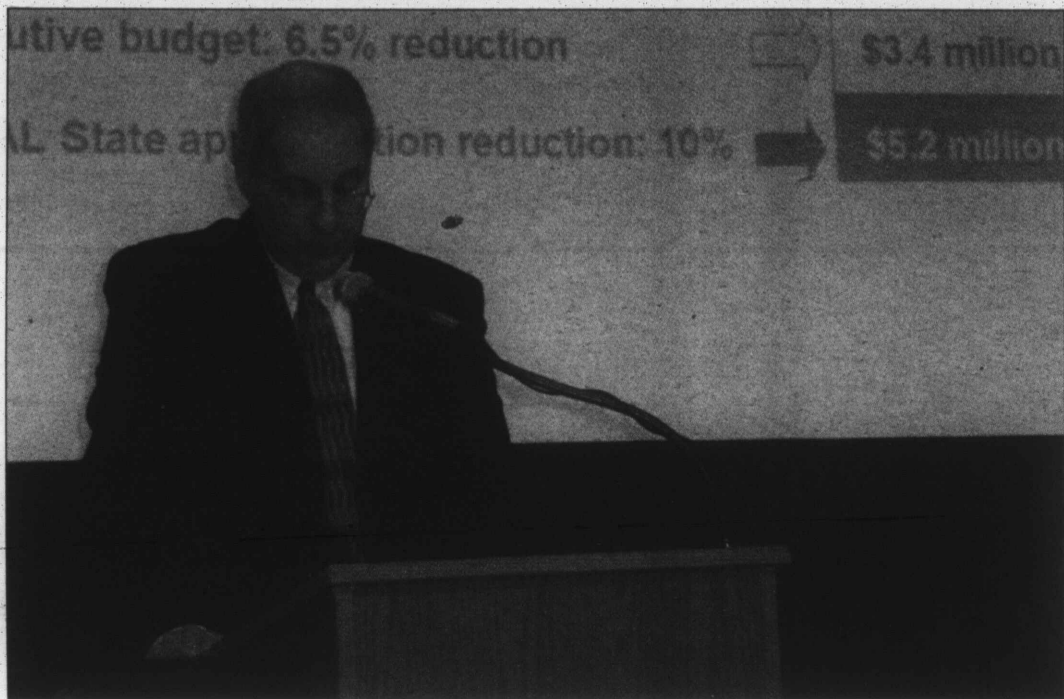


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Vice President of Finance and Administration Mike Roy explains the 10 percent state appropriation reduction, equivalent to about \$5.2 million, for the fiscal year 2004, which begins in July 2003.

BAC recommends cuts

BY HEATHER SOLGOT
 STAFF WRITER

There was a somber tone at the Let's Chat session on March 20 when the BAC's recommended cuts were announced to the campus community.

"This is a very grave time for our state and for our university," President Judi Bailey said. "We have a statewide budget problem that's worse than it has been since the Great Depression."

Vice President of Finance and Administration Mike Roy

and Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs Fred Joyal delivered the cuts and BAC recommendations.

Approximately 60 percent of NMU's general budget comes from the state, Associate Vice President of Finance and Administration Gavin Leach said.

Gov. Jennifer Granholm announced on March 6 that there would be a possible 10 percent cut from higher education. As a result of cuts in funding the university will have to

reduce the budget by \$8.5 million. The university will also be cut by \$4.25 million in fiscal year 2005 equally a total amount of \$12.75 million over the next two years.

The BAC was formed in reaction to the upcoming budget cuts last semester. Roy said The BAC left no division untouched.

The university is divided into four divisions. The BAC cut \$411, 295 from the President's Division, Roy said.

This division includes the
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Jobs, programs to be eliminated

BY MARY ANN CANCELLA
 NEWS EDITOR

With the announcement of prospective budget cuts in the university, academics at NMU will receive a possible loss of 37.75 jobs over the next two years, saving the university approximately \$4.5 million.

University Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs Fred Joyal said the university has not had to make cuts like these in more than 13 years.

Joyal said that some people may not lose their job but will simply get cut back on hours and that this is how .75 jobs may possibly be lost.

Cuts in the academic area of the university include the loss of Public Radio 90 and Public TV 13, the Health Promotions Office, the Communication Disorders Graduate Program and the Psychology Graduate Program.

"It's really hard to say what will impact the university most," Joyal said. "Everyone is going to have a different perspective."

Along with the loss of many programs, the Budget Alternatives Committee has suggested cutting down on instructors' release time.

Joyal said this means profes-

sors will have less time to spend outside the university on research and therefore will be required to teach more.

Along with these recommendations, the BAC has suggested merging several programs within the university.

Joyal said political science, economics and geography would be merged together and biology and chemistry would be combined.

"It's really hard to say what will impact the university most. Everyone is going to have a different perspective."

— Fred Joyal
 Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs

Math, computer science and physics would also become one department, and the licensed practical nursing program would be combined with the nursing program.

Joyal said merging the programs together would mean some department heads would be removed and more resources would be devoted to teaching.

"They would become larger departments," Joyal said. "There would be lower administrative

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Man arrested for on-campus thefts

BY MARY ANN CANCELLA
 NEWS EDITOR

A Negaunee Township resident was arrested on March 20 for breaking into cars on campus and stealing purses from them.

Assistant Director of Police Services Jeff Mincheff said Adam Heikkinen, 25, pled guilty to two charges of breaking and entering a motor vehicle, and that a third charge is pending.

"He was breaking into cars in NMU parking lots and taking purses out of them," Mincheff said.

Laduke said that between March 17 and 20 Heikkinen broke into a total of nine vehicles at NMU.

Heikkinen has pled guilty to one count of breaking and entering of a

motor vehicle, a misdemeanor punishable by up to one year in prison, Laduke said.

Heikkinen has also pled guilty to malicious destruction of private property of value greater than \$200 but less than \$1,000, Laduke said.

He said a subsequent charge may be brought against Heikkinen of breaking and entering a motor vehicle and larceny.

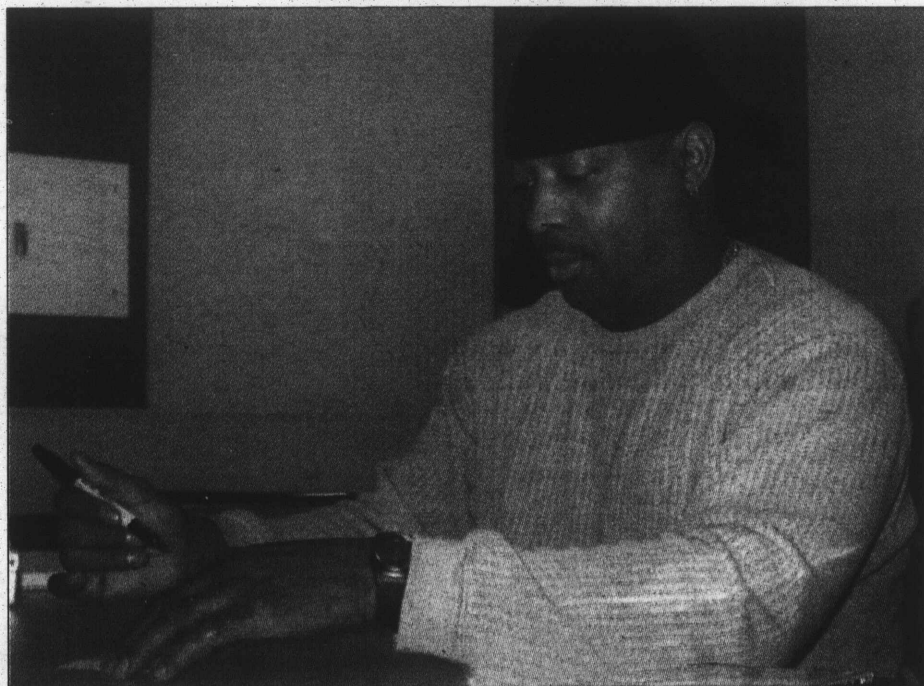
"We are awaiting a third warrant for another breaking and entering charge against Heikkinen," Laduke said.

Laduke said Heikkinen was simply walking up and down the aisles of cars in the parking lots looking for purses.

"He'd wait until no one was looking and he'd break the window if it was locked," Laduke said.

