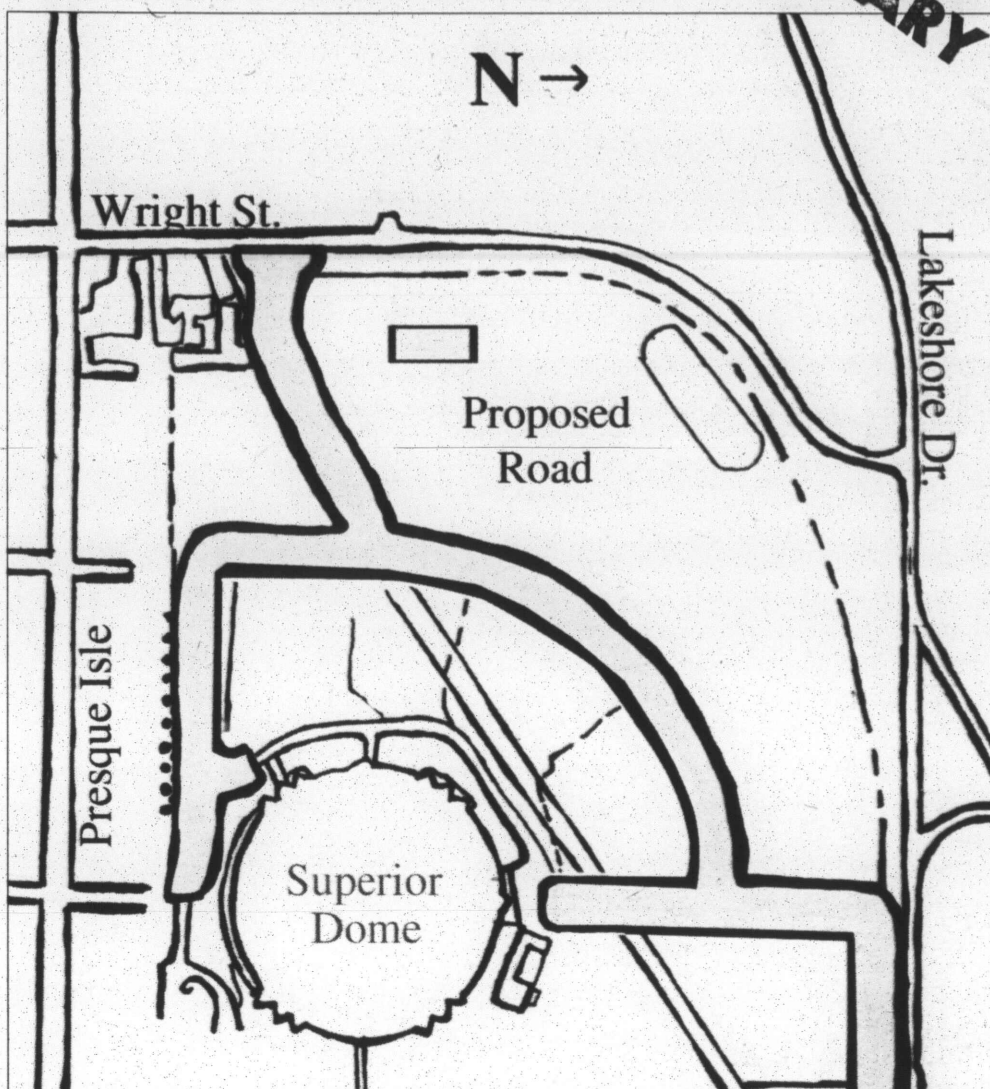


Illustration by Kelly Adams

The construction of a new roads connecting Wright Street to the Superior Dome and Lakeshore Drive will begin in May, and should be completed before the Fall 2003 semester.

State budget proposed

BY ADAM WESTHOUSE
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Gov. Jennifer Granholm presented her first proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2004 on March 6, allowing NMU officials to begin planning for the university's own financial situation which lies ahead.

In total, NMU's budget for the Fiscal Year 2003-04 was cut about \$5.2 million, which amounts to a 10-percent reduction from the previous year.

"The 10-percent cut is what NMU had been building its budget planning model on, but was lower than some of the latest speculation we had heard from Lansing," Vice President of Finance and Planning Gavin Leach said. "This cut presents one of the most significant financial challenges NMU has faced in well over two decades."

Despite having a clear idea of the upcoming year's budget situation, Leach said no projections on tuition hikes have been made yet.

"To put the reduction into perspective, the



Granholm

cuts bring NMU's appropriation to an amount that is below the university's fiscal year 1998-99 level of \$47.2 million while currently serving 1,149 more students than in Fiscal Year 1998-99," Leach said.

A forum focusing on the funding cuts and how it will affect academic programs, athletics and other aspects of NMU is scheduled for 3 p.m. on March 20 in Jamrich 102.

"This year's reduction, along with facing \$5 million in cost increases for next fiscal year, will impact almost every department on campus along with staffing, services and programs," Leach said.

Leach also said that by working collaboratively on campus and focusing on mission, vision, students and enrollment, NMU will remain strong and positioned to be the university of choice in the Midwest where students receive individualized attention in a high-tech learning environment.

"Although major budget reductions cause disruption in the university, we will ultimately adjust to the changes and move ahead," Vice President of Finance and Administration Mike Roy said. "We will have some difficult and painful months ahead, but I'm confident the uni-

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Electrical cable system upgrades

BY ADAM WESTHOUSE
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

This summer, NMU will be upgrading its aging electrical medium-voltage cabling system in a project that will cost about \$1 million.

The project will begin in early May and is expected to be complete by August 14.

Most of the underground system is about 40 years old and needs to be improved to meet newer standards, CAD Specialist and project coordinator Brandon Sager said.

In 1997, a study was done by a consulting firm which recommended that the electric cable system be replaced. A decision was made by university officials to put the upgrade on its high priority list of summer projects for this summer in April 2001.

"The main goal of the project

is to make the [electric] system more reliable and minimize any down time for electricity on campus," Sager said.

Several electrical failures in the past few years also prompted the university to move in replacing the system.

Funding for the project was provided from the 2001 Bond Issue.

Aside from an improved electrical network, several additional university buildings may be able to support air conditioning systems in the future due to new transformers being installed, Sager said.

Among the buildings scheduled for more extensive wiring work are Spooner, Gries and West halls, along with the Jacobetti and Services buildings, Sager said.

A number of buildings on campus will be replaced. Please see **CABLES** on Page 2

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Department of Transportation for the project two years ago and was awarded the funds last Spring, Thams said.

He said that while the project is being funded from Michigan Department Of Transportation's Michigan Institutional Roadways Endowment, Northern must pay an additional \$4,000 for roadway lighting and remediation.

Remediation includes reconditioning contaminated soil for safety reasons.

Remediation was done to the area because as a former industrial site it was found inappropriate for contact since the soil contained both arsenic and lead, Thams said.

"The main reason we chose to build the new road was to cut down on traffic to the university," Thams said. "It will also help with event parking."

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— Jim Thams
NMU Project Manager

He said no streets will be blocked off due to the construction, but that access to the fields will be limited during the construction.

"This is a good project for us," Thams said. "Now people can traverse around the complex without

getting back onto the main streets."

MDOT Ishpeming Representative Robert Tervo said the new street will improve the internal road network to the Superior Dome and PEIF.

"When there is more than one event, the area is very congested, now people will be able shoot right through off of Wright Street," Tervo said.

He said by providing access to the parking lot, the road will complete the road network to the sports complex.

"The purpose is to make travel easier," Tervo said.

Thams said the entire project is planned to be complete by Aug. 15 when the football team will be returning to practice.

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versity will work through this, just as we have in the past."

Roy said in developing its recommendations, the BAC has to the largest extent possible identified recommendations that will have the least amount of impact on educational programs and enrollment at NMU.

Leach also said that NMU's Board of Trustees, president, administrators, staff and faculty all remain committed to students in delivering quality academic programs and services.

He said this will be represented in the budget recommendations that are being forwarded by the Budget Alternatives Committee to the President.



Leach

FOR THE RECORD

In the Feb. 27 issue of The North Wind, the women's Alpine ski team placed 8th in slalom and 10th in giant slalom, with an overall placing of 10th of the 14 schools in attendance. Thirteenth place referred to the overall scores of teams including men's and women's Alpine and Nordic ski teams; since Northern competed as a women's-only team, the overall score was not applicable.

The North Wind will print a For the Record box at the discretion of the editor to correct any factual inaccuracies in the paper.

To submit a correction for the record, please e-mail editor@thenorthwind.org.

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campus, including the Superior Dome, PEIF, Berry Events Center and the campus apartments, all of which run on a separate electrical system, will not be impacted by the temporary cuts in electric power during the project.

Director of Engineering and Planning Kathy Richards said special attention was paid by the engineering staff to ensure that the wiring upgrades wouldn't interfere with campus activities.

"[Our department] sent out a campus-wide e-mail in December asking everyone to inform us of any critical dates that events will be scheduled in the affected buildings," Richards said.



Richards

"They were also to inform us of any critical systems within the buildings. We have compiled this information and provided it to the contractor for the development of their shutdown schedule."

Sager said most down time will take place at night when buildings aren't being used for classes or other events.

Vanert Electric of Kingsford, Mich. is the outside contractor for the project and will oversee most of the work.

Sager said work will be done quickly to replace the cables in each building.

"Any time there is an outage of more than six hours, the contractor is required to provide a back-up power generator to keep that particular building [functioning properly]," Sager said.

Sager said there will be few visible signs of construction on campus as most of the rewiring will be done underground.



Looking to Land a Summer Job?

Are you interested in finding summer employment on or near campus? If so, this is the event for you! Local businesses and university departments will be recruiting for summer help at the

Summer Employment Job Fair

Wednesday, March 19, 2003

1:00 p.m.—3:30 p.m.

University Center, Michigan/Ontario Rooms

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BRIEFS

Local

Brothers arrested in rape case

MARQUETTE — On Monday, two Ishpeming brothers were charged with three counts of rape and one count of kidnapping both. The charges stem after Steven Michael Willey, Jr., 32, and Christopher Anthony Willey, 30, of Marquette abducted and sexually assaulted a 22-year-old female relative late Saturday night. Authorities said the brothers allegedly forced the victim from the house where she was babysitting and brought her to a remote cabin in Dickinson County where both men raped her. The woman was able to escape around 7 a.m. on Saturday where she managed to find help at a nearby camp. Both men are charged with felonies and could face up to life in prison.

National

West Nile will spread, experts say

WASHINGTON — Last year's West Nile virus outbreak may pale in comparison to this summer's spread of the disease, scientists say. The harsh winter in much of the country probably won't lead to the virus leveling off in numbers across the country. Many mosquitoes which carry the virus are able to survive the cold by hiding out in places such as sewers, ready to start spreading infection once it's warm enough to re-emerge. More than 4,000 people became ill and 274 died in last year's epidemic, while only a handful of states escaped human illness. The one certain discovery is that once the West Nile finds a niche, it remains there, said Dr. Lyle Peterson, a researcher at the Center For Disease Control and Prevention.

International

Serbian prime minister murdered

BELGRADE, Serbia-Montenegro — Serbian Prime Minister Zoran Djindjic — who led the revolt that overthrew former President Slobodan Milosevic in October 2000 — was assassinated Wednesday by gunmen who ambushed him outside the government complex. Djindjic died of gunshot wounds to the back and abdomen, Serbian government officials said. Djindjic, a pro-Western leader, saw Serbia's fate as being linked to the West and favored more cooperation with the U.N. war crimes tribunal, where Milosevic is awaiting trial on charges of genocide and crimes against humanity. He was key in arresting and handing Milosevic to the war crimes tribunal in June 2001. Witnesses said two suspects were arrested after the shooting.

Weird News

Congress renames french fries

WASHINGTON, D.C. — Two U.S. lawmakers expressed their discontent with France on Tuesday by renaming food items served on Capitol Hill containing the word "French." Reps. Bob Ney (R-Ohio) and Walter Jones (R-North Carolina) placed a sign at a federal office building which read, "Update: Now Serving in All House Office Buildings, 'Freedom Fries.'" The renaming of "French" fries and also French toast comes after France's opposition of a U.N. to a U.S.-led invasion of Iraq. Ney, who heads the House Administration Committee panel which oversees House operations, ordered the menu changes. The French embassy in Washington had no comment on the situation, but did say that french fries actually originated in Belgium.

— Compiled from news sources

FORECAST

- **Friday:** Partly cloudy. High around 45. Low around 30.
- **Saturday:** Mostly cloudy. High around 45. Low around 35.
- **Sunday:** Cloudy with a chance of showers. High around 44. Chance of rain 40 percent.

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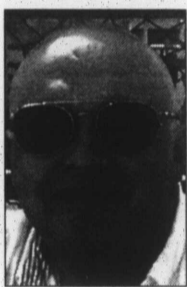
NEMU staff member dies

Academic computing analyst remembered for dedication

BY MARY ANN CANCELLA
NEWS EDITOR

NMU Senior Systems Analyst Bruce Hanninen died March 10 in Marquette General hospital from a brain aneurysm.

Hanninen worked at Northern for approximately 13 years and is partly responsible for installing the first fiber optics on campus in 1991-92, co-worker and Senior Systems Analyst Steven Lasich said.



Hanninen

"He was on the team that laid the fiber optics across campus," Lasich said. "The infrastructure network enabled TLC."

He said Hanninen had a way with machines and determination to ensure that things were done right the first time.

"He charmed machines into doing what he wanted them to," Lasich said. "He was practically a magician."

Former NMU student Andrew Zager said Hanninen's knowledge of computers is irreplaceable.

"The TLC program began and developed because of his knowledge and dedication," Zager said.

Lasich said Hanninen created the very first NMU Web page, and won an award in 1997 for the Academic Computing Services Web page.

"He was very smart, but that wasn't the first thing people would notice about him," Lasich said. "People would always say Bruce was a nice man — calm and tender."

Hanninen installed from scratch the images that appear on every laptop and iBook at NMU, Lasich said.

"He did things people use everyday, but don't know he did them," Lasich said. "If you are using a laptop, you are using his

work."

Hanninen displayed an Appreciation Award on the wall of his office that students had given him in December 2000.

Lasich said Hanninen is also responsible for creating the streaming media page at NMU.

A press release from the Bjork and Zhulie Funeral Home in Ishpeming said Hanninen was 47 at the time of his death.

He suffered from a brain aneurysm, an abnormal widening or ballooning of a portion of a blood vessel.

Hanninen graduated from Champion High School in 1974 and then attended Northern where he majored in computer science.

Hanninen is survived by his wife, Debra; his parents, Jim and Arlene; two sons, Craig and Brandon; a grandson, Calin and his paternal grandmother, Toini.

A memorial service will be held for Hanninen at 1 p.m. today at the Bjork and Zhulie Funeral home in Ishpeming.

A luncheon will be held immediately following the service in the Great Lakes Rooms in the University Center.

Starbucks survey taken

BY NICOLE GEARHART
STAFF WRITER

In order to give students a chance to speak about the issue of bringing Starbucks to campus, ASNMU recently sent out surveys to random students on campus.

These surveys were sent in the form of electronic surveys to 500 random student e-mail addresses, and paper surveys, which were distributed in such places as the Bookbinders eating area in the LRC.

ASNMU President Carissa Waters said of 500 electronic surveys, 130 were sent back, while 156 of 160 paper surveys were returned.

Of those that filled out the paper survey, 12.2 percent said they would definitely not like to see Starbucks line of products added to NMU's current options. Twenty-five percent of students said they don't really care and 42.9 percent said they would definitely like to see Starbucks' product line added.

Approximately 16.7 percent said they would like to see Starbucks products on campus if they were offered with fair trade coffee products as well. An additional 3.2 percent said they did not have enough information to provide an adequate response.

Of the electronic survey, 16.2 percent of students said they definitely did not want Starbucks products on campus, 14.6 percent said they did not really care and

46.9 percent said they would like to see Starbuck products added to campus.

While 17.7 percent of students surveyed said they would only like to see Starbucks products added if fair trade coffee products were also offered.

Waters said ASNMU also created a message board on their Web site (www.asnmu.org) in order to allow students to post their comments or concerns pertaining to the Starbucks issue.

She said many of the discussions posted on this board discuss local businesses versus big business and the pros and cons of bringing Starbucks to campus.

Andrew Wasilewski of Auxiliary Services said he had met with groups both opposing and supporting the arrival of a Starbucks on campus, and had addressed their concerns. He also said the debate concerning most issues will soon be drawing to a close.

"Attorneys are very close to resolving the final issues," Wasilewski said.

He said he will make a decision soon, and will then address NMU President Judi Bailey's council with his recommendation. Student groups will then be contacted to attend a meeting to discuss the recommendation.



Becky Compton/NW

The ASNMU assembly met March 11 in the University Center to discuss issues on campus including the prospect of Starbucks coming to the campus of NMU and the results of a student survey.

Cancer claims ex-trustee

BY MARY ANN CANCELLA
NEWS EDITOR

Former NMU Board of Trustees member Barbara Labadie, of Grosse Pointe Woods, Mich., died from complications of breast cancer on March 1.

Labadie was 59 and served as a Board of Trustees member from 1995 through December 2002.

Former Gov. John Engler appointed Labadie, who was the owner of a capital management firm, to the board.

Labadie served as chairwoman on the board's finance committee and was also the trustee representative to the NMU Development Fund Board since 1995.

"Barbara Labadie was a caring, motivated individual," NMU President Judi Bailey said. "She was extremely dedicated to Northern and took great pride in serving on the university's governing board."

Board of Control Secretary Pamalene Grundstrom said Labadie had been battling with breast cancer for the past two years.

"She was very warm and friendly — one of those people that knew all of the staff members by name," Grundstrom said.

Labadie also served on the Academic Affairs, Audit, Executive and Ad Hoc Marketing Committees.

Labadie is survived by her husband, Dwight Sr.; a son, Dwight Jr.; two daughters, Barbara Stauffer and Monique Soranno; and also three grandchildren Bradley, Mitchell and Christina.

A resolution from the Board of Trustees to Barbara Labadie said she made a major gift pledge to the Campaign for NMU and made contributions towards Northern's Development Fund.

"Barb was very active with the development fund," Grundstrom said.

She said her work with the fund was very closely related to her life's work as the owner of a capital management firm.

"Barb was always willing to lend a hand," Grundstrom said. "When she was asked to help out with the development fund she said absolutely."

Labadie left the university in December when her appointed

term expired.

"We feel honored to have had Barbara as a part of the NMU family for as long as we did as she was an example of what determination can accomplish in the face of adversity," Bailey said.

Friends of Labadie also expressed feelings of great loss in a message board that has been posted on the Detroit Free Press Web site.

"We will never forget the wonderful scuba trips we had with Barbara," said Shirley Piku of Sylvan Lake, Mich. "She has left a sad void in her family and friends lives."

Piku said that as a successful businesswoman, wife and mother, Labadie was a role model for all women.

A memorial service for Labadie was at 11:30 a.m. on March 5 at St. Michael's Episcopal Church in Grosse Pointe Woods, Mich.



Labadie

Memorial gifts

The family has asked that those who wish to make memorial gifts do so to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation at:

Komen Foundation

P.O. Box 650309

Dallas, Texas 75265-0309

Space scientists to visit campus

The Seaborg Center at NMU and the Marquette-Alger Regional Educational Service Agency will host a week of space science activities during "Journey through the Universe Week," from March 17 to 21.

The "Journey through the Universe" program is sponsored by the Challenger Center for Space Science Education in Washington, D.C. and funded by a grant from NASA.

Researchers from NASA and the Challenger Center will spend a week presenting family-oriented science nights, talking with students in area classrooms and conducting a free teacher workshop.

