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The lack of funding impairs a person's ability to seek psychiatric care in the state of Michigan.

**Students fall into fun**

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## Student funeral planned

By Shaina James  
editor in chief

Funeral services are set for an NMU student whose body was found during a police investigation Friday, Sept. 14.

Junior entertainment and sports promotion major Shawn Michael Dollar, 34, of Marquette was reported missing Thursday, Sept. 13.

He was last seen Saturday, Sept. 8 at the Doghouse Pub on Washington Street.

A community search party was on its way when Dollar's body was found in a vacant building adjacent to Aubree's at 231 W. Washington St.

"He was found during the investigation," said Marquette City Police Capt. Gordon Warchock. "Information that we received led us to that area."

Police were not able to confirm the reason of death at this time, but said Dollar had not been stabbed or shot. Police do not have any suspects in custody and are still investigating the case.

"We have people we are questioning, but we are not ready to put a label on them yet," Warchock said. "We are still progressing with the in-



Kristen Koehler/NW  
Shawn Dollar's mother, Jackie Boxer organized a community search party Friday, Sept. 14. Police found his body later that day in an abandoned building.

formation on what happened to him"

The vacant building where Dollar was found was 231 House of Muses, an alternative music venue until a fire in 2007 forced the closure of the building.

A funeral service for Dollar will be held at 6 p.m. Friday, Sept. 21 at Redeemer Lutheran Church on West Fair Avenue

Those students who have been affected by the death of Dollar can visit the counseling and consultation services

office in 3405 Hedgecock. Staff provides both group and individual counseling to students free of charge.

Students who wish to receive counseling must complete paperwork to request services and then can make an appointment with a licensed counselor.

"For critical incidents, the NMU community may at any time request small group debriefing services," said Marie Aho, director of counseling and consultation services.

## Body of former student found in Wetmore Pond

By Marcellino Signorelli  
news editor

A group of hikers discovered a body in Wetmore Pond the evening of Thursday, Sept. 13.

An autopsy was conducted on Friday, Sept. 14 and it was determined that the body was that of former NMU student Amy Janson, 25, of Pelkie, Mich.

According to Christine Greer, Dean of Students, Janson was last enrolled for the winter 2010 semester. At the time she was a freshman music major.

She is the daughter of Kenneth Janson, an NMU Master of Business Administration professor.

"We were the first [agency] notified," said NMU Public Safety

Investigator Victor LaDuke. "The three hikers that observed the body in the pond came here to report [it]. Officers went over and verified, and then we notified state police and the Marquette County Sheriff."

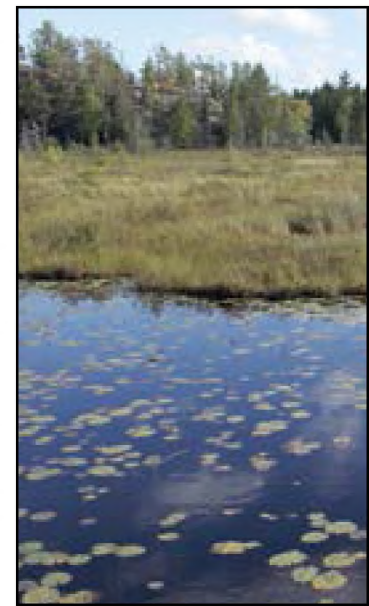
According to LaDuke, Public Safety was notified of a body in Wetmore Pond at 6:52 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 13. He declined to comment on whether or not

the hikers were NMU students.

"In the spring (of 2012) her bag was found," LaDuke said. "I don't believe it's being deemed as suspicious."

The Michigan State Police are handling the case with assistance from the Marquette County Sheriff.

A funeral service will be held at 11:30 a.m., Friday, Sept. 21 at Grace Free Lutheran Church in Pelkie, Mich.



Justin Key/NW  
Amy Janson's body was found by hikers at Wetmore Pond on Sept. 13.

## Homecoming events in full swing at Northern

By Nolan Krebs  
features editor

Rain or shine, NMU students and alumni continue to celebrate this year's homecoming events as the week-long event draws to a close.

The celebration began for students with Sunday's Dead River Games, which pitted groups of

students from various organizations and clubs around campus against each other in several different contests.

"We had one of the largest turnouts for the Dead River Games this year," said special events committee adviser Lizzie Corser. "The weather held out, and there were around 600 students getting messy and hanging

out in the water."

The Magers Alpha team from Magers Hall claimed a victory in the obstacle course, while Tundra Team 1 from Meyland Hall won the ice cream scoop competition.

The sand sculpture competition was won by The Studio team from West Hall.

The large student turnout was not limited to the traditionally care-free and messy Dead River Games, Corser said.

The stepping competition on Tuesday night, which has become an increasingly popular event in its five years as a part of the homecoming celebration, saw one of its largest turnouts as well.

"We also had an amazing turnout for the stepping competi-



Zerek Twede/NW  
T.J. Aiyash and Hillary Hamblin were announced Homecoming king and queen Wednesday night, Sept. 19 after the king and queen competition.

### NMU Homecoming 2012 Schedule of Events

Thursday, Sept. 20	Friday, Sept. 21	Saturday, Sept. 22
Bingo Night 9 p.m.-Midnight The Marketplace	Parade 5:30 p.m. Third Street	Womens Soccer vs. Mich Tech 11 a.m. Soccer Fields
	Funky Folk Dance 8:30-10:30 p.m. Ore Dock Brewery	NMU Football vs. Ashland 2 p.m. Superior Dome

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# Briefs

## State News

New Michigan legislation requires people convicted of three or more serious violent crimes to face a sentence of at least 25 years if they commit one more. The Michigan Senate voted 32 to 6 on Wednesday Sept. 19 to approve the bill. The issue was first raised by Michigan Attorney General Bill Schuette. According to Schuette, the goal of the bill is to protect citizens by taking the most dangerous people off of the streets. Serious crimes the bill covers includes attempted murder, kidnapping and criminal sexual conduct.

## National News

Republican presidential candidate Mitt Romney is facing backlash this week following the leak of controversial remarks from a private fundraising event in Florida that took place in May of this year.

The recording, in which he dismissed nearly half of the electorate as people who are "living off government handouts," was secretly recorded and published in Mother Jones magazine on Monday, Sept. 17. The video shows Romney speaking to a group of donors at a private home in Boca Raton, Fla., where he also voiced his opinion on the impossibility of Palestinian peace agreements and that supporters of President Barack Obama — some 47 percent of Americans according to Romney — believe the government has a responsibility to take care of them.

Romney is currently five points behind President Obama in a Reuters poll, trailing 48 to 43 percent in a daily-sampling of likely voters.

## International News

Civilian aircrafts are being used by Iran to transport military personnel as well as large stockpiles of weapons to Syria by flying over Iraqi airspace to aid Syrian president Bashar al-Assad who is fighting an uprising against his government, as reported by a Western intelligence report. The uprising began in March 2011. John Kerry, chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, has threatened to review the aid given to Baghdad if Iraq does not cease giving supplies and soldiers to aid the militias and military that are fighting against rebels. Iraq states it prohibits any weapons passing through their airspace, but according to an intelligence report the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps, an Iranian militia in charge of protecting their Islamic code, has organized the smuggling of such weapons. The U.N. panel had a report earlier in 2012, which said Iranian arms were being shipped to Syria through Turkey, not Iraq. A U.N. embargo prohibits the sale of arms by Iran, as part of a broader sanction against their nuclear program.

## Weird News

Michigan prison officials deemed not responsible in federal court case over inmate's dental problems. Inmate Jerry Flanory said he was denied access to toothpaste as punishment for failing to attend prison classes. Flanory claimed he lost a tooth and suffered gum disease because of this treatment. The corrections department refuted the claim saying that Flanory not only had access to toothpaste, but also that he entered prison with only five teeth to begin with. Flanory served as his own attorney in the case. The case was initially dismissed as frivolous in 2009, but was reinstated in appeals court.

— Compiled from news sources

## Dead River games kick off homecoming



Justin Key/NW

Left, Exavier Wooten, a freshman culinary arts major, sits himself up after taking a fall immediately after a "wheelbarrow" relay race. Right, a group of NMU students cheer for their peers and friends.

## ASNMU update

### Director of public relations appointed at meeting

By Marcellino Signorelli  
news editor

As part of their stated goal of improving communication, the Associated Students of NMU approved a new director of public relations.

During the Monday, Sept. 17 meeting, Chelsea Parrish was approved as the new director of public relations.

"I used to be in media and I know how effective it is to get the word out to students and the community at large," Parrish said. "We want students to know what we're up to."

The position of director of public relations has existed in the bylaws but the position had not been filled for the past couple years.

According to Parrish, some of

the things she would like to improve would be updating their Facebook page more frequently, as well as their YouTube page.

"We want to utilize social media to get out our goals," Parrish said. "We hope people will become more involved and bring up any comments or questions."

One of the updates regarding ASNMU programs that was brought up during the meeting was that of the bike-share program, which will be in effect shortly.

The bikes will be available outside the Learning Resource Center as they were in past years.

"We have four bikes right now that just need the numbers put on their locks," said Ben Stanley, ASNMU

president and junior human-center design major. "We have 26 bikes that are ready to go, that just need minor repairs."

"There will be 10 bikes on rack and 20 in reserve if one should break down."

The numbers on the locks will match up with numbers on the bike so the right key can be given.

The resignation of two representatives was approved during the meeting: Leann Hermann, down-campus representative and Megan LaRocque, off-campus representative.

Amber Lopota resigned from her position as an arts and sciences representative and, as of Sept. 17, she is the current down-campus student affairs representative.

## Campus Crime Map

9/13/12-9/20/12

### Map Key

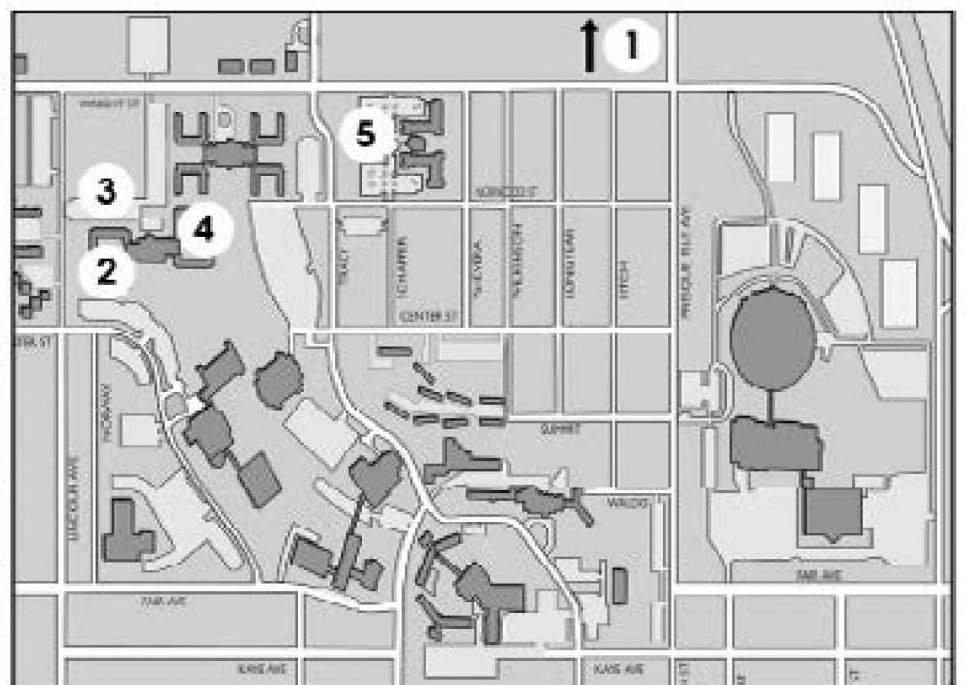
1: Two students were charged with minor in possession and littering at 3:18 a.m. on Sept. 15 at Presque Isle Ave. and Union St.