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Hip hop icon



Kelly Adams/NW

Chuck D, co-founder of the legendary rap group Public Enemy and a traveling political speaker, signs autographs after his lecture in the Great Lakes Rooms last night.

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President's Office and Board of Trustees, Alumni Relations and Institutional Development, Public Safety and Communications and Marketing.

Roy said two of the BAC's recommendations in Public Safety are to increase the student vehicle registration fee from \$50 to \$60 per year and eliminate the Wildcat Bus Shuttle.

The next division announced was the Academic Affairs division with a total cut of \$3,135,661 in fiscal year 2004.

The Academic Affairs division includes International Affairs,

Health Promotions, Dean of Students, Public Television, Public Radio, Academic and Career Advisement, Financial Aid, Admissions, Jobsearch and Housing and Residence Life.

Joyal said the BAC is suggesting the elimination of Public Radio over the next two years and eliminating Public Television for the fiscal year 2004.

Also included in Academic Affairs are the Colleges of the University. Leach said the BAC has recommended cutting \$609,000 from the College of Professional Studies, \$223,000 from the College of Business, \$48,000 from the College of Technology and Applied Sciences, \$676,000 from the College of Arts and Sciences and \$25,000 from Graduate Studies.

"Our primary emphasis was on reducing administration costs," Leach said. "But the public services area spends more money than other colleges."

Finance and Administration is the third division to receive cuts. The suggested cuts total \$2,414,088. Offices under this division include Human Resources, Controller's Office, Administrative Technology Information, Vice President, Northern Initiatives, Finance and Planning, Auxiliary Services, Facilities and Recreation and Athletics. The largest cut from this division is the elimination of the

USOEC program. Eliminating the program would save the university over \$600,000, Roy said.

The fourth division included in the budget cuts is the General University Division. The BAC has suggested cutting \$3.6 million from this division.

"This is a very grave time for our state and for our university."

— Judi Bailey
NMU President

"There are mainly cost avoidance cuts here," Roy said.

He said this means the BAC is proposing no salary increase for faculty, administrative professional and non-represented staff. The BAC also plans on an increased enrollment in this division to produce more funds, Roy said.

Bailey also said in the forum that she plans on setting aside part of her salary for an emergency fund for the people who will be laid off next year. She invited staff members to do the same. The next Let's Chat forum will be held today at 4 p.m. in the student commons area in the LRC.

Students are encouraged to attend to give feedback on the BAC recommendations.

"Something had to be done," senior sociology major Carrie Reif said. "It must have been hard to do. You obviously can't make everyone happy."

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overhead."

Another loss in the area of academics was student labor, which received only a 3 percent cut.

NMU President Judi Bailey said the vast majority of students employed at the university work in food, recreation, public safety or housing. These jobs were not effected by the cuts.

Bailey said 40 of the 1,200 available student jobs were lost at the university.

"It's awful, we wouldn't have a person or a program if it wasn't important," Bailey said. "We've cut beyond the bone."

Bailey said when the BAC

was making proposals for cuts at the university, they were trying to preserve the most possible programs.

Bailey said the committee focused on course availability, class size and student services when making cuts.

"As difficult as the cuts are to make, we must put the first dollar into the academic process," Bailey said.

A Let's Chat forum will be held at 4 p.m. today in the LRC student commons area. Students are encouraged to attend to provide more feedback on the current budget situation.

For more information on the BAC's recommended cuts, click on the link located on NMU's home page.

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The campus community should be reminded not to leave their valuable items in plain view and to keep their vehicles locked at all times, Laduke said.

Mincheff said Heikkinen was apprehended during last week's budget forum.

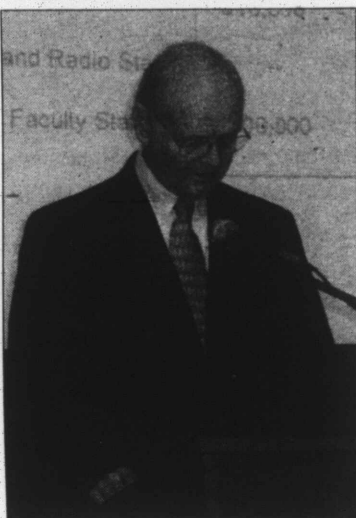
Larceny and vandalism are NMU's number one crimes, but this fact is not unique to NMU, Laduke said.

He said that while larceny is common, it isn't to the frequency that Heikkinen was operating.

He said that in Heikkinen's case the items were left in plain view and the vehicles were typically unlocked.

According to the Public Safety Web site, the incidents occurred in lots 5, 11, 16, 24, 28 and 50.

Heikkinen is being housed in the Marquette County Jail until he receives sentencing.



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Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs Fred Joyal presents the Budget Alternative Committee recommendations.



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Local

Presque Isle deer kill plan nixed

MARQUETTE — The City of Marquette has decided to cancel this year's deer management policy at Presque Isle Park. Recent counts indicate there are between 36 and 41 deer within the 312-acre park, and after DNR approval, shooters were scheduled to kill as many as 25. The decision to drop this year's hunt was made late Friday after U.P. Whitetails, a local wildlife group, requested a restraining order on the hunt. The request was granted by a Marquette County Circuit Judge. The city's management policy limits about 15 deer to live at Presque Isle. Although the park was closed for about two weeks due to the deer plan, Presque Isle has now been re-opened to foot traffic.

National

Rumsfeld: Brutal battles lie ahead

WASHINGTON, D.C. — On Wednesday, Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld said that although the military campaign on Iraq is going well, the most "brutal" battles may lie ahead as allied troops advance on Baghdad. Rumsfeld said the war is closer to the beginning than the end, and there has been some intelligence "chatter" suggesting that Iraqi Republican Guard units might unleash chemical weapons on American and British troops in and around the Iraqi capital city. He dismissed suggestions that the war wasn't going as planned or that coalition forces were spread too thin on the ground. U.S. forces have moved within 50 miles of Baghdad as of Wednesday, and more than 3,500 Iraqi soldiers are now prisoners of war.

International

Russia denies selling arms to Iraq

MOSCOW — In a telephone conversation on Monday evening, Russian President Vladimir Putin told President Bush that Russian companies are not supplying sensitive military equipment to Iraq. Putin further explained to Bush that the allegations can only harm relations between the two countries. The United States accuses privately owned Russian companies of supplying Iraq with antitank missiles, night-vision goggles and radio-jamming equipment that can interfere with planes and bombs. White House officials said they have received reports that a Russian company that produces jamming equipment has been aiding Iraqi military forces, possibly including sending Russian technicians to Iraq.

Weird News

Man found guilty in train sex case

MINEOLA, N.Y. — A Wantagh, Long Island man accused of engaging in sexual intercourse on a Long Island Rail Road train has been found guilty of public lewdness. Dennis Greene was arrested along with his brother Lyle and his sister-in-law Francine last September. All three were charged with public lewdness. A conductor notified by a passenger found the three having sex in a passenger car that was occupied by at least 15 other people. Lyle and Francine Greene pleaded guilty to public lewdness on March 14. However, Dennis Greene's case went to trial in the New York town of Mineola. All three will be sentenced sometime in May and each faces a maximum of 90 days in jail.

— Compiled from news sources

FORECAST

- **Friday:** Cloudy with snow, possibly mixed with rain. High around 36. Low 25.
- **Saturday:** Cloudy and windy with a chance of snow showers. High around 30. Low 15.
- **Sunday:** A chance of snow showers. High near 30.

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Taking to the airwaves



Scott Salisbury/NW

Senior criminal justice major Seri Robinson prepares to go on air at Public Radio 90 earlier this week. The BAC is proposing to cut Public Radio 90 along with Public TV 13 in two years.

ROTC to hold Bataan march

Commemorative ceremonies will honor U.S. war veterans

BY ERIC TREADO
STAFF WRITER

Northern ROTC members are preparing to hold their own Bataan Death March in Marquette, due to the cancellation of the annual march held in New Mexico.

The Bataan Death March is done in memory of those who lost their lives during WW II as POWs of the Japanese. Of the more than 70,000 American and Filipinos forced to march across the Bataan Peninsula, only 54,000 survived.

"Due to the war in Iraq, and the deployment of troops, the march at White Sands Missile Range, New Mexico was cancelled," Major John Vickers of the Military Science department said.

The ROTC members will still go to New Mexico to participate in ceremonies held to commemorate our veterans on March 29 but there will be no actual march.