Tim Livengood, a planetary astrophysicist in the Department of Space Science Research at the Challenger Center, will be presenting the science nights.

Students, parents and interested community members are invited to attend "The ABCs of Comets" from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on March 17 at the Seaborg Center. Livengood will talk about the comets that decorated

the night sky at the end of the 20th century and discuss what comets tell us about where we come from.

Livengood and four other space scientists will visit 28 different schools in the region during the week as well. Nancy Grace Roman is an astronomer for NASA and oversaw the development of the Hubble Space Telescope. Sonya T. Smith is an associate professor of mechanical engineering at Howard University in Washington, D.C.

Agnes Pasco-Conaty is an environmental scientist and civil engineer at the Challenger Center. Jason Smith is a space science educator at the Challenger Center. The scientists will visit more than 80 classrooms and talk to the students.

Educators from the Challenger Center will conduct a workshop for more than 100 teachers and Northern Michigan University education students.

— NMU press release

PUBLIC ENEMY'S

CHUCK D

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28

7:00 P.M.

GREAT LAKES ROOMS



Chuck D is the leader and co-founder of the legendary rap group Public Enemy. In his explosive debut album "Yo Bum Rush The Show," his messages addressed weighty issues about race, rage, and inequality. In 1999, The New York Times named Public Enemy's music to their list of the "25 Most Significant Albums of the Last Century."

He has hosted his own segment on the Fox News Channel and published a best-selling autobiography, Fight The Power. He is a regular guest on numerous television shows including Nightline and Politically Incorrect. Chuck is also the spokesperson and major proponent of music on the Internet.

He is currently working on a second book, has formed a rock band that will release an album later this summer, is booked to deliver keynote addresses, sits on panels at over a dozen conventions this year alone, and continues to appear as a guest lecturer at colleges across the country.

PS

Outlook brings 'Real World' alumnus to NMU

BY DESIRÉ COLUCCI
STAFF WRITER

Outlook, NMU's gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered organization, is bringing Chris Beckman, a cast member of MTV's "The Real World: Season 11" to speak at 7:30 p.m. on March 18 in the Great Lakes Rooms in the University Center.

The event is called "Finding Yourself in the Real World."

Beckman, 25, a Massachusetts native, spent four months last year living in a house with six strangers in Chicago. He was openly gay and attending alcoholics anonymous, while being constantly filmed on national television.

"It gives people an opportunity first hand to see how someone handles pressure from the media while still dealing with issues such as alcoholism," junior marketing major and Outlook Public Relations Director Robert Rustman said.

Beckman will talk about his battle with alcohol and drugs, and what it was like being gay on the show and in the media.

"In a way I think coming out as an addict was more difficult than coming out as gay," Beckman

said during an interview with "Metro Weekly", a Washington D.C. gay and lesbian magazine.

Rustman said students will see the positive changes he has made in his life, while receiving the message that everyone is equal.

"It gives people an opportunity first hand to see how someone handles pressure from the media while still dealing with issues such as alcoholism."

— Robert Rustman
Outlook Public Relations Director



Beckman

"We hope that this event will be an emotional one for us and for the audience," Rustman said. "[We] want to impact as much people as possible with his awesome message of hope and understanding."

After leaving "The Real World," Beckman moved to New York where he paints and pursues modeling and acting. He also tours the country speaking to people about the struggles and challenges he has faced.

"We wanted to bring someone that has been on TV, someone people can relate to and identify with," sophomore social work major and Outlook co-president Randi Sherman said. "We're hoping to draw crowds from different aspects of life."

This event is free to NMU students and \$2 for non-students.

Nader plans visit

Ralph Nader, a consumer advocate and the Green Party 2000 presidential candidate, will speak at 7 p.m. on April 7, in the Great Lakes Rooms in the University Center.

He will discuss the environment, particularly oil, and the possible war with Iraq.

Honored by "Time" magazine as one of the 100 most influential Americans of the 20th Century, Nader works to expose and remedy the dangers that threaten a free and safe society.

In 1965, he took on the auto industry with his book, "Unsafe at Any Speed," an exposé of the disregard car-makers held for the safety of their customers.



Nader

Some motor vehicle safety laws resulted from his efforts.

The success created by "Unsafe at Any Speed" gave Nader and his work publicity and momentum.

Working with lawmakers, he was instrumental in creating the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, the Environ-

mental Protection Agency and the Consumer Product Safety Commission.

He also helped draft and pass laws such as the Safe Drinking Water Act, the Meat and Poultry Inspection Rules, the Freedom of Information Act and the Air and Water Pollution Control Laws.

Nader organized a presidential campaign in 2000 with the Green Party to challenge the "duopoly" of the two-party system.


His goal was to build the foundation of a third political party and "a robust progressive political movement that rally around issues rather than empty slogans and figureheads."

His best-selling books, aside from "Unsafe at Any Speed," are "Winning the Insurance Game," "Why Women Pay More," "Getting the Best from Your Doctor" and, most recently, "Crashing the Party: How to Tell the Truth and Still Run for President."

This event is sponsored by Platform Personalities.

Tickets will go on sale at all NMU ticket outlets in mid-March. The event will cost \$1 for NMU students and \$3 for non-students.

— NMU press release



**SATURDAY
MARCH 22, 2003**

**GREAT LAKES ROOMS
6 P.M. - MIDNIGHT**

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FIVE-COURSE DINNER 7 P.M.
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EDITORIAL

It's your money

The whole point of last week was to escape the frigid reality of our daily routines. Some students went home to work for a week for some extra cash, while others pursued the typical spring break dream, traveling to beachside hotspots for seven days of partying.

Spring break can leave a serious dent in a student's pocketbook. But as we hit the homestretch of the second half of the semester, students aren't the only ones trying to make ends meet.

In one week, on March 20, the recommendations brought to President Judi Bailey by the Budget Alternatives Committee regarding the state of the NMU budget will be publicly discussed at a university forum and the Let's Chat session, both in Jamrich 102.

Most of us can't stand balancing our own checkbooks, so it's understandable that crunching numbers on a larger scale seems a bit uninviting. While the NMU budget may not seem interesting to you, it will affect every member of the campus community.

The General Fund budget is changing due to the cut in state appropriations. Tuition will increase, programs will be cut and major changes regarding the student services offered may occur.

The administration needs to be aware of what is important to students, and to this point, they haven't asked and we haven't had the opportunity to tell them.

The students have not had a voice regarding the recommendations of the budget. These forums are our opportunities to express our opinions and give feedback.

If you live on campus, gather people in your hall and go to a session. If you live off campus, make an effort to stop by and offer your opinion as well. If you're in a student organization — which may lose money for traveling and events in the future — show up with your members and contribute to the conversation.

Major changes will occur in the near future. For the sake of your education, attend a feedback session and speak your mind.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Some students show alarming apathy

I am writing in response to the "Student Sound Off" in the Feb. 20 issue. When asked what they thought of the new security level in the United States, the responses were disappointing to say the least. Somebody said "What does it matter to me? I live in Marquette ..." This comment in particular struck me because of the vast ignorance and apathy. Perhaps she was being flippant, but the disheartening part is that so many people feel this way.

Students, Americans, open your eyes! There is a world far beyond not only the U.P., but beyond the United States as well! I do not want to appear unappreciative of being a U.S. citizen — I am quite thankful for the privileges and opportunities that I have, but I feel Americans as a whole are ignorant, apathetic and stuck in their little bubble of a world.

Yes, the United States is one of the most powerful countries in the world, but that by no means indicates that we are the best, that people want to be just like us, or that we have the right to barge into Iraq and demand that they hand over their weapons of mass destruction. What right has been given to us to declare who is evil and who is not? I have my own view and outlook on the possible war, and I welcome people with opposite views. That is what is important — to have a view. Get out of your apathetic state; decide where you stand and why.

Abigail Larsen
junior, social work

Cannot prevent violence with war

At the core of the Bush Administration's official push for continued and escalated war on Iraq is the aim to relieve Saddam Hussein of Weapons of Mass Destruction.

If we do follow the Bush "doctrine" of preemptive strike

in order to accomplish this — we bomb Iraq, murder a couple hundred thousand innocent Iraqi citizens (half are under the age of 15), and then see if anyone alive can help us locate the WMD we sold to Iraq in the 1980s.

A look at North Korea will illustrate problems with this "Doctrine." North Korea possesses the nuclear bomb. By way of missiles, they are capable of reaching their neighbors. It is possible North Korea could reach the United States with an ICBM, however this is not likely, as the probability of success is low. Because of its nuclear weapons, North Korea receives diplomatic negotiations with the United States. Why? If we attack North Korea, they could kill thousands or millions in Hiroshima or Nagasaki.

Therefore, the Bush doctrine promotes the opposite of its intent. If "Evil-Country-X" wishes to not be attacked by the United States, "Evil-Country-X" quickly and quietly develops the nuclear bomb. Once developed, "Evil-Country-X" openly flaunts the nuclear bomb. "Evil-Country-X" then does not have to worry about U.S. attack and regime change.

As a world community, we have two possibilities — a world without WMD or a world with. We could decide we don't need to murder millions, that we are civilized, intelligent and just — or we could live in a world where we murder those we irrationally fear. In order to allow for the destruction of all WMD, we need to achieve world peace. We can achieve this by promoting basic human rights for all, fair trade and living wages, and education as a human right. We as well need to realize we are one human family — and until then people in positions of power will believe murder can achieve peace and stability — a thought process I deem short-term and folly.

Charles Stuart
senior, electronic imaging

Discrimination: is justice truly blind?

I am writing on behalf of Charles Brown. I have followed the Brown case since Nov. 15, the day of the alleged incident. I have heard both sides of the case.

I am completely disgusted in the way that the prosecution decided to handle it. We pay the prosecution to serve justice. We put our faith in the system and hope that the wrong person isn't convicted. This is not justice.

There are many flaws in this case. I have sat in the back of the courtroom on several occasions and witnessed one African American in the room. I watched the victim state that the room was dark, but she knew for sure it was Brown.

I believe they referred to it as "sex by surprise;" I find it difficult to believe I could sleep through a male removing my clothing, especially if I considered myself a light sleeper, as she has. I also find it difficult to believe that I wouldn't be frantic if I woke up and was forced to have sexual intercourse.

I have heard "innocent until proven guilty" hundreds of times. But how do we presume innocence in shackles and an orange jumpsuit?

It is easier to let victims get away with such propaganda than to object to it. It is natural to make accusations.

But, when the issue at hand involves the innocence and the rest of a man's life, such accusations need to be proven beyond a reasonable doubt.

I have several doubts. Brown was targeted this time. Who is next? Will we always send men to prison when some girls decide they want revenge? When did it become okay to put someone behind bars that might not belong there? I am convinced without a doubt that justice will not be served on March 28, the day of Brown's sentencing.

Brooke Frisquet
Carney resident

William Holland
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Confessions of a Type-B personality

I think most of the student body has the wrong ideas about how to succeed in college.

You'll see some of them, running about clutching binders filled with notes from lectures written verbatim, including roll call. They are the highlighter wielders and folder carriers, the consummate caffeine addicts. To them, anything less than an A is a tragedy of biblical proportions.

They call themselves driven, competitive, go-getters. I call them stressed-out success junkies just waiting for their first heart attack.

Granted, these are the future millionaires of our generation, CEOs and presidents of packing peanut manufacturers and whatever company makes those little "Do Not Eat" packets that come in new shoes. These are the bulk of our leaders and heroes.

These are the Type-A personalities.

Type-As are the watch-watchers, orderly to a fault, bordering on obsessive-compulsive.

When they leave the room we call them "anal."

I — and my ulcer-free stomach thanks me for it — am a B-Type personality. B-Type personalities are more relaxed, more adaptive. Non-competitive, ambition is fueled by personal goals, not a need to defeat or better one's peers. With their carefree attitudes and laid-back lifestyles, Bs normally live more contented, healthier lives.

Another way of looking at it is like this: the generally more handsome and cooler B-Types see their lives as lucky, believing the best of people. A-Types, on the other hand, have bulging, bloodshot eyes, and think that any ill luck that befalls them is a personal attack from the world.

A- and B-Type personalities are not something that I dreamed up in an insomniac haze.

Cardiologists Dr. Friedman and Dr. Rosenman developed Type Theory with the aid of a crack team of psychologists and some very stressed out patients.

STAFF COLUMN



BY JEREMIAH BRITT

More recently, a Type-C has been "discovered." Apparently, Cs are to the Types as Blade is to vampires; all of the strengths, none of the weaknesses. I say this is poppycock. True, I could be one, according to the definition. I thrive on deadlines and like to do many things at once. But this is only because I am a procrastinating insomniac — incapable of completing anything unless I absolutely have to and constantly looking for something to dissolve the hours.

Type-Cs aside, some of the student body may be rather unhealthily striving for academic perfection.

These are Susie Study-on-Saturday-Night and Wallace Wears-a-Suit.

And for what? Will that extra .6 in your GPA really help you in applying for a job, as you sit across from the interviewer, glaringly daring him to find someone better than you?

Or would it be better to have a more pleasant appearance and hand in a slightly wrinkled, yet still college-decorated resume?

I have only studied three times since entering college, taken notes for perhaps the same number of classes and have only once done a paper ahead of time (and that was due to my inability to read calendars).

In fact, there have only been a few instances when I was not literally printing off a paper right before class.

"If you wait until the last minute, it only takes a minute to do."

And while I am slightly bemused by the axiom "Cs get

degrees," I am not an advocate for it. Even with my less-than-stellar out of class effort, I have managed to stay on the Dean's list. Admittedly, the English majors do not have the large workloads as some of the other students, since I enjoy reading and writing it's been pretty much a breeze.

B-Type is the way to go. As said by Glenn Turner, "Worrying is like a rocking chair — it gives you something to do, but it gets you nowhere."

Hell, I was going to be a robotics engineer when I was in high school. I even applied to and got accepted to MIT. Why? There is no romance in math. Why would I pay a hell of a lot of money to sweat and stress and idle away my few years of culturally respected irresponsibility? If I am going to pay for something, I'm darn well going to enjoy it. So I'm an English writing major, because that is fun, and a psychology minor, because that interests me. Why waste half my life trying to climb the mountain, only to spend the rest of it fighting to stay on top? Better to sit in the

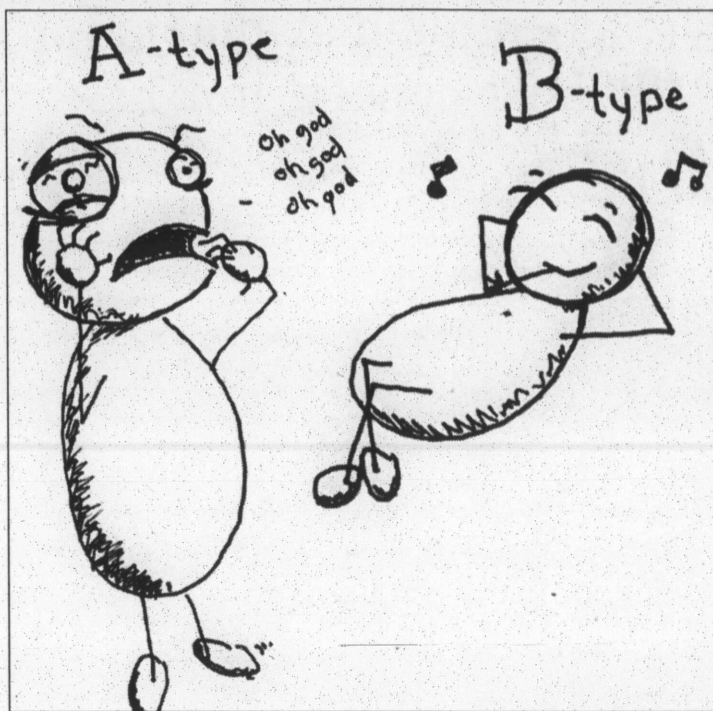


Illustration by Jeremiah Britt

An artist's rendition of a Type-A and Type-B personalities in their natural states based on intensive in-depth research. Not to scale.

shade with a good book.

Sure, thinking that all of the world is waiting for you to trip up might be powerful motivation to succeed. But personally, I don't think that I want my aspirations driven by fear, but rather

a kind of curiosity to see what I could do if I tried. Provided nothing good is on television.

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

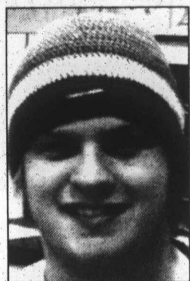
TYPE-A PERSONALITY TEST

- Do you feel constant pressure to keep up with deadlines?
- Do you keep regular study habits over winter and spring breaks?
- Are you impatient with tardiness?
- Do you try to juggle many tasks at once?
- Is it important for you to be the best at what you do?
- Are you too busy for pointless hobbies like bowling or hiking?
- Is your emotional solution to bottle up your feelings?
- Would your day be easier if there weren't so many idiots around you?
- Are you a perfectionist?
- In groups, do you find yourself to be the natural leader?

The more of these questions that you nodded to emphatically, the more likely you are a Type-A Personality. Interesting how most of these are "positive" personal traits: ambition, perfection, stoicism, industriousness. Yet they also lead to heart disease. I'm sure that knowing that is going to help your stress levels oodles.

SOUND OFF

How have increased gas prices changed your driving habits?



Steve Harig
sophomore, zoology

"I have retired my car to the dirt lot because I can't afford to drive it."



Erika Jensen
freshman, environmental science

"None, my parents pay for gas."



Brian Marcinkiewicz
sophomore, entrepreneurship

"On the way back from spring break the increased cost of gas made us stop to fill up an extra time, which led to being pulled over for suspicion of drug trafficking."



Liz Gerken
sophomore, undeclared

"I drive an economy-friendly car to save money and help the environment, not an SUV!"



Davide Donaldson
senior, social work

"I carpool."

— Compiled by Becky Compton

University gears up for Ludacris show

Tickets remain available for March 21 concert in BEC

BY ERIC TREADO
STAFF WRITER

For the first time Northern Arts and Entertainment is bringing a rap artist, Ludacris, to perform at 7:30 p.m. on March 21 in the Berry Events Center.

Tickets can be purchased at all NMU ticket outlets and are \$24 for students and \$30 for the general public.

Only those 16 and older will be permitted to attend due to explicit lyrics and IDs will be checked at the door.



Photo courtesy of Ludacris Web site
Ludacris will give a performance at 7:30 p.m. on March 21 in the Berry Events Center. Tickets cost \$24 for students and \$30 for the general public and are still available at all NMU ticket outlets.

Ludacris grew out of the Atlanta rap scene and signed with Def Jam records in 2000. He has become one of rap music's top MCs, working with the likes of Timbaland, Missy Elliott and Jermaine Dupree.

He has topped the charts with two albums "Back for the First Time" and "Word of Mouf." They include popular songs such as "Southern Hospitality," "Area Codes" and "Rollout."

Ludacris is currently on a U.S. tour promoting his music.

He will be flown in from Minneapolis, where he is making a tour stop.

"Ludacris is a great entertainer, who will execute a once in a lifetime concert," NAE member and junior public relations major Krissy Peterson said.

She said NAE hopes the concert will appeal to more people on campus and that they like to bring a variety of artists to Northern.

"We are hoping to get a diverse audience for the concert," Peterson said.

She said the 3,600 tickets are close to selling out.

Opening up for Ludacris will be the Level Jumpers, a rap group from Detroit, possibly along with members of a Ludacris created

group called Disturbing the Peace.

"We are not sure who he's bringing yet," Peterson said.

Early in February NAE had to make a selection from a few popular artists to come to Northern.

"We voted in February and picked Ludacris," Peterson said. "It will be an awesome show, and a first for the Upper Peninsula."