2: A student was reported with a violation of a controlled substance at 2:21 p.m. on Sept. 15 at Giant Hall.

3: A student was charged with minor in possession at 11:00 p.m. on Sept. 15 in Lot 16.

4: A student was charged with a minor in possession at 1:53 a.m. on Sept. 16 at Holy-women Hall.

5: A person was reported with larceny of a motor vehicle at 1:47 p.m. on Sept. 16 in Lot 47.



# Vielmetti gears up to fight flu season

## Health center clinics on campus to offer vaccination

By Jenean Zahran  
staff writer

With flu season just around the corner, doctors are urging people of all ages to get vaccinated with a seasonal flu shot.

At NMU, the Vielmetti Health Center is planning to have three clinic days for students.

To make it more convenient for students, the health center will be offering three different clinic days for a chance to get the flu shot.

The cost for the shot is \$25 for those whose health insurance does not cover the vaccine.

If a student's insurance does cover the cost, it is recommended to contact the health center with the insurance information beforehand.

Students must bring valid proof of health insurance.

The type of vaccine the health center will be offering students is the basic injection with a needle.

Other health facilities can offer the live, attenuated vaccine by spraying it into the nostrils.

Another variant is a low dose intradermal vaccine that is ad-

ministered just under the skin with a small needle.

The Vielmetti Health Center has planned for their clinics to be open for Thursday, Sept. 20 in the lobby of Cohodas from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 11 at the Peter White Lounge in the UC from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and on Thursday, Oct. 18 in the lower level of the LRC hallway from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Dr. David Luoma, Medical Director of the Vielmetti Health Center, strongly believes that students should receive the flu shot.

"Students are at high risk due to classrooms, dorms and dining areas, so possible exposure is high," Luoma said. "Getting the flu can be severe and impact their class attendance. Getting vaccinated also protects those around us as well."

Luoma wants people to be aware that the shot is very safe, and only minor side effects should be experienced.

"Fifteen to 20 percent of people will get a sore arm for a day, and it's usually mild," Luoma said. "What keeps people from getting the immunization can range from fear of needles,



Kristen Koehler/NW

With flu season on its way, vaccinations are being made available to fight off the virus on campus. Dorms and classrooms puts students at higher risk.

thinking they will get ill, and misconceptions about safety."

Some people may get the flu shot regardless of knowing what is contained within the vaccine.

According to the Centers for Disease and Control Prevention (CDC), the flu shot contains three seasonal influenza viruses that are grown in eggs.

The vaccine varies from year to year, to protect against three

influenza viruses that research showed will be most common during the upcoming season, according to the CDC website.

Kelsey Byard, a junior and sociology major, claims that she has known multiple people who despite receiving the vaccination have still ended up coming down with the flu.

"I always hear people getting sick after getting the flu shot;

Why would I get it?" Byard said. "If I come down with the flu this year, I will just tough it out. That's why we have immune systems."

The website for the CDC does state that protection against the flu is never 100 percent, and some people can still contract the flu after being vaccinated.

The people who are recommended to get the flu shot are woman who may be pregnant, people that are 65 years of age and older or people who have certain medical conditions such as asthma or chronic lung disease.

Sophia Thomas, a junior and human center of design major, has been getting the flu shot for the past couple of years through NMU's health center.

"I would always get it because it was free with my insurance," Thomas said. "Also because my mom works in an elementary school and I didn't want to contract anything from my house when I went home for the holidays."

Thomas also stated that she did not get the flu even in the years in which she did not receive the flu vaccination.

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# Cliff-jumping thrills present many risks

*Accidents common in Marquette for those plunging into Lake Superior*

By **Amanda Monthei**  
managing editor

Cliff jumping at Black Rocks and Little Presque is a popular pastime for many Northern students, and yet the dangers associated with cliff jumping are often disregarded by those who do it most frequently.

With the growing amount of students that have found cliff jumping to be an easy way to cool off, there is an increasing amount of responsibility that the Marquette Coast Guard takes on to ensure safety at places like Little Presque Isle and Presque Isle, according to Coast Guardsman Gary Hegler.

While the Coast Guard has stated in past press releases that it's not illegal, they do express that cliff jumping is highly dangerous and not recommended.

Yet regardless of what authorities may say, it's easy to ignore the dangers of cliff jumping, especially after watching others do it without harm.

"I've seen people jump from places that aren't even designated for jumping (on Little Presque)," junior marketing major Mike Ashbaugh said. "They just take running starts over huge gaps and



Justin Key/NW

**Drue Wright, senior business major, performs a backflip off of Black Rocks in Presque Isle Park, plunging into the cold water of Lake Superior.**

get extremely close to the rocks on the way down."

In the wake of a cliff-jumping accident on Saturday, Sept. 1 at Little Presque — which, according to the Mining Journal involved an 18-year-old female

student whose name has not been disclosed by local police — it's become increasingly important to keep in mind some key considerations when jumping off rocks into potentially dangerous water.

As with what happened to the

female student at Little Presque, it's important to know how far to jump to avoid hitting rocks on the way down. Hegler said this can be difficult for students who are new to the area and to cliff jumping in general.

While the student at Little Presque received head lacerations and was in a state of shock once the coast guard reached her, she did not receive any life-threatening injuries.

"Sometimes people just slip," Hegler said. "The rocks are wet and their feet are wet. Sometimes, they don't jump far out enough, like the girl we had at Little Presque Isle who bumped the back of her head on the rocks. Usually (the rocks) slope out, and it's usually once a year that we'll have an instance like that."

Another cliff incident, almost a year ago to the date of the Little Presque fall this year, involved a 17-year-old Gwinn girl who, according to the Mining Journal, was simply walking too close to the edge of an overlook on Presque Isle. Her nearly 100-foot fall left her in critical condition with rib, spleen and arm injuries.

As far as how EMTs respond to falls like those at Presque and Little Presque, Hegler said it re-

lies heavily on location, since most of the time EMTs can't reach victims of cliff accidents. It's then up to the Coast Guard to send someone to the victim.

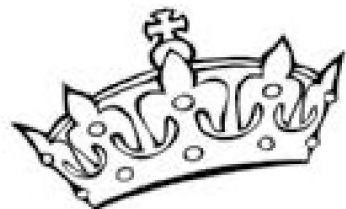
"Most of the time the ambulance can't get directly to where the person is," Hegler said. "At Little Presque, they would have had to go through two or three feet of water to get to the island out there. So we'll get the call and we'll launch our boat."

According to Hegler, it typically takes the Coast Guard exactly 19 minutes to get to Little Presque from their headquarters on North Lakeshore Drive.

As reiterated in coast guard press releases whenever an accident occurs in the area, it's really up to individuals to look out for themselves and know when to jump and when to pass.

"We can't say you can't jump somewhere," Hegler said. "But if you want to go out, make sure you're with an experienced person who has been out there and before you just dive in, just have a person go down there and see if there are any rocks and to get to know the depth.

"Be safe and be aware of your surroundings, that's the main issue."



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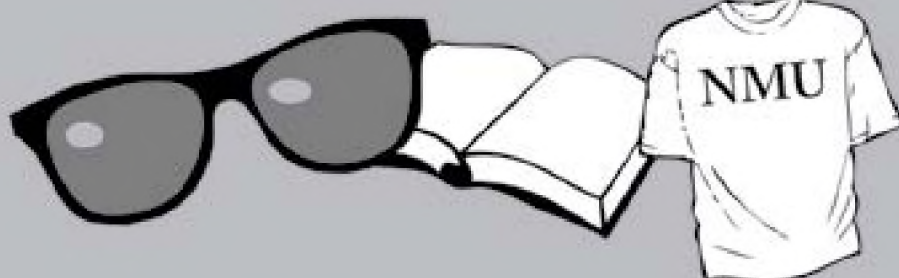
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# AAUP labor contract ratified

By Hannah Fermanich  
assistant news editor

The American Association of University Professors' new labor contract is currently in the final stages of approval.

Negotiations between the AAUP and the university have come to a close as the tentative contract makes its way to the NMU Board of Trustees for final approval in a meeting on Friday, Sept. 21.

"We look forward to the Board of Trustees hopefully ratifying the contract on Friday," said Ron Sundell, president of the NMU chapter of the AAUP. "The faculty can continue to focus on teaching, scholarly (work) and service."

The contract was sent out to

NMU faculty who are members of the AAUP for a vote that ended Monday, Sept. 17.

They received their ballots on Monday, Sept. 10, giving them a week to look over the contract and make their decision.

The AAUP hosted two informational meetings for members on Thursday, Sept. 13 and Monday, Sept. 17 to answer any questions regarding the contract.

Members of the AAUP ratified the contract with a vote of 226 to 29.

"The next step is to bring the now ratified contract to the Board of Trustees at its Friday, Sept. 21 meeting," said Cindy Paavola, director of Communications and Marketing at NMU. "If the board approves the contract, it will be done as part of the formal busi-

ness portion of the meeting.

"If approved by the board, it (the contract) goes into effect immediately, retroactive to the point of ratification."

If the new contract is approved, it will stay in effect for three years until June 30, 2015, and then the process will start again on a new contract, according to Sundell.

The AAUP began working on the details for the new contract over a year ago with the official negotiations for the contract starting in the Winter 2012 semester.

According to Paavola, the administration and the AAUP have agreed to not divulge the contract details until the NMU Board of Trustees has had a chance to review it and make their final decision.

## Making Music



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Dead River Games 2-4 p.m. Dead River Bridge	Scavenger Hunt 6:30 p.m. Great Lakes Rooms (University Center)	Stepping Competition 7 p.m. Jamrich 102	King and Queen Competition 7 p.m. Great Lakes Rooms (University Center) Hosted by Comedian Adam Mamawala
THURSDAY, SEPT. 20	FRIDAY, SEPT. 21	SATURDAY, SEPT. 22	
Bingo Night 9 p.m. Market Place Sponsored by Primetime Productions Bill Nye the Science Guy 7 p.m. Vandament Arena	Homecoming Parade 5:30 p.m. Third Street All Colleges Reception 6:30-8:30 p.m. Landmark Inn Funky Folk Dance 8:30-10:30 p.m. Ore Dock Brewing Company (ages 21+) FREE EVENT	NMU Game Day 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Third Street (Kaye to Magnetic) Ft. DoubleTrouble DJ's NMU Football vs. Ashland University 2 p.m. Superior Dome Fifth Quarter Reception 5 p.m. Holiday Inn Ft. Jim and Ray	

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Including the full schedule of Homecoming activities, event rules  
registration forms.



## International author reads at NMU

By Nick Brink  
contributing writer

Internationally acclaimed author Nahid Rachlin will be coming to NMU on Thursday, Sept. 20.

The event is free to attend, and will take place 7:30 p.m., on Thursday, Sept. 20, in the Brule Room on the second floor of the University Center.

Rachlin will be reading from her memoir "Persian Girls."

An award-winning book, "Persian Girls" was selected by Christopher Merrill, Director of the Iowa International Writing Program, as one of the best four books of the year upon its release in 2006.