Vickers said the dilemma did not detour the ROTC cadets from remembering the Bataan Death march right here in the U.P.

"It is important to remember the sacrifice our veterans made for our country," junior political science major Einar Manki said.

Vickers said the cadets showed a lot of initiative by raising money and training hard for the event and that they still wanted to do something.

He said on at 6 a.m. on April 19, the six ROTC cadets participating in the march will start out on County Road 510 in Big Bay and will march to the Veteran's Monument at Harlow Park in Marquette.

"The march should take between six to 12 hours, depending on how much gear they carry," Vickers said.

He said there would be a heavy division marching with full gear and a light division marching without a ruck sack.

"Along with the normal physical training the cadets do weekly, extra marching has been scheduled to prepare us," sophomore physical education major Mike Zultak said.

He said each Tuesday they have been doing five to six mile speed marches with a light load to gain endurance, and that on Fridays they have been marching eight to 13 miles with a full ruck sack to get stronger.

"We are trying to get a feel of the trials that our veterans had to endure, knowing in reality we can't really recreate the horrible conditions they experienced," Manki said.

Zultak said the cadets have done a lot of fundraising so they could arrange the march.

He said that they had a spaghetti dinner at American Legion Post 44 along with an

auction. "We have a lot of support from the community, in all the money we raised and the donations we received," Zultak said.

"This event here in Marquette is doing a great service not only to our veterans but the military personnel overseas."

—Mike Zultak
sophomore, physical education

Zultak said the ROTC cadets had a opportunity to meet POWs from WWII along with the family members of soldiers who suffered on the Bataan Peninsula in the Philippines.

Vickers said during the march the cadets will carry mementoes given to them by people they have met.

"Even though the original march was cancelled, this event here in Marquette is doing a great service not only to our veterans but the military personnel overseas," Zultak said.



Becky Compton/NW

Major John Vickers, head of the military science department discusses an independent study on Somalia on March 25 in Jamrich.

Troops supported locally

Operation Yellow Ribbon participants rally for military

BY MARY ANN CANCELLA
NEWS EDITOR

The Marquette area recently began Operation Yellow Ribbon in support of U.S. troops sent overseas to fight in the Iraq war.

Operation Yellow Ribbon was started as a tribute in honor of freedom's defenders, the operation's Web site said.

It exists to support all members of the military service; it's goal being to improve morale by sending words of encouragement and support to U.S. troops.

Operation Yellow Ribbon also supports the troops by sending care packages and through volunteer and fundraising efforts.

The Marquette area Operation Yellow Ribbon has been rallying from noon to 2 p.m. every Saturday at Harlow Park in order to show their support for U.S. troops now at war with Iraq.

Susan Henderson, senior secretary in the NMU military science department, said she got involved with the operation when she received a call from someone at the American Legion in Marquette asking for help getting

the effort started.

"My son is in Iraq, in the Navy," Henderson said. "And the students here are also like my kids."

Henderson said she wanted to get involved in Operation Yellow Ribbon to support the troops, because they are doing something that most people wouldn't.

"I'm proud to be in [the operation]," Henderson said. "I would do anything to support these young people, this is the least I can do."

Area chairwoman Vida Tebby said she got the idea of starting Operation Yellow Ribbon off its national Web site.

"I wanted to do something to show support for our troops," Tebby said. "They were getting a lot of negative publicity."

She said her son, a marine, is currently stationed overseas.

Operation Yellow Ribbon is neither for or against war, but solely for the purpose of supporting the troops, Tebby said.

"That is the organization's mission statement," Tebby said.

She said she organized the operation about one month ago

and that the first rally was held on March 6.

"I wanted to bring the community together," Tebby said. "Those are our kids, grandkids and nieces and nephews over there."

Approximately 60 people showed up at the last rally, she said.

"I wanted to bring the community together. Those are our kids, our grandkids and nieces and nephews over there."

— Vida Tebby
Chairwoman,
Operation Yellow Ribbon

In addition, some members of Operation Yellow Ribbon are approaching elementary schools to ask if they would like to send letters to the troops to be mailed on Armed Forces Day, May 17.

There is no official membership to become a part of Operation Yellow Ribbon.

If anyone would like to join they are welcome to attend rallies held Saturdays at Harlow Park, Tebby said.

"[Our troops] certainly deserve our utmost respect," Tebby said.

Author Chris Offutt speaks

Author Chris Offutt will give a public reading at 7 p.m. today in the Erie Room in the University Center of Northern Michigan University.

Offutt grew up in the Appalachian Mountains of Eastern Kentucky and now lives in Iowa.

"I find the woods are a source of solace," Offutt said. "I still like to go into the woods and take a nap. Most people have a fear of the woods, but I like just going out there and falling asleep. I just feel more comfortable."

Offutt was born and raised in a tiny mining town in Rowan County.

Today, the town has been virtually wiped from the map, losing its school, its businesses and even its zip code.

He is the author of two books of short stories, "Out of the Woods" and "Kentucky Straight."

He has also published two literary memoirs, "The Same River Twice" and "No Heroes."

His novel, "The Good Brother," is currently being developed as a feature film.

Offutt's short fiction has appeared in Esquire, Glimmer Train and Best American Short Stories.

His nonfiction has aired on National Public Radio and has been published in The New York Times.

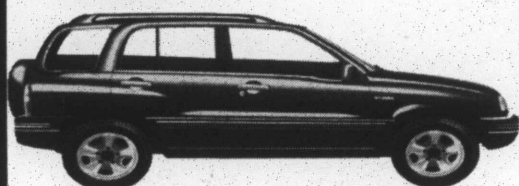
He has won many awards including a Whiting Award, a Guggenheim fellowship and a fellowship from the National Endowment for the Arts.

There is no admission charge for this event. It is sponsored by NMU's master of fine arts program in creative writing and by Passages North literary magazine.

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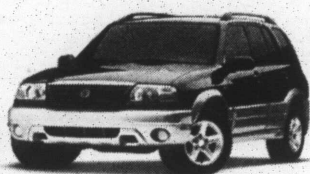
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Rapper charms crowd with ludicrous lyrics

CONVERSATION WITH Ludacris, Rap Artist

Even though the Wildcats were playing at the Joe Louis Arena downstate, the Berry Events Center erupted with cheers on March 21 as Ludacris and his crew, Disturbing tha Peace, took to the ice at the first major hip-hop concert in Marquette.

Claiming that he's no "One Minute Man," Ludacris generously gave about two minutes of his time to North Wind Editor in Chief Chris Mosier after the show.

How do you feel that your stage show has progressed and what have you done in the past two years to get to the point where you're at now?

Ludacris: Naturally, practice makes perfect. The more we do, the better we get. You know, we interact with the crowd a lot more, and basically we just come up with new things because we're more creative. We're more organ-

ized with the things we do. We know who comes out on what song; we're more synchronized. Things are kind of all crazy at a rap concert — I'm not saying it needs to be synchronized, but for the most part, we got it down to a science, basically.

Once you got yourself established, how important was it for you to get your group Disturbing tha Peace going?

Ludacris: It was real important because they would have done the same for me. So basically it was good because it's not good to be wealthy by yourself, and the best way to do it is to bring your friends with you the same way.

When I came up I had an opportunity for them and that's what I did. I got my friends and family on tour with me, and that's the best thing.

What did you think of Marquette?

Ludacris: I didn't really get a chance to go around, but being here, this school was ridiculous. The crowd was crazy. There was a great reaction. It was a lot of energy.

Do you have a preference between college crowds or larger venues?

