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## Bailey resigns, accepts job at Western

### Roy takes over as interim president

BY ROB HAMILTON  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

NMU will see a change in leadership after former president Judi Bailey was unanimously approved by the Western Michigan Board of Trustees to be WMU's next president on May 9.

The NMU board of Trustees accepted Bailey's resignation and elected Mike Roy, the former vice president for finance and administration, as interim president soon after Bailey received word that she was to become the seventh president — and first

female president — at WMU.

Bailey informed the public on May 1 that the WMU Board of Trustees would consider her appointment for the WMU presidency.

In an e-mail sent out to NMU students and staff, Bailey said she had mixed emotions about leaving Northern, but felt it was an opportunity she could not pass up.

"My experience has always been that opportunity knocks at the strangest and most unexpected times, as it has in this case when I was sought out and recruited to become the leader of a nationally recog-

nized research institution," Bailey said.

Western Michigan announced on May 23 that Bailey and the Kalamazoo-based school had agreed to a five year deal with a base salary at \$250,000, an increase of \$37,000 from her salary in her final year at NMU.

After deferred compensation and Western's retirement plan, Bailey's total contract will be \$313,750 per year.

Bailey was elected NMU's 11th presi-

dent in 1997. During her tenure, NMU implemented the notebook computer program, increased enrollment to near 9,000 students and built the Seaborg Science Complex among many other construction projects.

Bailey was also involved in NMU's first comprehensive fundraising campaign, called "This Decisive Season."

"Northern is such a special place to me," Bailey said in the e-mail. "Its hard for me to even imagine not being a part of the team that will move this university forward toward the goals we've set."

Roy will take over the position on an interim basis after spending the last 25

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Bailey



Rob Hamilton/NW

The failure of an earthen dike at Silver Lake on May 14 caused the Dead River to flood with disastrous after-effects, including the collapse of the Tourist Park dam (above) in Marquette.

## Dead River rages to life

BY JOSH JOHNSON  
ASSOCIATE NEWS EDITOR

Last month's flooding of the Dead River washed out bridges and dams, shut down mines and a power plant and caused the evacuation of nearly 2,000 residents.

Along with the destruction, the face of recreation and the environment in Marquette was changed for years to come.

Carl Lindquist, director of the Central Lake Superior Watershed Committee, said it's difficult to determine the environmental impact immediately.

"It's hard to say at this point," Lindquist said. "The scale of impact is so large that it's going to be sometime before we can get a handle on it."

The biggest environmental impact is the vast

amount of silt that was caused by erosion of the riverbanks, some of which has covered up a few spawning beds used by fish in the Dead River, he said.

The riverbank erosion was so substantial, the most popular of three main picnic areas in Tourist Park was destroyed, said Marquette Parks and Recreation Director Hugh Leslie. The beach, where 5,000 to 7,000 people swam each year, was also destroyed, he said.

Lindquist said the flood's destruction was incredible. Opportunities exist to learn more about the environment and educate others. NMU students involved in the environmental science program and the Natural Resource Conservation Center have assisted with cleanup and assessment.

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## Board approves tuition increase

BY HEATHER SOLGOT  
ASSOCIATE NEWS EDITOR

The Board of Trustees approved a 6.9 percent tuition increase and a 4.8 percent increase in room and board fees for the 2003-2004 year in a meeting on May 1.

The Board's recommendations went before the Higher Education House Policy and the Senate Subcommittee on Higher Education Appropriations on May 8 and 9.

The tuition increase amounts to \$165 dollars more per semester for a full-time student. Students will be charged \$264 more for room and board per semester next year. The tuition increase will remain at 6.9 percent unless there is a substantial decrease in state appropriations, Acting Chief Financial Officer Gavin Leach said.

Leach said the tuition was raised in response to cuts in state appropriation funds.

"It (the increase) will make up the difference and keep Northern as a quality institution," he said.

A series of budget forums announced that there would be a 3.5 percent cut from state funding for the fiscal year 2004 and a 6.5 percent cut for the next fiscal year. When calculated with the

rate of inflation, the total loss of state appropriations equals approximately \$10.2 million. In response to the state budget cuts, NMU formed a Budget Alternatives Committee. The BAC proposed several ways to reduce the budget, announced in March.

After the BAC recommendations go into effect, there would still be a \$2.5 million budget deficit without the tuition increase.

The cost of the NMU student parking pass will increase from \$50 to \$60 for the year. The PEIF pass will also increase from \$30 to \$50 per semester, Leach said.

"The percentages we've been hearing have been around 9 percent," Leach said. "We think we will end up dropping to second lowest (tuition rate) in the state."

In comparison, Lake Superior State University has an estimated tuition increase of \$414 for the 2003-2004 school year. Western Michigan University and Central Michigan University have not set estimated tuition increases yet.

Senior Criminal Justice major Kevin Fowler said he does not mind the tuition increase. "The value of a degree makes all the difference," he said. "I'll gladly pay the 6.9 percent increase to invest in my life."

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years with the university. Before being named vice president for finance and administration in 1993, Roy was an assistant vice president for finance and a chief accountant for NMU.

In the past few months, Roy has played a large part in creating the budget for the 2004 fiscal year, which included substantial budget cuts due to the state and national economic shortfalls.

Roy said finalizing the budget and developing plans for the upcoming year would be his primary objectives over the course of the next few

months.

"I have no plans for changing our goals or vision our university has," Roy said. "I've worked closely with Judi over the past six years and I want to continue in the direction we're going."

Roy arrived at Northern after serving as a controller at Central Michigan University in 1978.

Along with electing Roy as interim president, the Board of Trustees

**Roy**

also appointed Gavin Leach, the former associate vice president for finance and planning, as the acting chief financial officer.

Roy said he is expecting NMU to go through a period of adjustment but that he is still confident the university will reach its goals.

"Judi did an outstanding job," Roy said. "It hasn't been just her, but it's been her leadership that helped the university grow. We're going to miss her."

Bailey's term of active service at NMU ended May 9, but she will continue to use accumulated vacation until her official departure on June 6.

**Search Committee Information**

With the resignation of former President Judi Bailey, administrative duties have shifted while the search for a new president begins.

Interim President Mike Roy has taken on the duties of president as well as part of his former duties as vice president of finance and administration.

Roy said in addition to his new responsibilities as NMU president, he will still be in charge of many areas that used to report to him as vice president of finance and administration.

Due to Roy's new responsibilities as president, Associate Vice President of Finance and

Administration Gavin Leach will also be performing extra duties in the university.

His extra responsibilities include the university budget, controller of the administration and technical areas as well as human resources.

Roy and Leach will be compensated for their additional duties, said Board of Trustee member and Presidential Search Advisory Committee Chair Sam Benedict.

The committee is in the process of choosing a firm to identify potential candidates, Benedict said.

The committee will send out surveys in the community and consult with the Board of Trustees to determine qualities desired in a president, he said.

The committee has until July 2004 to find a new president, Board of Trustee Principal Secretary Pamelene Grundstrom said.

It is not believed that progress on the search committee will be made until July, when the committee has been formed and a search firm has been hired to locate a new president, she said.

— Mary Ann Cancilla and Josh Johnson

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"I see a lot of opportunity here," Lindquist said. "Now we have this opportunity to do new types of environmental restoration."

Debate has surrounded the social and economic value of the dam at Tourist Park, Lindquist said. The lake could be converted from a warm water basin to a cold water trout stream to promote recreation, he said.

Other impacts on recreation include lack of access to Presque Isle Park, Shira's Pool and the Presque Isle marina because of the washout of a bridge on Lake Shore Boulevard, Leslie said.

A silt plume still exists in the upper harbor as debris washes up on shore, restricting swimming, boating and kayaking, he said.

The bridge won't be open for four to eight weeks, Leslie said.

"A ton of college students go to Presque Isle Park in the summer," Leslie said. "It adds to the enjoyment of going to Northern. That's going to be taken away from them for at least a third of the summer."

Senior graphic communications major Kelly Hafner said the flooding has caused her family to conserve energy because of the request by WE Energies to limit power usage.

Hafner said she's teaching her two young children to turn off the lights when not in use.

The family's recreational activities have also been limited due to the flood damage, she said.

"By this time, the kids want to go outside and play on the playground," Hafner said. "We'd go drive around Presque Isle, but now we can't."

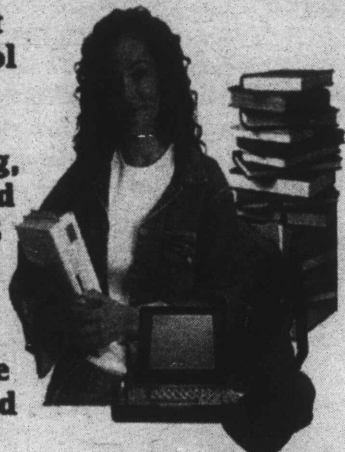
Effects of the flooding are rippling through the community, but Lindquist said the environment will quickly readjust.

"The good news is, natural systems like these have an incredible capacity for restoring themselves," he said. "I think it's rebounding as we speak in some ways."

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## BRIEFS

## Local

## Power plant set to resume output

MARQUETTE — A schedule outlining the return of energy production for the Presque Isle power plant has been released by its owner, We Energies of Milwaukee, Wisc. Two of the plant's nine generating units will be back in service between June 13 and 17. The facility sustained severe damage on May 15 during the flooding of the Dead River Basin, clogging intake filters and flooding parts of the plant. About 234 megawatts will become available, with an additional 147 being produced by the end of June. The final three generators will be activated in mid-July. Employees who remain at the plant have worked 12-hour shifts to dry out the plant and make repairs.

## National

## Olympic bombing suspect caught

MURPHY, N. C. — A wanted fugitive in the 1996 bombing of Atlanta's Centennial Olympic Park has been captured in rural North Carolina after a nearly five-year manhunt. Eric Robert Rudolph was arrested by local police in Murphy, N.C. behind a supermarket while apparently rummaging through the trash. Rudolph, 36, had eluded authorities by apparently living in Nantahala National Forest of western North Carolina, stealing food from gardens and staying in abandoned cabins. Rudolph faces federal charges on a 23-count indictment in connection with the bombing which killed one and seriously injured 111 others. He is also suspected in bombings of an abortion clinic and a gay nightclub.

## International

## China denies covering up SARS

BEIJING, China — China's top health official denied claims the Chinese government is covering up the extent of the SARS virus. Gao Qiang, China's executive deputy health minister demonstrated the accessibility of the media to information by waving a Feb. 12 copy of the People's Daily, the official Communist Party newspaper, which described an atypical pneumonia that killed five. The sickness was later identified as SARS. "Infectious diseases are impossible to cover up," Gao said. "You may be able to cover up figures, but you can never cover up viruses." On a positive note, the World Health Organization removed Singapore from the list of countries affected by SARS.

## Weird News

## Handsome men make best sperm

LONDON — Two studies have determined handsome men produce the best quality sperm and beautiful women seem to have good voices. Researchers at the University of Valencia in Spain tested the sperm and asked a group of women to rank the attractiveness of the donors, and found that men with the most attractive faces also make the best quality sperm. In another study, researchers at England's University of Nottingham compared the quality of female voices to men's perception of their facial features. After playing recordings of the women to men, researchers asked them to look at their pictures and choose the most striking faces. "The men judged women with the nicest voices as the most attractive, on average," the magazine said.

—Compiled from news sources

## MARQUETTE AREA FORECAST

## Friday

Isolated thunder storms,  
30 percent chance of rain.

High: 66

Low: 45

## Saturday

Scattered showers,  
30 percent chance of rain.