Sophomore undeclared major Colin Hardy and co-chairman of security for the concert said NAE was debating between bringing Ludacris or Busta Rhimes to campus.

He said they sent out surveys to students and the results showed a tie between the two

performers.

"Students' opinions were split on who they wanted to see more," Hardy said. "It could have gone either way."

The committee then sat down and discussed which concert would work better.

"We decided on Ludacris because he had a fly-in date that we could work with," Hardy said.

He said he is excited to see how students will react to the concert.

"It's really exciting because it is a brand new adventure for us," Hardy said.

For additional information on the Ludacris performance please contact NAE at 227-2447.

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Professor nominated into linguistic society

BY MARY ANN CANCELLA
NEWS EDITOR

English professor David Boe was recently elected secretary of the North American Association for the History of the Language Sciences (NAAHoLS), a subdivision of the Linguistic Society of America (LSA).

NAAHoLS was founded in 1987 to promote the study of the history of language.

The association puts out a regular newsletter to inform members of current research projects, publications within the field and upcoming meetings.

As secretary, Boe will be in charge of editing the newsletter as well as soliciting papers to be presented at the LSA's annual meeting.

Boe said he first became interested in this subfield of linguistics through his teaching of the

history of English.

As a part of his work, Boe said he travels every year to the annual LSA meeting and has been consistently submitting his own papers to be presented at the meeting.

This year, Boe was chosen to present his paper titled, "Bloomfield, Carnap and the Development of Linguistic Empiricism."

"This is part of my work, a service to my field," Boe said.

Boe also said his paper focused on the linguist Leonard Bloomfield and the important influence of a book Bloomfield wrote in 1933.

He said for the past four years he has completed a research project to submit for the conference and because of his work the society specially recognized him last fall.

Boe serves with three other

officers including President Mark Amsler from the University of Wisconsin, Vice President Daniel Taylor from Lawrence University in Appleton, Wis. and Treasurer Talbot Taylor from the William and Mary College in Williamsburg, Va.

Assistant English Department Head Peter Goodrich said Boe is the only professional linguist at NMU.

"He is very skilled and enthusiastic and very good at involving all of his students in his classes," Goodrich said.

Boe said earlier this year he was a guest lecturer in Goodrich's J.R. Tolkien class in which he spoke about the language Tolkien created.

"He has done a lot of guest lecturing and he has been taking a course himself every semester," Goodrich said. "He is continually trying to improve and broaden his



Scott Salisbury/NW

NMU English professor David Boe talks to his English language class on March 12. Boe was chosen as secretary of the North American Association for the History of the Language Sciences.

horizons."

Goodrich said Boe is also experienced in teaching English as a foreign language to students

overseas.

"I am delighted to have someone like him on faculty," Goodrich said.

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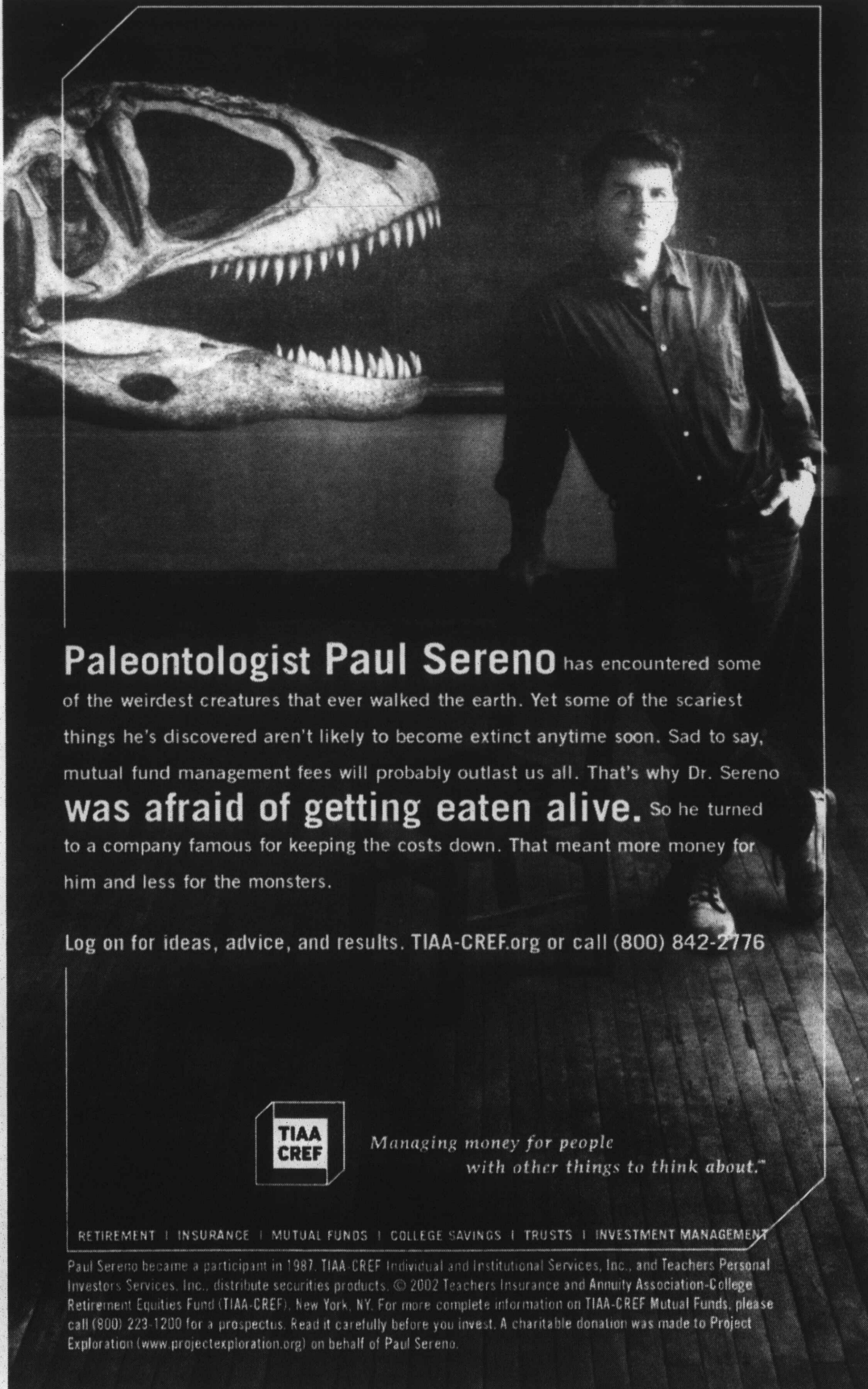
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Northern holds job fair

BY RYAN CHARTER
STAFF WRITER

The Jobsearch Center will be hosting the third annual summer job fair featuring employers from local organizations from 1 to 3:30 p.m. on March 19, in the Great Lakes Rooms in the University Center.

Twenty employment organizations from Marquette County including NMU housing and Residence Life, City of Marquette-Parks and Recreation, U.S. Army and Planned Parenthood of Northern Michigan will be participating in this summer's job fair.

The employers will include local businesses in town, non-profit agencies and volunteer organizations, Jobsearch Center Director John Frick said.

The employers at the event will be accepting resumes and applications from anyone attending, however all of those who do attend are not required to bring these documents, Frick said.

He said dress attire is not required but is recommended if students plan on meeting employers for an interview.

The summer job fair is primarily directed towards those students who plan on attending summer courses, or even those students who plan on staying in Marquette for the summer, Frick said.

Last year 20 employers participated in the job fair with an attendance of just over 200 students.

"We are hoping that this year's summer job fair will bring back a good attendance and offer some of the same opportunities for the students who stop by and sit with the attending groups to fill out applications," Frick said.

The job fair was started in 2000 to provide students and local residents with the opportunity to

find employment and internships over the summer and possibly beyond.

"Many businesses are from around the Marquette area and provide a good opportunity for students to take advantage of while in classes for summer," Senior Secretary of Jobsearch Season Holdwick said.

For more information on the job fair, visit the Jobsearch link located on the NMU homepage or call the Jobsearch Center Office at 227-2800.

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The event cost \$3 and is open to everyone interested. All proceeds will go to benefit the World Medical Fund.

The gallery is located at 231 Washington St.

For more information on the World Medical Fund, visit their Web site at www.worldmedical-fund.org.

Irish fest hits downtown area

From March 14 through March 17, an Irish Fest will be held in downtown Marquette.

Downtown merchants will host a fun filled tribute to the culture, food arts and traditions of the Irish.

The community is invited to join the celebration and register to win the Pot O' Gold, a prize package filled with over \$500 of merchandise and gift certificates generously donated by down-

town businesses.

Festivities will include, scurrying leprechauns handing out treats as well as strolling Irish musicians.

For more information, contact Kathy Weber at 228-6213.

MTU, NMU jazz bands to play

The Northern Michigan University and Michigan Technological University Jazz Bands will perform at 7:30 p.m. on March 13, in Jamrich Room 103.

There is no admission charge for this event.

For more information, call the NMU music department at 906-227-2563.

Mexican art display opens

The Northern Michigan University Art Museum in Lee Hall will feature contemporary Mexican art in an exhibit that runs March 13 through April 12.

The exhibit will feature the work of some of the artists currently showing in major galleries

in Mexico City, the largest city in the world. Artworks will be from the Christian Keesee Collection, the Galeria Nina Menocal and the Galeria de Arte Mexicano.

Mexico has a long history of creating vibrant visual art, from the muralists through the magical realism movement. A Contemporary artists, such as those who will be featured in the NMU exhibit, combine these elements with a completely modern aesthetic to create their works.

The NMU Art Museum is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday through Sunday. This exhibit is funded by the Jamrich Endowment for the Arts.

NCLL offers support group

The Northern Center for Lifelong Learning is offering "When Life is Hard," a group discussion that helps participants deal with some of life's difficult issues.

It will meet from 10 a.m. to noon on March 25, at First Presbyterian Church at 120 N. Front St.

Dave Mair, a retired Presbyterian minister and now a hospice chaplain, will lead the group.

This is not a religious discussion; this is about regaining one's spirit and enthusiasm for life. It is a continuing group but is open to new participants.

There is no charge to attend this event. Call Dave or Pat Mair at 228-9470 for more information or to register.


Chuck D plans visit to campus

Chuck D, leader and co-founder of the rap group Public Enemy, will speak at Northern Michigan University at 7 p.m. on March 26, in the Great Lakes Rooms in the University Center.

Chuck D redefined rap music and hip hop culture with the release of seven albums over the course of 13 years. The critical and commercial success of Public Enemy opened the doors for Chuck D to deliver his message of race, rage and inequality.

Tickets for the event are available at Willy's Snak Shak and the Superior Dome and cost \$1 for students and \$3 for non-students.

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FOX trivializes marriage

FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH



BY TRAVIS MARGONI

Five couples were engaged on Monday in front of millions of nationwide television viewers. FOX's "Married by America" moved the desperate singles one step closer to marriages that will take place later in the reality television series.

The groups of potential spouses were narrowed by family and friends of the five main singles, and then their fates were left to the American public, the same society that made Vanilla Ice a star and Tupac Shakur a martyr. I wouldn't trust the American public as a whole to choose my clothes for a day, let alone a partner for life.

The proposals all sounded alike: hypocritical jargon about waiting a lifetime for the moment of proposal. Then, compliments followed about how beautiful the hand looked that was poking through the hole as a ring slid up a sweaty finger. Several contestants noted how odd the situation was, but then laughed it off. After a woman agreed to marry a man, the curtain was raised and they saw each other for the first time.

At this point I was hoping for an entertaining reaction — maybe one guy would turn after the woman was revealed and say something like, "Oh great, another redhead." Or, maybe a woman would turn around declaring it was time for a drink, then ask if there was a bartender in the audience. I was let down though, and learned quickly that the criticisms of reality television are warranted. Things worked out too well for these players.

However, no matter how well the couples seem to match, their trivialization of marriage is just slightly more drastic than The American Way in which marriage is viewed today. More than 1 million divorces are granted each year and about 50 percent of all marriages end in divorce. Most people are unnerved waking up with a hangover next to a stranger, so one might think that marrying a stranger would seem even more awkward; and this time there's no 5 a.m. escape out the bedroom window.

"Married by America" producer Ted Haimes also provided the nation with "Joe Millionaire," another reality television program that numbed the minds of several million Americans each week. For this series, an "average Joe" was pulled from the trenches of construction and placed in a French mansion. Twenty women were brought in to court him, under the assumption that he had inherited \$50 million. When "Joe" finally decided on a bride, she was informed that it was all a hoax to test her loyalty. Of course, "Joe" had done a bit of modeling in the past, and the couple was eventually given \$1 million, supposedly a shock to both of them.

There was actually an uproar from angry viewers of "Joe Millionaire" because they felt wronged near the end of the series when FOX prolonged the drama by withholding the groom's final decision for a week. Once again, the American public's passion proved to be futile — the complaints alone about FOX's foolish reality show were powerful enough to make national headlines, while at the same time people were filing for divorce via the Internet; several states offer this option, now.

Not everyone sees the humor in these shows; critical eyes are often blinded by pretty faces and the enticement of gimmicky entertainment. Many children grow up with only one parent, and shows like "Married by America" and "Joe Millionaire" further the social normality that implies marriages are disposable.

Sure, it's funny and interesting to watch a needy 30-something single get married to a complete stranger. However, the implications are sad and the premise that these couples could fall in love cheapens relationships for many people who still believe marriage requires serious commitment and knowledge of a person. In the United States, arranged marriages are doomed to fail, and the thought of the American people influencing relationships might just be enough to frighten some people into a lifetime of solitude.

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

National Women's History Month Pioneering females honored

BY YONIKA WILLIS
DIVERSIONS EDITOR

Women — they carried us for nine months and then spent countless hours in labor to bring us into this world. Without them there would be no life.

However, sometimes the contributions and impact of women have been overlooked.

March is national women's history month. This month, which descended out of International Women's History Day during the early part of the 20th century, gives recognition to women's rights and peace.

International Women's History Day was revitalized during the women's movement in the 1960s which was further revived into women's history week in 1978, by the Education Task Force. Women's history week gained national attention and was prolonged to women's history month in 1987.

According to the official women's history month Web site this year's theme is "Women Pioneering the Future."

Director of Diversity Student Services Bill Hill said he is not sure how this month will impact society.

"When we think about history and politics, I don't think we think of women," Hill said. "We tend to keep women invisible. Perhaps women's history month is a start to making that stand out as being important."

Along with educating students, faculty and staff with posters lining the walls of the University Center outside of the Diversity Student Services and Gateway Academic Program offices, a few successful women will travel to Northern this month to share their contributions and gifts to faculty, students and staff as well.



Courtesy of Diversity Student Services
As part of Northern's tribute to National Women's History Month, visiting MSU professor Helen Roy will hold sessions throughout the week on cultural awareness and linguistics.

Helen Roy, a visiting professor and language specialist in the department of linguistics and language at Michigan State University and an Ojibwa language instructor, will be holding a community-wide presentation from 3:30 to 6 p.m. tomorrow evening in the Brule Room in the University Center on "Goals and Commitments Toward Language Preservation."

According to her itinerary, Roy will also be holding a number of workshops for faculty, students and staff along with conducting classroom presentations on cultural awareness and linguistic studies.

Last night, Platform Personalities, and Black Student Union also brought Shay Banks-Yong, a black business woman and former educator, along with Julia Jefferson Westerinen, a white health trainer and poet, to speak on Race Affairs in America.

Both women are descendants of Thomas Jefferson, whose great grandfathers were sons of Jefferson and Sally Hemings — one of Jefferson's slaves. Last night's presentation compared and contrasted the two women's history, heritage and lives growing up.

Hill said he feels the women presenters will bring the voice of history from a woman's perspective to the students, faculty and staff of Northern.

Women have had great influences on people in society.

Along with his mother and sister who have taught him many life lessons, Hill said his wife has been a beneficial woman in his life.

"I've learned a lot of great lessons from my wife who is from Thailand," Hill said. "Among the lessons, I've learned the priority of family and the priority of our relationship with each other. We've made a commitment where a day will not pass no matter where we are, that I won't call her everyday and make contact with her."

Not only can women benefit from women's history month, but men can as well.

"I think indirectly women have gone leaps and bounds to come out of their culturally assigned gender roles," senior health education major Joe Grimby said. "My mom raised three boys kicking and screaming and beating up on each other while working at the hospital. I have a tremendous respect for her and women. The sacrifices my mom has made has gotten me in the mindset of chivalry."



Becky Compton/NW
Last night Platform Personalities along with the Black Student Union brought two descendants of President Thomas Jefferson — Julia Jefferson Westerinen, a white woman, and Shay Young-Banks, a black woman — to speak on "Race Affairs in America" in the University Center. The two compared and contrasted their family's heritage and history.

Drumbeats thunder in native culture

BY JOSH JOHNSON
DIVERSIONS STAFF REPORTER

The lone beat of a drum echoes through the Vandament Arena as the beads of the Native American dancers swing and shake in anticipation.

The drum beat is then joined by others as the dancers make their way from the East towards the center of the floor in a grand entry.

By now, the electricity has grown to the point that everyone knows what has arrived, the beginning of a pow wow.

The 11th annual NMU Pow Wow will kick off tomorrow at 7 p.m. in the Vandament Arena and run through Sunday afternoon. April Lindala, assis-

tant director of diversity student services, said the pow wow is a powerful experience for the 1,500 people who are expected to attend.

"It leaves quite an impression on people once they leave a pow wow," Lindala said.

A pow wow is like a festival, complete with dancing, singing, food sampling, vendors and artisans who feature their respective crafts, Lindala said.

Lindala said many of the songs and dances express meaning or stories from years ago while the food and crafts give participants a taste of Native culture.

Fry bread, buffalo burgers, corn soup and Indian tacos are some of the food which has been served at the pow wow, Lindala said.

Junior computer science major Scott Wyzlic said all the aspects of a



Courtesy of April Lindala
During last year's pow wow, the group Little Otter performed. In Native American culture and music the major emphasis is placed on the drum beat.

pow wow epitomize Native culture.

"Pow wow is a celebration of heritage. A way of life and spirituality," Wyzlic said.

Wyzlic said after the grand entry, flags of the United States, Canada, the Vietnam POW-MIA flag and all divisions of the armed services are presented by veterans or their families.

A collection of intertribal songs are performed by numerous tribes that attend the pow wow, Wyzlic said. These songs were created during the interment of Native Americans in schools with those of other tribes, who had no way to communicate verbally.

Amidst all the activity that goes on at a pow wow, Wyzlic said there's much more work that goes on behind the scenes to make sure the weekend flows smoothly.

The Native American Student Association (NASA) is the primary organizer of the event.

"They put in hours upon hours, making sure all the little things get done," Wyzlic said.

Junior psychology major and NASA President Sara Antoine has been going to pow wows since she was a child.

She said she was surprised at the amount of planning which goes into NMU's pow wow, which is considered as early as November.

Antoine said NASA forms a pow wow committee that determines event staff, funding, the arrangements for the various drums and building reservations.

Funding for the pow wow is provided by the Student Finance Committee, various academic departments, tribes from the U.P. and business donations, she said.

Admission is free to NMU students with ID and \$3 per day or \$5 for the weekend for non-students.

Lindala said the pow wow is a unique cultural event that's easily accessible to students.

"You just don't have opportunities like this in your backyard," Lindala said.



Courtesy of April Lindala
This year's pow wow sponsored by Diversity Student Services, will feature native culture and heritage through music, dancing, singing, food and crafts.

Actors depict life with humor, singing

BY YONIKA WILLIS
DIVERSIONS EDITOR

From the improvisational stages of Second City in Detroit, Mich. all the way to the studios of Saturday Night Live and movie sets across the nation, many famous actors began their careers at the Second City comedic institution.

