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SFC works with large carryover

BY ADAM WESTHOUSE
STAFF REPORTER

The Student Finance Committee is currently working with a large carryover and examining ways to bring quality programming to campus with the student funds.

As of Oct. 17 approximately \$87,300 in funds were remaining to be allocated for this semester, with about \$54,800 in carryover from the Winter 2003 semester.

About \$20,000 of current funds have also been carrying forward since Fall 2001 semester. These funds are taken from the Student Discretionary Activity Fee.

SFC Chair Travis Margoni said student organizations have

been active in requesting money, with 20 groups receiving funds this semester thus far.

The funds are used to host NMU campus events such as musical acts, comedians and other public speaking figures.

Assistant Dean of Students Christine Greer, who advises the SFC, said it is encouraging student groups to plan ahead in the future to bring more events to campus for the fall semesters.

"We tend to have groups that get together in the fall and decide what they want to do for the winter semester," Greer said. "The SFC gives a lot of money away for the winter semester, and then groups don't ask for funds in the fall again. It's a cycle we have

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HELPing out



Don Lhamon/NW

Sophomore nursing majors Mary Kirkwood, left, and Stacey Ekdahl and junior liberal arts major Justin Gelsing wrote letters for the Higher Education Letter Project (HELP) in the LRC on Oct 21. The HELP Web site received 1,569 letters for submission by 11 p.m. yesterday.

Stupak asks for input

BY SHELLY RUSPAKKA
STAFF WRITER

U.S. Congressman Bart Stupak, D-Mich., and State Senator Mike Prusi, D-Ishpeming, visited campus on Sunday, Oct. 19 to speak about recent funding for the war on terror and the role of constituency involvement.

Approximately 30 students, politicians and members of the community attended the event, which was open to the public and put on by the NMU College Democrats.

Stupak answered questions from the community regarding prescription drug coverage, the national debt and his recent vote against \$87 billion in new funding for military and reconstruction projects in Iraq and Afghanistan.

"We're already in deficit spending for the last fiscal year, and we just started this fiscal year," Stupak said. "We'll have to borrow that money...it just doesn't make that much sense."

Stupak stressed how important constituent input can be on decisions that will affect them directly. He said constituents were encouraged to write e-mails voicing their side on the Iraq and Afghanistan funding issue. While the e-mail results did not directly determine his decision, he said they definitely influenced it.

"By 5 o'clock the night before we voted (on the Iraq issue), which was Thursday (Oct. 16), the count was 553 against, 5 in favor," he said. "We do pay some attention to that."

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Don Lhamon/ NW

Bart Stupak, Michigan's first district representative in the U.S. Congress, visited campus on Oct. 19 to discuss federal funding, the national debt, voting and other issues.

Marquette ready for world skaters

BY DAVE MOSS
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Local businesses are preparing for when the world, in the form of a World Cup speed skating event, comes to Marquette.

Athletes and coaches will account for at least 200 visitors to Marquette for the weekend.

Also coming to Marquette will be people from over 30 media locations that United States Olympic Education Center Director Jeff Kleinschmidt said are coming from not only all over the United States, but from around the world.

He said that the USOEC has been contacted by media from Japan and Australia about coming to the speed skating events.

"An event like this brings a significant amount of publicity to Marquette on the worldwide scale," Kleinschmidt said.

Many Marquette area businesses

have already taken advantage of the added publicity as hotels plan to accommodate the many visitors related to the World Cup, and other businesses from car rentals to restaurants anticipate a busy weekend.

"Right now all the airlines are full in and out of Marquette, hotels are full, restaurants will be busy, and Athletes will be in stores buying U.S. goods," Kleinschmidt said.

Pat Black of the Marquette Convention and Visitor Bureau said the World Cup is occurring at a great time of year, when summer and fall color tourism has ended and winter tourism has not yet started.

"To put Marquette on the world map is huge," Black said.

The Holiday Inn of Marquette has agreed to host many of the athletes. The hotel has many rooms set aside for athletes attending the World Cup, said Holiday Inn

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sort of gotten into, and it's something we're looking to remedy."

Marquette's geographic location and student organizations taking a hiatus in the summer months are reasons why booking speakers and bands for the fall semesters are difficult, Greer said. In spite of the amount of available finances, Margoni said the committee will remain thorough when evaluating budget proposals brought in by student groups.

"We won't begin shoveling loads of money to student organizations for the sake of getting rid of a carryover," Margoni said. "We'll continue to work hard at allocating student money responsibly for various programs."

The SFC is also considering dispensing more allocations in the future to earmarked fund groups such as Northern Arts and Entertainment and Platform

Personalities in hopes of bringing bigger performers and speakers to NMU, Margoni said.

Dean of Students Ed Niemi said even with the current state of university-wide budget shortages, funds collected from the Student Discretionary Activity Fee will continue to be solely allocated for student organization events.

"This is student money and it is programming money only," Niemi said. "We don't want to see that money taken away to support something that the university has traditionally funded, because that would defeat the purpose of the funding."

The support for additional SFC funding was raised in the Winter 2001 Semester referendum, where NMU students voted to raise the activity fee by \$9.70 to \$30 per student in order to bring more events to campus.

"The SFC budget was pretty tight two

years ago," Greer said. "The [2001] referendum has opened up a lot of opportunity to student groups for more activities."

The funds which are not allocated this semester will carry forward into the Winter 2004 Semester, Greer said.

SFC member Rebecca Thompson said the committee is also hoping student organizations will continue to attract a wider variety of programming to campus.

"A lot of newly-formed groups might be intimidated to bring a budget proposal to [the SFC]," Thompson said. "We encourage all student groups to think outside the box and submit a proposal who feel they have something of value to bring to Northern, whether it's a movie, a poet, a writer or a band."

EDITOR'S NOTE: Travis Margoni is a North Wind employee.

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Stupak also spoke about the importance of reaching younger people through the use of e-mail, and how technology will change future elections.

One of those changes will occur in the near future, as the Michigan Democratic Party's next primary election will be open to online voting, he said.

Voters can register and vote online, thereby reducing the need for absentee ballots, which are a concern for college students who live far away.

The lack of convenience with absentee ballots may be the reason the 18-24

year old age group is the largest voting block in the United States, yet the least likely to vote, he said.

Stupak stressed the importance of voting, because it will affect this age group longer than any other. He also advocated personal contact with representatives, because of the influence the group has.

"We need your input," Stupak said. "We want your views. Don't be intimidated by calling any of us. We're here to serve you."

Prusi serves on the Higher Education Appropriations Subcommittee in the Michigan State Senate, and expressed his views regarding the ASNMU-initiated

Higher Education Letter Project, which aims to preserve the resources needed to maintain quality universities. Students are encouraged to write directly to him in order to reach this goal.

"The more I hear, the more ammunition I have when I talk to the committee sheriffs and the governor's people, the more constituent response we can point to and say, 'this matters,'" Prusi said.

The 18 to 24-year-old generation will eventually be paying off the national debt, so staying involved is important, Prusi said. The best way to know directly what is going on is to contact him with questions or concerns, he said.

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Director of Sales Ann Armstrong.

"It is an outstanding opportunity to showcase our community, to show we can handle a group this size," Armstrong said.

The staff at the Holiday Inn is also looking forward to the World Cup as an opportunity to work with a very diverse group of customers, she said.

Other hotels in town, although not specifically designated for the athletes, expect a full weekend. Comfort Suites also expects no vacancy during the World Cup.

Sawyer Airport Manager Keith Kaspari said they have been planning for the World Cup since July. They will have several banners welcoming the athletes to Marquette. The airport expects to see heavier use of its car rental services as well as the air carriers.

"Our existing air carriers will be able to handle a sizeable number of athletes," Kaspari said. "We have been notified that there will be some charter carriers."

Kleinschmidt said one of the most exciting races of the World Cup Weekend may be the 500-meter race on Friday, which is also NMU night.

In the race, there will be four Olympic medalists in the 500m including two gold medal winners.

Kleinschmidt said students planning to attend the World Cup as spectators should buy their tickets early from the Superior Dome and other ticket offices. NMU students can purchase tickets for \$3 per day.

"This is the only World Cup in the United States this season," Kleinschmidt said. "It is very important and prestigious."



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Local

Aging dam set to be demolished

MARQUETTE — The Collinsville Dam, a 100-year-old structure on the Dead River, will be demolished following a state grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency. The dam is no longer generating power and is expected to be demolished next year. The dam is located one-half mile downstream from the Forestville Dam, Marquette Board of Light and Power Executive Director David Hickey said. The \$150,000 grant will be matched by \$50,000 by the Board of Light and Power. The funding will pay for a temporary coffer that will divert pressure from the existing dam. The funding also covers the installation of rock rip rap and the building of a temporary diversion pipe.

National

Partial-birth abortion ban passes

WASHINGTON, D.C. — A bill banning a specific abortion procedure passed the Senate 64-34, with a signature by President Bush expected soon. The bill bans partial-birth abortion, which is defined as: "In the case of a headfirst presentation, the entire fetal head is outside the body of the mother, or, in the case of the breech presentation, any part of the fetal trunk past the navel is outside the body of the mother for the purpose of performing an overt act that the person knows will kill the partially delivered living fetus." In the vote, 17 Democrats joined 47 Republicans to support the passing of the ban. President Bush described the passing of the bill as legislation which will end an abhorrent practice and revitalizes a culture of life in the United States.

International

Iranians submit nuclear evidence

VIENNA, Austria — Iran is expected to submit documents to a division of the United Nations denying rumors that it is developing nuclear arms. The International Atomic Energy Agency set an Oct. 31 deadline for Iran to explain the state of its nuclear capabilities from energy production to arms development. It will take several days to analyze the contents of the documents, an IAEA official said. Iran has repeatedly denied any interests in nuclear weapons and agreed to more thorough IAEA inspections. Iran will also suspend all of its uranium enrichment, including that used for energy. Iranian commentator Hossein Shariatmadari called an agreement with Britain, France and Germany a "big mistake" and ridiculed the assertion by Iranian officials that the ceasing of uranium enrichment was voluntary.

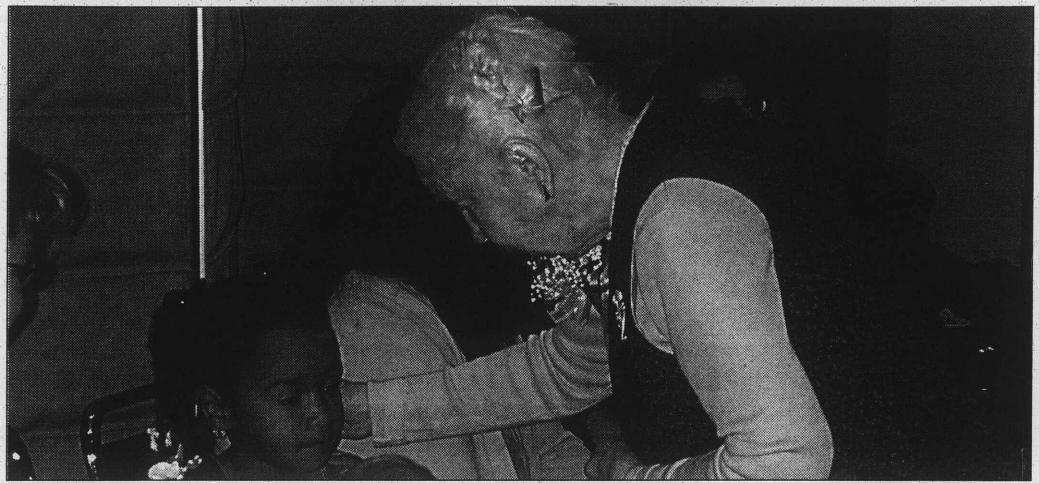
Weird News

Woman gives birth unexpectedly

SYDNEY, Australia — A 27-year-old Australian woman gave birth to a healthy baby boy just three hours after she learned she had unknowingly been pregnant for nine months. Carolyn Hounsell went to her doctor because of stomach pains before being admitted to a hospital. Hounsell said she had experienced indigestion prior to the birth, and was sent to get an ultra sound, according to a local newspaper. The ultrasound revealed Hounsell was 37 weeks pregnant and was experiencing contractions. Hounsell and her husband Dennis Ross, 44, had unsuccessfully attempted to conceive in the past. Ross was told he could not father children following a car accident over two years ago.

— Compiled from news sources

Long-time member



Nancy Starzyk/NW

Sarah Bottrell, 99, was honored by the Alpha Xi Delta sorority on her birthday yesterday in the University Center. Bottrell, an NMU alumni and Alpha Xi sorority member, was initiated in 1923.

With enrollment increasing, student housing lacking and campus rooms full, Marquette has ...

No Vacancy

In a three-part series, the North Wind examines student housing in Marquette. This week, we focus on the role of the university.

BY JOSH JOHNSON
NEWS EDITOR

As enrollment at NMU cracked 9,000 students this year, more students are present on the campus of NMU, but also in housing throughout the Marquette community.

Campus housing is nearly full. Affordable and decent student housing off campus is lacking. City and university officials admit there is a problem with student housing in Marquette.

Dialogue between Northern and the city concerning housing enrollment growth has been minimal, Vice President of Institutional Research Paul Duby said.

"The process we need to do is have a better dialogue with the city," Duby said. "We're operating as if we're the only entity in the neighborhood, and we're not."

Projected student enrollment for fall semester 2003 is higher by nearly 1,500 students than in fall semester 1998, Duby said.

However, the goal to reach 10,329 students by fall 2005 seems unlikely, Duby said.

Though enrollment goals for this semester were reached, they were not done so through the number of new freshman as in past years, but from areas such as transfer students and increasing numbers of upperclassmen, he said.

Northern's administration wanted to increase enrollment because the amount of state appropriation per student was considerably higher at NMU than other state universities in the late 1990s, Duby said. A high level of funding per student made NMU politically vulnerable to funding reductions, so the decision to increase enrollment would

reduce the amount of student appropriation, he said.

Increased retention amongst upperclassmen and smaller freshmen classes have contributed to the lack of off-campus housing.

The number of freshmen increased 4.4 percent from fall 2002 to fall 2003, while the number of seniors increased 10.1 percent in the same time period, according to information provided by NMU Institutional Research.

The reason for a hefty number of upperclassmen is due to the large freshmen classes which entered the university in 1999 and 2000, Duby said. Those students have now reached upperclassmen status, while the amount of new freshmen since 2000 has been noticeably less, he said.

Single students may live off campus if they are over 21 years old, have reached junior status with 56 credit hours, take fewer than eight credit hours per semester or receive veteran's benefits, according to the Housing and Residence Life Office's university housing requirement.

Director of Housing and Residence Life Carl Holm said dormitories are currently at 96 percent capacity, with on-campus apartments near 100 percent.

Currently, 2,260 students live in residence halls, with another 350-400 in on-campus apartments, Holm said.

The university is seeking to build additional student housing.