High: 63

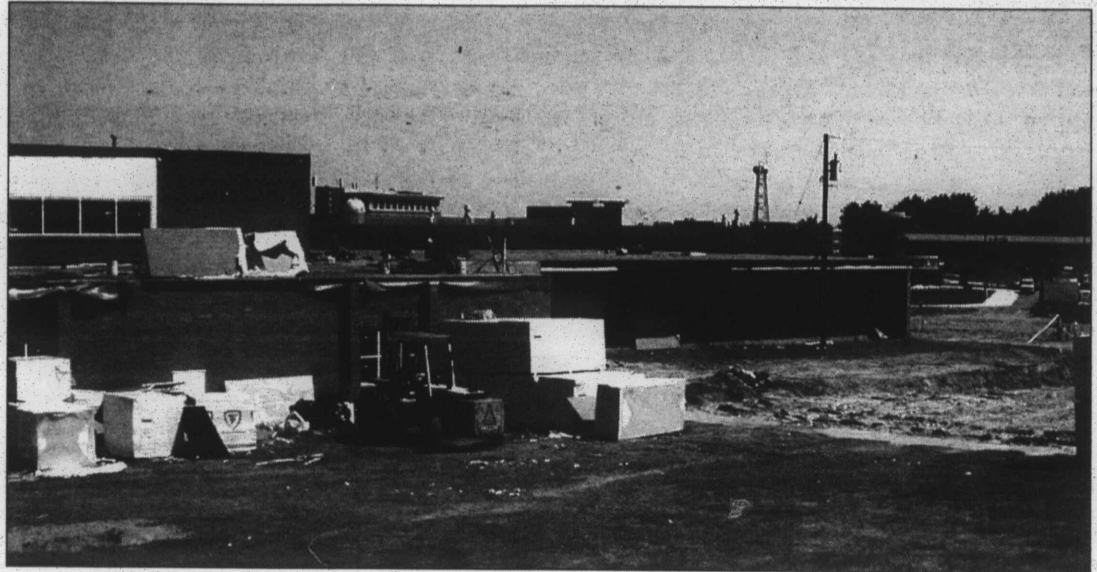
Low: 43

## Sunday

Partly cloudy,  
20 percent chance of rain.

High: 66

Low: 46



Heather Solgot/NW

Construction is underway on the former Whitman elementary, which will house faculty offices and offices for charter schools and Upward Bound. The project is scheduled for completion in August.

## Construction hammers on

BY SCOTT SWANSON  
STAFF WRITER

NMU is currently in the process of undertaking a handful of construction and renovation projects this summer, which will cost approximately \$48.6 million total.

The major projects include the Hedgcock building, Whitman school, Magers Hall, Quad II and Thomas Fine Arts.

"This is a big year, as far as projects go," said Associate Vice President of Finance and Planning Gavin Leach. "The summer is always a busy time for that, but more so this year than others."

Renovations are nearing completion for the former Whitman Elementary School building, which Northern purchased from Marquette Area Public Schools in 2001.

Located on Norway Street, the Whitman building will now house faculty offices for the education, international affairs, languages, Native American studies and Upper Peninsula studies departments as well as offices for charter schools and Upward Bound.

The complex is scheduled to be finished by August.

"We're already moving offices out of Magers Hall, so (Whitman) has to be ready for the fall," said Associate Vice President of Business Services and Facilities Carl Pace.

Adjacent to the Whitman complex will be a 300-space commuter parking lot.

Northern had hoped that renovations to the Quad II area would be finished for the Fall 2003 semester. However, the scheduled completion date has been pushed back to Winter 2004 at the earliest.

"We've run into some interesting things there," Pace said.

Asbestos abatement is currently taking place in the vacant Quad II building. When complete, the Quad will contain a coffee shop, a deli, a student

gathering area, study rooms, offices, an aerobics room and a storage area. None of these services will be available by the original Fall semester deadline.

The electrical infrastructure system that powers NMU is currently being upgraded, and is scheduled to be finished by this August. The large underground cables that make up the University's electrical loop have become outdated and worn down, and have caused several electrical failures in the past few years, Pace said.

"A major fault would be huge," Pace said. "It could put the whole campus out."

Pace said the new cables should last 30 to 35 years. Also undergoing renovations is the Russell Thomas Fine Arts building. The complex is set to be

overhauled in order to improve the building's acoustics.

"The sound tends to go everywhere in there," Pace said. "We need to make it better."

Also included in the TFA renovations will be an addition to the Art and Design North building, which will house faculty offices and a lecture hall.

TFA will be put up for bid in July, and is scheduled to be finished by July of next year. During renovations, the music department will be moved to Magers Hall.

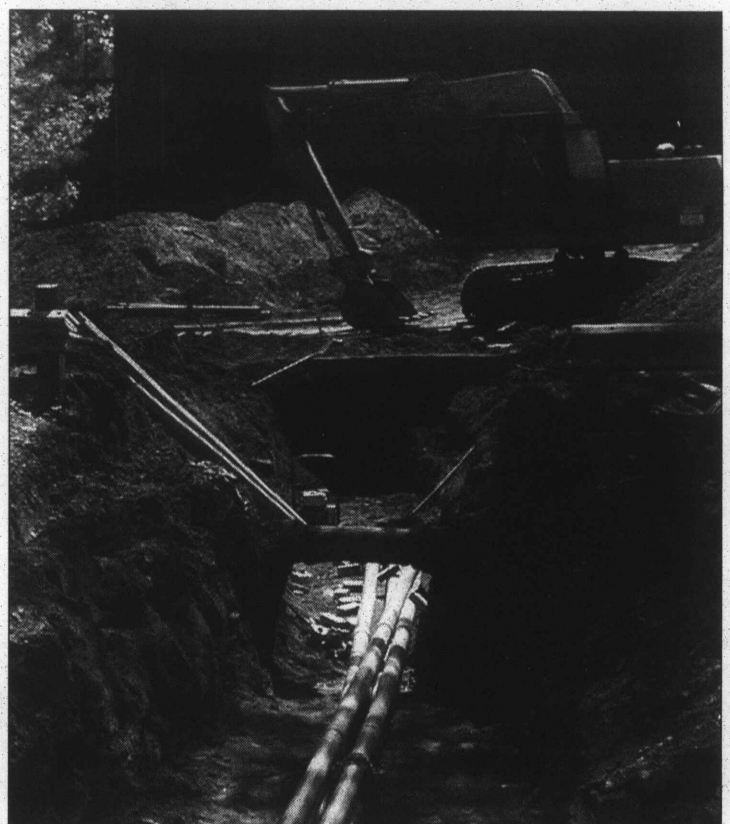
Also set for completion by next July is the new Student Services Center, formerly the Hedgcock Fieldhouse. Asbestos abatement is currently taking place in the Hedgcock building, Pace said.

The Student Services Center will house several student services departments, as well as a new recital hall.

A skywalk connecting TFA to the Student Services Center is also set to be finished by July 2004," he said.



Leach



Heather Solgot/NW

Conduit piping is currently being laid at the entrance of Lot 28.



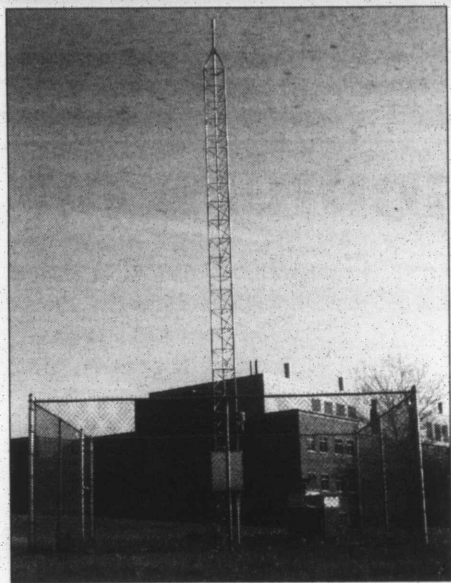
# Rain samples reveal high mercury levels

BY MARY ANN CANCELLA  
OPINION EDITOR

The National Weather Service station on campus served as the collection place for a recent study conducted by the National Wildlife Federation on abnormally high levels of mercury in the area.

The weather station is located on the south end of campus behind the New Science facility.

NMU students collected rain samples from the station with help from Environmental Science Director Ron Sundell. The samples were sent to the



Mary Ann Cancilla/NW

NMU's one-year old weather station includes a 10-foot tower. The station is located behind the New Science facility.

NWF at the University of Minnesota - Duluth. In the NWF's study, it was found the rain samples contained up to 5.5 parts per trillion mercury — 3.7 parts higher than suggested safe for humans by the Michigan Human Health Standards.

Sundell said high levels of mercury could be due to the power plants in the area, however he said the study is not definitive.

"How much is coming out of the power plants and how the mercury got there is unknown," Sundell said. "The mercury could be coming from hundreds of miles away."

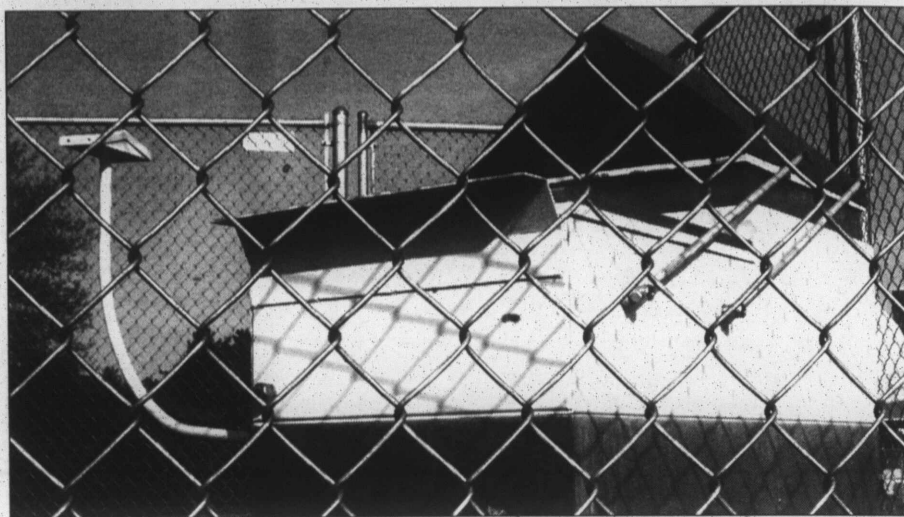
He said the study is meant to bring awareness to the issue.

Mercury gets into the atmosphere through the burning of coal, Sundell said. Once in the atmosphere, the mercury is emitted in precipitation therefore moving into area lakes and streams, possibly polluting fish with abnormal levels, Sundell said.

Coal-fired power plants account for 33 percent of mercury pollution in the United States, according to the National Wildlife Federation's Web site.

Mercury, a neurotoxin, is known to effect the neural development of the fetus while in the womb. Humans may uptake mercury in two ways, through fish consumption and by breathing vaporous mercury. All forms of mercury are toxic to humans.

Northern Lake Michigan Fish Supervisor Mike Herman said there are many fish advisories for lakes in Michigan



Mary Ann Cancilla/NW

Rain samples used in a mercury study were collected from the weather station at NMU. The samples were sent to the National Wildlife Federation at the University of Minnesota-Duluth. The test revealed abnormally high levels of mercury in the area.

due to mercury. The advisories recommend what sizes and species of fish are safe to eat from specific lakes.

Herman said there are benefits gained in eating fish, but people should consult the advisory to determine what fish is safe to eat, and even how much fish should be consumed.

The weather station at NMU was set up approximately one year ago, Sundell said. He said the university was able to supply a location to the National Weather Service that was secure.

In addition, many students at the university are able to benefit from the station. "The students who collected the rain

samples for NWF was able to gain some hands on experience," Sundell said. "The students had to learn the procedure of collecting samples."

In the future, T.V. monitors may be set up in the New Science facility, Sundell said. He said the monitors would display real-time temperatures and wind speed at NMU.

The station also includes a 10-meter high weather tower.

"Information from the weather station can be used in the classroom," Sundell said. "The National Weather Service gets the data they want, at no cost to them or us."



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# Policies, menu changes coming this fall

BY HEATHER SOLGOT  
ASSOCIATE NEWS EDITOR

Dining Services is planning on implementing new policies and menu changes for the fall semester after the ASNMU Dining Services review sub-committee presented their list of recommendations at a meeting in May.

The ASNMU Dining Services review sub-committee made four categories of recommendation. They included limiting the number of fried foods, making healthier alternatives available, and an increase in vegetarian and vegan selections.

Other recommendations regarded the quality of pasta and pizza, the length of time hot food was available and the hours the Wildcat Den is open.

"We try to make realistic suggestions based on our observations and feedback from the students," ASNMU Dining Services Review sub-committee member Travis Margoni said.