George Bournias, director of marketing and production and the business director for Second City, said Second City is a series of scenes, songs and sketches that have been created over the years for the actors to perform.

This weekend Northern Arts and Entertainment is bringing the Second City touring group to Northern.

"Second City deals with current

events, political, social and cultural material," Bournias said. "It's just like 'SNL,' 'MAD TV' and 'In Living Color.' They use songs, games sketches and some improv in their performance."

Second City is an entertainment institution, which many actors attend after receiving their bachelor's degrees in fine arts from various schools. Many of the actors remain on tour with the group anywhere between a year and four years.

Many of the alumni have gone on to become famous writers, directors, producers and actors.

Some of the famous alumni who have graduated from Second City are Dan Akroyd, John Candy, John Belushi, Gilda Radner and Shelley Long.

Bournias said the institution offers training for the actors and after they have gone through the training they have the opportunity to audition for the

touring group and then become a member.

The touring group began in 1959. Second City has three metropolitan home areas, which include Chicago, Detroit and Toronto.

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— George Bournias
Director of marketing and production for Second City

The group opened in Toronto in 1973 and opened in Detroit in 1993.

"We travel throughout the state of Michigan to universities, colleges and community theaters," Bournias said.

"We receive very positive reactions from our audiences because it's a humorous way of looking at current events and aspects of life."

Many students are excited about the group coming up because they can relate them to shows that they've seen on television and other shows.

"I enjoy those types of shows," senior psychology and criminal justice major Amanda Anderson said. "I saw the improv group On the Spot last year and I thought they were pretty fun and that's sort of what makes me interested in Second City."

Bournias said the group is a very gifted.

"We have a very talented group coming up from our actors, stage managers and music director," Bournias said. "They are all very talented."

Second City will perform at 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday in the Forest Roberts Theatre. Tickets are \$2 for NMU and \$5 for the general public.

Old Cash is fresh again

Johnny Cash
"American IV:
The Man Comes Around"



Grade: A-

BY ADAM WESTHOUSE
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

With his health ailing as he nears the twilight of his life, 70-year-old Johnny Cash might very well be at the peak of his musical powers.

The recent resurgence of Cash's popularity — with many of today's artists citing the influence of this American music pioneer — has arisen alongside his own artistic comeback.

In return, Cash has tipped his hat to more contemporary artists on his last few albums, including cover songs of Tom Petty and U2 intertwined with his own material. His latest release, "American IV: The Man Comes Around," just might be one of his best.

Cash's rendition of Nine Inch Nails' "Hurt," one of the most striking tracks on his "The Man

Comes Around," is already making waves on the radio. But for those popping in this CD hoping to hear another humorous ditty such as one of Cash's signature songs, "A Boy Named Sue" — run fast.

Like "Hurt," much of "The Man Comes Around" is just plain spooky, shrouded in death and personal reflection. Guests such as Fiona Apple, Nick Cave, and the Red Hot Chili Peppers' John Frusciante add occasional flourishes to a few of the tracks, but the centerpiece of the album remains Cash's singing.

After five decades of making music, Cash (a.k.a. The Man in Black) still has a voice that can send tingles down the listener's spine. More world-weary and ravaged by nicotine, his soulful baritone still never loses face or falls short on emotion.

Instrumentation is fairly sparse throughout "The Man Comes Around," as many songs are carried by little more than acoustic guitar, piano and cello.

With its apocalyptic references, the title track opens the album in a catchy but haunting fashion. The spoken monologue following this song segues perfectly into "Hurt," where Cash adds his own personal anguish to lines like, "What have I become,

my sweetest friend/Everyone I know goes away in the end."

Another eyebrow-raising song is Cash's selection of Depeche Mode's "Personal Jesus." Here, the groove of the original song is transformed into an odd country boogie with unsettling lyrics: "Flesh and bone by the phone/Lift up the receiver/I'll make you a believer/Reach out and touch faith."

The album includes songs by older artists as well. Fiona Apple contributes whispery backing vocals to a beautiful version of Simon and Garfunkel's "Bridge Over Troubled Water," while on The Beatles' "In My Life," Cash's turns in one of his finest vocal performances.

Not all of the songs are downers, however. "Sam Hall" recalls the brand of up-yours bravado that Cash displayed in his youth, while the album's finale, "We'll Meet Again," is a laid-back weeper boosted by a nice sing-along chorus.

If nothing else, this album further confirms Cash's genius and relevance to music today. In the face of his demons and his own death, it seems The Man in Black himself has come around once again — prepare to be amazed and frightened in equal measure.

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Kelly's chocolate sweet, tainted

R. Kelly
"Chocolate Factory"



Grade: **B-**

BY CHRIS MOSIER
EDITOR IN CHIEF

In a society where products are often judged by their packaging, R&B singer R. Kelly will have a difficult time getting listeners to look past the filth in his personal life that encases the sweet sounds on his latest release.

As a singer, songwriter and producer, Kelly's sixth album, "Chocolate Factory," is one of his strongest efforts. However, the smooth chocolate product is overshadowed by the singer's bedroom business and legal woes, which taint a very good album.

With pillow talk like "Anything you want, you just come to daddy," the listener may immediately think of Kelly's alleged sexual activity with underage girls and his black-

market X-rated video.

Even the reference in the album's title and the correlation to Willy Wonka and children is disturbing, however unintentional as it may have been.

Yet, despite the chaos of his personal life, Kelly went back to the lab to cook up a full disc of new material, packaged with a bonus CD containing six more songs. His collection of smooth slow jams serves as evidence that the turmoil of his court cases was set aside when writing, singing, producing and accompanying this album.

Still, there's no denying Kelly's ability to set a steamy, let's-get-busy vibe, even if it sounds like he's seducing a girl who is too young to drive.

"Chocolate Factory" debuted at No. 1 according to "Soundscan," giving Kelly hope of possibly salvaging his career and rekindling the chart-topping status he held in the past. The album also peaked at No. 1 on the Billboard chart last week.

Kelly's sound has shifted from the over-the-top fantasies to a cooler groove, but there are still sex-laden songs like "Imagine That" and "Ignition."

The "Ignition" remix, currently in the mix on MTV and BET, delivers bold sexual comparisons

to a car: "Girl, please let me stick my key in your ignition/Have you ever driven a stick, baby?/You'll be screaming every time we shift them gears, babe." With its "toot, toot" and "beep, beep" chorus, it's quite simple, but simply enjoyable.

"Chocolate Factory" is drenched with a soft soulful sound, reminiscent of Marvin Gaye and Al Green. While Kelly's voice is far from amazing, it blends perfectly with the instrumentation on "Chocolate Factory." The whole album contains elements of silky, old-school R&B flavor which has disappeared with the new generation of youthful R&B crooners.

Kelly experiments with tempo, so there's something to satisfy everyone's tastes.

The relaxed harmonies of "You Made Me Love You," which blends blues and gospel sounds, provide a hypnotic slower melody. The slightly funky salsa sounds of "You Knock Me Out" and the mid-tempo "Step in the Name of Love Remix," which stand back to back as two of the strongest pieces on "Chocolate Factory," both urge the listener to get up and dance.

Of the 23 tracks on the two discs, only four songs have guest appearances.

Fat Joe, Big Tigger and Ja Rule join Kelly on three tracks, blending hip hop and R&B sounds.

Ja's sing-song delivery on "Been Around The World" combines well with Kelly's half-rap singing, especially since Ja Rule has long since left his street roots for the more commercial thug love genre of rap.

Unfortunately for Kelly, chemistry with these rappers still makes for stale songs.

Only Ronald Isley's guest appearance on the eight-minute long "Showdown" really adds anything to the album.

Noticeably missing on the guest list is Jay-Z, who seems to have pulled away from Kelly after last year's full album of collaborative tracks, "The Best of Both Worlds."

The most difficult part of listening to "Chocolate Factory" may be separating the man from the music. When thinking about the possibility of all this content being directed at a minor, the explicit sexuality on "Chocolate Factory" serves as a profile of a pedophile.

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Meeting: Campus Crusade for Christ will meet at 8:15 p.m. in the Charcoal Room in the UC. All are welcome to attend.

Meeting: First Aid will meet from 5 to 6 p.m. in Dining Room A in the UC. First Aid is an independent music collective dedicated to providing regional entertainment to campus. Open to all students. For more information call Kory at 228-3197.

Meeting: Intervarsity Christian Fellowship will meet from 5:30 to 9 p.m. in Pioneer A and B in the UC. All students are welcome to attend.

Performance: The NMU and MTU jazz bands will be performing at 7:30 p.m. in JXJ 103.

Friday, March 14

Event: 11th Annual "Learning to Walk Together" Pow Wow will begin at 7 p.m. in the Vandament Arena. For more information call 227-1554 or 227-1397.

Athletics: NMU plays Western in the first round of the CCHA playoffs at 7 p.m. in the Berry Events Center.

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

Performance: Second City will perform at 7:30 p.m. in the Forest Roberts Theatre.

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

Saturday, March 15

Event: Cabaret 2002: All That Jazz - An Evening with Kander and Ebb will be held from 6 to 11 p.m. in the Great Lakes Rooms.

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

Safety Shuttle: The ASNMU Safety Shuttle will be running tonight from 10:30 p.m. to 2:30 a.m. The cost is only \$1 for the entire night. You can catch the Safety Shuttle at the following locations: Spooner Hall, Lee and Elizabeth Harden Drive, Lincoln and Norwood apartments, Lot 16 (near Halverson Hall), Wright Place, Vango's, the Village Pub, Casa Calabria, Shamrock and

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Event: 11th Annual "Learning to Walk Together" Pow Wow begins at 1 and 7 p.m. in the Vandament Arena.

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Athletics: NMU plays Western in the first round of the CCHA playoffs at 7 p.m. in the Berry Events Center.

Sunday, March 16

Meeting: Outlook will meet at 8 p.m. upstairs in the UC. Call Nick or Randy at 1554 for more information.

Event: 11th Annual "Learning to Walk Together" Pow Wow begins at 1 p.m. in the Vandament Arena.

Film: "Maid in Manhattan" (PG-13) begins at 6:30 and 9 p.m. in JXJ 102. Free to students.

Monday, March 17

Meeting: Steppin' Out Ballroom Dance Club will meet at 8:30 p.m. in the Great Lakes Rooms in the UC. For more informa-

tion, call Janelle at 228-7178 or e-mail nmusteppinout@aol.com.

Meeting: The United Students will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Peter White Lounge in the UC. All are welcome to attend.

Lecture: Perspectives in Contemporary Geography will begin at 7 p.m. in West Science, Room 3710.

Tuesday, March 18

Meeting: The Native American Student Association will meet at 8 p.m. in the Superior Room in the UC.

Wednesday, March 19

Event: A summer job fair will be held from 1 to 3:30 p.m. in the Great Lakes Rooms. Open to all.

Meeting: Pagan Moon will meet at 9:00 p.m. in the UC. All students are welcome to attend.

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The Wildcat hockey team begins its playoff run this weekend. With a 12-4-1 home record, the Wildcats are happy to be ...

Home Sweet Home

BY ROB HAMILTON
MANAGING EDITOR

After struggling on the road much of the season, the NMU hockey team will begin its postseason play where it has been most successful all year — the Berry Events Center in Marquette.

The Wildcats secured the fifth seed in the CCHA tournament with a win on March 8 against Notre Dame and will now host a best-of-three playoff series against the eighth seeded Western Michigan Broncos this weekend.

The series will begin Friday, continue Saturday and extend to Sunday if the teams split the first two games.

The Wildcats are 6-12-1 on the road or at neutral sites.

"It makes a big difference being at home," senior forward Bryce Cockburn said. "Especially living up in Marquette and having to travel so much for road games, it really helps us when the other team has 10 hours of bus legs under them."

NMU swept the Broncos (13-14-1 CCHA, 15-19-2 overall) at the Berry Events Center, 5-0 and 5-2, in November in the teams' only two match-ups this season.

"It was early in the year and a long time ago," head coach Walt Kyle said. "The difference between us and Western is a minute difference. We have to come out and play with the same effort and intensity as we did last week-



Scott Salisbury/NW

Freshman forward Dirk Southern, left, passes to junior forward Alex Sawruk during NMU's 5-2 victory against Ohio State on Feb 28. Southern led all NMU freshman this year in scoring and was named to the CCHA All-Rookie Team.

end (against Notre Dame)."

The Wildcats (14-13-1 CCHA, 18-16-2 overall) are coming off three consecutive two-game series splits against Michigan State, Ohio State and Notre Dame to end the regular season.

Senior forward Mike Stutzel said playing against good teams at the end of the season has helped to prepare his team for the playoffs.

"Our schedule has played in our favor," he said. "We've played really tough teams the last three or four weeks."

Stutzel led the 'Cats' offensive

attack this season with 23 goals. Senior forward Chris Gobert (11 goals, 28 assists) and Cockburn (15 goals, 16 assists) have also been key in their final year in a Wildcat uniform.

Western Michigan has been led offensively by junior forward Dana Lattery (19 goals, 15 assists). The Broncos goaltending duties have been shared by sophomore Mike Mantua and freshman Scott Foster this season.

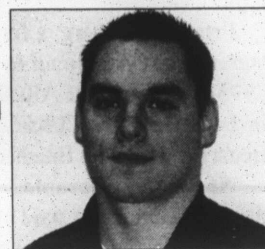
Both teams have a freshman forward named to the CCHA All-Rookie Team, which was announced earlier this week.

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Tyson: reality television at its best

SPORTS COLUMN

BY TOM MURPHY



A new reality TV show featuring professional boxer Mike Tyson is currently in the works. ESPN.com reports that Stu Schreiber, executive producer at Triage Entertainment, and Shelly Finkel, Tyson's manager, recently confirmed that a deal is being pursued and a format is in place for a network television show.

I hate to say this but I love to watch Mike Tyson. The man is hilarious. Granted, he has done some terrible things in his life, but he is a funny man.

"I broke my back," Tyson said after his 49 second debacle of a boxing match with Clifford Etienne. "I don't even know how I'm standing. It's a miracle. I broke my back in a motorcycle accident. The doctor said I shouldn't even fight (Etienne) but what am I going to do."

That is funny stuff. Apparently it is a good thing for Iron Mike that the fight didn't go longer than one round. I remember when I tried to play football with a sore back. That was hard, but a broken back? Wow!

I don't just love the "baddest cannibal on the planet" because he can fight with broken bones; he's a pure dose of reality. In this day where reality TV is all the rage, Tyson is in a class by himself. He's an enigma. He's a joke. He's more ridiculous than Anna Nicole Smith and more of a social nightmare than "Joe Millionaire." But America loves to watch him.

Millions of Americans paid \$29.95 to watch his latest fight, not because they thought it was going to be a good bout, but because they wanted to see what Mike "I'll eat your children" Tyson would do or say next. And even though Tyson's quick knockout of Etienne was exciting, the real entertainment came after the fight in Tyson's post-fight interview.

"I like doing other things," Tyson said in his post fight press conference. "I like getting high and hanging out with my kids. I like drinking. I have so many demons."

We know Mike, and we love to watch those demons come out. Whether it is skipping training a week before his fight and getting a ridiculous tattoo on his face, or biting part of Evander Holyfield's ear off or the numerous other insane things he has done during his career, Tyson continues to shock and entertain America.

Tyson is nuts, and he knows it. When asked if he would fight Heavyweight Champion Lennox Lewis for his next bout, Tyson said that he needed more time.

"If I have to make Lennox Lewis my next fight, there is no way I can continue fighting," Tyson said. "I'm so messed up; I just want to get my life together."

C'mon Mike, where is the fun in that? Mike Tyson becoming normal would be like Elton John going straight. It doesn't make sense. America wants to see the whacked out Tyson.

Reality is crazy, and so is Mike Tyson. That is why we watch him.

Huskies end Wildcats' season

BY TOM MURPHY
SPORTS STAFF REPORTER

The men's basketball team was knocked out of the GLIAC tournament in the semifinals by the Michigan Tech University Huskies, who went on to win the tournament championship.

The Huskies beat the Wildcats, 68-59, on March 7. The loss ended the Wildcats season with an overall record of 15-14. The semi-final match-up was played in Houghton, where the Huskies have lost just once all season.

The Wildcats and Huskies battled it out in the first half with both teams exchanging leads. At 13:45 of the first half, with the Wildcats ahead by one point (14-13), the Huskies went on a 15-0 scoring run.

By the end of the first half, the Wildcats closed the gap to seven points, 35-28.

In the second half, NMU was able to cut the deficit to three points at 16:57 and from then on the game remained close.

At 4:35 of the second half, freshman guard David Noel hit a free throw bringing Northern within one point, 53-52. But the Huskies were able to hang on for the victory.

"We were all very excited about this game," Noel said. "We knew we had a chance to win. We wanted to shock the world by beating the No. 1 team in the nation on their court, but we just fell a little bit short."

Senior Milan Azanjac led the team in scoring with 11 points. Junior forwards Billy Hill and Steve Watts each scored 10 points for the Wildcats. Watts led the team in rebounding with eight.

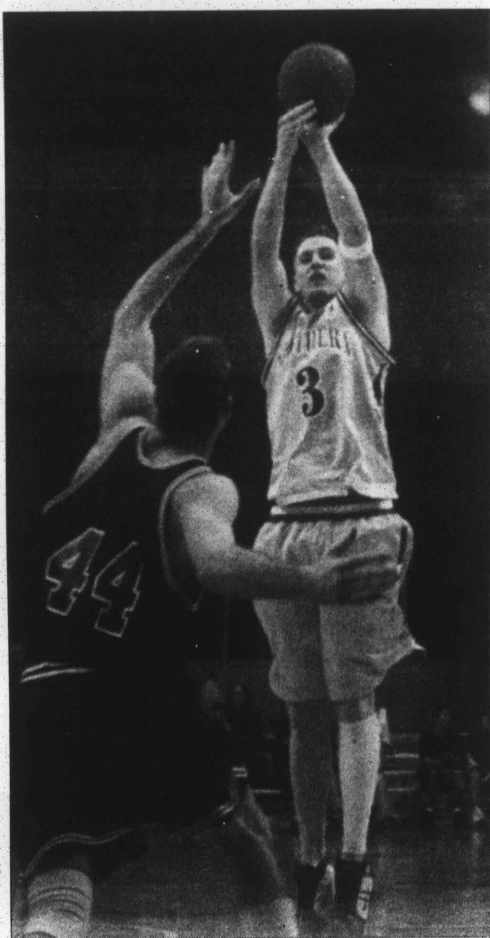
"Tech is a very experienced team and we are so young," Noel said. "I think that was the reason why we lost. Tech made all of the free throws at the end. They just put the ball in when they had to."

On March 2, the Wildcats defeated the Grand Valley State University Lakers, 69-56 at the Berry Events Center to bring them to the semi-finals against Tech. Against the Lakers, the Wildcats established a 12-point lead midway through the first half. By halftime, NMU held a 40-24 lead.

In the second half, GVSU battled back but could not gain the lead.

With four minutes left in the second half, the Lakers got to within four points of the Wildcats, but that

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Scott Salisbury/NW

Junior forward Steve Watts had 15 points and led the team with 11 rebounds in NMU's GLIAC quarterfinal playoff win over GVSU.

Light Ink

Cook, Patzer receive All-American honors

BY DAVE MOSS
SPORTS STAFF REPORTER

Senior Chris Cook became the first American skier in 10 years to win the 20K Classic race at the NCAA skiing championship where NMU finished fifth and Freshman Hilary Patzer was named All-American.

Peter Vordenberg, a former NMU skier, was the last American to win the race in 1993. Cook earned All-American Honors in both the 20K Classic and in the 10K freestyle where he finished fourth.

