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Festival kicks off with clue

By Amanda Monthei staff writer

Northern Michigan University's WinterFest will kick off on Sunday night in the University Center with the opening hint in the campus-wide Clue Game.

The event, which is put on by the Special Events Committee, will begin at 7 p.m. in the Brule Room of the UC Only one member of the six-person teams will need to be present for the

The goal of the game is to find a medallion that is placed somewhere on campus, by using the five clues provided by the committee.

After Sunday night, a clue will be subsequently posted every night of the week at 9 p.m. outside of Room 1205 in the UC

"This is my first year in the position," said Sarah Muellerleile, this year's special events coordinator,. Muellerleile is a senior sports science major.

"Last year the clue was found really fast, I think by Tuesday. So we're hoping to go until Friday (this year), and we're making some changes and trying to make the clues more difficult."

Muellerleile added that the addition of posting the clues online last year probably contributed to them being found quicker.

To makes things a little more difficult, the committee will still post the clues online, but will wait until the day after the physical clue is posted in the UC

"If people want to be the first one to find it, they have to make the extra effort to go find it in the evening," Muellerleile said.

Winners of the event, who have found the medallion by next Friday, will receive points towards an overall WinterFest score and prizes, including sweatshirts and other WinterFest merchandise.

Muellerleile encouraged

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U.P. 200 remains in Marquette

Race will start in chatham but downtown set-up will stay

By Hannah Fermanich

staff writer

This year's sparse snowfall has left the coordinators of the U.P. 200, a local sled dog race, looking for alternative options for the coming race this

The U.P. 200 has always had its start in Downtown Marquette on Washington Street, but this year changes have been made to accommodate the lack of snow in the city. While the trails the mushers will take have changed, the start of the race will still take place in Marquette.

"Mainly it was changed last week because of very little snow between Marquette and Harvey," said Pam Forsberg, secretary treasurer of the U.P.

According to the U.P. 200 website, the opening ceremony for the Midnight Run start will still take place in Marquette on Friday, Feb. 17 starting at 6:30 p.m. The Midnight Run will have a ceremonial start at 7:10 p.m. in front of The Mining Journal building before restarting the race in Chatham

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Schools race to register donors

College with most organ donors wins

By Kristen Koehler

contributing writer

Northern Michigan University is participating in the annual Gift of Life Campus Challenge, in which colleges across Michigan compete to obtain the most organ donor registrants by Thursday, Feb. 23.

Two awards are presented every year based on the university to add the most names to the Michigan Donor Registry, as well as the university with the greatest ratio of donor registrations to student population.

Volunteer Center assistant coordinator Lydia Stuef said NMU currently ranks sixth out of the 18 schools competing.

"NMU won a couple years ago with the highest percentage and the plaque still hangs on our wall," Stuef said. "All it takes for a life to be saved is registering, which can be done in less than three minutes with a valid driver's license number."

According to the Michigan Gift of Life website, nearly 10,000 Michigan patients have received a life-saving organ transplant in the last 10 years. This statistic resonates with Janece Hanycz, NMU accountant representative and organ recipient, who received her second kidney transplant from a registered

The first kidney came from Hanycz's youngest sister. After the kidney began to fail, she hoped someone close to her would be a match for the second

"Seven family members and friends tested to see if their blood types were the same as mine but unfortunately no one was a match, "Hanycz said.

Hanvez was told a donation could take two years or more.

"I was contacted at 10 in the morning and was in surgery the next day," Hanycz said. "It was a surprise because after waiting for two years I didn't know what to expect."

Stuef said organ donation is not only significant for the patient receiving the organ, but the process can also have a positive impact on the donor's family.

"Organ donation can turn a tragedy into a something comforting for a lot of families," Stuef said. "It helps to know that your loved one has the potential to save another person's life."

Cora Smith, a senior photography student at NMU, is currently a registered donor but said she realizes that it might not be for

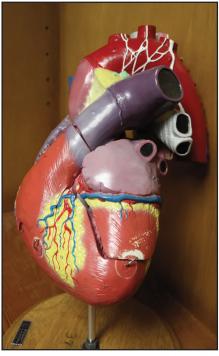
"If something were to happen to me I would like to be able to help people in need," Smith said.

"I think it's an option students should consider but it is something not everyone might be interested in do-

When signing up to be an organ donor, it's important to register online at the Gift of Life website. According to Stuef, simply declaring yourself as a donor on your driver license is not enough.

"If you are not registered online directly through the Michigan Organ & Tissue Donation Program, your family has the option of overturning your decision to donate once you have passed away," Stuef said. "Registering online makes the donation official and also helps speed the process along."

online at www.giftoflifemichigan.org. Until Feb. 23, students will also be able to sign up on campus at the Payne-Halverson lobby, the LRC and the PEIF. For more information, contact the Volunteer Center at volctr@nmu. edu or (906) 227-2466.



Justin Key/NW

The heart is one of six organs that can be Students interested in donated. The entire organ can be transparticipating can register planted as well as just tissue and valves.

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Valentine's Day brings romance to Wildcat Den



Adelle Whitefoot/NW

The Wildcat Den hosted a Sweetheart's Dinner for Valentine's Day. Many students, faculty and staff enjoy the four-course meal featuring items such as soup, salad, butter and garlic scallops, raviolis and a dark chocolate raspberry dessert. The Den was lit by icicle lights and a candle on every table. Anyone wishing to have dinner at the Den had to make a reservation in advance.

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participation in the event as away to test your knowledge of NMU's campus and the ability to read the clues.

"It's a way to spread WinterFest spirit, and to see if you actually know NMU," she said.

In past years, the event has drawn over 15 teams and is typically promoted particularly well through Housing and Residence Life.

"We try to get everyone as involved as possible," Muellerleile said. "Housing people just tend to know more about it. We've been trying to include athletic teams by contacting coaches and sending out letters, and also student organizations."

Overall, Muellerleile emphasized the importance of participation in on-campus events, speaking of WinterFest in general.

"It's a fun week," she said. "You can show some school spirit. You're only in college once, so you might as well take advantage of (events like this).

"The Clue game is not very difficult, even if you're shy or anything like that. It's fun, and if you win you get the pride of understanding the clues."

The Clue game will be accompanied by a number of other WinterFest activities, including a ski and snowboard discount day at Marquette Mountain on Wednesday, open skate at the Berry Event Center on Tuesday and various others throughout the week.

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Constitution changes bring bylaws changes

By Elizabeth Bailey

staff writer

After previously voting to change part of their constitution, members of Associated Students of NMU voted to change their bylaws as well.

Two weeks ago, the members of AS-NMU talked about changes to the bylaws concerning elections information; paper ballots — which are now online and petitioning for students to be on the ballot and how the board deals with formal complaints.

Nothing was decided, the members were asked to consider the changes that Justin Brugman, ASNMU president drafted.

"Basically the changes are taking care of stuff that's outdated," Brugman said

However, after little debate or concern, the board decided to pass the changes. A process that is not as extensive as applying for constitutional changes, all that is needed is three-fourths approval from the board.

Along with changes to their bylaws, the constitutional changes the board had voted a couple of weeks ago were approved by the referendum committee.

"The next step will be the wordsmiting for the actual ballot then it will be put to a vote by the students," Brugman said.

Drew Janego, ASNMU vice president and Travis Crowe, arts and sciences representative, are in the process

of organizing an ASNMU trip to Lansing. According to Crowe, the goal is to meet with elected officials and let them know what concerns the students of NMU.

"I think it's a good idea," Ja-



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nego said. "It gets NMU's name out there."

This wouldn't be the first time members of ASN-MU went to meet with officials in Lansing; according to Crowe it would be very informative.



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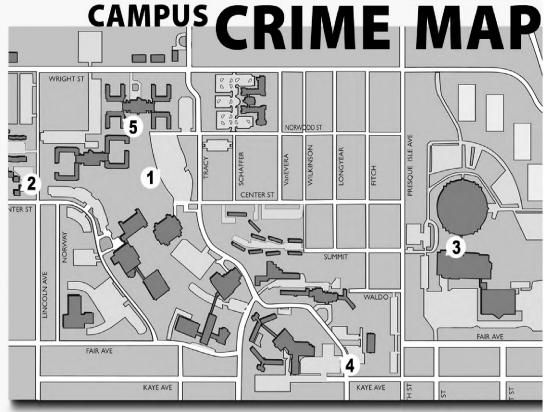
Crowe also informed the board that this trip would barley touch any funds allocated to ASNMU.

There were three new representatives added to the roster: Alex Nye, arts and sciences, Brittany Volch, professional studies and Rachael Fisher, off campus.

There will be a Students Association of Michigan conference this weekend, and although NMU's representative will not be attending, they plan to Skype the conference.