In response to the recommendations, Director of Dining Services Dick Wittman said they have decided to hire two new full-time positions. The full-time positions will be working to prepare and serve food to students.

This may help with the problem of closing early and not hav-

ing food available at night, he said.

He said even when just one or two people are missing from the Dining Services team, it can indirectly affect all of the stations in Dining Services.

In addition to the two full-time positions, Wittman said they plan on hiring a dietician. The dietician will help dining services to bring healthier meals to students, Wittman said.

"Any steps toward making meals healthier are steps in the right direction," Margoni said.

While Dining Services plans on providing healthier foods, they do not plan on eliminating fried foods.

"We hear 'less fried foods,' yet our most popular foods are the fried ones," Wittman said.

Dining Services sent out a survey on vegan food last semester, and they have a committee of students and Dining Services staff to monitor the vegetarian food.

As for food quality, Wittman said Dining Services is continuously changing and rewriting the menu. In May, many Dining Service employees attended a food show at the Superior Dome.

"We plan on improving the quality of pasta and pizza with test kitchens," Wittman said.

In the test kitchens, Dining



Travis Margoni/NW

Graduate guidance counseling student Turriann Beverly serves food in the Wildcat Den on Tuesday.

Services will sample different sauces and crusts. They will also experiment with the oven temperatures and cooking times.

For the fall semester, Dining Services would like to reinstate a review committee of its own.

Wittman said they are looking forward to having a committee that can give them recommendations throughout the year. The committee will consist of students from each dorm. Wittman also said they would like to have representatives from ASNMU on

the committee.

Additions to Dining Services slated for this year consist of the Quad II renovation and the addition of Starbucks.

The Quad II renovation was slated to open fall of 2003 but will probably not be open until Winter Semester 2004.

Wittman said the Quad II will serve food one would see at a pub, such as hamburgers and fries.

The Starbucks kiosk is going to go behind Bookbinders in the

Student Commons Area. Starbucks is a franchise of coffee houses. It is expected to open August 4.

"We're very excited," Wittman said of the Starbucks addition. "It is our first venture into the franchise."

Dining Services is constantly monitoring food selection and quality, Wittman said.

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** Travis Margoni is also a columnist for The North Wind.

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EDITORIAL

Spend time wisely

NMU is going through some major changes. To continue reaching its goals, difficult decisions must be made. With the school looking for a new president and athletic director, cutting programs to balance the budget, and finishing various construction projects, the face of NMU may be very different in the years to come.

Much like the school they have decided to attend, incoming students to NMU will also face drastic changes in the first few weeks of school and the decisions they make will also affect their future.

One of the earliest things that incoming students will learn is that succeeding in college is a balancing act. With classes, part-time jobs, meetings, and a social life to worry about it, the first few weeks at school can be a bit overwhelming.

In their first semester at NMU, new students will face many decisions as to what to participate in, who to trust, and what their priorities are. But the students who get out and choose to carry an extra amount of responsibility by joining student organizations are often the individuals who are most successful.

There are hundreds of student organizations to take part in: professional, community service and programming organizations, student governments, special interest groups and intramural and club sports. But even if you don't want to pledge time to any particular organization, get involved in something. There are many activities on campus throughout the year that provide students a way to meet people with similar interests and enrich their college experience.

The top priority while going to NMU should be succeeding in the classroom first. By the same token, the most fulfilling experiences often come unexpectedly and outside of the classroom.

You owe it to yourself to take full advantage of what your dollars and loans are paying for by enjoying some of the activities outside of the classroom that Northern has to offer.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

WNMU cut saves taxpayers' money

The Public Broadcasting System and its affiliate at Northern Michigan University is a tremendous waste of your tax dollars.

According to experts, stations like WNMU, and most PBS stations across the country, have squandered hundreds of millions of taxpayers' money on pleasing corporate sponsors and being politically correct.

They are no longer "unique" in content.

For every "special" show on PBS, there are dozens more on the History or Discovery channels. And the History channel doesn't take my tax dollars or call me for money.

For every PBS educational "highlight," there are hundreds of highlights on dozens of channels that don't take my hard-earned money and throw it away on a staff that spends a huge part of their time fund raising.

The PBS budget for next year is \$380 million of your money. Government funding, however, is only 11 percent of the PBS budget. The other 89 percent comes from you and corporate sponsors.

PBS is no different than any other network, except it is subsidized and doesn't have as big an audience.

It has become too dependent on the government and lacks the courage to do what other networks do well — be a watchdog on the powerful.

PBS sells advertising against viable local media like newspapers, radio and TV stations and others.

If it is truly supported by the public then why does it need a subsidy?

The other media in the Upper Peninsula employ your neighbors without tax dollars. Their advertisers don't get tax breaks.

PBS and WNMU compete with them unfairly.

Just closing down WNMU at Northern Michigan University would save the taxpayers of

Michigan over \$880,000 a year and that doesn't count their share of the federal budget.

It's time WMNU TV and radio were taken out of Northern Michigan University's budget.

The money would be better used for education.

Bob Gregg  
 Escanaba, Michigan

The Marquette County  
 Smoke-free dorms  
 improve campus

Tobacco-Free Community Coalition congratulates NMU and the Student Housing Department for their decision to go smoke free in Payne and Spalding halls.

Restricting smoking in other halls is also an improvement. Hopefully, they will also go smoke free in the future.

When people on campus and in the community are presented with accurate health information, decisions such as this will become more common in workplaces, public places and dorms.

The decision to protect public health is significant. According to the Centers for Disease Control, people exposed to secondhand smoke are at increased risk for heart disease and cancer. Respiratory infections and asthma attacks occur more often in smoky places. Smoldering cigarettes that are not extinguished cause over one-third of all fires.

Several colleges in Michigan have gone 100 percent smoke free. These policies provide clean indoor air for everyone and can be used to promote the campus environment.

As always, we are willing to work with students, the Health Center and the Health Promotion Office to provide smoking cessation information to all interested students and staff.

Thanks for taking this important step.

Jim Harrington  
 Marquette County Tobacco-Free Community Coalition  
 Coordinator

Former editor in chief bid farewell

After reading the letters to the editor for the past five years, this letter will contain something that seems to be almost mundane to this section.

Without a doubt, week in and week out, you will find Chris Mosier's name mentioned somewhere on this page.

Whether it is someone completely disagreeing with Ms. Mosier's article or someone standing strongly behind it, they all basically say the same thing; what a powerful, mind-provoking writer.

Some articles have gotten responses for weeks after their original print. She has always stood for what she believed in at all costs.

Not only do I applaud her for her efforts, but today I would like to thank her for them.

On May 3, NMU said goodbye to the fervent guide whom has brought us all down the path of thought at one time or another. Thank you, Chris.

James Scoon  
 NMU Alumnus

ASNMU president  
 welcomes freshmen

Welcome incoming freshman. I want to assure you that you've made the right choice in coming to Northern. NMU is a university truly committed to providing a quality and well-rounded education.

But to fully take advantage of all Northern has to offer I must encourage you to get involved right from the start. I know it's cliché, but you need to experience more than just classes to be successful in college and beyond.

Northern is also an institution truly dedicated to student involvement in all aspects of its administrative process. That is where ASNMU comes in. At any point during your college career

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Jeromy Antle opinion@thenorthwind.org





LETTER

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when you have an issue, feel free to bring it to us, and we will do everything in our power to make sure your voice is heard.

If you'd like to learn more about what ASNMU can do for you as your student government, I encourage you to investigate our Web site at [www.asnmnu.org](http://www.asnmnu.org). Online you can participate in polls, learn about current campus issues, and inform yourself about the many programs and

services ASNMU offers the great students of Northern.

Again I'd like to welcome you and wish you the best of luck in your college career.

Also, I'd like you to always feel comfortable coming to ASNMU with any and all concerns.

See you around campus this year!

Kyle James Ortiz  
ASNMU President

# Peterson guilty without a doubt

I remember being dismayed after hearing the not guilty verdict in the O.J. Simpson case years ago.

The country is just beginning to embark in another trial that is being compared to the Simpson case. Only this time, the defendant is not a famous ex-football star — he is would-be father and widower Scott Peterson. Guilty or not guilty is what the jury, and much of the American public, will soon decide.

After reading through many stories and reports done on the case since Laci went missing back in December, I feel Scott is guilty. However, in the United States court system we believe a suspect is innocent until proven guilty without a reasonable doubt. The "reasonable doubt" is the tricky part.

There is a lot of evidence that would lead one to believe Scott is guilty — but none to directly link him with the murder. And in my mind it seems that it matters not if you're guilty, but how well you perpetrated the crime and just how good your attorney is.

Scott's alibi places him only three miles from where the bodies of Laci Peterson and the unborn child, Connor, washed ashore in San Francisco Bay. Scott was allegedly fishing there the same day Laci disappeared Dec. 24. Laci was eight months pregnant with the couple's first child.

In addition, police found pliers in Scott's boat with a piece of Laci's hair on them. Police also found traces of cement in Scott's boat, along with cement containers in Scott's home. Other interesting facts surrounding the case include the arrest of Scott in San Diego, 30 miles from the Mexican border. He had dyed his hair completely blond and grown a goatee. At the time of his arrest he was carrying his brother's ID and \$10,000. Seems like Scott was trying to make a getaway.

Weeks after Laci was found missing, it was also made public that Scott had been having an

affair. His girlfriend, Amber Frey, is quoted as saying she was unaware that Scott was married. The prosecution has since announced that Frey will testify for the prosecution.

All of this evidence seems to single Scott out as the murderer, but there has been nothing concrete introduced to the case. No DNA. No fingerprints. And nothing that will seemingly convict Scott, without a reasonable doubt that is.

When the judicial system was established I am sure the reasonable doubt clause was meant to protect the innocent from being convicted. But what if it provides the guilty with a loophole more than it protects the innocent and guilty murderers are allowed to walk free?

In Modesto, Cal., where Scott and Laci previously resided, 80 percent of the public believe Scott is guilty. But it seems that when it comes to the trial, it won't be a question of guilt, but a question of proper evidence — not enough evidence, just the right kind of evidence.

After hearing the autopsy on the case it seems not even that will help, since the coroner was unable to determine a cause of death. What they found of Laci's body was so badly decomposed that it was necessary to use her DNA to prove who she was.

What has turned into a horrifyingly gruesome case may have yet to make the nation truly nauseated. That point may come when we all are forced to watch Scott walk free.

I do not doubt the justice systems ability to protect the innocent — I doubt their ability to convict the guilty.

STAFF COLUMN



BY MARY ANN CANCELLA

# Ritual ethics questioned

STAFF COLUMN



BY YONIKA WILLIS

"They were just having fun," the caller said. "I think this is getting blown way out of proportion."

This comment was aired on a Chicago radio station by a student in regards to the recent hazing incident that took place at the North Chicago suburban high school Glenbrook North last month.

While I didn't pay the caller's comment much attention at the time, a few days later I had the opportunity to view the videotape of the incident on TV and was so repulsed by what I saw that I had to turn my head in pure disgust.

After seeing the tape, the caller's comment definitely made me think: Is this what fun in suburban high schools has turned into — mashing pig intestines and fecal matter into people's faces? Is this what underclassmen feel they need to endure to be initiated onto a powder puff football team: being

beaten and kicked by numerous intoxicated boys and girls? And this is a ritual — meaning that these aren't the first group of students dumb enough to let this happen to them. Using force to coerce others to perform humiliating and dangerous tasks isn't my idea of fun by any means.

During my four years in high school — which wasn't too long ago — I can recall girls getting initiated onto sports teams and clubs by coming to school dressed in pajamas and matted hair because they were "kidnapped" by the upperclassmen team members and had to attend school "as is" for the entire day. Other practices included having to walk around a public place such as a mall chanting nursery rhymes and wearing dated clothes. Bottom line — there was no violence involved.

The Glenbrook North incident sent five junior girls to the hospital with injuries such as gashes to the head and a broken nose.

Amidst all of this, parents and students are hiring lawyers and fighting for their children's rights to participate in graduation and avoid expulsion.