"It was unbelievable," Cook said, "All the work and effort paid off in one race."

Winning the NCAA nationals was one of Cook's top goals since he started skiing at the collegiate level.

In the years between Vordenberg's win and Cook's win, the championship had been dominated by European skiers.

Cook said it was also an accomplishment for head skiing coach Sten

Fjeldheim.

Fjeldheim also coached Vordenberg and has been the only one to coach an American skier to win at the NCAA nationals.

Assistant Nordic Ski Coach Jenny Ryan said many schools have recruited European skiers who are older and more experienced.

"Chris is a regular American college skier," Ryan said.

Part of Cook's success in the Classic race was a result of the course.

Unlike flat classic courses, which Ryan said allows more skiers to stay with the lead pack, the hilly course in Hanover, N.H. created more separation between the top skiers and the rest.

The end of the race was a close finish with Cook pulling ahead at the end.

"Chris, being such a great sprinter, was able to pull it off," Ryan said.

Cook said a course like this one is what he likes because the big downhill stretches

gave him a chance to rest, and he could attack on the next uphill run. Ethan Foster, another American from Vermont, took second in the race.

Cook said he and Foster have been friends for four or five years, and were teammates at the U-23 Championships in Italy.

"We talked about (the NCAA nationals) in Italy," Cook said. "It was good to have the two of us break away with 2K to go."

"Chris is a regular American college skier."

— Jenny Ryan
Assistant Nordic Ski Coach

Patzer was also named All-American for her eighth place finish in the women's 5K freestyle and her seventh place in the 15K classic.

Patzer was the top American in both those events.

Also representing the NMU men at the

Championship were senior Dave Duede, who finished 30th in the 10K freestyle and 33rd in the 20K Classic, and senior John Filardo, who finished 34th in both events.

Sophomore Tami Kochen finished 16th for the women in the 5K and 18th in the 15K.

Junior Rachel Daw finished 18th in the 5K and 17th in the 15K.

Using only points generated by Nordic ski teams, NMU finished in fifth place. For the overall championship, Nordic and Alpine skiers scores are combined.

NMU did not qualify any Alpine skiers this year. In the overall standings, with Alpine included, NMU finished in 11th place.

Both Cook and Patzer will graduate this year. Ryan said there will be a distinct hole in the men's team because all three men that went to the championships this year will graduate, but both the men's and women's teams have athletes prepared to fill the holes.

NMU overtime loss ends tournament run, season

BY MICHELLE BROWN
STAFF WRITER

Grand Valley State University's women's basketball team capitalized on the extra five minutes of overtime play to defeat the NMU squad 76-68 in the March 1 GLIAC Tournament Quarterfinal game played in Allendale, Mich.

Senior forward Alyse Shier said her team went into the game focused on having less turnovers and attacking the basket.

The Wildcats pounced on a 7-0 lead in the first three minutes of the game.

GVSU responded using a 12-2 run in the next three minutes to place them in front at 12-9.

The 'Cats tied up the score twice in the remainder of the first half but were never able to grab the lead from the Lakers.

With less than six minutes left in the first half, GVSU had put a 14 point margin between themselves and Northern at 31-17. NMU used a 12-5 run to bring the score to 36-29 heading into the locker room at halftime.

In the first 20 minutes of play both teams were shooting in the 40 percentile range.

From the floor, Northern went 9-22 (40.9 percent) and Grand Valley hit 14-32 (43.8 percent).

NMU junior center Jessica Nohl put in a lay-up at the 18:28 mark of the second half, following a made three-pointer by GVSU and cutting their lead to eight points. The 'Cats used the next four minutes to narrow the lead to four points at 49-45 with 14:17 left in regulation.

With just a little over eight minutes left in the second half, junior guard Emily Samuelson



Scott Salisbury/NW

Sophomore guard Tiffany Grubaugh had 11 points in NMU's final game of the season. She led the team in points this year with 409.

hit a jumper to tie the game at 57.

NMU grabbed the lead at 63-62 with 5:19 on the clock on a lay-up by sophomore guard Tiffany Grubaugh.

"We never gave up," Samuelson said. "We could have, but we just kept on fighting."

GVSU took hold of the lead once again at 65-63 with 3:36 remaining. Samuelson went to the line and sank two free throws to tie the score at 65.

Neither team was able to score for the rest of regulation, though both had good opportunities near the basket in the final minutes.

GVSU dominated the overtime, tallying 11 points to NMU's three. Northern went 1-9 from the floor in the extra minutes, while the Lakers were 3-6 from the court and 5-6 from the free throw line.

"We knew we had battled ourselves out of a big deficit," Samuelson said. "We knew that if we just kept on working hard, it

would go our way. We had the shots, we just couldn't hit them."

NMU finished the season 16-10 overall and 12-6 in the GLIAC behind Lake Superior State and Grand Valley in the North Division.

For the 'Cats, Nohl and Samuelson both sank 20 points. Senior forward Elena Keranen chipped in 12 points and pulled down 12 rebounds.

For GVSU, junior center Julie Zeff put in 22 points.

At the free throw line, NMU capitalized on 21 of their 27 attempts (77.8 percent).

Northern also controlled the glass, grabbing 43 rebounds to Grand Valley's 39.

Shier said she thinks the team learned a lot of things during the season that will help them in the next three or four years.

"There's a lot of talent on the team," she said. "All they have to do is pull it together and I think that they'll do that."

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Cockburn nets hat trick in win over Irish

BY ROB HAMILTON
MANAGING EDITOR

On Senior Night at the Berry Events Center, senior captain Bryce Cockburn stole the show, scoring three goals and leading the Wildcat hockey team to a 4-1 victory over the Notre Dame Fighting Irish in the team's final regular season game on March 8.

The win came after a 3-2 loss to the Fighting Irish the previous

night, which put NMU in a must-win situation to earn a home playoff series in the first round of the CCHA playoffs.

Cockburn, a forward from Campbell River, British Columbia, was named CCHA offensive player of the week.

"He is a big part of a team and is a leader," head coach Walt Kyle said. "He gave us leadership when we needed it most."

Freshman center Dirk

Southern put the Wildcats on the board first with 1:09 remaining in the first period.

Cockburn went to work in the next two frames. He scored two goals in the second period and found the back of the net once again midway through the third period, giving him a natural hat-trick (when a player scores three consecutive goals) on the night.

Cockburn said he was just happy the team was able to cap-

ture home ice in the first round.

"It was really a total team effort," Cockburn said. "I got great passes from Dirk Southern and [senior forward Mike] Stutzel on my goals."

Junior goalie Craig Kowalski made 34 saves and was close to recording his ninth career shutout, which would have broken an NMU record. Junior forward John Wroblewski scored Notre Dame's only goal with 5:34 remaining to play.

"I give the guys a lot of credit," Kyle said. "We were in a must-win game in regards to staying at home. Whenever you put yourself in that position and are successful, it shows a lot of character."

In the first game on March 7, freshman forward Matt Amado and senior forward Jake Wiegand gave the Irish a two-goal lead in

the first period. Sophomore forward Alan Swanson scored at 15:42 of the first period and senior forward Chris Gobert tied the game six minutes into the second period on the power play, but NMU could not complete the comeback.

The Wildcats could not complete the comeback, however. UND freshman forward Tim Wallace scored the eventual game-winning goal at 13:19 of the second period.

The Wildcats also split a series with Ohio State at home on Feb. 28 and March 1 during NMU's spring break.

Kyle said his team is moving in the right direction as they head into the playoffs.

"The last three weeks we've played against quality opponents and improved each week," he said.



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Senior forward Bryce Cockburn scored three goals and junior goalie Craig Kowalski made 34 saves in a 4-1 win against Notre Dame on March 8. The win assured NMU a first round home playoff series.

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Ski areas can make skiing safer

Downhill skiing involves many inherent dangers that the skier must accept before venturing out to the slopes. While it is the skier's responsibility to accept these risks, ski areas, many which I believe have become too obsessed with fat pocketbooks, need to do more to keep skiers from hitting each other.

Anyone who has downhill skied for some time here in the Midwest or on larger mountains elsewhere has witnessed a collision between skiers or a near miss. These incidents have results anywhere from a laugh and apology to serious injury or death.

I spent my spring break skiing in Summit County, Colo., home of some of the best known ski areas in North America.

On March 2, a collision between two skiers occurred at Breckenridge Ski Area in Breckenridge, Colo. where I skied the next day.

The incident occurred between Robert Wills, 31, from Plymouth, England, and Richard Henrichs, 56, of Illinois. Henrichs died, and Wills spent four days in jail before Summit County Prosecutors decided not to criminally charge him in the incident. Charges could have been as serious as manslaughter.

OUTDOORS COLUMN



BY DAVE MOSS

Henrichs' family has, however, filed a wrongful death suit against Wills.

Breckenridge and other ski areas should do more to prevent collisions. The problem I saw at Breckenridge last week, as well as other ski areas I have visited, is the mixing between skill levels of skiers.

In the morning and during the day, I head up to the higher elevations and most difficult terrain with other advanced and expert level skiers.

The beginners on runs are typically lower on the mountain.

During most of the day, skiers are kept apart based on their ability levels.

Around 2 p.m., however, as ski areas get closer to the typical 4 p.m. closing time, all skiers on the mountain are funneled like cattle back to the lower elevations and base areas.

More than 10,000 skiers might visit Breckenridge, Colo. on a given Sunday during ski season.

In the short time period just before the mountain closes for the day, almost all those skiers must pass through the same areas, regardless of their ability levels.

It is only surprising that such tragic results from collisions are not more common. I have skied more than 10 years, including several years of ski racing, and skiing expert terrain. Even I have had to fall and slide feet first into trees to avoid a collision under similar circumstances.

Ski areas designate "slow" zones in areas on the mountain are the easiest trails typically towards the base areas. Bright color banners and shaded areas on trail maps designate the slow zones.

It is my experience such slow zones are rarely enforced by ski patrol giving beginning skiers a false sense of security in a hazardous environment.

The trails designated for slow skiing often switch back and merge onto other trails. Advanced skiers trying to avoid the crowded slow zones on their way down the mountain may

find themselves suddenly skiing in one. While skiing on a trail of steep grade, an advanced skier may cross paths, without warning, with a beginning skier.

Up to this point, the precedent has been the higher skill level skier should be able to avoid the lower level skier who cannot avoid collision on his own.

Not only should slow zones be enforced by ski patrol, but I suggest the creation of "fast" zones.

Ski areas could designate trails to the base areas for advanced skiers to cruise at higher speeds yet stay in control, while not worrying about beginning skiers crossing their path. The slow, easiest runs would funnel beginning skiers away while signs and trail maps would help advanced skiers find their way down.

Colorado law states that a skier cannot claim damages from a ski area for injuries sustained because of a variety of dangers including collisions with other skiers, and a similar Michigan law states the skier must accept the dangers including collision with others skiers. However, the ski areas need to do more to make these dangers less inherent in skiing.

HOCKEY

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Dirk Southern was named to the team after scoring nine goals and adding 19 assists. Vince Bellissimo (17 goals, 15 assists) was named to the team from the Western squad.

If NMU were to win the conference tournament, they would receive an automatic bid to the NCAA tournament.

"Our goal is to win the CCHA championship," Stutzel said. "I think we're ready. If we can get past Western, who knows what can happen."

Game time is set for 7:05 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Tickets are \$5 for NMU students.

MEN

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was as close as they would get. NMU allowed just four points in the final four minutes, while scoring 13 points to seal the victory.

"We expected (GVSU) to make a strong comeback in the second half," Noel said. "But we have so much veteran leadership on this team, it really showed at the end of the game."

Freshman guard Antwan Holt led the Wildcats in scoring with 18 points. Watts added 15 and senior guard Adrian Whitten added 12 points for Northern.

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Club team places fifth at National tournament

BY ALEX PINA
STAFF WRITER

The NMU women's club hockey team faced tough competition as it finished fifth in the nation at the American Collegiate Hockey Association's National tournament held March 6 through 8 in Muskegon, Mich.

Northern played four teams in a round-robin tournament format and finished 2-2 for fifth place. Their overall record now stands at 20-7-5.

Eight club teams from throughout the country met at the tournament with Michigan State University winning the National Championship at the end of the weekend.

Northern faced off against St. Cloud State University in its first game and won, 3-2, in overtime. Sophomore forward Amy Klifman collected a hat trick, as she was the only Wildcat to score. Sophomore goalie Tara Trombly was credited with 19 saves.

In their second game, Northern lost to the University of Massachusetts-Amherst, 4-0. Trombly had 19 saves in net.

NMU lost its third game to the

University of Wisconsin, 2-1. Sophomore center Erin Harter scored the lone goal for the Wildcats. Trombly had a busy game at goalie with 29 saves.

Northern won its final game of the tournament with a 2-0 shutout over the Western Michigan University club team. Junior center Kristin Kurian and junior forward Mary Daavettila each scored a goal in the Northern win. Trombly recorded a shutout with 16 saves in net.

In only its second year as a team competing and its first National bid, Northern head coach Mike Zorza said he was impressed with NMU's performance over the weekend.

"It was a great opportunity for the team to compete at this level and an excellent opportunity to showcase Northern at the national level," Zorza said.

Last year, Northern was right on the bubble and was not invited to the tournament. This year, the team was strong from the beginning and has been ranked at the top of the Central division all season, said Zorza.

With recruiting for next year already under way, Zorza said he and the team are already looking

forward to better results and maybe a shot at the National Championship in next year's tournament.

A big highlight over the weekend for NMU was for senior Nicky Golbeck. She was voted by the coaches and players to the All-Tournament First Team as a defensive player. Freshman defenseman Bretta Peterson, sophomore forward Amy Klifman and Trombly received honorable mention to the All-Tournament Team.

"It was a great year with a great group of girls," Trombly said. "The team really had tons of fun. We were impressed by our play, and as a second year team, we did pretty well representing the university."

Northern returns to action at 7 p.m. on March 22 at the Berry Events Center as it faces off against Lake Superior State University.

Northern will finish their season on the road at the CCWHA League Tournament March 28 through 30 in East Lansing, Mich. The team hopes to have a shot at the current National Champions, Michigan State University.

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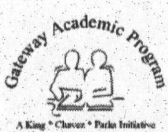


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SCOREBOARD

WEEKEND CALENDAR

—FRIDAY—
 • The NMU hockey team hosts Western Michigan at 7:05 p.m. in the first round of the CCHA playoffs.

—SATURDAY—
 • The NMU hockey team hosts Western Michigan at 7:05 p.m. in the first round of the CCHA playoffs.

—SUNDAY—
 • The NMU hockey team hosts Western Michigan at 7:05 p.m. in the first round of the CCHA playoffs if necessary.

—SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS—
 • The NCAA II Swimming and Diving Championships will be held in Grand Forks, N.D. from March 12 to March 15.

CCHA FINAL STANDINGS

Team (Overall)	W-L-T	Pts.
1. Ferris State (27-8-1)	22-5-1	45
2. Michigan (24-9-3)	18-7-3	39
3. Ohio State (22-10-5)	16-8-4	36
4. Michigan State (21-13-2)	17-10-1	35
5. N. MICHIGAN (18-16-2)	14-13-1	29
6. Miami (20-15-3)	13-12-3	29
7. Notre Dame (15-15-6)	13-12-3	29
8. W. Michigan (15-19-2)	13-14-1	27
9. Alaska-Fairbanks (15-12-7)	10-11-7	27
10. Neb. Omaha (13-20-5)	9-17-2	20
11. Bowling Green (8-23-3)	5-20-3	13
12. Lake Superior (6-26-4)	3-24-1	7

NMU 5, OSU 2

Ohio State	1	0	1	2
N. Michigan	2	1	2	5

—FIRST PERIOD—
 1. NMU Jimmy Jackson 2 (Bryce Cockburn), 13:21; 2. NMU Cockburn 12 (Andrew Contois, Jackson), 15:54; 3. OSU Daymen Bencharski 9 (Scott May, Paul Caponigri) PP, 19:39.

—SECOND PERIOD—
 4. NMU Mike Stutzel 23 (Dirk Southern), 16:39.

—THIRD PERIOD—
 5. NMU Jackson 3 (Peter Michelutti, Stutzel) PP, 8:00; 6. NMU Southern 8 (Dan Donnette, Jamie Milam), 18:40; 7. OSU Doug Andress 7 (Nate Guenin, Luke Pavlas), 18:51.

—GAME STATS—
 SHOTS — OSU 20; NMU 22.
 POWER-PLAYS — OSU 1-3; NMU 1-6.
 PENALTIES — OSU 8-16; NMU 5-10.
 SAVES- SAVE ATTEMPTS — OSU Mike Betz 17-22; NMU Craig Kowalski 18-20.

OSU 4, NMU 1

Ohio State	1	2	1	4
N. Michigan	0	0	1	1

—FIRST PERIOD—
 1. OSU Miguel Lafleche 9 (Pete Broccoli, J.B. Bittner), 17:35.

—SECOND PERIOD—
 2. OSU R.J. Umberger 22 (Lafleche, Rod Pelley) PP, 15:22; 3. OSU Nate Guenin 1 (Scott May, Umberger), 16:33.

—THIRD PERIOD—
 4. NMU Chris Gobert 10 (Dirk Southern, Terry Harrison) 9:35; 5. OSU May 8 (Lafleche, Luke Pavlas), 14:37.

—GAME STATS—
 SHOTS — OSU 17; NMU 12.
 POWER-PLAYS — OSU 1-7; NMU 0-5.
 PENALTIES — OSU 9-18; NMU 11-22.
 SAVES- SAVE ATTEMPTS — OSU Mike Betz 11-12; NMU Craig Kowalski 13-17.

UND 3, NMU 2

Notre Dame	2	1	0	3
N. Michigan	1	1	0	2

—FIRST PERIOD—
 1. UND Matt Amado 5 (Jake Wiegand, Cory McLean), 6:39; 2. UND Wiegand 6 (McLean), 13:39; 3. NMU Alan Swanson 8 (Kevin Gardner, Andrew Contois), 15:42.

—SECOND PERIOD—
 4. NMU Chris Gobert 11 (Bryce Cockburn, Jimmy Jackson) PP, 6:10; 5. UND Tim Wallace 5 (Mike Walsh, Kyle Dolder), 13:19.

—GAME STATS—
 SHOTS — UND 22; NMU 23.
 POWER-PLAYS — UND 0-3; NMU 1-4.
 PENALTIES — UND 7-14; NMU 5-10.
 SAVES- SAVE ATTEMPTS — UND Morgan Cey 21-23; NMU Craig Kowalski 19-22;

NMU 4, UND 1

Notre Dame	0	0	1	1
N. Michigan	1	1	2	4

—FIRST PERIOD—
 1. NMU Dirk Southern 9 (Andrew Contois, John Miller 3), 18:51.

—SECOND PERIOD—
 2. NMU Bryce Cockburn 13 (Chris Gobert, Peter Michelutti 9) PP, 17:09.

—THIRD PERIOD—
 3. NMU Cockburn 14 (Southern, Mike Stutzel), 8:27; 4. NMU Cockburn 15 (Nathan Oystriick, Stutzel), 12:29; 5. UND

—GAME STATS—
 SHOTS — UND 22; NMU 23.
 POWER-PLAYS — UND 0-3; NMU 1-4.
 PENALTIES — UND 7-14; NMU 5-10.
 SAVES- SAVE ATTEMPTS — UND Morgan Cey 21-23; NMU Craig Kowalski 19-22;

John Wroblewski 17 (Aaron Gill, Tom Galvin), 14:26.