The renovation of Magers Hall into dormitories is scheduled for completion in fall of 2005, Holm said. Plans to build additional on-campus apartments with over 100 units off Wright

Street, northeast of campus, are also planned for fall of 2005, he said.

"We are doing what we can as quickly as we can do it," Holm said.

The \$5.3 million Magers renovation was previously expected to be completed by fall of 2004, but was pushed back because faculty are still using the facility, Holm said.

"You want to be sure you're doing the right thing when you're spending those kind of resources," Holm said.

To open up more space on campus, around 100 students who were close to achieving junior status were offered exemptions to the university housing requirement, Holm said. About 40 to 50 of those students moved off campus. Ten faculty and staff members also were removed from university housing to gain space, Holm said.

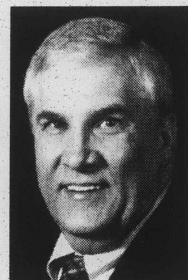
A roundtable discussion concerning the off-campus housing situation in Marquette was held Oct. 17 in City Hall by ASNMU off-campus representatives and several university and city officials.

City Manager Gerald Peterson said there are plans for developing multi-unit housing in the city. Multiple-family zoning areas may be created near campus, and mixed-use development of 15 acres near Washington and Seventh streets may also contain housing, he said.

A developer from Wisconsin is also in discussion with the city to convert the abandoned orphanage on the south side of Marquette into roughly 70 apartment units, he said.

The need to address student-housing issues in Marquette is overdue, Peterson said.

"We've seen a need for this for a long time," Peterson said. "Quite frankly, some these landlords have been taking advantage of students for a period of time."



Holm

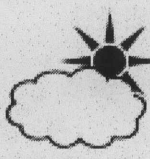
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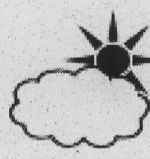
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Wireless towers added

BY JOSH JOHNSON AND
BEN PADUA
STAFF WRITERS

Students who have been relying on a dial-up connection to NMU may soon no longer have to tie up their phone lines or make a trip to campus for faster service.

NMU currently has three wireless towers in the Marquette area that over time will send a wireless Internet signal anywhere in Marquette.

"Students will be able to sit at their homes, their cars, or anywhere for that matter and get a clear wireless connection," junior computer science major Chet Nichols, director of information technology for ASNMU, said.

NMU wireless towers are now located on top of Mount Marquette and on the roof of Pine Ridge Apartments. The original tower is on top of the Cohodas building.

The university is contemplating building another tower somewhere else at a later date, Nichols said.

The reason for the location of the respective towers is the student population in the surrounding areas.

"Currently there are about 650 students living in or near

Pine Ridge Apartments," Nichols said. "The goal is to have the entire city of Marquette being wireless, but only for students."

A map displaying the concentration of students in relation to the position of the towers was displayed at the University Update Forum meeting yesterday.

The initial goal of the wireless project is to reach areas of high student population, with edge populations being

addressed later, Acting Chief Financial Officer Gavin Leach said.

However, the devices used to transmit the wireless signal are not permanently fixed, Leach said.

"Say things don't work out, we'll be able to use the equipment in other areas," Leach said. "Wireless is still fairly new, no matter how you look at it."

Currently, anyone can access NMU's wireless system, Nichols said. The school will begin disbursing software called VPN

Client sometime this year, which will enable only NMU students, faculty and staff to access the wireless signal, Nichols said.

Students should check to see if they have an NMU wireless signal before paying money for a DSL, cable or a third-party wireless service, Nichols said.

If you are getting a weak signal, any kind of metal antenna would increase your chances of getting a stronger one through the NMU network, he said.

However, objects such as foliage, traffic, buildings, portable phones and metal objects may weaken or impede the wireless signal, Leach said.

"The NMU wireless signal works on a line of sight, so basically if you can see one of the towers you should be able to get a signal," Nichols said.

The wireless system is still in a testing phase and has yet to be promoted, Leach said.

A future aim of the program is to phase out dial-in connections to the NMU network, he said.

"I get the wireless signal at my house on Bluff Street, and it's made things a lot easier for me," senior physiology major Brianna Kirt said. "I don't have to leave to go to the library to get a decent connection."



Leach

Internet policy to change

ASNMU, Dean of Students look over acceptable Internet policies

BY KRISTEN KOHRT
STAFF WRITER

The possibility of an acceptable use policy for the Internet at NMU is currently being researched, and changes will soon be made.

Currently, NMU has a policy, but it exists based on the usage guidelines of MichNet, a group that provides service to NMU's network.

The policy is too general and needs to be updated and adapted to meet the needs of the university, said Dean of Students Ed Niemi, chairperson of the committee that is developing the new policy.

Students downloading music illegally on NMU's server is one issue that prompted NMU to consider changing the policy. The current MichNet policy, very little is said about what should and should not be downloaded on the Internet, Niemi said.

A newer, modified policy would make this type of issue and others clearer to students, faculty and staff who use NMU's network.

In the policy, topics such as privacy, harassment and network

integrity would be covered so everyone knows what is permissible and what is not, Niemi said.

The policy, however, is not meant to punish people or ban certain activities. It is meant to prevent people from committing malicious acts against others, or violating someone's right to privacy, he said.

"This policy is meant to balance freedom of expression and thought without harming individuals."

— Ed Niemi
Dean of students

"This policy is meant to balance freedom of expression and thought without harming individuals," Niemi said.

Niemi also hopes that the NMU community will be able to discuss this issue of internet regulations in order to get input from several different people, he said. After the policy is worded, it will have to be approved by several departments and eventually the NMU Board of Trustees in order to be finalized and approved.

Provost and Vice President of

Academic Affairs Fred Joyal will be involved in approving the policy.

The policy must include legalities that have to be obeyed in order for people to continue utilizing the resources, Joyal said.

Currently, there is no policing to make sure policy is followed. There are no plans for future policing either, Joyal said. However, if misuse is brought to the attention of the university, action will be taken, he said.

"A lot of it is just ignorance and not knowing what the policy includes," Joyal said.

Junior computer science major Chet Nichols, director of information and technology at ASNMU, is also involved with the committee developing the policy.

In order to keep students involved with the policy, Nichols is seeking input from fellow ASNMU members, he said.

"We want this to be centered around students, but there is only so much room for student input because of state laws," Nichols said.

Nichols is representing students and trying to make them more interested in giving input on this issue, he said.

Concerns or comments regarding the possible internet usage policy can be sent to Nichols at cnichols@nmu.edu.

Roy declines to seek permanent position

Interim President Mike Roy has announced that he will not seek a permanent appointment to the position. Roy told NMU faculty and staff attending a university forum Wednesday afternoon that he has no intention of adding his name to the pool of prospective candidates.

"My primary reasons for not seeking the presidential position are related to time," he said. "On a personal level, being president requires one to devote their days and nights to the university and your family tends to take second place. On a professional level, Northern is facing a major financial challenge because of falling state revenues and the likelihood of additional reductions in our state appropriation. I believe my attention needs to be focused on addressing this challenge rather than pursuing the position of president."

When Judi Bailey resigned in May to accept the top post at Western Michigan University, the NMU Board of Trustees voted to name Roy as interim president. Chair Mary Campbell said he was a logical choice, given the legislative and fiscal challenges confronting higher education in Michigan.

Roy will continue to serve on an interim basis until a new president is selected. The process began in late June when the NMU board contracted with A.T. Kearney, an executive search firm based in Alexandria, Va.

The board also named trustee Sam Benedict as chair of the Presidential Search Advisory Committee, which is composed of university, community and alumni representatives. The PSAC has convened three times and is scheduled to conduct the first review of applications at its next meeting in November.

Prior to his interim appointment, Roy served as vice president for finance and administration. His previous titles at Northern included assistant vice president for finance and controller, and chief accountant. Before joining NMU in 1978, he was controller at Central Michigan University.

—NMU press release

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Students volunteer

BY SARAH WIENSCH
STAFF WRITER

NMU students and citizens of the community can volunteer to help the elderly and disabled during the 13th annual Make A Difference Day on Oct. 25.

The NMU Volunteer Center is working with United Way to organize this event.

The kickoff of Make a Difference Day will start with a breakfast from 8:30-10 a.m. in the Wildcat Den. There, volunteers will receive free T-shirts, double check work assignments and borrow rakes.

At this event, volunteers perform a wide range of tasks throughout the Marquette, Ishpeming and Negaunee areas, said Layla Khoury-Hanold, senior marketing and French major and NMU volunteer center coordinator.

Most groups will be raking leaves, however, some individuals request to have windows washed and other miscellaneous tasks to help them get ready for winter, she said.

"This event is a great opportunity for students on campus to get out into the community and work together as a team to help another individual," Sara Barclay, senior business management and biology major and NMU volunteer center assistant coordinator said. "It is a huge help to some of the area residents who have difficulty completing some fall chores. In some cases, the student organizations are willing to help the people they are assigned to with winter and spring chores as well."

This year there are over 55 student organizations and groups signed up, with about 450 to 500 student volunteers participating, Khoury-Hanold said.

The organizations that participate in this event include service groups, residence halls and houses, fraternities, sororities, athletic groups, churches and classes.

A few groups work with the same individual each year, she said.

Senior political science major Dusti Young, a resident advisor of Dakota House in Halverson Hall, has volunteered for Make A Difference Day for five years. Her hall has helped out elderly in the community the last two years, she said.

"I think that helping out even one day is a great help for the people in Marquette," Young said. "I love hearing the stories of the people who we are helping, and knowing that we go to a university that cares about more than academics."

Make a Difference Day is an excellent event where the community and NMU students join together, Khoury-Hanold said.

"This event is always a favorite event among Northern students," she said. "This type of event really helps to bridge the gap between campus and community, and helps to maintain the excellent reputation that NMU students have as volunteers."



Khoury-Hanold

Soldiers visit campus, share Iraqi experience

BY MARY ANN CANCELLA
STAFF REPORTER

An NMU graduate and a military science professor spoke on campus Tuesday, sharing their experiences of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Maj. Paul Phillips, a civil affairs team chief, and Capt. Peter Sinclair, a general's aid to top military intelligence officials, addressed current issues in Iraq.

Phillips said his job focused on rebuilding Iraq and helping with the clean-up of the country.

He helped set-up governments within some Iraqi towns, as well as rebuilding schools and water treatment plants, he said. Phillips said this area of Iraq was predominantly pro-coalition.

However, he said he also worked in northern Iraq, where an anti-coalition sentiment existed.

"Everyday we were being attacked," Phillips said. "The process of rebuilding was real slow-going."

The top priority during his stay in Iraq was the rebuilding of schools, he said.

"We are currently fighting uneducated adult males," Phillips said. "We need to change their minds to the proper way of thinking."

Sinclair, a 1999 graduate of NMU, said he also traveled through various parts of Iraq including northern Iraq, Tikrit and Baghdad. He emphasized that the struggle in Iraq was not a United

States-only effort. He said there are 30 different nations that make up the coalition forces ranging from Fiji to Poland.

His job consisted of searching for weapons of mass destruction, trying to establish a government within Iraq, setting up electricity and water treatment, Sinclair said.

Once a constitution has been set-up in Iraq, elections will be held to elect government officials, he said. After this, Sinclair said efforts will be shifted to the police and military.

The two men also addressed several other concerns in Iraq. Sinclair addressed the issue of former Iraqi soldiers who are now finding themselves unemployed.

"We let loose a significant untrained male population," Sinclair said. "Right now we are working to get them employed."

Sinclair and Phillips also spoke of their interaction with Iraqi civilians. Phillips said that as a civil affairs officer he was out working with civilians every day.

In addition, Sinclair spoke of how the military tried to minimize civilian casualties. He said the military would look at what was located around the building they wanted to destroy, and consider the best way to strike and the appropriate time to do so.

"We were real conservative," Sinclair said. "As history unfolds, it will show that."

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Protect our future

Next Tuesday, ASNMU will present the results of the Higher Education Letter Project to state representatives in Lansing in an attempt to reduce the amount of cuts public universities will receive during the next fiscal year. After receiving nearly a 10-percent cut last year, higher education is hoping to take less of a financial hit as the state prepares for an estimated \$897.7 million budget deficit for fiscal year 2004.

Higher education should be given as high of priority as other state funded programs, but this has not been the case in recent years.

A new study released by the College Board on Oct. 20, stated that even using inflation-adjusted dollars, the average cost of tuition and fees at four-year public schools nationwide is 47-percent higher than it was a year ago.

These findings will not surprise many college students and their families, but lawmakers need to take a serious look at them and decide if they want to keep placing the most serious financial burdens on those trying to get their start.

The state government needs to look at ways of protecting our financial future.

While nobody likes the idea of raising taxes and most politicians fear it because it could cost them a re-election, Gov. Jennifer Granholm and our state representatives need to start looking at tax increases as a possibility. Bills have to be paid and its not fair to push all of this financial responsibility on one group of people — students.

Politicians seem to always be thinking about the present, not the future. The HELP campaign has shown that many people are not willing to let this happen and are voicing their concerns. As of 11 p.m. last night the campaign had received 1,569 letters on its Web site.

This campaign is not going to be the answer to saving all the funding problems with higher education, but hopefully, state representatives will take it seriously and begin taking measures so that cuts can be distributed across the board, instead of being weighted down on the ones fighting hardest for a better future.

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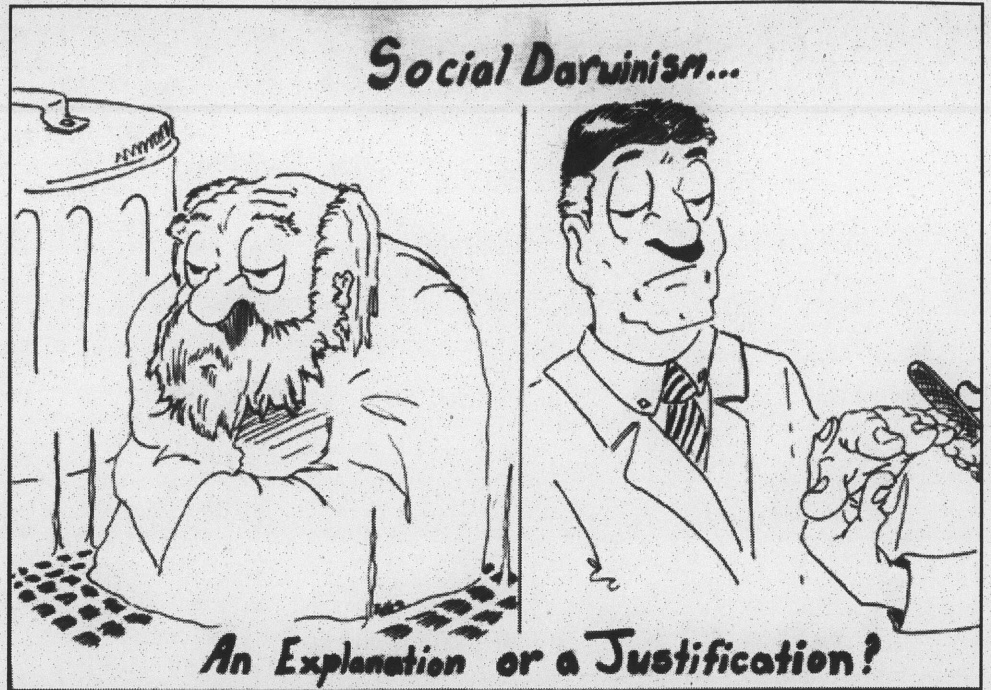
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Professor discusses religion, sexuality

Some recent letters have expressed what seems like a simple solution to an ancient human problem. The idea is that all religious viewpoints are essentially the same and that folks should get along without making so much fuss about it all. All right, let's try it. But to make it work we have to accept an underlying premise: that religious beliefs are not objectively true. They are beautiful myths that have evolved to help us cope with the uncertainties of life and the inevitability of death; we have invented the gods we worship. This shift in thinking doesn't eliminate religious activity at all; we can continue to use god-language and participate in faith communities. In fact, the premise works best if we're not even aware that we've adopted it.