Map Key

- 1) A staff member reported larceny of a parking decal at 11:40 a.m. Feb. 7 at Lot 11.
- 2) A student reported larceny of a textbook at 6:18 p.m. Feb. 7 at the Lincoln Apartments.
- 3) A student reported larceny of a laptop at 11:40 p.m. Feb. 7 at the PEIF.
- 4) A student was charged with minor in possession at 2:38 a.m. Feb. 10 at Lee Drive and Lot 8.
- 5) A student was charged with possession of marijuana at 12:06 a.m. Feb. 12 at Van Antwerp Hall.



Education professor gets award

Puncochar recognized for service learning contributions

By Hannah Fermanich

staff writer

A Northern Michigan University education professor receives recognition for her service to the Marquette community.

The Michigan Campus Compact (MCC) awarded Judy Puncochar with the 2012 Michigan Campus Compact Faculty/Staff Community Service-Learning Award. She received the award on Jan. 30 at a dinner in East Lansing.

"I am really glad that Northern has received recognition for this," Puncochar said.

Employees at MCC campuses are given this award based on their great contributions to service learning in the last two

The criteria for choosing a candidate included having an instructor whose worked with students who have benefited the community, applied active learning principals taught in the courses by giving services to the community and allowed students to reflect on what they have learned through the process, Puncochar said.

"Many teachers [at NMU] deserve the award," Puncochar

Puncochar created an introductory education course that gives students real experience in teaching. Students take concepts learned in class and directly apply them in the field. It allows them to figure out if teaching is really what they want to do for their career, Puncochar said.

"It's a nice way for students to learn about themselves," Puncochar said. "It's critical to understand the nature of the field."

With the education course, students are taught about how people learn, as well as how to best teach them. They then directly apply these principals to help the community.

Students involved in the class volunteer at the Lake Superior Village Youth and Family Center to help with an afterschool homework program for K-12 kids in the area.

They sit down with students and help motivate them to do homework and also guide them through it. They also provide good role models for students, Puncochar said.

"My students are learning and the community is benefiting," Puncochar said.

Students also spend time at learning the Bothwell Middle School, as well as spend a full day working in Harris, Mich. at the Hannahville Indian Community's K-12 Nah Tah Wahsh Public School Academy.

The students involved with this course give back to the community, as well as apply all of the practices they are taught in the classroom directly, Pun-

"It's a win-win situation," Puncochar said. "My students don't always want to walk away at the end of the semester."

Several students that have completed the course continue to volunteer their time at the Lake Superior center. Some students continue to volunteer the entire time they are at Northern, Puncochar said.

Puncochar is the Associate Professor of Education at Northern. She came to NMU in 2004 after working at the University of Minnesota for 16 years.

She earned her doctorate at University of Minnesota in 1996 and spent her time working there until 2004. She is now a part of NMU's Academic Service Learning Advisory Board that promotes advancing

service learning at NMU.

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"I enjoy teachprocess," Puncochar "Gointo teaching is like a ticket for lifelong learning.'

Growing up in California, Puncochar was drawn to the similar feel of Marquette.

Once at NMU, she immediately got involved with the online learning programs, helping to expand options for graduate students wanting to earn different certificates.

Puncochar also spent her time creating the Uniting Neighbors in the Experience of Diversity Conference (UNITED) to help broaden the views of the NMU community.

The conference is held annually to celebrate diversity, culture and community. It brings speakers and performers from different ethnic backgrounds to NMU, according to the UNITED Conference website.

"Northern is always open to new ideas," Puncochar said.



Judy Puncochar created an introductory education Northern course to give students real-world experience in teaching.

Ski race offered for everyone who can 'bear' the cold

By Shaina James

assistant news editor

The annual Honey Bear Classic Ski Race will be held in Forestville on Saturday, Feb. 18 and people of any age are encouraged to participate.

Race events start at 10 a.m. from the Noquemanon Trail Network (NTN) Trailhead. There will be classic skiing or skating over a 12K or 24K course. Registration will begin at 8 a.m. and end at 9:45 a.m. in the pole barn.

The entry fee is \$25 per person. All proceeds will go to maintaining the Big Bay Pathway, which is closed right now due to logging activity.

"Participants, volunteers and donation will be well received," said Nicole Dewald, director of the NTN.

An awards ceremony will be held after the race. Door prizes and refreshments will also be

"Local sport shop and businesses have contributed the prizes," Dewald said. "For awards we have honey."

People are welcomed to attend the race and learn more about the Big Bay Pathway and programs offered by the NTN.

"We encourage all spectators to come," Dewald said. "They may even have a chance to see Honey Bear."

Entry forms are available at www.noquetrails.org and at local sport shops. For details call NTN at (906) 235-6861.

NMU hockey televised nationally

By Shaina James

assistant news editor

NMU fans will have the chance to cheer on the hockey team at this year's Wildcat Night Across the Country held at Buffalo Wild Wings in Marquette.

NMU will be playing University of Michigan this weekend and Buffalo Wild Wing's all over



Kristen Koehler/NW The game will be projected on multiple big screens hang around the bar.

the country will show the game on their many big screen televi-

At the Buffalo Wild Wings in Marquette, prizes donated by the bookstore along with event T-shirts will be given away throughout the game.

"This is something we have been doing annually for 12 years," said Deanna Hemmila, director of alumni operations. "This is the largest ever though, by the amount of locations that are participating."

Some of the Buffalo Wild Wings locations that the game will be played at are Naples, Fla., Atlanta, Chicago, Los Angeles, Detroit and many more.

"It's going to get the guys going, knowing that the game will be played on national television," said Kyle Follmer, junior hockey player. "And that a ton of people will be watching it in Marquette."

The last few years the game has been shown at Vango's, but the game is being broadcasted on Fox Sports Detroit Plus and they do not receive that channel.

"We are expecting a good

turnout," said Alex Grignon, manager at Buffalo Wild Wings. "There is always a good crowd when Northern plays, especially against an in-state team."

The alumni association will be hosting the event and board members will be present.

"It's a really good way for alumni and community to get together," Hemmila said. "A great informal way folks can get together and cheer on the Wildcats."

There is no cost for the event; however food and drinks will be available for purchase. The puck drops at 5 p.m. and the party will run long into the night.

The team has four games left in the regular season and then they will play in post season tournaments. NMU is tied for seventh with Miami University and Notre Dame University in the CCHA and are ranked 19th nationally.

University of Michigan is rank third in the CCHA and fifth nationally. This will be the Wildcats second series against U of M. Last time they met, they split

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at 8 p.m. There are 31 teams participating in the race this year.

"A few miles have been added to make up for not starting in Marquette," Forsberg said.

The opening ceremony is planned to be the same as before. The event will include speakers from the race's major sponsors as well as entertainment from NMU's brass band, and the flag will be presented by the Marine Corps League Color Guard, Forsberg said.

While the change in trail won't affect the experience for spectators at the opening ceremony, volunteer coordination has had to shuffle people around in order to accommodate the change.

"It's made it a bit more of a challenge," said Anna Sanford, volunteer coordinator for the U.P. 200. "We had a large amount of volunteers placed in Harvey, but the race isn't going through Harvey anymore."

According to Sanford,

NMU student volunteers have been a key part of the success of the U.P. 200. She appreciates the energy and enthusiasm the students bring to the event year after year.

"I don't think we could put these on without them," San-

The U.P. 200 got its start in 1990 with the help of musher Jeffrey Mann. Moved to Marquette in the summer of 1988 and was looking for local trails to run his dogs on. He met other mushers in the area and together they began creating a plan for a 240-mile race.

The U.P. 200 is still in need of volunteers to help with the race this weekend.

Sanford is looking for volunteers to help mushers cross the roads during through the night on Friday, Feb. 17 in Alger County as well as a few more volunteers to help with crowd control during the opening ceremony.

Anyone who is interested in volunteering should call Anna Sanford at (906) 869-4827 or e-mail asanford@nmu.edu. For details visit www.up200.org.

Exhibit give insight to immigrations

By Marcellino Signorelli

contributing writer

On exhibit at the Beaumier Heritage Center is the Immigration Exhibit, providing a firsthand view into the attitudes and mentality of America from the Civil War to World War I, an era of mass immigration.

The collection involves numerous graphics relating to immigration, all from the time period.

The exhibit is on loan from Michigan State University and available for viewing until March 30

The exhibit is opened Monday to Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in 105 Cohodas.

"We deal with a lot of immigration stories at the Center, dealing with immigration to the Upper Peninsula," said Daniel Truckey, director of the Beaumier Heritage Center. "We felt that this exhibit has similar ideas and perspectives, which is a great way to tie it in with what we do.

In fact, this is the first time the exhibit has ever been in the Upper Peninsula."

The images are all framed and each contain a caption beside them to explain what they show. They are also original documents from publications, not reproduced copies.