Students and parents argue the school shouldn't punish the students since the event took place off-campus and thus has nothing to do with the school. While that may be a valid case, I

am a firm believer that regardless of where the incident took place, the participants need to be punished justly — if not by the school than by the law.

Thirty-one senior students have currently been suspended for participating in this incident, 28 of which have signed waivers agreeing to let the school expel them and receive counseling. Twenty junior girls face suspension sentences as well.

Although many of these parents' incomes fall into the upper-middle class level, they obviously have a false sense of reality to think their children weren't in the wrong and that their money can validate this point.

Heck, some of the parents were even charged with providing the alcohol and disgusting items that were thrown at the junior girls and yet are still trying to fight for their children.

Tradition or no tradition, moral principles should tell these people that what they were participating in was immoral, degrading and humiliating. As unfair as it may seem, everyone should have to pay the consequences equally.

If this is the price one has to pay for fun, I'd rather leave that debt unpaid.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Yonika welcomes reactions to her column at [opinion@thenorthwind.org](mailto:opinion@thenorthwind.org).

## SOUND OFF

If you could go back and change one thing about your first year at NMU, what would it be?



Kathy Cole  
senior, psychology

"I would have saved money for a pair of long underwear. It's freakin' cold up here!"



Krystal Kivisto  
senior,  
communication disorders

"I would've been more involved in school activities and taken advantage of all the opportunities at NMU."



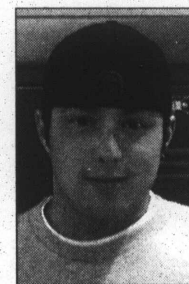
Megan Gualdoni  
senior,  
communication disorders

"I would have been more involved in activities. I think I should have been a bit more outgoing as well."



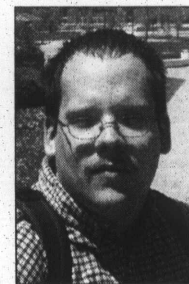
Chena Filizetti  
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biology and physiology

"I would've studied throughout the semester instead of cramming for an exam."



Keith O'Brien  
sophomore,  
accounting and CIS

"Live in the dorms, so I could meet some chicks."



Louis McHugh  
senior, CIS

"Go to class more and study more."

— Compiled by Rob Hamilton and Jason Metevia



# 'Last minute' is too late

You've heard this one about a thousand times, "Don't put it off until the last minute."

Well of course, I've heard this many, many times as well. My parents, professors and friends have all told me to stop driving myself insane by staying up all hours of the morning to finish my latest project or paper.

But their wisdom falls on deaf ears, or at least well intentioned ears that just can't seem to get anything done more than 15 minutes before it's due.

Nearly everyone has been told what happens when he or she procrastinates and keeps putting things off to be done later.

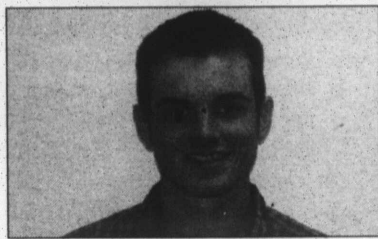
Those silly type A personalities, who are responsible and finish their work as early as they can, keep insisting that you can't do your best job on something unless you begin working on it weeks in advance.

They say things like "you'll rush things and make silly mistakes" or, "eventually you'll end up digging a grave that's far too deep to crawl out of and fail miserably."

Well I'm here to say that's just not true — to a point.

In high school, getting away with procrastinating was really too easy. I became so accustomed to doing it that it just seemed natural to start a paper a few hours before midnight the day before it was due.

## STAFF COLUMN



BY ROB HAMILTON

But in college my procrastination has been pushed to a new level. Even with much bigger and more difficult assignments, I have continued to begin my work as late as possible, which means I just have kept staying up longer and longer until sleep seems only like a dream.

The night after a big assignment, I drag myself to class in the morning with my hair all sloppy, growing a scruffy beard, looking like I've been living in a cardboard box for the past few days.

But instead of realizing my mistakes, I continue to push it further, enjoying the cheap thrill out of the fact that I started too late and was still able to accomplish what I thought to be a decent project or paper.

The problem is I have never been severely punished for putting things off and wasting my time away. I've managed to get by while spending time on the Internet instead of doing

my work and typing on instant messenger services instead of in Microsoft Word.

Really I've proved all those go-getters and perfectionists wrong by succeeding up to this point, right?

Wrong.

If you're very lucky, like I have been, you just might get through college without procrastination affecting your grades too much.

But eventually, if you really want to do well in school, you will drive yourself completely insane.

The lack of sleep, the nervous breakdowns, they all come with the territory if you're a "procrastinating perfectionist" — a student who forces himself to do well, but suffers dearly from a disease that forces him or her to wait until the last minute.

If you're an incoming student and have fallen into this habit during high school take it from someone who has not learned from his mistakes.

Don't repeat the cycle that I have. You might be able to get away with saying, "I'll do it later," but trust me, it's not worth the pain.

I'm sure you've heard this lecture and it seems trivial at this point. But college can be your chance to cure yourself of this awful disease and enjoy your college experience by easing your stress level and sleeping once in awhile.

## Sun strolling



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Senior business and zoology major Julie Kluck walks with her dog Tuesday along Lakeshore Boulevard and the breezy Lake Superior shoreline.

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# Staff sets path for new students

## Programs assist newcomers with health and social issues

BY JOSH JOHNSON  
ASSOCIATE NEWS EDITOR

The first few weeks of the school year present incoming freshman with new freedoms and choices which can affect the entire college experience.

Susan Verduin, coordinator of First Year Programs, said the first six weeks of school are the most important for a freshman and can determine their success throughout college.



Shible

Verduin supervises the First Year Experience program, which places freshman in block scheduling with 25 to 30 others who share their major. The program allows students to develop a social network and form natural study groups.

Freshman involved in the program have higher grade point averages and an enrollment

retention rate about six percent higher than others, according to information provided by First Year Programs.

Senior English secondary education major Jessica DeBacker was involved in FYE during her freshman year. She said the study groups she formed helped her tremendously in her classes.

Socially, FYE helped DeBacker form immediate friends on a campus where she knew few others, she said.

"It was nice to have 25 other faces I recognized in my classes," she said.

DeBacker said she met her best friend through FYE and will be a bridesmaid in her wedding in the fall.

Lenny Shible, NMU Health Promotions Office coordinator, said new students may flex their independence through alcohol or drug use, which can lead to consequences inside and outside of the classroom.

Alcohol consumption affects a student personally and the lives of others around them, he said.

"I think every new freshman

experiences the party life to some extent," Verduin said. "Behavior that involves alcohol and drugs is not what's going to get them through college."

National data suggests female students are at a greater risk for sexual assault during the first few weeks of school because of alcohol consumption, Shible said.

Students should moderate their alcohol consumption and have prior communication with their partners concerning sexual behavior, he said.

*"We'll do our best to make [the students'] experience at Northern as positive as we possibly can."*

— Lenny Shible  
HPO coordinator

Summer goals for the HPO include educating students about social choices and making parents aware that the office can assist students, he said.

The office sets up a booth during the activity fair at orientation and conducts focus groups with parents to address their concerns.

In the upcoming year, Shible said the main focus of HPO will be student involvement, includ-

ing more participation in the Student Health Alliance Promoting Education, or SHAPE program.

SHAPE is a group of students who promote health related issues on campus and looks to recruit new members. An offshoot of SHAPE is the SHAPE Peer Education Initiative, a student group that assists HPO in presenting and organizing health-related workshops in the dorms.

Shible said members of ASNMU, VOX, OUTlook, the Student Nursing Association and many others are involved in the program, which he hopes will appeal to those involved with SADD or project graduation programs in high school.

HPO exists to inform students on the choices which lay before them in order to achieve balance in their lives, Shible said.

"We'll do our best to make [the students'] experience at Northern as positive as we possibly can," Shible said. "If people are concerned about choices that they're making impacting their own behavior, if they'd like to learn more about it, or get help, we'd like them to contact us."

The HPO can be reached at 227-1455. First Year Programs can be reached at 227-2370.

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ASNMU President Kyle Ortiz loads DVD players onto a shelf in the ASNMU office. ASNMU and the Alumni Office will be giving away prizes including the DVD players, a digital camcorder, flat screen television, Playstation 2, digital camera, X-Box and camping equipment at the all student rally.

## Students, faculty plan welcoming activities

BY JOSH JOHNSON  
ASSOCIATE NEWS EDITOR

Welcome Weekend 2003 is expected to bring a variety of social and informational activities to unite NMU students for the start of the new school year.

The event, scheduled for Aug. 21 through 24, is a time for students to meet others and open their eyes to activities on campus, said Kim Rotundo, assistant director of the Academic and Career Advisement Center.

"The purpose of [Welcome Weekend] is for students to meet other students and experience what Northern and the community is about," she said.

This is the fourth anniversary of Welcome Weekend, Rotundo said. About a dozen student organizations are involved in the planning and activities, she said.

The weekend kicks off on Thursday with two movies being shown in Jamrich 102 at 7 and 11 p.m.

On Friday, a reception at the Student Art Gallery and a healthy happy hour sponsored by the Health Promotion Office will be held in the UC.

The event is designed as an alternative to Friday happy hours featuring a variety of non-alcoholic drinks including waters, juices and mocktails for parents and students, Health Promotions Coordinator Lenny Shible said.



Rotundo

Dave Bonsall, director of student activities and leadership programs, said the happy hour provides a chance for students to view artwork while having refreshments nearby in a safe environment.

"The whole intent is to give students the idea you can have fun in a weekend with things that don't involve drinking," Bonsall said. "Drinking isn't a prerequisite for having a good time."

Comedian and hypnotist Dale K will perform at 8 p.m. on Friday in Jamrich 102.

Rotundo said students can sample dishes at the Seafood Fest at Lower Harbor Park over the weekend.

The NMU Trail Cats 4 X 4 Club will hold a trail ride, meeting at 1 p.m. on Saturday in Lot 21 outside of West Hall.

The trail ride was a big hit with students last year, Bonsall said.

The culmination of Welcome Weekend is the Be A Part From The Start rally at 7:30 p.m. Sunday in the Superior Dome.

*"The purpose for [Welcome Weekend] is for students to meet other students and experience what Northern and the community is about."*

—Kim Rotundo  
Assistant Director of Academic Career Advisement Center

ASNMU President Kyle Ortiz said the rally brings almost all students in the dorms together for a night of spirit and prizes.

"The Be A Part From The Start rally is an opportunity for everyone to come together and celebrate why they came to Northern," Ortiz said.

Doors will open at 7 p.m. for the rally, with free pizza and Pepsi being served until 7:30 p.m. The rally will include a spirit competition for each residence hall based on their appearance and noise, Ortiz said.


Competitions for most spirited student and most spirited student organization will receive a \$100 prize.

In addition, the PEIF will hold extended recreation hours throughout the weekend.

Funding for Welcome Week 2003 is provided by the Academic and Career Advisement Center and various student organizations through the Student Finance Committee.

A complete schedule of Welcome Weekend events can be found at [www.nmu.edu/welcome-weekend](http://www.nmu.edu/welcome-weekend).


### Student Employee of the Month for April, 2003



Daniel Blondeau was named the Student Employee of the Month for April, 2003. Dan is employed as a marketing student in the Auxiliary Services Department.

Other students nominated were Kate Dean (U.C. Kitchen), Julie Heyduk. (The Marketplace), Sarah Madison (Wildcat Den), and Cassiopeia Zeratsky (Wildcat Den).  
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# Flood silences Radio X

## Transmitter damaged, repairs underway

BY ADAM WESTHOUSE  
DIVERSIONS EDITOR

The airwaves at 91.5 FM have been silent for the past three weeks as WUPX, NMU's student-run radio station, has since been out of commission due to a damaged transmitter.

WUPX, also known as Radio X, lost its power during last month's Dead River flooding disaster.

The station's transmitter is fixed to one of the smokestacks in the We Energies power plant facility at the mouth of the Dead River.

The plant itself also suffered substantial flooding and damage to its water cooling system.

WUPX's General Manager Troy Hanson said the power plant will soon be generating or redirecting power for WUPX so the station will be up and running within a few weeks.

