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Professors, administration still negotiating contracts

BY ROB HAMILTON
EDITOR IN CHIEF

NMU professors are continuing to work without a contract after their previous agreement with the administration ended on June 30.

The NMU chapter of the American Association of University Professors has been meeting with a team of administrators since early May to attempt to resolve differences between the two parties, said Brent Graves, AAUP's chief negotiator and NMU biology professor.

Professors are currently working under the terms of the previous contract on a day-to-day basis, but either side could terminate the agreement at any time, Graves said.

Graves declined to comment on the specifics of the negotiations, citing that both sides had agreed to confidentiality during the process. However, the AAUP made an Aug. 25 negotiation update to its 275 members available to the public

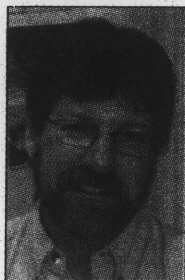
on its Web site, which stated that the two sides disagreed about faculty salary increases in the negotiations.

"The AAUP and administration positions are quite far apart in their salary proposals," Graves said in the update.

The Budget Alternative Committee made recommendations last March that called for no increase in professor salaries.

The average salary increase for faculty from state universities for the 2003-04 academic year was 3.25 percent, the update said.

NMU faculty were the second most highly compensated of ten peer institutions in Michigan in 1996; if the faculty were to accept the BAC proposal, they would drop to seventh this year, the update stated.



Graves

"Our faculty has lost quite a bit of ground during the last six years with regard to total compensation compared to our peer institutions," Graves said in the update. "We do not intend to continue this trend."

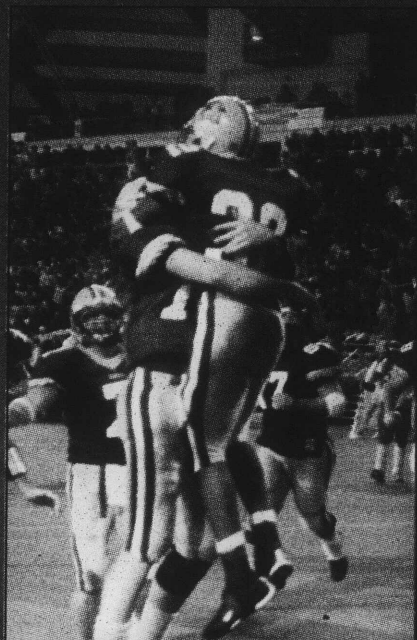
The administration invested in the quality of the university through numerous building and reconstruction projects around campus and salary increases to administrators who have taken on larger responsibilities, the update said.

"The AAUP maintains that equal attention must be paid to investments in faculty," Graves said in the update. "We cannot attract or retain high quality faculty with the lowest salaries among our peer institutions, while asking those faculty to continue to be the most productive in the state."

Negotiations also continue in regard to faculty benefits, faculty evaluation of department heads, inclusion of graduate thesis, research and practicum credits in

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Service groups now neighbors

BY MARY ANN CANCELLA
STAFF REPORTER

Pregnancy Services and Planned Parenthood may now be sharing the same block on Third Street, but in terms of views on reproductive health care the two organizations are worlds apart.

Pregnancy Services recently moved from 1109 N. Third St. to 1213 N. Third St. — right next door to Planned Parenthood. Pregnancy Services is a pro-life organization, while Planned Parenthood is pro-choice. In May, Pregnancy Services began operating from their new location. Pregnancy Services Peer Counselor Judith Hintsala said it is merely coincidence that Pregnancy Services ended up purchasing the building next to Planned Parenthood.

One of the reasons Pregnancy Services chose the new location was so they could expand their services. Hintsala said the organization will soon be adding trained medical personnel to their staff as well as the equipment needed to perform an ultra-sound. Every woman who receives a positive pregnan-



Allison Tyndall N/W

Pregnancy Services, a pro-life organization, recently moved into a new office which neighbors pro-choice Planned Parenthood. Pregnancy services Peer Counselor Judith Hintsala said there is no animosity between the services.

cy test will then also be given an ultrasound, Hintsala said. Another reason Pregnancy Services chose to move, was that they were given the option to buy the building, Hintsala said. She said in previous years the organization only

rented buildings and changed locations a total of five times.

Pregnancy Services offers assistance to the public free of charge. Pregnancy Services is a volunteer organization.

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Education campaign begins

BY BEN PADUA
STAFF WRITER

In response to Michigan's budget woes and cuts to higher education, ASNMU has launched a letter writing campaign to raise awareness among taxpayers on state government spending and stop further cuts to universities.

The campaign, entitled "H.E.L.P. — The Higher Education Letter Project", seeks letters composed by students, faculty and other taxpayers to Gov. Granholm and the speaker of the house in Lansing.

The letters will be submitted from October 20 through 24. The goal is to submit 2000 letters statewide.

"The campaign is to be a student-led initiative which will hopefully reach taxpayers in all communities," said ASNMU President Kyle Ortiz, who spearheaded the project. "Putting more money into higher education will help the state save money in the long run. The cuts short us as a generation."

A great amount of research has been done to shed light on the financial effects of cuts

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the faculty teaching load and compensation for web-based courses, the update stated.

Graves concluded the update by asking the members of the union to discuss these issues with their representatives.

"Stick together; united we bargain — divided we beg," he said.

The AAUP removed the update from its Web site on Sept. 2

The previous agreement between the two sides lasted three years. The AAUP would like the contract to be the same length, but that it is also negotiable, Graves said.

"Contract negotiation is a fluid process, and we will not know the result on any single issue until we have an agreement on the whole contract," Graves said.

Acting Chief Financial Officer Gavin Leach declined to comment about the negotiating process or issues concerning faculty salaries.

Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs Fred Joyal also

declined to comment on specifics of the negotiating process, but said the negotiating process is continuing.

"The start of school slowed things down and each side had some people with prior commitments during the first two weeks (of the semester)," Joyal said.

He said the negotiations would resume next week and he hoped the two sides would be able to come to an agreement soon.

AAUP President and Business Professor Carol A. Johnson declined to comment on the negotiations. The team of AAUP negotiators includes Graves, Johnson, associate professor of library academic services Krista Clumpner and English professor Ray Ventre.

A new contract will not go into effect until the NMU Board of Trustees and AAUP union members approves the agreement, Graves said.

"Both sides are working toward a contract that will make NMU a stronger university," Graves said. "We negotiate because we have different perspectives on how to achieve that goal."

FOR THE RECORD: In the Aug. 28 issue of The North Wind, the story on Public Radio-90 and Public TV-13 should have stated that next year, the university will only be able to invest about \$250,000 for the stations, not \$550,000.

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to higher education. It is the lower classes who suffer most because the cuts decrease their chance to go to college, Ortiz said. Currently, the Michigan Department of Corrections department receives only \$300,000 more than state universities, he said.

Ortiz said the campaign will not work if other schools are not involved. ASNMU hopes all fifteen state-funded schools in Michigan will get involved, as well as outside of Michigan.

For Northern to stay on the cutting edge with education, the university needs more assistance than what the inflation rate provides in increases, said Ed Niemi, dean of students.

Niemi said NMU has trimmed costs of schooling by using technology to increase efficiency.

However, students are graduating with more debt than ever due to increasing reliance on loans, leaving graduates poor upon graduation, he said.

"The state doesn't often hear students' voices, and this campaign offers young voters an opportunity to speak out and shed light on these things," Niemi said. "I'm very proud of ASNMU for having leadership in this."

By the date of the first wave of letters, Ortiz said he hopes to have computers set up in the University Center so students can e-mail or send letters via the postal service.

For information, statistics and other ways to get involved, please visit www.helphighered.org.

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Their services include pregnancy tests, prenatal and life-changing counseling, after-birth support, maternity clothing and baby items up through the age of two. The staff at Pregnancy Services is also trained in post-abortion healing for both men and women, Hintsala said.

She said although Pregnancy Services' views are pro-life, they offer information on a wide spectrum of issues. She said the organization is able to provide information on abortion, contraceptives and STDs. She added that Pregnancy Services also offers information on the dangers of abortion and birth control.

While Pregnancy Services and Planned Parenthood are not based on the same view, the two agencies say there is no animosity between them.

"It is not a competition," Hintsala said. "We are not here to take [Planned Parenthood's] patients. We believe the individual has the right to choose."

Carol Carr, the community development director for Planned Parenthood, said her only concern with having Pregnancy Services located next door is that it may cause confusion. "Someone may get confused about where they are going," Carr said. "[Planned Parenthood and Pregnancy Services] have two very different philosophies."

She said some of the major differences between the two organizations is that Planned Parenthood provides actual health care and is pro-choice. She said that a patient would not be able to get contraceptives from Pregnancy Services.

Planned Parenthood offers comprehensive reproductive health care and annual exams. In addition, Planned Parenthood concentrates on prevention and education on unwanted pregnancy, STDs and healthy sex.

Anyone wishing to contact Planned Parenthood may call 225-5070. Pregnancy Services may be reached at 228-7750.

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BRIEFS

Local

School begins without contracts

MARQUETTE — Marquette Area Public Schools began class on Tuesday, even though teachers do not have contracts. Negotiations ran for 14 hours on Saturday and talks continued on Sunday and Monday. The school board held a special session Tuesday for a negotiation update from Marquette Schools Superintendent Patrick Smith. Both sides have said they would not report details from the negotiations. Teachers are currently working on a day-to-day observance of the previous contract. Meanwhile, Tuesday was the first day of classes for more than 3,000 Marquette schoolchildren.

National

Death sentences may be appealed

SAN FRANCISCO — The Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit, located in San Francisco, said Tuesday that over 100 death sentences need to be overturned because of a 2002 Supreme Court ruling that states only juries can impose the death penalty. The decision affects only the cases occurring in Arizona, Idaho and Montana where death sentences were imposed by judges. Colorado, Nebraska and the other three states have changed their laws so that only juries may impose the death sentence. The focus of the Court of Appeals case was whether the high court ruling was retroactive to include those who have previously had death sentences imposed.

International

One dead, 26 injured by bombing

BAGHDAD, Iraq — One Iraqi police officer was killed and 26 others were injured outside of Baghdad police headquarters Tuesday morning by a bomb placed in a pickup truck. The bomb went off in a parking lot about 20 feet from the window of Police Chief Hassan Ali. If Ali would have been at his desk at the time of the bombing, he would have been killed. A security lapse occurred around the building when guards left their post to collect their pay, prompting the driver of the car bomb to park within meters of the chief's office. The bombing occurred as the United States Central Command declared that on Monday two more American soldiers were killed and one was wounded in other attacks.

Weird News

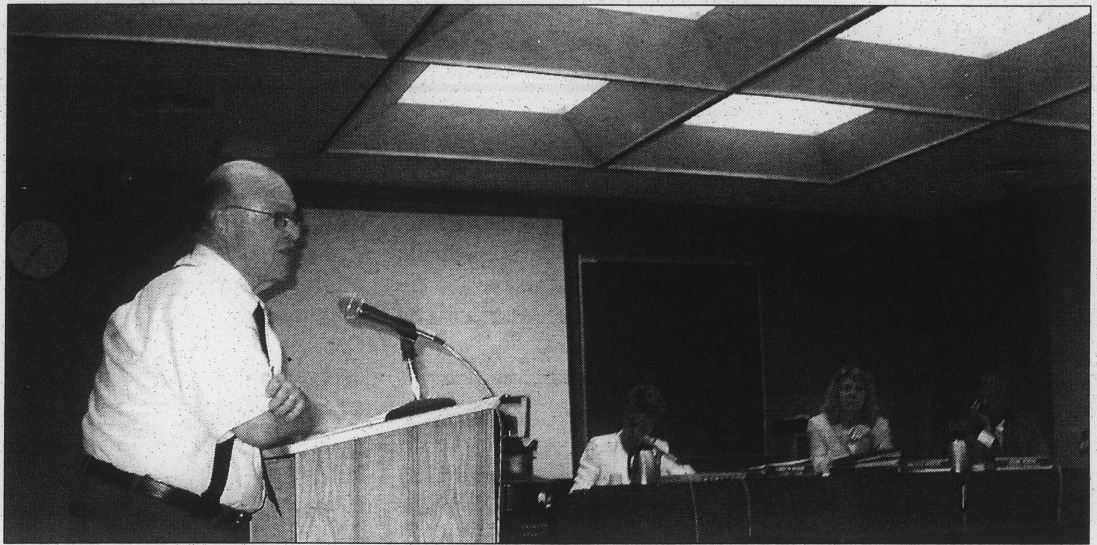
Stolen unit leads to man's arrest

JANESVILLE, Wis. — Police have arrested a 40-year-old man and charged him for stealing a computerized tracking device. The \$2,500 tracking device, a little larger than a brick, was being used by a woman on home detention. When the woman left the device outside of her home, the thief stole it. Because the device notifies police when it is taken out of the prisoner's home area, the police were tracking the device when the woman called to report it stolen. A correctional officer then tracked the device on his home computer, leading authorities to the apartment where the man was captured. "He apparently didn't know what he had because he would be awfully stupid to steal a tracking device," said Officer Thomas Roth.

— Compiled from news sources

MARQUETTE AREA WEATHER FORECAST

| Friday | Saturday | Sunday |
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| Mostly Sunny | Partly Cloudy | Sunny |
| High: 72 | High: 66 | High: 64 |
| Low: 50 | Low: 47 | Low: 45 |
| UV Index: moderate | UV Index: moderate | UV Index: moderate |



Josh Johnson/NW

County residents expressed concern over possible cuts to the Marquette County Sheriff's Department at the board of commissioners meeting Tuesday. The department may lose 13 deputies.

Sheriff faces deep cuts

BY JOSH JOHNSON
NEWS EDITOR

The Marquette County Sheriff's Department faces potential cuts which may reduce its budget by 82 percent to alleviate the county's budget deficit.

Board of Commissioners Chairman Gerald Corkin said the cuts to the department were determined by the county administrator. The aspects of the department to be cut were deemed discretionary and non-mandated, Corkin said.

The cuts, scheduled to take effect Jan. 1, 2004, would eliminate 13 road patrol deputies from the Sheriff's Department, said Sheriff Michael Lovelace in a letter to county residents and media.

Among the 13 potential positions to be cut are two resident deputies at K.I. Sawyer, two traffic enforcement deputies, a deputy detective and a D.A.R.E. officer, Lovelace said.

If the cuts were to take place, Lovelace said four deputies would remain with the department, effectively eliminating road patrols and shifting that responsibility to the Michigan State Police, Marquette City Police and local township police

departments.

Assistant Director of Police Services Jeffrey Mincheff said the potential cuts would not affect Public Safety, as they work with the city police more than the Sheriff's Department.

However, Mincheff said the potential cuts would slow response times and reduce the safety of county residents.

"I hope it doesn't happen," Mincheff said. "It would be devastating for the deputies who would lose their jobs."

Senior secondary education – social studies major Andy Crunkleton said he occasionally sees sheriff's deputies on patrol near his residence six miles north of Marquette on County Road 550. Crunkleton said he does not feel the potential cuts would affect him. If a medical emergency arose, EMS from the city would arrive regardless, he said.

In a Sept. 2 meeting of the Marquette County Board of Commissioners, community members and members of the sheriff's department attended to voice concerns over the potential cuts.

Marquette resident Michael Quayle said other areas for cuts were overlooked by the board,

such as relinquishing control of the county airport to the private sector.

During the meeting, the board approved a lease agreement with Pioneer Square Mall, where the Ishpeming District Court resides. Commissioner Bill Nordeen of Gwinn motioned to table the recommendation until further information on the budgetary situation was discussed.

The recommendation to approve the lease passed, 7 to 2, eliciting reactions from Nordeen and others present at the meeting concerning the act of county expenditure while the cuts for the sheriff's department remain.

Marquette resident Phyllis Loonsfoot disagreed with the passing of the recommendation.

"It's appalling to me as a resident of this county that special interests take precedent over the safety of the residents of this county," she said. "The residents of Marquette County should seriously consider some recall efforts."

Corkin defended the move as an overwhelming decision by the board to maintain the third busiest court in the Upper Peninsula. The cost of the lease is \$51,000 per year, he said.

Hitting the books



Allison Tyndall/NW

Sophomore nursing major Sunni Dalgord studies in a lounge in the New Science Facility.

Art and Design, TFA bids confirmed

BY HEATHER SOLGOT
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Construction bids were received on Aug. 22 and confirmed this week for the Russell Thomas Fine Arts Building and the Art and Design North Building.

The low bidder for TFA was Boldt construction of Wisconsin, CAD/GIS Manager Jim Thams said. The low bidder for the Art and Design North Building is Menze Construction Company

from Marquette, CAD Specialist Brandon Sager said.

Because TFA and the Art and Design building were originally one project, companies were allowed to make estimates on them as a whole.

To give local companies a chance at taking on parts of the project, companies were allowed to bid on either the TFA portion of the project or the Art and Design portion of the project.

"A lot of the local contractors don't have the resources to do the

larger jobs (such as the Art and Design North Building)," Thams said.

The next step for the project was to evaluate both bids. The Engineering and Planning Department called the low bidders and asked them a series of questions, Thams said.

The TFA and Art and Design projects are capital outlay projects.

This means that the projects are partially funded by the State of Michigan. The total cost of the

project is \$21.23 million. The university will pay \$5.3 million.

All capitol outlay projects must be approved by the State of Michigan. The university will present the bids of the apparent low bidders to the State of Michigan, Thams said.

After the State of Michigan approves the bids, the university can award the projects.

Thams and Sager expect the projects to be awarded by the middle of September.

The TFA project includes upgrades which will meet current energy standards, Sager said.

The project also calls for a remodeling that will create classrooms and faculty offices to deal with increasing enrollment, he said.

The Forest Roberts Theatre will not be affected by the project. The only portion of the TFA building which will remain open is the part of the building with the band and choral rooms, Sager said.

The band and choral rooms are phase two of the TFA project. Work will not begin on phase two until next December, Sager said.

Meanwhile, the music department has been relocated to Magers and McClintock, he said.

The contractor is required to provide a protected walkway in

front of TFA, Sager said. The protected walkway will allow students to continue to use the sidewalk area in front of TFA as a short cut from the University Center and Gries to Jamrich and the academic mall.

The Art and Design North project includes a 67,000 square foot addition to the building for faculty offices, classrooms, work and critique rooms as well as a gallery. The gallery will have a façade made of rise-ink with a silver metal finish.