—GAME STATS—
 SHOTS — UND 35; NMU 23.
 POWER-PLAYS — UND 0-5; NMU 1-4.
 PENALTIES — UND 5-18; NMU 5-10.
 SAVES- SAVE ATTEMPTS — UND Morgan Cey 19-23; NMU Craig Kowalski 34-35.

CCHA PLAYOFF PAIRINGS

CCHA First Round match-ups March 14-16

Lake Superior State at Ferris State
 Bowling Green at Michigan
 Nebraska-Omaha at Ohio State
 Alaska-Fairbanks at Michigan State
 Western Michigan at Northern Michigan
 Notre Dame at Miami (Ohio)

*The winner of each three-game series will advance to the CCHA Super Six on March 20 through 22.

GLIAC MEN'S BASKETBALL

FINAL NORTH DIVISION STANDINGS

Team	GLIAC	Overall
1. Michigan Tech	17-1	28-2
2. N. MICHIGAN	10-8	15-14
3. Grand Valley State	8-10	14-14
4. Saginaw Valley State	7-11	13-14
5. Ferris State	7-11	11-15
6. Lake Superior State	6-12	12-15
7. Northwood	6-12	10-16

FINAL SOUTH DIVISION STANDINGS

Team	GLIAC	Overall
1. Findlay	13-4	22-7
2. Gannon	11-6	20-9
3. Wayne State	9-8	13-14
4. Hillsdale	8-9	16-12
5. Ashland	8-9	16-11
6. Mercyhurst	4-12	12-15

MEN'S BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT RESULTS

GLIAC Quarterfinals
 Michigan Tech 91, Ashland 75
 Findlay 75, Hillsdale 61
 Gannon 78, Wayne State 60

Northern Michigan 69, Grand Valley 56

GLIAC Semifinals
 Michigan Tech 68, N. Michigan 59
 Findlay 70, Gannon 67

GLIAC Championship
 Michigan Tech 68, Findlay 66

MEN'S BOXSCORES

NMU 69, GVSU 56

Grand Valley State	24	32	56
N. Michigan	40	29	69

GVSU (56)
 Jason Bauer 8-18 2-2, 21; Courtney James 4-10 0-0, 9; Duke Cleveland 2-5 4-7, 8; Jeff Grauzer 2-11 3-3, 7; Jerry Wallace 1-7 2-2, 5; Melvin White 1-5 1-2, 4; Eric Voisin 1-3 0-0, 2; Nate Bassett 0-1 0-0, 0; Justen Naughton 0-1 0-0, 0.

Totals 19-61 12-16, 56.

NMU (69)
 Antwan Holt 7-13 2-6, 18; Steve Watts 5-11 2-3, 15; Adrian Whitten 2-3 6-8, 12; Billy Hill 1-11 6-7, 8; David Noel 3-5 0-0, 6; Milan Azanjac 1-3 3-6, 5; Keder Hyppolite 1-2 0-0, 3; Marco Volcy 1-3 0-0, 2.

Totals 21-51 19-30, 69.

—GAME STATS—
 TURNOVERS — GVSU 19; NMU 20.
 FOULS — GVSU 23; NMU 18.
 THREE-POINT GOALS — GVSU 6-23 (Bauer 3-4); NMU 8-21 (Whitten 2-2).
 REBOUNDS — GVSU 39 (Cleveland 16); NMU 43 (Watts 11).
 ASSISTS — GVSU 8 (James, Bauer, 2); NMU 10 (Hill 3).

MTU 68, NMU 59

N. Michigan	28	31	59
Michigan Tech	35	33	68

NMU (58)
 Milan Azanjac 2-6 7-8, 11; Steve Watts 4-10 0-0, 10; Billy Hill 4-10 0-0, 10; David Noel 4-9 1-1, 9; Antwan Holt 2-8 3-3, 7; Adrian Whitten 2-3 1-2, 6; Keder Hyppolite 2-3 0-0, 4; Marco Volcy 1-3 0-0, 2.

Totals 21-52 12-14, 59.

MTU (68)
 J.T. Luginski 12-18 4-6, 28; Matt Cameron 2-10 10-10, 14; Jason Marcotte 2-6 2-3, 8; Josh Buettner 3-5 1-1, 7; Keith Fogle 1-3 3-4, 6; Jeremy Resmer 1-2 2-2, 5.

Totals 21-44 22-26 68.

—GAME STATS—
 TURNOVERS — NMU 9; MTU 10.
 FOULS — NMU 21; MTU 13.
 THREE-POINT GOALS — NMU 5-15 (Hill 2-3); MTU 4-16 (Marcotte 2-6).
 REBOUNDS — NMU 28 (Watts 8); MTU 30 (Luginski 12).
 ASSISTS — NMU 9 (Watts, Holt 3); MTU 10 (Fogle 4).

GLIAC WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

FINAL NORTH DIVISION STANDINGS

Team	GLIAC	Overall
1. Lake Superior State	15-3	23-5
2. Grand Valley State	13-5	24-6
3. N. MICHIGAN	12-6	16-10
4. Michigan Tech	10-8	15-13
5. Ferris State	10-8	15-11
6. Northwood	5-13	9-17
7. Saginaw Valley State	0-18	4-22

FINAL SOUTH DIVISION STANDINGS

Team	GLIAC	Overall
1. Hillsdale	14-3	23-5
2. Wayne State	12-5	17-11
3. Gannon	8-9	12-14
4. Findlay	7-10	10-19
5. Ashland	5-12	11-16
6. Mercyhurst	3-14	6-21

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

GLIAC Quarterfinals
 Hillsdale 74, Michigan Tech 52
 Grand Valley 76, N. Michigan 68 *OT
 Lake Superior State 98, Ferris State 65
 Wayne State 67, Gannon 61

GLIAC Semifinals
 Lake Superior State 84, Wayne State 83
 Grand Valley 64, Hillsdale 58

GLIAC Championship
 Lake Superior State 64, Grand Valley 60

GVSU 76, NMU 68 OT

N. Michigan	29	29	3	68
Grand Valley State	36	36	11	76

NMU (68)
 Emily Samuelson 6-14 4-6, 20; Jessica Nohl 7-11 6-7, 20; Elena-Keranen 3-8 5-6, 12; Tiffany Grubaugh 3-16 5-5, 11; Michelle Moard 2-8 0-0, 4; Alyse Shier 0-1 0-0, 0; Tera Opperman 0-1 0-1, 0.

Totals 21-59 21-27 68.

GVSU (76)
 Julie Zeff 10-24 2-4, 22; Laurie Rehmann 5-9 5-6, 17; Jennifer Nielsen 3-9 2-4, 11; Cori Jewett 3-10 1-2, 10; Diana Voikos 4-7 1-2, 9; Janine Guastella 3-7 1-1, 7.

Totals 28-67 12-19 76.

—GAME STATS—
 TURNOVERS — GVSU 13; NMU 22.
 FOULS — GVSU 17; NMU 18.
 THREE-POINT GOALS — GVSU 8-19 (Nielsen 3-6); NMU 5-16 (Samuelson 4-5).
 REBOUNDS — GVSU 39 (Zeff 12); NMU 43 (Keranen 12).
 ASSISTS — GVSU 24 (Rehmann 8); NMU 14 (Samuelson 6).

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PERSONALS

AGD, Both Kristins, Linds, O, Kayla, and Megs - Keep up the great job academically and strive for the pie again this semester! - VP MJ

Eskimo - Me, you, Chicago, tonight. YAY. - Olive

Bree - PA school can wait. Beat NMU first. - Chuck

Pixie and Big Jim - Thanks so much for honoring our requests each week. Much love - NW Staff

Ladies - You are all wonky, utterly wonky. - Jeremiah

Erin - I saw you last night. All I have to say about it is "Rowr, Rowr!" - Jon

V.D. people - I hope we do well on the phonetics midterm. Also, forgive me, but "V.D." is funnier than "V & D." - d3rmiah

Congress - Good thing you renamed them "Freedom Fries," my fast food meals were starting to look like they had forgotten the joys of capitalism. That'll show France! - Jeremiah

Juliet - Happy third anniversary. Less than two more months and we'll be 600 miles away from here on a beach. - Romeo

SIS - Quit stressing out everything will be alright, I promise. We are going to have fun this weekend, the inebriated kind. Oh yeah and maybe we should study. JK. Love you - sis

Blanket warmer - Sorry I am always so busy and preoccupied with school. I love you and can't wait till we are in Florida - Workaholic

Boo - Good luck with your surgery! Hope it goes well. Can't wait to see you again; come up and visit soon. Love you - Chris

Big Bro - Forget about going overseas, you can hide out here, they'll never find you. Love and miss you - Lil sis

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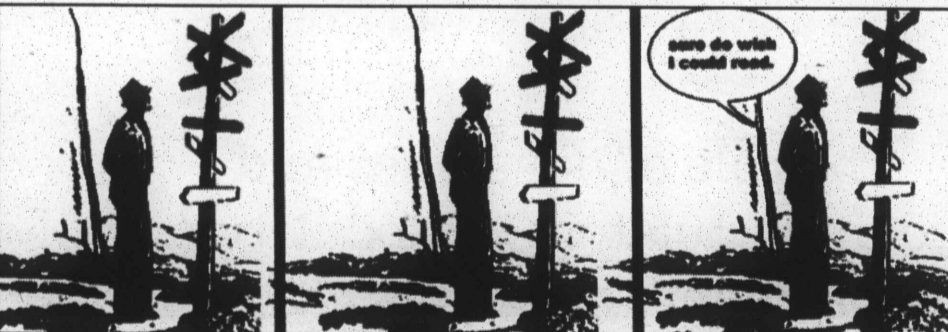
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SHORT ATTENTION SPAN



TINA VAN DYKE

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CHRIS BING

Emily - I had fun last week, keep practicing my name I'll be back soon, love you - Aunt Mawy

Marla - Thanks so much for the poster! It's behind the desk and has already received many compliments. Makes me miss Hendrix. BP and BG this week, for sheezy. Thanks again - Curse

Lisa, Autumn and the boys - I miss you guys, hang in there summer will be here soon. - Aunt Mary

Mom and Dad - Sorry I missed you guys, don't honk in the intersection though, I get confused. - M. Annie

Bed - Sorry you've been neglected, I miss you. We'll catch up

this weekend, promise. - Insomniac

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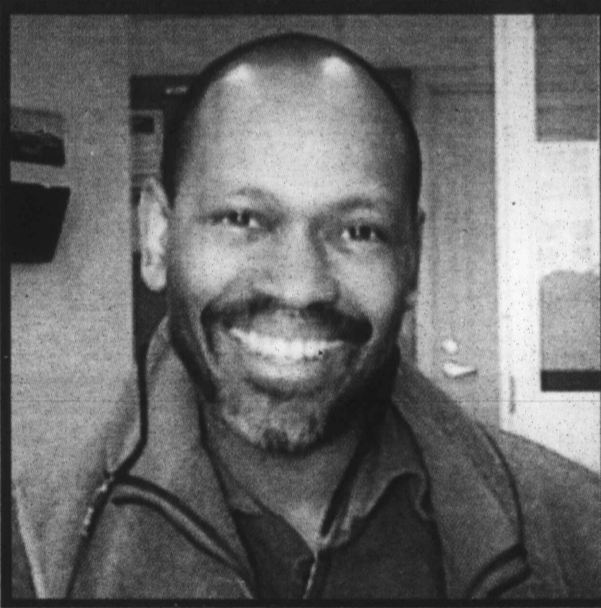
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NEW KNOWLEDGE

Thursday, March 13
8 p.m.
Mead Auditorium,
Seaborg Science Complex

The role of hormones and neuromodulators in modulation of a simple motor program during a larva-larval molt.

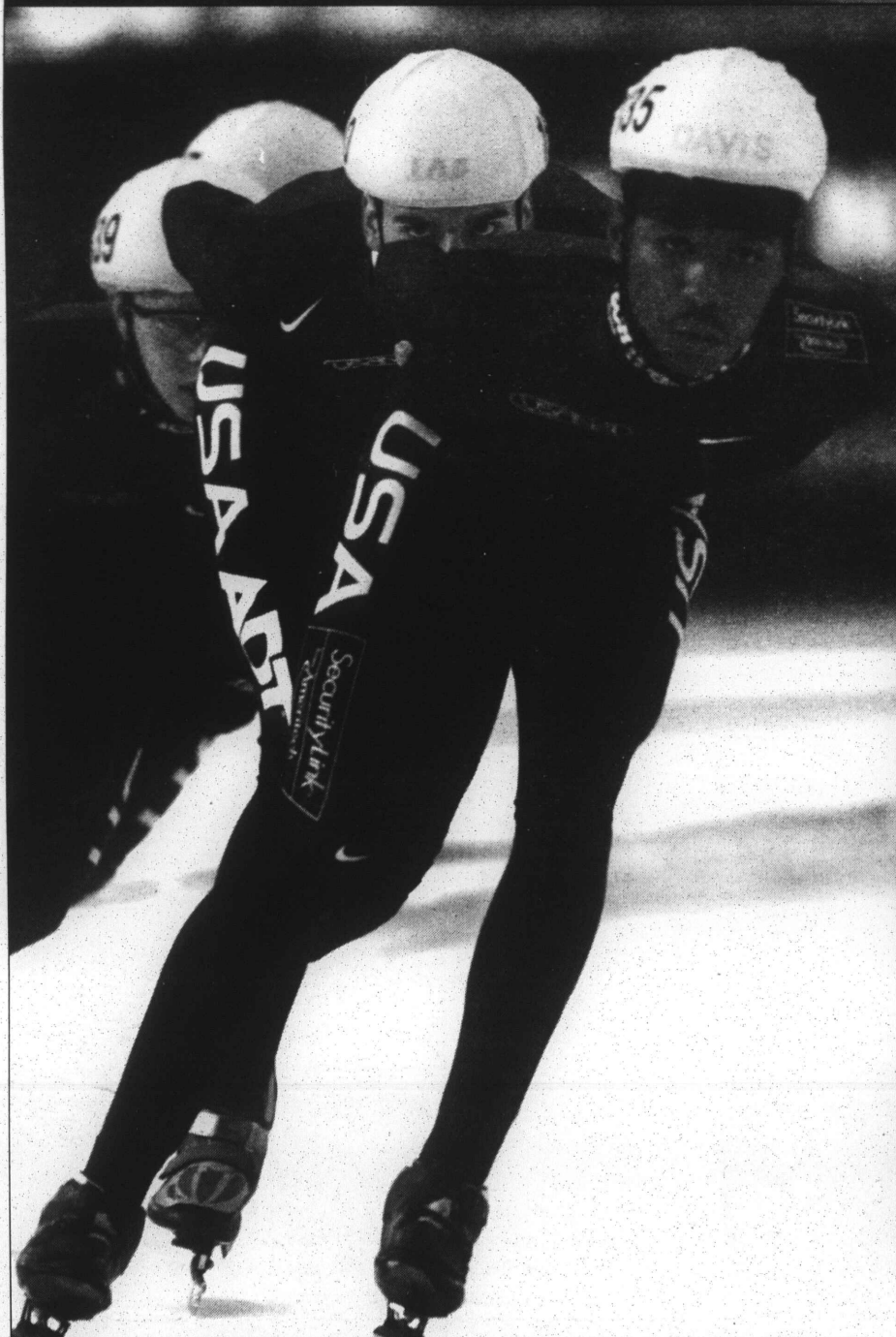
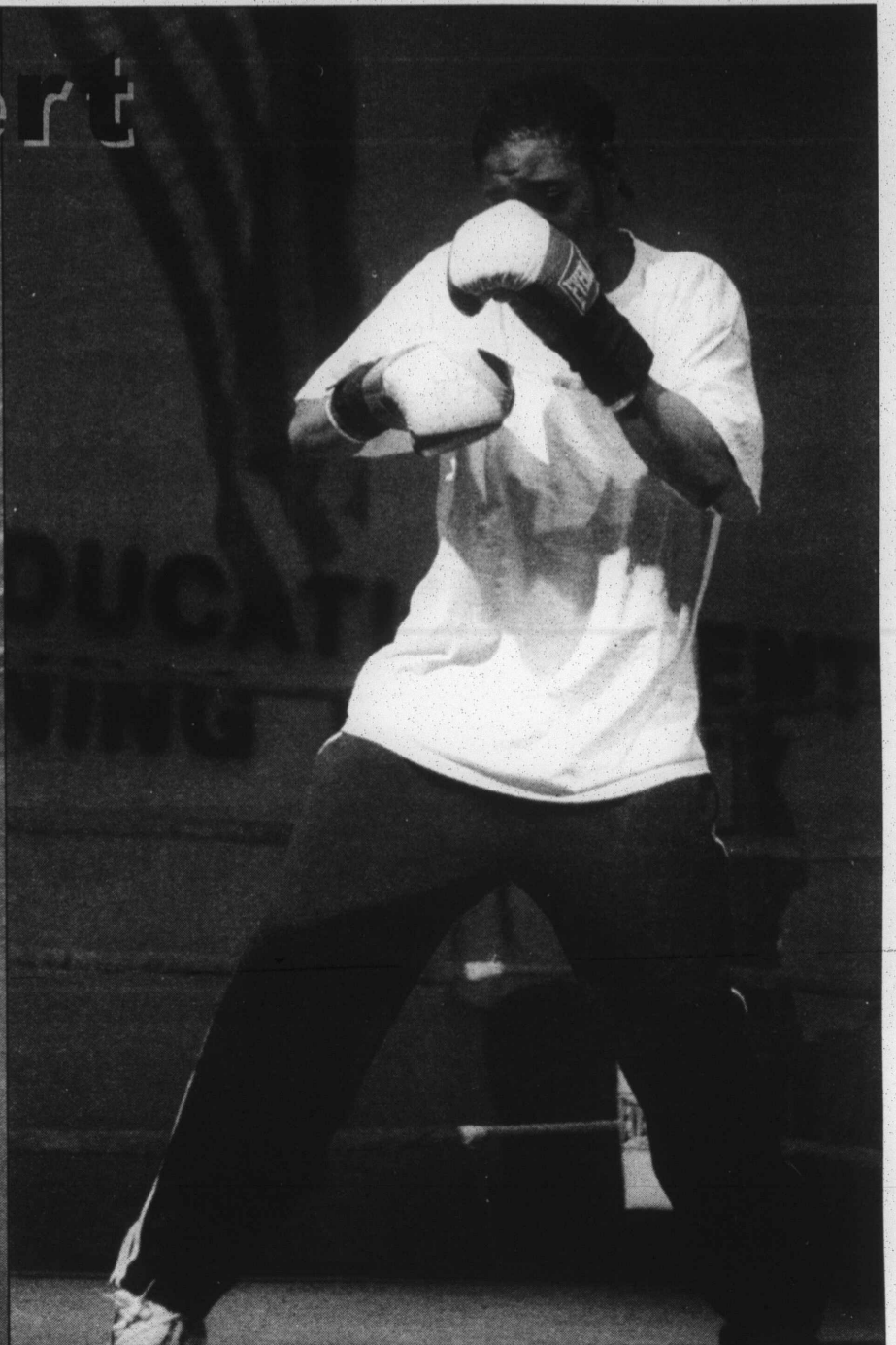
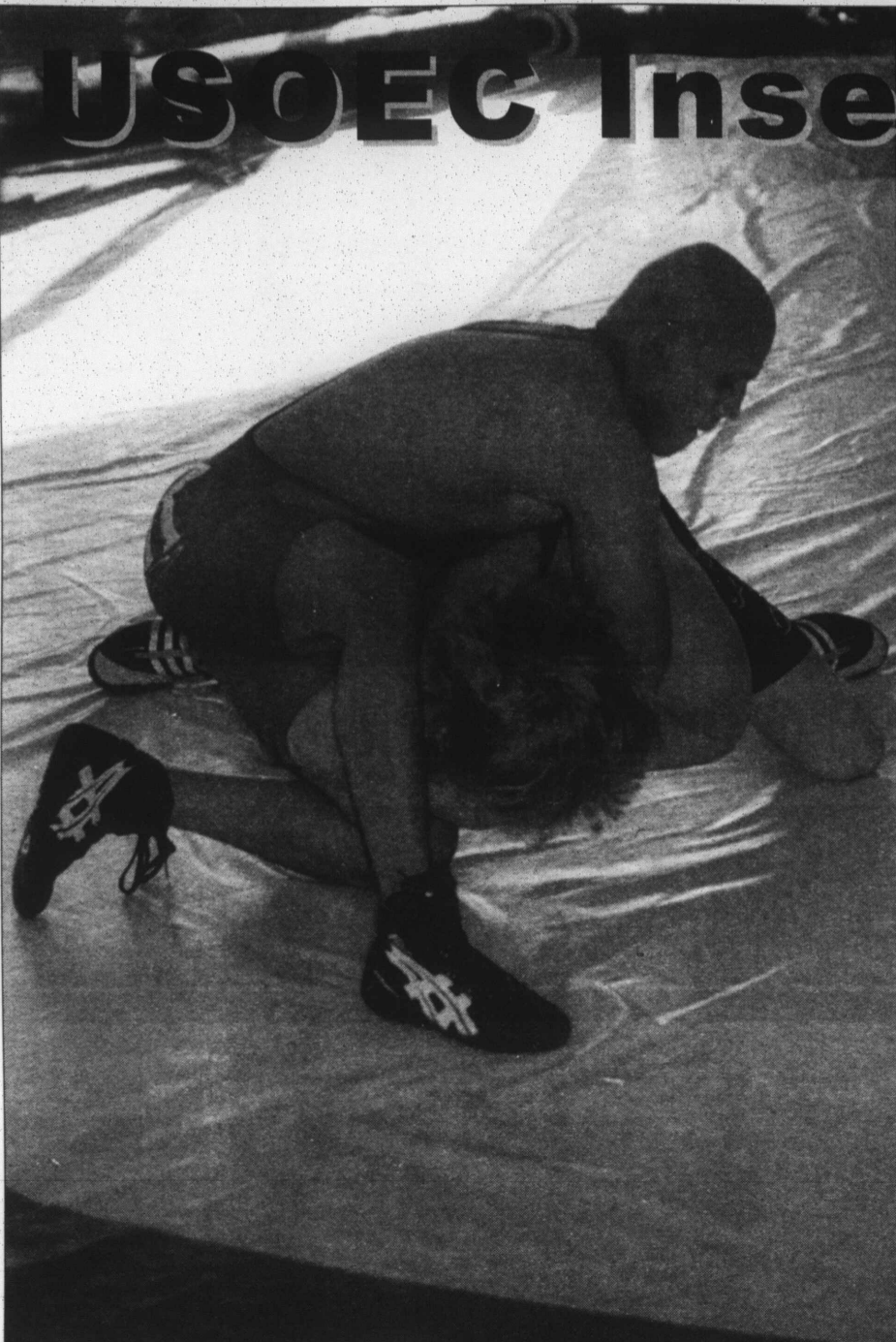
Dr. Booker will discuss the way hormones control the dramatic changes seen as insects undergo molting and metamorphosis.