Ludacris: I can't really say

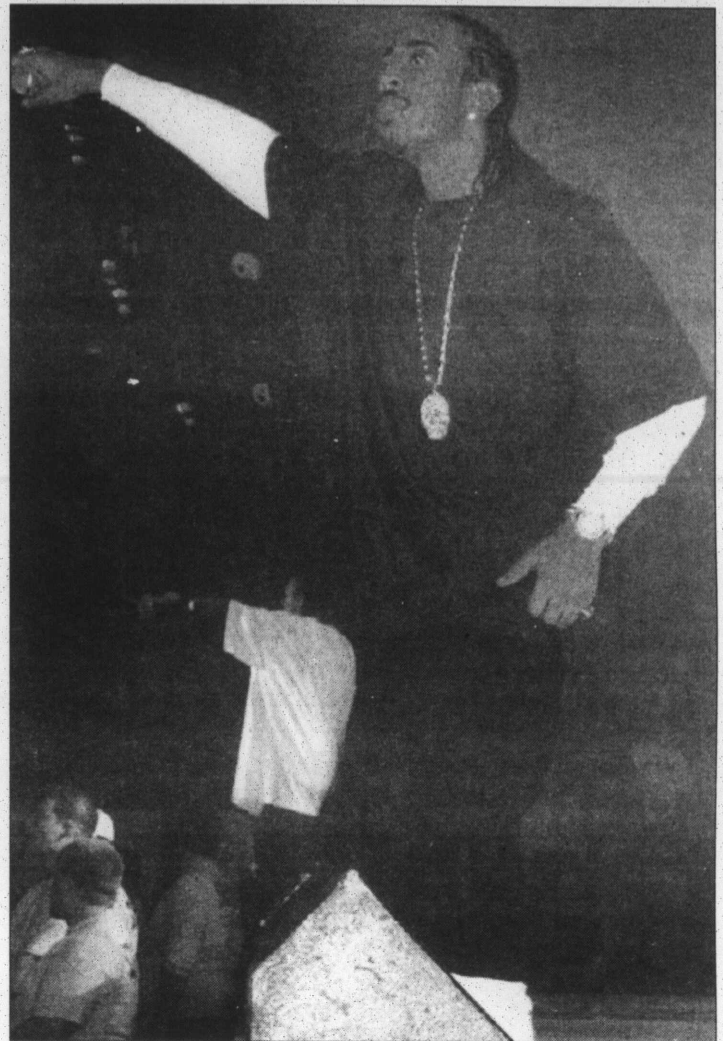
necessarily which one I like better, but whenever I'm in a college crowd, they just want to get wild anyway. Not to say the other crowds don't, but you know, the college crowd is always ready to release from all the tension of school any-damn-way, so they're fitting to be real rowdy all the time.

Now you're starting to dip into acting beyond just videos with "The Fast and The Furious 2" coming up. How was that experience?

Ludacris: It was good. It comes out June 6. It was a good experience. I hope to do more of it, be challenged more. I definitely liked it; the only thing I didn't like was with a movie, you have to wait a long time in your trailer to do set and certain scenes. Things change by the minute, so you know the whole thing of not necessarily knowing when you're going to shoot and having you on the set a long time was the only thing I didn't like about. But other than that, I thought everything else was real cool.

Anything you'd like to add?

Ludacris: My new album is probably going to come out in the fall of this year. And Shawnna has an album called "Worth The Weight" coming out this summer.



Chris Mosier/NW

Def Jams Recording Artist Ludacris performed with his group Disturbing tha Peace Friday, March 21 in the Berry Events Center.

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EDITORIAL

Protect what's left

Last week, the Budget Alternatives Committee gave its recommendations to the public at a forum and a Let's Chat session. Both were followed by a question and answer period, and both resulted in emotionally charged outbursts from the audience.

In the midst of a huge budget crunch, the subject resurfaced when President Judi Bailey spoke after the announced recommendations.

Bailey said there would be no cuts of administrators' or her own salary, but they would not take a raise, and would encourage other faculty members to do the same. The closest thing to pay cuts will be the rehiring of vacant positions at a lower starting salary than the previous occupant.

While questions regarding pay cuts of administrators' salaries were valid, the shouted responses and applause that ensued when Bailey announced that she would not take a pay raise was unnecessary and offensive.

It is ridiculous for us to expect to solve this \$8.5 million problem by taking money we've already promised university employees. If Northern gains a reputation as a university that cuts the salaries of its employees, it will be impossible to hire quality professionals in the future.

We agree with Bailey when she said every person and position is important here; if they weren't they wouldn't have existed, and that's what makes eliminating jobs so difficult. In this small campus community, we personally know many of the people who will lose their jobs.

But as an academic institution, we must provide our administrators with competitive salaries in comparison to other state universities.

Make no mistake about it — the NMU administration is not perfect. But in a case where the prestige and future of this institution is on the line, we must place a certain amount of faith in their recommendations.

Cutting salaries won't save us millions of dollars and will only jeopardize the NMU's future.

Complaining won't remedy the situation, but well thought out suggestions will tell the BAC what is important to the NMU community. Give your input by visiting the NMU Web site and following the links to the BAC page.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Show patriotism or support terrorism

I'm sorry, I can't sit back any longer and read a paper that only reports one side of the story when it comes to U.S. politics.

Week in and week out, most students read the The North Wind, and the ones that I know get upset with this one-sided anti-Bush, anti-war propaganda from Travis Margoni and Kyle Ortiz constantly attacking George W. Bush.

It's too bad that pens find the hands of kids who obviously don't understand politics.

Well, two of our buildings are destroyed, thousands of U.S. citizens dead, our nation's reeling and The North Wind rips on George Bush for taking action in our name. "Oh he's doing it for the oil."

OK, if that were true, we would have handled that in 1991. Saddam's a liar. Case in point, he gave the United Nations his word that they destroyed all of their scud missiles.

Hmm, just the other day they launched a handful of them. Yeah, he's honest.

You might want to tell your writers, the young aspiring green thumbs, that they might want to think before they write about something they obviously are way too one sided about, and before they get all their facts.

Sorry, a few of us don't support terrorism.

Paul Lucas
 senior, criminal justice

War is necessary to protect America

I would like to express my anger for Kyle's column (March 20). I believe that the debate for war is over.

This war was about the threat to the United States, and Saddam has obviously been hiding weapons for years. He had killed thousands of his people, and has had ties to terrorism.

This is an attempt for the United States to stop terrorism not only against us, but against the rest of the war.

People need to begin learning the facts of this war. This is a problem that should have been taken care of in Desert Storm, but our country was gracious enough to let it go.

But where has it gotten us now? Back to war again. People need to stop protesting now, and support our country and back our troops who are fighting for us!

Angela Brady
 sophomore, zoology

Finding the middle ground in the war

We all know the adage "there are two sides to every story." I say that adage has worn out its usefulness.

In the society that we, and the world, has created today there are always more than two sides to every story, and no matter what the conflict, everyone and their brother wants and has a right to put their "two cents" into the mix.

As I write my personal opinion today, I watch the news on CNN Live and I wonder what everyone else on this campus thinks about what is going on. I have four good friends in the armed forces, and I do not doubt that each of us can think of someone who is or was in the armed forces.

I am afraid of what might happen to them, and I am also afraid of what could happen if they (the U.S. armed forces) were not there to protect all that the United States stands for. There are many issues and conflicting ideas that are wrapped within every news report. I can not always tell what factual information is and what is not.

I do know that the definition of truth that each of us holds is forever going to be in a state of evolution, and only history is going to prove the better for all

of this evolution.

There are many points in history that we can all look upon and say "yes, that was the correct thing to do then" or "no, they made a mistake that caused the death and suffering of millions."

Those of us who live in this time can not tell for sure if what we do or do not do now is the correct path to follow, all we can do is follow what our hearts and heads tell us to do and hope that when future generations look back on this event in history they can gather the life lessons we create today.

So when you watch television and judge what you see ask yourself what you want your grandchildren and great-grandchildren to learn from it all.

Staci Wehrly
 senior, hospitality management

Protesting in word or deed is patriotic

I am a 68-year-old woman who has gone through World War II, Korea, Vietnam and now this. I just want to tell you to keep writing.

Kyle's article (March 20) was wonderful. Bush is ruining our country. He wasn't elected by popular vote, electoral vote and that was because of his brother in Florida. There are so many people who are with you.

I fear another Vietnam all for the oil. Other countries are going to join Iraq and fight the aggressors, the United States. All we can do is protest.

I support the troops by protesting against war. They wouldn't be there if it weren't for Bush. He's the "Warhead in the Whitehouse." The troops who are there now volunteered for this responsibility, and I worry for them. I hope the United States doesn't start drafting.

Thank you for standing up; I hope to walk in front of the Post Office in Marquette on Saturday.

Jan Amundsen
 Chocoley resident

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Schooled, friends at war

While all of us are faced with the frightening unknowns of war, an increasing number of students will also be faced with growing concerns about friends and loved ones who have been (or may soon be) deployed for military service.