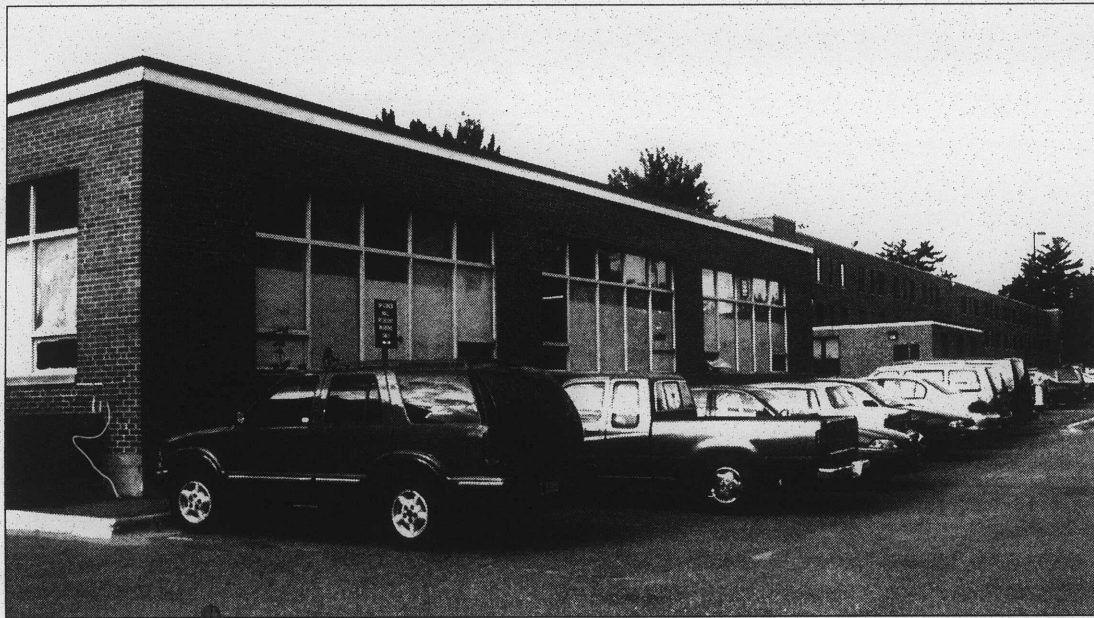
During construction, the existing building will remain in use and there will be pedestrian access to the building.

After construction, the Art and Design department will move to the Art and Design Building.

Currently, the Art and Design department is located in Art and Design North.

During construction on the Art and Design building, Lot 2 will be closed to the university and open to the contractor only. Spooner Hall residents will be able to park in the north end of Lot 12 and faculty will be able to park in Lot 13.

DeVere Construction will be constructing connectors between Hedgecock and TFA and TFA and Art and Design by DeVere Construction, Thams said.



Kelly Adams/NW

Due to construction on Thomas Fine Arts and Art and Design North, Lot 2 behind Spooner Hall will soon close to students and faculty. Spooner Hall residents and faculty will park in Lots 12 and 13.

Downloading policy and filters stay unchanged

BY TOM MURPHY
STAFF REPORTER

The online downloading situation remains unchanged at Northern Michigan University.

Director of Technical Services David Maki said despite talks last April of installing filters that would stop the act of illegally downloading copyrighted files using programs such as Morpheus and Kazaa, no action has been taken as of yet.

"Nothing has changed," Maki said. "If you wish to participate in illegal activity then it's up to you."

However, Maki said that students need to be aware of the possible repercussions of downloading copyrighted files illegally. He said it is not the responsibility of the university to police downloads which occur on campus.

However, the Recording Industry Association of America may pursue students who illegally download at their own risk, he said.

In May, four U.S. college students paid over \$10,000 each to the RIAA for illegally distributing downloaded music files on college campuses, according to

BBC news.

ASNMU President Kyle Ortiz said just because the university is not going to stop students from downloading illegally does not mean they are safe from legal action.

Students still have to be aware that everything done on NMU's server is recorded and will be turned over to authorities if questioned, he said.

Ortiz said although it is illegal to download copyrighted files, the RIAA is more concerned with the major servers of illegal downloading and not so much the students who just download music.

"It's kind of like drug dealing," Ortiz said. "The ones who serve it up are the ones who are going to get in the most trouble."

Ortiz said the RIAA sends e-mails to Vice President of Academic Affairs Fred Joyal and Interim President Mike Roy with a list of names and IP addresses of students who are downloading illegally.

Despite the fact that it is illegal, many students still download copyrighted files using the university's server.

Sophomore business major Matt McKellar said students

should be able to download songs off of the Internet.

"If I really support a band, or I like a band that is still underground I'll buy their album," McKellar said. "But CDs are expensive. I need that \$16 or \$20 more than some rich band."

McKellar said being able to download music has helped him become more educated about different kinds of music.

"It really opens up a lot of doors for me musically," McKellar said. "If you want to learn more about an artist it helps when the music is readily accessible."

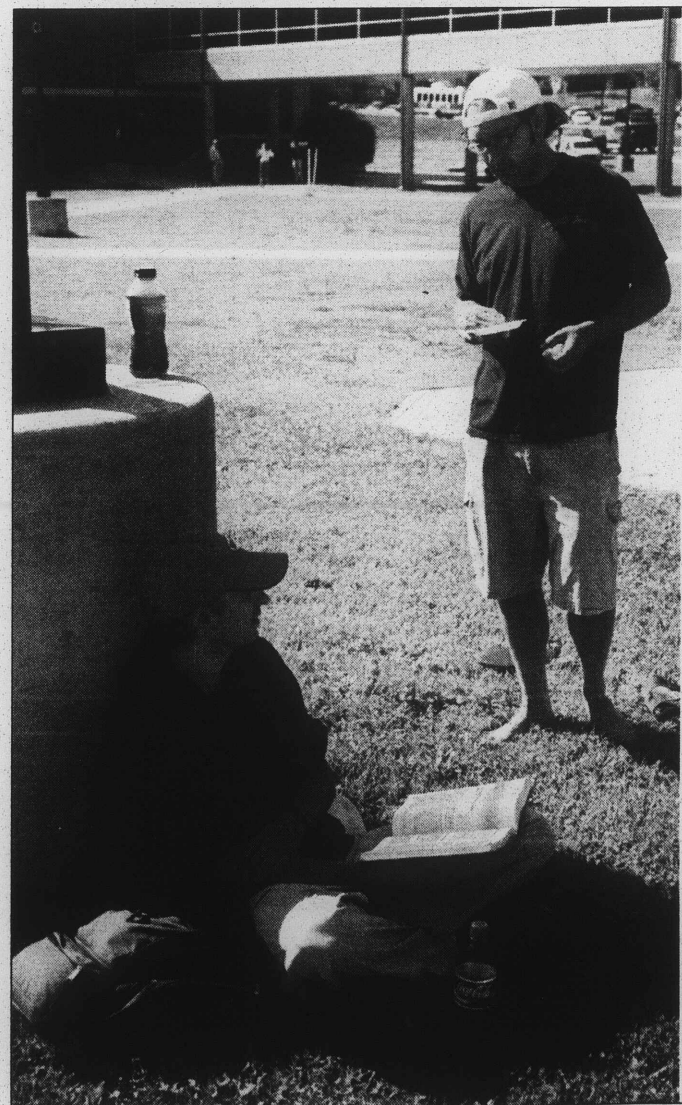
Ortiz said although no filters have been put in place, downloading limitations do exist.

In the past, NMU administration has closed channels because the activities they needed to do online were being hampered by so much traffic on the server, he said.

During the day, Internet channels are shrunk so bigger files like MP3s go slowly, he said. Those channels are opened up at night.

Ortiz said this process is not new and was used at times last year.

Soak up the sun



Allison Tyndall/NW

Senior environmental science major Dave Schepis and senior physical geography major Franki Kreitner enjoy the weather.

Speaker to talk on dating scene

BY SCOTT SWANSON
STAFF REPORTER

NMU students will have the opportunity to examine the modern dating experience from a different angle when an acclaimed author and speaker on the subject visits campus next week.

Primetype Productions will present "Can I Kiss You? Dating, Communication, Respect and Sexual Assault Awareness," featuring Mike Domitrz at 7:30 p.m. on Sept. 8 in Jamrich 102.

According to his Web site, www.healthy-dating.com, Domitrz has been traveling to campuses across the country since 1990, using crowd interaction and humor to explore the lighter side of collegiate dating.

Domitrz shares the story of his sister's brutal rape to convey how quickly situations can become dangerous.

"It's essentially about dating and communication, and getting the audience to think about it in a different and fun way," said Rebecca Griffith, a training and development graduate student and Primetype Productions member.

Domitrz promotes audience participation by role-playing situations and involving students in discussions, even encouraging them to disagree with his views.

His Web site claims his program doesn't rely on statistics and studies, but on personal experiences and conversations with college students and their parents.

"He considers himself to be an

inspirational comedian," said Jessica Vining, sophomore environmental science major and Primetype member. "Hopefully, you will walk out of there feeling more secure about dating in today's life."

Griffith said Primetype elected to bring Domitrz to campus because it had been a few years since someone who specialized in dating and sexual assault had visited Northern.

"My friend and I saw him at a National Association for Campus Activities conference, and he really seemed to captivate the audience," Griffith said. "He provides a positive message."

Domitrz had his book "May I Kiss You? A Candid Look at Dating, Communication, Respect, and Sexual Assault Awareness" published this year, and is also the author of several published articles.

He was named as one of the Outstanding Young Men of America in 1996, and in 1992 was honored as one of the Top 10 College Entrepreneurs in the USA.

At the 2002 NACA West Regional Conference, he was awarded the Best Associate Member Educational Session for the "Can I Kiss You?" program.

Domitrz has presented programs at Villanova University, the University of Wisconsin and Kent State University, among others, and has appeared on England's BBC Radio and numerous local radio and television stations across the U.S.

For more information, visit Domitrz's Web site, www.healthy-dating.com.

Tour sings hope for ill

BY SHELLY RUSPAKKA
STAFF WRITER

A "Tour of Hope" concert to bring light to the struggles of those with mental illness will take place at 7:30 p.m., on Sept. 12 in the Great Lakes Rooms in the University Center.

The concert is hosted by the Superior Alliance for Independent Living, and the Marquette-Alger National Alliance for the Mentally Ill.

The concert brings folk and pop music together in an effort to raise public awareness of mental health issues, SAIL Project Coordinator Janice Peterson said.

"The best medicine (for mental illness) is to become aware and appreciate the abilities of people with mental illnesses and their creativity," Peterson said.

Canadian folk song writer James Gordon and Sandy Horne, a Juno award-winning bass guitarist, will highlight the night's music, said Gordon's agent Pat Stinson.

The "Tour of Hope" is an ongoing, two-year mission bringing a sense of hope to those dealing with mental health issues, Gordon said.

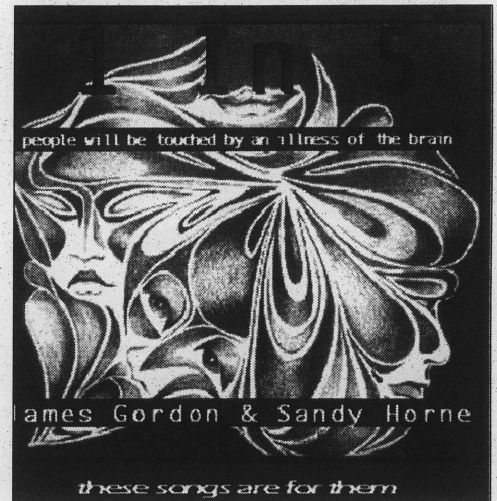
He said this is the first year the tour has taken place, and the songs are based off of his album "One in Five." The album was named based on the statistic that one in five people will develop a mental illness at some point in his or her life, Gordon said.

"The best medicine (for mental illness) is to become aware and appreciate the abilities of people with mental illnesses and their creativity."

— Janice Peterson
SAIL Project Coordinator

Approximately a dozen of the songs performed will be directly from the album, but Gordon said the night will incorporate some humor as well.

Gordon said the humorous songs will pro-



vide some contrast to those dealing with mental health issues.

Peterson said some of Gordon's music reflects experience with the tour because his son is suffering from mental illness.

Gordon hopes to leave the audience with a positive feeling about mental illnesses. He wants to share a sense of hope with those dealing with mental health issues. He also wants to help them realize that there are organizations and support groups which deal with mental illness.

SAIL is an organization that deals with discrimination issues, referrals and advocacy for people with mental disabilities, Peterson said.

NAMI is also a mental health organization primarily in charge of support groups for mental health patients and their loved ones.

The NAMI support groups meet once a month, she said.

Local bluegrass band Frostbitten Grass will open the night of music.

The concert is open to all students, faculty and community members. Donations of \$10 will be accepted at the door.

For more information on SAIL and the "Tour of Hope" concert series visit SAIL's Web site at <http://www.upsail.org>. For more information on NAMI, visit the NAMI Web site at <http://mi.nami.org>.

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EDITORIAL

A chance to be heard

When the Budget Alternatives Committee recommendations were announced last semester, many students were angered because their concerns were not addressed before the cuts were introduced.

ASNMU was not represented in any of the BAC meetings and many students felt they had little say in where their tuition money was going.

This year students have been given a chance to be heard from the start. ASNMU has started a program that has the possibility to not only affect university budget issues at NMU, but impact funding to higher education statewide.

ASNMU has initiated the "The Higher Education Letter Project," which seeks to regain funding to higher education by sending the governor and the speaker of the house individual letters which tell the effects budget cuts have towards campus communities and emphasize the importance of higher education.

A letter may seem like a small token of disapproval, but never underestimate the power of the pen. If this campaign is successful and ASNMU reaches its goal of 2000 letters between Oct. 20 through 24, state legislators must listen to our concerns.

Many times, when cuts are being considered, the criticism state legislators will receive for a decision, which could sway voters, has a big impact on what decisions are made.

Tuition has increased nine percent at four-year institutions over the past two fiscal years, according to highereducation.org.

This is much higher than the current inflation rate and is not just because universities have given more money to their administrators. Our state government continues to take away money from those who are striving to make the future better — the educated.

Northern students should take advantage of this campaign and make it successful. The best way to decrease costs and make higher education more valued in the state of Michigan is to let state leaders know our disapproval and tell them we will be heard.

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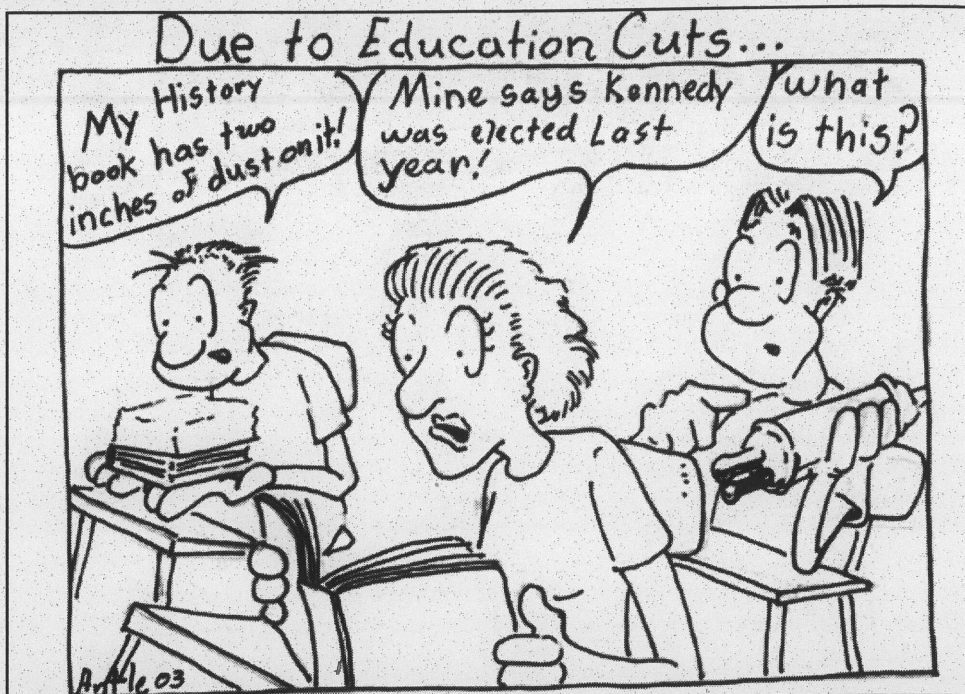
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DARPA's sci-fi future

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BY JEREMIAH BRITT

Forget the war as a target for disgust and fear or support and hope. Such an endeavor need not even have clearly defined causes to spark debate; whatever our true goals for starting it, we can easily throw the outcomes (or lack thereof) onto piles of pro and con: freedom of the Iraqi people, MIA WMD, the questionable justifiability of the deaths of civilians.

Protesters have a new quest, a new beast to destroy in defense of the maiden of free thinking America: DARPA (The Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency).

The naivete of the average citizen is understandable. For one thing, DARPA was named by a bunch of government bureaucrats and not, say, Philip K. Dick, so the name lacks the punch that it could have. But beware, for a mad-scientist Research and Development branch of the Department of Defense by any other name would smell as crazy.

I am going to take a break from my normal hyperbolic rant of nonsense and actually skirt the borders of a serious topic. The projects and programs outlined below are not exaggerated in anyway, nor are any added for comedic effect.

It makes me wonder if the government has seen or read any science fiction movie or story ever.

DARPA has gotten a little bit of press for various "informational gathering" programs that made the Big Brother concept sound frighteningly real, such as a LifeLog, which was a spyware program that would record every computer activity performed by a person and write it as a "story."

Many of these informational programs were discarded or put on the back burner after it was discovered that the American public actually liked

having privacy.

Insert shocked gasp here.

More recently, it received no small amount of anger for their ill-fated application of a stock market model onto possible terrorist targets.

"Investors" could bet on which target would most likely be attacked by terrorist activity, creating a very accurate, but utterly inhumane method of prediction.

This program was also dropped.

But these are by far not the most frightening projects, as it seems that DARPA stays out of the limelight by quickly conceding any offensive activities and apparently bowing out gracefully. Currently, they have a series of programs which would create "super-soldiers," such as mechanical exoskeletons that could increase strength and speed. Other projects range from chemical and medical treatments that would enable a soldier to stay awake for days and fight well after receiving mortal wounds, to directly wiring the soldier's brain to the tank or helicopter he or she is piloting.