Such religion can be tolerated and even admired by society as long as it remains private and makes no claims about truth. If all of us will just accept the distinction between Truth (science, observable/natural phenomena) and Belief (subjective religious opinion/private opinion), we can all get along.

Unfortunately some religions are based on the core principal that there is a real God who communicates with human beings. This kind of God is really inconvenient, because he has the gall to prefer certain behaviors to others.

This ruins the whole party, because if objective truth really exists out there somewhere, each of us should be pretty interested in discovering what it is.

In such a universe, even our sincerity isn't enough; we can't jump off cliffs and save ourselves by sincerely dis-inventing the law of gravity on the way down.

The nature of the universe isn't an insignificant matter; it is a tough issue reserved for grown-ups. It deserves to be a

continual topic of conversation and debate on any academic campus.

Rob Engelhart
professor, music department

Sheriff's Office deserves support

In recent editorials The Mining Journal supports the Marquette County Board's decision to lay off additional Sheriff's Department's Road Patrol Officers. The position of the editorials date back to Sheriff Lovelace's first election in 1996, at the time indicated during his campaign that he would not utilize grants from the U.S. Department of Justice to fund additional road patrol officers.

After being elected and finding that the Sheriff's Department Road Patrol was severely understaffed from labor market studies conducted by the county, which indicated then and does now, the average number of Road Patrol Officers is 30-34 and Marquette County had some 15-17.

Sheriff Lovelace was also confronted with taking over law enforcement responsibilities of the former KI Sawyer Air Force Base. Sheriff Lovelace found he had little choice but to embrace these federal funds which paid the new officers for the first three years of the grant.

The fact is the Sheriff's Department Road Patrol handles some 4,000 complaints per year and the Michigan State Police nearly the same amount. The commander of the state police has indicated to the county board that the state police simply cannot pick up the additional complaints resulting from the layoffs.

The Mining Journal does not want emotion to be involved with these cuts. Some four to five officers will not be able to handle the 4,000 complaints for service.

That can be very emotional for the individuals that will go without police services when

needed.

I have asked the county administrator and commissioners to share with the taxpayers what their plan is. They will not respond. Prudent decisions should have prudent plans for the inevitable, shouldn't they?

Michael P. Quayle
Marquette resident

Group innocent of hateful graffiti

As I read Ms. Serafin's Oct. 16 letter I too was deeply disturbed by what had been written. It saddened me that someone would write that way about another human being.

But what troubled me even more was that I had written advertisements for Phillip Johnson in charcoal on Monday night.

Unfortunately, the evidence did point to one of us as the culprit. Before we went out, all of us who were chalking agreed not to write over anything that was already on the sidewalks.

I was able to contact all but one of the people that chalked the sidewalks with me and I can tell you with complete confidence that it was not one of us.

Some of us threw our charcoal stubs to either side of the walkway as we wrote. It is very possible that someone else came by, saw the message that was written in colored chalk, saw a leftover piece of charcoal and then wrote the distasteful message.

I am sorry that we left charcoal bits lying around, but I am also relieved to know that nobody in my group wrote the rude message.

I would like to thank Ms. Serafin for bringing the issue to light; I did not see the message and if she hadn't written, many people would have made assumptions, and we would have had no chance to defend ourselves.

Naomi Hammond
sophomore, secondary education social studies

Rush Limbaugh tasting own medicine

When talk radio icon Rush Limbaugh announced that he was addicted to the over-the-counter drug OxyContin on Oct. 10, conservative America gasped.

After all, this was the same drug that sent 16-year-old reality TV star Jack Osbourne (son of walking anti-drug advertisement Ozzy Osbourne) to a rehabilitation center last year.

It's striking that this substance claimed the sobriety of two completely different people — one is an untalented, obnoxious fool who should have known better, and whose 15 minutes of fame ought to have run out half an hour ago.

And the other is Jack Osbourne.

Perhaps I should take it easy on Limbaugh — besides, I'm sure Al Franken (author of the classic "Rush Limbaugh Is a Big Fat Stupid Idiot") will do a much more credible job of debunking Limbaugh when he visits NMU on Nov. 18.

And for once, Limbaugh almost deserves our sympathy, because OxyContin is no laughing matter.

OxyContin is a narcotic painkiller prescribed in tablet form that contains oxycondone, a substance similar to morphine.

The drug is designed to slowly release the oxycondone into the body over a period of 12 hours.

It is given to patients with moderate to severe chronic pain, and is usually quite successful.

So what's the problem?

Users of the drug discovered that when chewed or crushed, OxyContin releases all of its oxycondone at the same time, creating a rush (pun very much intended) that can be compared with that of high-grade heroin. This generated a massive black market for the cheap and easily procurable drug in white, rural areas, and earned it the nickname "hillbilly heroin."

I suppose I could point out Limbaugh's hypocrisy regarding

STAFF COLUMN



BY SCOTT SWANSON

this issue. "Too many whites are getting away with drug use," he once said. "Find the ones who are getting away with it, convict them and send them up the river."

But I'm not going to do that. Like I said, I'm trying to be sympathetic.

Limbaugh claimed that he would enter a rehabilitation center and hoped to be clean within a month.

This is highly unlikely. According to drug experts, OxyContin is even more addictive than heroin. Detoxification often takes months and may

seem like an impossible task for the addict.

Anyone who's seen the movie "Trainspotting," which featured emaciated star Ewan MacGregor puking, sweating, shaking and hallucinating about dead babies crawling on the walls while trying to kick heroin, can see that Limbaugh has a long and difficult road ahead of him.

So we should feel bad for Limbaugh, even though he had this to say about long-time heroin addict and Nirvana singer Kurt Cobain, who committed suicide in 1994: "Kurt Cobain was, ladies and gentlemen, a worthless shred of human debris, who had been trying to kill himself for 12 years, and finally did it right, by using a shotgun, so he couldn't miss."

OK, so I'm finding it hard to empathize.

But hopefully this incident will make Limbaugh think twice about the hatred and nonsense he spews on a regular basis.

He's been in desperate need

of a dose of compassion and humility for a long time.

Not only that, but Limbaugh, Osbourne, Brett Favre and other celebrities who have admitted to problems with painkillers illustrate that drug addiction goes far beyond stereotypical heroin junkies and potheads — that anyone is susceptible.

Last year, The Mining Journal reported that OxyContin is slowly gaining foothold right here in the Upper Peninsula.

As a blue-collar college town far removed from a large urban area, Marquette is an ideal place for OxyContin to spread. As a community, we must be vigilant in keeping this very dangerous drug off our streets.

The alternative?

We could all end up like Rush Limbaugh.

I can't possibly think of a better deterrent than that.

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

Deflation: new \$20 bill costs \$33 million

I haven't even had my hands on a new \$20 bill and I am sick of them already.

Advertisements with people showing off the currency's "safer and smarter" features are all over primetime television and the Internet. "Wheel of Fortune," "Who wants to be a Millionaire" and other game shows have displayed the new cash. USA Today reported that Pepperidge Farms is including "goldfish dollars" to help market the colorful paper in 3 million of its snack packs.

The image of this peach/blue/green-hued legal tender, introduced early this month, has even been superimposed onto football fields during college football games on ESPN and "Monday Night Football."

For football fans, it really doesn't get any worse than watching football analysts illustrate how a team needs to drive down to the part of the field where Andrew Jackson's head is located to get in field-goal range.

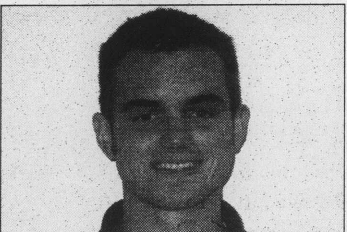
The U.S. Treasury Department is spending over \$30 million on this aggressive campaign that is designed to educate the public on the 20's new features and show how it differs from counterfeit bills. With the rise of digital technology, counterfeiting has become an increasing problem for the United States.

Government officials have estimated that about \$130 million in counterfeit money, including 500,000 \$20 bills, were being circulated in May, USA Today reported. With this in mind, the government made a good decision to change the design of the bill and make it more difficult to be imitated.

It was also important that the public was informed of these changes so the bill wouldn't be mistaken for monopoly money. But isn't spending \$30 million on a currency a little excessive?

The last time the \$20 received a facelift was in 1996.

STAFF COLUMN



BY ROB HAMILTON

To educate the public of the changes, the government used free television advertising during late night hours and other inexpensive means at the time.

During a national budget crisis, you would think that government agencies would look for ways to cut costs, not increase them.

Instead I've seen nothing but elaborate, technology-aided commercials where people dance around with the new bill in hand and others ask, "Can I get one of those too?"

While they may be entertain-

ing for the masses, these prime-time commercials are unnecessary.

If the U.S. government really believed the new money would not be accepted without an aggressive marketing plan, it could have used the U.S. Postal Service and to send out information and pictures of the new bill to businesses and the general public.

They could have at least utilized less expensive ways of advertising and found cheaper venues and time slots for mass communication.

Right now you would have to be living under a rock somewhere along the Seney Stretch to have not heard about these changes. Even if you refuse to use technology, every newspaper in the country has covered "the new color of money" sometime in the past few weeks.

On Monday, President Bush's administration announced a record \$374 billion deficit for

the 2003 fiscal year and an estimated \$500 billion deficit next year.

With an estimated \$6.8 trillion total federal deficit, which grows by nearly \$1.5 billion a day, \$33 million for a little ad campaign may seem insignificant.

But our government needs to at least pretend that it cares about fiscal responsibility and future generations instead of flaunting borrowed bills in our face, on our television screens and on our football fields.

Deficits and economic tensions continue to grow while many struggle to conserve limited funds. U.S. citizens don't need to see the paper they depend on paraded around — they need to see our government put it to better use by providing for our future.

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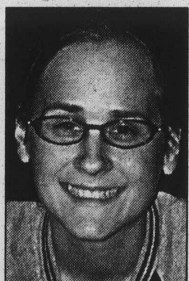
SOUND OFF

Should the state of Michigan continue cutting social services and higher education or raise taxes?



Steph Holtz
sophomore, pre-med

"Raise taxes — if they can for prisons they can for people who deserve it."



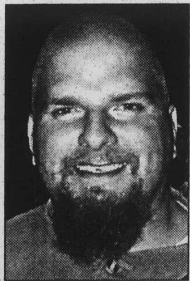
Rebecca Juneau
junior, hospitality management

"No matter what the answer, the taxes are still going to go up."



Daniel Kienler
freshman, psychology

"Stop the tax cuts and raise them if necessary. Cuts to higher education and social services hurt the public more than higher taxes."



Ernie Rospierski
senior, history

"Raise taxes. Nothing is free, nor should it be. No current services should be cut."



David Worton
senior, social services

"They should cut social services and higher education — I'll soon have a real job and have to pay taxes."

— Compiled by Nancy Starzyk

Students earn credit while touring Vienna

BY SCOTT SWANSON
STAFF REPORTER

Vienna, Austria, is not only the geographical center of Europe, but one of its cultural centers as well.

This spring, a group of NMU students will be making the city their temporary home and classroom.

"Vienna is within three hours of Munich, Prague and many other important European cities," said Modern Language and Literatures Professor Carol Strauss. "It really is the heart of Europe."

The four-week trip, which is currently scheduled to depart the weekend after spring commencements, counts as a four-credit class for students.

Although German is the national language of Austria, no background in German is needed, Strauss said.

While in Vienna, students live in apartment housing and spend four hours per day at the Actilingua Language Institute, where they study language. They are placed in classes at the institute according to their background and fluency in German.

The institute also conducts various cultural excursions. Last year, students went on walking tours of Vienna, an outing to the State Opera House and a trip to the Wachau Valley.

Aside from that, the students are free to explore the city and surrounding areas themselves, Strauss said.

Senior physics major Ali Picking went on the trip last year. She said her favorite part of Vienna was roaming through the streets looking at the scenery.

"It's on the Danube River," she said. "You're right in the middle of a beautiful city with lots of history."

Vienna is the home of many classical music composers, such as Mozart, Haydn and Schubert, and is considered the center of Baroque architecture.

"There's so much to do in Vienna that you could be totally satisfied for months," Strauss said. "You arrive there and your mouth just drops. You don't even have to go to other cities."

Strauss said she encourages students to take personal excursions to other nearby areas of Europe.

Prague, Munich and Paris, among other cities, are all within a train ride from Vienna.

"We consider the students to be adults," she said. "For example, if someone wants to take a train to Prague, we say, 'go to the train station and get your tickets.' We only get involved if they need help."

Last year was the first time in recent memory that NMU sent students to Vienna, Strauss said.

That trip, which lasted three weeks, cost roughly \$2,000 per person.

That included plane fare, accommodations, housing and other expenses, Strauss said.

"[That trip] was successful beyond my wildest dreams," she said. "I was delighted that the participants were so responsible and curious. I expected to have to do much more handling."

Strauss estimated that this year's trip would cost approximately \$2,500.

The first interest meeting for the outing will be held at 8 p.m. on Nov. 20 in Jamrich 203.

Successive meetings will be held to better orient students about the trip, Strauss said.

Anyone interested in more information should contact Strauss at 227-1201.



Courtesy of Robbie Goodrich

NMU students Danielle Bailey, Jessica Heikkila, Mary Kirkwood, Ali Picking, and Channon Mason pose outside of an Austrian castle, located on the Danube River.

Summer culture course includes Europe trip

This summer, a group of NMU students will be visiting the land of ancient chateaus and sleepy vineyards.

The trip to France is still in the planning stages, said Modern Languages and Literatures Professor Nelly Kupper.

"We need enough students to go," she said. "But people have been signing up vigorously, so I expect we will."