These students, like the young adults of previous wartime generations, express feelings commonly associated with the trauma of military deployment (e.g., fear, anxiety, sadness, anger, etc.), with particular apprehension about what they will experience if their friends go into combat.

These students are describing completely normal responses to an abnormally troubling situation.

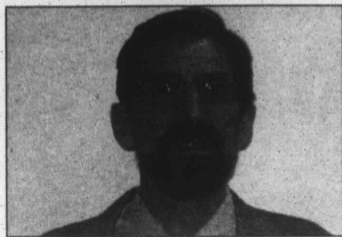
Nevertheless, they must face the issue of how best to cope with the deployment and possible combat involvement of their friends and relatives.

From my perspective, perhaps the single most critical challenge for these students is to sustain a focus not on their fears (no member of NMU's campus community can alter the path of even one bomb or bullet) but focus on what does remain under their control.

To you students, I suggest that it is important to take care of yourself and to attempt to go about "business as usual," as much as you can while allowing for perhaps a bit more relaxed time in your week than usual.

Some students may mistakenly conclude that, given the risks being faced by their friends in the military, their own personal needs and academic pursuits are insignificant.

GUEST COLUMN



BY DR. THOMAS STANGER

This is not true. If you allow yourself to decay intellectually, physically, emotionally and spiritually, you will soon be of no use to yourself or anyone else. In fact, you may actually become a source of concern for others, adding to their existing burden and making it more difficult for them to cope.

It is best to:

Take it day by day. Stick to the academic, work and social schedules that give structure to your daily life. There is comfort in familiar routines.

Try to eat well and keep a regular sleep schedule.

Exercise regularly; anything you enjoy that is active is good for your body and your mind at times of high stress/anxiety.

Avoid excesses in alcohol and other drugs.

Limit your exposure to the emotionally draining impact of television war coverage. The demands of the 24-hour-a-day news cycle encourage the media to inflate even the most minor events into "breaking news." Is it really going to benefit you to watch the same bomb footage over and over again?

Do, not stew. Worrying about that which you can do nothing about leads to more worry — a

vicious spiral. Find something you can do instead, even if that is as simple as journaling about your thoughts and feelings, rather than just stewing on them.

- Spend time with people that you care about and do things with them that you enjoy.

- Seek perspective and comfort from spiritual leaders and others in your community.

- If you are struggling, talk about your feelings with friends and family who can accept how you are feeling and thinking without question. If things become more overwhelming, contact the Counseling & Consultation Services and request an appointment to air out your concerns.

While the previously listed suggestions are all important to coping effectively with deployment/combat issues, sometimes a good way to help yourself is to reach out and find meaningful ways to be helpful to others, especially your friends in the military.

For example, just like freshmen at NMU, service members are overjoyed to get a letter, card or package from home.

Consistent efforts to communicate with your friends who have been deployed can do wonders to raise their morale and strengthen them for the challenges that they face.

For pointers regarding mail, and related resources, visit the Counseling & Consultation Services Web site at www.nmu.edu/counselingcenter.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Dr. Stanger is the Director of Counseling and Consultation Services for NMU.

SOUND OFF

What recommended cuts from the Budget Forum surprised you the most?



Emily Hack
freshman, child psychology

"I didn't like the public radio and TV being cut."



Sara Koh
freshman, zoology

"I thought that the health promotions office was stupid to cut. That's for a good cause. They could easily cut the football team."



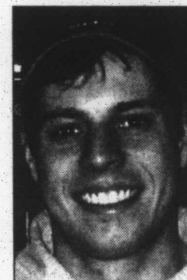
Jonathan Ringle
junior, planning

"I was most surprised by the choice to cut HPO which helps to promote the health and well-being of the NMU students."



Angela Rounds
sophomore, public relations

"The cutting of the shuttle. So many people need to ride that because they don't have cars, and you can't be expected to walk from the PEIF or Jacobetti in 10 minutes to another class."



Danion Terauds
junior, secondary education social studies

"The 58 currently filled jobs that were cut."

— Compiled by Becky Compton

Avoid violence if protesting for peace

It was a well-planned attack, organized and executed to perfection. Some surrounded crucial control buildings while others moved to take charge of entrances and roadways.

There was no camouflage or fatigues, and no assault rifles or bombs.

These were not members of the U.S. military, they were anti-war protesters, clad in plain clothes and armed with signs, swarming the streets of Chicago last week.

Between 3,500 and 10,000 protestors lined the streets of the Windy City each day last week, blocking downtown traffic on Lake Shore Drive. The same scene was viewed in major cities across the nation.

Demonstrations targeted busy city streets, universities and public buildings with the intention of not only advocating for peace, but also disrupting daily life.

While I am against the war in Iraq, I support education, public transportation and other programs that will suffer when it

comes time to pay for the extra police protection caused these so-called peaceful protests.

Drastic methods of protest like shutting down city blocks during rush hour traffic certainly garner nightly news appearances, but rowdy protests are quite costly for a city.

Each day, more than 50 sheriff's deputies, 40 state police and 785 Chicago police officers surrounded the downtown protests to maintain order.

"There is a difference between explaining ideas and imposing them on others."

In addition, 12 sheriff's prisoner transport buses followed the march, along with a dozen police wagons and two city street cleaners. A police boat was docked on the nearby Chicago River.

And who will have to pay the hourly wages and overtime these police in riot gear will accumulate? Chicago and Illinois resi-

dents, as taxpayers and community members, whether they're in support of the war or not. The same is true of other cities across America.

While the most recent Gallup Poll reports nearly three quarters of our country are supportive of our Middle East efforts, it's the 25 percent of the population which opposes the war that is significantly more visible.

Since the bulk of the population does not agree with them, many anti-war protesters are forcibly imposing their stance against war on others by stopping business as usual in large cities.

What they don't realize is that their actions will trickle down and affect other parts of the city's budget.

Chances are good that these same protesters chanting anti-war and anti-Bush slogans now will be on the streets with signs protesting whatever it is that's being cut from education or health care when the city is forced to readjust its funds to

STAFF COLUMN



BY CHRIS MOSIER

pay for extra police support necessary at unruly anti-war marches.

Chicago Mayor Richard Daley pleaded local protesters to keep their demonstrations civil to stifle the police overtime costs.

Illinois has awarded the city \$3 million for wartime security, but that money would be better spent on securing Chicago against a terrorist attack rather than battling people who are against the war.

Protests like the students who were camping for peace outside the Cohodas Building and the Citizens Against The War In Iraq

protests at the post office each week are peaceful and call for peace without damaging the city's pocketbook.

While that may be the solution that best correlates to the intention of an anti-war protest — preaching peace rather than violence — it unfortunately warrants little media attention.

Protests are an example of our First Amendment at its finest.

Free speech is one of the fundamental freedoms in the United States, and the preservation of our freedoms is often one of the reasons we go to war.

There is a difference between explaining ideas and imposing them on others.

I firmly believe the war is ridiculous and uncalled for, but racking up enormous bills for a city won't bring the troops back and in the long run, will cause more harm than good.

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

'Cats take third with comeback victories

BY ROB HAMILTON
MANAGING EDITOR

The NMU hockey team's hopes of competing for the national championship this year are over.

The Wildcats (22-17-2) took third place at the CCHA Super Six Tournament at the Joe Louis Arena in Detroit, but the team did not receive a bid to the NCAA Tournament when the pairings were released on March 23.

NMU started the tournament with a 7-5 victory in the quarterfinal round against former coach Rick Comley and the

Michigan State Spartans on March 20.

The 'Cats then dropped a semifinal match-up, 4-2, against the Ferris State Bulldogs the following afternoon.

The team finished the tournament with a win against 13th-ranked Ohio State in the third place consolation game on March 22.

However, the Buckeyes, along with tournament champion Michigan and regular-season champion Ferris State, were the only CCHA teams to make the 16-team field.

Head coach Walt Kyle said the team had played well in the final month of the

season and deserved to be invited to the NCAA Tournament, but had not earned a spot because of losses against bad teams earlier in the season.

"We lost games to Michigan Tech (10-24-4 overall) and Wisconsin (13-23-4 overall) that we really couldn't afford to lose," Kyle said.

The Wildcats, along with Providence and Michigan State, were the last three teams out of the tournament according to the USCHO Pairwise Rankings, which the tournament selection committee uses to help them select tournament teams.