They also hope to create the powerful lasers that have been promised to us by a host of Star Wars movies, finally making that leap from a lecturer's pointer to anti-missile warfare.

They have already made some headway into the futuristic warfare front: a self-healing minefield. Anti-tank mines

(not anti-personnel at least) are spread across a battlefield.

They then communicate each other's relative positions, creating a network. If the field is breached, such as a path cleared, the mines calculate the most efficient way to close the gap, and then move to fill it.

The most interesting thing about this is how underreported it all is. One would think that with our so-called "liberal-media," which loves to find conspiracy and all sorts of yellow-tinted journalism, that DARPA would be ripe for the plundering. But, with a few exceptions, it is frighteningly absent from the headlines, even from the lips of a college population dominated by the liberal, anarchistic, and generally anti-government.

Also, these aren't some top-secret projects that I've dug up. These are honest, up front programs listed and described in a friendly and interactive Flash-environment online.

This is frightening not only because of the apparent ease with which they have "hidden in plain view," but also because I am a paranoid fool and wonder if these are what they are telling us up front? What are the keeping from us — 30 foot monkey robots with whirling blades of death? A disease that turns all men into cheese?

On the other hand, any advances we make help keep our soldiers safe; also raising the bar for other countries. The increasing intelligence and cunning of technological warfare is something worth worrying about. Or celebrating, as it were, depending on your bent.

For more information, I invite you to go to www.darpa.mil.

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

Appreciate loved ones

About a month ago my mom was diagnosed with thyroid cancer for the third time in her life.

The first two times she had the cancer removed through surgery, I was too young to understand the severity of the situation.

At the ages of four and nine I was still innocent and harbored enough to not fully perceive the finality and harshness that sometimes go hand in hand with a disease like cancer.

But now, at 24, I am fully aware of the possible outcomes and this has made me realize how easy it is to take for granted the people we hold closest.

Sometimes it isn't easy to see past all the things that drive us out of our minds, and just appreciate the people our parents are.

College is a time in most peoples' lives when they are just breaking out into the world and trying to gain independence.

Parents are usually the ones still trying to tell us what to do, still sitting by the phone somewhere worrying about every little hair on our heads, driving us crazy in the process.

I am the baby in the family, and this has made the normal transition into adulthood even more difficult.

After my second year of school, both of my parents retired. Shortly after that they moved from our home in the Northern Lower Peninsula to the U.P. — only about an hour away from me.

I love my parents very

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BY MARY ANN CANCELLA

much, but the thought of them being only a short drive away made me nervous.

Now they'd be able to visit without warning, expect me to be able drop whatever I was doing and meet them for lunch; most importantly they would be able to check up on me whenever they wanted.

Great, I thought to myself then, now I'll have to always make sure everything is clean, and of course stash all the beer bottles — heaven forbid my parents should ever think their only daughter drinks alcohol.

My dad has always been protective, and the fact that I am now 24 has not changed the raised eyebrows and concerned tone in his voice.

When my father found out I had gotten a tattoo he didn't speak, or even look at me for that matter, for hours.

When I got my nose pierced he told me he never should have sent me away to college.

What crazy ideas a place like college puts in your mind. He was of course, half-kidding.

My father also detests most journalists, my chosen profession, and tells me just how crooked many of them

are. But, interesting enough, he still reads every one of my stories.

Because, even after our worst arguments my dad will crack a smile, I am after all his daughter and he loves me regardless of all the crazy, stupid, irresponsible things I have done in my life.

And even though the way he sings to himself at the break of dawn, or the way my mom gets all emotional over, well anything, makes me nuts, I love them.

Sometimes it isn't easy to see past all the things that drive us out of our minds, and just appreciate the people our parents are.

And if they weren't here, even the most irritating things they do would be missed.

The fact is, someday I will have to let my parents go, but not yet. So why not endure the bad singing, the serious advice, the unexpected visits, keeping in mind that someday we won't have the option.

For now, I am waiting on the test results of my mom's biopsy to find out if the cancer has spread into other parts of her body.

I don't remember much about the last time my mom had cancer, I guess I probably didn't know what cancer was. I was lucky then.

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

SOUND OFF Do you plan on participating in club/intermural sports?



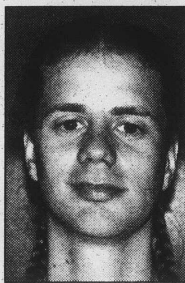
Melissa Cech
freshman, nursing

"Yes."



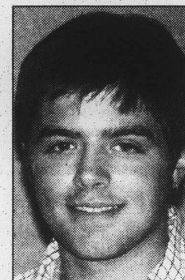
Adria Danis
junior, elementary education

"Yes, I plan on participating in the NMU Figure Skating Club. This will be my second year and I will be skating individually and on the synchronized team."



Thomas DuBach
senior, CS networking

"No, my other interests will be keeping me busy."



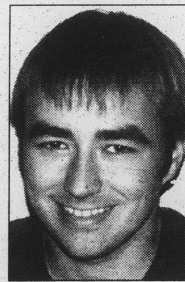
Anthony Dupras
sophomore, secondary education

"Possibly."



Layla Khoury - Hanold
senior, marketing/French

"I have participated in intramurals in the past, but I have three night classes, so my schedule won't really permit it."



Chris Taylor
freshman, construction management

"No plans to, yet."

— Compiled by Allison Tyndall

Small town Marquette goes name-brand

While the community puts the finishing touches on Pier 1 and Kohl's, I can't help but reflect on when I came up here as a freshman.

Since that time I've seen Marquette evolve into a more commercialized city and lose its small town feel.

Just four years ago, there was no Applebee's, Super Wal-Mart, Target, Starbucks or Fazoli's.

There was the Boom Boom Room — the bar attached to the bowling alley which is now replaced by the Hong Kong Buffet, a corporate Asian food chain. Big Boy, was the place where starving students frequented at the wee hours of the morning after long nights of partying and bar hopping. Cosmic Charlie's, which is now Urban Edge in the Westwood Mall, was located next door to the Back Room on Front Street and the

Back Room didn't do piercings back then.

Back in the day, there were more bars to choose from rather than the usual Shamrock and Upfront because The Auora was the place to be on a Wednesday night when undergrads were looking for a place to dance and socialize with their legal peers. There was Kmart, one of the only superstores available to shop, which was put out of business by other superstores such as Target and Wal-Mart.

These businesses which have failed gave Marquette its own unique feel.

However, now it seems chain corporations are popping up all over the community to compensate for this loss and businesses that used to be staples in the Marquette community have been reduced to memories.

Just recently talks have been

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BY YONIKA WILLIS

in the works of shutting down the Wooden Nickel — a staple some consider an eyesore — but nevertheless an establishment in the community that will also be lost with time.

Being from one of the largest suburbs of Chicago, I am very familiar with chain stores flourishing on almost every street corner, however, I'd like to be able to appreciate them at home where I left them.

One thing I admired about

Marquette when looking for a school was the small town feel it possessed.

Although I remember thinking that I would really have to adjust to Marquette's "primitive" way of living compared to that of my hometown, it's something I've grown to appreciate about this community.

I will admit that I am a Starbucks-a-holic and I was thrilled when it finally came to Marquette, but in the three years I was up here prior to its opening, I had grown used to it being something I could only appreciate at home. Now, it seems there's almost no difference between the things I've left at home and those that are up here.

Two separate worlds are colliding.

The presence of these commercialized corporations is devaluing Marquette and reduc-

ing it to a town just like any other.

These companies don't necessarily need to be here in order for Marquette to thrive.

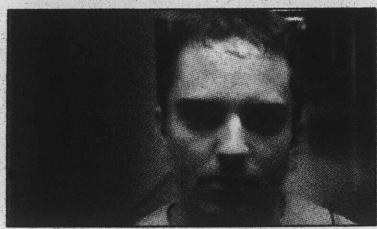
Of course Marquette will always have its hunting and its lakeside location and all of the outdoor activities that come along with it — that's a constant, but if I had wanted to attend college in a town just like any other town I know, I wouldn't have traveled seven hours up to the U.P. to get away from the hustle and bustle of a commercialized corporate America.

Just bring a few sushi houses up here and put an Abercrombie and Fitch in the mall and Marquette is well on its way to corporate commercialization.

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

NMU presidential spot stigmatized

FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH



BY TRAVIS MARGONI

The search is on. As you should know, Northern Michigan University is looking for a new president. The Presidential Search Advisory Committee was formed by the NMU Board of Trustees in the spring, and a consulting firm has been hired to seek and recruit potential candidates for NMU's top spot.

I've heard grumblings from many groups of people who say former NMU President Judi Bailey turned her back on the university during financial hardship, as the budget cuts dug deep into programs and departments at NMU. These same people criticized Bailey for accepting a \$42,000 pay raise in 2001 that brought her salary to \$200,000 per year.

The animosity toward Bailey for leaving NMU confuses me. She's now at a Division I school, Western Michigan University. She is in a community that won't hate her for her salary, but will welcome her as the next leader of WMU. And, her contract in the new position is worth over \$300,000.

Goodbye critics, goodbye Marquette. While I never viewed Bailey's personal finances as deterring from her ability to lead NMU, I do believe she had leadership qualities that needed improvement. She had numerous strengths, too — her diligent work to retain money through state appropriations helped the university function effectively from year to year.

However, I must revert to a couple of Bailey's final presentations at NMU, the announcements of the Budget Alternatives Committee recommendations. Bailey and the BAC gave two presentations on March 20. The first was a direct, sincere presentation to the community, faculty and staff, many of whom would be affected by the budget cuts. The second presentation was aimed at students — a good communication idea in theory. However, seeing both presentations, I was taken aback by the different approaches made by Bailey. The student presentation was dummed down, reduced to simple eighth-grade metaphors.

I felt insulted. Then, it dawned on me that Bailey was just too out of touch with students to realize our level of comprehension. She had no way to measure her audience, her students.

A good university needs a president who understands students in numerous ways, from different socioeconomic backgrounds to advisement needs to eating disorders to drug and alcohol use. That knowledge is a key to building and maintaining a flexible staff suited to meeting student needs academically and socially.

NMU interim president Mike Roy hasn't decided whether he'll put his name in for the job or not. Miraculously, he hasn't ruled out the possibility of becoming the next NMU president. The campus and Marquette community need to assure him he won't be treated like Bailey was; criticism won't exist because of his salary.

The NMU president position has become much less than desirable. Even Roy isn't sure he wants the job. Roy has 25 years of experience on campus. He has seen a number of presidents come and go, and he worked with Bailey as she operated under a hot public magnifying glass. He read the nonsensical Mining Journal editorials, heard the professors' complaints, read misguided student petitions calling for Bailey to return her raise. The best person for the job might not even put his name in for it.

Roy has answered my questions and those in the media with undeviating direction and thoughtfulness. He relates to students and staff alike. He has worked in academia his entire life.

"I wouldn't rule out someone from outside academia," search committee chairman Sam Benedict told the Mining Journal Aug. 8. I would. NMU shouldn't be run like a corporate machine, and hopefully the person chosen to lead the university is from within our own academic community ... if only he can be convinced that the job won't make him the most hated person in Marquette.

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

Theater Preview Curtains rise on approaching season

BY ERIN VRITIS
STAFF REPORTER

The new Forest Roberts Theatre season is already in the works at Northern Michigan University.

"Art and Life" is the collective title of the upcoming season.

The productions range from renowned slapstick artist Steve Martin's out of the ordinary comedy starring Picaso and Einstein, to a mysterious comedic musical about matrimony and small town living, titled "Our Town."

The season will open with Steve Martin's "Picasso at the Lapin Agile" running from Oct. 1 through 4.

"Picasso" is a truly upbeat comedy to start the season," said William Prinisky, senior theater major and production site manager for "Picasso." "The audience will be rolling in the aisles."

According to a press release from the theater department, the situation of the play puts historical geniuses Albert Einstein and Pablo Picasso together in a Parisian café circa 1904 and has them discussing the current events of the era.

"This year we have really fun shows," Prinisky said. "Also, we have a more talented group of actors than last year."

Opening Nov. 12 through 15, "A Rembrandt's Eyes," is a thrilling drama that is the Mildred and Albert Panowski playwrighting award winner for this year.

The playwrighting award is named for head of the theater department Dr. James Panowski's parents. It is intended to give the opportunity of students and faculty alike to write an original script and have it brought to life on stage.



Scott Salisbury/NW

As a close to last year's theater season, the Forest Roberts Theatre put on a production of "Romeo and Juliet." This year's theater season titled "Art and Life" will kick off Oct. 1 with the production of "Picasso at the Lapin Agile."

While the tone of this play is supposed to be more serious, it is also meant to have the element of suspense throughout.

Christmas at Northern brings back theater tradition, and that means NMU's annual performance of "Ebenezer Scrooge."

The updated version of the classic Dickens' tale is about the decent values behind true Christmas spirit. Performances will run Dec. 4 through 7.

"Company," a musical comedy, is a candid look at loneliness, love, sex and the contract of marriage, through the eyes of the single bachelor amongst

coupled friends.

"I am looking the most forward to the performance of 'Company' this season," senior theater major Ben Schneider said. "I read the script and have heard the music and I love it. It is different than most musicals; it uses a different formula."

Schneider has performed in several productions at NMU, including a lead role as Curly in the musical "Oklahoma" last season.

"Company" has won six Tony awards, including Best Musical, and will run Feb. 18 through 21.

The season will wrap up with "Our Town" from April 14 through 17.

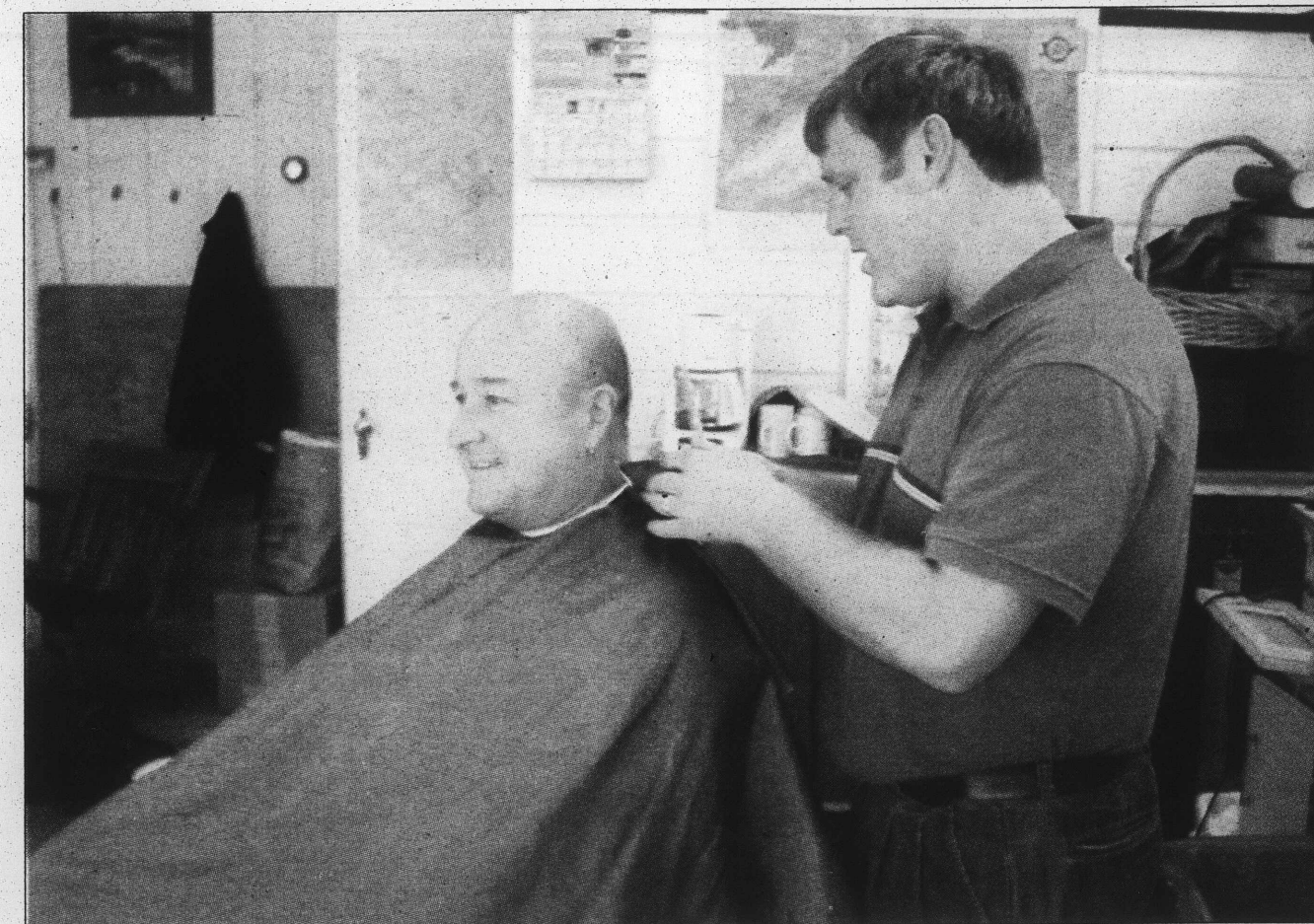
"Our Town" is a dramatic glimpse at small town life during the early twentieth century.

The production also incorporates the various aspects of innate human nature.

"Theater is so different from a movie show," Schneider said. "Each performance is once in a lifetime, and the performances are different every night."

Students can purchase tickets at the Forest Roberts Theatre Box Office weekdays from noon to 5 p.m., or call 227-2082.

For more information, stop by the box office or Room 107 McClintock.



Adam Westhouse/NW

Barber Bart Carroll, owner of the South Shore Barber Shop located on Third Street, grooms Marquette resident Mike Johnson's hair last week. Several barbers around Marquette believe that it was due to the long hair styles that came along during the Beatles era in the mid-sixties that put a noticeable decline on business within the barber shop industry.

As men across Marquette catch glimpses of themselves in the mirror, they realize it's ...

Time for a Trim

BY ADAM WESTHOUSE
STAFF REPORTER

The acrid bite of rubbing alcohol and the rhythmic slicing of scissors were to be heard from the shop, where men are transformed from shaggy beasts to refined gentlemen in the confines of an elevated chair.

Though, the barber's profession fulfills a unique role in the world of men's hair care, in Marquette, like so many other smaller communities, the local barber shop remains one of the last bastions of masculinity.

Bart Carroll, owner of South Shore Barber Shop on Third Street, said the atmosphere of barber shops is what seems to attract many customers, especially older clientele.