Station managers have still been able to work office hours and continue with other administrative duties, but tentatively, the station should be back on the air by mid-June, Hanson said.

The power plant itself was forced to shut down following the flood to repair damage.

However, the facility is currently scheduled to be back at partial working capacity between June 13 and 17.

Meanwhile, much of NMU and the Marquette area have been asked by power company officials to scale back their electricity consumption.

"We were really lucky the transmitter wasn't completely destroyed," WUPX Office Manager Greg Ragan said. "The transmitter room had only three inches of water in it, but the space around the transmitter room had about three feet of water. We wouldn't have been able to afford to install a new one."

The transmitter has been in place at the power plant since 1994.

Hanson said it has been a disappointment that Radio X has been down for such an extended period of time.

"Now that it's summer, the DJs finally have the



Travis Margoni/NW

**Radio X Office Manager Greg Ragan files CDs as the station sits quiet following the recent flood.**

extra time [for their radio shows]," Hanson said. "So everyone at the station has been rather sad we haven't been able to broadcast."

WUPX is a 200-watt non-commercial radio station which broadcasts from the University Center on campus and includes over 70 DJs.

WUPX will soon be accepting DJ applications for students currently enrolled in Fall 2003 semester classes.

For more information about WUPX, or to obtain a DJ application, visit the station's Web site at [www.wupx.com](http://www.wupx.com).

## CAMPUS NOTES

### Community bids farewell to Bailey

NMU, along with Marquette County Ambassadors and the LSCP, will host a farewell reception for former NMU President Judi Bailey and her husband Bren from 4 to 6:30 p.m. today in the Great Lakes Rooms in the University Center. There will be a brief program at 5:45 p.m. A cash bar and hors d'oeuvres will be available.

### Public Radio 90 holds fundraiser

Public Radio 90 is planning Summerfest 2003 this August. Summerfest 2003: Public Radio 90 Celebrates 40 Years is a fundraising campaign. Their goal is to raise \$150,000.

One listener and a guest will win a three-day, two-night stay at the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island. To enter, make a pledge or e-mail Public Radio 90 at [pr90@nmu.edu](mailto:pr90@nmu.edu). Listeners can

also send a postcard with name, address and telephone number to Public Radio 90, Northern Michigan University, Marquette, MI 49855.

Entries must be received by July 1. The drawing will be held on July 1 at 11 a.m.

### Marquette YMCA plans Run/Walk

The Third Annual YMCA Run/Walk will take place at 9 a.m. on June 7 at the Marquette County YMCA, located on 1420 Pine St. in Marquette. The Run/Walk includes a 5K non-competitive walk, along with 5K and 10K runs.

Check-in is from 7:30 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. at the YMCA in Marquette.

The registration fee for people 13 years and up is \$21. The fee is \$5 for youth ages 6 to 12, and children 5 and under may participate for free.

All who register will receive a T-shirt, and the top 5K and 10K finishers will receive ribbons.

### Library group will read Shaw play

The Peter White Public Library Readers Theater will read the play "Pygmalion" by George Bernard Shaw at 7 p.m. on Thursday, June 19 in the Shiras Room on the library's second floor. The reading is open to public participation. For more information, call 226-4318.

### Author Voelker honored in June

There is a tribute to the life and work of author John Voelker on display in the Peter White Public Library through the month of June to celebrate the 100th anniversary of his birthday.

The film "Anatomy of a Murder" was based on Voelker's best-selling novel. The movie was shot on location in Marquette County in 1959. The collections came from Robert Buchkoe and Robbie and Liz Powelson.

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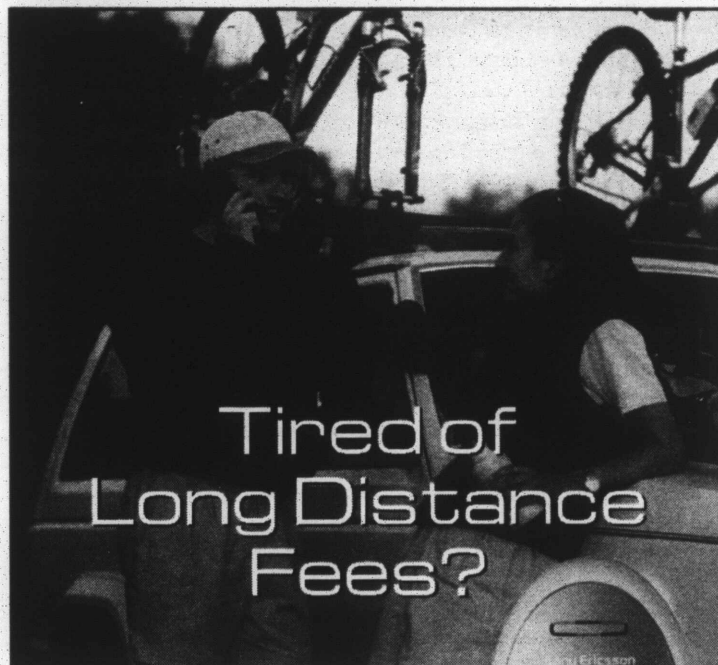
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## College life brings certain change

FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH



BY TRAVIS MARGONI

Four years have blown by since I sat clueless in Jamrich Hall for my freshman orientation session. Everyone told me how amazing the college experience was going to be, but I really had no idea how my life would change over the years to come.

My initial feelings of both uncertainty and anticipation were cultivated because, for the first time ever, I was leaving my small hometown, the watchful eyes of my parents, my girlfriend at the time, most of my good friends and the monotonous comfort of my 19-year stomping grounds — adios, adieu, aloha.

I moved into Spalding Hall, but I did not initially heave myself into the life of a partier or social butterfly as many freshmen do. Aside from the time I spent with my good friend and roommate at the time, I socialized very little compared to others in the hall. I was content to sit behind my laptop, do homework or play video games. While I became a fiery competitor in Hot Shots Golf for Playstation, I missed out on too many experiences. I'm still trying to make up for wasted time in that regard.

Here's to moments lost.

Fortunately, though, I was pushed by my EN 111 professor, Gerry Waite, to begin writing for *The North Wind*. My level of campus involvement for the first few months of school was non-existent. I even refused to attend residence hall meetings simply because they were deemed "mandatory," so I was fortunate to have found an organization that welcomed me and made me feel comfortable.

During my first two years of college I became a staff member and quickly climbed up the editorial ladder at the paper; doing so has been crucial in my development socially, academically and professionally. A learned sense of responsibility led to greater expectations. Even if you're an introvert like I am at times, getting involved somewhere on campus promotes growth in a number of ways.

Still, a new, busy social life can take away from one's studies greatly. Students frequently complain about not having a place to study close to their dorm rooms. With just a short hike up campus, studious residents can find an environment with few distractions in the Olson Library and its basement.

You can be certain that your 600-pound Budweiser-guzzling suitemate won't find you in a corner desk at the library. Knowing when to unfetter and when to focus is crucial to success as a student.

Academically speaking, you can get as much out of your classes as you want. For students who decide to only attend class periodically or disregard assigned readings, opting foolishly to resort to sparknotes.com, a mediocre grade point average and learning experience are in line.

But for those who don't hesitate to pick a professor's brain, do assigned — even extra — readings and take thorough notes, a lot can be learned ... so much that you may eventually realize how little you truly know.

After four years of college, someone might ignorantly think I have learned enough to fill my head and bloat my ego. Quite the opposite is true. I came to NMU expecting to acquire worldly wisdom, but after two or three years I reached an understanding of just how humbled we all should be by the thought of true knowledge.

Looking back, the many bygone classes and the people I came in contact with all proved to be beneficial to me, even when I was irritated by a person, situation or class. Bad experiences are still worthwhile in retrospect.

Ultimately, Northern Michigan University, much like life, is simply what you make it. There are few constants and certainties. Among the aspects of college life that can be counted on is the fact that you control your future.

Travis Margoni welcomes reactions to his column at [tmargoni@nmu.edu](mailto:tmargoni@nmu.edu).



Top: The Little Presque Isle area includes sandy beaches and a small offshore island that visitors can reach by wading waist-deep through the icy waters of Lake Superior. Middle: This unnamed waterfall along a Carp River tributary just south of Marquette is one of over a dozen falls open to the public in Marquette County.



Sugarloaf Mountain rises from the Lake Superior shore north of Marquette. From the summit, hikers can take in a scenic view of the rolling forestlands far below.

photos by Adam Westhouse/NW

## The Spoils of the North Hiking trails, waterfalls abound in Marquette area

BY ADAM WESTHOUSE  
DIVERSIONS EDITOR

Whether it's a lengthy, challenging Saturday afternoon hike along a rocky ridge or a leisurely after-class stroll along a bubbling stream, the Marquette region offers a wealth of opportunity for temporarily sidestepping the strains of college life.

While Marquette may be the U.P.'s largest city with over 20,000 residents, it has still retained much of its natural splendor.

Senior ceramics major Sarah Trucks said one of the main aspects that attracted her to NMU was the outdoors-oriented environment and smaller city atmosphere.

"We're really lucky to have nature at our doorstep up here," Trucks said. "This area is beautiful at all times of the year and there is always some place to go exploring."

Trails throughout the Marquette area range from easy to strenuous and cover a variety of terrain, including low forestland and high, granite ridges.

There are over a dozen waterfalls accessible to the public in Marquette County, several of which can be found at the edge of the Marquette city limits.

Due to the recent devastating floods of the Dead River, several popular areas for hiking and recreation such as Presque Isle Park and the Dead River Falls will remain closed to the public for much of the summer. However, many other recreational areas still beckon the outdoor enthusiast.

Among the more popular hiking trails Marquette has to offer include the foot routes up Sugarloaf and Hogsback mountains, respectively, Marquette Welcome Center Assistant Manager John Collins said.

Both involve steady climbing, but the rewards are worth the effort

involved, as Sugarloaf and Hogsback provide the hiker with picturesque 360-degree views of Marquette, Lake Superior and the surrounding forestland.

Trailheads for both Sugarloaf and Hogsback can be found off County Road 550, five miles north of Marquette.

Collins said the Little Presque Isle recreation area, located along the Lake Superior shoreline seven miles north of Marquette, is one well-kept secret for hiking opportunities.

"It's really a beautiful, peaceful area," Collins said. "When the lake waves are down, you can wade waist-deep out to the [Little Presque] island itself and hike there also."

The Mead-Wetmore Pond land tract, also found off County Road 550 north of Marquette, features miles of marked hiking trails through old-growth forests, scenic overlooks, streams and small lakes. Several paths around the Wetmore and Lily ponds also serve as interpretive trails, with signs depicting the unique plant and animal ecosystems.

For those who enjoy good trout fishing and waterfalls, Collins said the Yellow Dog River south of Big Bay is a well-reputed destination.

From the bridge at County Road 510, a short walk downstream will bring visitors to one of the more scenic stretches of river, as the river drops through a valley in a series of cascades known locally as both Yellow Dog or Hills Falls.

The Yellow Dog is also known for its productive salmon and steelhead runs in the fall and spring, respectively.

Just inside Marquette's southern city limits, the Carp River and its tributaries spill over boulders and rock outcrops in a series of rapids and small waterfalls.

Although trails are not marked, adventurous hikers who explore this area will find many fine views of this rambunctious river.

The Carp River is accessible from M-553 near the Marquette Mountain ski hill.

For more detailed information on hiking and other points of interest around Marquette, contact the Marquette Welcome Center at 249-9066 or the Marquette Convention and Visitors Bureau at 800-544-4321.



Top: One of Lake Superior's spectacular mid-summer sunsets, looking northwest from Marquette. Above: Another view of Little Presque Isle, which rests less than 100 yards from the mainland.



Hogsback Mountain looms on the horizon above Wetmore Pond. A number of walking trails radiate from the Wetmore Pond area, coursing over terrain ranging from rocky ridges to low wetlands.



# Johnson repeats success

**Jack Johnson**  
"On and On"



Grade: B-

BY KEVIN BURCHETT  
STAFF WRITER

Jack Johnson continues to explore his simple but unique style in his second album release "On and On."