Since then, it has received favorable reviews from NPR, The World, Boston Globe and Brooklyn Today.

Beverly Matherne, director of the visiting writer's program in the English department, is organizing the reading.

"We are honored to have a writer of such international stature on our campus," Matherne said.

Rachlin's book describes her life while growing up in Iran and her later adjustment to American culture.

The event is sponsored by the creative writing department in the English department. For more information, call Matherne at (906) 227-1386.

# Obama and Romney argue funding

## Education a major area of debate for both political parties

By Marcellino Signorelli  
news editor

The funding for higher education takes a front seat in the concerns of many college students as they decide whom to vote for this November.

Mitt Romney and Barack Obama both vary on their stances and plans for reducing student debt. Obama is more in favor of increasing the availability of financial aid for students.

Romney and his running mate Paul Ryan are more focused on limiting the amount of federal spending and instead concentrate on curbing the rise of tuition rates. Both Romney and Obama were in favor of extending the 3.4 percent interest rate on direct student loans.

"[Obama] eliminated subsidies to the FFELP (Federal Family Education Loan Program) and by doing so, created more reliance on Federal Direct loans," said Drew Janego, president of the NMU college democrats. "[The FFELP] was subsidized by the Department of Education and went through private lenders to students.

"He (Obama) was trying to reduce unfair interest rates from unfair lenders."

The Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010,

commonly known as Obamacare, ended the process of providing subsidies to private lenders who serviced federal student loans and those loans were taken over by the Department of Education. However, the Republican stance is that the federal government should not be originating student loans.

"[Those funds] have to come out of the taxpayers pocket," said Luke Londo, treasurer for the College Republicans. "As long as the government owns the debt, they would prefer to keep it at the current rate (3.4 percent).

"[Republicans] would prefer for the banks to take over but not going to do that because logistically, they're going to pitch it, the private-sector banks are going to buy it cents on the dollar, and the government will refuse to take such a massive loss. They're just getting stuck with useless debt."

The Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act added \$40 billion to Pell Grants. The grant is provided to students of low-income families who are pursuing their first bachelor's degree.

According to Janego, steady rises in the Pell Grant will bring the maximum award to \$5,975 by 2017, up from the current \$5,550.

"[Obama] has significantly expanded Pell Grants with his plan adding \$68 billion over 11 years

(starting with the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010)," Janego said. "He pledged to provide 820,000 more grants by 2020. Additionally, he invested \$2 billion to community colleges to make it more accessible for folks going that route."

The American Opportunity Tax Credit was created in 2009, and was extended to apply for tax years 2011 and 2012.

According to the Internal Revenue Service, parents and students with an individual salary of \$80,000 will qualify for the credit, which offers a maximum annual credit of \$2,500 a student. The tax credit can be claimed for four years of college.

"[Obama's] goal is to make tuition more affordable and his solution is expanding the Pell Grant and lowering the cap on loan repayment to 10 percent of income," Janego said.

Republicans hold the stance that loans should be serviced by the private sector rather than the federal government. By shifting the responsibility to the federal government, the burden of student debt is shifted as well.

"A lot of people are looking at (over \$1 billion in student loan debt) as the new financial bubble they're going to experience as soon as next year or it could be

many years down the line," Londo said. "See the way the government behaves with GM as they bought shares and the government refuses to sell them. [The U.S.] possesses all that debt and they want to re-coup their losses.

"The country is just getting stuck with useless debt and they'll either make some money back or they'll be willing to settle for pennies on the dollar to get rid of [student loans]."

Republicans in general opposed the creation of Obamacare

"Republicans' alternatives to keeping the (student loan interest) rate at 3.4 percent would be to pull funding from the Obamacare slush fund," Londo said. "The past few years, the federal government has gotten involved in arenas not too commonly involved, such as this drought where farmers their insurance through the government.

"The government is paying a huge amount of money and these are very costly programs that the government has decided to inject themselves into, which they were traditionally never a function of it."

For more information on the presidential candidates' platforms, email the College Democrats at nmucollegedems@gmail.com or the College Republicans at collegerepublicans.nmu@gmail.com.



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Staff Editorial



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# College key issue in election

Higher education is a defining issue in both the Romney and Obama campaign. While students form their opinions and finalize their decisions about whom they will vote for, it is important to know where both stand on the issue that affects all students—access to a college education.

Mitt Romney and President Barack Obama have both said they believe an education is the key to economic prosperity.

According to his official website, President Obama has doubled the United States' investment in scholarships and financial aid, allotted more funding for federal Pell Grants and signed a new law that makes it easier for new students to pay back their loans.

President Obama wants to offer more assistance, while Mitt Romney wants to reduce the government's role in funding higher education.

According to a press release by the Romney campaign, the Republican candidate wants to cut federal aid and simplify the federal loan program by allowing the private sector to become involved. Romney attributes the increase in tuition rates across the country to the increase in federal aid available to students. He would cut federal funding, including Pell Grants, as an attempt to lower tuition rates and make college affordable.

Romney's website proclaims that "Post-secondary education cannot become a luxury for the few; instead, all students should have the opportunity to attend a college that best suits their needs."

Romney offered students advice for how to pay for college or start a business during a speech in Ohio. He recommended students borrow money from their parents. In other stump speeches, Romney has advised students to shop around for an education.

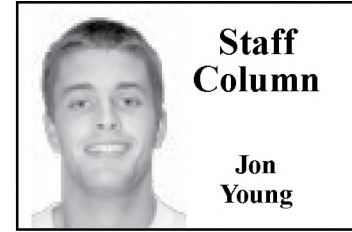
According to the U.S. Census Bureau, there are 46.2 million Americans living in poverty. The poverty line for a family of four is defined as an annual income of \$23,021.

The U.S. Department of Education released a study stating that the average cost of tuition at a four-year university for 2010-11 was \$22,092. How can a student from a poor family afford a college education to lift them out of poverty?

Surely they cannot borrow from their parents.

Students need to make a choice this November. It is imperative that students choose the candidate who creates an atmosphere for economic and social prosperity through access to higher education.

# Look before you lease



Staff Column

Jon Young

Living off campus is an opportunity that every college student should experience. It provides a glance into what the rest of your life could be like in regards to housing. You learn how to cook, clean, live with others and make adjustments in an unsupervised lifestyle.

With that in mind, it also provides a reality check in dealing with people and money. Many college landlords prey on the fact that students are somewhat limited financially. They don't have the resources or time to properly fight against the inequalities that come with signing a year lease.

I want to make it known that my current landlord is totally reasonable, as was my first. My previous landlord, on the other hand, gave me enough material to write a book on the injustices of human behavior.

According to NMU Housing Services, 6,300 NMU students are considered commuters. A percentage of these students live at home with family, but the majority live in rental units where a lease is in effect. It's wise to know what you're getting into before taking on that responsibility.

The aforementioned landlord lives in a nice area of Detroit and rarely visits Marquette. Not that distance makes you a bad rental owner, but the lack of care and knowledge of her rental unit definitely could have been avoided if she took the time to see the house more than once a year.

When we moved in, the house was still filled with trash from the last tenants and hadn't been cleaned. There were two gaping holes in one of the walls, a part of the shower wall was busted and the bathroom was covered in mold.

When we first looked at the house, the then-current tenants warned us of the landlord's shady behavior and the derelict condition of the property.

We didn't think much of it. We wanted the house, and it seemed

like a non-issue. Not heeding their advice was a costly mistake.

Initially, our landlord said she would pay us for the labor and supplies of stripping the bathroom of the mold and repainting it. We figured it was a fair deal because we would be living there all year.

She told us all of this via phone. Because it was not in writing, she was not legally obligated to follow through on our agreement.

After we took on that venture, she informed us that we would not be paid for the labor and instead told us to send her a copy of the supplies receipt, which had been thrown out by the time we were finally able to contact her.

We didn't make a big deal over it; my roommates and I just wanted to do everything we could to get back our \$365 deposit.

We replaced the missing tiles in the kitchen floor, bought smoke alarms for each room (four were missing when we moved in), fixed the holes in the wall and cleaned the entire house.

By this point, we felt like we improved the worth of the property. Anything less than full deposit compensation would have felt like a rip-off. Our landlord saw the house two days before we moved out and agreed that it looked great and even thanked us for painting the bathroom.

Everything seemed cool. My roommates and I were relieved that we would get our deposit back.

After weeks of missed calls and voicemails, our landlord answered and told us to send her a letter containing all of our new addresses.

I did this and two weeks later she sent each of us \$153.50 back with a list of fees that weren't mentioned during our face-to-face discussion.

She charged us with a \$300 cleaning fee. Her only excuse was that dog hair had to be cleaned from under the fridge. Dog hair does not constitute such a fee.

After an argument, she agreed to send us the rest of our deposit but failed to follow through with her promise. I didn't even get half of my deposit back.

Know the situation you're getting into before signing a lease; no one wants to pay 13 months of rent on a 12-month lease.

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## Mental health care underfunded in America

### Weekly Take Away



Lee  
McClelland

Violence has grown more prevalent in American society over the past 50 years. It is not uncommon to hear that someone has committed mass murder by shooting civilians in a public place; though it is shocking, the occurrences have become more frequent.

America hasn't always been this way, so why this change? I examined the profiles recent perpetrators.

The man who shot Arizona Representative Gabrielle Giffords, Jared Loughner, was diagnosed with schizophrenia, and so was the Aurora, Colo. shooter, James Holmes.

Untreated mental illness is a reoccurring theme in these cases. Though Holmes did seek treatment, he stopped going and weaned himself off of his medication, going through a noticeable transformation into a delusional state that led to the massacre at the premiere of "The Dark Knight Rises."

The National Mental Health Association released a report in 2003 categorizing mental health care in the United States as deficient. This organization rated Michigan as the most inadequate providers of care for the mentally ill out of any state.

In 1962, the federal government prompted states to develop community-based mental health programs and numerous mental health hospitals were closed in Michigan.

A licensed Michigan psychologist, Dr. Robert R. Walsh, has written about the effects of the closure of mental health hospitals in Michigan. According to his study, in the 1960s there were 19,000 patients being treated for mental illness in state mental hospitals. By 1995, there were only 1,600 being treated.

The community-based mental health programs are not doing enough, according to Dr. Walsh. They do not receive enough funding, and the service they provide isn't adequate.

Without proper treatment, mental illness manifests itself in society in other forms than just higher funding for programs.

Dr. Walsh also noted in his study that between 1960 and 1995, the Michigan Department of Corrections incarcerated population grew from 9,622 to 40,510. This is due in part to harsher sentencing, but

the Department of Justice estimates that between 15 to 20 percent of inmates suffer from mental illness.

Because mental illness usually affects behavior rather than physical appearance, people tend to associate diseases like bipolar disorder and schizophrenia with negative qualities.

People even use these diseases as insults by suggesting that someone whom is highly emotional is bipolar. This kind of collective ignorance places an even heavier burden on those who suffer from mental illness.

In Michigan, people have a constitutional right to receive treatment for mental illness. Article VIII, Section 8 of the Michigan State Constitution reads: "Institutions, programs, and services for the care, treatment, education, or rehabilitation of these inhabitants who are physically, mentally, or otherwise seriously disabled shall always be fostered and supported."

While this is the right of Michigan citizens suffering from mental illness, many who seek treatment are denied treatment because they do not meet all requirements set in place by the Diagnostic Statistical Manual (DSM), which is the primary text used by psychologists and insurance companies for the diagnosis of patients.