The trip is the culmination of a four-credit class, FR 495 - Cultural and Artistic Heritage of Northern Europe. Before departing, participants will study the language and culture of France for two weeks. Fluency in French is not a requirement, Kupper said.

The group will spend two days in nearby Brussels, Belgium and

Amsterdam, the Netherlands.

The class will then travel to Paris, where they will spend eight days and visit famous landmarks as well as lesser known attractions such as opera houses and the cemetery where Doors lead singer Jim Morrison is buried.

"This trip will be particularly unique because I'm the guide," Kupper said. "I know my way around Brussels and Paris. I can show people the non-tourist areas."

This will be the second year Kupper has organized the trip.

Anyone interested in signing up for the class should contact Kupper at 227-2648.

— by Scott Swanson



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First Aid brings in metal bands

BY NICHOLAS BODETTE
STAFF WRITER

A concert featuring four hard rock bands will be held this weekend in the University Center.

The Agony Scene, a band on Solid State Records, is headlining the event. Bloodlined Calligraphy, Hero: Point Zero and Lansing band Know Lyfe, will also perform.

The event will take place at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 25, in the Great Lakes Rooms. The concert is sponsored by First Aid Productions.

"The Agony Scene is one of the few American metal-core bands I can get into," said senior English literature major Jason Barnes, a First Aid member who has seen The Agony Scene in concert. "Their energy was amazing. They just didn't stop."

In their Solid State Records online biography, The Agony Scene is compared to Pantera and European metal bands such as The Haunted and Cradle of Filth. Their music is described as a "ferocious bite."

Their self-titled album from Solid State Records, a Christian oriented metal sub label of Tooth and Nail Records, contains ten songs. Track nine, "Paint It Black", is a metal remix of the

Rolling Stones classic.

Though The Agony Scene's record label is Christian-oriented, this does not dictate the content of the show, senior media productions and new technologies major Kory Phare, organizer for First Aid, said. The label recognizes positive hard-core music with guidelines banning profanity and degradation of others, he said.

First Aid Productions was created last semester to provide a venue for regional bands to perform, he said.

"It started small with a few people interested in music," Phare said. "Now we have 250 members, active and non-active, interested in all aspects of music from production, stage set-up, to the music and bands."

Some active members of First Aid Productions are also in bands and the organization welcomes anyone interested in music.

Members of Hero: Point Zero said they are grateful for help from First Aid for this show.

"First Aid is just what it says it is," vocalist Jason Marietti said. "They give a helping hand to bands wanting to be heard in this area, as well as something to do on the weekends."

The local band scene has become a lot stronger in recent years, Marietti said.

CAMPUS NOTES

Volunteer Center holds blood drive

The Volunteer Center is hosting a Halloween Blood Drive from noon to 5:45 p.m. on Oct. 30 in the University Center Atrium. The Volunteer Center has T-shirts for the first 75 blood donors, and refreshments will be provided. For more information, contact the Volunteer Center at 227-2466 or e-mail volctr@nmu.edu.

Flu vaccination clinics offered

The Vielmetti Health Center has announced the dates of their annual flu immunization clinics.

The clinics will be at 1:30-3:30 p.m. on Nov. 4 in 2137 New Science Facility, and on Nov. 5 in 105 Jacobetti Center. Two more will be held from 9-11 a.m. on Nov. 6 in 416 Cohodas and on Nov. 11 in 141 Whitman Hall.

Additional clinics will be held from 9:30-11:30 a.m. in Vielmetti Health Center, and from 2:15-2:30 p.m. in 311 LRC.

Flu shots may also be received on a walk-in basis at the Health center after the last of the immunization clinics. Hours for immunization are 8:15-11 a.m. and 1:15-4 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

The cost is \$12 for NMU stu-

dents, and is a covered benefit under the University Health Insurance Plan for NMU employees.

Symposium held on U.P. studies

Numerous presentations on the Upper Peninsula will be conducted as part of the Sonderegger Symposium III.

The Symposium officially begins at 7 p.m., Oct. 23 in Mead Auditorium. The remaining presentations will be given between 9:15 a.m. and 4:45 p.m., Oct. 24. Presentations include "An Environmental History of the Carp River, Marquette County," and "Dam Disasters, Buffer Zones, and River Restoration Opportunities."

The event is free of charge to all. Sonderegger Symposium III is hosted by the Center for Upper Peninsula Studies at NMU, with financial support from the Sonderegger family.

Phone scams exists in county

The Marquette County Sheriff's Department would like to remind citizens to be cautious when dealing with anyone asking for money for any reason, over the phone.

The Sheriff's department is currently investigating a phone

scam in which the caller identified himself as a person from the U.S. Border Patrol, advising he has a large check to send. However, the caller asks for money to be sent first, to insure the check.

There was another recent phone scam in which the caller asks for donations to save the Sheriff's Department Road Patrol. The Sheriff's Department is not soliciting funds for its department.

Comedy club presents improv

NMU's improv comedy club, On The Spot, will be putting on a performance at 3 p.m., Nov. 1 in Jamrich 102.

The show will be presented like the popular television show, "Whose Line is it Anyway?"

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BY TRAVIS MARGONI

I once had a faculty advisor tell me I should go into management. Other people have told me, "you could make a lot of money in journalism." And then they stare questioningly when I tell them I'd rather teach.

The reasons for choosing career paths other than teaching build up quicker than new campus walls during a university budget crisis (yeah, figure that one out). Starting teacher salaries often do not exceed \$29,000 per year, despite the fact requirements and expectations placed on teachers continue to accumulate. Consider that it takes most students five years to complete a teaching degree, and the monetary reasons for teaching become nearly obsolete.

People say we shouldn't teach to earn lavish amounts of money; the most appreciable earnings are in the eyes of the children. If pay is increased, the ignorant insist, the profession will become littered with teachers who fill the schools to pay their bills, not help students learn. Teachers have summers "off," some say, so essentially the pay is for "just" nine months of work.

There are these arguments, and then there are truths that continue to be overlooked.

In a society where money equates to comfortable living, and lies and murder happen in the name of the mighty dollar, it is inexcusable to pay teachers so disproportionately. As good ole Americans, we're forced to need money; money grips us so tightly that the starting salary for a public accountant is higher than that of a teacher in most areas. Most importantly, though, teachers influence students as much as many parents, and sometimes more. The value of teachers is immeasurable. Yet, appreciation for the profession remains nominal.

Once school is out, many teachers can only dream of traveling, relaxing and abandoning responsibilities for three months. How much traveling can one do while making \$29,000 a year, anyway? And, nearly every state now requires that teachers continue their educations through additional college courses. We should all be lifelong learners, whether that means taking university courses or traveling the world, but when it becomes a requirement, compensation becomes a factor, too.

I could go on ranting about working conditions, the large classes, the stress of working under administrators like, for example, profit-driven Marquette Superintendent Patrick Smith. But, we choose our futures, our careers. I'll dive into education and its political quagmire confident that I won't drown.

Those who know me understand why I long to spend my life educating others, and helping others educate themselves — it's because I care about people and I'm ultra-critical; critical of myself, my friends at times, different religions, the government and on and on. I believe there are ways to improve the way we live, and ways for individuals to find happiness in an often-depressing world. I won't claim to know the right way for everyone to live. But, cheesy as it may sound, all people young and old should be given the opportunity to learn and seek happiness. This is what teachers do: empower.

Many people need encouragement in order to think independently. There are never enough articulate and educated opinions, never enough voters and never enough qualified candidates for elected offices; there will always be hungry stomachs, drug addictions, illiterate adults and environmental abuse. The only remedies lie in various types of classrooms across the planet.

True education leads to intelligent decisions. If a high school student decides to get up and walk out of my classroom, he or she has every right to do that. And I have the right to make every effort possible to keep that student in school. A teacher's job is to help students understand the value of education.

Society's responsibility is to understand the value of teachers. Travis Margoni welcomes reactions to his column at tmargoni@nmu.edu.

State of quality education explored

BY YONIKA WILLIS
MANAGING EDITOR

Educators are faced every day with the challenge of making schools institutions where students are inspired to learn and are treated as people and not business products.

As the population increases and baby boomers retire, there is a rising need for educators, and as the economy struggles, more and more students are obtaining education degrees. Yet many teachers are finding they are underpaid and their services aren't appreciated, which is strongly hurting the state of education as a whole.

According to a study conducted by the American Federation of Teachers in February, state and local governments are in the midst of one of the worst fiscal crisis since the Great Depression.

Michigan alone is undergoing a budget deficit of \$897.7 million with a \$134 million cut from its state school aid fund.

"I think teachers are the best thing in the world," Associate Education Professor Stephen Oates said. "They put their hearts, souls, intellects and bodies on the line every day for the children of complete strangers for low pay, poor working conditions and a general lack of support."

The average salary for most beginning teachers in 2001-2002 ranged between \$21,000- \$34,000, depending on the state.

Many educators believe society sometimes devalues teaching and lump many teachers together in the old adage of "If you can't do, teach."

"Too many people view teachers as people who want to have a job where they have summers off, ignoring the fact

Education Statistics

- \$21,000-\$34,000 was the average range in starting salary for teachers in 2001-2002
- \$43,300 is the national average annual salary paid to public school teachers
- There are currently 6.5 million practicing teachers in the U.S. from prekindergarten to college
- 73.2 million students are enrolled in schools from nursery schools to college

— Compiled from online sources

that probably a majority of teachers spend part of their summers doing work in continuing education," English Professor Mark Smith said.

Smith said he's not quite sure of how these attitudes can be changed, but suggests getting parents and other citizens to interact more with teachers as a start.

Oates agreed and said teachers actually have little time off.

He said a lack of support in education comes when people complain about teachers having two weeks off for winter and spring breaks during the school year and summers off.

"A major issue for me is that, because of the holistic demands of the job, teachers need an extended period of time for rest and relaxation," Oates said. "The military call it R&R — an extended leave given to soldiers who have fought on the battle lines. Well, teachers are fighting every day on the battle lines in

the schools. They deserve praise and thanks, not criticism."

One problem many educators are faced with are ways to properly assess their students. Most states have implemented mandatory tests to measure students' skill levels.

In January of 2002 President Bush signed The No Child Left Behind Act, an act based on stronger accountability for results, more freedom for states and communities, encourages proven education methods and provides more choices for parents, according to their Web site.

Oates said although the intention of the act may have been good, it could be the downfall of public education in the country.

"The title is good, but the impact of the law is bankrupting the states, and turning schooling into a test-taking culture — and making teachers the scapegoats of students who fail."

Department trains future mentors

BY ADAM WESTHOUSE
STAFF REPORTER

A sound education provides a basis for success and greater opportunity in any individual's life travels. But a resourceful education is dependent on the effectiveness of a well-rounded, flexible instructor.

Since campus doors first opened in 1899, NMU has provided a means for transforming students into professional educators.

NMU originated as Northern Normal School, a regional teacher's institution with only 32 undergraduate students.

Since then, Northern has grown into a liberal arts college while retaining its reputation of harboring one of the top teaching-education programs in the state.

Today, the School of Education at NMU includes about 950 undergraduate students majoring in elementary,

secondary or special education, which account for approximately 10 percent of the total student population, said Debra Thatcher, the director for the school of education.

Thatcher said the focus of departmental faculty is to train students to become exceptional beginning teachers.

"One of the things our faculty members possess is a strong conceptual framework," Thatcher said. "We have a commitment to issues of diversity and social justice, and we help prepare our students to teach anywhere."

Associate Education Professor Stephen Oates said a key to being an educator is contributing to society and being advocates for children, a task that is not a simple undertaking.

"Teaching is a career that you can thrive in for 30-plus years," Oates said. "But it is also getting tougher to remain in the profession, because it's easy to get burned out. Being an educator can be the most rewarding and also the most difficult job to endure."

Thatcher said the education department differs from others because it places higher demands on its students.

"We train our students to be very profession-oriented, so there are more hoops to jump through, a higher GPA to maintain, and there are only so many courses you are allowed to retake," Thatcher said.

Senior English secondary education major Jamie Massicotte said her education courses have helped her develop her own ideas on how to teach at a comfortable level.

"I've gotten a better sense of how I want to teach and how I want to conduct a classroom," Massicotte said. "As a teacher, you need to be able to make your own lesson plans and figure out what works best for you."

The majority of undergraduate students, once completing their teaching methods courses, are typically assigned student teaching positions throughout the breadth of the Upper Peninsula and many parts of northern Wisconsin.

In addition, the department also offers opportunities for student teaching abroad in countries such as England, New Zealand and Ecuador, and is looking to expand prospects for student teaching into other regions of the world,

He said the fear of many educators regarding this test is that teachers will spend the majority of their time teaching to the test, which allows for very little quality education to take place in the classroom.

Andy Hamilton, a senior secondary education biology and earth science major, said the NCLB Act is another example of a failed funding philosophy that ensures that the schools that need funding the most are denied.

"Standardized tests — besides being culturally biased — are also poor indicators of how much students have learned," Hamilton said. "Science curriculum standards are built around conceptual understanding, interaction with the community, and doing science. Tests are about fact memorization; the two aren't aligned."

Many educators have their own visions of what the state education should ultimately be.

"I am hopeful that the professional educators and other teacher preparation programs are graduating and certifying people who will do a wonderful job shaping and molding the young minds of America to be knowledgeable, empathetic, and critically conscious members of our citizenry," Assistant English Professor Kia Richmond said.

Hamilton has a similar view.

"My vision for the future of education in America is one where schools are funded everywhere," Hamilton said. "I think the practice of using property taxes as a means for allocating education funds should be embarrassing to every American. Students with rich parents get a quality education. Others get buildings not even up to code, let alone quality textbooks, labs, and other materials; and in the future, students would not be labeled on the basis of test scores."

Steenstra, like a growing number of educators, is discovering that teaching abroad provides opportunities to explore a foreign culture while honing skills used in the classroom.

"I chose to go there because I want to gain the perspective of another country's education system and to be immersed in a culture that is both foreign and exotic," Steenstra said.

The teaching experience will be quite reasonable financially, he said.

The tuition for the trip is only a few hundred dollars more than tuition at NMU, with room and board included through a host family in New Zealand, he said. Other costs include a plane ticket and spending money, which is nearly equivalent to what living costs would be in Marquette, Steenstra said.

Director of International Affairs John Thatcher said.