Friday, March 14
4 p.m.
Mead Auditorium,
Seaborg Science Complex

A genetic analysis of phospholipase a2 activity in the fly *Drosophila melanogaster*

Dr. Booker will discuss signaling pathways important in egg production in the fruit fly. He will also describe how genetics and biochemistry can be used to improve our understanding of biological processes.

USOEC Insert




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Brian is a fourth year culinary arts major.


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Lindsay is a third year business/management major.

LINDSAY COX



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Bozeman, Mont.
Mark is a second year engineering major.


MARK MATHENY

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Yarmouth, Maine
Sara is a grad student in exercise science.

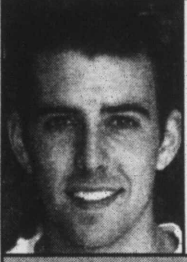
SARA GRANROTH



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Proctor, Minn.
Sarah is a third year physical education and health major. She is the 2003 U.S. Senior National Champion.


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Lima, N.Y.
Tim is a first year business and physical education major.

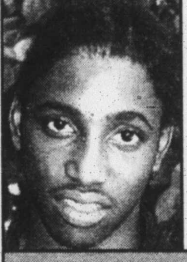
TIM MEEHAN



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Lakeville, Minn.
Brett is a fourth year marketing major at NMU.

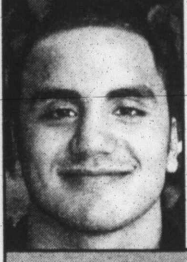
BRETT PIPER



BOXING

St. Louis, Mo.
Carlos is in his second year with the USOEC. He attends Marquette High School.


CARLOS SMALL



BOXING

Kansas City, Mo.
Chad is a first year auto collision and repair major. He took the bronze medal in the 2002 National Championships.

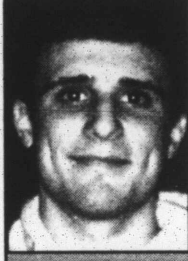
CHAD AQUINO



BOXING

Kailua-Kona, Hawaii
Chelsea is a first year management major. She is the first and only USOEC female boxer.


CHELSEA ESTENCION



BOXING

Wildwood, N.J.
Chuck is a second semester grad student. He is the 2002 National Collegiate Boxing Association Champion.

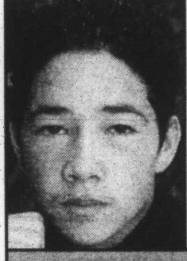
CHUCK MUSSACHIO



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Maui, Hawaii
Dat is a second year CIS major. He is the 2002 Golden Gloves silver medalist.

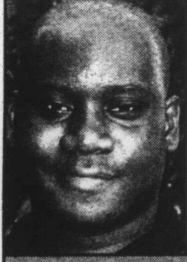
DAT NGUYEN



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San Diego, Calif.
David is a first year business major. He is the 2000 PAL Champion.

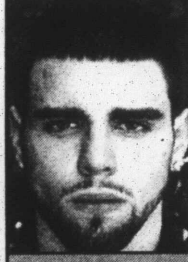
DAVID CLARK



BOXING

Temple Hills, Md.
Davin is a fourth year liberal studies major. He took the bronze medal at the 2002 National Championships.

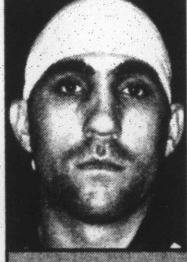
DAVIN KING



BOXING

North Philadelphia, Pa.
Dennis is a second year undeclared major.

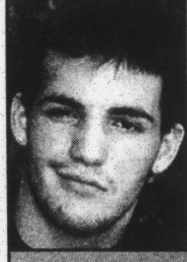
DENNIS HADDON



BOXING

Miami, Fla.
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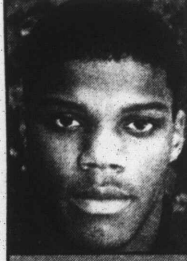
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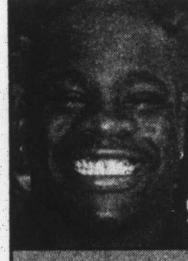
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Queens, N.Y.
Jaidon is a first year undeclared major. He is the 2002 Golden Gloves Champion.

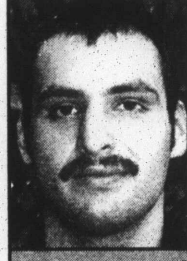
JAIDON CODRINGTON



BOXING

Chicago, Ill.
Anthony is in his sixth year at NMU. He is a three-time U.S. National Champion.


ANTHONY STEWART



BOXING

Rockford, Ill.
Jose is a second year chemistry major.

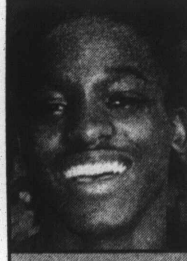
JOSE VILLARREAL



BOXING

Rock Springs, Wyo.
Luis is a first year communications major. He is the 2002 Golden Gloves bronze medalist.


LUIS GOMEZ



BOXING

Philadelphia, Penn.
Ray is in his first year at the USOEC. He attends Marquette High School.

RAY ROBINSON



BOXING

Brooklyn, N.Y.
Roberto is a seventh year business major. He is the three-time U.S. National Champion.


ROBERTO BENITEZ

BOXING

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Chicago, Ill.
Rudy is a third year architecture technology major. He took bronze in the 2001 National Championships.

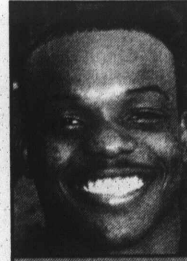
RUDY CISNEROS



BOXING

Oahu, Hawaii
Samson is a third year undeclared major. He placed first at the 2002 American Boxing Classic.


SAMSON GUILLERMO



BOXING

Palm Springs, Calif.
Tim is a first year surgical technology major. He is the USOEC boxing team captain.

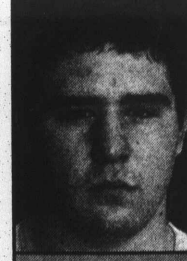
TIM BRADLEY



BOXING

Kailua-Kona, Hawaii
Van Oscar is a second year automobile repair technology major.


VAN OSCAR PENOVAROFF



WRESTLING

Otsego, Mich.
Aaron is a second year pre-law major. He placed second at the 2002 FILA Junior Nationals.


AARON BOONE



WRESTLING

Winona, Minn.
Adam is a first year undeclared major. He placed third at the 2002 Asics Junior Nationals.

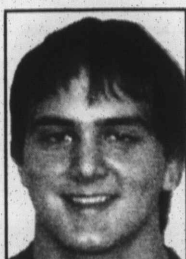
ADAM HAAKE



WRESTLING

Platte City, Mich.
Bobby is a second year biology major. He placed second at the 2002 FILA Junior Nationals.


BOBBY FISHER



WRESTLING

Sandy, Utah
Brandon is a first year communications major. He is the 2002 Utah High School State Champion.

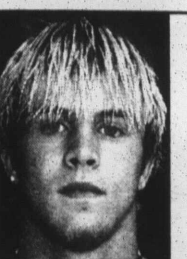
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Minocqua, Wis.
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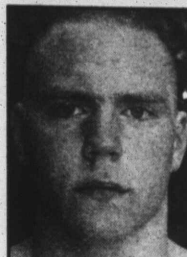
BRIAN PIASECKI



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Draper, Utah
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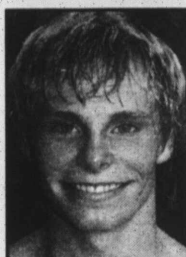
CASEY LAWSON



WRESTLING

Kansas City, Mo.
Chad is a first year biochemistry major. He placed sixth at the 2002 Asics Junior Nationals.


CHAD EDWARDS



WRESTLING

Salt Lake City, Utah
Daryl is a first year student at NMU. He placed third at the 2002 FILA Junior Nationals.

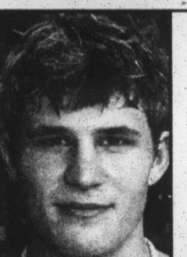
DARYL SPACKMAN



WRESTLING

LaGrange, Ill.
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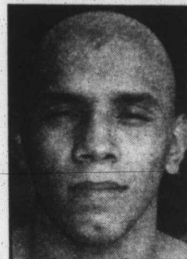
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Platte County, Mo.
Jacob is a first year criminal justice major.

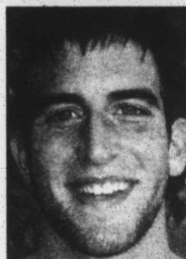
JACOB FISHER



WRESTLING

Stockton, Calif.
Joe is a second year student at NMU. He placed first at the 2002 FILA Junior Nationals.


JOE ESPINOZA



WRESTLING

Troy, N.Y.
Joe is a first year elementary education major.

JOE UCCELLINI



WRESTLING

Chicago, Ill.
Joseph is a first year political science major. He placed fifth at the 2001 Asics Junior Nationals.

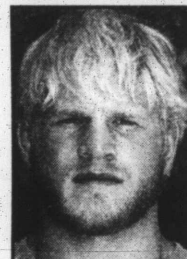
JOSEPH BETTERMON

WRESTLING

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Akron, Ohio
Harry is a first year chemistry major. He is currently the 10th ranked senior in the U.S.

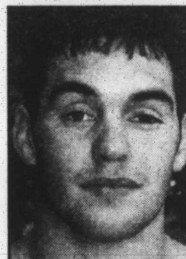
HARRY LESTER



WRESTLING

Laceyville, Pa.
Justin is a second year construction management major. He is 2002 FILA Junior National Champion.

JUSTIN MILLARD



WRESTLING

New Orleans, La.
Kevin is a second year student at NMU. He placed fifth at the 2002 FILA Junior Nationals.

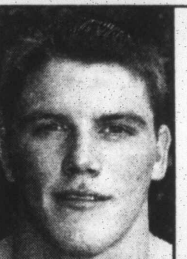
KEVIN LOZANO

WRESTLING

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Cocoa Beach, Fla.
Kris-Sana is a first year undeclared major.

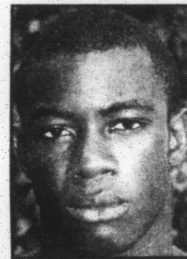
KRIS-SANA HANNEMANN



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Albany, N.Y.
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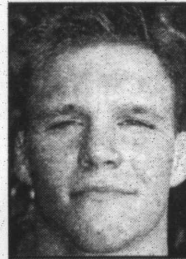
MATTHEW STENGLETON



WRESTLING

Miami, Fla.
Mervin is a second year pre-law major. He placed second at the 18th Annual Sunkist International Open.

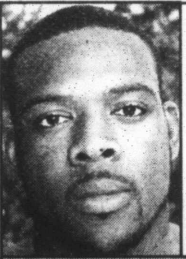
MERVIN FORD



WRESTLING

Minocqua, Wis.
Nathan is a third year student at NMU. He is the 2002 FILA Junior National Champion.


NATHAN PIASECKI



WRESTLING

Plymouth, Wis.
R.C. is a third year computer science major. He is the 2002 FILA Junior National Champion.

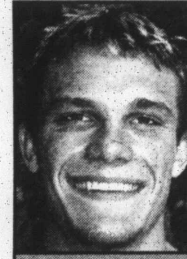
R.C. JOHNSON



WRESTLING

Metairie, La.
Willie is a second year undeclared major. He placed second at the 2002 University Nationals.


WILLIE MADISON



WRESTLING

Layton, Utah
Zachary is a first year student at NMU. He placed second at the 2001 FILA Junior Nationals.


ZACHARY LAMANO



SPEED SKATING

Marquette, Mich.
Kreg is in his second year with the USOEC. He attends Marquette High School.


KREG GREER



SPEED SKATING

Midland, Mich.
Kristen is in her second year with the USOEC. She is currently ranked fifth in the Junior rankings.


KRISTEN BEDFORD



SPEED SKATING

Grand Rapids, Mich.
Micheal is a sixth year digital cinema major. He had the top USOEC finish at the 2003 Nationals.

MICHEAL KOOREMAN



SPEED SKATING

St. Louis, Mo.
Miranda is a second year undeclared major.

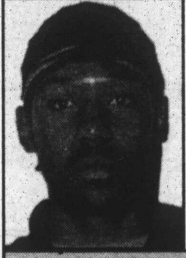
MIRANDA GIUFFRIDA



SPEED SKATING

Royal Oak, Mich.
Sara is a fourth year health education major. She started skating when she was 9 years old.

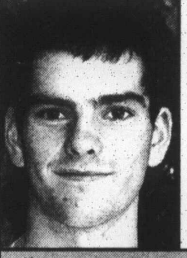
SARA BELL



SPEED SKATING

Chicago, Ill.
Shani is a second year undeclared major. He won the 2003 U.S. National Championships.


SHANI DAVIS



SPEED SKATING

Liverpool, N.Y.
Adam is a fourth year student at NMU. He is a 2002 Olympian.


ADAM DUNCAN



SPEED SKATING

Cleveland, Ohio
Scott is in his third season as head coach. He was a member of the 1998 Winter Olympics in Nagano.

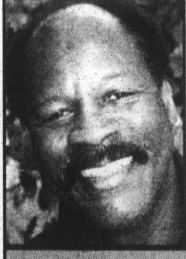
SCOTT KOONS



WRESTLING

Sofra, Bulgaria
Ivan is in his first year as head coach. He was a silver medalist at the 1994 Greco Roman Championships.

IVAN IVANOV



BOXING

Philadelphia, Pa.
Al has been coaching at the USOEC since 1989. He was the head Olympic boxing coach at the 1996 games in Atlanta.

AL MITCHELL



BIATHLON

Marquette, Mich.
Patrice finished her eighth year with the USOEC. She was on the 1992 Olympic team.

PATRICE JANKOWSKI

Program continues to develop, improve

BY MELANIE BOLTHOUSE
SPORTS EDITOR

Since the USOEC began in Marquette in 1985, the short-track speed skating program has been molding Winter Olympians and world-class athletes.

From 1985 to 1997, the U.S. National Team trained out of Marquette. In 1997, the U.S. National team moved out to Colorado Springs for high-altitude training and remained there. The skating program in Marquette became the U.S. Development team.

"My job is to feed the National Team skaters," head coach Scott Koons said. "They usually take one or two of my skaters each year."

Sixth-year skater Michael Kooreman has trained in both Marquette and Colorado.

Kooreman said being able to skate at the facility on-campus and go to school is very valuable.

"In a sport like speed skating, we don't exactly make a ton of money, unless you're Apollo Ohno, and so when we retire from skating we need something to fall back on," he said. "It really helps having the training center here that allows us to go to school and skate at the same time so that when we do retire, we're not just stuck out there with nothing."

Koons said the vast majority of his athletes could have gone to other schools or to

other facilities to train, but wanted to attend Northern because of the opportunity to skate and get an education.

This season, 12 student athletes train at the Berry Events Center. Koons said more athletes train during the summer, but he cuts it down during the regular season so each athlete has more personalized training.

The team trains year-round with official training beginning in June. The season runs through April, when the athletes get a month off to practice at home and visit their families and friends.

Skaters train twice a day from 7 to 9 a.m. and 3 to 6 p.m. Altogether, the athletes average around 25 hours a week on the ice.

While the whole team trains together, the skaters often only compete individually.

Koons said his whole team won't qualify for a specific event, such as the World Cup or the U.S. National Championships, but he will take the team to specific events to race as a whole.

Individually, Kooreman and second-year skater Shani Davis have been the outstanding skaters for the season, Koons said.

Davis qualified for the World Team and won the U.S. Championships in long track, which he does not normally train for at the USOEC.

"It was kind of remarkable because he doesn't skate long track," Koons said. "He's just a natural talent."

Kooreman was the only skater who



Courtesy of USOEC

Second-year skater Shani Davis, middle, won the U.S. Championships in long track. He was the only USOEC skater to qualify for the long-track World Team.

qualified for the World University Games.

Koons said in his three years as coach, he has seen the program continue to grow and improve.

"We've had a lot of success coming out of Marquette," he said. "It's something we want to continue."

The facilities here are something we want to continue to use in the future. It's the only rink in the country that I know has a locker room only for speed skaters."

Koons said his goal is to keep improving the quality of training for his skaters and to begin a club team in Marquette.

This season, the program added new

coach Li Yan. Yan was on the Chinese National team and competed in the Olympics in 1988, 1992 and 1994.