In NMU's quarterfinal win over the Spartans, freshman forward Dirk Southern and senior forwards Bryce Cockburn, Mike Stutzel, Terry Harrison and Chris Gobert all scored for the 'Cats, but it was freshman defenseman Nathan Oystriick's second goal of the year that made the difference.

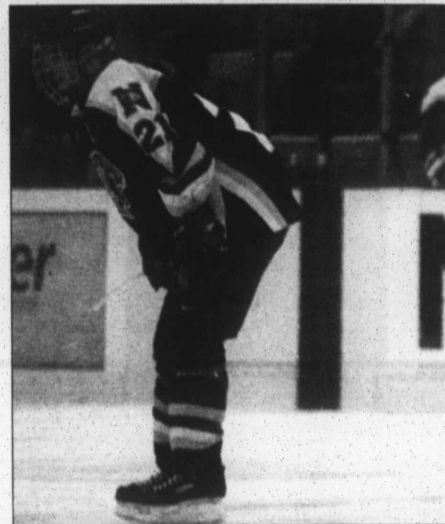
Oystriick fired a shot from the blue line past MSU sophomore goalie Matt Migliaccio with 3:49 remaining to give NMU a 6-5 lead.

Gobert was given credit for his second goal of the game after the Spartans accidentally put the puck into their own empty net with 20 seconds remaining to finish the scoring.

"I love coach Comley, but I hate Michigan State," Stutzel said. "They knocked us out (of the CCHA tournament) last year, so it was great to get them back."

NMU was outshot 46-29, but scored four times in the final 10 minutes.

In NMU's semifinal game, CCHA



Courtesy of Amanda Dinkel

Senior forward Bryce Cockburn had two assists and two goals in three games.

Player of the Year and FSU senior forward Chris Kunitz scored twice to give Ferris State a 2-0 first period lead.

Freshman defenseman Jamie Milam brought NMU back to within one goal 3:47 into the second period.

Milam's brother, FSU senior defenseman Troy Milam, was on the ice when Jamie Milam made the score 2-1.

"I don't want to rub it in his face, but I know he took it personally," Jamie Milam said. "I know it was one of his goals this season to make sure I didn't score against them. When I scored, I heard him yelling."

Gobert scored on a rebound from freshman forward Andrew Contois' shot midway through the period to tie the game. But

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Courtesy of Amanda Dinkel

Senior defenseman Jimmy Jackson played his last game as a Wildcat in the CCHA tournament in Detroit. Six other seniors ended their NMU careers last weekend.

BAC reduces funding to programs, facilities

BY MELANIE BOLTHOUSE
SPORTS EDITOR

Under the recommendations proposed by the Budget Alternatives Committee (BAC) last week, recreation and athletics at Northern will suffer over \$1 million in cuts over the next two years.

Ken Godfrey, associate vice president for recreation and athletics and BAC member, said recreation and athletics was one of the top areas to be cut under the proposed budget.

Overall, the three areas under recreation and athletics — the United States Olympic Education Center (USOEC), the athletic department and Recreational Facilities and Services — took a \$1,078,600 cut.

A reduction of \$638,000 will be made beginning next semester and carrying through the 2004 fiscal year.

Godfrey oversees all three areas as associate vice president and said he began to meet with the separate department heads in December to come up with recommendations to take to the BAC.

"At that time, we started looking at different alternatives and in all honesty, a lot of times it felt

like you were going around in circles looking for things," he said. "When people are involved, I don't care whether it's a student athlete or a full time person, it becomes very difficult. You have to step back and look at what is best for the program and the department and the university."

The biggest change to the athletic department is the loss of two varsity sports teams.

"You have to step back and look at what is best for the program and the department and the university."

— Ken Godfrey
BAC member

Tennis and women's alpine skiing will be replaced with women's track beginning in the 2003-04 school year.

Godfrey said this decision was partly made because Northern currently fails to meet the NCAA minimum requirements for spring sports.

"There's a lot of things you have to take into consideration when you're looking at sports," Godfrey said. "You have to meet the minimum number of sports, which is five in each, men's side

and women's side. The number of participants has to be in compliance with the make-up of the university. I know we can do it for much less money and get actual participation higher with track."

Godfrey said Northern will not have a full track team to begin with.

"We'll probably have somewhere around 20 participants, depending on what types of athletes we can recruit," he said. "Some women cross country runners probably will participate in track also."

Replacing Alpine skiing and tennis with track will save the university \$50,000. The funding to other varsity sports teams will not be effected unless the university calls for deeper cuts in the future.

The most visible cuts to Recreational Facilities and Services include changes in the fees and hours of the Recreation and Sports Complexes.

If the recommendations are passed, the Superior Dome and PEIF will open at 8 a.m. instead of 6 a.m.

The Dome will be closed three weeks between semesters and five weeks during the summer.

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RECREATION AND ATHLETIC PROPOSED CUTS

- A. Eliminate Assistant Sports Information Director's position
- B. Reconfigure sports, replacing women's tennis and Alpine skiing with women's track
- C. Eliminate clerical/technical position in athletics
- D. Close Superior Dome three weeks between semesters and five weeks in summer; utility and shift premium savings
- E. Reduce clerical/technical support in Recreational Services
 1. Reduce utilities
 2. Reduce student labor
- G. Reorganize Recreation and Athletics
 1. Eliminate Associate Vice President Recreation and Athletics position
 2. Eliminate Facility Manager Berry Events Center position
 3. Reduce six AFSCME staff to 11 month contracts
- H. Fund sports clubs from Student Recreational Fee
- I. Increase optional Student Recreation Fee from \$30 to \$50 per semester, net of increased cost of operating Quad II recreation center
- J. Reduce general fund support for United State Olympic Education Center (fiscal year 2004)
- K. Eliminate remaining general fund support for USOEC

New budget eliminates ski team

BY DAVE MOSS
SPORTS STAFF REPORTER

Last week, the Budget Alternatives Committee (BAC) recommended the elimination of the women's Alpine ski team beginning next year, forcing the athletes to make decisions on how they will pursue their sport in the future.

Right now, the elimination is only a recommendation, but seems certain to happen when the new budget is finalized during the summer months.

"I was truly devastated for myself and the members of the team," head alpine skiing coach Kristian Saile said.

This elimination is part of a sports swap, eliminating tennis and Alpine skiing while adding a women's track team.

According to the BAC's report, this will save the university \$50,000 and eliminate the equivalent of one full-time position.

Freshman Alpine skier Danielle DenBleyker, who came to Marquette from Colorado to ski, said the elimination of her team was an unfortunate thing for the team and the skiing program at NMU as a whole. For NCAA national competitions,

Nordic and Alpine ski teams are combined.

"The Nordic Team is the best team in the country and not a lot of people know that," DenBleyker said. The only American skiers to take first place in Nordic events at NCAA nationals recently have been from NMU.

Saile said it has been suggested that one NMU alpine skier finishing in the top 15 at the NCAA nationals would cause NMU to win the championship as a whole.

DenBleyker said a good Alpine team would allow the entire skiing program to achieve more. At the NCAA nationals held at the beginning of this month, the Nordic team finished fifth with Nordic scores counted alone. With Alpine scores counted, they finished 11th.

Saile said he had to break the news to several possible recruits for next year on the programs status.

"One of them is considered on of the top in the country," Saile said. "She would have been almost guaranteed to be top ten in the NCAA nationals."

The athletes are looking for ways to save their team from the slashing of budgets, as well as

looking at other places to continue their careers. The team is searching for ways to raise funds in order to make up the difference in university cuts. DenBleyker said they may even go on the talk show "Oprah" to raise support.

"It's a long shot," Saile said. They would have to raise the entire team budget not only for this season but several seasons to come. Other universities have alpine ski teams that are entirely self funded.

"We know they didn't sit down and take a good look. We think they went down the list and said 'here's a small team, lets get rid of them.'"

— Danielle DenBleyker
Freshman Alpine Skier

DenBleyker has three years of eligibility left to ski in college. In case she cannot ski at NMU she is looking at schools in Montana and Colorado.

"I don't want to leave Northern," DenBleyker said.

Senior Beth Somalski is done skiing at Northern and will be graduating soon. She skied four

years with the team.

"I am very sad about it," Somalski said. "I think we have gained a lot of ground for the last four years."

In the time Somalski skied for NMU, the team began training more seriously and working to develop a better program.