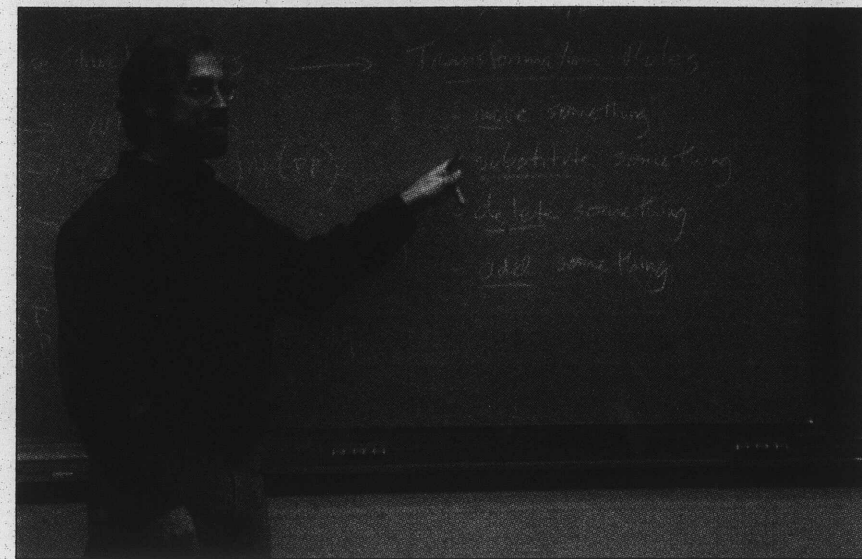
In spite of the ground that the School of Education covers, Thatcher said there are always areas where instruction could be enhanced to better prepare students for their early years of teaching.

"It would be great to utilize technology more and be able to have a virtual classroom, where students could observe [an urban school] over the Web," Thatcher said. "I wish we could take students to other classrooms around the country to dispel some of the myths that are out there and also see how every classroom has different needs."

Post-baccalaureate English secondary education major Ellen Wilson said the faculty in the School of Education helps students become aware of many issues and situations teachers face in the nation's school system.

"They have experience observing and teaching in schools, and they know what needs to be done to strengthen education," Wilson said. "The instruction that education majors are given is not all theoretical — so much more of it is hands-on, which is very important."

Teaching Abroad Educators travel to teach



Assistant English Professor David Boe, like many educators, taught overseas. Boe taught in Japan for four years after receiving his undergraduate degree.

BY JOSH JOHNSON
NEWS EDITOR

Craig Steenstra has to complete 16 weeks of student teaching to receive his education degree at NMU. Though planning to do some work in Grand Rapids, the senior secondary education English major will go beyond the normal parameters for student teaching.

He will teach in New Zealand. Steenstra, like a growing number of educators, is discovering that teaching abroad provides opportunities to explore a foreign culture while honing skills used in the classroom.

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Weting said a demand exists for English speaking teachers in Asia and Europe, especially in larger cities where international schools exist.

Students of American parents who work overseas want an American-style education for their children in these types of schools, he said. The student body at many of these schools is very diverse and represents several countries, he said.

"Anybody who graduates from any university who thinks they're dealing in a monoculture, it's not going to happen," Weting said.

Assistant English Professor David Boe taught English in Japan for four years after receiving his undergraduate degree from Ft. Lewis College in Colorado during the 1980s, he said. The idea of visiting Japan was what first interested him, but he found he enjoyed teaching.

Teaching abroad differs from just traveling because it forces interaction with most every aspect of a culture, he said. A person also gets an outside view of the United States from the locals.

"It's an eye-opening experience, seeing how life is in a different culture," Boe said.

Though the Japanese economy was

booming when Boe was there, he said demand still exists in Asia for teachers specializing in English as a Second Language (ESL). With access to China improving, opportunities to teach also exist there, he said.

English Professor Toby Rose taught in Italy for a semester in 1999. She taught a course to a consortium of students from 10 universities throughout the Midwest, she said. Rose has also taught ESL in France along with other teaching experiences in Venezuela, Belize and Japan.

Rose spent a semester abroad in France while pursuing her undergraduate degree at the University of Michigan and Ohio State University, she said. Rose later returned there to teach ESL after receiving her Ph.D. in 1985. A good grasp of French was necessary to get by, though her course was instructed almost entirely in English, she said.

Teaching abroad enlightens those who go, Rose said.

"It gives them an appreciation of other cultures as compared to their own," Rose said. "It also gives them an appreciation and tolerance for history, art and diversity."

However, it may be wise to travel to a country before deciding to teach there, Rose said.

Searching for teaching or student teaching positions online is a good way to research potential employment, Boe said.

Several schools on the East and West Coasts offer six to eight week certification courses in ESL, Rose said. The certification is not necessary, but is an advantage when applying to teach in certain countries, she said.

An undergraduate degree with at least two years teaching experience are often required for those who are applying for teaching positions abroad, according to an article by Jim Abrose for overseasdigest.com. Many schools prefer couples without dependents to fill their positions, the article said.

For more information regarding teaching or travel abroad, contact the International Affairs office at 227-251.

ASNMU works at meeting letter goal

Tomorrow marks the end of the HELP (Higher Education Letter Project) letter writing campaign.

The campaign was put into effect by the student governments of Michigan's 15 state schools in an effort to urge government leaders to prevent the implementation of more budget cuts.

ASNMU teamed up with Starbucks Coffee to promote this project by setting up computers in the basement of the LRC all week. Once stu-

dents wrote letters to Gov. Jennifer Granholm and Speaker of the House Rick Johnson, they received a half-off coupon from Starbucks Coffee.

ASNMU President Kyle Ortiz said students seemed very receptive to the Starbucks promotion.

"Starbucks gave us 500 coupons and we went through so many that we've just been recycling them," Ortiz said. "Since the Starbucks promotion started

on Monday, we've had over 1,000 letters written from Northern."

Ortiz said the university seems to be on the right track of reaching their goal of 2000 letters.

As of 11 p.m. last night 1,569 letters were written.

Ortiz said as this week progressed many of the other universities started to jump on the bandwagon with letter writing, too.

He said ASNMU is very pleased with the progress and

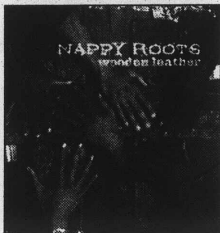
is currently preparing to attend a press conference in Lansing, Mich. on Tuesday, where they will declare and make known their success to elected state officials.

"At the very least I think we will reduce the cuts," Ortiz said. "Even if it goes from a 6-percent to a 3-percent cut that would save the schools some dollars, which will make a huge difference in the long run."

—Yonika Willis

Album 'nappy' but decent

Nappy Roots
"Wooden Leather"



Grade: B-

BY ADAM WESTHOUSE
STAFF REPORTER

Hailing from the unlikely stomping grounds of Western Kentucky, the six-man band Nappy Roots have returned with their third album, "Wooden Leather."

Released only a year-and-a-half after their major-label debut, "Watamelon, Chicken and Gritz," this album might seem a little rushed, which may lead to some of its flaws. The group is comprised of Kentucky natives Skinny DeVille, B. Stille, Ron Clutch and Big V. along with R. Prophet, from California and Scales, from Milledgeville, GA.

Since forming in the mid-1990s, Nappy Roots have occupied the more left-brained end of hip-hop acts such as The Roots, and A Tribe Called Quest, where

the vocals and instrumentation are a bit more raw, and substance takes precedent over style and glitz. It's almost hallowed ground in this day and age where hip-hop is often too slick and processed, with record sales as the primary aim. However, "Wooden Leather" at times does seem more radio-ready than what one might expect from this group, although that certainly won't distract the listener from enjoying the album.

Though I don't often find myself walking down the street whistling hip-hop tunes, there are some mighty catchy songs on "Wooden Leather," pushed along by stereo-melting beats and cathartic, honest lyrics.

Following the introductory track, "Good God Almighty" sets the pace for the album, while "Work in Progress" is anything but: a fantastic, brooding song about persevering in the face of social injustice, sung over a seamless blend of bass, guitar, keyboard and flute.

"Wooden Leather's" first single "Round the Globe," is another standout track, with a sing-along chorus that declares "The whole damn world is country," in tribute to the group members' Kentucky roots. At times, to the

ears, it seems as though the songs fall a bit short in the lyric department. Take, for example, a decent song like "Sick and Tired" which features the repeated cliché: "I'm sick and tired of being sick and tired." One would think with six talented word-smiths in the group, they could come up with something a bit more original.

"Twang" is the album's obligatory bump n' grind song. It's not a bad song, but it could have easily been left off the album.

Still, when the album seems like it is about to settle into blandness, the Nappy Roots rescue themselves, such as on the thudding, rock-influenced "War/Peace" — complete with biting, direct lyrics that lash out on the causes of escalating world instability: "Each morning there's more gone/Bloodshed as filthy as the money it pours on/The guilty hand washes the sore one." There's even a searing guitar solo at the end to put the song over the top.

Overall, this album holds enough of the goods to please older fans and may also attract some new ones. "Wooden Leather" marks a solid follow-up to the Nappy Roots' stellar major-label debut.

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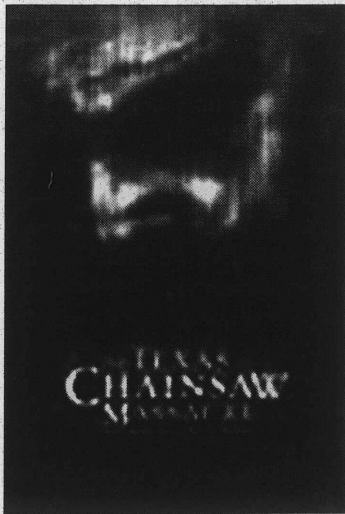
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Massacre not scary Novel makes fair film



★★★★☆

BY JEREMIAH BRITT
OPINION EDITOR

"The Texas Chainsaw Massacre" was not scary.

When the movie originally came out in 1974 it was new, frightening, and did a fairly good job of playing up its "based on a true story" feel.

Thirty-odd years and a torrent of knock-off's later and the remake doesn't give us anything new.

While we are given glimpses of some rather macabre props and settings - my favorite being a clarinet case bedecked with various fingers - the chase scenes where Leatherface (Andrew Bryniarski)

buzz saws his way after the various hippies left a lot to be desired.

The weakest was where Leatherface chases young dope-smuggling Andy (Mike Vogel) through an impossibly large amount of white sheets hung out to dry. Long and almost boring, I sat through it wondering how apparently fit Andy could not outrun or out-manuever a lumbering man peeking out of a human-skin mask while inconceivably keeping his chainsaw free from tangling in the sheets or lines.

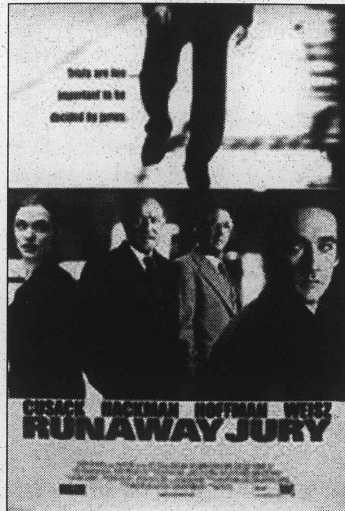
One thing I will give to Leatherface, however, is his grim resolve and determination.

While chasing the movie's "heroine" Erin (Jessica Biel), he trips on some barbed wire and nicks himself in the groin with his chainsaw. After howling a bit - and who can blame him - he gets up and continues to chase her through a meat packing plant, though I don't think either of them takes the time to relish the irony.

Even after she hacks off his favorite arm with a butcher knife, he still keeps on going.

He's like an Energizer bunny of the damned. Two stand-out characters are the ever-militarian R. Lee Ermey as Sheriff Hoyt and John Larroquette as the narrator. I don't exactly respect Larroquette as an actor, but boy does he make a good creepy narrator.

It's a weak movie, but perhaps a passable bit of horror cinema.



★★★★☆

BY JEREMIAH BRITT
OPINION EDITOR

Instead of steeping us in the public, albeit artful, side of the debate between two lawyers in a courtroom, "Runaway Jury" shows the darker underbelly of jury trials - blackmail, bribery, tampering and threats.

Based on a John Grisham novel of the same name, the movie remains fairly faithful to the delivery and intrigue of the book while making some necessary changes - in the original the case was against tobacco companies, but since this has actually happened in the intervening years the "bad guys" have switched to

gun manufacturers.

The case is between a woman who is suing for the wrongful death of her husband and the gun manufacturer that made the weapon that killed him. With the second amendment on the line - not to mention profits - the gun manufacturers hire Rankin Fitch (Gene Hackman) as a jury consultant. As a master at reading people, Fitch and his team of experts not only aids in jury selection, but also researches each of the jurors so that blackmail or bribery may be used to swing them to the defense. The attorney for the defense, Wendell Rohr (Dustin Hoffman), is an almost painfully honest lawyer, does his best to maintain his integrity while at the same time being a surprisingly good at talking to the jury.

The wildcard is Nicholas Easter (John Cusack), a mysterious juror without a past who has more sway and charisma than he lets on. With the help of his equally conniving and intelligent girl-on-the-outside Marlee (Rachel Weisz), Easter offers both sides the votes of the jury, at a price.

While some of the twists are almost necessarily obvious, the movie nevertheless delivers on suspense and some really good acting (look out for Jeremy Piven as consultant for the plaintiff, a small but still enjoyable role). Perhaps not the most break-out picture of the year, "Runaway Jury" is still a good bet for a disheartening look at the real deciding factors in a jury trial.

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TODAY, OCT. 23

Meeting: First Aid Productions will meet from 5 - 6 p.m. in Dining Room A. First Aid Productions is a student run music collective serving NMU. All are welcome to attend

Film: "That Obscure Object of Desire" (R) begins at 9 p.m. in JXJ 102. Admission is free to students and \$1 for non-students.

FRIDAY, OCT. 24

Athletics: ISU World Cup Short Track Speedskating Competition will take place at the Berry Events Center.

Deadline: The Student Art Gallery will be accepting entries for the upcoming exhibition "Free For All" today until 4:30 p.m. in the gallery in the UC. All media types are encouraged. There is no entry fee. For more information contact the gallery at khorning@nmu.edu.

SATURDAY, OCT. 25

Event: Hardcore Music Show will take place at 7 p.m. in the Great Lakes Room in the UC. First Aid Productions presents some music of a harder nature. The Agony scene, Bloodlines Calligraphy, know Lyfe, Hero:Point Zero. Admission is free to students and \$1 for non-students.

Athletics: ISU World Cup Short Track Speedskating Competition will take place at the Berry Events Center.

Athletics: The men's football team will take on Wayne State at 7 p.m. Come support the Wildcats.

Film: "Terminator 3: Rise of the Machines" (R) begins at 9 p.m. Admission is free to students and \$1 for non-students.

Event: Jim Stedman and other folk musicians will perform a free concert in honor of the United Nations and to end the occupation of Iraq at 7 p.m. in Whitman Hall. All are welcome.

SUNDAY, OCT. 26

Athletics: ISU World Cup Short Track Speedskating Competition will take place at the Berry Events Center.

Meeting: Need help scheduling for classes? The residence hall academic programmers and staff from the Academic and Career Advisement Office will be available to assist you from 8:30 - 10:30 p.m. in the West Hall Lobby

Meeting: The Black Student Union is meeting from 4 - 5 p.m. in the Charcoal Room in the UC. All are welcome. For more information contact Valerie Minor at 227-3689.