In community-based mental health centers, patients are often diagnosed in roughly 30 to 40 minutes, like an appointment with a general practitioner. Mental illness is not like a broken bone or cancerous mole in the sense that it can be easily spotted in such a short window of time.

Those that do meet the requirements to receive care are often given funding for medication and not the valuable counseling they need. For those who come from abusive homes, were subject to sexual abuse or live in extreme poverty, a prescription cannot erase the mental anguish of a hard life.

Like a cancer, mental illness can go undetected and spread through the mind of an ill person. It can consume them completely and end in suicide or a violent outburst.

There is no argument that can be made that funding for mental health care is too expensive, that the state or federal government cannot afford it.

Mentally ill individuals find themselves in prison or in halfway houses already. If they are not treated, then they still end up as a burden on the system. This is not their fault: it is ours.

According to a study published by the Michigan Association of Community Health Boards (MACHB), if the State of Michi-

gan were to allocate more money for early-intervention care, then the state would save money in the long run.

Most of the funds used by organizations such as Pathways of the U.P. go to covering the cost of emergency mentally-ill cases.

The study pointed out that "In 2009, the average annual cost to the state per adult with an emergency status was \$13,037 compared to \$626 spent on adults with early intervention/moderate conditions."

More funding for mental health care is estimated by the MACHB to reduce the number of mentally-ill individuals in jail by 30 percent and in prison by 15 percent by 2014, saving the state \$5 million annually.

Mental illness can be debilitating. If you are suffering from mental illness, you should have access to help. As an NMU student, you have a resource right on campus that can provide mental health care and counseling—the Counseling and Consultation Services located in room 3405 of the C.B. Hedgcock building.

Advocating for mental health awareness and reform at the state level is a crucial step that Americans must take in the coming years.

Every American should have access to mental health care.

## Sound Off *What should the NMU student government be doing for students?* compiled by Zerek Twede



**Dylan Weissenborn**  
junior, wildlife management  
*"Develop an on-campus presence. Not many people know they exist."*



**Katie Joseph**  
sophomore, international studies  
*"To get a student garden for the MP and on-campus dining where students can plant and grow food."*



**Kristine Taetsch**  
freshman, pre-Med/Business  
*"Make PIEF passes available to all registered students so more students can go to the PIEF and exercise."*



**Josh Maxwell**  
junior, psychology  
*"To inform the students about what they are doing, and how the student body can partake."*



**Gabby Frahy**  
senior, graphic communications  
*"Improve parking for student commuters. There's not enough around the art building and University Center."*



# Standardized testing proves ineffective



Guest Column

Cora Thiele

Standardized testing and I have never gotten along very well. Even though I usually pass my exams, I always feel like the tests were designed to make me feel stupid.

I don't know about you, but after only four weeks into the semester, I'm already dreading that fateful first exam. My brain is already overloaded. It guarantees that any fact I try to memorize will slip out of my cerebellum without leaving the slightest trace. Lectures do not help; they pile information on without letting anything sink in.

Being an innovative thinker really doesn't help when there are four possible answers on the bubble sheet and none of them seem to apply to the question.

The best professors I've had were those who gave the power of choice and innovation to their students and motivated them to take charge of their own learning, rather than maintaining an aloof sense of authority through lecture.

These are not the professors who generally receive tenure or find themselves recruited by big

universities. Instead, they are tucked into lesser known spheres of the academic world.

The best instructors I've had have been adjunct professors at community colleges. They used hands-on experiential learning to teach critical thinking and communication skills, and they expected their students to think for themselves and engage in the subject matter.

Their tests took weeks to grade and their lessons required diligent work on the part of the student, often utilizing opportunities to learn outside the classroom or even going so far as engaging with the surrounding community in service-learning or apprenticeships. They were effective.

These instructors didn't fit the mold, but when they taught, I learned. So why is the public education system still based on memorization of facts and structured around standardized testing, if another approach is more functional?

Several psychologists have had a great influence on the way our education system now functions.

Hugo Munsterberg, one of the pioneers of applied psychology, recognized the difficulty presented by the immature and malleable nature of children's minds.

In his book, "Psychology and Industrial Efficiency", Munsterberg states that "a mere interest for one or another subject in school

is influenced by many accidental circumstances, by the personality of the teacher or the methods of instruction, by suggestions of the surroundings and by home traditions, and accordingly even such a preference gives rather a slight final indication of the individual mental qualities.

Moreover, such mere inclinations and interests cannot determine the true psychological fitness for a vocation."

He proposed that the schools should account for this immaturity by making all choices for the children by creating a methodical, assembly-line-like, system of knowledge acquisition.

By preparing all students for life in an identical fashion, Munsterberg sought to minimize the possibility of a student arriving at the end of his or her educational career unprepared for the vocation for which he or she was best suited.

We have the standardized test and the lecture-based education system in which memorization of fact and figure is valued highly and innovative thinking is discouraged by default.

Unfortunately, he neglected to consider that to become more knowledgeable does not necessarily mean that one has become more wise.

One of Munsterberg's contemporaries, the philosopher and psychologist John Dewey, postulated

a more progressive approach to education that, had it been adopted, would have set education in this country on a very different trajectory. Personally, I wish it had been adopted.

In *The Child and the Curriculum*, Dewey argues that the child's capacity to think independently must be respected and incorporated into the learning process in order for learning to occur.

The student must be given the opportunity to relate new information to their own context, relating complex ideas to prior experience and solidifying the truth of new assertions within their existing worldview. In short, gaining wisdom.

Dewey recognized the teacher's role to be one of mentor and guide to a child as they developed mentally, increasing a child's ability to interact in meaningful ways with his or her community.

These teachers were charged not with the duty of imparting knowledge, but rather tapping the boundless potential for innovative thought and maturity latent in each of their students.

Some teachers follow Dewey's model even today. I have been blessed to know a few.

One is a professor here at Northern who chose to make her class entirely discussion-based, ensured that her students walked away from Intro to Marine Biology with a functional under-

standing of the world's oceans and their impact on the lives of every living thing. I, for one, will not soon forget the importance of plankton.

One of my first professors at Hibbing Community College, in Minnesota, inspired me not only to courageously set foot on a stage for the first time, but to boldly appeal to local leaders when the community supported theater program was going to be cut from the curriculum.

My anthropology professor from North Hennepin Community College, where I earned my associates degree, charged each of his students to attend a religious ceremony for a faith not their own and inspired me to attend a mosque for the first time.

These are true educators: those who challenge us by believing in our capacity and instill in us the burning need to acquire knowledge in order that we may apply it wisely.

They are the ones who are willing to risk us making mistakes as we learn.

They know the fruit of those mistakes is wisdom and understanding, and these fruits are far more valuable than being able to parrot the Pythagorean theorem or to list the rulers of Europe.

These educators are the ones that will propel us towards the acquisition of knowledge rather than the memorization of fact.

# Bicycle safety important throughout semester



Guest Column

Kaitlyn Doane

Whether you live on or off campus, it is important to know proper riding etiquette on the roads for the safety of drivers, pedestrians and cyclists.

The weather is still warm and many students are taking advantage of the weather and using their bikes.

Riding a bike is a fast, environmentally friendly way to get around to your destination and personally one of my favorite modes of transportation, but it can also be dangerous if you are being careless.

Wear a helmet even though it is not required by law. They are pretty cheap and they can save your life if you end up in a collision with a car or even another biker.

The City of Marquette website states that two-thirds of all biking deaths are caused by traumatic brain injury which can be prevented by wearing a helmet.

Always make sure your helmet fits properly. You want it so the helmet doesn't slip around while on your head, but not so tight that

you cannot move. You should be able to fit one to two fingers between the chin strap and your chin. Even if you think it looks dumb, or "uncool" it's always better to be safe than sorry.

It is important that while you are biking you share the roads with drivers. Bikers are meant to stay to the right side of the lane, following traffic, or to stay in the provided lanes if the road is marked with a bike path. Drivers should always be cautious around bikers and also share the roads, because bikers are legally allowed to use the roads as long as they follow regulations.

According to Sec. 660a of the Michigan Vehicle Code (MVC), "A person operating a bicycle upon a highway or street at less than the existing speed of traffic shall ride as close as practicable to the right-hand curb or edge of the roadway," with some exceptions, such as when an individual is passing another biker or is turning left.

Following the law keeps both cyclists and drivers safe. Section 660b of the MVC states: "Two or more individuals operating bicycles upon a highway or street shall not ride more than two abreast except upon a path or portion of the highway or street set aside for the use of bicycles." However, bike lanes are meant for bikers and bikers only. If you are walking

or roller blading, make use of the sidewalks provided in most locations around Marquette.

Whenever I am a pedestrian or biker, I always complain about cars disregarding the rules and often not thinking twice about crosswalks, but it works both ways. If I am driving, I tend to complain about people thinking they own the roads by jaywalking or not paying attention to cars around them. This kind of attitude makes individuals prone to cause an accident.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration reported that in 2010 there were roughly 52,000 biking injuries in the US, 618 of which were fatal.

It is important that as a driver you know when it is appropriate to stop and allow pedestrians to cross, as it is important for pedestrians to know when to cross without endangering themselves.

According to Marquette Police, on Sept. 1 a 22-year-old was involved in a hit and run situation. Accidents do happen, and knowing what precautions to take can be the difference between life and death.

When turning or stopping, be sure to use correct hand signals to ensure that the drivers around you, or even pedestrians, know where you are going. If you are turning left, hold out your left arm and vice versa for right. If you are coming

to a stop, hold out your left arm at a 90 degree angle with your hand down.

As the MVC makes clear in Sec. 660c, "an individual operating a bicycle upon a sidewalk or a pedestrian crosswalk shall yield the right-of-way to pedestrians and shall give an audible signal before overtaking and passing a pedestrian."

Cyclists should also know when to ride on the roadway and when it is legal to ride on the sidewalk. On Third Street, it is illegal for a cyclist to ride on the sidewalk. The street is the appropriate place.

Cyclists and pedestrians always have the right of way when crossing a crosswalk, and cars should come to a complete stop to ensure that they do not hit a pedestrian.

If you are a driver turning right on a red light, the pedestrian crossing in the adjacent lane has priority

over your car.

When riding in the dark, it is required for you to have a white front light and a red light or reflector on the back to ensure that you are visible while riding the roads. Make sure that you wear light colored clothing so you can stand out in the dark environment.

If you are just biking around town for fun, it would be a great idea to make use of the roughly 17 miles of bike trails that are around the Marquette area. Some of the paths run right along the lakeshore. These paths are used by many, so be sure to watch out for one another.

Biking is a great mode of transportation for all ages and doubles as a way to get some exercise in. With so many cyclists and drivers sharing the road, it is important to know the law and protect yourself this fall.

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# Study shows students write at basic level



## Guest Column

Emily Stenson

A recent report published by the National Center for Educational Statistics (NCES) shows that only 27 percent of 12th grade students write at or above a proficient or advanced level.

This was the first portion of the NCES's study conducted that used word-processing software, taking the test from paper to the computer screen.

This statistic is telling, and though many have denounced standardized testing, it is one of the only tools educators have to measure the collective progress of students' comprehension of the elementary and secondary curriculum.

One part of the report was conducted by showing students a video prompt that detailed the various uses of technology and then asked students to write about "a type of technology that [students] use in their lives and why they value that technology."