"Going to the barber shop is not just an opportunity for male bonding, it's an opportunity to complain about the wife and mistress," Carroll said jokingly.

Carroll said stress-free environments and meeting new people are what make him enjoy his job the most.

To become a certified barber in Michigan, one must complete a full year of barber school and log 2,000 hours with scissors in hand. There is also a state bar test that must be taken, which includes both written and practical exams.

A year of apprenticeship is also required before a barber can open up a business of his own.

The average income of a barber or hairstylist in Michigan is currently \$19,460 according to SchoolsInMichigan.com.

"In Marquette, before [The Beatles] came out there were over 20 barbershops and a few years later, there were maybe only six."

— Ron Luoma
Owner, Ron's Barber Shop

Although barber shops have remained much the same over the years, most barbers will cite a particular moment in history where the business as a whole took a noticeable jolt.

"When The Beatles came along in 1964 with their long hair, that was what really put the screws to barbers everywhere for a long time," said Ron Luoma, owner of Ron's Barber Shop. His shop, located in the old Savings Bank building downtown on Front Street, has been in business since 1969.

"In Marquette, before [The Beatles] came out there were over 20 barber shops and a few years later, there were maybe only six," Luoma said.

A quick glance in the phone book reveals less than a half-dozen barber

shops remain in the city of Marquette.

Jeff Dewitt, owner of Jeff's Cut and Style located on Presque Isle Avenue, has owned his business for about two-and-a-half years, and said he's finally found work that is laid-back and enjoyable.

While most barber shops give the basic hair cut, beard trim and shampoo, others such as Dewitt offer highlights and corrective coloring, along with service to female customers, he said.

"I like it here, and I'll probably stay here just as long as Northern doesn't tear this building down," Dewitt said.

DeWitt said he has a pretty fair cross-section of customers that walk through his door, ranging from regulars to college students.

Although the haircuts might be less expensive than those offered at a salon, the tools used at barber shops are much more costly than might originally be expected.

A simple pair of barber scissors can cost hundreds of dollars.

"Scissors are like tools," Dewitt said. "The better the tool, the better the job that gets done. That's really the bottom line."

Prices for a basic haircut in Marquette barbershops range between \$6.50 and \$9.

EDITOR'S NOTE: News editor Josh Johnson also contributed information to this article.

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2003-2004 Theater Schedule

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| <p>Picasso at the Lapin Agile by Steve Martin Oct. 1 through 4 at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 4 at 1 p.m.</p> <p>A Rembrandt's Eyes by Cynthia V. Holm Nov. 12 through 15 at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 15 at 1 p.m.</p> <p>Ebenezer Scrooge revised adaptation by Cynthia V. Holm & James Panowski Dec. 4 through 6 at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 6 & 7 at 1 p.m.</p> | <p>Company music & lyrics by Stephen Sondheim, book by George Furth Feb. 18 through 21 at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 21 at 1 p.m.</p> <p>Our Town by Thornton Wilder April 14 through 17 at 7:30 p.m. April 17 at 1 p.m.</p> <p>For ticket information contact the Forest Roberts Theatre Box Office at 227-2082</p> |
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TODAY, SEPT. 4

Submissions: The Center for Upper Peninsula Studies is requesting papers for the Sonderegger Symposium III. Papers can deal with any subject related to the Upper Peninsula. Welcome topics include archaeology, ecology, economy, history etc. If you wish to present a paper, submit a proposal one page or less and include: the title of the presentation, the author's name, address and affiliation, and an abstract summarizing the paper's scope and findings. Submit proposals to Dr. John Anderton at janderton@nmu.edu or by mail to 112 Whitman Building, Northern Michigan University, 1401 Presque Isle Ave., Marquette, MI 49855-5352. The deadline is Sept. 15.

Meeting: First Aid will meet from 5 to 6 p.m. in the Huron Room in the UC. First Aid is an independent music collective dedicated to providing regional entertainment to campus. Every student is welcome and encouraged to participate.

Meeting: The NMU Dance Team is offering the opportunity to brush up on dance techniques before their Saturday auditions from 8 to 10 p.m. in the PEIF dance studio. For more information contact jacooke@nmu.edu.

Event: Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity is holding their Lambda Road Rally followed by a brotherhood event. Meet at 6:30 p.m. in the Gant/Spalding lobby.

Deadline: Last day to obtain 90 percent tuition refund for complete withdrawal

from the University (full semester courses).

Film: "How I Killed My Father" (NR) begins at 9 p.m. in JXJ 102. Free to students.

Meeting: The Intervarsity Christian Fellowship is meeting at 7 p.m. on the second floor in the UC. For more information call Nate at 360-6283.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 5

Event: SLFP Fall Retreat.

Meeting: The Marquette Astrological Society will be hosting a viewing of Mars at 9:30 p.m. in Mattson Park, Lower Harbor. Four to five telescopes will be on hand, all are welcome to attend.

Event: Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity is holding a beach BBQ. Food, volleyball and frisbee. Meet at 6:30 p.m. in the Gant/Spalding lobby.

SATURDAY, SEPT. 6

Event: SLFP Fall Retreat.

Film: "The Italian Job" (PG-13) begins at 9 p.m. in JXJ 102. Free to students.

Auditions: The NMU Dance Team is holding auditions from 1 to 5 p.m. in the PEIF dance studio. Doors open at 12:30 p.m. Come early in proper dance attire. Auditions are exclusively for freshmen, transfer students and those who auditioned

last spring. For more information contact jacooke@nmu.edu.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 7

Film: "The Italian Job" (R) begins at 6:30 p.m. and 9 p.m. in JXJ 102. Free to students.

MONDAY, SEPT. 8

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

Event: Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity is going bowling. Play for the Big Daddy Cup. Bumpers optional. Meet at 6:30 p.m. in the Gant/Spalding lobby.

Event: Can I Kiss you? Begins at 7:30 p.m. in JXJ 102.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 9

Athletics: Women's Volleyball vs. Lake Superior, time TBA.

Meeting: The Northern Michigan University College Democrats are holding their first meeting at 5 p.m. in the Superior Room in the UC. For more information contact Julee Basal, communications director, at jbasal@nmu.edu. All are welcome to attend.

Event: Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity is going to play mini-golf. Get a hole-in-one,

win a prize. Meet at 6:30 p.m. in the Gant/Spalding lobby.

Event: NMU's Involvement Expo will be held from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the academic mall between JXJ, West Science and the LRC. Student organizations and local agencies will be recruiting volunteers. Free banana splits.

Event: Involvement Expo begins at 10:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. in the Academic Mall (adjacent to JXJ, WS, LRC).

Free class: Body Mapping for Musicians, What Every Musician Needs to Know About the Body: The Core of the Body and Places of Balance will be presented by Robert Engelhart at 4 p.m. in Room B101 in TFA. Free for entire university community, music students may receive attendance credit.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 10

Deadline: Registration Deadline for Intramural Sports Entries: Flag Football, Ultimate Frisbee and Ice Hockey.

Meeting: The NMU Freestyle Ski and Snowboard Club is holding its first meeting at 7 p.m. in the Ontario Room in the UC. All are welcome. For more information contact Ryan Collins, club president, at 361-6356 or rcollins@nmu.edu.

Meeting: His House Christian Fellowship is meeting at 7 p.m. in the Campus House across from the Dome at 1701 Presque Isle Ave. All are welcome to attend.

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Alumni team plays in exhibition game

BY KATHIE COLE
STAFF WRITER

History will be made as the 1993 NCAA national champion volleyball team returns to Northern Michigan University this weekend for the first time in ten years.

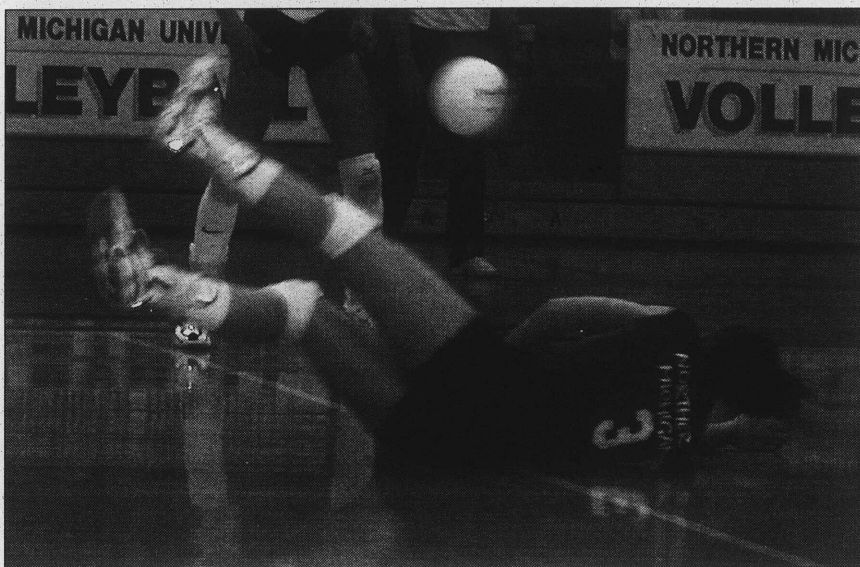
The team will be returning to play the current Wildcats in the first ever alumni match held at NMU.

The concept for the game came from head coach Jim Moore while coaching at the University of Texas in 1998, the 10-year reunion of its first volleyball championship. Moore said at Texas they didn't have enough time to organize an alumni match.

Moore said he realized it was the 10-year reunion for NMU's first championship and saw it as an opportunity to have an alumni match here.

"I really wanted to do it right," Moore said. "It's a way to celebrate what was accomplished."

Moore said one of the main goals of the alumni match is to get fans into the arena. He said he hopes this will spark



Sophomore Liz Kohn dives on the floor at Vandament Arena during a volleyball game yesterday against UW-Parkside. NMU won the match 30-16, 30-13, 30-23.

an interest in the current team and increase attendance throughout the season.

Assistant coach and 1993-team member Stacy Metro said the match will be great for the NMU volleyball program,

the athletic department and the university as a whole.

"The past is what gives you the future," Metro said.

Moore said all of the 1993 starters are returning to NMU for the match and he

was able to contact all players on the championship team except for one.

"I'm very excited about seeing (the team) personally," Metro said.

Moore will be coaching the current Wildcats and has called upon former 1993 student assistant Kevin Hitt to coach the alumni team.

Metro said she is also excited about the game as she is competing in the event.

"I've missed playing tremendously," Metro said.

Metro said she has an advantage over some of her former teammates because she still continues to practice with the current Wildcats when team members have injuries.

Moore said due to the competitive nature of both the former and current players the alumni match will be a very serious event, although it won't count in the NCAA standings.

"I've never had an alumni team beat a current team, but we'll see," Moore said.

Metro said she is expecting her alumni team to pull out at least one game

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Mariucci ready for regular season action

BY TOM MURPHY
SPORTS STAFF REPORTER

Detroit Lions head coach Steve Mariucci is a winner. He has been labeled a winner and a leader his entire life.

His drive and determination were visible early in his life. While Mariucci was growing up in Iron Mountain, Mich., he had a paper route and every day before school he would deliver the paper, which is no small task during the harsh Upper Peninsula winters. That work ethic has shown throughout Mariucci's career, first as a collegiate quarterback at Northern Michigan University, to his days as an NFL head coach.

Detroit Lions players have already noticed Mariucci's commitment.

"I love his energy and his attention to detail," Lions quarterback Joey Harrington said. "He's a great coach."

Lion's rookie wide receiver Charles Rogers said he felt Mariucci's presence on the very first day of his NFL career.

"He makes you feel really comfortable out there," Rogers said. "He's a good play-

er's coach. I couldn't have asked for anything better."

While Detroit has been in shambles the past two years, the new Lions head coach is no stranger to turning around losing teams.

In 1974, when Mariucci was a redshirt freshman at NMU, he was a quarterback for a team that went 0-10.

"That team was much better than their record showed," NMU part-time linebackers coach Herb Grenke said. "As soon as the season was over those players went right to the weight room."

Grenke, who is now retired, was the Wildcats defensive coordinator in 1974 and has coached at NMU for 29 years.

The next year, Mariucci led the Wildcats to the Division II national championship with a record of 13-1, posting one of the greatest turnarounds in collegiate football history.

"There was a whole new coaching staff that came in 1974," Grenke said. "When we first came in we wanted to get a passing quarterback. [Mariucci] was an option quarterback. So we brought in some really

good players and [Mariucci] was third or fourth on the depth chart. But during summer practice, we noticed that every time he came in, the offense had success. He was not the most talented guy on the field, but he was a leader. That's how he won the starting job."

In 1976, he was eighth in the Heisman trophy race. He ended his career at Northern as the all-time collegiate career leader in total offense in Michigan.

Mariucci began his coaching career as a graduate assistant for NMU after his senior season.

"I remember when Buck Nystrom (offensive coordinator during Mariucci's time at NMU) was supposed to hold a clinic in Escanaba," Mariucci said. "He looked at me and said 'I'm not doing it, you're doing it,' I had never done a clinic before and that's the reason he made me do it. The clinic was that weekend so I had to put it

together fast. But he tried to make me learn in a hurry and those are the type of experiences that really benefit a young coach."

From there he moved up the ranks as a coach. He joined the Cal State-Fullerton coaching staff as a quarterback coach and special teams coordinator. He continued to move up the coaching ladder throughout the '80's. He got his first shot in the NFL as in 1992 when he was named quarterback coach of the Green Bay Packers.

Grenke said when Mariucci was the quarterback coach in Green Bay, he had a great effect on Packer quarterbacks such as Brett Favre, Mark Brunell and Ty Detmer, that has lasted for many years.

"[Mariucci] made Brett Favre what he is today; [Favre] will tell you that," Grenke said. "[Mariucci] has a brilliant football mind."

Mariucci left Green Bay after the 1995 season. He went on to take the head-coaching job at the University of California. After one year he went back to the NFL as head coach of the San

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Mariucci

Northern lands on both sides of shutouts

BY MELANIE RASMUSSEN
STAFF WRITER

The NMU soccer team went 1-1 this past weekend, suffering its first loss of the season to the University of Minnesota-Crookston and taking its first win against the University of Minnesota-Moorhead.

The team took on Crookston on the road Aug. 30 and was shutout, 2-0.

Despite the final score, the 'Cats put up 15 shots, while Crookston recorded eight shots for the game.

"We went out expecting to pull a win because we beat them last year, but they did a lot of national recruiting and when it came down to it, we just couldn't get the ball in the back of the net," said senior forward Carolyn Kunas.

Following the Crookston loss,

the team took on Minnesota-Moorhead for its first shutout win of the season with a score of 2-0.

Kunas scored her first goal of the season and the team's first goal at the 62:00 minute mark giving NMU the early 1-0 advantage.

Sophomore midfielder Michelle Gillespie followed up with the final goal of the game at the 79:00 minute mark. It was her first goal of the season.

"It was good to get the pressure off of scoring my first goal and [it] feels good to have that under my belt," she said.

Northern had a large shot advantage over the Dragons, recording 15 shots to the Dragons' two shots.

Moorhead did not have a corner kick for the game while NMU sent out six.

"We played well as a team and did everything the coach could

ask for," Kunas said.

The team's goal is still to take one game at a time and they will use that ideal this weekend as they head for the road again tonight against St. Joseph's.

They then travel to Southern Indiana on Saturday.

The 'Cats are now 2-1 for the season.

NMU earned its first win when Finlandia forfeited the Aug. 28 game due to a lack of players.

USA Weightlifting comes to Marquette

BY MELANIE BOLTHOUSE
SPORTS EDITOR

After three years of planning, USA Weightlifting is finding a new home at the United States Olympic Education Center (USOEC).

USOEC director Jeff Kleinschmidt said the center was working to get the program here because it fit well into the center's goal of giving Olympic athletes a chance to train and receive an education.

"It's a sport that does not have other collegiate opportunities, so the athletes have to make a choice," Kleinschmidt said. "They have to decide if they're going to move on to college somewhere to continue their education, or if they are going to continue their training. This program gives them the opportunity to do both, so they don't have to just quit one or the other."

The sport of weightlifting is composed of two types of lifts of a bar with varying weights at the end. The first type of lift is the clean and jerk, where the athlete lifts the bar to his chest and then jerks it over his head. The second is the snatch, where the athlete lifts the bar up over his head in one motion. The athlete gets

points for the best out of three of each lift and the weightlifter with the highest total wins the event.

Both male and female athletes were chosen from all across the country by USA Weightlifting. Many came from weightlifting club teams around the United States. Some were from the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs.

Kleinschmidt said the top weightlifters were asked to come to NMU.

"USA Weightlifting did this the right way," Kleinschmidt said. "They have all their top athletes ranked from one through [around] 100. They offered the slots to the highest ranked athletes first. If an athlete said no, they went to the next person on the list."

USA Weightlifting also chose the program's head coach and assistant.

Head coach Ma Jainping, or "Mark" around the center, arrived in Marquette from China on Monday. He began practice with the team on Tuesday.

His arrival in Marquette was only the fourth time he has been to the United States.

"I love the USA," he said. "I hope to help the team."

Assistant coach Lisa Brien has

been working with the team since the week before classes begin.

She said the team is looking good so far.

"They are just trying to settle into being a student and working out here," she said. "They come from all different backgrounds."

Brien said she accepted the coaching position here because she thought it was a great opportunity to have a program like the USOEC to funnel into the Colorado Springs center.