Athletics: The women's soccer team will take on Saginaw Valley at 1 p.m.

Meeting: The Shojo Anime club will meet from noon to 4 p.m. in Pioneer B in the UC. All are welcome.

Meeting: Catholic Campus Ministry will be performing Mass from 6:30 - 8 p.m. in the

Brule Room in the UC.

Film: "Terminator 3: Rise of the Machines" (R) begins at 6:30 p.m. and 9 p.m. in JXJ 102. Admission is free - students and \$1 for non-students.

MONDAY, OCT. 27

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

Performance: Mission Improvable, a comedy improvisational team, will perform at 7:30 p.m. in JXJ 102.

Meeting: The NMU Steppin Out Dance Club will meet from 7 - 10 p.m. in the Brule Room in the UC. All are welcome to attend and dance.

TUESDAY, OCT. 28

Meeting: Lutheran Campus Ministry (ELCA) will meet from 7 - 8 p.m. in the Peter White Lounge by Abraham Lincoln statue. It will be a discussion of the hard-hitting controversial look at The Good Life, a recent best seller by Peter Gomes. Gomes is an African American, gay, Republican and a faculty member of Harvard Divinity School.

Meeting: The Department of History and the NMU Archives will be hosting an open roundtable discussion on applying to Graduate School at 5 p.m. in JXJ 231.

Reading: "Two Poets and a Humorist" will

be read today from 4:30 - 6 p.m. in the Brule Room in the UC. Readings will be performed by Marco Dominguez, Phill Dansdill and Jamie Krym. All are welcome to attend and admission is free.

Meeting: Outlook will meet from 8:30 - 10:30 p.m. in the Marquette/Nicolet Rooms in the UC.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 29

Event: Criminal Justice and Social/Human Services Job Fair will take place from 1-4 p.m. in the Great Lakes Room in the UC. Get ready for life after college.

Meeting: The Lutheran Student Movement will meet from 8:30 - 10 p.m. in the Charcoal Room in the UC. All are welcome to attend.

Athletics: The women's volleyball team will take on Michigan Tech at 7 p.m.

Workshop: "Financial, Legal, Safety Issues (including driving concerns)" will take place from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. in Room "B" in the Marquette Senior Center. No fee for workshop but registration is required. To register call 228-0456.

Meeting: Pagan Moon will meet from 9 - 11 p.m. in Pioneer A in the UC. All are welcome to attend.

Meeting: The NMU Steppin Out Dance Club will be hosting a Halloween Dance Party from 8 - 10 p.m. in the Ontario Room in the UC. Costumes are optional, all are welcome to attend.

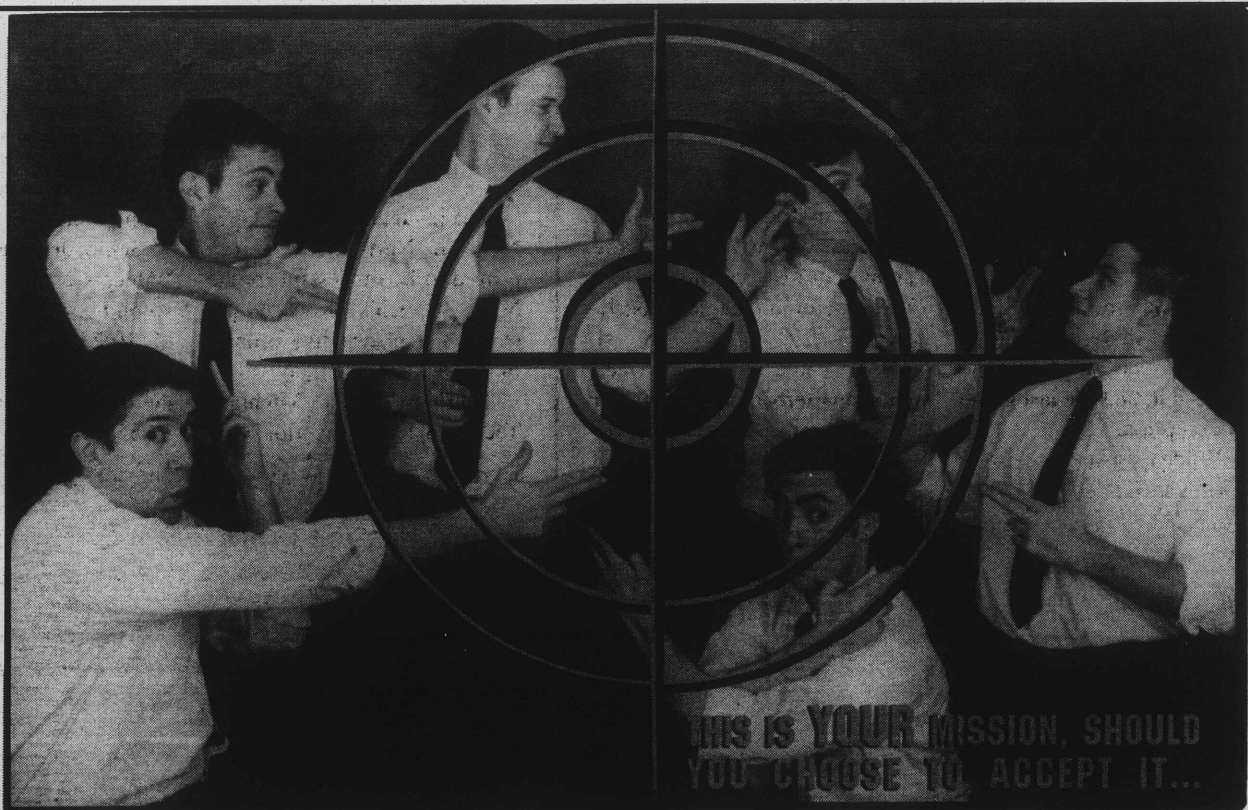
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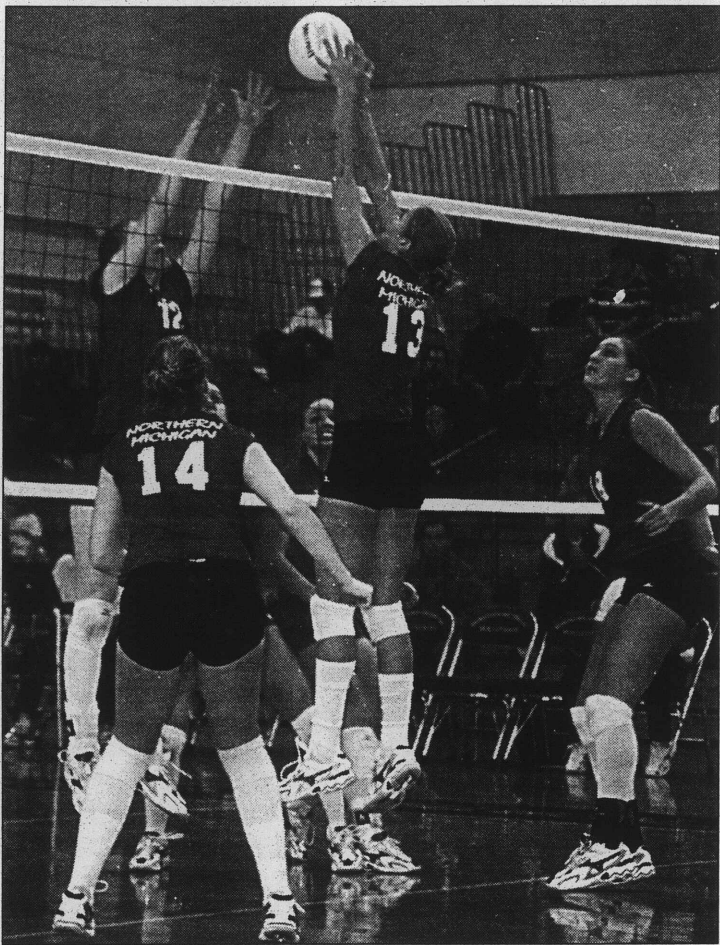
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Wildcats sweep two, remain undefeated



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Junior outside hitter Aimee Dewitte, middle, recorded 18 kills last weekend against Findlay and Ashland. The team totaled 105 overall.

BY DAVE MOSS
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Two sweeps against GLIAC opponents last weekend built momentum for the undefeated NMU women's volleyball team.

The 'Cats (12-0 GLIAC, 17-0 overall) hosted the University of Findlay and Ashland University on Oct. 18 and 19.

The Findlay Oilers (9-3 GLIAC, 20-6 overall) lost Saturday's match in three games (33-31, 30-22, 30-23).

Head volleyball coach Jim Moore said the team focused its preparations towards the game against Findlay last week. Their focus was on better hitting to get more kills.

"We hit real well all weekend long," Moore said.

Findlay showed its strength as the top team in the GLIAC South in the first game when the Oilers had the lead, 26-20. NMU came back from being down to win the game, 33-31.

"Just because you beat someone in three doesn't mean they were easy," Moore said.

Junior outside hitter Jennie Little earned GLIAC North Player of the Week recognition for her performances over the weekend. This was the second time she was given the honor this season. Little led the 'Cats against Findlay with 17 kills and posted 12 kills against Ashland.

"We knew everything about (Findlay) and what they were going to do," Little said. "So we were well prepared and we played good."

On Sunday, Ashland suffered a similar fate

against the 'Cats, falling, 3-0, (30-16, 30-28, 30-17) in Vandament Arena.

The Eagles (1-11 GLIAC, 5-19 overall) have the worst record in the league and are last in the GLIAC South Division.

Although Moore said his team's main focus in preparing for the weekend was Findlay, they also had to be prepared for any surprises that might come from Ashland.

Ashland put up the most fight in their second game when they took an early lead and kept the score close until the end.

Sophomore middle blocker Liz Kohn said it is more difficult to come back from being behind as they did in the first game against Findlay and second game against Ashland.

"It is a lot easier when you jump on a team early," Kohn said. "You get your rhythm and keep them out of rhythm."

Little said in playing a team like Ashland, they had to be prepared for just about anything as teams will do anything to knock off an undefeated team.

She said she and her teammates focused on Carrie Ritchie, a junior outside hitter for the Eagles. Ritchie proved to be the Eagles go-to person as she had over 100 attempted kills in Ashland's game against Tech the day before. NMU held Ritchie to 18 kills.

Little said that being able to step up and shut down a key player like they did against Ashland will help them when they play tougher opponents down the road, especially during the GLIAC or regional tournaments.

NMU mistakes lead to AU win

BY TOM MURPHY
SPORTS STAFF REPORTER

NMU head football coach Doug Sams said his team's inability to play a complete game has hindered it, and the last game was no exception.

The Wildcats lost on the road to the Ashland Eagles, 31-10, on Oct. 18. The loss gives the Wildcats a record of 2-4 in the GLIAC (2-5 overall).

"We did play a really good first quarter," Sams said. "But midway through the second quarter we made some mistakes that we were not able to come back from."

"They made some good adjustments. But really, we just didn't make plays when we needed to."

— Vinney Mayfield
sophomore wide receiver

Sams said the team was able to hang around for a while but just couldn't make a play in the second half to get them back in control of the game.

At 7:39 of the first quarter, NMU sophomore kicker Kyle Marotz hit a 25-yard field goal to give the Wildcats a 3-0 lead.

Early in the second quarter, AU senior defensive back Toure Carter returned an interception 27 yards for an Eagle's touchdown.

NMU came right back when senior quarterback Kyle Swenor hit sophomore wide receiver Vinney Mayfield for a 14-yard touchdown reception. That was all the scoring NMU had for the rest of the game.

"They made some good adjustments," Mayfield said. "But really, we just didn't make plays when we needed to."

Down, 10-7, with 2:05 to go in the first half, the Eagles tied the game with a field goal.

Less than a minute later, they took the lead with a 22-yard touchdown pass from freshman quarterback Nick Strance to senior receiver Michael Hull.

The Wildcat defense held Ashland scoreless in the third quarter until there was just one second remaining. Strance hit junior tight end Brian Mong with a nine-yard pass to make the score 24-10.

The Eagles added one more touchdown in the fourth quarter.

"Earlier in the year, we would get off to a slow start and then play well in the second half," Sams said. "It seems now that we

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Team hosts MTU, LSSU

BY ALEX PINA
STAFF WRITER

The inaugural Wildcat Open held on Northern's campus proved to be successful for the NMU women's cross country team as it placed five runners in the top 10 last Friday.

Northern hosted Michigan Tech and Lake Superior State

and tallied 26 points for the team win. Michigan Tech finished second with a total of 47 team points.

Senior Jennifer Lahr led the Wildcats as she recorded her second career win with a time of 10:25 on the 3K course. Junior Tami Kochen crossed the line in third with a time of 10:55.

The top five NMU finishers were rounded out by Sophomore Stephanie Howe, who crossed the line in sixth place (11:00), sophomore Jane Stieber who finished seventh (11:01) and sophomore Maria Stuber, who came across in ninth (11:07).

With accessibility to the spectators in mind, the race course was flatter and shorter than what the team is usually used to running on, Kochen said.

The race drew a considerable amount of spectators which made it a fun course where everyone had a good time, she said.

"The spectators made a big difference," Kochen said. "Everyone was making tons of noise."

Lahr said the race went well for her as well as the team.

She said running up front on a shorter course made her have to adjust her usual race strategy in order to come out with the win.

"I knew we had to go out at fast pace," she said. "I felt comfortable getting out front right away, and tried to run a fast pace for all three laps. That is what you had to do to have a good race here."

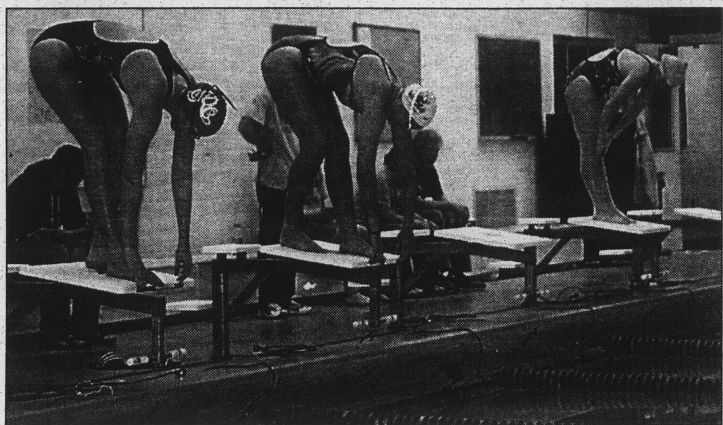
The No. 4 nationally ranked

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Don Lhamon/NW

Senior Jennie Lahr, middle, took first in the Wildcat Open on Oct. 17. Junior Tami Kochen, right, finished second for NMU.



Don Lhamon/NW

Junior Sam Pechek, left, sophomore Mary Hickey and junior Larisa Graham prepare to compete in the 50-yard breaststroke.