Many of the images contain caricatures and some display negative stereotypes of certain races.

"Immigration was a contentious issue just as it is today," Truckey said. "These images show how incredibly racist certain politicians and journalists were during this time era.

"It's important to see because people forget how immigrant groups were portrayed in the late 19th century."

A certain work on display in the exhibit titled "Welcome to All" displays Uncle Sam reaching out with open arms to all the immigrants.

There are signs around that state, "free education, free lunch, no oppressive taxes, no knouts or dungeons."

However, upon close observation it is noted that the immigrants all look like they are from northern Europe. Nowhere to be seen are any immigrants from any other area of the world.

"The venues the exhibit goes to are mostly universities or museums with historical societies because it is facilitating dialogue about tough issues," said Marsha MacDowell, professor and curator at the MSU Museum. "Not every museum is comfortable with this material."

The exhibit has already been

to the Balch Institute for Ethnic Studies in Philadelphia, the Holocaust Memorial and Tolerance Center in Glen Cove, N.Y. and the Dreams of Freedom Museum in Boston.

The collection was donated to MSU by John and Selma Appel. When donated, the collection had more than 4,000 pieces which the Appels spent years collecting. The exhibit has been on tour close to four years.

"The Smithsonian really wanted the collection," MacDowell said. "However, John Appel had spent most of his career at MSU and had worked with the MSU Museum, so he decided to donate it to them.

"Not only is the part of the collection on exhibit but faculty at MSU use it for teaching students."

John and Selma Appel have both passed away since their donation over a decade ago but the exhibit is a well-known and respected resource to this day.

"Unfortunately in our society there is the notion that museums are just dusty repositories," Mac-Dowell said. "However they can act as forces of social change and education when they bring in collections accessible to exhibitions."

For more information on the exhibit, call the Beaumier Heritage Center at (906) 227-3212.



Kristen Koehler/NW

The Immigration Exhibit is on loan from Michigan State University and will be on display at the Beaumier Heritage Center in Cohodas until March 30.

Workshop teaches leadership

By Jenean Zahran

contributing writer

A Skill Builder! workshop focusing on different leadership theories and techniques is being offered to students.

It will take place from 4 to 5:30 p.m. in the Back Room of the University Center on Monday, Feb. 27.

Dave Bonsall, director of the Center for Student Enrichment at NMU, will discuss the more popular and accepted leadership theories today and how they work.

"The main focus is going to be on long term leadership," he said. "Having that ethical base, and how they should act in certain situations."

The interactive workshop is not only available to students, but to the community as well.

"It will give people a chance to reflect on their own personal leadership styles," Bonsall said.

Students can register online at webb.nmu.edu/Centers/StudentEnrichment. For details, email slfp@nmu.edu or call (906) 227-1771.

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Stephanie Ray

— Volunteer of the Month —

Congratulations to Stephanie Ray for being selected as January's Volunteer of the Month! Stephanie is a behavioral analysis major and biology, German, and human services triple minor from Wixom, Michigan. She dedicates a ton of her time to bettering the community around her. She has cheered on and timed athletes at the Special Olympics, has been a mentor for Big Brothers Big Sisters, walked dogs for UPAWS (and anyone

else who cannot), and assisted in the care of birds and horses with a local wildlife rehabilitation center. Way to go, Stephanie! Keep up the incredible work!

To recognize Stephanie for her efforts, she will receive a \$30 gift certificate donated by the Casa Calabria.



OPINION

Staff Editorial



Become an organ donor to help others in need

Many Americans are currently on a waiting list to receive an organ transplant and it's possible that a relative or friend of yours is on that list. NMU students have an opportunity to save a life by becoming a registered organ donor.

Many Americans have already become registered organ donors. At the moment, there are a little more than 100 million organ donors in the United States. Yet, many Americans, students included, don't become registered organ donors because of the myths surrounding the organ donating process.

One myth is that if a person donates their organs after death, they can't have an open-casket funeral. This isn't true.

Burial clothes obscure any signs of tissue or organ donation. This makes it possible for organ donation and traditional funerals to coexist.

Another common myth and fear is that by being an organ donor, physicians and surgeons won't try as hard to save and prolong your life as they would if you weren't an organ donor. Once again, not an ounce of truth in that myth.

Doctors try their hardest to keep you

alive every second you are in their care. They don't even know if you're an organ donor until death occurs.

Some don't become an organ donor because they think organ donation will interfere with their religious beliefs. While this may be possible, organ donation is usually consistent with most religions, including Christianity and Judaism.

By overcoming myths like these and becoming an organ donor, you can single-handedly save lives. Another person is added to an organ transplant waiting list every 10 minutes. At the moment, this number has climbed to more than 100,000.

On average, 79 people receive transplants each day in the U.S. At the same time, an average of 18 people die each day because of a shortage of organ transplants, totaling about 6,500 deaths each year.

Join the other 100 million Americans by registering as an organ donor the next time you renew your driver's license or visit www.organdonor.gov to find your state's organ donor registry.

By doing so, you not only have the chance to save one life, you have the chance to save up to eight.

Sororities get an unfair reputation



This week is sorority recruitment week on NMU's campus. Many view this as a negative thing. They think of parties, binge drinking and pledges being forced to do things like run around naked, steal things or other equally embarrassing acts.

This is so far from the truth that I am actually laughing out loud as I write this. There are so many negative stereotypes connected to sororities and fraternities, but no one seems interested in learning the truth about them.

Before you write me off as being biased because I'm a part of this community, let me first say I was exactly like that myself before coming here. Throughout high school, all I heard about sororities were that they were bad news. Parties, sex, alcohol — these were all things that sororities stood for and I wasn't interested in being a part of that. I was a good girl with morals and values that I would stick to.

When my friend dragged me to the information meeting at the beginning of rush week in my junior year, I was dubious. I didn't know what they could possibly offer me. Yet, I was surprised to find out that while parties were part of the scene, that wasn't the only thing going on. These women were just like me, good girls with morals they stuck to and in a sorority that mirrored their own values. Imagine my high school friends' surprise when I announced that I was joining a sorority.

Yes, we are defined as social organizations, but this does not mean that all we care about are social pretenses, hosting parties and being crazy. Being social means we care about making new friendships, strengthening old ones and being

part of something bigger.

I love being part of Northern's Greek community through Kappa Beta Gamma, although, sometimes there are a lot of challenges when it comes to peoples' perceptions of us. There are a lot of advantages to being involved in Greek life.

The best thing about being involved in a sorority is the relationships that you form, whether it's with your own sisters or with another sorority or fraternity. These relationships can last a lifetime if you let them. Not only that, but those friendships can richen your time spent at NMU. They provide a social outlet and a support network when you need them.

On a more business side of things, the Greek community can provide a wide network of contacts that can lead to business opportunities, not to mention extracurricular activities always looks good on a resume.

Even if you're not interested in the friendships or the networking, sororities and fraternities are involved in much more than that. Each group volunteers and fundraises for their own philanthropy. Kappa Beta Gamma, for example, is involved with the Special Olympics and The Marquette Women's Center.

There is just much more to the Greek community than I feel a lot of people give them credit for. We have a hand in hosting campus events like "Late Night at the PEIF" that gives everyone an entire night of fun before the school year starts.

Don't get me wrong; we do host parties and mixers and we like to have fun, but students can find that anywhere on campus. The difference is that we are part of something bigger than ourselves and we give students the chance to be a part of a community that is more like a family than an organization, so give it a try.

Even if you're just curious about it and have no intentions of joining, find a member and ask them about their experience. You might just be surprised.

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Tap water beats bottled water in numerous tests



Students on college campuses across the country are pushing to ban the sale of bottled water in vending machines and eating establishments on their respective campuses, with the University of Vermont already succeeding in doing so.

In response, the International Bottled Water Association created a YouTube video to "help counter anti-bottled water activism on college campuses" and sent out a press release.

I watched the video to see why bottled water was so great. Afterward, I only found myself supporting the ban on the sale of bottled water on college campuses to an even greater extent.

The IBWA would like consumers like me to think we're getting the best quality and price available for the bottled water we purchase. This is a farce.

In simple economic terms, buying bottled water is a rip-off. Consumers are charged 560 times more for bottled water than tap water. These bottled water corporations persuade us to believe their water is of a pure and high quality. Because of this, they think they can charge us more for bottled water than tap water.

What's wrong with this? For starters, 47 percent of all bottled water comes from tap water resources. So, consumers are paying hundreds more for the same product, all so that it can come

in a prepackaged bottle instead of an ordinary cup. This is economic exploitation.