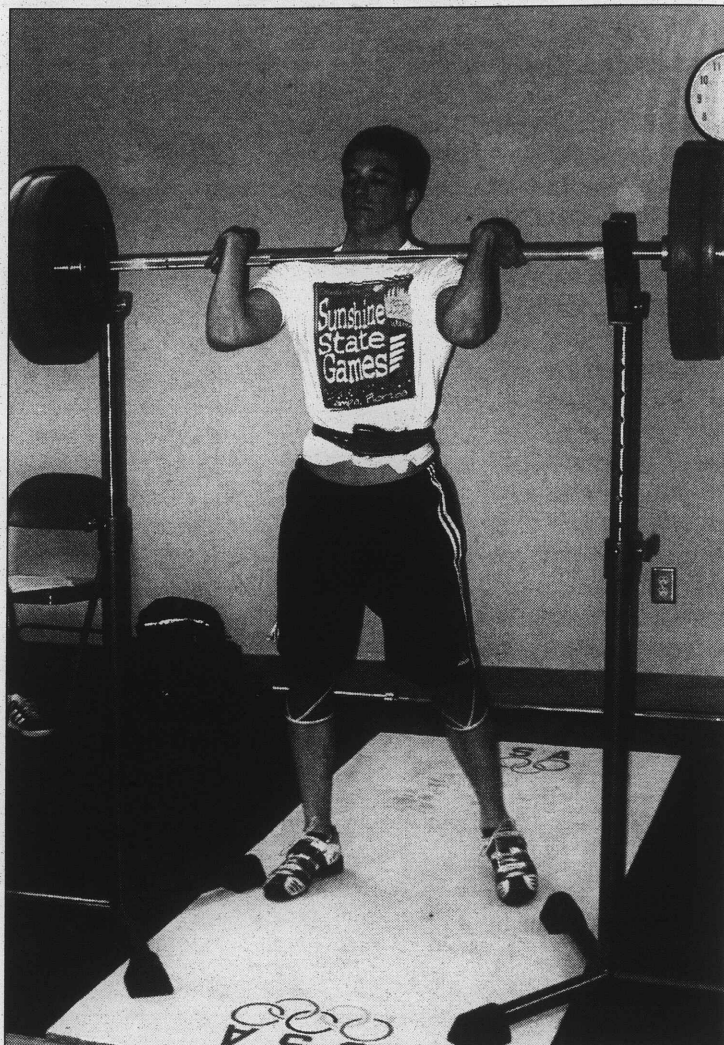
"We are absolutely thrilled to be here and [thrilled] that NMU is providing a great place to train," she said. "I think it's a great partnership."

The first competition the USOEC weightlifting team will attend will be the American Open in December.

Weightlifter Rachel Hern is training to compete at the World Championships where she has the opportunity to earn a spot on the U.S. team traveling to Athens, Greece for next summer's Olympics.

Kleinschmidt said he has high hopes for the new program.

"I hope it brings Olympic champions and college graduates with bachelor's degrees and master's degrees," he said. "That's what it's all about."



Thomas Lamborn/NW

USOEC weightlifter Jason Aun is one of eight student athletes who came from all over the country to train and get an education.

NMU adds track team

BY DAVE MOSS
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

NMU does not have an outdoor track facility, or any athletes recruited specifically to run track, but a new women's track team will begin practice in November under head track coach Sten Fjeldheim.

The track team was created under the recommendations made by the Budget Alternatives Committee last spring.

Athletic director Ken Godfrey said NMU also needed another spring sport for women.

During the summer, Fjeldheim became the head track coach.

Fjeldheim was already the women's head Nordic skiing coach as well as women's cross country running coach.

The assistant track coach is Jenny Ryan who has also coached with Fjeldheim on the other sports.

A third coach will be hired, Fjeldheim said, to help with the day to day coaching until the ski season wraps up and Fjeldheim can focus on the track team.

Fjeldheim said the largest challenge so far has been working out a schedule.

"We're trying to get a schedule that will work for us in terms of travel and snow," Fjeldheim said.

NMU will compete with other schools from the GLIAC. Many of the schools that NMU already competes against in cross country running also have track teams.

These teams include Saginaw Valley State, Hillsdale College, Grand Valley State, Lake Superior State and Michigan Tech University.

Fjeldheim said GVSU currently has the strongest track program that NMU will compete against.

Although NMU does not have an outdoor

track on campus, the team will use outdoor track facilities at Marquette High School, and utilize the indoor track in the Superior Dome.

"I don't think you need an outdoor track to have a successful track team," Fjeldheim said.

With the formation of a track team becoming official so late in the year, Fjeldheim has not been able to recruit outside of the current student body for track. So far, there are about 15 cross country runners who are interested in track, Fjeldheim said.

"We know our distance runners are strong," Fjeldheim said.

"We're not going to just put a body out there. [We need] somebody that can actually compete."

— Ken Godfrey
Athletic director

There are also students and students athletes who have talked to Fjeldheim about running track.

Fjeldheim said anyone interested in running track should contact him.

There is a questionnaire for prospective track runners to fill out. This is so he can assess their talent and skill level.

Fjeldheim and Godfrey both want the team to be competitive.

"We're not going to just put a body out there," Godfrey said. "[We need] someone that can actually compete."

Fjeldheim said some runners may be able to qualify for the NCAA national track meet in the middle distance and distance events.

"I am very optimistic about where the track team can go here," Godfrey said.

'Cats split games, still playing on road

BY MATT WELLENS
STAFF WRITER

The NMU soccer team is 2-1 after beginning its season with a forfeit, a win and a loss.

After Finlandia forfeited the 'Cats first scheduled game on Aug. 28, the Wildcats traveled to Minnesota and ended the two-game series on both sides of shutouts. After losing to the University of Minnesota-Crookston, 2-0, the team turned around and beat Minnesota-Moorehead, 1-0.

Head coach Carl Gregor said the team looked good in its first two games. He said his team should have won the first game, but the team had some first game jitters starting out on the road.

Today, the Wildcats are in Rensselaer, Ind. playing St. Joseph's and will be in Evansville, Ind. to play Southern Indiana on Saturday.

Northern's first home game will be on Sept. 13 against St. Cloud State University in Minnesota.

NMU will be on the road a great deal this season with only five games in Marquette. The other 14 games will all be played on the road throughout seven different states.

"We can't get home games," Gregor said. "No one wants to come up to Marquette."

Gregor said this year he tried to stagger the road trips because last season the long stint away in the

beginning of the season devastated the team.

After hosting St. Cloud and Bemidji State on Sept. 13 and 14, Northern will be traveling out to West Virginia to play the University of Charleston on Sept. 18, Davis and Elkins on Sept. 19 and then West Virginia Tech on Sept. 21.

Coach Gregor said the GLIAC is one of the best soccer conferences in the NCAA. Every game is a necessary win, Gregor said.

He said he want his team to take it one game at a time.

Northern has a lot of experience this year with 10 seniors and 10 juniors. Gregor said there is a lot of talent on this team with some real offensive guns.

"Everyone can play," Gregor said.

Going into this weekend's games, he said the team needs to work on finishing its scoring chances. He said some easy shots missed their mark. He plans to run some finishing drills this week in practice.

Notable returnees include senior goaltender Jamie Rocho who started the last four games last season, posting a record of 3-0-1 and allowing only two goals. Accompanying her is 2001 and 2002 All-GLIAC first team selection senior forward Carolyn Kunas and 2002 All-GLIAC second team selection junior midfielder Rachel Vilders. Vilders led the team with 10 goals last season.

Changing old rules for outdoor gadgets

About twelve years ago Boy Scouting got me introduced to the great outdoors. Since then, electronic gadgets have worked their way into the gear that I consider taking with me into the outdoors.

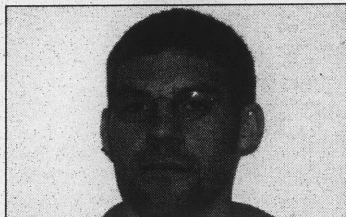
I remember preparing for my first major trip into the outdoors. It was just a weekend trip out to my local Boy Scout camp near my home. There is one rule laid down by the scoutmaster that I still remember today, even though it may have changed.

No electronic devices.

This rule generally applied to things like Game Boy and portable televisions, which I still feel have no place in a camping or other outdoor experience. But, now there are other electronic devices that could be very handy in the outdoors.

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BY DAVE MOSS

nothing that can destroy an outdoor experience for me more than encountering someone on the phone with work all the time. A business owner once told me that if you can't be out of contact for some period of time, you're doing something wrong.

There is no need to walk down a trail or sit outside a tent talking on the phone. But, there may be times when a cell phone is a great

resource to you or your party.

Cell phones are a fast and portable way to get help. When medical or rescue personnel are needed, this may be the only link your party has to the outside world. Cell phones can go on the list to take, but leave them off and stored away unless it is an emergency. Maybe it will fit inside the first aid kit. When planning a trip, also take into account cell phone coverage. If there is not going to be reliable service in the area you are going, the cell phone will just be extra weight.

Another electronic device that you may be apt to carry is a GPS receiver (Global Positioning Satellites) which can pinpoint your location accurately enough to navigate with. I say absolutely take the GPS if you know how to use it.

Taking a GPS (or any piece of equipment for that matter) that you don't know how to operate just adds dead weight to your gear. Once you learn how to use a GPS unit, knowing where you are in the backcountry is easier than it has ever been before.

Early in this last summer, I was enjoying a camp breakfast of oatmeal before a day of hiking. I was probably more surprised than if a bear would have walked into my campsite when someone pulled out an electric razor and started shaving.

While personal hygiene even in the backcountry is important, going a little longer than normal without a shave is tolerable. If you want to shave in the backcountry however, an electric razor may be the way to go.

Using shaving cream and a

regular razor can leave a scent in pores that can attract nuances such as mosquitoes or unwanted guests to your campsite such as bears in bear country. Shaving cream also creates additional waste water.

These are just a few examples of electronics that might work their way into your standard outdoor gear. When choosing whether or not to bring an electronic device with you into the outdoors use some thought and consider these things.

Do you know how to use the device, and will it actually be helpful? If not, leave it. Think about what impacts the use of this will have on other people you may encounter.

When you do take electronic devices with you, always remember enough of the right batteries.

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against the current Wildcats.

When asked about the 1993 championship team, Moore's eyes lit up.

"They are the best group of human beings I've ever worked with in my life," he said. "They did everything right and it was not just about winning."

Moore said he wanted to continue going to practice with them everyday, and the alumni match brings back all the ways that made the 1993 season special.

"People who weren't there can't understand what it was about," Moore said. "Those that watched it evolve, this is very important to them."

While the championship team was very special, Moore said the current team members also possess outstanding qualities. He said the current team is a great

group of people that work very hard, desire success and are willing to learn.

Senior setter Anne Kinsella said the current team is also excited for the opportunity to play the former national champions.

"Playing them is just an awesome experience," she said.

The current Wildcats are eager to learn from and observe the 1993 team, Kinsella said.

The match is not the only reunion activity for the 1993 team taking place this weekend, Metro said. The alumni will be getting together for breakfast on Saturday as a team and a luncheon will be held that afternoon for the alumni, current players and the Wildcat Club.

The match will be held Saturday evening at 7 p.m. in the Vandament Arena.

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Francisco 49ers.

While taking over one of the most storied franchises in the NFL, Mariucci was forced to overcome adversity.

"He did not have much support in San Francisco," Grenke said. "When he first started, the owner was involved in a gambling situation so he wasn't around and (general manager) Carmen Policy packed up and took most of the staff to Cleveland with him. So when (Mariucci) arrived, the offices were practically empty."

That first year with San Francisco he set a record for most consecutive wins with an 11-game winning streak and he led the 49ers to a divisional championship.

Mariucci stayed with the 49ers for six seasons, taking them to the playoffs four times.

But for many people, it's not Mariucci's on-field success that makes him a great leader, it's his personality.

Grenke said last year when his daughter died, Mariucci gave him a call.

"Just talking to [Mariucci] was so comforting," Grenke said. "He has a sensitive, caring attitude that is so real."

Mariucci said he has a special relationship with his past coaches at NMU and credits them for giving him the foundation for success.

"I had many great coaches at NMU, guys like [Nystrom] and [Grenke] and that bunch," Mariucci said. "What you learn at those early levels, whether it's high school, college or your first coaching job, is what it takes. You learn those basic fundamentals how to work, how to study, what kind of work ethic is required to be a winner."

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Runners start season at Tech

BY ALEX PINA
STAFF WRITER

After a successful 2002 season, the Northern Michigan University women's cross country running team is looking to put their summer training to the test by starting out the 2003 campaign on a positive note.

In their first meet of the season, the Wildcats will travel to Houghton, Mich. on Sept. 6 to run against Michigan Tech and Lake Superior State. The meet will be a good indication for NMU to see how its summer training has paid off.

Head coach Sten Fjeldheim said it will also be the first chance for the freshmen to run, and should be a good indication of how strong the team will be.

"Training went well all summer," he said. "The returnees are looking better than they did last year. The women came back to training over the summer like they wanted to do better than last year's team."

Assistant coach Jenny Ryan said the freshmen stood out this season.

"We have more of a solid team than last year, and from what has been seen so far, it's been very impressive," she said.

Following a successful but competitive 2002 season in which NMU finished fourth as a team at the nationals, the Wildcats lost three All-Americans to graduation and another top runner, Jordan Seethaler to a Division I school. With these gaps to fill, the team is looking to the returning runners as well as the freshman to bolster the team.

Both captains, senior Jennifer Lahr and senior Tracy Wills, will be leading the team. They are joined by junior Tammy Kochen, senior Katherine Huemmer and junior Kara Farquhar all returning from last year's national team.

Fjeldheim said the team has to live up to some high expectations, which could be tough. However, from what he has seen in the team so far, he feels that NMU will be up to the challenge.

NMU is looking at a competitive schedule in the next two months. The team's first real test will be the Bulldog Invitational on Sept. 13 at the University of Minnesota Duluth. While the Wildcats are not focusing on other teams they will be running against, Fjeldheim said they will be expecting stiff competition from conference rivals Grand Valley State University, Hillsdale College and Wayne State University.

"We are expecting a good season, if we focus on working hard, we have a good chance of being right in there for the conference and regional meets and the nationals in Raleigh, N.C. on Nov. 22," Ryan said.

Coming up on Oct. 17 at 3 p.m., NMU fans will have their only chance to see the team compete on campus. There will be a one kilometer loop - three laps for the women and five laps for the men. The course will be marked and flagged as well as have hay bale jumps for added excitement.

Fjeldheim said he is encouraging NMU students to come out and cheer on the cross country team and see what should be a very exciting event.



Allison Tyndal/NW

Members of the men's rugby club participate in a mauling drill this week. They play CMU Saturday.

"Moosemen" take field

BY DOUG DRAKE
STAFF WRITER

At the corner of Wright Street and Lincoln Avenue, 30 men play a sport that dates back to the early 19th century. They call themselves "The Moosemen."

These NMU students are members of the rugby club. They have nicknames such as "Free-fall," "Hippy," "Butcher" and "Precious."

On their Web site (nmurugby.tripod.com) is a logo reminiscent of the symbol for the International Red Cross and the message adjoined to it says, "Give Blood, Play Rugby."

Head coach Nate Dedamos has been with the club since 1991. Dedamos graduated from Northern last year, and he is considering the pursuit of a graduate degree. In the meantime, tends bar and he devotes nearly all of his free time to the sport that he cannot let go.

A couple of the players refer playfully to Dedamos as "the Godfather." Whether they mean

it in the manner of Michael Corleone of The Godfather or Mitch from the movie Old School wasn't apparent.

The rugby club will begin its season this Saturday at 1 p.m. in a match against Central Michigan University at the club sports field on Lincoln Avenue.

Players said they are looking forward to mixing it up with someone who isn't wearing green.

Junior Garrett Peterson is one of four captains on the squad. He is in his second year playing rugby at Northern. He plays the "8-Man" position which is among the forwards, meaning he is one of the larger players on the team.

Peterson said he looks forward to a successful season in 2003.

"We didn't win very many games last year, but we should be a lot better this year," he said. "We have a lot of guys coming back and that gives us a lot of experience."

Senior captain Craig Mattson said he feels NMU has depth for this coming season. "We are two

deep at every position," he said. "Over the winter and spring, we played against a lot of teams from men's leagues and that gave our new guys a chance to get some playing time and build some confidence, because we can really beat up on those teams."

Mattson, in his third season with the rugby club, plays the "Prop" position. He said the team's biggest rival is Ferris State.

"I can't wait to play [Ferris]," he said. "Michigan State is also a rival, but they are so big that I like to focus against Ferris because we actually have a good chance to beat them."

Teammates said they hope to have a big turnout of people who would like to see what rugby is all about on Saturday.

Dedamos said he hopes that even more will join the team over the next weeks.

"Anyone is welcome to come and watch us practice," he said. "Check us out and if you are interested in playing we would be glad to have you on the team."