"I'm really excited to work with this new coach," Koons said. "I think she's got a lot of different training ideas. I'm looking forward to incorporating some of her thought into the training program."

Koons said he hopes with Yan help, they can make a club team in Marquette a reality.

"We don't have a club here and we should," he said. "Hopefully we can get some local support. I've had a bunch of people ask about it already so hopefully we can get some more interest brewing."

Wrestlers compete for Olympic dreams

BY ROB HAMILTON
MANAGING EDITOR

Starting with eight athletes in 1999, the USOEC Greco-Roman wrestling team has grown significantly in its four years of existence and is one of the only spots in the country for young Greco-Roman wrestlers to hone their skills, while getting an education.

Head coach Ivan Ivanov, a silver medalist in the Greco-Roman World Championships in 1994, took over the program in Feb. 2002 after coaching at the junior level for several years.

Ivanov has trained his athletes for tournaments around the nation and world. The team recently made a trip to Sofia, Bulgaria over NMU's spring break. Other trips have included Sweden, Phoenix, Ariz. and New York City this season. Ivanov said these trips have been minor events, but have still helped his athletes gain experience.

"The goal is to prepare these young athletes for a better foundation and technical skills and to dominate at the National and university level," Ivanov said.

Ivanov said there are some wrestlers who have a chance of making the U.S. Olympic team in 2004, but the main focus of the program is to get athletes some experience and pass them

on to the National Olympic Center in Colorado Springs.

"The majority of these kids can compete in the 2008 Olympics," Ivanov said. "We are actually not competing with guys our age. We are competing with six, eight, 10, 12 years older guys."

Third year wrestler R.C. Johnson is one of the athletes that Ivanov said had a chance at making the Olympics next year.

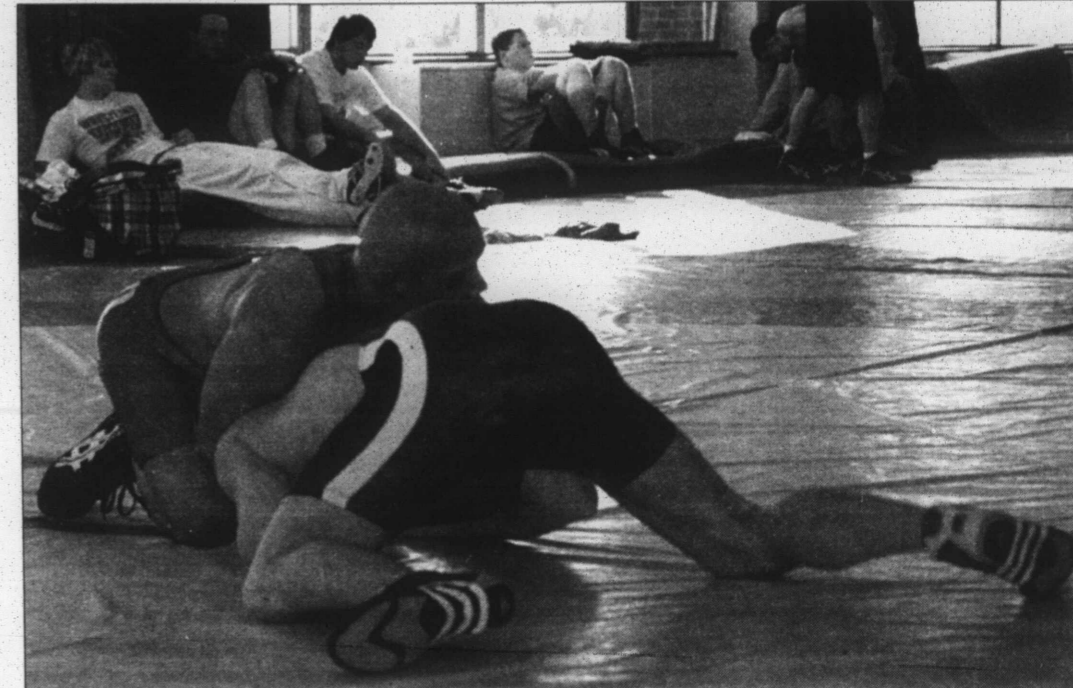
Johnson, a winner at the University Nationals at the 96 kilograms weight class last season, said the USOEC is the only program in the country affiliated with a university that gives scholarships for Greco-Roman wrestling.

"I like how we can train at an Olympic level and be an elite athlete and also go to school and get an education," Johnson said.

Third year wrestler Nathan Piasecki also said the style of wrestling at the USOEC is what drew him to Northern.

"Greco Roman is my favorite," Piasecki said. "I always kind of had a niche for it and it always came a little bit more natural (than freestyle wrestling, the type of wrestling that most college programs feature)."

Piasecki achieved All-American status in his first season with the USOEC and took



Jason Metevia/NW

Second-year wrestler Joe Espinoza, top, and first-year wrestler Daral Spackman match-up in practice. The team practices twice a day, year round in hopes of someday competing in the Olympics.

fourth place in the 56 kilograms weight class at the Senior Nationals in 2001.

Ivanov said it was difficult to tell which wrestlers would have the best shot at the Olympics next year, but second-year wrestler Mervin Ford, first-year wrestler Harry Lester and second-year wrestler Joe Espinoza have shown the best results thus far.

The team is currently preparing for two of its biggest events

of the season — the University Nationals on April 24 at Chicago and the Senior Nationals on May 6 through 8 in Las Vegas.

The wrestlers practice twice a day year round, except for a brief break during Christmas and one month during the summer.

Second-year wrestler Justin Millard said the team has an advantage over college athletes because the USOEC is active year round instead of having a three or four month season.

"It's really hard on the body though," Millard said. "You get up at six and practice, then you go to class all day and you have to study too. You start looking forward to the weekend when you can sleep."

While all of the wrestlers are tired they continue to work hard because they share a common dream, Millard said.

"Most of the guys wouldn't be here unless the Olympics were an ultimate goal for them," he said.

USOEC boxers represent best in nation

BY DAVE MOSS
SPORTS STAFF REPORTER

The USOEC boxing program trains some of the top athletes in the nation with experienced coaches while providing the boxers with an opportunity to receive an education as well as hone their skills.

The program is tough for the athletes. It involves waking up by 4:30 a.m. when they start their morning with running. The athletes attend classes either at NMU or Marquette High School during the day.

At 3 p.m., the team trains together in a circular rotation of stations that requires the boxers to always be in motion. A timer clock in their practice room buzzes signaling the boxers to change stations, and they keep working out.

The boxers spar or fight each other or lift weights depending on the day.

"It's tough," boxer Chad Aquino said. "It makes you a better person, stronger and more mentally tough."

Aquino came to the program from Kansas City, Mo., and this is his second year in Marquette.

The boxers that train at the USOEC represent some of the best in the nation.

Assistant boxing coach Larry



Scott Salisbury/NW

USOEC boxer Dat Nguyen, left, faced Rasheed Salaam during the Chip-In's Island Resort and Casino boxing show held March 1. Nguyen boxes at 125 pounds and is the 2002 Golden Gloves silver medalist.

Nicholson said an athlete has to be in the top 10 in the United States before coming into the program. They also recruit from the Junior Olympics that have taken place in Marquette for the last seven years.

"We like the J.O. program because when an athlete is young, we can teach them," Nicholson said.

Like Aquino, most the athletes

come from far away and have to leave their families and friends behind.

Timothy Bradley is in his second year at the center and came from Palm Springs, Calif.

Roberto Benitez came from New York City when he was 16. He is 22 now.

"It was hard for me to leave my family and peers behind," Benitez said. "But I knew I had to try

something out."

Most of the boxers are currently focusing on training for the Everlast National Championship on March 24 in Colorado Springs.

Aquino said the National Championship is the biggest competition of the year. If a boxer finishes in the top four at the Championship, they will have another opportunity to box the next week at a challenge event.

The winners will go to the Olympic trials for 2004.

Nicholson said the program has had athletes in the last three Olympic Games. In the most recent Olympics, the program had four Olympians as well as nine alternates.

The athletes know that even at their level of competition making the Olympic team is difficult. Aquino said everyone's long-term goals include winning a World Title.

The boxing facility has moved into the newly renovated facility at the Superior Dome. Nicholson who came through the program as an athlete and became a coach five years ago, said he will miss the old facility located in Hedgcock. He came to the program in 1990 and they began training in Hedgcock in 1991.

"(The Hedgcock facility) was pretty much our baby," Nicholson said. "Leaving it now is going to be hard."

Their facility in Hedgcock has been secluded for almost the entire time they have used it. The new facility in the Dome will offer the public a chance to see what the program is doing.

"A lot of people are going to be more familiar with the athletes and the coaches and what's going on," Nicholson said.

Biathletes conclude final season at NMU

BY MELANIE BOLTHOUSE
SPORTS EDITOR

After 13 years as a part of the USOEC, the biathlon team is finishing its final season as a part of the Olympic program at Northern Michigan.

Due to a cut in funding from the U.S. Biathlon Association, the biathlon program is officially ending this May and being replaced by U.S.A. Weightlifting.

Head coach Patrice Jankowski said the end of the program is disappointing.

"We did so much with a small amount," she said. "It's hard to understand."

USOEC director Jeff Kleinschmidt said the decision to cut the program came after the Biathlon Association refused to fund needed renovations to the shooting range at the team's training course in Ishpeming.

He said the USOEC did not want to continue with the program if the necessary funds to make it successful were not provided.

Despite the cut, Jankowski said her team is bringing the season to a close successfully.

"They all did better than ever," she said. "They all improved. The most

improved was Sarah Riley."

Riley, a third-year skier with the USOEC, recently won the U.S. National Championships and is on her way to Khanty-Mansiy, Russia to compete in the World Championships held March 12 through 24.

Riley will compete with former USOEC biathlete Jill Krause on a four person women's team. Riley also qualified this season for CISM, which is the World Military Championships.

She is one of three members of the biathlon program at Northern who also belong to the National Guard. The Guard adds to their funding to travel and compete.

Kleinschmidt said biathlon in general began as a military competition, developed from war time where soldiers needed to ski through snowy areas while carrying weapons.

Jankowski said the goal of biathlon is to ski as fast as possible on normal Nordic equipment and shoot a .22 caliber rifle as accurately as possible at each target.

If an athlete misses a target, he or she will be penalized and may need to ski longer because of the miss. Biathlon courses can range from 7 K to 20 K.

First-year skier Tim Meehan said the average representation in biathlon is about 50 percent military athletes.

"It's an advantage if the Guard is for you," he said. "You're getting paid to do what you love."

The members of the team who are part of the National Guard will continue their training in Vermont under the direction of Sarah Lehto, a former coach at NMU, when the program ends in May. Training facilities for biathletes is minimal throughout the country.

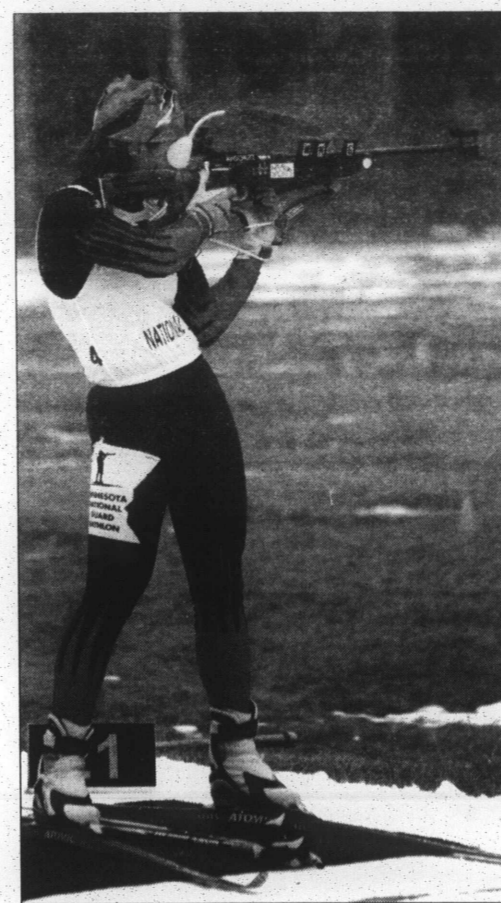
The Vermont facility and the facility in Marquette were the two largest places to train. Minnesota is home to two small facilities.

Northern was the only school to house a training program that also offered an education.

Meehan and other members of the team who are not part of the Guard will either be returning home to train or will retire to finish their education.

Fourth-year skier Brett Piper and third-year skier Lindsey Cox are both retiring to stay up in Marquette to finish their schooling.

"I love this place," Meehan said. "I'd move back up here in a heartbeat if the program returned."



Courtesy of USOEC

Third-year skier Sara Riley will compete in the Biathlon World Championships in Russia.

Athletes begin practice in new facilities

BY MELANIE BOLTHOUSE
SPORTS EDITOR

After eight months of construction, the USOEC is beginning to move into a newly renovated Superior Dome.

The construction project to add a second floor to the southeast corner of the Dome began in July. The addition includes a new boxing training facility, a wrestling training facility, an athletic training room and offices for the USOEC staff.

The USOEC became serious about the move to the Dome last year in late spring.

The center first looked at facilities at KI Sawyer, but wanted to stay local.

The USOEC was given the space in the Dome because it was not being used so it was possible to add a second floor to the southeast corner, said Director of Recreational Facilities and Services Carl Bammert.

USOEC director Jeff Kleinschmidt said the center began looking for new facility options two years ago when the university began to plan for renovations to many of the places the USOEC programs train.

"The primary reason was that we need-

ed some additional facilities," USOEC director Jeff Kleinschmidt said. "Not only is Hedgcock closing, but our offices are in Magers Hall and Magers Hall is eventually being renovated back into student housing."

Up until the move into the Dome, each USOEC team practiced in a different location around campus.

The Greco-Roman wrestling team practiced in Quad II, which will eventually be renovated into a student commons area.

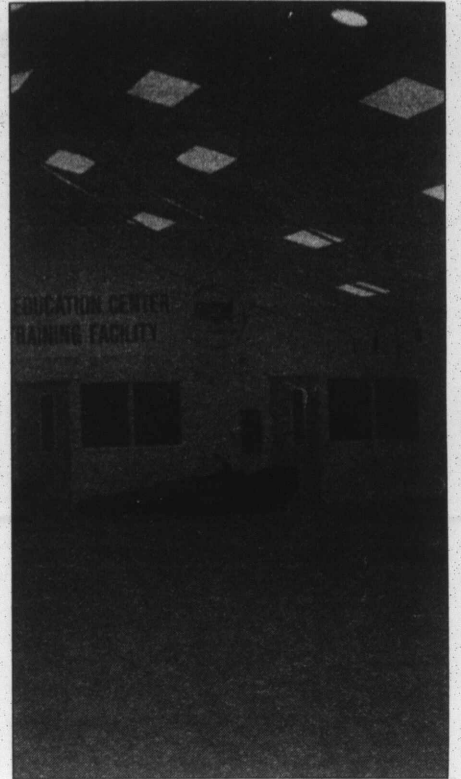
The boxing team trained in Hedgcock. The athletic training room was located in the basement of Magers along with a weight room specifically for the center's athletes.

"Basically every place we were, with our training facilities, with our offices, with our sports medicine clinic, was going to be remodeled for another use, so we knew we had to move out," Kleinschmidt said.

The main area of the new facility is used for offices and the new athletic training room. Locker rooms and a sauna are upstairs for the athletes to use. The new training area for the boxers and wrestlers is a large room divided into two by a folding wall.

The wall retracts to form one large room that can be used for boxing and wrestling shows in the future.

"The move has been very positive for the center," media coordinator Kim Prohaska said. "It's been nice because we



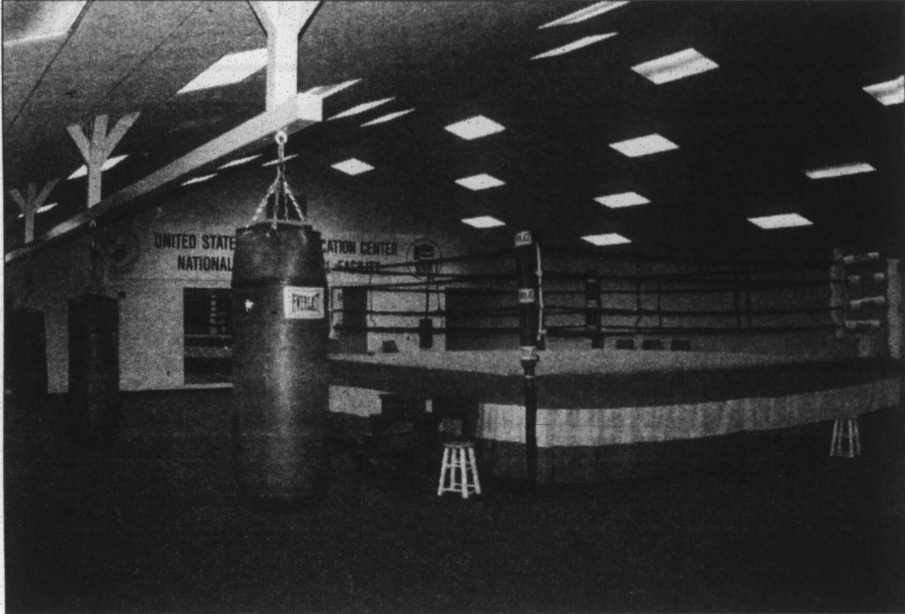
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The Greco-Roman wrestling team moved practices out of Magers Hall and into the Dome facility in early March.

can interact with the athletes."

While the speed skating offices and training will remain in the Berry Events Center, Kleinschmidt said all teams will be able to use at least part of the new facilities.

"It really centralizes the USOEC," Prohaska said.



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The USOEC boxing program has moved out of Hedgcock and into a new training area in the Superior Dome, which they will share with the Greco-Roman wrestlers.

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USOEC adds another developmental team

NMU to welcome 10 athletes to new weightlifting program

BY TOM MURPHY
SPORTS STAFF REPORTER

Despite the loss of the USOEC biathlon program, four developmental teams will continue to train at Northern as the center welcomes U.S.A. Weightlifting to Marquette at the end of this semester.

USOEC Director Jeff Klienschmidt said the new weightlifting program should be in place by late April or early May.

"We were planning on bringing this program in," Klienschmidt said. "It has nothing to do with our dropping the biathlon program. We will be

using the biathlon program money for the weightlifting program."

Klienschmidt said that the national governing body, U.S.A. Weightlifting, is currently in the process of finding a coach for the program.

"U.S.A. Weightlifting is currently conducting an international search for an elite coach," Klienschmidt said. "We will provide \$20,000 of the coach's salary and [the weightlifting association] will provide the

rest."

The program will provide 10 athletes the opportunity to train and attend Northern Michigan University.

"We are only starting out with 10 athletes because we want to start small but with top quality athletes," Klienschmidt said. "We plan to have the program grow in the future."

The national association is going select its top performers both athletically and academically. Then the USOEC will decide

which athletes to admit to the program, Klienschmidt said.

"Our main goals for the program are to improve the athlete's performance both nationally and internationally and progress towards Olympic competition," Klienschmidt said. "We also want to insure that the athletes are full-time successful students."

Klienschmidt said the athletes would be funded through the B.J. Stupak Olympic scholarship award.

USOEC EVENT SCHEDULE

Boxing

Date	Event	Location
April 2003	U.S. Championships	Las Vegas, Nev.
May 2003	U.S. Challenge	Colorado Springs, Colo.
June 2003	National Golden Gloves	TBA
June 2003	Junior Olympics	Marquette, Mich.

Wrestling

Date	Event	Location
March 27-30	Northern Plains Regional	LaCross, Wis.
April 25-27	U.S. Nationals	Las Vegas, Nev.
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