The biggest lie IBWA put out in a Feb. 7 press release was that "bottled water is stringently regulated by the FDA to a safety standard higher than tap water." According to Dr. Sarah Janssen, science fellow with the Natural Resources Defense Council, "Bottled water isn't any safer or purer than what comes out of the tap. In fact, it's less well-regulated and you're more likely to know what's in tap water."

Dr. Janssen is entirely correct; tap water is regulated more strictly by the EPA than bottled water is regulated by the FDA. The EPA tests many large public water facilities for contaminants up to several times a day and requires tap water suppliers to publish a yearly Consumer Confidence Report, which describes their sources of water and any contaminants found.

On the other hand, the FDA only requires bottled water facilities to test for contaminants once a week, once a year or once every four years depending on the specific contaminant being tested for. Also, bottled water corporations are not required by law or any federal agency to tell their consumers if there has been a contaminant problem or issue in the past.

Even with these weak FDA regulations, we should feel good that all bottled water is at least regulated in some form. Right? Not exactly. FDA regulations exempt almost 60 percent of bottled water sold in the U.S. because the FDA claims its regulations do not apply to water packaged and sold within the same state.

By now, it's clear that bottled water is less regulated than its tap water counterpart. But is bottled water less safe than tap water when it actually reaches your mouth?

The NRDC did a study of more than 100 brands of bottled water to see how safe they were to drink in comparison to tap water.

They found that nearly onethird of the bottled water brands they tested "violated an enforceable state standard or exceeded microbiological-purity guidelines."

Although most bottled water brands were of good quality, this high amount of bottled water failing safety standards makes me worry for the health of my fellow citizens.

Besides the fact that bottled water is less regulated and far more expensive than plain tap water, the process of bottling water also harms the environment.

Only 23 percent of bottles will be recycled in the United States, including beverages besides water.

Not only does the low recycling rate of plastic bottles hurt the environment, the very production of these plastic bottles hurts the environment. According to the Pacific Institute, it takes an estimated 17 million barrels of oil equivalent to produce all the plastic water bottles in the United States. This is enough energy to fuel one million cars for an entire year.

Students want to ban the sale of bottled water on campuses for many reasons, such as enhancing safety and health, achieving social justice or helping the environment.

If the IBWA wants students to stop these anti-bottled water campaigns across the country, they must create videos and press releases with the truth about bottled water instead of spreading and sharing self-created propagated lies.

Dining Services helps students



Of all the departments on campus, perhaps none has garnered more criticism than Dining Services. It seems everyone is armed with an opinion on how Dining Services could better serve students.

It didn't matter if it was the increased prices of meals, the closing of the Wildcat Den on weekends, the addition of Melted and the moving of Temaki & Tea, or the lack of service in the dining halls.

It's only natural. Students have to eat and for those of us living on campus, most of what we eat comes from the Marketplace and the Den. It would just be nice if these criticisms better reflected reality. Dining Services goes out of their way to meet the needs of students and addresses those concerns with remarkable efficiency.

Early last semester, ASNMU co-hosted a Let's Chat with Dining Services at the Den to discuss the changes that were implemented this year. Several weeks later, at the first Food Advisory Board meeting, director of Dining Services Greg Minner handed out sheets with each issue raised and how Dining Services was addressing each specific issue. A subsequent Let's Chat at the Market-place yielded similar results.

While opening the Den on weekends is not possible at this time, an alternative was developed that serves students well. Café Libri extended operations to the weekends and students can get made to order items from the grill. One can even use their meal plan to pay for it.

Additionally, Dining Services created the Food Advisory Board specifically designed to generate feedback and guidance from students on how to improve quality. The meetings happen once a month and are open to anyone concerned about the direction Dining Services is moving toward. All one needs to do to get involved is contact Dining Services

vices to register. The next meeting is at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 22 in the Dining Services Office.

One area of concern for students has been how long it takes for people to get food from the grill during busy periods. If a student wanted a cheeseburger or grilled chicken sandwich, they would have to wait 15 or 20 minutes before getting their order. If it was between classes, they wouldn't have time to wait. If they were with friends, the friends would be finished eating by the time the student got their food.

This was brought to Dining Services' attention and now the Den's grill makes items ahead of time to better anticipate the rush. If a student still wants an item made to order, it can be made to order. All it took was Dining Services being made aware of the situation to fix it.

Another common refrain has to deal with Melted; "I don't want to pay \$5 or \$6 for a grilled cheese."

No one who has been to Melted has paid \$5 for a grilled cheese. Those sandwiches are so much more. For example, one has barbecued pork and mac and cheese on it. Another has ham, mustard and baked apples. Overall, Melted is a creative, wonderfully executed concept for a restaurant that serves the campus community well.

Survey your friends at other schools and ask how many of them can take sushi-rolling classes. I would bet not many. Sure, it costs \$10, but if you're on a meal plan, you can pay for it with a meal swipe. Essentially, you're getting in for free. Dining Services also hosts numerous workshops throughout the year on healthy eating.

Have an allergy? Bring it to the attention of any employee and they will be more than willing to address it. Just speak up.

Given the current state of the economy, rising food costs and less money to operate, Dining Services could be accused of trying to do too much to appease students rather than not enough.

The next time students have an issue with the food on campus, instead of casually complaining to your friends, why not take the time to work with Dining Services towards a solution?

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GOP attacks contraception



Quick: how many actual Catholics support Obama's new policy regarding contraception being provided by employers, even religious employers? After all, if Republican candidates are all going to outwardly condemn Obama's policy, it ought to be a supremely low amount, wouldn't you think? It must certainly be a minority. Or is it even that a majority of Catholics support the president's contraception policy?

Yet, the three remaining GOP candidates are making the policy out to be a largely unsupported measure that the general public opposes. Not only this, but this law has unleashed a firestorm of opposition, even though 29 states already have similar statutes in

For a party so staunchly of the opinion that President Obama has a laundry list of faults, they sure are having a hard time finding things to criticize that are true. It's very tough for a presidential candidate to be taken seriously when 59 percent of Catholic women support a new contraception measure. Especially when the very group that is supposed to be a whimpering, oppressed minority in the fetal position, in a corner, pleading for some tolerance has a solid majority of people in support of the measure that is being declared the first step toward a major shift in the political climate in this country.

The Republican Party has turned this into another one of Obama's "wars." This one is a fabricated war on religion.

Presidential candidate Rick Santorum stated earlier this month, "This is a president who, just recently, in this Hosanna-Tabor case was basically making the argument that Catholics had to, you know, maybe even had to go so far as to hire women priests to comply with employment discrimination issues. This is a very hostile president to people of faith. He's a hostile president, not just to people of faith, but to all freedoms."

The only problem with Santorum's claim is that it's, you know, entirely false (on a slightly unrelated note, 53 percent of Catholics support a mandate for more female priests), as can be found in the Obama administration's own brief of the Hosanna-Tabor case. Santorum would go on to state that the introduction of socialized health care would lead to the mass slaughter of religious people á la French Revolution.

The insanity is not limited to Rick Santorum, however. Romney has also bluntly misrepresented the policy to a rowdy Maine crowd.

"Today he did the classic Obama retreat all right, and what I mean by that is, it wasn't a retreat at all. It's another deception," Romney said, arguing that religious organizations still will have to pay for contraception after insurance companies pass the costs along to employers. "Companies consist of people, and someone has to pay — the owners, the employees or the customers, and they pass those costs on to the custom-

Romney is, of course, neglecting to mention that everything he just said is entirely false. Since employers do not want to provide contraceptives, their premiums will not go up and the health insurance companies will be providing the contraceptives anyway. Health insurance companies are essentially absorbing the cost that Mitt Romney is claiming caused a massive injustice to private employers who will not have to pay one dollar for contraceptives for their employees to receive.

So, in essence we have a group of candidates opposing laws they don't understand. They're trying to discredit a president who isn't doing what they claim he's doing in order to help a group of Americans who agree with what the president is already doing. And somehow they're all running for president.

Sound Off

compiled by Kristen Koehler

What do you think of your NMU laptop?



Mary Lewis sophomore, undeclared "I guess the best thing about it was that the price was just included in tuition.'



Corinne Hooper junior, p.e. sec-ed. "The best part about my Mac is that it doesn't get viruses."



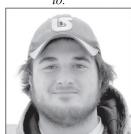
Faith Nichols freshman, art & design "I have a Mac and I don't like how often it glitches.'



Joshua Maxwell sophomore, pyschology "My favorite thing about my NMU laptop is how well it can bounce."



Braelyn Spencer sophomore, English writing "I already have a computer at home that I have access to."