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NMU Rugby — Let's Roll Central! — **Twinky**

Jenny From Da Corner — Drink more vodka so your throat feels better! — **Jackie From Da Hood**

Readers o' the strip Final Submission — Do you love me? How much? — **pdeyo@nmu.edu**

You — You cheat, and steal all the candy, but I love you anyway. — **me**

SIS — Workouts are hell. Do we have to keep doing it? — **sis**

Dusk — Hold me, love me, I ain't got nothing but love babe, eight days a week. — **Q**

J-slice — Boys is hos, I still love ya. — **E-dubb**

ES — Sorry about my face. Can't you control your rage? Watch out for snakes. Squeak. — **JB**

cm. — We miss you. Thanks. — **Staff**

Arthermine — You fool! You thought you could defeat me with a simple hedgehog? Ha! I laugh at your attempts! Soon, ever so soon, you shall taste my wrath in the form of Death! And pastries. Pastries and Death. — **Slarmelton "The Dark Baker" Quyle**

Girl — I love you. — **Boy**

Anyone who was at the party last week — I lost one of my shoes, and a piercing from a "delicate" place. If you have found either, perhaps in a beer bottle and or the backseat of a car, I'd appreciate it. E-mail me at sheilapiercedpartygirl@hotmail.com. — **Embarrassed Freshman**

50 — Congrats on the job. Make me some money. — **Heather**

Sick nurse — Hope you feel better soon and can be the one doing the curing by Friday. Thanks for all your support. I love you — **messy roommate**

Girl minus a piercing — I found a couple of piercings in a beer bottle in the bed of my buddy's jacked-up ol' Ford truck. I sanitized, if you'd like it back. — **Seeking a pierced girl**

Stacy and Katie — Welcome to the committee! We're glad you're on board. — **Chair**

Tracy — Happy Birthyesterday! — **Travis**

Crackerjack — When you least expect it — **Turkey**

God of computers — please provide a non green tinted monitor with larger screen soon — **Eye strained**

Mary — The weekend's here, let's go out! — **Yo-yo**

Lamont — I hate you more than life itself, but I do appreciate all your help. — **Betty**

Relatives — Thanks for the support and reading my work — **Dave**

Boss — Good job this week. We made it through another one. Phew. — **Yo-yo**

SI — You made me cry. Boo. — **The corner**

Angie — Have fun canoeing. After this week I wish I was going to be anywhere but here! — **Mel**

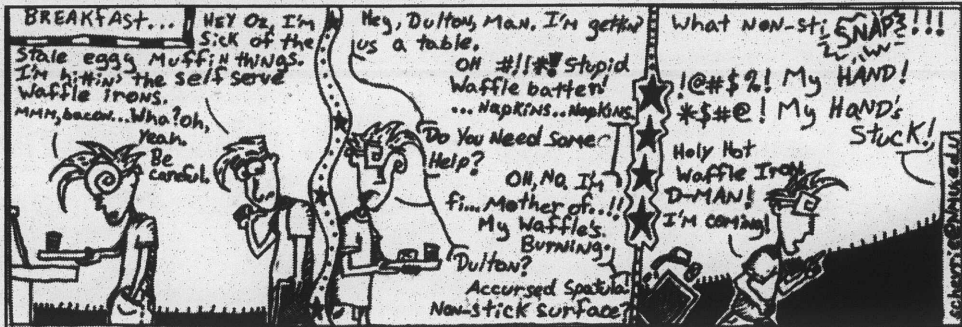
Ruby — So, guess who shows up in my mass comm. socieity class? Constant reminders everywhere! If it's not one band, it's the other — **Spice**

Whoville gang — Thanks for the awesome time last weekend. Tech approved of our parties — **Mel**

Staff — Great job this week. You guys make my job easy — **Rob**

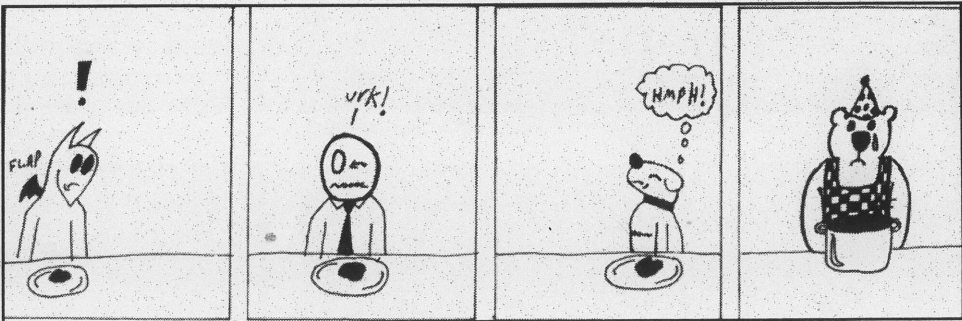
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 Thai food

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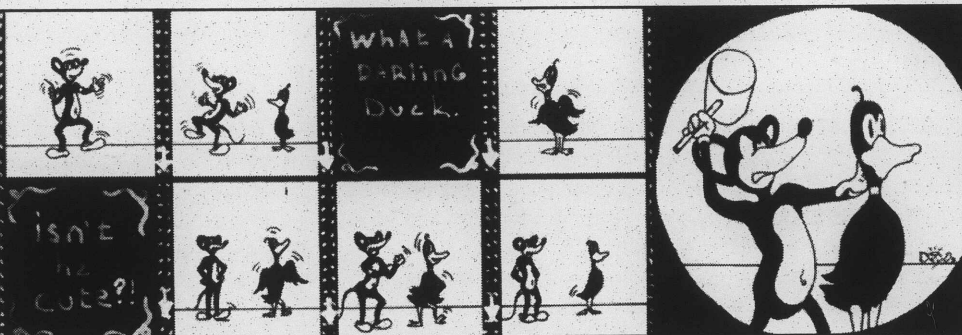
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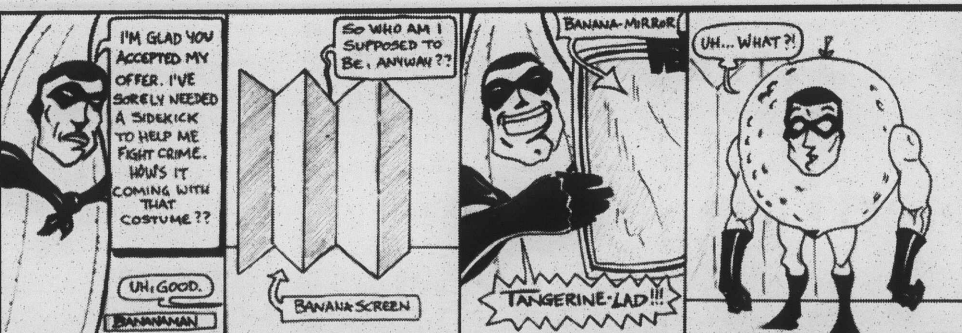
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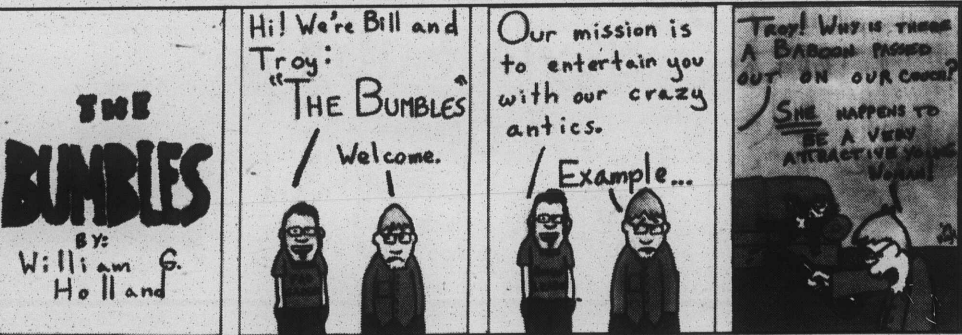
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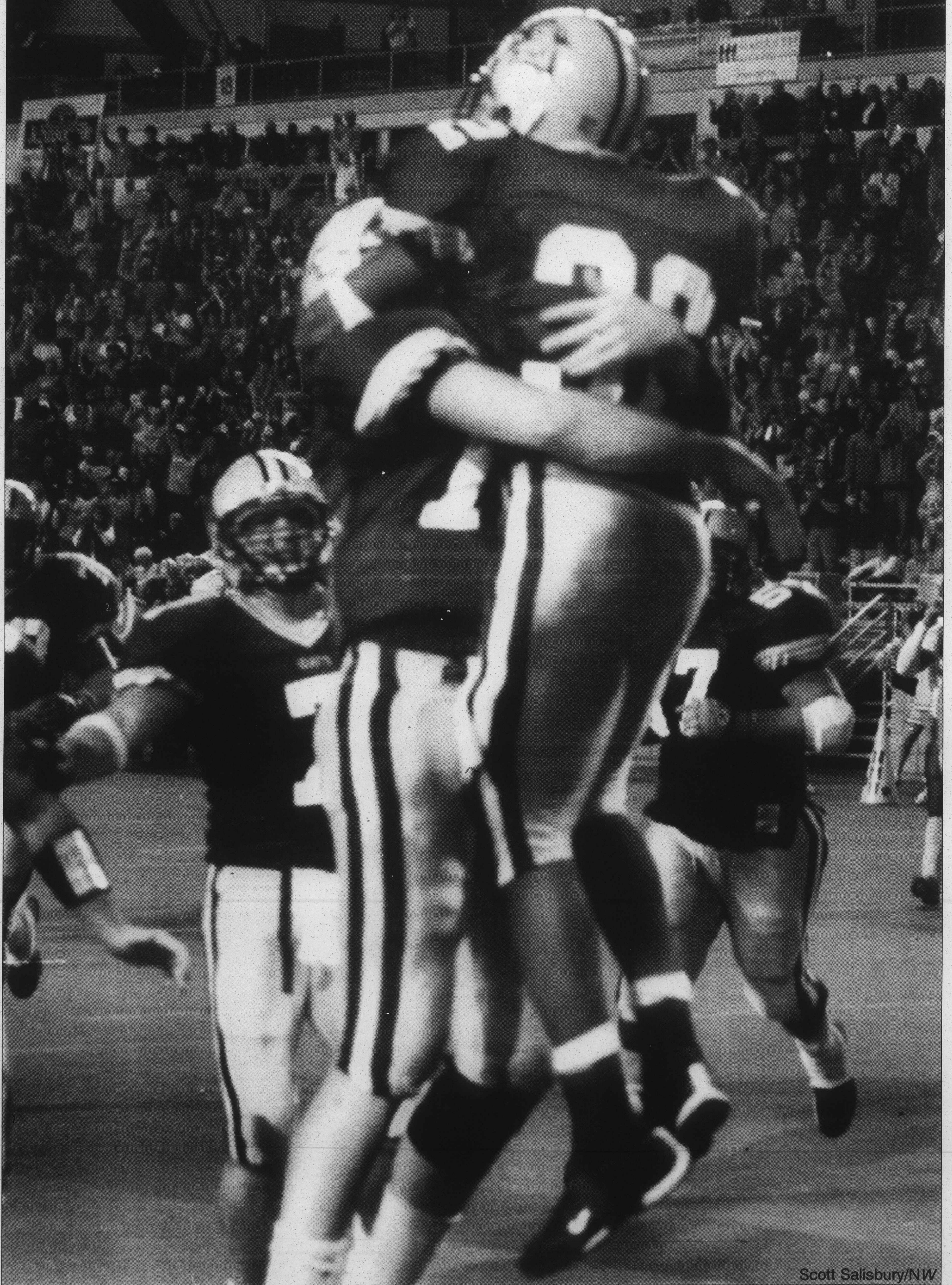
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2003 Wildcat Football




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The Northern Michigan University coaching staff, led by head coach Doug Sams, expects the following players to see some action during the 2003 football season. The team is returning eight players on offense and half of the defensive line. With key players returning in offense,

defense and special teams, Sams is relying on last year's experience to carry into this season. He said he has high hopes of finishing the season with another winning record.

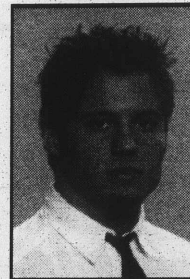


JUNIOR
6-3, 205 LBS

QUARTERBACK

Last season, Kyle started as quarterback to earn his first letter. He passed for 2,839 yards on 269-462-20 with 14 touchdown passes.

KYLE SWENOR **15**
Petoskey, Mich.

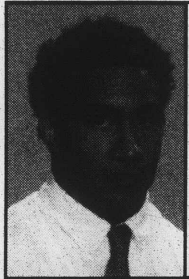


JUNIOR
5-9, 185 LBS

RUNNING BACK

Last year, Logan took his redshirt season.

LOGAN BARNHARDT **07**
Haslett, Mich.



SOPHOMORE
5-10, 185 LBS

RUNNING BACK

Last year, Corey rushed for 193 yards on 43 carries. He caught 18 passes for 128 yards and had two rushing touchdowns.

COREY WOODS **27**
Saginaw, Mich.

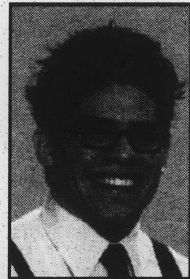
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SOPHOMORE
5-11, 190 LBS

RUNNING BACK

Last season, Abram earned his first letter at NMU. He was second on the team with 308 yards of rushing in 52 carries.

ABRAM MCCOY **32**
Lansing, Mich.

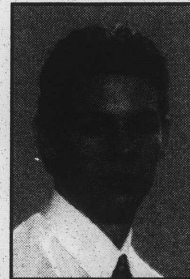


JUNIOR
5-9, 170 LBS

WIDE RECEIVER

Last season, Manuel led the team with 14 punt returns for 48 yards. He also had 13 kickoff returns for 189 yards. He earned his first letter.

MANUEL DIAZ **1**
Fountain Valley, Calif.

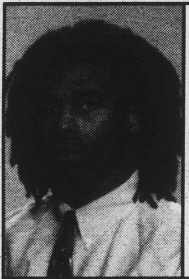


SENIOR
6-1, 170 LBS

WIDE RECEIVER

Last season, Chris lettered for the third straight year. He had 31 receptions for 304 yards. He averaged over nine yards per reception.

CHRIS MESSANO **8**
Shelby Township, Mich.




SENIOR
6-3, 185 LBS

WIDE RECEIVER

Last season, Pat had 64 receptions for 622 yards and two touchdowns. He averaged almost 10 yards per catch.

PAT ROUZARD **9**
Miami, Fla.

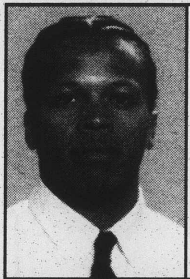


SOPHOMORE
5-10, 160 LBS

WIDE RECEIVER

Last season, Vinney led the team with 15 kickoff returns for 317 yards. He had six punt returns for 40 yards and 12 catches for 69 yards.

VINNEY MAYFIELD **11**
Grand Rapids, Mich.




SENIOR
6-1, 190 LBS

WIDE RECEIVER

Last season, Micah earned his second letter as a Wildcat. He had five catches for 95 yards.

MICAH BILLINGSLEY **3**
Aurora, Colo.

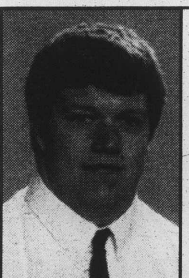


SOPHOMORE
6-2, 190 LBS

WIDE RECEIVER

Last season, Nick earned his first letter at NMU. He had 12 receptions for 247 yards and two touchdowns.

NICK MAUTHE **88**
Barron, Wis.

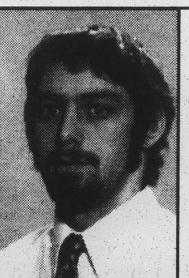


SENIOR
6-3, 260 LBS

OFFENSIVE LINEMAN

Last season, Dan lettered as a back-up center. He was named to the GLIAC football All-Academic Team.

DAN NETT **57**
Appleton, Wis.




REDSHIRT FRESHMAN
6-5, 225 LBS

OFFENSIVE LINEMAN

Last year, Nathan took his redshirt season.

NATHAN FECHTER **59**
Iola, Wis.

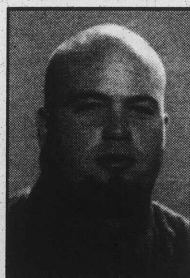


REDSHIRT FRESHMAN
6-3, 270 LBS

OFFENSIVE LINEMAN

Last year, Seth took his redshirt season.

SETH ARBOGAST **60**
Battle Creek, Mich.

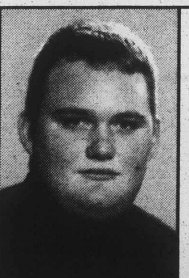


SENIOR
6-2, 280 LBS

OFFENSIVE LINEMAN

Last season, Jeff earned his third letter as starting center.

JEFF BENETEAU **66**
Shelby Township, Mich.

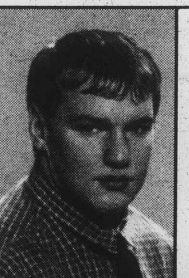


SOPHOMORE
6-2, 275 LBS

OFFENSIVE LINEMAN

Last season, Greg earned his first letter as a Wildcat.

GREG FRANKENFIELD **68**
Scottsdale, Ariz.

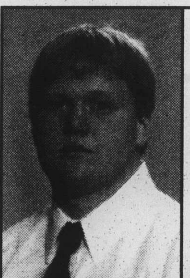


JUNIOR
6-3, 267 LBS

OFFENSIVE LINEMAN

Last season, Clif started at right tackle. He earned his second letter at NMU.

CLIF CARTER **70**
Ishpeming, Mich.

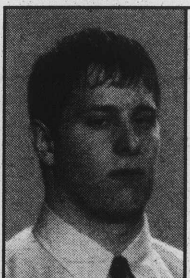


SOPHOMORE
6-5, 295 LBS

OFFENSIVE LINEMAN

Last season, Robert earned his first letter as starting left tackle. He was named NMU Freshman of the Year.

ROBERT BOSS **71**
Charlevoix, Mich.

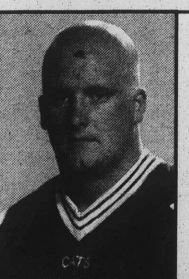


JUNIOR
6-5, 270 LBS

OFFENSIVE LINEMAN

Last year, Bret took his redshirt season.

BRET WICKSTROM **77**
Florence, Wis.




JUNIOR
6-3, 295 LBS

OFFENSIVE LINEMAN

This is Mitch's first season with the NMU football team.

MITCH CLELAND **73**
Traverse City, Mich.

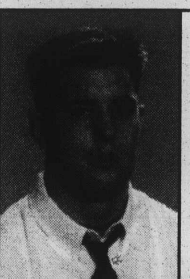


FRESHMAN
6-3, 270 LBS

OFFENSIVE LINEMAN

Jarrett was recruited to NMU from Naperville North High School. He played in the Illinois Coaches Association All-Star Game.

JARRETT LASSA **78**
Lisle, Ill.

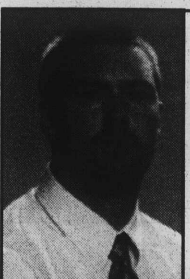


SENIOR
6-5, 221 LBS

TIGHT END

Last season, Justin lettered for the first time as a Wildcat. He had five catches for 51 yards.

JUSTIN ORVIS **89**
Port Washington, Wis.




JUNIOR
6-1, 225 LBS

TIGHT END

Last season, Kyle was a squad member.

KYLE ANDERSON **95**
Iron Mountain, Mich.

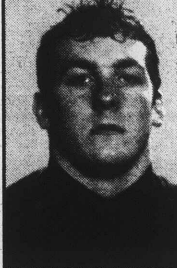


SENIOR
5-9, 170 LBS

DEFENSIVE BACK

Last season, Sydney started at right corner and earned his first letter. He had 43 total tackles and one interception for 56 yards.

SYDNEY ST. HILAIRE **2**
Miami, Fla.

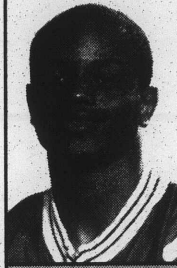


SENIOR
6-1, 190 LBS

DEFENSIVE BACK

Last season, Drew earned his third letter at NMU. He had 16 total tackles including 9 solo. He also had one fumble recovery.

DREW BUYARSKI **19**
Menominee, Mich.



JUNIOR
5-10, 190 LBS

DEFENSIVE BACK

Dion was recruited from Harper Junior College. He was a two-time letterwinner and was all-conference and all-regional.

DION BROWN **20**
Bloomington, Ill.


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FRESHMAN
5-10, 175 LBS

DEFENSIVE BACK

Ryan was recruited to NMU from Ishpeming High School

RYAN MARTINAC **36**
Ishpeming, Mich.