"We were trying to build our own NCAA region," Somalski said. "We have to go either east or west which puts us at a disadvantage."

Several other schools in the Midwest have club teams for skiing but NMU was the stand out with a varsity team.

"Other than an education, I came here to ski," Somalski said.

Saile said he has not started searching for other jobs yet.

"I have been spending time working with the parents and athletes involved rather than a job search for myself," Saile said.

DenBleyker said the team met with members of the BAC who said they took a good look at all the teams before making a decision on cuts.

"We know they didn't sit down and take a good look," DenBleyker said. "We think they went down the list and said 'here's a small team, lets get rid of them.'"

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FSU sophomore forward Jeff Legue and senior center Phil Lewandowski put the Bulldogs ahead once again and the Wildcats could not score in third period.

"Fatigue really hurt us [against FSU]," Kyle said. "We played an early game against a much fresher team in Ferris (who had a bye in the quarterfinal round)."

Going into the final game, Kyle said the team thought a convincing win would get them into the NCAA Tournament.

OSU junior center R.J. Umberger gave the Buckeyes an early 1-0 lead, but Southern, Milam, Cockburn and Stutzel rattled off four straight goals to lead NMU to victory.

"There was never any quit in them," Kyle said. "To be able to comeback in that third game when we thought we had a chance to make the tournament showed a lot of heart."

Junior goalie Craig Kowalski made 31 saves in the game and had 113 saves for the tournament.

"[Kowalski] was outstanding all weekend," Kyle said. "We were the only team in the country that played five freshmen on defense all year and when that happens there are going to be some mistakes. But he did a great job back there all season."



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Club team sweeps LSSU

BY ALEX PINA
STAFF WRITER

The NMU women's club hockey team finished off its regular season with a sweep of the Lake Superior State University women's club team in two games last Saturday and Sunday.

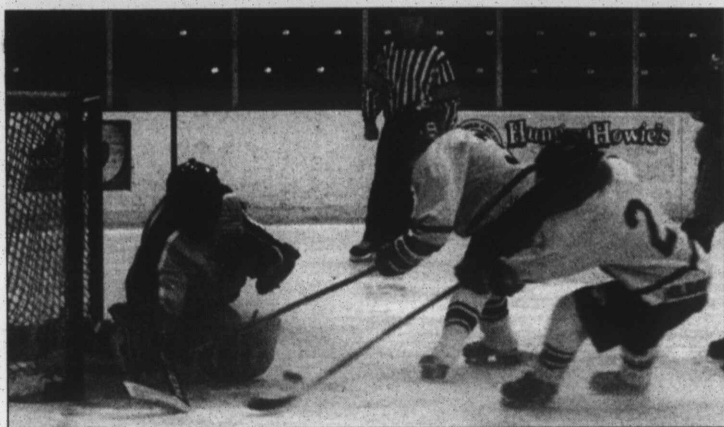
Northern came out firing on Saturday night, outscoring Lake State, 14-1. Two players recorded hat tricks in the win. Sophomore left wing Amy Klifman had four goals and an assist, and junior center Kristin Kurian scored three goals and two assists.

Sunday morning, NMU came out strong and completed the sweep by shutting out LSSU 5-0.

Klifman led NMU in scoring once again with two goals. Sophomore goalie Tara Trombly had 10 saves. She recorded her second shutout in four games.

"We had a lot of opportunities this weekend, and we had scoring from all our lines," head coach Mike Zorza said.

Senior defenseman Nicky Golbeck said there was good



Scott Salisbury/NW

Sophomore left wing Amy Klifman had four goals and an assist against Lake Superior State on March 22. NMU defeated LSSU, 14-1.

passing and the team was able to work on their systems.

However, the team was disappointed as the competition was not what they had hoped for in preparing for next week's post-season tournaments, Golbeck said. Next week, the club team will take its 22-7-5 record to Michigan State University in East Lansing for the CCWHA tournament to finish the season.

Northern, playing on the stronger side of the tournament

bracket, feels that MSU will be the team to beat. NMU hopes to meet them in the finals.

"We feel we are ready for Michigan State," Golbeck said. "We're upset about our losses to them during the regular season, and we have some scores to settle."

Last year, Northern finished in third place in the conference tournament. NMU hopes to improve with an appearance in the finals in only its second season of existence.

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The PEIF will also be closed on weekends during the summer months.

The roll back in Dome hours will effect ROTC physical training, athletic teams that use it for conditioning practices and members of the community who take advantage of the walking program.

"People are going to have to work with us as far as scheduling," Godfrey said. "There are other alternatives. Is it as good as people have experienced in the past? No, but again sacrifices have to be made."

The BAC also proposed an increase to the Student Recreational Fee from \$30 to \$50 per semester. The fee increase will be used to replace general fund money used to support sports clubs and also cover the cost of operating the new recreation center in Quad II.

Godfrey said the renovation of that facility should be complete in January 2004.

"The one thing I've always

felt comfortable with [in regards to] the student rec fee is that it is an elective fee," Godfrey said. "If someone is really not into participating in the recreation offerings we provide, they don't have to choose that."

Over half of the \$1 million budget cut will come from the USOEC. The USOEC will take a \$150,000 cut next year. In fiscal year 2005, the university is eliminating all remaining general fund support to the USOEC.

USOEC director Jeff Kleinschmidt said if the USOEC does not find outside sources of funding, the program will close at Northern.

"We understand that these are extremely difficult times for the university and the state of Michigan in general," he said. "We realize that the USOEC should not be immune from budget cuts, but at the same time, we believe that USOEC student athletes make a significant contribution to NMU's goals. We hope that there will be ways to keep the program here."

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PERSONALS

MAC - I Love You baby, thanks for your help and support - RLC

Road-side Sleeper - You better get some sleep for the long trip ahead! - Golf Club Clutcher

Bowling Partner - We'll get 'em next time! - Tease #1

Abby and Jess - Congrats on your Psi Chi nominations and acceptances! Proverbs 10:22a - Stefanie

To the Tropical Hotties - Can't wait to lay in the sand with Daiquiries in hand... Love ya! - Sex on the Beach & Luau Lust

Kara - You never call me, you never write, and the pizza was eaten long ago... - d3

Big Brothers - Thanks for keeping me grounded ... Wouldn't trade it for the world! - Polly Purebred

Tammi - Ready for a wonderful time of fingerpainting? Gee, I sure am. - Leonardo DiCaprio

Nursing Girls (and Steve)-Good luck on the Peds test! -The Prez

Angie - When's your sister coming? - Melanie

Jim - Can we leave early? - EN 495

Ro Bear - You think you got away with it this time, but your time is slowly dwindling. Sleep with one eye open for the rest of the semester. The plan of your demise is in the works muahaha - Brown Bear

Mom and Dad - I am so very sorry about the page one of the April Fool's side of the paper. So very, very sorry. I swear this is only the fourth time I've dressed as a woman, and this time it was for work. I was paid to, in a way, though I don't think that makes it better - Jeremiah

Stephanie - Quit trying to figure out my personal adds every week you snoop. Oh and score a goal in soccer too. - Bear thief

Golf Club Clutcher - You'll be awake by the time I leave here. Last long night hopefully. I love you. - Slob Waysaton

Erin - I'm looking forward to that cup of hash browns. - Sherpa Jacket

Amanda - I'm sorry I've neglected you lately. So here goes. Amanda, will YOU marry me (too)? - Pink Turtle

SIS - Hey let's go jump a van with strange people inside. But hey, quit snorting cotton candy. Love ya - sis

Uramaya - Thanks for being my whore, it was great. - Scary Men

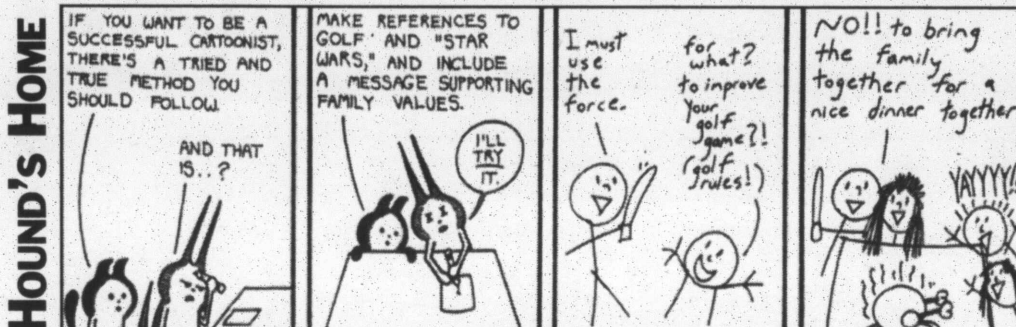
Shaquita - Thanks, and I hope it's all good now. Anytime you need to, just pull me aside and tell me to shut the hell up - neighbor