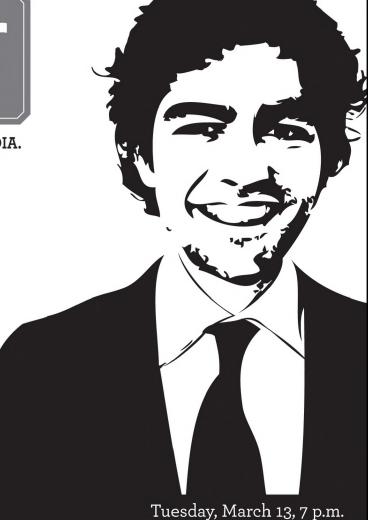
Toby Erickson junior, English "The worst part is that they are vulnerable to viruses.

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Off-campus housing revealed

Advantages and disadvantages of finding your own apartment

By Alisa Fox features editor

Off-campus housing resources

- The Dean of Students website (www.nmu.edu/dso) includes a list of currently available off-campus apartments and houses. Once at this site, there is a link to "available housing" at the bottom of the page.
- The Michigan State Housing Development Authority has a site that lists current openings in participating apartment complexes and real estate companies. The site includes information such as the expected rent, utilities that are included and whether you can have pets or not. www.michiganhousinglocator.rentlinx.com/MI/Marquette
- The Mining Journal receives many ads for apartments for rent or people looking for roommates. You can get the paper at a participating location or online at www.mining-journal.net. Once at this site, go to the Classifieds section and choose the appropriate site, under Real Estate.
- Craigslist.org is another site that receives multiple ads for apartments for rent or people looking for roommates.
- Marquette's Housing Commission provides affordable housing to qualified applicants. Guidelines and applications are available at http://www.mqthc.org/.

efore the leases are signed and the furniture is moved in, there are some things that students moving off-campus should know.

Breanne Kanak, a junior secondary art education major, has been living off campus since the 2011 fall semester at NMU. Compared to on-campus residence halls and apartments, Kanak said off-campus living has a few perks.

"Ultimately, the costs of living were more affordable and practical for me," Kanak said. "The dorms and on-campus housing are very expensive, and I needed that money to save up for school expenses."

Living in the on-campus residence halls can cost up to \$10,000 for two semesters, depending on room choices and mandatory meal plan choice, according to the Housing and Residence Life office's website, www.nmu.edu/Housing.

Off-campus rent ranges from \$200 to \$850 for many apartments, with the average rent being \$502 according to

City-data.com. This makes the cost of off-campus housing for the average school year as low as \$1,800 for two semesters worth of rent.

Some students choose to live with a roommate off-campus and that can also bring down the cost of living. While an \$800 apartment or house may be out of reach for some students, splitting the cost with one or more roommates makes that same apartment or house much more affordable.

"Choose your roommates or housemates wisely," Kanak said.

Space can also create some concerns. Many students living in the dormitories share their room with another student and they share their bathroom with two more students. Some, like Kanak, have found apartments that offer much more personal space than oncampus housing.

"Living on campus provides some unwanted space issues most of the time," Kanak said. "I really wanted a large space to work in."

In Kanak's case, money and space



were not the only issues she had with on campus housing.

"I was really surprised about all the different choices I have for food," Kanak said. "Not being confined to a 14-by-14 box and cafeteria was fantastic."

On the constant meal plan, students spend more than \$500 on food each month, according to Housing and Residence Life office's website.

While living off-campus, the cost of food can become much lower depending on personal choices. According to www.cnpp.usda.gov, the monthly cost of food for an individual can be as low as \$160 per month or as high as \$320 per month.

"I am truly in love with my apartment," Kanak said. "I am five minutes from campus and right in the middle of town."

There are also difficulties associated with living off-campus, such as transportation. One thing to remember when shopping for an off-campus apartment is location. How far it is from Northern's campus, the grocery store or job can be factors in the final decision in the purchase of an apartment.

There are also some services that Northern provides with its housing that is not necessarily included with off campus housing. Things like paid utilities, laundry service or yard care may not be included with the rent.

"I wish I had known how bad landlords can be with salting driveways and shoveling," Kanak said. "They hate it as much as we do and it's a deathtrap outside of my apartment."

Some challenges of living off cam-

pus include personal budgeting and money management. While many students save money by living off campus, there are many opportunities to spend that money.

"Be sure you are well established in terms of money, budgeting and controlling expenses," Kanak said.

Kanak said that overall, living offcampus is a much different experience than living on campus.

"You make different friends than you would on-campus," Kanak said. "Lots of things change."

Kanak warns against third floor apartments and that buying a new alarm clock may be beneficial. Above all, she said, just enjoy the new experience.

Another thing to consider is personal financial aid situations. Many government grants and scholarships will only pay for university housing and if a student moves off-campus, they will no longer receive that grant or scholarship.

Transportation may be another issue. While living a mile away from campus may not seem like a big deal during the summer months, during the winter these attitudes may change.

Whether the decision is to remain on-campus or to move to an off-campus apartment, being informed can influence the experience. The Dean of Students' website offers many resources for off campus living. These include "The Guide to Off Campus Living," a carpool network and a list of city rules and ordinances that off-campus students should know. For details, visit www.nmu.edu/dso.

Things to remember when looking at apartments

- How much are you and your roommates willing to pay for rent? This may limit your options.
- Do you want pets? What kind and how many? Many apartment complexes in Marquette do not allow pets or only allow one pet. Find out if keeping small rodents or fish is acceptable.
- Where is the building? Within walking distance of campus, the grocery store, or a personal job is preferable to some college students.
- What utilities are included in the rent? Some apartments will include the price of electricity, gas and cable in the rent, some don't. Find out what you have to pay for and the usual rate per month and add this to your monthly rent budget.
- What are the smoking rules? Even if you are not a smoker, this could impact you because you will have to deal with the smoke and the cigarette butts.
- Where will you park? Keep in mind that if the apartment does not have free private parking or has a small parking lot, you may have to find alternate parking during the winter parking ban.
- How long is the lease for? Many leases last the entire year, so make sure that if you plan to stay only for part of the year, that you agree on the terms with your landlord or you may get hit with cancellation fees or an obligation to pay the rent until someone else rents it.
- How much cupboard and closet space is there and how many power outlets? Make sure that you can fit all of your and your roommates' belongings and that there are sufficient power outlets for your electronics.

• Information found at aribabybug.wordpress.com



Play brings Middle East to Northern

By Leah Kulikowski

contributing writer

"The Near East," which is NMU's latest production, brings Middle Eastern culture, lifestyle and religion out of that region and into our backyards.

"The Near East" shows are at 7:30 p.m. on Feb. 15 to 18 and Feb. 21 to 25. The production will be located at the James A. Panowski Black Box Theatre in

Room 105 McClintock.

"The Near East" won the Quest for Peace prize for its ability to transgress the cultural boundaries between American and Middle Eastern life by presenting characters and struggles that all people can relate to.

"The play is about faith, religion and why we do what we do," said director of theatre, Ansley Valentine. "It really challenges a lot of our preconceived notions

about Islam or people who are Muslim by raising more questions than providing answers. It intentionally leaves things open for you, as the audience member, to consider like, 'What does that mean?' or 'How would I feel if I was in that situation?'"

The play follows Arab feminist and scholar Aisha Ghazali in her quest for the ancient artifact Umm al-Kitab, the "Mother of all Books."

As a woman, Aisha is unable to lead the archaeological expedition so she hires American-Jewish archaeologist Ken Schneider to head the team and go into the desert. It charts their search for the artifact and their conflicts with each other and the world around them.

Ryan Sitzberger plays Ken Schneider in "The Near East." He is a senior criminal justice major with a love for theater. Sitzberger waited until college to become involved in theater and acted in several previous plays.

"The play is very gritty and realistic," Sitzberger said. "We've been trying to do our research as best we can and I think it's pretty well representative of real life. The characters are searching for the truth behind religion and faith. The things that happen to the characters really help them come together under different ideas."

Sitzberger said he is excited for his leading role in the play. He feels like he connects with Schneider on a personal level.

"The thing that separates this from other plays this year is that 'The Near East' really deals with current problems that represent old and new issues," Sitzberger said. "I think it's a lot more relatable than anything so far."

Taylor Kulju, a sophomore

theater major, plays Arab scholar Aisha Ghazali in "The Near East." Kulju has played several roles throughout her time at NMU, including Wendy in "Peter Pan" and a chorus member in "Dirty Rotten Scoundrels."

"Aisha really fights for women and their rights because women are so confined in everything that they do but she does it in a very approachable, knowledgeable way," Kulju said. "She's a very smart person, very intelligent."

Kulju said she agrees with Valentine and Sitzberger that the play is very serious and it helps people understand a different culture and lifestyle, but she believes there is something else at the heart of "The Near East."

"There's actually a lot of comedy," Kulju said. "The relationship between Ken and Aisha is very funny. First they hate each other, then they love each other and then they hate each other again. It's a really decent play that leads people to more questions than answers, not just about the characters but about the culture they're in."