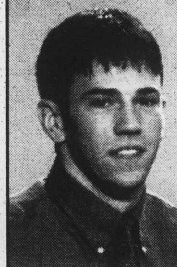


FRESHMAN
5-11, 185 LBS

DEFENSIVE BACK

Deshaun was recruited to NMU from Battle Creek Central High School

DESHAUN THOMPKINS **21**
Battle Creek, Mich.




SOPHOMORE
5-11, 180 LBS

DEFENSIVE BACK

Last season, Matt started at left tackle and lettered for the first time. He had 46 total tackles and one interception.

MATT SHEM **28**
Massillon, Ohio



FRESHMAN
5-9, 175 LBS

DEFENSIVE BACK

Corbin was recruited to NMU from Bridgeport High School.

CORBIN WALKER **43**
Bridgeport, Mich.


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FRESHMAN
5-11, 195 LBS

DEFENSIVE BACK

Jeremy was recruited to NMU from Ishpeming High School.

JEREMY NELSON **48**
Ishpeming, Mich.



SENIOR
6-3, 212 LBS

DEFENSIVE END

Last season, Josh started at outside linebacker. He had 60 total tackles and led the team with 10.5 tackles for losses of 62 yards.

JOSH SHERKO **04**
Lockport, Ill.



SOPHOMORE
6-3, 240 LBS

DEFENSIVE LINEMAN

Last season, Matt earned his first letter at NMU. He had 7 total tackles including 4 solo.

MATT SKORUPKA **16**
Sparta, N.J.

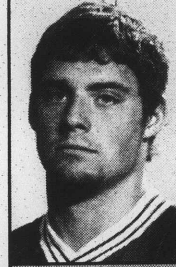


SOPHOMORE
6-5, 285 LBS

DEFENSIVE LINEMAN

This is Mark's first season with the NMU football team.

MARK FRAGEL **61**
Grosse Pointe, Mich.

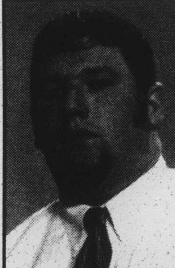


FRESHMAN
6-3, 255 LBS

DEFENSIVE LINEMAN

Luke was a two-time letterwinner at Hamilton Southeastern High School.

LUKE WHITSON **74**
Bloomington, Ill.

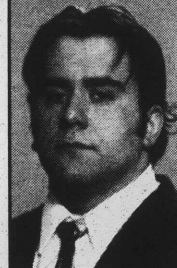


SOPHOMORE
6-0, 285 LBS

DEFENSIVE LINEMAN

Last season, Luke earned his first letter. He had three total tackles including one solo.

LUKE MULLINS **93**
Grand Ledge, Mich.




SOPHOMORE
6-4, 300 LBS

DEFENSIVE LINEMAN

Last season, Bill was a member of the team.

BILL BAKER **99**
Harvey, Mich.

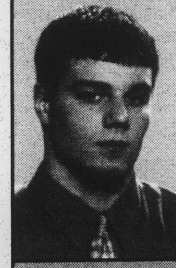


SENIOR
5-10, 210 LBS

LINEBACKER

Last season, Brandon led the team in tackles with 102 including 51 solo. He had seven and a half tackles for losses and two sacks.

BRANDON GENWRIGHT **06**
Saginaw, Mich.

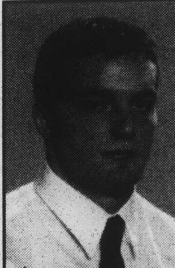


SOPHOMORE
5-9, 185 LBS

LINEBACKER

Last season, Chad played on special teams to earn his first letter.

CHAD KURIAN **24**
Ishpeming, Mich.

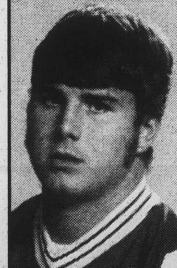


JUNIOR
5-10, 210 LBS

LINEBACKER

Last season, Ryan earned his second letter at NMU. He had 14 total tackles including 8 solo. He tied for second on the team with 3 sacks.

RYAN WENDER **29**
Kingsford, Mich.




JUNIOR
6-1, 230 LBS

LINEBACKER

This is Joe's first season with the NMU football team.

JOE PODSCHWIET **42**
Lockport, Ill.

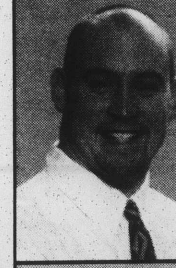


JUNIOR
5-11, 220 LBS

LINEBACKER

Last season, Ryan was a member of the team.

RYAN STURDY **46**
Gladstone, Mich.



SOPHOMORE
6-0, 217 LBS

LINEBACKER

Last year, Dan took his redshirt season.

DAN STUDER **55**
Massillon, Ohio

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FRESHMAN
6-0, 220 LBS

LINEBACKER

Lee was recruited to NMU from Escanaba High School. He was a two-time letterwinner and was named All-Conference and All-Upper Peninsula.

LEE USHER **54**
Escanaba, Mich.

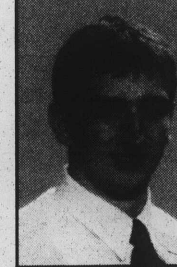
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JUNIOR
6-3, 250 LBS

DEFENSIVE END

Darryll was recruited to NMU from Joliet Junior College where he was all-conference as an offensive lineman.

DARRYLL SMITH **92**
Peoria, Ill.




SOPHOMORE
5-9, 160 LBS

KICKER

Last season, Kyle earned his first letter as a Wildcat. He was 31-of-33 in PATs and was 12-of-16 in field goals.

KYLE MAROTZ **82**
Green Bay, Wis.



SENIOR
6-2, 206 LBS

PUNTER

Ryan was named to the 2003 Football Gazette Pre-Season All-America Team. He will be on the injured list this season due to a torn ACL.

RYAN WETTSTEIN **44**
Chilton, Wis.

After turning around a disjointed 4-7 team last year, head coach Doug Sams continues to build NMU's program. This year, he is relying on the returning players to lead the team. After winning three more GLIAC games last season, Sams team is looking to improve again in 2003 and begin

Taking the next step

BY TOM MURPHY
SPORTS STAFF REPORTER

With a year under his belt, Northern Michigan University head football coach Doug Sams said he is ready to improve upon last year's 6-5 (6-4 GLIAC) record.

"There obviously are a lot of differences this year compared to last year, it's like night and day," Sams said. "We have a full year of experience with a lot of returning guys. Our players know what to expect from us and we know what to expect from them. We're light years ahead of where we were at this time last year."

Experience is a key factor for the Wildcats this year. With eight returning starters on offense and half of the defense returning, the Wildcats are a veteran laden squad.

Head Coach

Sams is going into his second year as head coach. Sams took over a program which was in disarray and led the Wildcats to a winning season last year. Before taking over the NMU football head coaching position, Sams was a head coach at Fairmont State College in West Virginia for 10 years.

He posted a 53-47 record while at Fairmont and he won two West Virginia Intercollegiate Athletic Conference titles (1996, 2000).

His overall career coaching record is 64-57. Many veteran Wildcats have described Sams as a coach players want to play for.

"There is good team morale," Sams said. "When you mix 90-plus personalities together, you will run into some problems, but we are a family."

Quarterback

Senior quarterback Kyle Swenor is going into his second season as starting quarterback for the Wildcats.

Last season, Swenor had a break out year and set numerous NMU individual records.

He set new records for total offense (2,943 yards), most passing yards (2,839), most passing attempts (462) and most completions.

He also tied the NMU record for most interceptions (20).

"Swenor is playing with a lot more confidence," Sams said. "Having started last year,

he's a lot more comfortable coming into this season than he was last season."

Wide Receivers

The Wildcats have an ample number of players willing to take over for last year's leading receiver Brandon Munson, who graduated last year.

Sams said in practice, Swenor has been doing a good job of really spreading the ball around to his receivers.

Two of his favorite targets this season will be senior wide receivers Pat Rouzard and Chris Messano.

Last year Rouzard, a junior college transfer, caught 64 passes for 622 yards and two touchdowns despite a groin injury, which plagued him for much of the season.

"This should be a good season for us," Rouzard said. "We have a lot of guys that can really step up and help this team win."

Last year, Messano caught 31 passes for 304 yards.

Senior Micah Billingsley who was out for much of last season with a foot injury and sophomore wide receiver Nick Mauthe will also play a big role in the Wildcat's potent air attack.

Running Backs

Despite the loss of Terrell Goldsmith, who was the Wildcats leading rusher and scorer last season, Sams said the Wildcats have a lot of experience at running back.

"We have lots of depth and versatility at this position," Sams said. "We are not going to be one dimensional."

Sams said that while there are a number of guys who can play the running back spot, sophomore tailback Abram McCoy and sophomore tailback Corey Woods will see most of the action.

Last season, McCoy, in his first year with Northern, was second on the team in rushing with 308 yards in 52 carries. He also scored two touchdowns.

Woods carried the ball 48 times for 193 yards and two touchdowns.

Offensive Line

With most of last year's offensive line returning, the Wildcats have an experienced group of offensive linemen.

"The offensive linemen have been playing like a veteran group should," Sams said. "They came into the season

in great shape. They know their assignments. They are a good group."

Senior offensive lineman Dan Nett will anchor the line for the Wildcats. The senior class will also be represented by Jeff Beneteau on the line.

Defense

With only five returning starters on defense, the Wildcats have some holes to fill.

NMU lost three of the top four leading tacklers from last season.

One of the major areas of concern is how well the defensive line can work together.

Leading the Wildcat defense is senior linebacker Brandon Genwright. Last season, Genwright led the Wildcats with 102 tackles.

"The d-line is really coming together despite their lack of experience," Genwright said. "They'll keep getting better as they play more together."

The Wildcats do have players returning in very key positions such as linebacker and at the cornerback position.

"The starters that we do have back have a lot of experience under their belt," Genwright said. "We know what we have to do to get our job done and to lead the new guys who are coming in. Throughout camp we got better piece by piece and I think these guys are ready to play."

Genwright said the strengths of the defense are in the secondary.

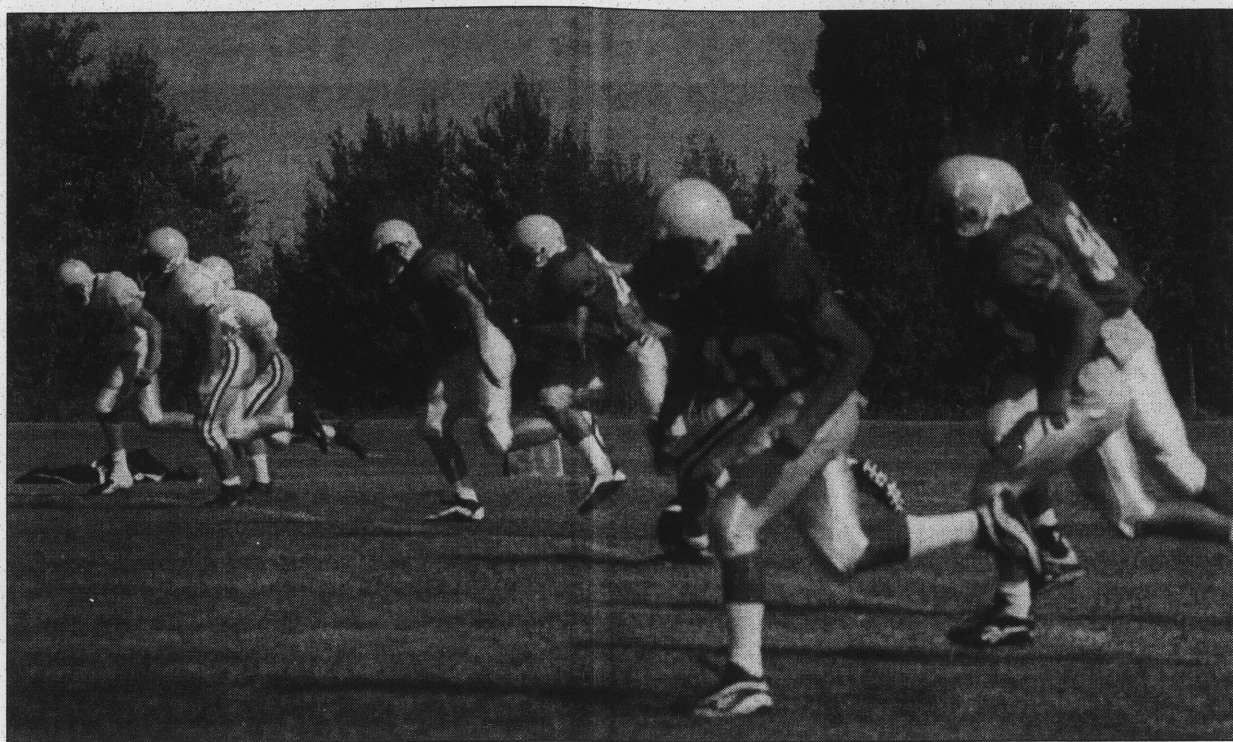
"They are more fundamentally sound," Genwright said. "They are really keyed into their assignments."

Special Teams

With the loss of preseason All-American senior punter Ryan Wettstein, who is out for the season after tearing his ACL, Sams said he will look to sophomore place-kicker Kyle Marotz to handle both the kicking and punting duties.

Last season, Marotz made 31 of 33 extra point attempts and made 12 of 16 field goals. His longest field goal was from 48 yards out.

Sams has installed his offense and his defense and has truly made this his team and program. With the Wildcats strong offensive attack, Sams said there are some high hopes this season for the NMU football team.



Amanda Dinkel/NW

Above: The football team began practicing well before most students came to NMU for the semester. Head coach Doug Sams said after seeing the team practice, he feels they are far ahead of where they were last season at this time. Below: Sams is going into his second year as head coach. He said he feels the team has grown into a family.



Scott Salisbury/NW

Senior quarterback Kyle Swenor, left, broke numerous Wildcat records last season. He had 2,943 yards of total offense, 2,839 yards passing and 462 pass attempts. This season will be Swenor's second season starting.

Miami natives came to play

Two players beat the odds to pursue football dreams

BY TOM MURPHY
SPORTS STAFF REPORTER

Senior wide receiver Pat Rouzard and senior cornerback Sydney St. Hilaire are no strangers to adversity. They have been overcoming it all their lives.

Rouzard and St. Hilaire both grew up in Miami, Fla. "It was hard growing up," Rouzard said of life in his hometown. "I was hanging around with the wrong crowd. There were people getting shot, drive-by's, things like that, so I had to leave."

Despite living in that environment, Rouzard and St. Hilaire choose to focus on making it out by playing football.

"I had friends who would be out there on the block," Rouzard said. "I could've easily sold drugs and things like that. It was not an easy thing to make it through."

Rouzard and St. Hilaire started playing football when they were kids and it quickly became apparent that they were talented enough to make it to college. But despite on-field success, there were still some very rough times.

"My best friend shot himself and died when I was twelve," St. Hilaire said. "That woke me up."

St. Hilaire said he remembers sitting in his house because his dad was making him stay in to do some reading, when he heard shots.

"I knew something wasn't right so I ran outside," St. Hilaire said. "I saw him laying there, blood just gushing out of him. There were like five people standing around him. I don't know why somebody didn't grab the gun from him."

That would not be the only person in St. Hilaire's life that would be tragically taken from him. Two years later his brother-in-law Tony was gunned down.

"Tony would always look out for me," St. Hilaire said. "I remember after one of my games, he told me that he would be there for me and that he would make sure that I would get to where I needed to go. I was going to be his project. He got shot two weeks later."

For Rouzard and St. Hilaire, football became a gateway to a positive way of life.

"I always wanted to go to college," St. Hilaire said. "I remember how hard it was for my parents to put my older sisters through college so I told my parents that they wouldn't have to worry about me, I would get a scholarship."

Having both of his sisters going to Florida State University was such a financial burden on St. Hilaire's family that when he was in eighth grade, St. Hilaire had to quit football for a year and get a fake work permit so he could get a job and help support the family.

Rouzard and St. Hilaire played together at Miami Beach

High School and quickly became good friends. By the time St. Hilaire and Rouzard were seniors, big time college football programs were noticing the talent and letters began to come in. Rouzard was getting letters from the University of Florida and St. Hilaire was getting interest from the University of Southern California.

But neither one was able to get the test scores in order to be eligible to play Division I, so they both decided to go across the country to Sierra Community College.

"Our high school has a history of sending people to junior colleges in New York and California, but a lot of times people just quit and come back," St. Hilaire said. "I wasn't going to be one of those people."

Together Rouzard and St. Hilaire made the long journey to California to play junior college football in hopes of eventually playing DI football one day.

"It was a hard adjustment going from Miami to California," Rouzard said. "It was totally different."

The two got homesick from time to time and used each other to get through the hard times.

"After the games, most of the kids on the team would have their family members running up to them," St. Hilaire said. "Pat and I didn't have anybody. That was hard, but we had each other. That really helped. He's like a brother to me."

St. Hilaire and Rouzard excelled while at Sierra but while they were home for summer vacation, tragedy struck again.

One of Rouzard's best friends, Dudley, also St. Hilaire's cousin, was shot and killed.

"Dudley introduced me to Pat when we were young," St. Hilaire said. "When he died, it hurt. It just about killed me."

Rouzard said Dudley was caught up in a violent series of events.

"Dudley stayed right on my block," Rouzard said. "Luckily, I was at the park that day. That could've been my life too."

Rouzard said that after the shooting, revenge was on his mind but he chose not to join his friends in the violent attack. "I wanted to, but I choose not to because I was in school and playing football," Rouzard said. "It was very hard for me not to go with them."

Rouzard said he made the right choice because more violence followed. He said retaliation went back and fourth and many of Rouzard's high school friends were murdered or are in jail for murder.

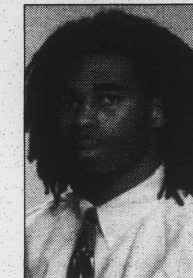
"When I go back home to Miami, I have to constantly watch over my shoulder," Rouzard said. "That's what I like about it here; I don't have to worry about things like that."

Dudley's death brought St. Hilaire and Rouzard closer together.

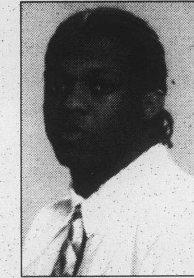
At the end of their second year of junior college, it was time for the two of them to make a choice.