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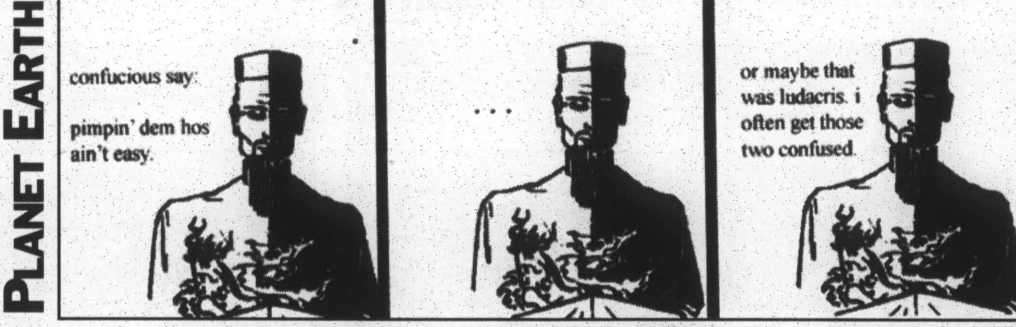
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Bryan Carter - I love you, thanks for keeping my bed warm. - Kary Nan

LLL - Alright, read this one. I heard John Denver and thought of you. Oscar the Grouch is green. Love ya. - Mob daughter

Readers - Be not offended, for we were working til 6 a.m. - us

Yes - I got the word fuck in the paper again. It's right here. They won't really fire me; it's all in good fun. Mission accomplished - ::Grin::

Angry People - Calm down in three easy steps! Step 1: Breathe deep and realize that words can't hurt you. Step 2: Notice that, like us, you are not always right. Step 3: Shut up. - The Press

This Week's Inspirations:
Frightening Jim
Wood-tips
Spring?
Accidental senior
Offending lots and lots of people
Butterscotch buttons
Insomnia
Man whore
Being disowned by parents
Feather boas
Dainty feet

Delicious prank ideas for all your pranking needs

For revenge or if you're simply a jerk, you'll be sure to get arrested for harrassment/assault

URAMYA BITCH
SWEET TRANSVESTITE

Some of these I've done, some of them are probably very illegal. In anycase, get a lawyer and have fun.

The first one takes a bit of planning, you're going to have to find out what color the prankee's sheets are. Let's first assume that they are white.

First, you're going to want to go to the store and buy some powdered milk, which looks a little like flour. Sprinkle it about their sheets, trying hard to beat most of it out so that they don't notice it.

You see, when someone sleeps they sweat, and when someone

sweats their pours open up. This causes their skin to absorb the powder, making it a impossible to scrub off. The result? They spend a week smelling of spoiled milk.

Colored sheets? One, hyphenated word: Kool-Aid.

Another old favorite of mine is for the prankster with a tight schedule. It requires no preparation. When you next talk to the prankee, just keep drifting your eyes over to their left ear and then snapping them back to eye-contact.

They'll spend the rest of the day either glancing over their shoulder or scrubbing at the side of their face.

If you're especially mad at a fellow, why not put a dab of Ben

Gay in his jock strap? Because it is dangerous, that's why.

Dangerously funny.

If you want the prank to have long-term effects, go to your local library's magazine section and fill out every single "Bill me later" card that you can get your hands on.

Or have very raunchy porn

shipped to their permanent address (i.e. where the parents are).

One that is actually guaranteed to get police, or at least mall security involved, calls for you to accompany your friend on their next shopping adventure. Many stores have a variety of security devices, some of which are as simple as a microchip under the UPC. Simply peel this sucker off and place it on the victim. Be sure "to go to the bathroom" so that you are out of the store before the

klaxons sound.

Hint: put it under their collar or in their shoe. Be creative!


If you and your friend are out to eat (at any restaurant), suddenly stand up, get everyone's attention and then propose. Gender does not matter.

Here's another quickie: fill their house with crickets!

This next one is pure genius. Collect a frozen carp, a ball peen hammer, and a baby car-

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Thursday, April 1, 2003 THE NORTH WIND 14

Today, March 27

Film: "Bowling for Columbine" (R) will begin at 10 p.m. in JXJ 102. There may be a special guest speaker before the show.

Meeting: Campus Crusade for Christ will meet at 8:15 p.m. in the Charcoal Room in the UC.

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. Call Kory at 223-5315.

Meeting: Intersarsity Christian Fellowship will meet from 5:30 to 9 p.m. in Pioneer A and B in the UC.

Event: A public reading by acclaimed fiction and memoir writer Chris Offutt will take place tonight at 7 p.m. in the Erie Room in the UC. For more information, call 227-1386.

Practice: NMU's Steppin' Out Dance Club will hold practice from 9 p.m. to 10:15 p.m. in the Brule Room.

Friday, March 28

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

Seminar: Becky Torretti presents Traditional Stories from Non-traditional

Sources: Tree-rings Reveal Historical Uses of Fire by Native Americans on Lake Superior's Southern Shore. The presentation begins at 4 p.m., NSF Room 2204.

Meeting: The American Society of Microbiology will meet from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Mead Auditorium. This workshop deals with Clinical Microbiology. Call Donna Becker at 227-2443 for more information.

Deadline: Last day to drop a course or withdraw from the University with automatic "W" grade (full semester classes).

Event: NMU Steppin' Out Dance Club will host a Club Dance Party at Morges from 8:30 p.m. to 11 p.m. Call 226-6176 for directions.

Event: A public reading by NMU's first graduating class in the Master of Fine Arts Program in Creative Writing will take place tonight at 7 p.m. in the Women's Federated Club House on 104 Ridge Street. For more information, call 227-1386.

Saturday, March 29

Film: "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets" (PG-13) begins at 9 p.m. in JXJ 102.

Meeting: The American Society of Microbiology will meet from 8:30 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. in the Mead Auditorium. This workshop will provide a variety of

speakers and seminar topics, including bioterrorism and smallpox. Call Donna Becker at 227-2443 for more information.

Exam: Writing Proficiency Exam

Sunday, March 30

Performance: Carol McAnulty will perform a Solo Guitar Concert at 3 p.m. in the Peter White Library Community Room. Call Carol at 225-1030 for more information.

Meeting: Outlook will meet at 8 p.m. up stairs in the UC. Call Nick or Randy at 227-1554 for more information.

Film: "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets" (PG) begins at 6:30 and 9 p.m. in JXJ 102.

Monday, March 31

Event: A public reading by acclaimed scholar and writer Barbara Lounsberry will take place tonight at 7 p.m. in the Pioneer B Room in the UC. For more information, call 227-1386.

Meeting: NMU Steppin' Out Ballroom Dance Club will meet at 8:30 p.m. in the Great Lakes Rooms in the UC. Call Janelle at 228-7178 or e-mail nmustepinout@aol.com

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

Presentation: NMU Piscators will host a presentation on Coast Trout at 7 p.m. in the Mead Auditorium. Call Jacob at 346-5112 for more information.

Tuesday, April 1

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

Super happy fun times: The Northern Chapter of Nerds Need Lovin' Too will be hosting a mixer this weekend in the Lake Titicaca Room in the UC. Free condoms and Spanish fly for the ladies. All are welcome to attend, but try to bring some women; I hear your sister is pretty hot. Let's not make this one another sausage fest. For more information please call Poindexter "Danger" Secks at 229-WANG.

Wednesday, April 2

Meeting: Pagan Moon will meet at 9:00 p.m. in the UC.

Meeting: Citizens Opposed to War with Iraq will meet at 7 p.m. at Messiah Lutheran Church, Room 202. All are welcome to attend.

Worship: The Lutheran Student Movement will meet at 8:45 p.m. in the UC. Call 228-8033 for more information.

Play: Lab III - Student Directed One-Act Plays will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Black Box Theatre.

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