Tickets are \$8 for NMU students with an id and \$12 for the general public.

For more information about "The Near East," call the Forest Roberts Theater at (906) 227-2553 or visit webb.nmu.edu/ForestRobertsTheatre.



Justin Key/NW

Actors in the play "The Near East" have researched life in the Middle East to present an accurate representation to the audience. Taylor Kulju (above) plays Aisha Ghazali, who leads a historical dig a male archeologist.

Silent film speaks loudly to viewers



Film: The Artist

Director: Michel Hazanavicius

Producer: Thomas Langmann

Writer: Michel Hazanavicius

Starring: Jean Dujardin, Bérénice Bejo, John Goodman

Runtime: 100 minutes



By Jeff Powers

contributing writer

"The Artist" has been receiving an enormous amount of praise and award nominations in recent months. After seeing it I can safely say that it is deserving of all the accolades.

The movie is elegantly made, well-acted and offers a different experience. The film follows the life of George Valentin, a 1920s

silent film actor and his struggles to deal with the transition of show business to "talkies."

Valentin is played by Jean Dujardin in what can only be described as a tremendous performance. The most important aspect of his performance is his ability to portray emotions with absolutely zero dialogue. The movie is completely silent, in true 1920s form and this is really what makes the film exceptional.

Dujardin acts out the character's inner thoughts and emotions deftly, without seeming cartoonish or over the top. He

walks the line perfectly between what modern audiences are accustomed to and what would be historically accurate.

The performance of the actors plays a major role in the communication between the characters and the audience, but the most important feature of the entire film is the musical score composed by Ludovic Bource. The music builds and releases tension throughout the film.

For the majority of the movie, music is the only audible companion the audience has. Oftentimes the best use of music is when there is the absence of it.

When the music stops, the audience becomes more aware of just how silent the film really is. It's a very eerie experience. This sensation only builds the emotion being felt on-screen at the time.

The music was great, but the ingenuity and creativity used in the sound effects are experimental and artful. The most memorable scene in the film is a dream sequence after Valentin has first been shown a talking movie. In the dream, objects suddenly begin to be heard. He is perplexed and frightened by the sound. First he can hear small things

like a glass being set down or his companion dog barking, but later loud laughter and explosions. All the while, Valentin cannot hear his own voice.

The sounds affect the audience in the same way they affect Valentin. I hadn't heard any sound that wasn't music for nearly 30 minutes and the sounds were foreign and shocking when they first appeared. This technique transports the audience to what the experience of first hearing sound in a film must have been like. It is fascinating stuff.

The director of the film is Michael Hazanavicius. I find his direction to be impeccable. Everything in this film really comes back to the fact that it is silent. All the minute details that usually are overlooked have their importance multiplied immensely.

The set was wonderfully organized and the positions of the actors and props were always perfectly on point. The setting was also captured very well. This was one of the most accurate period pieces I've ever seen. He deserves a great deal of praise for his oversight.

The supporting cast all give very good performances. Bérénice Bejo does well portraying a young, up-and-coming actress who stars in the new sensation of "talkies." She is both Valentin's love interest and one of his main opponents throughout the movie.

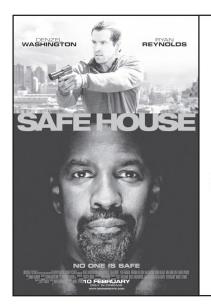
John Goodman plays a studio executive who is mostly responsible for revolutionizing show business in the film. He is cold and unsentimental, and it shows as he kicks Valentin to the curb after his refusal to do talking movies

The only negative comment I have about the movie is that at times it can be difficult to stay focused and appreciative of what's going on the screen. A few times I was lulled by the wonderful score and sometimes slow plot, and found my mind wandering away from the film.

It was easy to forget just how great what I was watching really was. With the proper expectations and perspective, the film is a masterpiece.

Overall, "The Artist" is an amazing film experience. It was a treat to get to see a silent film made with modern technology. The effects used on the sound that is available, along with the artistry used in the film-making process put this movie on an unmatched level of excellence.

Denzel saves audience from boredom



Film: Safe House

Director: Daniel Espinosa

Producer: Scott Stuber

Writer: David Guggenheim

Starring: Denzel Washington, Ryan Reynolds and Robert Patrick

Runtime: 115 minutes



By Justin Marietti

staff writer

Denzel Washington returns to the screen with yet another action movie, "Safe House." This time around, he stars as Tobin Frost, an ex-CIA agent who has gone rogue and landed himself atop the most wanted list.

Frost allegedly sells deep dark secrets of agency members to the highest bidder, so he is a walking target in the eyes of most intelligence agents. During a trip to Cape Town, he meets with a source who gives him what could be enough information to bring down several prominent figures in the agency.

All of a sudden, Frost has a group of armed men hot on his trail. Although he is a wanted man, he is pushed into a corner and has no choice but to flee to the American consulate, essentially turning himself in.

Following his arrest and capture, Frost is then delivered to a safe house led by a young and relatively inexperienced CIA agent, Matt Weston (Ryan Reynolds). Weston is trying to work his way up the ranks and is willing to do just about anything if it means he

will be promoted.

Once Frost is checked into the safe house, the men who delivered him begin an interrogation process that is largely based on torture. However, they barely scrape the surface before the safe house is under attack.

Nearly everyone in the building is killed and Frost subtly reminds Weston that it's his job to keep him alive. The two men manage to escape by the skin of their teeth and things don't get much better from there.

Although the stories are completely different, Frost really reminded me of another character that Washington played in 2010's, "The Book of Eli." Even though many aspects separate them, they both have that same aura about

Just about anyone who messed with either one of these guys ended up regretting their decision. For a guy who's pushing 60, Washington's definitely still got it.

I really didn't know what to make of this movie after seeing the trailers. It looked like a pretty standard espionage-action movie. However, Washington is one of the biggest actors in Hollywood; if he signed on for this project, obviously he saw something promising in the script.

One of the best qualities of

"Safe House" is the whole whodunit aspect. The beginning of the movie really seemed to present this undertone that Frost is an awful person who has committed terrible crimes. The trailer made me feel that way too.

I believe that the director chose to make it that way so that as the story plays out, we slowly begin to wonder if things aren't really as they seem and if maybe he's not as bad as we once thought.

The action scenes in this movie were incredibly well done and creative. There is a fight scene near the end of the movie between Weston and another guy that really caps off an already above par

There was another scene near the end that I found to be unbelievably cheesy. It's what I'll call the "bonding moment" between Frost and Weston. When you see it, you'll know it.

I'm just not sure that two men like these guys are going to act like that. Of course, I'm not in the CIA, so maybe they're all a little sappy at heart. But this just felt a little overdramatic.

I didn't expect "Safe House" to be a ground-breaking movie, which is probably why I was pleasantly surprised when it was above average. I'm not sure I'd pay to see it again, but I didn't feel ripped off after seeing it the first time.



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Frost (Denzel Washington) and Weston (Ryan Reynolds) find themselves on the run from people who have been burned by Frost and now want him dead.





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'Cats dump Bowling Green with sweep

By Delaney Lovett

editor in chief

The No. 19 Wildcats accomplished their first CCHA sweep on the road this season with victories over Bowling Green State University Friday, Feb. 10 and Saturday, Feb. 11.

The Northern Michigan hockey team improves its record to 9-9-6-3 in the CCHA and 14-10-6 overall with the 4-2 win Friday and a 2-0 shutout Saturday.

"The sweep was probably the best part because they were games we really needed to win," said sophomore goaltender Jared Coreau. "It was a pretty good feeling on the bus ride home."

Northern displayed its dominance early on Friday, putting up a 3-0 lead in the first period. Both goals were scored power plays by sophomore center Stephan Vigier and junior defenseman Scott Ma-

Senior right wing Andrew Cherniwchan picked up an evenstrength goal in the first and senior left wing Justin Florek picked up a fourth goal for the 'Cats in the second period.

"We've been playing a little bit sluggish, and I think we had our energy back in our game," said head coach Walt Kyle. "Our special teams were very good, power play and penalty killing, and Coreau was very good."

Coreau stopped 32 of 34 Falcon shots on Friday and all 23 of their shots on Saturday for his first shutout as a Wildcat.

"Jared Coreau was awesome in net," Cherniwchan said. "He's a big reason why our penalty kill was so good over the weekend."

Unlike Friday's commanding start, Saturday's game was held scoreless until the second period when the 'Cats capitalized on yet another power-play opportunity. Freshman defenseman Mitch Jones put in his fourth of the sea-

"All last week, Walt was changing things around with the power play and the penalty kill," Coreau said. "We pretty much just said that we hadn't been getting the job done."

Kyle said the adjustments made to the special teams paid off, as NMU scored on 2 of 4 power plays on Friday and 1 of 3 on Saturday and they successfully killed every Falcon power play.