Even though students had access to spell check, a thesaurus and editing features, the majority (52 percent) of students scored above the basic level, while 21 percent performed be-

low the basic level.

This report keeps in tune with other data showing a decline in writing and reading comprehension in high school-aged students.

The three levels—basic, proficient and advanced—are all defined by the NCES.

A basic rating "denotes partial mastery of prerequisite knowledge and skills that are fundamental for proficient work at each grade."

A proficient rating "represents solid academic performance. Students reaching this level demonstrated competency over challenging subject matter."

The large percentage of students who scored basic or above basic are lacking advanced skills that they require for a college career. These students will and in remedial courses that often times do not count for college credit.

The United States Census Bureau projects that 19.7 million students are enrolled in colleges and universities this year. Of those students, 50 percent of them are ages 18 to 19, high school graduates starting their college career.

Does that mean only 27 percent (5,319,000) of those students ready to engage in the rigors of academic writing this fall?

According to the 2011 ACT Profile Report, college readi-

ness benchmarks have been met by three percent less students for English and one percent less students for reading from 2007 to 2011. However, college readiness benchmarks for mathematics and science have both risen by two percent during the same time period.

The decline of the English and reading scores compared to the rise of mathematics and science scores may indicate that either there has been a growing focus in state curriculums on math and science or that reading and writing cannot adequately be measured by standardized tests.

If the quality of education continues to decline in such a crucial area, then students will have trouble expressing themselves in writing, a basic form of communication required in the workplace.

Mathematicians, biologists, nurses, engineers, educators and economists are all required to write detailed reports. It is not only the English major who has to write frequently in his or her career.

The NCES also reports that during the academic year 2010-11, five percent of NMU students graduated with a bachelors degree in English or Engineering; five percent of U of M students graduated with a bachelors in English and eighteen percent with a bachelors in Engineering;

two percent of MSU students graduated with a bachelors in English and five percent with a bachelors in Engineering.

I juxtapose the two because of their differences: one degree is steeped in composition and reading of literature while the other is steeped in mathematics and design.

Communication is a common link that both fields share, and without competency in writing, future engineers will find it difficult to communicate to the workers whom will bring to life their conceptual design.

Those entering college are not readily prepared to write at a college level.

There are numerous studies that cannot be reduced to the length of a single column in a newspaper, and they all indicate a growing concern among educators—the youth of America does not write at a level acceptable for college admission.

While the sciences can be reduced to four choices on a bubble sheet and mathematics is a series of logical proofs, the humanities are more abstract in nature. They require students to think, to provide their own answers instead of selecting from a choice of four.

Testing our children based upon the same model used on the game show "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire" will only hurt

them in the long run. Teaching for the test does not provide students with applied knowledge.

No employer is going to ask a prospective employee to choose one out of four possible answers when he or she applies for a job.

Standardized testing is the measuring stick of our current educational system.

The system is broken and so is the tool that educators and administrators use to measure students' progress.

Unfortunately, standardized testing is a necessary evil used in all levels of the educational system. While it may adequately display the abilities of a student in the field of math or science, it does not measure writing in the same way.

There needs to be a logical solution to this problem. It may require teachers to review numerous essays, adding hours to their already hectic schedules, but a computer cannot accurately evaluate students' writing.

If you don't believe me, then try using a word processor that highlights all of your grammar and punctuation errors. Computers cannot assess the use of language the way they can an equation or a bubble sheet.

If Americans don't find the answer to our current problem, then our children will be robbed of their birthright to a valuable education.

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# Viruses unprotected by First Amendment



**Guest Column**

**Chris Dittrick**

Writing a computer virus is not protected as a form of free speech under the First Amendment.

Computer viruses in all forms are harmful at some level.

The damage can be extreme and widespread, as in the slammer worm of 2003 that shut down whole networks, ATMs, major 911 call centers and airline flights, many of which had to be grounded.

The damages of this worm outbreak were estimated to be more than a billion dollars.

Computer users are often infected with trojan-style viruses, also known as worms, that rely on software within the targeted computer to multiply.

They are used to remotely control computers into sending important data to the attacker. The targeted computer can also be used to send copies of the virus to other computers via contact lists.

A compromised computer could be operated in conjunction with a group of infected computers in coordinated attacks, which is referred to as "denial of service."

This type of attack floods a server with malicious data causing an unresponsive connection that leaves ordinary users digitally paralyzed.

Viruses that simply slow a computer down or leave it receptive to spam advertising are damaging and result in lost productivity over time.

Many students' computers are infected with trojan-style viruses, and this can result in slower computer speeds.

Computers may even crash, resulting in lost data such as precious word documents or lab reports.

This can be detrimental to students academically as well as financially, but students are not the only group of people affected by computer viruses.

In April, 600,000 Apple computer owners were infected by a trojan-virus named the "Flashback Trojan," according to a Russian anti-virus firm.

More than 300,000 of these infected computers were in the United States.

Computer viruses are a form of vandalism and are a clear and present danger to the United States, an opinion expressed by Supreme Court Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes, Jr., who declared viruses were not protected by free speech by the First Amendment.

Digital infections can damage or disable a users computer. This is the case when a computer becomes infected with malware. This kind of deviant behavior isn't acceptable in the real world, nor is it in the digital realm.

Simply outlawing the writing of any computer programming code that could considered malicious would solve the ongoing problem and bring digital vandals to justice.

By creating a virus, these individuals are finding security holes in software that vendors should be made aware of so that they can be fixed.

Systems are vulnerable when these security holes are not discovered and properly corrected.

Some users argue that by exposing every existing security fault, networked computers are made more resistant to infiltration the same way that your immune system is made stronger by constant exposure to pathogens.

Writers of viruses primarily use this excuse to dodge responsibility and try to deflect blame away from themselves.

It is also possible to identify faults within a system as well as document the level of damage that could be done without creating massive destruction on a network of computers.

It is possible to send the details

of said fault to software vendors.

It is not necessary to publish malicious code in public venues where others can obtain the code and use it for criminal purposes.

That would be no different than building a bomb and leaving it in the middle of a city park with instructions to detonate it so that the authorities could learn what a bomb looks like.

It is possible to test malicious code on a computer or network of computers that are isolated. It is not necessary to release such code into the Internet simply to test if it works.

One can't waltz up to a store, throw a brick through the window and state that it was just a test to see if the glass was breakable.

Vandalism is not free speech; however, there is plenty of blame to go around when it comes to computer viruses.

This is true when many of the exploited faults that viruses depend on are patched in advance of an outbreak. The culprit then becomes the average computer user.

More often than not, these users will only bother to seek help or attempt to run a virus scan well after the system has been compromised due to its slow performance.

A compromised system can be much harder to fix and far more time consuming than the time it takes to patch a system or to run a

regular virus scan.

This is another situation where an ounce of prevention is far better than an extensive cure or loss of data that can result when a computer becomes infected.

Computer viruses are a problem that will be eliminated when all countries outlaw the production of malicious code.

This is an issue that will require the coordination of international laws if there will ever be a decrease in the danger that computers connected to the Internet face.

The Organization for Cooperation and Development published a report that suggests that "governments ensure that national cybersecurity policies encompass the needs of all citizens and not just central government facilities."

As the "Flashback Trojan" proved, even Mac and Linux systems can be compromised.

It is the responsibility of every computer user to protect themselves and monitor the function of their computer equipment if the threat of cyber attacks is to be reduced. These attacks are the new frontier of terrorism.

During a time of political unrest and increased terrorist activity, such as the attack on the American embassy in Libya, we should be kept in mind that technological terrorism is just as real of a threat as physical terrorism.

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# NMMU students

**By Nolan Krebs**  
features editor

For those of you in various stages of denial, fall officially begins on Saturday, Sept. 22. Soon enough, the temperature will be permanently below beach-friendly and Frosty Treats will hang up its closed sign for the season.

However, this is not cause for panic or distress. Even when the swimsuits have been stashed away, Marquette is full of activities to keep you busy during any season.

“Fall is one of my favorite times of the year for a lot of reasons,” said sophomore ski area business management major Devin Dante. “Not only is it beautiful,

but it’s the cushioning that allows us to make the transition from the summertime lifestyle to the more stressful winter season.”

For those of you lamenting the loss of Marquette’s beach-town atmosphere, fear not: there is a slew of activities to keep you warm and entertained during Michigan’s most colorful season.



Above: Harlow Lake, located 10 miles north of Marquette on County Road 550, offers kayaking, fishing and camping opportunities year round.

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Above: The old bridge located off of County Road 510. With the peak of the fall colors coming up soon, be sure to get a hike in before the snow hits.

Shaina James/NW

# fall into fun

## Make Some Food

As the temperature drops, seasonal recipes find their way back into the kitchen. From baked apples to pumpkin pie, fall means great food to keep you warm. The Downtown Marquette Farmers Market will be holding a free workshop from 10 a.m. to noon on Saturday, Sept. 22 about the benefits and possibilities of using fall produce.

## Take a Hike

Even if you think you've seen them all, Marquette's extensive hiking trails offer a different experience in every season. Take in the scenic views and cool fall air from Presque Isle to Sugarloaf Mountain, or travel a little further to Laughing Whitefish Falls or Pictured Rocks.

## See the Colors

The fall colors in Marquette are at their peak between late September through mid-October. The 1,200-ft. peak of Mt. Marquette on the southern end of town offers a view of historical downtown, while Hogback Mountain boasts a spectacular view from the north.

## Learn to Knit

With the Upper Peninsula Folklife Festival kicking off this month, now's the time to learn how to make some traditional U.P. crafts. To stay busy and keep warm, try picking up knitting or crocheting on your down time. Knitters Niche, located at 1224 Division St., has open knitting from 2 to 4 p.m. on Wednesdays and individual classes available upon request.

## Go to a Football Game

What better way to get your blood flowing than some full-contact sports? Football and fall go hand-in-hand. Catch the Wildcats at home in the Superior Dome against Ashland at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 22 or against Michigan Tech at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 6.



Above: Locally-grown gourds at the Marquette farmers market. Farms located in surrounding areas supply the market with fresh produce each week. **Kristen Koehler/NW**

## —HOMECOMING—

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and actually had to start turning students away,” Corser said. “We packed over 500 people into Jamrich 102, and eventually had to open up Jamrich 105.”

Students were able to watch the competition between rooms via a live video stream. Magers Hall took home the win.

On Wednesday night Sept. 19, the king and queen competition filled the Great Lakes Rooms of the University Center with students anxious to see the homecoming court.

The event was emceed by comedian Adam Mamawala, who asked the final 10 contestants a series of questions before the judges selected a winner.

Senior ceramics major Hillary Hamblin was named homecoming queen, while junior psychology major T.J. Aiyash was named

homecoming king. The week-long celebration has been busy but rewarding, Hamblin said.

“It’s been a really crazy week; we’ve been so busy in the residence halls but it’s been totally worth it,” Hamblin said. “We’re really looking forward to the NMU Game Day. It’s going to be a great opportunity to bring the university and the community together.”

The celebration continues at 9 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 20, there will be a Bingo Night hosted at the Marketplace on campus.

Starting at 5:30 p.m. on Friday, the homecoming parade will take over Third Street. in downtown Marquette. There will also be an All Colleges Reception from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Landmark Inn, and a Funky Folk Dance featuring the Marquette-based band U.P. Gumbo at the Ore Dock Brewing Company.

The women’s soccer team will host Michigan Tech at 11 a.m. on



Zerek Twede/ NW

Students compete in the stepping competition in Jamrich on Tuesday. The Magers Hall team won the event.