His steady, upbeat rhythm accompanied by soft, straightforward and sometimes depressing lyrics is a perfect juxtaposition — a contrast that allows him to reach a broader audience through lively music while still maintaining the seriousness of his message.

Johnson's lyrics are often conveyed through both political and social commentary, and joined with a few ballads. Similar to his first album "Brushfire Fairytale," his lyrics carry intense meaning without distractions of being overly abstract.

It may cause his songwriting to be classified as overly sim-

plistic — to the careful listener though, it is music that can be enjoyed time and again.

Among the standout tracks of this album are "The Horizon has been Defeated" and "Taylor," which both speak out against a commercial society that slowly takes over the natural beauties of the world, and only leaves behind victimized people.

The reggae-influenced "The Horizon has been Defeated" is the only song on the album that seems to sway from Johnson's consistent musical style.

The song in general talks about the good and bad that industry and modern convenience can bring, as the second verse sings: "And then our feet become the wheels/And then the wheels become the cars/And then the rigs begin to drill/Until the drilling goes too far."

He may be speaking out against the evils of corporations, but as with much of the album, he still asks the question, "Who do we blame?"

"Taylor" has a slightly different focus, centering on the working poor and the social issues that surround them, and it hooks the listener from the beginning by using names and a relatable story: "Taylor was a good girl, never one to be late/Complain, never one to

express ideas in her brain/Working on the night shift, passing out the tickets/You're gonna have to pay her if you want to park here."

We find later that the characters are held in their own cruel worlds by society, and the song ends with, "If Taylor finds a better world/Then Taylor's gonna run away."

"On and On" is an enjoyable album, but it is not without its flaws. When first listening to the CD, I find that it is not that much different from "Brushfire Fairytale." Both of these albums seem to follow the same formula, as songs like "Taylor" grab those listening to "On and On" in the same way as "Flake" did for fans of "Brushfire Fairytale."

Beyond the similarities of the two albums, "On and On" can be a bit monotonous. Johnson's songs are often hard to tell apart due to his consistent style of music. The saving grace is that the music is fun, and even though it is simple it still has an impact.

"On and On" is a good summer album, but my advice is that if you already have "Brushfire Fairytale" there is not enough difference to own them both — unless, of course, you have a deep appreciation for Jack Johnson's style of music.

# Band walks on 'Wild' side

**Idlewild**  
"The Remote Part"



Grade: B-

BY ADAM WESTHOUSE  
DIVERSIONS EDITOR

Although Idlewild has yet to hit the level of popularity they've amassed in England, it seems like they have stardom in their sights here in America. Their latest release, "The Remote Part," is a leap forward into the mainstream from their previous two albums.

Since recording their debut "Hope Is Important" in 1999 and their 2001 sophomore effort "100 Broken Windows," this Scottish five-piece have slowly stripped away their aggressive punk-influenced songwriting for a more straight-forward rock sound. Despite undergoing a few noticeable stylistic changes, Idlewild has managed to maintain their edge — which ironically leads to "The Remote Part's" main flaw.

First, let it be said that, song for song, this is a pretty cracking

album. The melodies stick in your head and the lyrics, although somewhat cryptic, carry weight and true emotion.

Vocalist Roddy Woomble sings with gusto, moving between a fractured growl and a delicate croon. But it remains clear that Idlewild are still developing its overall sound.

Idlewild also deserves kudos for not trying to mimic their modern British contemporaries such as Radiohead and U2 like too many other bands do — the influence of American acts like R.E.M. is clearly detectable throughout "The Remote Part."

But more than anything, I simply couldn't get past the fact that Idlewild often sounds like two completely different bands. Instead of smooth transitions between the Idlewild's split musical personalities, the songs veer between loud and soft, urgent and reserved.

Take for example, two of the album's most immediately striking songs, the lead-off "You Held the World in Your Arms" and "American English." The former is a charging rocker and is an energetic way to start the album, while the latter is a lonesome ballad where Woomble's singing is warm and subdued.

It's an interesting variation, but as soon as you think the album has settled into a realm of

quieter songs, the band fires on all cylinders all over again.

Lyrical, "The Remote Part" seems to be an album of merciless introspection and finding one's self. On "I Never Wanted," Woomble sings of his own self-doubt, "Calling places, collecting careless sentences/I write them down/So I ignore them, and you should too," yet he still holds out hope for a bigger truth: "I am what I am not/So there must be something more."

"Live in a Hiding Place" is Idlewild at their most R.E.M.-esque, right from the ringing guitars down to the perfect harmony vocals and pop melodies. The song also holds some of Woomble's most straightforward lyrics, as he sings "There are times I should try/To be so much more alive/...It's when I live in a hiding place/It's the only way I feel safe."

There's little question that Idlewild is an intensely talented band who is in it for the long haul. As their sound continues to evolve, they'll be more likely able to blend their differing styles together seamlessly.

Ultimately, the ying-yang of "The Remote Part" merely whets the listener's appetite for the promise of Idlewild's future more than it leaves them fully satisfied with the music in the here-and-now.

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# Action flick milks clichés



★★★★☆

BY ROB HAMILTON  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

If the "The Italian Job" was the first heist movie I had ever seen, I would have been thoroughly impressed.

It's an action packed thrill ride that executes two brilliant schemes to steal gold from heavily guarded areas with some nice bits of humor added along the way.

Unfortunately I felt like I've seen this plot, oh, about 4 zillion other times, and it takes away from what perks this film has to offer.

The plot is pretty simple really: good guy gets double crossed, double-crosser thinks he has taken out the good guy, good guy makes elaborate plan to get even and defeats the bad guy, and oh yeah, in the mean time gets the incredibly hot girl.

Seen that one before?

Ok, maybe that's oversimplifying a little bit.

This film is a remake of the 1969 original, and uses modern cinematography to produce a high-flying heist that is a lot of fun to watch.

Mark Wahlberg leads a solid cast by playing the brilliant mastermind thief, Charlie Croker, who plans the heist of stealing \$35 million worth of gold bricks from a guarded safe in Venice.

His plan works perfectly with help from Left Ear (Mos Def), the explosive expert, Handsome Ron (Jason Stratham), the get-away driver, Lyle (Seth Green), the computer hacker who is the supposed real creator of Napster, and John Bridger (Donald Sutherland), the retired thief who wants one last prize before he quits the business for good.

The film also stars Edward Norton, who plays Steve, the sleazeball second-hand thief who does an incredible job playing a foil to Croker (you can guess who is the double-crosser).

The film's biggest star, however, may be Charlize Theron, who plays the beautiful and intelligent professional police safecracker, who only gets into the thieving business when provoked.

The movie opens with Theron waking up to the phone ringing in bed, dressed in an undershirt and boxers - let's just say the film had me interested from that point on.

However, there are two problems with "The Italian Job": lack of originality and the abundance of far-fetched scenes.

While the heist in Venice to begin the film is brilliant and its duplication in L.A. to get the gold once again is also very smart, by the end, the movie gets downright cheesy and has a very typical Hollywood ending.

A few of the car chase scenes pay tribute to the original movie, which is fine, but when I left the theater, I kept comparing the modern "Italian Job" to other films such as "Ocean's 11," "Gone in 60 seconds" and "Fast and the Furious." It seemed just to be a combination of all three without any of its own distinctive characteristics.

This also appeared to be one of those movies where you have to suspend ideas of reality for a little while and remember that in Hollywood, anything can happen - including hacking into the L.A. department of transportation and controlling traffic.

But even with its flaws, "The Italian Job" remains an entertaining film.

Lyle, Handsome Rob and Left Ear are unique characters that provide a good helping of humor to the film, and the first heist makes the film worth seeing even if the rest of the film had a lot less to offer.

If fast action, fun and predictability are your only prerequisites to see a film, then "The Italian Job" is probably worth your while.

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### TOP TEN CHARTS FOR ALBUMS, SINGLES AND MOVIES FOR THE WEEK OF 6/2

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2. Deftones — "Deftones"
3. Kelly Clarkson — "Thankful"
4. Evanescence — "Fallen"
5. 50 Cent — "Get Rich Or Die Tryin'"
6. "The Matrix" Soundtrack
7. Norah Jones — "Come Away With Me"
8. "The Lizzie McGuire Movie" Soundtrack
9. David Banner — "Mississippi: The Album"
10. Cher — "The Very Best of Cher"

#### TOP TEN SINGLES

1. "21 Questions" — 50 Cent featuring Nate Dogg
2. "Get Busy" — Sean Paul
3. "I Know What You Want" — Busta Rhymes featuring Mariah Carey
4. "Can't Let You Go" — Fabolous featuring Mike Shorey & Lil' Mo
5. "Bring Me to Life" — Evanescence featuring Paul McCoy
6. "Ignition" — R. Kelly
7. "Rock Your Body" — Justin Timberlake
8. "Magic Stick" — Lil' Kim featuring 50 Cent

9. "In Da Club" — 50 Cent
10. "When I'm Gone" — 3 Doors Down

#### TOP TEN MOVIES

1. Finding Nemo
2. Bruce Almighty
3. The Italian Job
4. The Matrix: Reloaded
5. Daddy Day Care
6. Wrong Turn
7. X2: X-Men United
8. The In-Laws
9. Down With Love
10. The Lizzie McGuire Movie

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*Event:* A Piano Trio Benefit Recital will be held at 7 p.m. at Messiah Lutheran Church. Call 942-7777 for more information.

**FRIDAY, JUNE 6**

*Event:* Freshmen orientation. Call 227-1707 for more information.

*Film:* CineArts Film Series: "Spirited Away" will be held at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Room in the Public White Library. This event is for adults ages 17 and older. The cost is \$3. Call 228-0472 for more information.

**Saturday, JUNE 7**

*Event:* Annual town-wide rummage sale. For more information call the Gwinn Chamber of Commerce at 346-9666.

**Tuesday, JUNE 10**

*Event:* YMCA's Third Annual Run/Walk is open for families and individuals of all athletic abilities. It will be held at 7:45 a.m. For more information call 227-9622.

*Event:* Orientation Job Fair will be held from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. in the Quad I Marketplace.

**Sunday, JUNE 15**

*Event:* Public Radio 90 Summerfest 2003. Call 227-2633 for more information.

**Monday, JUNE 16**

*Event:* NMU Wildcat Golf Classic at 7:30

p.m. at the Boyne Highlands Ski Resort.

**TUESDAY, JUNE 17**

*Event:* Orientation Job Fair will be held from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. in the Quad I Marketplace.

**Tuesday, June 24**

*Event:* Orientation Job Fair will be held from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. in the Quad I Marketplace.

**Thursday, JUNE 26**

*Event:* NMU Golf Outing. For more information contact the NMU Development Fund Office at 227-2627.

**Friday, JUNE 27**

*Film:* Outdoor Movie. The public is welcomed, just bring a chair. For more information contact the Marquette Country and Visitor's Bureau at 228-7749 or visit their Web site at www.marquettecountry.org.