Topping off the Wildcat win on Saturday was Cherniwchan with an empty-net goal late in the third for his second of the series.

With a couple of Northern's top players gone or out with injuries, Kyle said the third and fourth lines made a big impact on the outcome of the game.

"They didn't necessarily show up on the score sheet, but they were able to help create that energy and tempo that we wanted," Kyle said. "They were able to play the kind of game we needed them to play."

The series sweep bumped the

Wildcats up to a threeway tie with Notre Dame and Miami University for seventh place in the CCHA. Walt said the league is currently very close in points.

"Six points, that's two games between us and second," Kyle said. "Anyone could fall flat and lose those games and anyone can run the table."

Kyle said although players, coaches and fans can't help but look at the standings, the Wildcats have to be most concerned with their quality of play.

"If our quality of play is good, it results in wins," Kyle said. "Wins result in points which move us up in standings."

Northern takes on No. 5 Michigan this weekend at the Yost Ice Arena in Ann Arbor. Kyle said the 'Cats will be put to the test as the Wolverines generate offense on their own.

"What you can't do is give them more offensive opportunities through turning pucks over, from getting shots blocked, through taking bad penalties."

Coreau said it will be important

for the Wildcats to get the puck to the net when they have offensive rushes instead of making too many

"It's going to be hard to get chances so we have to make the most of what we can," Coreau said. "If we pass up shots against Michigan it's not going to work out the best for us."

The Wildcats face the Wolverines at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 17 and at 5 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 18.



Junior defenseman Kyle Follmer breaks out of his own zone. Follmer has three goals and 19 assits for 22 points in 29 games. The 'Cats travel to the University of Michigan to take on the No. 5-ranked Wolverines on Feb. 17 and 18 at Yost Arena.

Skiers cruise past competition

By Karly Ratzenberger

staff writer

Last weekend, the snow 'Cats dominated at the CCSA Championships; the women's Nordic ski team took first place out of eight teams, and the men's Nordic ski team took second out of nine teams.

Assistant coach and former team member Ingrid Fjeldheim said the championships went very well. She said the team had to deal with inclimate weather on Saturday that made it difficult for the skiers.

"Both teams braved a snowstorm which really showed our team strength," Fjeldheim said. "In a race like that you really need a team to make it through."

In the 15K classic on Satur-(00:58:36.7), Rosie Frankowski (00:58:41.6) and Elizabeth Ellis (00:58:45.4) took first, second and third place respectively.

For the men's team in the Classic Mass Start on Saturday, freshman Kjell-Christian Markset finished third (01:02:4.6), freshman Kyle Bratrud finished fourth (01:03:04.5) and junior Chris Bowler finished fifth (01:03:06.1).

Fjeldheim said on Sunday, the girls relay team of junior Marie Helen Soderman, sophomore Molly Burger and Markvardsen did an awesome job taking home the first place victory.

"The guys also skied away with

the victory on Sunday as well as third place," Fjeldheim said.

Team A for NMU consisted of sophomores Erik Soderman, George Cartwright and Markset.

"Erik pushed the pace up the first long climb and the men just kept increasing their lead with each lap," Fjeldheim said.

Fjeldheim said she was thrilled with the team's performance in the Conference Championships and is looking forward to the upcoming Regional tournament.

"I think leaving the Conference Championships with such great results will only help the team going into Regionals this weekend," Fjeldheim said.

Head coach Sten Fjeldheim said the overall season has been going day, juniors Monica Markvardsen very well, the team has been on a winning streak and he hopes it will continue in the post season.

> Junior Chris Bowler said he is happy with the team this season. He said much of the team's success is due to the coaching staff and the improvement of himself and his

> "Everyone has been performing really well and many of us have performed better at races this year than any other year," Bowler said. "Coach Fjeldheim and assistant coach Martin Banerud have done a great job all year with coaching us off snow in the fall and on snow in the winter."

Frankowski said the women's

team has gotten much closer this season, resulting in a better practice atmosphere. She attributes this to much of the team's success this

"We have a really close pack of girls who usually finish right around each other in races, so it is great to be able to train and race with your teammates pushing you each day," Frankowski said.

Sten Fjeldheim said he is very happy with the team's attitude this year and their ability to persevere through the duration of the season.

"I'm really pleased with the team's efforts," Fjeldheim said. "They are respectful and working hard for the common goal of winning the title again."

Ingrid Fjeldheim said although the team has been doing great all year, this weekend will not be any different for the Wildcats.

"They always ski their hearts out and its great we are able to ski on the home course and home crowd for Regionals," Ingrid Fjeldheim said. "Bring out your cowbells and come watch some great athletes."

The team will be skiing in the NCAA Regionals next weekend in Al Quall Recreation Area in Ishpeming for their only home meet this year. On Friday, Feb. 17, the women's 5K starts off at 10 a.m. and the men's 10K starts at noon On Saturday, Feb. 18, the men's 15K starts at 10 a.m. and the women's 10K starts at 12:30 p.m.

Swimming makes splash at GLIACs

By Cody Boyer

contributing writer

Last weekend, the Northern Michigan swimming and diving team travelled to Jenison, Mich., to compete in the 2012 GLIAC Championships, and finished in fourth place out of nine other teams.

The Wildcats began on Wednesday, Feb. 8 and concluded on Saturday, Feb. 11. Head coach Heidi Voigt said the 'Cats came out ahead of Lewis, Lake Erie, Ashland, Findlay and Hillsdale.

"We did amazing," Voigt said. "Everyone swam great and did an outstanding job, making us come out in fourth by a long shot. The team is used to the travel, and they adapt really well over long distance."

At the end of the first day's events, the 'Cats were in fourth place, with Wayne State, Grand Valley, and the University of Indianapolis

Freshman Jordan Iverson placed 10th in the 1,000yard freestyle with freshman Tara Dowling placing

13th, while junior Lindsay Stedman and senior Steph Rogaczewski also swam in the event. Freshman Sophia Garris placed seventh in the three-meter dive.

Freshman Emily Bourguinon, junior Olga Budiansky, freshman Deborah Lawrence, and junior Kelsey Sipple all placed fifth in the 200-yard medley relay.

Voigt said, although nerves were felt going into the championship, the team was able to bring a strong effort early in the weekend to bring about a solid fourth.

"We were a little nervous," Voigt said. "We finished last year in seventh place, but our first day set it all up for the rest of the weekend. Everyone performed great."

The 'Cats performed strongly as they moved into Friday's events, freshman Emily Brennan took second place in the 400-yard individual medley, breaking a school record with a time of 4:27.97 and is an NCAA provisional qualifier

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Lady 'Cats comeback stalls just short

By Jon Young

assistant sports editor

The 'Cats had a chance to gain ground in the GLIAC standings but were unable to overcome a slow start and lost 74-69 to the

Lake Superior State University Lakers.

Northern (6-9 GLIAC, 10-12 overall) fell behind by 25 points with 13:18 left in the second half. With a barrage of 3-pointers and an aggressive full-court press, the



Freshman guard Alyssa Colla drives the lane against Wayne State earlier this season. She is second on the team in scoring with 9.4 points per game.

'Cats mounted a comeback and cut the Lakers lead to four with 2:28 left.

The Wildcat surge started too late as the Lakers hit their freethrows down the stretch to seal the win. Head coach Troy Mattson said the team has to sustain that high energy from the tip.

"We have to fight from the time the ball goes up at the start of the game because there was no fight in us at the beginning of the

game and we didn't do much for 30 minutes," Mattson said.

NMU got off to a slow shooting start while the Lakers raced out to 50 percent shooting in the first half, to build a 34-23 lead. Head coach Troy Mattson said missed opportunities hurt the team.

"It's disappointing, we didn't play well," Mattson said. "We missed a lot of easy shots early on; we had open three's all night long and had them not going in. We missed a lot of easy layups in the first half."

The 'Cats shot 9-36 from three-point-range against the Lake State zone. The Lakers were able to connect on 10-15 from deep. Though the offense struggled Mattson said the game was lost on the defensive side.

"We're not defending hard enough," Mattson said. "I told our team that. We haven't defended hard for a month. We're going to have to make some adjustments there."

A win would have helped the 'Cats distance themselves in the GLIAC tournament race. Northern currently has the eight and final spot but sits only a game ahead of Wayne State and Grand Valley. Freshman guard Alyssa Colla said the team underestimated the Lakers.

I'll give the girls credit for the last 10 minutes, but the first 30 minutes was not our basketball team.

> — Troy Mattson head coach

"We weren't ready to play against Lake State," Colla said. "We beat them by quite a bit last time and I think we just sort of looked past that game and thought of it as a win before we even played. I think the loss will definitely motivate us in these upcoming games."