Saturday, Sept. 22, and the men’s football team will face off against the Ashland Eagles at 2 p.m. in the Superior Dome. Following the games, there will be a 5th Quarter Reception at 5 p.m. at the Holiday Inn.

Saturday will also host a new event, NMU Game Day, which will feature games for kids, an appearance from the homecoming court and a speech from NMU interim president David Haynes. NMU Game Day will take place

from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. along Third Street.

For more information on homecoming events, call the Center for Student Enrichment at (906) 227-2439 or email [cse@nmu.edu](mailto:cse@nmu.edu).

## Artist exhibit illuminates untouched island

By Amanda Monthei

copy/layout editor

As a student in the Upper Peninsula, one can quickly grow accustomed to the area’s beauty, lending to a jaded familiarity that comes with living anywhere for an extended time.

Looking to overcome the advantageous perspective we, as humans, have on natural spaces, London-based artist Andrew Ranville has set out to experience an almost entirely untouched natural space without personifying it in any way.

The natural space where he conducted this mini-experiment was a small piling of land off the coast of the Keweenaw Peninsula called Rabbit Island.

The result of his time spent on the island is the current exhibit at the Devos Art Museum that Ranville has called “No Island is a Man.”

The name was inspired by a 17th-century prose piece that regards nature as only as important as the human experience of it, but which Ranville hoped to contradict with his work from the past

two summers.

“We try to really anthropomorphize or project human qualities on a landscape,” said Ranville, a Flint native. “The island is not necessarily an unforgiving place, but it’s indifferent to our lifestyle. It was like that before we got there and it will be like that after we’re gone.”

The idea of coming into a natural environment without influencing it with human perspective is the basis of Ranville’s influence, art and his plan to continue the artist residency on the island.

“We shouldn’t personify this ostensibly beautiful landscape; it’s a concrete, real place,” Ranville said. “So that was the initial working methodology: lets just respond to this place without trying to be poetic about it. Yet after two summers, (we realized) that human beings can’t help but do that. We project human qualities on things because that’s our way of dealing with the natural environment and relating to it.”

A walk through the “No Island Is A Man” exhibit, will find one surrounded by structures made as a result of this concept-driftwood

structures, faded Polaroids of untouched island landscapes and a small mound of Lake Superior flattened sandstone.

Washed-up balloons dot the walls—some with cartoon characters, one in the shape of a whale, others just simply black or blue, but all clearly having allowed Lake Superior to work its abrasive magic on them.

A testament to what happens to our beloved possessions when forced to endure something as powerful as Lake Superior, the balloons also serve as a reminder that the reach of human influence is nearly unending, despite the remoteness of a place like Rabbit Island.

Framed balloons make up nearly a quarter of the exhibit, but per Ranville’s original goal, many artistic mediums are facilitated in the exhibit.

“There’s a real variety of mediums in this show,” Ranville said. “Hopefully it highlights that, as an artist, you should let your work dictate your medium. Artists shouldn’t say ‘I’m a photographer, I’m a sculptor,’ and only do that—they should be open to respond in any way (necessary).”

Yet his aim to encompass many different mediums is only the beginning of what Ranville has accomplished with his residency on the island.

His hopes to create a legitimate artist retreat on the 91-acre island in the future stems from his work there over the past two summers, which has amounted to charting the island, creating sustainable shelters for residents, and otherwise establishing an environment for creative minds—poets, artists, photographers and researchers.

“It’s really just exploring an unexplored area,” Ranville said of what is so stirring about the island. “It was inspiring to see the



Nolan Krebs/ NW

Andrew Ranville’s “No Island is a Man” exhibit uses a sustainable approach to creating artistic pieces that reflect the natural environment.



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Flattened Lake Superior sandstone on display in Ranville’s exhibit.

island as this very concrete, tangible place with very thick forests and Lake Superior, which is just an amazing, vast body of water.”

The island, which was acquired by Calumet native Robert Gorski when he saw it for sale on Craigslist back in 2010, is three miles off the coast of the Keweenaw Peninsula.

Ranville hopes to continue the residency program next summer, which will allow three people at a time to use the island as a retreat for art or research.

The exhibit will run through Dec. 4, but is expected to continue in the future as a partnership between the island’s residency

program and the DeVos museum for NMU students to showcase their work.

“It’s important that when artists do these residencies, that they can connect with their local communities (upon return),” said Melissa Matuscak, director and curator of the Devos Art Museum.

“And it’s not just a show, it’ll be a program as well, with lectures from the artists; that’s also important to our relationship with the residency.”

For more information on Rabbit Island and the ongoing projects, or to find out how to apply for an artist residency, visit [www.rabbit-island.org](http://www.rabbit-island.org).

# Study abroad makes for a unique experience

## Ecuador service trip for students creates cultural awareness

By **Mindy Grabko**  
contributing writer

The International Programs office will be offering a service trip for students to travel and volunteer in Ecuador over spring break.

It's not often that a student gets to jump in hot springs, hike to Amazon waterfalls and make a difference in an indigenous culture.

Mary Andronis, an adjunct faculty member in the world languages department, and Susan Morgan, coordinator of education abroad and exchange programs, are jointly leading students to Ecuador.

"I feel very comfortable there, and am excited to bring students down," Andronis said.

Andronis studied anthropological linguistics in graduate school and that brought her to Ecuador, where she studied the Quichua language and culture.

Andronis' work in Ecuador first started in 2001. It included building a radio station in Salasaca, a small community in the Ecuadorian highlands, and assisting with the development of a foundation school, Katitawa, where NMU students will be volunteering.

An interest meeting was held on Friday, Sept. 14. The Ecuador volunteer service abroad trip is tentatively planned for March 2 through 10, 2013.

The trip will cost between \$1,900 and \$2,100 and includes transportation, lodging, meals, an interpretive guide and money for donations brought to the foundation school. The trip has a limited capacity and can only accommodate 15 students.

The tentative schedule for the first day has students exploring the city of Quito and various landmarks, including Museo Intiñan and Mitad del Mundo. Part of the



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NMU students interested in volunteering abroad will have the opportunity to visit Ecuador in March 2013.

city that students will explore originated from the Inca empire.

Students will then make their way into the indigenous population of Salasaca to immerse themselves in the Quichua culture. There, the volunteering will begin at the foun-

ation school.

"The school is a building on a foundation of many volunteers," Andronis said. It is not part of the school system in Ecuador.

The Quichua culture does not speak fluent Spanish. They are very isolated from city life, but have become an open community since tourism has grown. The dress of the Quichua is very traditional.

"Women wear wool skirts and brightly colored ponchos and the men wear black ponchos," Andronis said.

After students are done volunteering, they will have the chance to relax in natural hot springs in a small city called Baños de Agua Santa.

There will be opportunities to volunteer with local farms that are part of a world wide organization of organic farmers, as well as time for biking and shopping.

The next phase of the trip will be a visit to the Amazon in the Napo Province, which is home to scenic waterfalls.

Accommodations for students will include a stay in an eco-lodge. This part of the Amazon, as An-

dronis explained, is a secondary growth forest and is used for many studies. The conclusion of the trip will result in volunteering for a Quichua project.

"You can make a difference in a short period of time," Andronis said.

Morgan, who accompanied Andronis through Ecuador as they mapped the trip for the program, encourages students to take a part in study abroad opportunities.

"It is really a life changer, and college is the perfect time to do it because in no other time in your life will you be completely to yourself," Morgan said.

Students who are interested in the Ecuador volunteer service abroad trip can attend two more interest meetings.

The first will be from 4 to 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 25 in the Back Room of the U.C. and the second will be from 3 to 4 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 18 in the Marquette Room of the U.C.

For more information, email the International Programs office at ipo@nmu.edu or email Susan Morgan at smorgan@nmu.edu.

## Learn your study abroad options

By **Adele Herman**  
contributing writer

A Study Abroad Coffee Chat will be held by the International Programs Office at NMU for students to get an introduction to the process of selecting a study abroad program.

The chat, from 3 to 5 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 26 in 142 Whitman Hall, will give students considering an international experience to a degree the opportunity to answer

questions in an informal drop-by session about the study abroad program.

"We ask students to attend one of these coffee chats prior to scheduling a one-to-one advising session with our office," said Susan Morgan, Coordinator of Education Abroad and Exchange Programs. "They come better prepared to talk about specific academic and personal goals for their abroad experience."

Some options for students to choose between are a full

academic year or semester abroad, an internship or a volunteer service program.

"We suggest students allow a full two semesters of planning for a study abroad experience," Morgan said. That means, students who'd like to study abroad next summer or fall should be starting to do their research now, and the coffee chats are a great way to get started."

For more information, email ipo@nmu.edu with "study abroad question" in subject line.

## Education abroad program offers opportunities in Korea

By **Genna Kovach**  
contributing writer

Teach and Learn in Korea (TaLK) is giving students the opportunity to teach English to school children in rural areas and learn about the rich cultural life in South Korea.

Susan Morgan, coordinator of the education abroad and exchange programs at NMU, will be hosting an information session from 1 to 2 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 21 in Whitman 141.

"The information session will discuss the TaLK program and will help students to apply and plan accordingly," Morgan said.

All students interested in learning more about the education abroad program are invited to attend the information session.

Students with an associate's degree or with two years of uni-

versity education are eligible for the program.

Applicants who are approved for the program receive Korean government scholarships for airfare, lodging, insurance and living costs, Morgan said.

The experience of traveling abroad and discovering a new place is a large part of the appeal said Tyria Newman, a senior international studies major.

"I studied abroad in South Korea in 2011 and again last summer," Newman said. "I love traveling and getting out there to experience new things."

Newman, who is applying for the TaLK program this year, said that her time in Korea was a positive and memorable experience.

"There's a lot to do in Korea; it's a unique place because it's a combination of old and new," Newman said. "In Seoul, for ex-



Nolan Krebs/NW

Senior international studies major Tyria Newman at the TaLK booth at Wednesday's study abroad fair.

ample, there's a temple right in the middle of this bustling city; it's really a cool place to visit."

Students accepted into the program will be placed at elementary schools in rural areas that are in need of exposure to the English language. They will teach students in both in-school sessions

and in after-school programs.

Volunteers will also be provided with one-on-one working relationships with Korean university students to assist them.

Students enrolled in the Superior Edge program will also be able to count their hours towards the service learning and diversity

categories, Morgan said.

Applications for the February and August 2013 TaLK Scholars will be processed in October and February.

For more information, email Susan Morgan at smorgan@nmu.edu or the International Programs office at ipo@nmu.edu.

# UNITED conference tackles diversity issues

By **Melissa Young**  
contributing writer

NMU will host its seventh annual Uniting Neighbors in the Experience of Diversity (UNITED) conference from Monday, Sept. 24 through Thursday, Sept. 27.

The conference allows students to listen to speakers who address topics from diversity and gender hardships to specific life experiences of the speaker.

The key speakers will present on unity in film, diversity, food, music, art, dance, theatre, service and research.

Judy Puncochar, director of the UNITED conference, is looking forward to students coming out and listening to the variety of speakers throughout the week.

"At Northern, we do more than simply talk about diversity, we do diversity. We take action and place diversity as a key value on our campus," Puncochar said. "Each year, UNITED has upwards of 2,600 people who attend this exciting conference, and this year we expect more than 3,000 attendees."