Swimmers hold intrasquad meet

BY MELANIE RASMUSSEN
STAFF WRITER

The annual intrasquad Green and Gold swimming and diving meet was held last weekend as NMU swimmers and divers battled one another.

Each year the women's swimming and diving team takes to the pool in this intrasquad scrimmage to prepare themselves for the upcoming season. This year, because the swim team is smaller than average, the teams were evenly divided by talent and class with six swimmers and one diver on each team, junior co-captain Larisa Graham said.

The teams were divided into green and gold with each co-captain leading a team. Graham led the gold while senior Shelly Ruspakka led the green. Senior diving captain Kathie Cole dove for the gold and sophomore Michelle Ruiz dove for the green.

Graham said the meet is mainly designed to give freshmen an idea of how a college meet is held because there are many things done differently at the collegiate level than in high school.

"It's a fun meet to get all of us ready and it helps to get us into competition mode," Graham said.

The swimming and diving team begins its regular season on

the road this weekend against North Dakota in a dual meet.

Graham said the swim team will have a quick practice before getting on the bus to prepare for the meet. She said they are excited and ready to take on UND.

Cole said the divers are spending many hours in the pool and are having individual training sessions to prepare for North Dakota and for the season ahead.

"Typically they are our best competition for diving," she said. "Last year they had a National Champion and a couple of top places at Nationals. It's really good competition and a way for us to see what the competition will be like at Nationals."

Graham and Cole said the team is a close-knit group.

Graham also said the team is getting along well with new head coach Jonathan Wilson. Wilson was named head coach last May.

The swim team's goal for the season is to win the GLIAC, Graham said.

"Last year we took fourth and the year before that second," she said. "This year we want to win it."

Cole said the diving team is striving to qualify both of its divers for Nationals.

"Our season goal is perfectionism instead of just being good enough to win," she said.

NMU, Tech split series

BY ROB HAMILTON
EDITOR IN CHIEF

Just over two minutes away from a second-straight comeback victory, the Wildcat hockey team squandered a three-goal lead and lost in overtime to split a home-and-home series with Upper Peninsula rival Michigan Tech last weekend.

In both games, the home team scored a game-tying goal in the final seconds of regulation with an extra-attacker on the ice and went on to win in the extra period.

The Wildcats (3-1 overall) scored a goal with 21 seconds remaining in the third period and with 1:12 left in overtime to defeat the Huskies, 4-3, at the Berry Events Center in the first game of the series on Oct. 17.

The 'Cats came back again the following night at Houghton, scoring five straight goals to take a 6-3 lead in the third frame. But the Huskies scored three goals in the final 2:05 of regulation and MTU sophomore forward Colin Murphy scored his fourth goal of the night at 2:58 of overtime to give MTU a 7-6 victory.

Murphy also scored the Huskies fifth goal at the 18:34 mark and the game-tying goal with 28 seconds remaining in the period.

Kyle said last year, his team was more experienced and would have been able to hold onto a three-goal lead.

"We did not have the experience and the composure to do the things it took to get the job done," Kyle said.

Freshman forward Darin Olver had a goal and three assists and sophomore defenseman Jamie Milam scored two goals to lead the Wildcats' offense.

Freshman defenseman Rob Lehtinen, sophomore forward Andy Contois and junior forward Kevin Gardner all scored goals in the third period. Gardner's goal gave NMU a 6-3 lead with 4:38 left in regulation.

NMU was outshot on the night, 50-31, and had to kill six penalties in the first two periods.

"By the end of the game a lot of key guys for us were dead tired," Kyle said.

MTU sophomore forward Chris Conner had a goal and two assists in the victory.

He was the first star of the game the night before, scoring all three Tech goals in the loss.

"[Conner] is outstanding," MTU head coach Jamie Russell said. "He's got so much speed and skill and he's a threat every time he's on the ice."

In the series opener, NMU sophomore defenseman Nathan Oystriek scored the game-tying goal in regulation after the 'Cats had pulled senior goalie Craig Kowalski to get an extra attacker on the ice.

Contois then completed the comeback victory as he one-timed a pass from Oystriek past MTU freshman goalie Bryce Luker to score the game-winner during a rare two-man advantage in overtime.

The game-winner came after Huskie defensemen Jon Scott and Brad Sullivan were given penalties 19 seconds apart from one another. The Huskies were penalized nine times on the night for a total of 18 minutes. NMU had only five penalties.

MTU head coach Jamie Russell would not comment on the officiating.

"That's out of our control," he said. "I was real happy with [my] team and proud of their effort tonight."

Sophomore forward Dirk Southern and junior forward Alan Swanson also scored for the Wildcats.

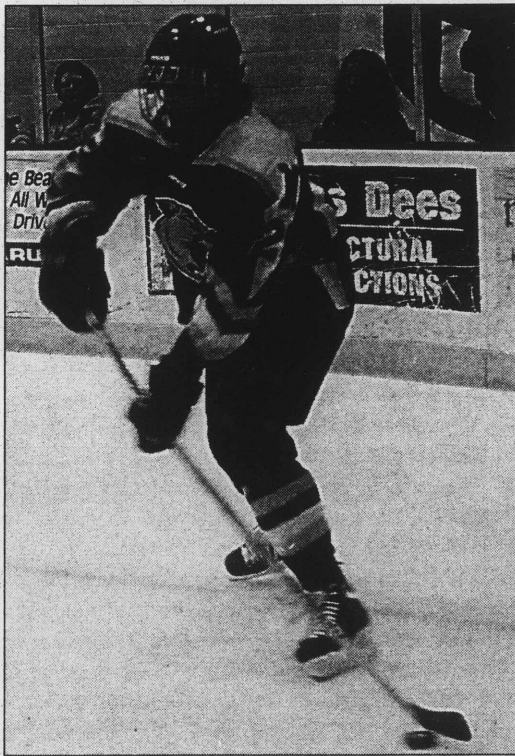
The Huskies outshot the 'Cats, 33-31, on the night.

"I think they outplayed us in every aspect of the game," Oystriek said. "We have to move the puck better and make smarter plays."

Last year, Tech finished in ninth place in the WCHA conference going 10-24-4 overall.

Contois said he felt the Huskies were going to be a much better team this year.

"They have good goaltending and they have some guys that can really put it in the net," he said. "They match up well with us."



Don Lhamon/NW

Junior forward Kevin Gardner had one goal and one assist against the Huskies on Oct. 18.

Soccer team remains winless in GLIAC

BY MATT WELLENS
SPORTS STAFF REPORTER

Scoring only three goals in four games, the NMU soccer team is on a four-game losing streak in the GLIAC.

Northern (8-6-1) dropped two games in Ohio last weekend to No. 12 ranked Ashland and Findlay.

Ashland defeated Northern, 2-0, on Oct. 18 and delivered the 'Cats their second scoreless game of the season. The Eagles outshot NMU, 40-3.

Both of Ashland's goals were scored at the end of the first half and were only one minute apart.

Senior midfielder Lindsay Mockenhaupt said the first goal was legitimate, but they were stunned on the second goal.

She said the team was on their heels and still in shock from the previous goal.

"Ashland had one really good player who was their target player," senior forward Carolyn Kunas said.

The target player for Ashland was sophomore forward Maria Manzo, Kunas said.

Manzo assisted senior forward Tara Pifer at 42:00 with the first goal and then put in a goal herself at 43:00. Manzo had seven shots total against Northern.

"[Manzo] is quick," Mockenhaupt said. "She has quick feet."

Less than 24 hours later, the 'Cats were back on the field again against the Findlay Oilers.

Senior midfielder April Gieske gave Northern an early lead at 26:40 with an assist from Kunas.

The lead was short-lived however, as

sophomore defense Corie Moore scored to tie the game at one goal apiece going into halftime.

In the second half, the Oiler's freshman forward Jessica Booth scored three straight goals to clinch the win for Findlay. Booth scored four goals two days before against Northwood and was named the GLIAC Player of the Week.

Both Kunas and Mockenhaupt said the team had difficulties with Ashland and Findlay's styles of play.

Kunas said they used different strategies that the team was not used to that involved a lot of shifting of players.

In both games, Northern had almost double the amount of fouls compared to its opponents.

Kunas said fouls are part of the game and are a way to send a message to the

other team.

On Oct. 18, NMU out-fouled Ashland, 12-5. The next day, they out-fouled Findlay, 10-5.

There were three cards issued in the game against Findlay, two belonging to the Wildcats.

Kunas said both cards were for talking back to the officials. She said the team showed a lot of frustration.

Mockenhaupt said the fouls were "pretty cheap" and most came out of retaliation. "It's not like us," she said.

With the two losses, Northern was dropped from the NSCAA/Adidas Great Lakes Regional Rankings this week after climbing a spot last week to No. 6.

Northern will play at home this weekend against Saginaw Valley. The game is at 1 p.m. on Sunday.

Coach strives to keep positive attitude

BY TOM MURPHY
SPORTS STAFF REPORTER

NMU head football coach Doug Sams said that he does not take losing well. Since football is such a competitive sport, it takes a lot of time and preparation and when you put in all that effort and you lose, it can be very disappointing, he said.

"It's like walking out into the street and getting hit by a Mack truck," Sams said. "When we don't win on Saturday we call the following Monday Dark Monday."

The Wildcats have been losing more than they have been winning this season. They have an overall record of 2-5 (2-4 GLIAC).

Wildcat sophomore linebacker Dan Studer said losing can get very frustrating, but it is impor-

tant to keep a positive mental attitude.

"As a team we just try to correct the mistakes that we made," Studer said. "When you lose, it is important not to start blaming other teammates and you can't get down on yourself. Once those things start happening, it begins to snowball into a bad situation. You have to put the loss behind you and focus on the upcoming game."

Studer said that while losing can be hard, football never stops being fun.

"If you're out here putting in all this work, then you love the

game," Studer said. "I think it gets frustrating because sometimes you don't know what the problem is or things just aren't clicking, but you never lose the love for the game."

NMU has lost three games in a row. Sams said it is his job to keep the team playing together and not getting down on themselves and their teammates while trying to overcome the losses.

"It starts with my attitude," Sams said. "I remind the players that it's a team game. It is never one person's fault. But you have to look within so I always look at myself first. I try to set an example. I don't place blame. I take the good with the bad. We try to teach learn and move on in a constructive manner."

Studer said the positive attitude of the coaches helps keep the team focused on the game

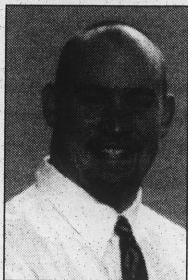
ahead rather than on how many losses it already has.

This week, the Wildcats will try to end their losing streak when they take on the Wayne State Warriors (1-5 GLIAC, 2-5 overall) at 7 p.m. on Saturday in the Superior Dome.

Sams said the Warriors have a talented quarterback in Randy Hutchinson, a quality offensive line and a talented running back, senior Craig Duppong.

He said that defensively, the Warriors like to put eight men up front and really try to stop the run. This will put pressure on Wildcat senior quarterback Kyle Swenor.

"This is a big game for both teams," Sams said. "We are trying to get back on the winning track and they are coming off a hard fought loss to Michigan Tech (42-35)."



Studer



THE MATCHUP

NMU 2-5	W-L	WSU 2-5
OFFENSE		
22	Pts. (Avg.)	23
137	First Downs	139
109.1	Rush (Avg.)	138.3
282.4	Pass (Avg.)	217.1
28:22	Time of Possession	29:35
8	Rushing TDs	13
10	Passing TDs	5
0	Return TDs	1
454	Penalty Yards	394
DEFENSE		
34.6	Pts. Allowed (Avg.)	32.7
156	Opp. First Downs	158
183.6	Rush (Avg.)	226.6
240.4	Pass (Avg.)	181.3
22	Sacks	11
16	Interceptions	6

Freshman leads team into series

BY ROB HAMILTON
EDITOR IN CHIEF

At just 170 pounds, freshman forward Darin Olver is probably not giving too many opposing players nightmares, but he has been a force on the ice for the NMU hockey team in its first four games.

Olver is one of several young players head coach Walt Kyle is hoping can provide offense this weekend as the Wildcats (3-1) take on the sixth-ranked Michigan Wolverines at Yost Ice Arena in Ann Arbor, Mich.

In his first four collegiate games, Olver has four goals and three assists to lead NMU with seven points.

Kyle said Olver has the ability and courage to be one of the best players in the league.

"I think he is the best rookie in the CCHA," Kyle said. "Darin is a guy who has great skill in his ability to skate and handle the puck, but he also has a real skill in his

knowledge of the game."

Olver put on a show in Northern's last game against Michigan Tech, Kyle said.

He had a goal and three assists in the Wildcats 7-6 loss against the Huskies on Oct. 18.

In the game against MTU the previous night, he blocked a shot that was headed for the NMU's empty net after the 'Cats pulled their goalie in the final minute of the game.

He then assisted on the game-tying goal with 21 seconds remaining. NMU went on to win the game, 4-3, in overtime.

Olver said he is more concerned about the team than individual accomplishments.

"I just want to make sure the team does well," Olver said. "I'll measure my success by how well the team does this season."

The 'Cats are trying to put the loss to Tech behind them and are looking forward to playing at Michigan, Olver said.

"You grow up wanting to play for them," Olver said. "A lot of guys look forward to

these games."

The Wolverines (4-1) also feature one of the top freshmen in the CCHA.

Forward T.J. Hensick leads the team in scoring with six points in his first five games.

The Wolverines are also returning sophomore forward, Jed Ortmeier, an All-CCHA Second team member and CCHA All-Rookie team member, sophomore goalie Al Montoya.

Kyle said Michigan has a lot of talent but he will not concentrate practices on what other teams can do until later in the year.

"Right now we have to concentrate more on what we're doing defensively," Kyle said. "We've got to play better defense (this weekend). We gave up 50 shots against Tech and that was brutal."

The series will begin on Friday at 7:05 p.m.

The second game was originally slated for Saturday night, but was moved to Sunday at 3:05 p.m. so that it would not conflict with Michigan's football game.

Offense key against familiar foes

BY DAVE MOSS
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

All remaining regular season matches for the unbeaten NMU volleyball team this year will be against repeat opponents, starting with Northwood this Saturday and Saginaw Valley State on

Sunday.

Head volleyball coach Jim Moore said the key to this portion of the season will be completing new plays.

"We still need to improve our offense," Moore said. "We want to get that a little better and do the things that the other teams

have not seen."

NMU (12-0 GLIAC, 17-0 overall) will face the Northwood University Timberwolves (8-4 GLIAC, 15-9 overall), who are currently the third-place team in the GLIAC North. Moore said he sees them as one of their toughest opponents.

"I really believe Northwood is physically the best team in the conference by far," Moore said. "We are going to have to play very well to beat them."

NMU beat Northwood at home earlier this season, 3-0. But now, the Wildcats must play them at their home court in Midland, Mich.

Moore plans on focusing on Northwood this week like the team focused on Findlay last week.