Last time the two teams met NMU bounced the Lakers, 55-36. It was the second lowest score NMU has held an opponent to all season. Since that game, the 'Cats opponents have scored 60 or more points in six of seven

"We've been trying to outscore people," Mattson said. "There's not enough commitment on our part to stop people."

The intensity picked up late for the Wildcats and they scored 14 points off turnovers in the second half. Mattson said he liked the effort at the end but sustaining it for a game is the goal.

"I'll give the girls credit for the last 10 minutes, playing really really hard, but the first 30 minutes was not our basketball team out there," Mattson said. "They know better then to play at that level, so we'll try to get it corrected."

The 'Cats were lead by senior point guard Chelsea Lyons 21-point, seven-rebound performance. Colla netted 14 points and four assists. Northern shot 35.9 percent for the game.

NMU is back on the road this week as they travel to Ohio to take on a pair of GLIAC South opponents. The 'Cats take on Lake Erie at 6 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 16.

Then they play Ashland at 1 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 16. Mattson said this weekend will be a test for the team.

"Can we bounce back? Sure, we can bounce back and get a win on the road but it's going to be a tough task," Mattson said. "They have a good basketball team over there, so we'll see if we step back or if we can move forward from our effort on Thursday."

Second half woes doom men's hoops

By Jon Young

assistant sports editor

Second half struggles have plagued the NMU men's basketball team this season. Last Thursday was another case of this as the 'Cats let a first-half lead slip away and lost to the Lake Superior State University Lakers, 68-64.

The 'Cats (4-11 GLIAC, 8-14 overall) went into the half leading 37-28. Like their game before against Findlay they were unable to close out the contest. Head coach Doug Lewis said the team needs players to find the next gear in the second half.

"Same soup reheated, that's what it is," Lewis said. "We just reheated some food that we had yesterday. We played that game, play well the first half, guarded and played good defensively. Second half the game got tight, you know pressure busts pipes and real players got to step up to the plate."

Despite shooting 37.3 percent for the game, Lewis said the defense and battle of the boards is where the team is losing the game.

"It's not even the offensive end; the offensive will take care of itself." Lewis said. "Defense

creates offense and if you defend and you rebound, you're in any game. They shot 60 percent from the field, 60 percent from the 3-point line, so it has nothing to do with offense."

The Lakers (6-10 GLIAC, 11-12 overall) outshot the Wildcats percentage wise in the first half but NMU went 12-14 from the charity strip to pad their lead. The 'Cats went up by as much as 12 in the half.

Northern shot 40.7 percent in the first half but saw their numbers drop in the second half, including free-throw attempts. Lewis said they have to focus on getting stops.

"We shot 34 percent from the field, but more importantly if you're going to shoot 34 percent you can't let them shoot 60, so that's the issue," Lewis said.

A minute into the second half, NMU matched their biggest lead of the game at 12 after a free-throw from freshman guard Quinton Calloway. The 'Cats were then held scoreless for the next four minutes as Lake State climbed back into the game.

"It's all about seeing the light at the end of the tunnel and you have to dig," Lewis said. "That means picking up you're intensity, knowing that the prize is the win at the end of the game. Until we understand that part this is what's going to happen."

Senior forward DeAndre Taylor snapped the scoring drought with a lay-up at 14:18, but less then a minute later Lake State took the lead and held it for the remainder of the game.

"You can't stay at this comfort zone you've been at all game when the pressure is on the line and that's been our problem," Lewis said. "When a team makes a run you have to pick up you're intensity, you have to pick up you're focus and our young guys don't understand that part of the game right now."

On the scoring end the 'Cats were lead by Taylor's 16 points on 7-14 shooting. Freshman guard Haki Stampley also netted 16 points.

Senior center Jared Benson who also chipped in eight points and a team-high nine rebounds, said the key to snapping the losing streak is defense.

"We have to stay together as a team," Benson said. "We have to glue together on defense because if there is any one weak link on our defense everything is going to fall apart, so we have to get everybody on the same page."

The Wildcats are on the road



Senior forward DeAndre Taylor goes up for the hoop and the harm against Wayne State earlier this season. Taylor is averaging 13.2 points per game.

this week as they travel to Ohio to battle a pair of GLIAC South opponents. The first game of the week is against the Lake Erie College Storm at 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 16. Then they play the Ashland University Eagles at 3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 18.

Track 'Cats ranked 16 nationally

NMU happy with results of GVSU Big Meet

By Laura Conway

staff writer

The NMU women's track and field team traveled to compete at Grand Valley State University's elite invitational meet Friday, Feb. 10 and the open meet on Saturday, Feb. 11.

Friday's competition was an invitation-only meet for athletes who had already provisionally qualified for nationals.

Receiving invites were freshman Angelina Howard, redshirt freshman Sherice Hewett, sophomore Jaime Roberts and seniors Catherine Angeli, Melissa Christensen and Bailey Franklin.

Howard, who ran 7.74 seconds in the 60-meter dash and got seventh overall, said no matter the results she was happy with her improvement on her time.

"There was a lot of good competition there," Howard said. "I didn't win but I was happy because I ran my fastest time this season."

Head coach Tom Barnes said Howard's times have been consistently good across the board.

"Angelina had a great weekend at Grand Valley State and ran her best time, lowering her provisional qualifying time," Barnes said. "She ran well against one of the top looking for her to keep moving up in rankings."

Placing fifth overall in the women's pentathlon, which includes 60-meter hurdles, high jump, shot put, long jump and 800 meters was Melissa Christensen.

Barnes said Christensen made some great strides this meet that will put her higher in placing at upcoming meets.

"She made a lot of improvements in her shot put and 800 meter," Barnes said. "Those two events will give her a lot of extra points with GLIACs coming up."

Franklin took first in the high

The team is really looking forward to competing at home where their friends and family can come and cheer them on.

> — Tom Barnes head coach

jump, clearing 1.68 meters. On Saturday, she had a season personal record in triple jump at 11.45 meters.

Barnes said even though it wasn't her best distance, he was proud she was able to improve this season.

"Since her freshman year, Bailey hasn't lost a conference triple jump

sprinters in the country and we are competition," Barnes said. "She has some good competition in our conference and on the team; that will push Bailey to do her best."

> Roberts cleared 3.75 meters in the pole vault on Friday, which was enough to place ninth and tie her season best.

> Barnes said she did much better on Saturday and won the open competition, clearing 3.80 meters. Roberts set a new school record and is now ranked fifth in the country.

Most of the athletes that competed on Friday also competed on Saturday. Barnes said the experience is good for the athletes to push themselves.

"It's an opportunity to try to get more time," Barnes said. "We are just now starting to taper, so training through a two-day meet was good for them."

Barnes said overall the team had a very successful meet on Saturday. Howard and Angeli placed second in the 60-meter dash and 200-meter dash, respectively. Junior Mallory Celaya finished fourth in her 3,000 meter run with a time of 10:30.16.

The team will compete at home this weekend at the Northern Challenge at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 18 in the Superior Dome.

"The team is really looking forward to competing at home where their friends and family can come and cheer them on," Barnes said.

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In the event. Freshman Madisen Sechena placed fourth and Iverson placed seventh in the same event. Sechena also took seventh place in the 100-yard butterfly.

Ranking eighth in GLI-AC standings, Voigt said the Wildcats are placing higher than they have in a long time.

"We learned a lot from this meet," Voigt said. "It is an entirely different atmosphere than last season, with nine top-10 finishes. I'm really impressed and proud of the team."

On Saturday, Junior Gaby Alzaga highlighted the 'Cats' performance in the tournament. Alzaga placed second in the 200yard backstroke, with Freshman Emily Bourguignon placing right behind her in third.

Alzaga said the team had set goals prior to the events, and they had surpassed them by the end.

"I turned my shoulder a while ago, so I wasn't sure if could do it," Alzaga said. "I did it to prove to myself that I could and I did it. I was really excited."

Dowling said thinking

about the things she does in practice helps during races. Dowling placed seventh in the 1650-yard freestyle.

"Long and strong," Dowling said. "Heidi always tells us to focus on that in practice, and I just kept repeating that to myself the whole time."

Final rankings for the tournament had Wayne State University in first place, Grand Valley in second, Indianapolis in third, Northern Michigan in fourth, followed by Ashland, Hillsdale, Findlay, Lewis, and then Lake Erie.

"We showed everyone we could do it, and we all performed awesomely," Alzaga said.

Voigt said she was happy to see members of Northern Michigan's administration also attending the meet.

"It's great to see administration at meets," Voigt said. "They did a good job so I could do my job."

The team is awaiting selections for the NCAA Championship, which will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 28 in Mansfield, Texas.

"The coach wanted greatness and we brought it up. Everyone did so well, and we all came out champions," Dowling said.

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