The first presentation of the conference will feature NMU Board of Trustees member and NMU alumnus Rick Popp. Popp, who is also an executive at Ford Company Human Resources, will speak about working in a diverse global workforce. The presentation will be at 10 a.m. on Mon-

day, Sept. 24 in the Great Lakes Rooms of the University Center.

This year Ramsey Jay Jr., a motivational speaker, is returning to speak to students, faculty and the community. Back by popular demand, Ramsey's presentation will encourage people to jump start their goals which will lead them to success, Puncochar said.

The goal of the UNITED conference is to define diversity broadly and explore the multiplicity of perspectives on any given topic, Puncochar said.

"The conference brings people together to entertain new ideas and make connections between topics and people not otherwise possible," Puncochar said.

In addition to keynote speakers, the conference will also feature performances. Amy Orf, an instructor in the NMU modern languages department, will perform songs from different Spanish speaking countries.

Puncochar works with student volunteers who help put the conference together. Andrew Piasecki, a junior marketing major who works with the student leader fellowship program, has been working on the conference all summer, calling speakers and figuring out where the conference would take place.

"I chose to help with the UNITED conference as part of my community service internship through the student leader fellow-



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T.J. Leyden, a former member white supremacist who now speaks as an anti-hate advocate, speaks at the 2011 UNITED conference. The conference is a platform for students to learn about and discuss issues of diversity.

ship program here at Northern," Piasecki said.

Piasecki feels UNITED will be successful because there is such a wide variety of speakers which gives students an opportunity to connect to at least one.

"Students should come to the conference because it will increase their knowledge of the world and other cultures that they may not be familiar with," Piasecki said.

Students who have attended the UNITED conference in the

past often say the speakers help educate and motivate the audience.

"Last year I heard a speaker speak on LGBT rights and the public school system," said senior social work major Emma Nelson. "I learned a lot more than I thought I would about certain policies there still are within the school system."

Another inspirational speaker scheduled to headline at the conference is paralympic skier Chris Waddell, who has won 12 medals

over four Olympic games and attempted to become the first unassisted paraplegic to climb Mt. Kilimanjaro. Waddell will speak at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 26 in the Great Lakes Rooms of the University Center.

The conference is free and open to the public. Unless noted otherwise, all speakers will be in the Great Lakes Rooms of the University Center.

For more information, email Judy Puncochar at [jpuncoch@nmu.edu](mailto:jpuncoch@nmu.edu).

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# Harmony and minimalism 'Coexist' on sophomore album



**Album:** Coexist

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By Jordan Beck  
staff writer

Fun fact: At no point in the lyrics of its 11 songs does "Coexist," the new album by London-based group The xx include a single proper noun.

That's not to say there are no nouns whatsoever; there are non-specific references to natural phenomena and love abound.

The closest co-writers Romy Madley Croft and Oliver Sim come to naming individual people, places or things is with pronouns.

"I," "you" and "we" are all over the album's lyric sheet. It's a risky approach to lyric-writing, as it forces a band to balance be-

tween universal and vague. It's fortunate, then, that The xx are one of those rare bands able to make vague work in their favor.

This is, in large part, due to their minimalist sound. Since their instant-classic, almost-self-titled-but-not-quite debut "xx", The xx have been known for their quiet, reserved take on indie pop.

That debut album sounded unlike anything else when it came out back in 2009, and it was rightfully acclaimed as one of the best albums of the year.

Now, it's time for album No. 2, and with it comes one of the most impossible situations for a band in recent memory.

Not only are The xx dealing with the usual problems of a sophomore set, but they're doing so while trying to live up to a first

album that was a "lightning in a bottle" moment. What's a band to do?

Based on the first listen, the answer might seem to be "not much." Although gorgeous, the lead single "Angels" could have fit on the last album without anyone noticing.

So could follow-up single "Chained," save for a few beats. And the rest of the tracks seem to float along in a sort of blur, sounding more like ambient music designed for hip parties than one of the most hotly-anticipated albums of the year.

But here's the thing: "xx" was one of those LPs that sounded sort of boring at first, but became far better on repeated listens. As it turns out, so is this one.

While the understated production can make it hard to notice, "Coexist" adds a ton of new sounds to the group's sonic arsenal (courtesy of percussionist/producer Jamie xx).

These new touches might be most noticeable on "Reunion" and "Sunset," two tracks that collectively serve as the album's centerpiece.

"Sunset" takes the blueprint established by "xx" and replaces that album's drum-machine rhythms with a prominent, yet tastefully unobtrusive, house beat. "Reunion" goes even further: not only does it include

electronic woodblock percussion (possibly inspired by post-dub-step wunderkind Burial), it also features a steel drum intro, and it actually works.

Similar moments are hidden all over the album. Consider, for example, the whining synth line introducing "Try," or the violins that give "Tides" an added sense of texture.

Another example is the four-second pause that pops up right as "Missing" is starting to build steam, and even the militaristic drum roll that starts to pop up halfway through "Angels" offers a unique layer to the song. Like a

fine wine, "Coexist" is an album that gets better with age.

It's not perfect, of course. For one thing, none of the songs here are as catchy as "Islands," "VCR" or "Crystalized" from "xx." The vocal lines from Croft and Sim could also have been a bit stronger. Honestly, this all feels like nitpicking.

Think of it like this: The xx may not have been able to reinvent the wheel with "Coexist" like they did with their debut album. However, this is a talented group of songwriters that did the next-best thing: they made a darn good wheel.



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The xx are a London-based group who craft dreamy, atmospheric songs.

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# NMU spikers roll through GLIAC foes

By Cody Boyer  
staff writer

The NMU volleyball 'Cats continued their success last weekend against Saginaw Valley and Lake Superior State, bringing them to a four-game winning streak.

The team was on the road on Friday and Saturday, travelling to Saginaw Valley State University on Friday and Lake Superior State University the next day.

NMU defeated SVSU to win their first Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference opening game, 3-2.

NMU head coach Dominic Yoder said the team is playing well and always looking to keep improving.

"The team is becoming even

more consistent, but is struggling in a few areas," Yoder said. "We do expect to continue to improve daily so that we can raise our level of play to meet the ever increasing challenges of the GLIAC, and our goal is to win conference."

NMU set the stride on Friday, beating the SVSU Cardinals 25-17, 16-25, 20-25, 27-25, and 15-13.

Although the 'Cats lost the second and third sets, the team managed to stay on top for the remainder of the game.

Junior left-side hitter Lina Lopes led the offense with 18 kills, 14 digs a block assist and two service aces.

The freshmen talent came through strongly with freshman left-side Lisa Studnicka scoring

15 kills and 12 digs.

Junior left-side and middle Kalli Herron followed closely with 14 kills, two block assists and two solo blocks.

Senior middle Jasmine Calhoun had two solo blocks and four block assists. Senior libero and defense specialist Kalin Zimmerman had eight digs.

Junior setter Kellisha Harley had 50 assists, a season high, while also getting 14 digs.

Freshman libero and defense specialist Alex Berger contributed 13 digs.

Berger said her only goal for the weekend was to play defense well, as well as give her all towards everything else for the team.

"Even though we won, as a team, we always want to be able to win in three sets," Berger said. "However, that being said, winning the match against Saginaw in five still truly showed us how amazing we can play and how much of a team we truly are."

On Saturday, the 'Cats won their second GLIAC match against Lake Superior State, 3-1 with set scores of 25-16, 25-19, 22-25 and 25-16.

LSSU won the third set before NMU clinched the game in the final set.

Studnicka once again contributed to the team, leading the offense with 17 kills, 14 digs and three service aces.

Lopes, while joining Studnicka with 14 digs, also contributed a service ace.

Yoder said the two athletes were performing admirably throughout the weekend, along with the setters of the team.

"Both of our left-side hitters, Lina Lopes and Lisa Studnicka, really stood out," Yoder said. "Our setters were also pillars of steadiness for our team."

Harley brought another 42 assists for the team. Berger led the team in digs with 18, while Zimmerman was right behind her with nine.

Berger said the travelling between two matches over the weekend was not a problem for

the team on the court.

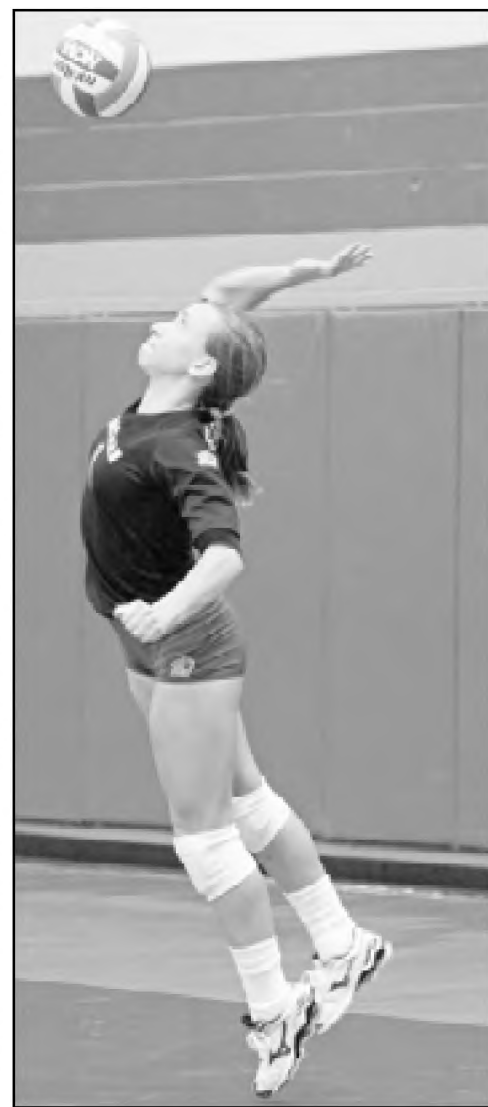
"I feel okay with the travelling," Berger said. "We have been on the road the entire season already, so it isn't that much of a difference to what we are used to."

Yoder said the team is already looking forward to their first home game after being on the road for so long.

"I would like to encourage and ask our NMU student body to come out in force to see us play on Sept. 25 versus Michigan Tech," Yoder said. "Wear green to make the stands full of Wildcat fans."