He said the 'Cats cannot prepare for every team at the same level or they would burn them-

selves out.

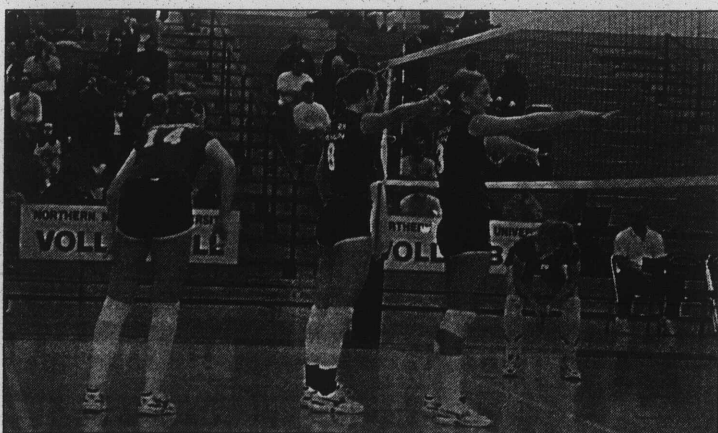
They will focus on Northwood in practice and be ready for any surprises that their next opponent, Saginaw Valley State, might have in store for them, he said.

Similar to last weekend, Northern will face the weaker of two teams in its second game on the road.

The Saginaw Valley State Cardinals (0-12 GLIAC, 1-19 overall) are in last place in the GLIAC North ranks. NMU beat SVSU in a 3-0 match earlier in the season.

"We are focusing on changing things up and [using] different plays teams haven't seen us do before," sophomore middle blocker Liz Kohn said.

Kohn said the team's goal is to be able to come out and play well in consecutive back-to-back games as they did last weekend at home.



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Junior Jennie Little (middle) led Northern in kills during Sunday's game against Ashland. The Wildcats play Northwood on Saturday.

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are playing well in the first half but not the second half. We need to play consistently throughout all four quarters. We need to play a complete game."

Sams said turnovers were a big factor in the game. NMU committed five turnovers (all interceptions) while Ashland committed just one (a fumble).

"We did it to ourselves," Sams said. "It was a guy breaking down on an assignment, or a bad decision that was made or a route that wasn't run right. Each interception had a different characteristic."

Sams said one of the bright spots of the game was the play of

Mayfield. Mayfield had 13 receptions for 85 yards and one touchdown.

"It was a guy breaking down on an assignment, or a bad decision that was made or a route that wasn't run right. Each interception had a different characteristic."

—Doug Sams
head football coach

"Whenever the ball is thrown my way, I just try to make plays," Mayfield said. "I just try to take advantage of my opportunities."

RUNNERS

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Wildcats are now looking forward to traveling down to Ferris State University for the GLIAC Cross Country Championships in Big Rapids, Mich. this weekend.

Having never run this course, the team is feeling confident and is looking to finish on top, Lahr said.

More importantly the 'Cats will be facing their conference rival, Grand Valley State University, who are currently ranked third in the nation.

"The tougher the competition there is, the more we can shine and show how well we can run," said Kochen.



Don Lhamon/NW

Northern hosted Michigan Tech and Lake State at the Wildcat Open on Oct. 17. NMU finished five runners in the Top 10.

Scoreboard

WEEKEND CALENDAR

—FRIDAY—

- The hockey team plays the University of Michigan at 7:05 p.m. at Yost Ice Arena.

—SATURDAY—

- The volleyball team plays Northwood at 4 p.m. in Midland, Mich.
- The football team hosts Wayne State for student night at 7 p.m. in the Superior Dome.

—SUNDAY—

- The soccer team hosts Saginaw Valley State at 1 p.m. at the NMU soccer field.
- The volleyball team plays Saginaw Valley State at 1 p.m. in University Center, Mich.
- The hockey team plays the University of Michigan at 3:05 p.m. in Yost Ice Arena.

GLIAC FOOTBALL

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

AU 31, NMU 10

N. Michigan 3 7 0 0 10
Ashland 0 17 7 7 31

FIRST QUARTER — NMU Kyle Marotz 25-yard field goal, 7:39.

SECOND QUARTER — AU Toure Carter 27-yard interception return (Austin Wellock kick), 14:07; NMU Vinney Mayfield 14-yard pass from Kyle Swenor (Marotz kick), 9:50; AU Wellock 36-yard field goal, 2:05; AU Michael Hull 22-yard pass from Nick Strance (Wellock kick), 1:38.

THIRD QUARTER — AU Brian Mong 9-yard pass from Strance (Wellock kick), 0:01.

FOURTH QUARTER — AU Jason Schwalm 9-yard run (Wellock kick), 8:52.

FIRST DOWNS — NMU 23, AU 19. **RUSHING** — NMU, 27-87 (Abram McCoy, 19-84); AU, 49-209 (Jason Schwalm, 28-156). **PASSING** — NMU, 33-66-5 (Swenor 29-50-4 258); AU, Nick Strance 15-21-0 170. **RECEIVING** — NMU, Vinney Mayfield 13-85; AU, Michael Hull 6-51.

ASHLAND 2, NMU 0

N. Michigan 0 0 0
Ashland University 2 0 2

FIRST HALF — 1. AU Tara Pifer (Maria Manzo), 42:00. 2. AU Manzo (Bonnie Bray), 43:00.

SECOND HALF — No Scoring.

SHOTS ON GOAL — NMU 3, AU 40. **SAVES** — NMU 12, AU 2. **CORNER KICKS** — NMU 0, AU 6. **FOULS** — NMU 12, AU 5.

FINDLAY 4, NMU 1

N. Michigan 1 0 1
Findlay 1 3 4

FIRST HALF — 1. NMU April Gieseke (Carolyn Kunas), 26:40. 2. UF Corie Moore (Megan Innes), 30:30.

SECOND HALF — 1. UF Jessica Booth, 51:38. 2. UF Booth (Gina Mortaro), 58:16. 3. UF Booth (Heather Perkins), 84:18.

SHOTS ON GOAL — NMU 15, UF 20. **SAVES** — NMU 8, UF 7. **CORNER KICKS** — NMU 2, UF 2. **FOULS** — NMU 10, UF 5.

CROSS COUNTRY

NMU WILDCAT OPEN

TEAM RESULTS

- N. Michigan - 26
- Michigan Tech - 47
- Lake Superior State - 85

INDIVIDUAL RESULTS — 1. NMU Jennifer Lahr, 10:25.19 2. IND Debbie Buhlers, 10:31.77 3. NMU Tami Kochen, 10:55.48 4. MTU Kristi Knock, 10:57.78 5. MTU Jess Brakorah, 10:58.79 6. NMU Stephanie Howe, 11:00.26 7. NMU Jane Steiber, 11:01.94 8. MTU Kristin Owen, 11:04.06 9. NMU Maria Stuber, 11:07.52 10. IND Caitlin Compton, 11:10.08 11. NMU Victoria Koskenaja, 11:10.99 12. NMU Lindsey Williams, 11:13.66.

GLIAC N. VOLLEYBALL

Team	GLIAC	Overall
1. N. MICHIGAN	12-0	17-0
2. Grand Valley State	11-1	19-5
3. Northwood	8-4	15-9
4. Ferris State	8-4	11-11
5. Michigan Tech	5-7	10-15
6. Lake Superior State	3-9	6-18
7. Saginaw Valley State	0-12	1-19

NMU 3, ASHLAND 0

N. Michigan 30 30 30 3
Ashland University 16 28 17 0

KILLS — NMU 54 (Jennie Little 12, Holly Greenamyre 12), AU 31 (Carrie Ritchie 18). **ASSISTS** — NMU 48 (Anne Kinsella

23), AU 29 (Angie Camp 16). **DIGS** — NMU 34 (Liz Kohn 9), AU 28 (Angie Camp 9). **SERVICE ACES** — NMU 2, AU 3.

NMU 3, FINDLAY 0

N. Michigan 33 30 30 3
Findlay 31 22 23 0

KILLS — NMU 51 (Jennie Little 17), UF 35 (Erin Puthoff 12). **ASSISTS** — NMU 44 (Anne Kinsella 23), UF 32 (Kelly Byrnes 30). **DIGS** — NMU 58 (Ashley Kiel 16), UF 66 (Puthoff 22). **SERVICE ACES** — NMU 8, UF 3.

NMU HOCKEY

NMU 4, MTU 3

N. Michigan 2 0 1 1 4
Michigan Tech 1 1 1 0 3

FIRST PERIOD — 1. MTU Chris Conner, 5:02. 2. NMU Alan Swanson (Dave Bonk, Justin Kinnunen), 6:26. 3. NMU Dirk Southern (Swanson), 17:25.

SECOND PERIOD — 4. MTU Conner (Colin Murphy), 3:22.

THIRD PERIOD — 5. MTU Conner, 8:11. 6. NMU Nathan Oystrick (Darin Olver, Jamie Milam), 19:36.

OVERTIME — 7. NMU Andrew Contois (Oystrick, Southern), 3:48.

POWER-PLAY OPPORTUNITIES — NMU 1-9; MTU 0-5. **PENALTIES** — NMU 5-10; MTU, 9-18. **SHOTS** — NMU 31; MTU 33. **GOALIE SAVES** — NMU Craig Kowalski 30; MTU Bryce Luker 27.

MTU 7, NMU 6

N. Michigan 1 1 4 0 6
Michigan Tech 1 2 3 1 7

FIRST PERIOD — 1. MTU Chris Conner (Colin Murphy, John Scott), 5:46. 2. NMU Darin Olver (Nathan Oystrick, Kevin Gardner), 8:00.

SECOND PERIOD — 3. MTU Brandon Schwartz (Clay Wilson, Jon Pittis), 1:31. 4. MTU Murphy (Brett Engelhardt, Conner), 5:34. 5. NMU Jamie Milam (Olver, Pat Bateman), 14:21.

THIRD PERIOD — 6. NMU Rob Lehtinen (Dave Bonk), 0:43. 7. NMU Milam (Olver, Oystrick), 3:41. 8. NMU Contois (Olver), 12:51. 9. NMU Gardner (Matt Hunter, Zach Tarkir), 15:22. 10. MTU Nick Anderson (Pittis), 17:55. 11. MTU Murphy (Taggart Desmet, Conner), 18:34. 12. MTU Murphy (Marek Dora, Brandon Schwartz), 19:32.

OVERTIME — 13. MTU Murphy (Pittis), 2:58.

POWER-PLAY OPPORTUNITIES — NMU 2-6; MTU 1-8. **PENALTIES** — NMU 10-28; MTU, 6-12. **SHOTS** — NMU 31; MTU 50. **GOALIE SAVES** — NMU Craig Kowalski 43; MTU Cam Ellsworth 25.

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MEETING

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PERSONALS

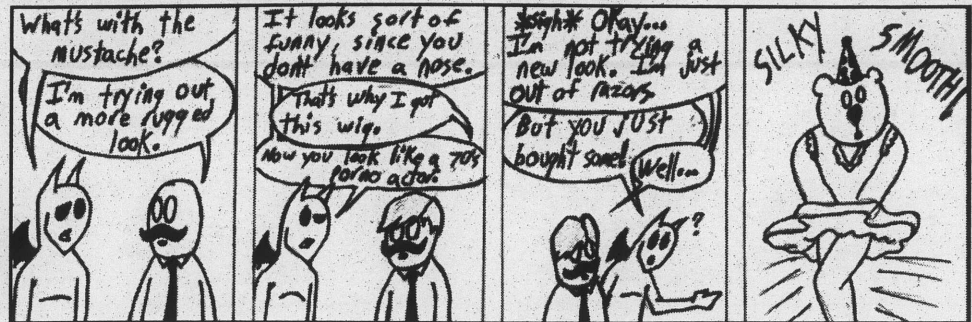
Mexican Man — It's been a rough week but I still love you! — Mexican Woman

cm. — My first hip-hop review, I hope you approve. — xoxo Adam

Calif. Beach bum — Thanks for the bloody message. Jim loved it and we really appreciated it. Period — Staff

Bug Killer — Thanks for handling all the dirty work this week. Just think, soon we will have a silverfish free house and won't have to worry about bugs crawling through our cereal. Way to be aggressive — Me

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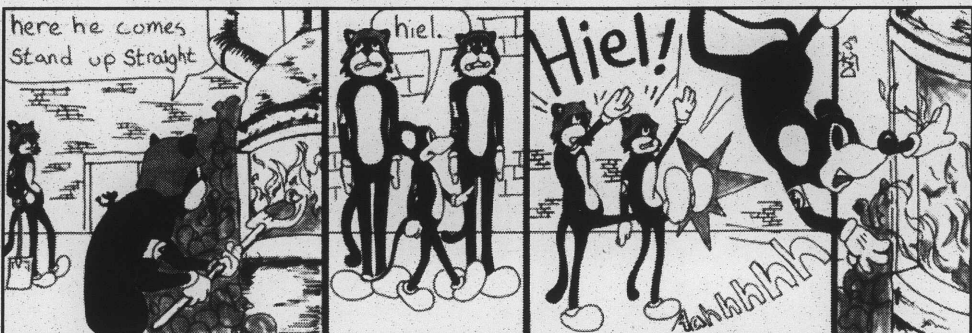
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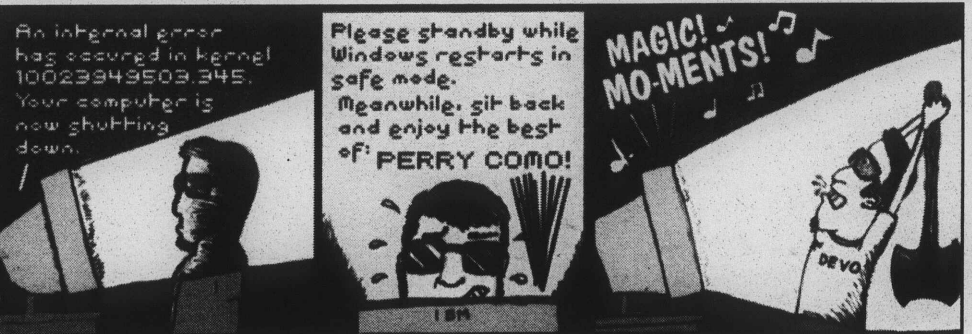
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THE BUMBLES



WILLIAM G. HOLLAND

Investigative Reporter —Keep up the good work. This is really interesting to me too, and call me anytime! —Y-dub

Daddy —Will you teach me to square dance this weekend? — Do-si-do daughter

A Wax — You're just a newspaper-writin' machine this week. Thanks, though, it helped us out a

lot. — Josh and Yoyo
D — Well looky there. Your face is in the paper. Isn't that exciting? I sure think so. — J

Samwise — If you were fat, I might think you were from Wisconsin, but you're neither of those. Too bad. Keep trying. — John Candy

Rogers City Special — We best figure out this radio gig before we lose our "family tradition." — Josh

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