**Tuesday, July 1**

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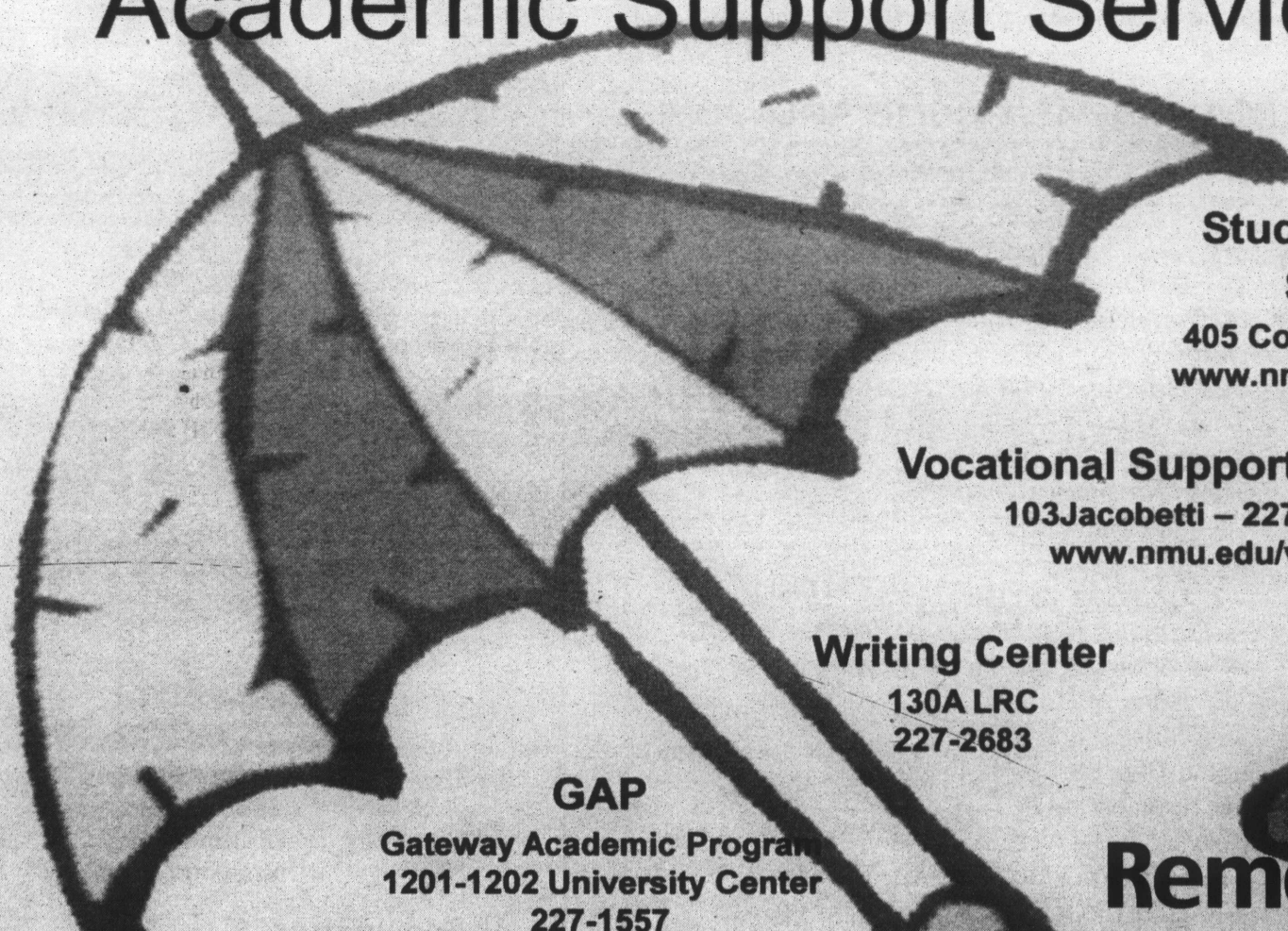


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## Athletes find opportunity in club sports programs

BY ROB HAMILTON  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

For many former high school athletes attending NMU, participating in an intercollegiate sport may be difficult if not impossible because of the skill level involved or the limited number of varsity sports offered.

However with 19 club sports currently registered at the Department of Recreational Facilities and Services, many students are able to feed their competitive drive by participating in the sport that they grew up playing at an intercollegiate level.

Junior pre-law major Ryan Anthony started a men's club soccer team last season after missing the sport he had played throughout high school.

"I played soccer ever since I was a little kid and after completing high school, I put together the team so I could continue to play and have the opportunity to play other schools," Anthony said.

Anthony said the team traveled to Grand Valley State University and Central Michigan University in the past season, but that the schedule will be expanded this year. The team will host its first ever home tournament this in the fall and play club teams from the University of Michigan and Michigan State University along with several others, Anthony said.

While many of the club teams are competitive, some club sports are simply a way for athletes to enjoy one of their favorite activities and meet new people.

"It's a great way to get out, meet people and have a good time," senior theatre major Janelle Cook said.

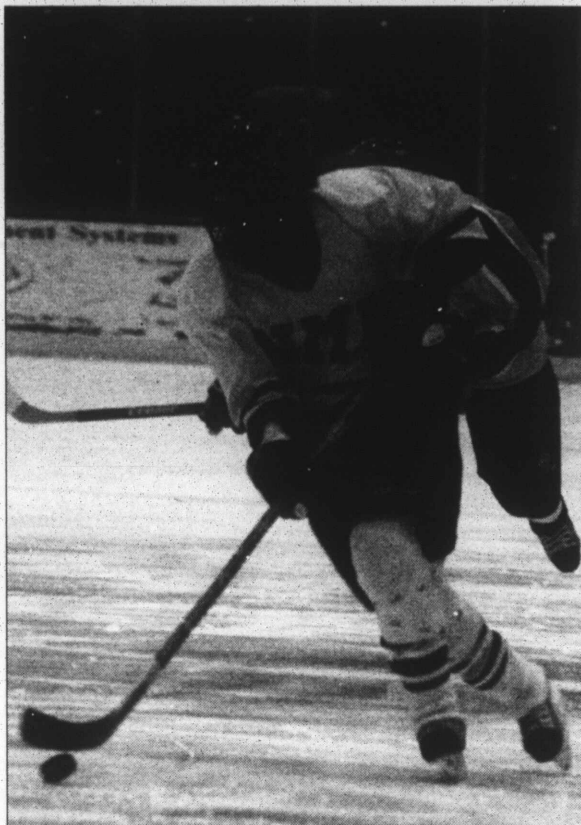
Cook is the Vice Chair Person of the Sport Club Council and the founder of the NMU dance team. She said joining a club sport is easy and each team has a representative in the council that can be contacted.

The only requirement to join a team is that athletes must buy a PEIF pass and pay for additional costs that each team charges to pay for expenses.

Anthony said club soccer team members will have to pay a set fee of \$250 this season, \$150 of which will go to warm up gear and uniforms.

The rest of the team's costs are covered by money allocated from the Sport Club Council, which gives each team a set amount of money at the beginning of each season.

While Anthony said he started the team because he missed playing soccer, he also said playing a club sport



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**The women's club hockey team took fifth at the American Collegiate Hockey Association's National tournament in only its second year of competition.**

was a great way to meet people with similar interests.

"My first year (when I came to NMU), when I didn't have a club sport, I found myself hanging out with the same kids from high school," Anthony said. "As soon as the club team started [I made] friends with like 20 other new people."

Students who are interested in playing a club sport at NMU can currently participate in men's or women's alpine skiing Budo Taijitsu, crew, dance team, equestrian team, figure skating, men's or women's ice hockey, Jujitsu, lacross, men's or women's rugby, skiing/snowboarding club, men's soccer, ultimate frisbee, men's or women's volleyball, and water polo.

For more information on each individual sport and contact info visit contact the PEIF or visit [http://www.nmu.edu/rec\\_svcs/](http://www.nmu.edu/rec_svcs/).

## Swimming coach introduced

As students were finishing exams and leaving campus for the summer, the NMU swimming and diving team found a new man to lead its team.

Jonathan Wilson was named the head women's swimming coach at NMU on June 2.

He will take over for Chris Coraggio, who resigned last July. Bob Laughna served as the interim head coach for the past season.

Wilson has been the head men's and women's swimming and diving coach at Ripon College since 1996.

He led the Red Hawks women to a sixth place finish at the 2003 Midwest Conference Swimming and Diving Championships and his men's team to a fifth place finish at the meet.

The Ripon women's team finished in eighth place the two previous years at the championship meet.

For his effort, Wilson was named the 2003 Midwest Conference Men's Swimming and Diving Coach of the Year.

"I am very excited for this opportunity," Wilson said. "There is excitement around the swimming program again. I can't wait to get to Marquette to get started."

Wilson is a 1995 graduate of the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point with a bachelor's degree in health promotion and wellness.

He was an All-American freestyler in college and is a member of the Hall of Fame started at Ripon along with five women and two men other men on the team.

Wilson was the associate head women's soccer coach for the Red Hawks during the 2002 season. Since 2001, Wilson has been the aquatic center manager for the City of Berlin, Wis.

Wilson recently finished his course work at Ripon for an education degree in physical education and health.

Wilson will take over a swimming and diving program that has a history of success.

The team won five consecutive GLIAC conference meet championships before taking third at this year's meet.

This year the Wildcats will return NCAA Division II All-American diver, senior Kathy Cole along with junior Sam Pechek, who also competed at the Swimming and Diving Championships.

Junior Division II All-American Dena Quick will not return to the team however. Quick elected to transfer to a Division I school at the end of the 2003 season.

## Pistons make tough change



SPORTS  
COLUMN

BY TOM MURPHY

How does a young coach lose his job after improving his team each of his two years, winning his division two years in a row, reaching the conference finals and still having a year on his contract? The world may never know because Joe Dumars and the rest of the Detroit Pistons front office is not talking about the details behind the firing of former head coach Rick Carlisle.

But speculation has run rampant through the Detroit area and the NBA. The media in Detroit has been circulating stories that Carlisle was disliked among the Pistons staff (front office and players).

It was reported that Carlisle had bad relationships with a number of players, including defensive player of the year Ben Wallace. It was reported that he was hasty and rude to secretaries, that he would humiliate members of the Pistons front office in front of others and that he was egotistical and unpleasant to work with.

But the main reason behind the firing of Rick Carlisle was his relationship with Pistons owner Bill Davidson — in fact there was no relationship — it was reported by members of the Detroit media that Carlisle and Davidson have not spoken in months.

How does a young coach who was named coach of the year last year and has won 100 games in his first two seasons get fired? Piss off the owner.

The one thing is for sure, however: Carlisle is out and former Philadelphia 76ers Head Coach Larry Brown is in, and it didn't take long for the process to be complete.

On Monday it was announced Brown agreed to a five-year contract worth about \$25 million.

This is a good move for the Pistons. Brown is a great coach and a great teacher. He is more apt to bringing along young players than Carlisle and he has more experience. A lot more.

Brown has compiled an 879-685 record in 20 years as a head coach in the NBA. Although he hasn't won an NBA championship, he has been to the NBA Finals (Philadelphia 2001) and he took the Clippers to the playoffs twice.

Brown is notorious for moving around in the NBA. This will be his seventh NBA head-coaching job since his career began. But at 62 years old, Detroit looks to be his last stop.

Brown resigned from the 76ers last week stating Philly could use a change and he needed a break, but who could resist the glorious opportunity presented to him by Detroit?

The Pistons are in a very good spot right now. They have the best defense in the NBA and a young nucleus of very talented players. But the most glaring fortune of the Pistons is the number two pick in this year's draft that they acquired from Memphis (formally Vancouver) a few years back in a trade for Otis Thorpe. The Pistons are going to be good for a long time to come.

It really doesn't seem fair to Carlisle, because he obviously was a major reason for the Pistons recent success. Sometimes winning isn't everything, and in the professional world of the NBA it definitely isn't the only thing.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Tom Murphy welcomes reactions to his column at [opinion@thenorthwind.org](mailto:opinion@thenorthwind.org).

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# Flood reveals forgotten debris in our waterways

Out of sight, out of mind, right? That's how people, especially Americans, like to look at many things.

From college students' studies on the weekend, to where the trash ends up after a truck came and carries it away this morning, many of us have a way of quickly forgetting things exist once they are out of sight. It's much like a young child or animal that assumes once something leaves its view that thing must not exist anymore.

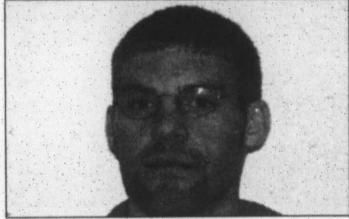
Unfortunately, as most of us realize in the back of our minds, the stuff we don't want to see doesn't actually disappear into thin air.

Nor do they disappear under the soil, and definitely not in the water. At some point, in the history of humans interacting with the Dead River, this was forgotten.

After the flood waters subsided last month, I took an evening walk and joined other Gawkers, Nosy-Nellies and Rubberneckers to survey for myself the deluge left behind when the "lake" at Tourist Park drained.

A much smaller and still unhappy river flowing through a rough muddy plain remained. In addition to the natural debris of downed trees, rocks, and sediments I saw scrap metal, long ago milled lumber, distinctive car parts, and many man made things that did not belong in a river or washed up on the deli-

## OUTDOORS COLUMN



BY DAVE MOSS

cate and exposed banks.