St. Hilaire was planning on going to the University of

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Rouzard



St. Hilaire

2003 WILDCAT FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

| DATE | OPPONENT | LOCATION | TIME |
|-----------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|---------------|
| Sept. 6 | Northern Iowa | Cedar Falls, Iowa | 5 p.m. |
| Sept. 13 | Mercyhurst | Erle, Pa. | 1:30 p.m. |
| Sept. 20 | Ferris State | Big Rapids, Mich. | 7 p.m. |
| Sept. 27 | Indianapolis | Marquette, Mich. | 7 p.m. |
| Oct. 4 | Hillsdale | Hillsdale, Mich. | 2 p.m. |
| Oct. 11 | Grand Valley State | Marquette, Mich. | 1 p.m. |
| Oct. 18 | Ashland | Ashland, Ohio | 1:25 p.m. |
| Oct. 25 | Wayne State | Marquette, Mich. | 7 p.m. |
| Nov. 1 | Michigan Tech | Marquette, Mich. | 7 p.m. |
| Nov. 8 | Saginaw Valley | University Center, Mich. | Noon |
| Nov. 15 | Northwood | Marquette, Mich. | 7 p.m. |

HOME GAMES INDICATED IN BOLD. ALL TIMES ARE EST

GLIAC Preview: a look at the competition

Here is a look at the competition the Wildcats will face this season in the GLIAC.

Ashland

The Eagles are looking to bounce back from a 2-9 campaign last season.

One key offensively is sorting out the running game, which struggled throughout 2002. AU returns junior quarterback John Szabo, who set school single-season records for completions and pass attempts. Also back is junior wide receiver Michael Hull. He caught a school record 72 passes last season. Sophomore tight end Brian Mong, who was injured for all but one game in 2002, returns and that will bolster the offensive line and the passing attack.

The defense, which returns six starters, figures to be built around the secondary and senior cornerbacks Toure Carter and Michael Westbrooks. Junior Chris Campbell and sophomores Jarrett Fuller and Brady Miller anchor the linebacking corps.

Ferris State

Ferris State will sport a new look in 2003 as the Bulldogs will don new uniforms through a team-fundraising effort in hopes of a fresh start and erasing the memories of last season's disappointing campaign.

Ferris, which was plagued by injuries throughout the fall, compiled a 5-5 overall mark and placed sixth in the GLIAC at 4-5. This season, ninth-year head coach Jeff Pierce welcomes back 39 letterwinners from a year ago which consists mostly of upperclassmen and the Bulldogs are focused on returning to their customary winning ways.

Offensively, FSU returns eight starters highlighted by senior tailback Derek Fudge and junior quarterback Tom Marsan. Fudge, the 2000 GLIAC Freshman of the Year, returned to form last season by rushing for 1,016 yards and 10 TD's on the ground to earn second-team All-GLIAC honors. He compiled six 100-yard plus game rushing efforts in 2002 and also had a team-best 44 catches for 386 yards. Marsan returns as the starting signal-caller for the third straight season after throwing for a career-high 2,350 yards last fall, which ranked sixth best in school history. Marsan presently ranks fifth among Ferris' all-time passing leaders with 3,887 career yards.

Defensively, FSU has five starters back including its entire linebacking corps in senior middle linebacker Luke Piepkow, with juniors Kevin Myers and Rob Mida on the outside. Both Piepkow and Myers garnered second-team all-league acco-

lades last year after leading the squad in tackles with 110 and 112 stops, respectively.

Findlay

The Oilers slogan for 2002 was "It's time to win." They did after winning nine games and finishing tied for second in the GLIAC. When asked for the slogan for the 2003 team, Simrell stated, "Where do we go from here. You either improve or you regress. We have had a taste of winning and I don't want them to forget what we had to do to get to that point."

Overall, the Oilers look on paper as if they are going to top their performance in 2002. They are a young but experienced team and will battle every time they take the field. With First Team All-GLIAC performers Robert Campbell, Cody Cramer, and Jackson Harris returning along with a number of talented veterans, the Oilers look like they have the main ingredients for a recipe of success.

Grand Valley

Grand Valley State was picked to win the 2003 GLIAC football title in the coaches pre-season ballot. The Lakers won the NCAA Division II National Championship last season after going 14-0.

GVSU has averaged nearly nine wins a year under the direction of head football coach Brian Kelly in his 12 years at the helm. Although the Lakers graduated many talented seniors, they have 15 letterman and three starters returning on offense, 16 letterman and six starters returning on defense and all three special team players returning.

One area of strength will be the offensive line, led by junior Josh Bourke at left tackle. Cullen Finnerty and Jeff Dock will battle for time at quarterback, while Michael Tennessee and Brandon Langston will be the featured backs in the Laker offense.

GVSU returns six starters and eight of the top 10 tacklers from the 2002 season. Junior Keyonta Marshall, the 2002 GLIAC Defensive Lineman of the Year, returns as does fellow all-american Scott Mackey, who was voted GLIAC Defensive Back of the Year last season.

Hillsdale

In just his second season as head coach at Hillsdale College, Keith Otterbein has already moved the Chargers to another level after finishing in the top half of the GLIAC in both offense and defense last year.

After a 4-7 record in 2002, the Chargers have been picked to finish eighth in the 2003 GLIAC Preseason Coaches Poll.

Leading the offense for Hillsdale will be senior quarterback Bill Skelton. Skelton will start his fourth season at QB after tallying career-highs in completions (173), touchdowns (17) and passing yards (1,942). Skelton led the GLIAC by throwing just five interceptions in 11 games, while completing a career-best 62.2 percent of his passes (3rd in GLIAC).

Hillsdale will also get offensive help from juniors Dan Wilson and Dan Musielewicz. Wilson (51 carries, 298 yards) will have to replace the nation's all-purpose yards leader, Kevin Clive, at running back, while Musielewicz was HC's leading receiver in 2002 with 31 catches for 400 yards and two touchdowns.

Defensively, preseason All-America candidate Rob North will lead the team after finishing third nationally with 139 tackles last season. Senior Jack Pitts will be a key factor in the secondary, while senior Matt Dudek will anchor the defensive line.

Indianapolis

Coach Joe Polizzi will blend 33 returning lettermen, including 14 starters, from last season's 5-6 squad with a talented recruiting class in the Greyhounds' quest for a fifth seven-win campaign in seven years.

Four returning Indianapolis players earned All-GLIAC honors in 2002. Senior Cesaré Manning earned All-GLIAC second-team honors after making 36 catches for 497 yards and a team-high five touchdowns last season.

Junior Matt Kohn returns as starting quarterback after a record-setting campaign. Kohn broke Greyhound records for passing accuracy in a game (.895) and season (.631) and completions in a campaign (197). He completed 197 of 312 pass attempts for 2,255 yards and 17 touchdowns.

Defensively, senior FS Chris Jackson leads Greyhound returnees with 83 tackles last season, adding two interceptions and seven pass breakups. Sophomore Nick Parker will handle the kicking and punting duties after setting school records for longest field goal (54 yards) and points kicking in a season (66), earning GLIAC "Player of the Week" and All-GLIAC honorable mention.

Mercyhurst

After finishing in the GLIAC basement last season, Head coach Marty Schaetzle and the Lakers hope to return to conference respectability in 2003.

Junior quarterback Jim Schuler started seven games last season, but will face stiff competition for the starting job. The Lakers will use a lot of running

backs in 2003, including junior Jackson led the team in rushing Justin Adams and redshirt junior in 2001 and was named First Ricky Aguirre, both of whom made Team All-GLIAC.

The defense will be anchored by that form after running for 643 senior Academic All American can-yards and five touchdowns as a didates Mike McQuillan and Tom junior.

Langworthy. Junior GLIAC Seven of the top 10 leading Honorable Mention Brian Smith is tacklers are back for 2003.

back to man a middle linebacker spot while the secondary will be led by senior GLIAC Honorable Mention, Rob Keefe.

Michigan Tech

Michigan Tech returns 37 letterwinners and will add to it a group of talented newcomers as it hits the gridiron in 2003.

On offense, junior Dan Mettlach will start at quarterback for the second straight season. He passed for 1,433 yards and 12 touchdowns in 2002. Junior Chris Lomasney is the incumbent to start at tailback after gaining 526 yards on just 83 carries a year ago. All-GLIAC tack-

Saginaw Valley

aginaw Valley enters the 2003 season as one of only five football teams that have qualified to the NCAA Division II playoffs in each of the past three seasons. However, the Cardinals must overcome the loss of eleven starters to graduation.

Junior quarterback Mark Radlinki has the biggest shoes to fill, following the Cardinals all-time leading pass Matt LaFleur. Radlinki played significant minutes in 2002, passing for 1,013 yards and twelve touchdowns.

He will be helped by the

GLIAC FOOTBALL 2002 FINAL STANDINGS

| Team | GLIAC | Overall |
|-------------------------|-------|---------|
| 1. Grand Valley State | 9-0 | 14-0 |
| 2. Findlay | 8-2 | 9-2 |
| 3. Saginaw Valley State | 8-2 | 9-3 |
| 4. Northwood | 7-3 | 7-4 |
| 5. Northern Michigan | 6-4 | 6-5 |
| 6. Ferris State | 4-5 | 5-5 |
| 7. Indianapolis | 4-6 | 5-6 |
| 8. Hillsdale | 4-6 | 4-7 |
| 9. Michigan Tech | 3-7 | 3-7 |
| 10. Wayne State | 3-7 | 3-8 |
| 11. Ashland | 2-8 | 2-9 |
| 12. Mercyhurst | 0-9 | 2-9 |

le Seth Ebel anchors an offensive line that should be the strength of the Huskies offense.

Safety Andy Bonk is Tech's top defensive returnee. An All-GLIAC First Team selection, he tallied 100 tackles and a team-high four interceptions in 2002. Bonk — and seven more defensive backs with starting experience — makes the secondary the strength of MTU's defense. Seniors Bryan Mulcahy and Brian Lepley will fill out the defensive line with junior Andy Luehmann set to return at linebacker.

Northwood

The Timberwolves are returning seven starters on offense from a group that ranked 17th in Division II averaging 426.5 yards per game of total offense a year ago. Last year, NU ranked second in Division II in rushing yards per game (297.6).

The strongest unit on offense based on depth and experience in the back field. Senior Pernell

return of senior wide receivers Ruvel Martin and Glenn Martinez, both of whom are already among the top ten receivers in SVSU's history. Senior Damion Bridges is the Cardinals' leading returning rusher with over 1,400 yards.

Wayne State

"Home Improvement" is the 2003 theme for the Wayne State. After recording a 2-3 mark in its final five games of 2002 including an overtime loss to Northern Michigan, head coach Steve Kazords' squad looks for a strong 2003 campaign which includes six home games.

WSU returns 27 letterwinners from a year ago including five starters on both offense and defense.

In addition to the new football scoreboard, Wayne State hopes that returning All-American Craig Duppong can have an outstanding senior season.

MEET THE 2003 COACHING STAFF

Doug Sams is beginning his second season as head coach at NMU.

He led the Wildcats to a 6-5 record in his first season in Marquette.

Sams came to NMU from Fairmont State College in West Virginia where he was head coach from 1991-01.

His record at Fairmont State was 53-47-0. His overall head collegiate coaching record in 12 years is 64-57-0.

He won two West Virginia Intercollegiate Athletic Conference football championships during his time at Fairmont State in 1996 and 2000. In 1996, he was named the WVIAC Coach of the Year.

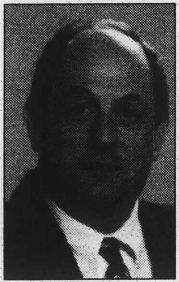
His other coaching experience was one year at Urbana

University in Ohio, an NAIA Division II school, where he went 5-5 during the 1988 season.

Sams is a native of Oregon.

He came to Fairmont from the Ottawa Rough Riders of the Canadian Football League, where he was the offensive coordinator from 1989 to 1991.

Sams began his coaching career at Oregon State University where he served as a student assistant from 1976 to 1977 and was a part-time defensive line coach in 1978.



Sams

From there, he moved on to the University of Northern Iowa where he coached receivers and the offensive line from 1979 to 1983.

In 1983, he joined the Idaho State University staff as tight end coach and served as offensive line coach from the Montreal Alouettes.

A year later, he joined the Edmonton Eskimos as the defensive coach and special teams coordinator.

Following the 1988 season as head coach at Urbana, he returned to the Ottawa Rough Riders and then was named the 15th head coach at Fairmont State.

Sams resides in Marquette with his wife Brenda, dog Sam and daughter Kate.

Matt Collins: joined the staff in the fall of 2002 as offensive line coach.

He was a former Wildcat who earned four letters as an offensive lineman. He graduated from NMU in 1995 with a bachelor's degree in criminal justice/ Spanish.

Mike Kellar: this is his second year on staff.

He came to NMU with Sams and serves as the offensive coordinator.

He was the starting quarterback under Sams at Fairmont State University.

After completing his collegiate career, he joined the coaching staff and spent eight years with Fairmont State before coming to NMU.

Bob Jurasin: joined the staff in 1999. He is a 1998 inductee in the Wildcat staff in 1999.

He started as a defensive lineman at NMU from 1982 to 1985. He played for the CFL at Saskatchewan before coming back to NMU.

Mike Snyder: followed Sams and Kellar from Fairmont State University. He serves as the defensive coordinator.

His coaching history includes running back coach at Glenville State College in West Virginia and at Clarion University of Pennsylvania.

Jim Driscoll: is a part-time assistant working with defensive backs.

Bob McCullough: part-time assistant working with tight end.

Mike Oswald: part-time assistant working with linebackers.

Tony Ebeling: part-time assistant working with wide receivers.

Herb Grenke: part-time assistant working with defense.

Nathan Twork: part-time assistant working with defensive backs.

Jesse Loeffler: part-time assistant working with offensive line.

MIAMI

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Cincinnati and Rouzard was getting interest from Marshall and Rutgers.

"I remember watching Cincinnati's bowl game thinking that I was going to be playing there the next year," St. Hilaire said. "But then the coaches all got fired."

That's when Northern Michigan University came calling.

"They got my information off the Internet and gave me a call," St. Hilaire said. "I wasn't feeling NMU at first so I kind of blew them off, but a teammate of ours at Sierra sent a tape to Northern because he wanted to go here, and when the coaches saw Pat and me on the tape they called again."

But St. Hilaire was talking to the coaches at Saginaw Valley State University and Rouzard was still planning on going to a DI school.

"When Saginaw said they wouldn't give me a full ride, that's when I chose Northern," St. Hilaire said.

"The main reason I came to NMU was to stay with Sid," Rouzard said. "I know I gave up a big opportunity to play DI, but the way I feel, if you're good enough and do what you have to do on the field, that's all that matters."

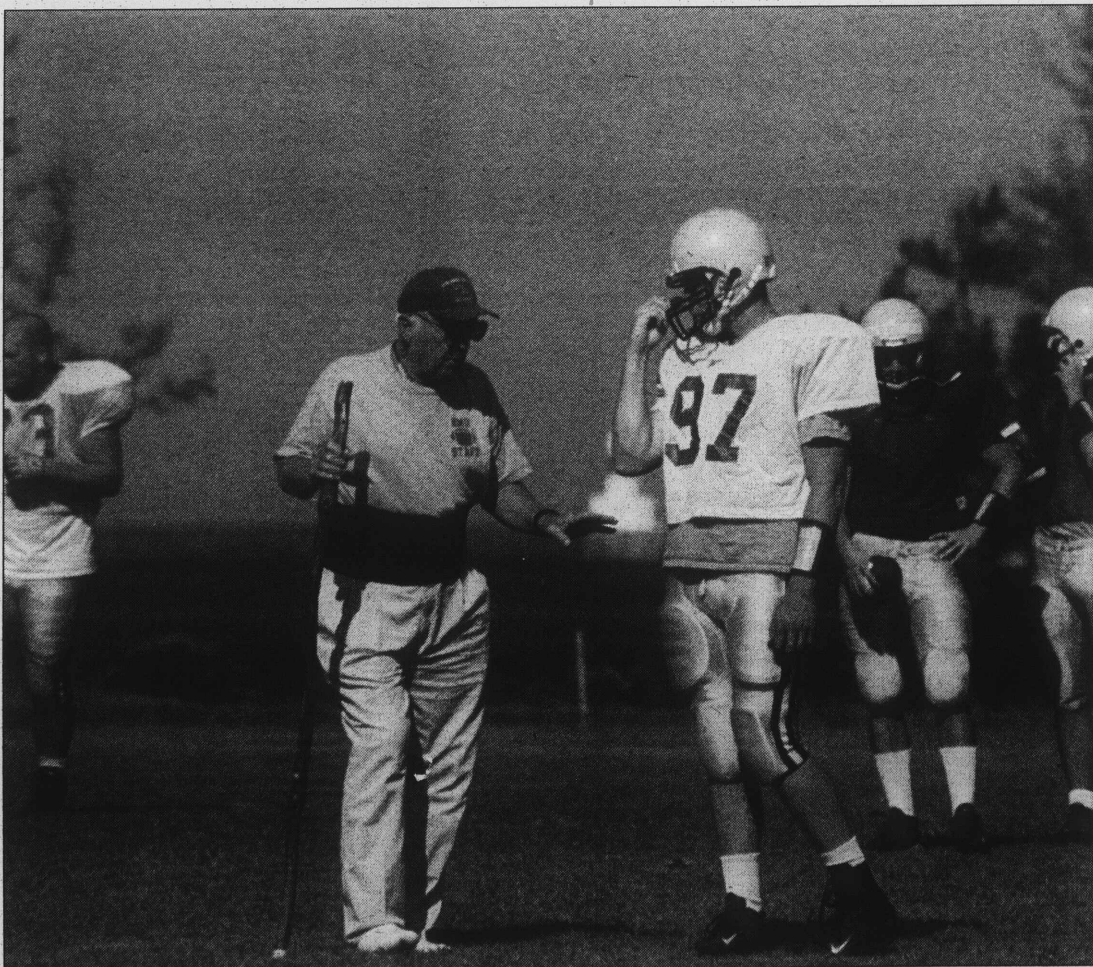
NMU Head coach Doug Sams said that he is very happy with the two kids from Miami.

"They took a chance on us and we took a chance on them," Sams said. "It has worked out great for everybody involved."



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Senior quarterback Kyle Swenor, right, is going to be protected this year by an offensive line led by seniors Dan Nett and Jeff Beneteau.



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Part-time assistant coach Bob McCullough works with the tight ends during preseason practice. McCullough is one of 13 coaches and assistants who work with the athletes to ready them for games.

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