I realized how much I enjoy waterways. Growing up in the Great Lakes Region, at least for me, meant many days on and around the water. When I saw how much debris resurfaced in the river, I realized how badly damaged the waterways I love could get without many people realizing it.

This junk, garbage, debris, or whatever else it can be labeled has ended up where it did not belong because at some point a person put it there.

In the almost 80 years since the dam that created the Tourist Park lake was built in 1924, out of site and out of mind philosophies must have guided the people who dumped their junk into the Dead River.

Now that it has returned to sight, and to mind, we should learn what lessons we can from the rubbish.

It may be a year away, but according to a June 2 article in The Mining Journal, the dam at Tourist Park will probably be rebuilt. The waters will come

back up and again for a lake by Tourist Park. Any debris left in the basin will once again be out of sight, but hopefully not out of mind.

Let's not add our own garbage to the Dead River or any other waterway for that matter. Waterways provide so many opportunities for recreation, that for many of us, life would be suddenly different if these opportunities did not exist.

Think of your most recent experience with the water, maybe it was a lazy weekend of fishing, a day in a canoe or kayak, or speeding along in a powerboat or jet-ski — whatever you enjoy doing on the water I am sure you don't want to give it up.

If you do not want the nearest waterway destroyed for your own recreational uses, surely you don't want it destroyed for others' and the next generations use either.

The draining of the reservoirs along the Dead River this summer showed us what we had forgotten about — everything that humans had dumped in it for the last 80 years.

Let's keep these images in mind and make better decisions about what to do with the stuff that we don't want anymore. Most important, let's keep the waterways clean.

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WOMEN'S FALL SPORTS AT A GLANCE

# Women's teams return key players, coaches

BY ROB HAMILTON  
EDITOR IN CHIEF

\* With the elimination of women's tennis team due to budget cuts, there will be three women's sports teams competing in the 2004 fall season.

## Cross country

The women's cross country team is coming off their best season in school history, finishing fourth at the NCAA II Nationals at Ashland University.

NMU will be without its top runner, Caitlyn Compton, who graduated at the end of last season. Compton was named an NCAA II All-American after finishing 12th at Nationals along with Aubrey Smith, who also graduated, and senior Jordan Seethaler.

Seethaler will be the Wildcats top returner in the 2003 season.

She finished fifth at the GLIAC Championship meet and took 22nd place at Nationals.

The Wildcats will also return sophomore Maria Stuber, senior Jennifer Lahr, junior Katherine Huemmer, and junior Tami Kochen, all of whom finished in the top 100 at Nationals.

Coach Sten Fjeldheim will be back to coach the team. It will be his 16th season at NMU. Fjeldheim is also the men's and women's nordic skiing coach. He was a member of the U.S. ski team from 1980 through 1986.

## Volleyball

The women's volleyball team enters its 2003 campaign with renewed optimism as former head coach Jim Moore returns for his second stint with the Lady Wildcats.

Moore coached the team from 1989 to 1993, leading to team to three GLIAC championships and the school's first ever Division II volleyball National Title in 1993.

Moore left the team after it was crowned National Champion to take over at Division I Kansas State.

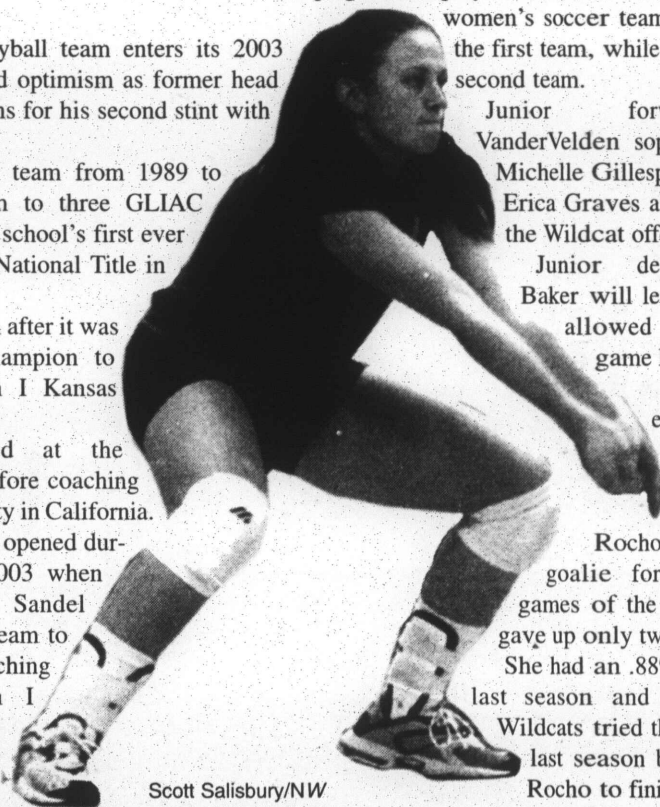
He later coached at the University of Texas before coaching at Chico State University in California.

A coaching vacancy opened during the summer of 2003 when former coach Scott Sandel unexpectedly left the team to take over a head coaching vacancy at Division I Boise State University.

Tracy Hruska was named interim coach



Seethaler



Scott Salisbury/NW

and led the Wildcats to a 15-15 record last season, but Moore was given the job on a permanent basis in January.

NMU ended last season with a five game loss to Gannon University in the semifinals of the GLIAC tournament.

NMU graduated only two starters, middle blocker Beth Laveen and defensive specialist Meghan Kimball, and will welcome back junior Jennie Little and sophomore Holly Greenamyre, who were among the team leaders in kills last season. The team also returns Kelli McCune, who led the team in assists last season.

Other key returners include seniors Andrea Kmet and Anne Kinsella and junior Aimee Dewitt.

## Soccer

The women's soccer team also hopes to take another step in the right direction. The Wildcats played the 2002 season without any seniors and 16 freshman on the roster to start the year.

NMU finished 7-12-1 overall, but took fifth in the GLIAC with a 4-4-1 record.

Head coach Carl Gregor will return for his fourth season with the Wildcats.

Gregor has led NMU to its only two winning seasons in school history.

The team's leading scorers, senior forward Carolyn Kunas (six goals, five assists) and junior midfielder Rachel Vilders (10 goals, four assists) will also be back to lead the team for the 2003 campaign. Both players were named to the All-GLIAC women's soccer team. Kunas was on the first team, while Vilders made the second team.

Junior forward Kerri VanderVelden sophomore forward Michelle Gillespie junior forward Erica Graves also return to lead the Wildcat offense.

Junior defenseman Tara Baker will lead a defense that allowed 1.36 goals per game last season.

Senior goalkeeper Jamie Rocho will be back in net for her final season.

Rocho was the starting goalie for the final four games of the 2002 season and gave up only two goals.

She had an .889 save percentage last season and was 3-0-1. The Wildcats tried three other goalies last season before settling on Rocho to finish the year.



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MEN'S FOOTBALL AT A GLANCE

# Wildcats look to build off Sams' first season

The NMU football team looks to continue to improve its record under second-year head coach Doug Sams.

Last year NMU finished fifth in the GLIAC with a 6-4 record. The year only won four games in the prior season.

Sams came to NMU from Fairmount State College in West Virginia and instituted a West coast offense, featuring a heavy passing attack. In Sams first season, the team passed for 258 yards a game and averaged over 26 points. The Wildcats will return the leader of that offense, senior quarterback Kyle Swenor.

In Swenor's first season as a starter, he broke school records in

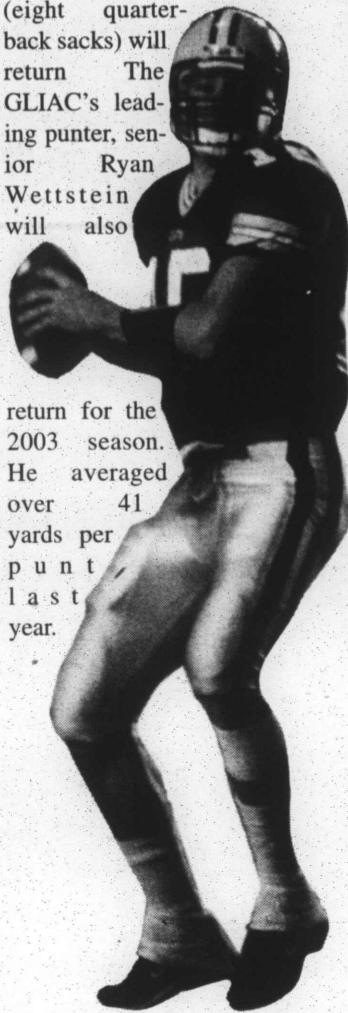
passing attempts, completions and yardage. Swenor passed for over 2,800 yards last year. ALL-GLIAC First Team receiver Brandon Munson was responsible for 950 of those yards, but Munson graduated at the end of the 2002 campaign.

However, senior wide receivers Pat Rouzard (64 catches, 622 yards) and Chris Messano (31 catches, 304 yards) will return to lead the offense as will four out of five starting offensive linemen.

The 'Cats will look to improve on the defensive side of the ball. Last year NMU allowed nearly 30 points per game. Leading tackler and senior mid-

dle linebacker Brandon Genwright (102 tackles) and senior defensive end Josh Sherko (eight quarterback sacks) will return. The GLIAC's leading punter, senior Ryan Wettstein will also

return for the 2003 season. He averaged over 41 yards per punt last year.



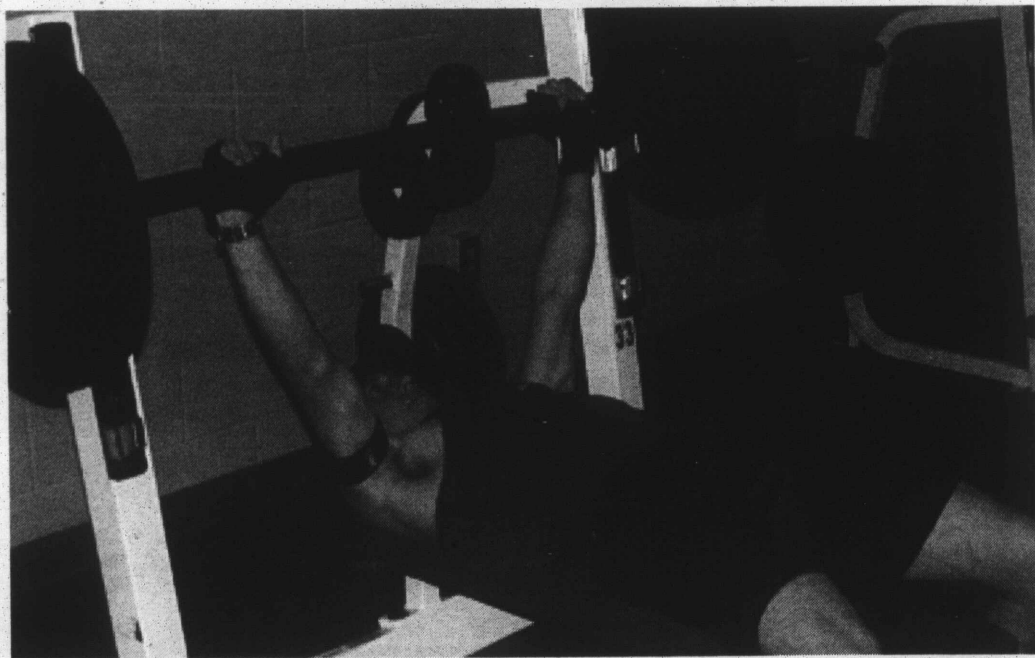
Scott Salisbury/NW  
Junior Quarterback Kyle Swenor

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<b>Sept. 27</b>	<b>Indianapolis</b>	<b>7 p.m.</b>
Oct 4	at Hillsdale	2 p.m.
<b>Oct 11</b>	<b>Grand Valley State</b>	<b>1 p.m.</b>
Oct. 18	at Ashland	1:25 p.m.
<b>Oct. 25</b>	<b>Wayne State</b>	<b>7 p.m.</b>
<b>Nov. 1</b>	<b>Michigan Tech</b>	<b>7 p.m.</b>
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