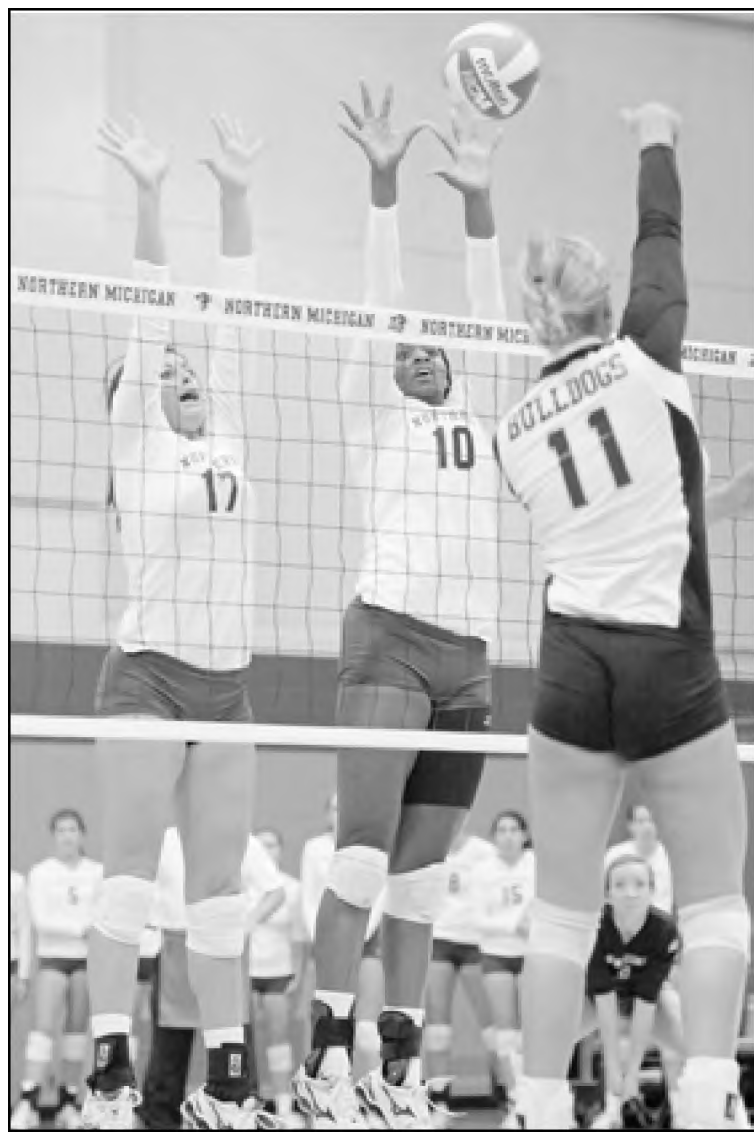
The 'Cats will be travelling once again next weekend to Ohio as they finish up their 13 straight games on the road.

NMU will play on Friday, Sept. 21 at Painesville, Ohio to face off against Lake Erie College. Then, the team travels again on Saturday, Sept. 22 to challenge Ashland.



Justin Key/NW

Senior libero Kalin Zimmerman serves the ball last year during play against Tiffin. She is fourth on the team with 67 digs this season.



Justin Key/NW

Junior left-side and middle hitter Kalli Herron (17) and senior middle-hitter Jasmine Calhoun look to reject a Ferris State shot attempt last season.

## GLIAC CURRENT STANDINGS

SCHOOL	GLIAC	OVERALL
WAYNE STATE	3-0	8-3
NORTHERN MICHIGAN	2-0	9-2
MALONE	2-0	6-2
NORTHWOOD	2-0	7-3
ASHLAND	1-1	8-2
FERRIS STATE	1-1	7-3
OHIO DOMINICAN	1-1	5-4
SAGINAW VALLEY	1-1	5-6
WALSH	1-1	3-4
MICHIGAN TECH	1-1	4-6
HILLSDALE	1-1	2-8
FINDLAY	1-2	4-6
GRAND VALLEY ST.	0-2	7-3
TIFFIN	0-2	4-4
LAKE SUPERIOR STATE	0-2	3-7
LAKE ERIE	0-2	2-5

# Deal not done, NHL hits lockout mode

By Jon Young  
sports editor

For the second time in eight years and third time in 18 years the NHL is in a lockout after the players and owners failed to agree on a Collective Bargaining Agreement.

The lockout became effective at 12:01 a.m. Sunday, Sept. 16 as the 2005 ratification of the Collective Bargaining Agreement expired.

During the 2004-05 season the NHL became the only major

American sport to miss an entire season due to a lockout.

When both sides came to an agreement a salary cap was introduced and players salaries were cut back by 24 percent and no player could earn more than 20 percent of his team's cap.

NHL Commissioner Gary Bettman has proposed on behalf of the owners that the player's share of Hockey Related Revenue (HRR) be cut from 57 percent to 46 percent according to a Sports Illustrated article.

If this proposal goes through players would see a salary reduc-

tion of between 20 to 22 percent.

The HRR includes everything from tickets sold, to rink board advertising, to on-air television broadcasts and novelty items sold outside of the arena.

In a broad sense it is most of the money that the league brings in.

When the salary cap was set in 2005 players were guaranteed 54 percent of the HRR.

As the revenue rises players receive a higher percentage of the HRR and the salary cap is set higher.

For example, the league salary

cap was set at \$64.3 million for the 2011-12 season and was set at approximately \$70.2 million for the 2012-13 season, due to increase in HRR from the 2011-12 season.

The owners want to change the way HRR is calculated. In simple terms this would reduce the salary ceiling and ultimately the amount players can be paid.

Head of the National Hockey League Players Association, Donald Fehr said the players and himself hope to keep HRR defined the same.

According to the league over

half of the teams lost money last year, despite the NHL having record revenue earnings of \$3.3 billion.

The effects of the lockout have already started as it was announced on Wednesday, Sept. 19 that all preseason games through Sept. 30 have been cancelled.

Some players have already signed overseas deals such as last year's MVP Evgeni Malkin and two-time MVP Alex Ovechkin.

Both Malkin and Overchkin are playing in the KHL, which is considered to be the top hockey league in Europe.

# Young 'Cats adjust to new challenges

By Jon Young  
sports editor

The road woes continued for the NMU football team last Saturday, Sept. 15, as they dropped a conference game against the Ohio Dominican Panthers, 47-7.



Justin Key/NW

Redshirt quarterback Ryan Morley drops back in action against UW-La Crosse. NMU faces Ashland this week in hopes of their first GLIAC win.

Head coach Chris Ostrowsky said his team is committed and playing with effort, they just have to work through the growing pains that come with a young squad.

"It's really simple, we can't give up 50 yard touchdown passes and turn the ball over four or five

times," Ostrowsky said. "As long as you keep doing that you're going to keep losing games. It's one of those situations where as we get better as a program you've got to get better at little things."

The combination of little mishaps led to bigger problems for NMU. The 'Cats (0-2 GLIAC, 1-2 overall) had a chance to get into field goal range near the end of the first quarter to break open a scoreless game. Redshirt quarterback Ryan Morley dropped the ball on an attempted screen pass.

"It wasn't a forced fumble, it wasn't a blitz where we didn't pick it up it just fell out of his hands," Ostrowsky said. "Consequently they scooped it up had a first-and-ten on the 50; went the other way and kicked a field goal to make it 3-0. We gain the first down, we have a great older kicker; we're up 3-0. That's a big difference."

After the field goal the Panthers tacked on three touchdowns in the second quarter to make it 24-0 at the half including a 53-yard heave with nine seconds left.

"We have two freshmen at safety and they throw the deep ball for a 50-yard touchdown pass," Ostrowsky said. "Those things will never happen to a seasoned team, an experienced team which is what we will be in two years if the same players are here and developing and I can't imagine they

wouldn't be."

After holding the Panthers scoreless in the first quarter, the 'Cats gave up touchdown pass plays of 93, 53, 28, 49 and 14 yards. Ostrowsky said the focus for the team is limiting turnovers and stopping the big gains on defense.

"At this point our emphasis is ball security, take care of the football," Ostrowsky said. "Our emphasis on the defensive side is don't give up the big play, make them drive it, 12, 14, 15 plays, and then if we can come through a game and lose and they had no touchdowns that were bigger than five or ten yards and we had zero turnovers, we're progressing as a football program."

Of the five Wildcat turnovers three came through the air as Morley was intercepted three times. Morley understands games like this are part of the learning curve but he isn't blaming age as a factor.

"The first thing I went to was film; I'll be the first one to admit I can't play like that if you want to win," Morley said. "We're still learning a lot as an offense and a defense. Being young isn't an excuse because on the field it doesn't matter, but we've got to keep learning."

Morley found the endzone for the first time this season with a

nine-yard touchdown pass to junior wide receiver Christian Jessie with four seconds left in the third quarter. Senior defensive lineman Zach Anderson set the play on an interception that he returned 22 yards.

"We marched down the field and threw the first touchdown of the year for us," Morley said. "That was our goal during the game at the end and we just have to use that as a learning experience."

Ostrowsky said the poise his young quarterback has shown leading the offense has impressed him through the first three games.

"He's so in complete control playing the position because of that he's able to handle the things he's not experienced in, he's able to handle the things teams are challenging him with," Ostrowsky said. "Everything he's doing, he's doing for the first time so we're going to make mistakes we're going to look bad at times but I believe in him and he knows that and together we'll work really hard."

The 'Cats are back in Marquette this weekend as they take on the No. 17-ranked Ashland Eagles for Homecoming weekend. The action gets underway at 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 22 in the Superior Dome. NMU defeated Ashland in 2010 but the Eagles won last season 45-16.

## NMU claws out comeback road victory

By Karly Ratzenberger  
staff writer

The women's soccer team went 1-1 on their road trip to Ohio last weekend, losing to Notre Dame College on Friday Sept. 14 0-2 and later beating Lake Erie College 2-1 on Sunday Sept. 16.

Freshman defensive player Hailey Beyrand said the games in general went over very well.

"The first game was a challenge; we were lacking team unity and were unable to finish in the attacking third," Beyrand said. "But the second game the team came out knowing what needed to happen and we were able to get it done. The team was able to play as one and we had some wonderful finishes that allowed us to take home the win."

Head coach Matt Granstrand said he is really proud of the team and their accomplishments the past weekend.

"We are learning how to win and compete and as a young team that is what we need to do," Granstrand said.

The Wildcats had 15 attempted shots against Notre Dame College, and the 'Cat's defense faced 16 shots. Fourteen of Notre Dame's shots were saved by freshman goal keeper Shelby Conard.

Overall, the team had to travel

around 50 hours this weekend to compete in their games. Beyrand said this factor created a challenge for the Wildcats, one that the team was able to surpass.

"Our team was able to overcome the long trip and not allow the distance to become a factor in this weekend's games," Beyrand said.

Sophomore Kim Rietveld said her favorite part about the weekend was winning the game against Lake Erie and the team's comeback from the first half.

"We started out down a goal late into the first half, then we came back and scored two which was really good," Rietveld said. "It is great to head home after a win."

The 'Cats had 12 attempted shots in their game against Lake Erie, and Conard had six saves. To put the Wildcats on the scoreboard, freshman midfielder Tiffany Trembley had their first goal. Sophomore forward Tevun Sellers sealed the deal with her unassisted winning goal.

Beyrand said the biggest thing the team has been working on this year has been to come together on the field to work with 11 women and play as one.

"In the second game this weekend, all the work finally paid off," Beyrand said. "We were able to

play as one team for the full game and it showed."

Sellers said the team did a good job of mentally preparing for the games, which may have had an effect on the outcome.

"I think the main thing we changed to win these games was we all prepared mentally for them a little more, and wanted to go out there and win because I think we are all sick of losing," Sellers said.

Beyrand said the 'Cats really showed up to play last weekend, but the two players in particular that stepped up and lead the team were Rietveld and sophomore defender Taylor Smith.

"Taylor's speed on the outside as well and determination allowed no attacking opponents to get around her," Beyrand said. "Kim's ability to dictate the game by her control on the ball and her capability to play every position on the field allows her to be a threat that cannot be reckoned with on the field."

Beyrand said the Wildcats are very excited for the upcoming games, and to see how the team continues to improve.

"With our next game being against Michigan Tech at our home field, our whole team is

extremely excited to get back out on the field and show what we are truly made of," Beyrand said.

Rietveld said the 'Cats have a lot of motivation for the upcoming game so she is looking for a win.

"The last time we played them we lost," Rietveld said. "I think

that gives us great motivation to go out on Saturday and play our best game to get the win."

Come out to support the Wildcats as they take on Michigan Tech University at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 22 on their home field behind the dome.



Justin Key/NW

Senior forward Amelia Johnson (3) advances the ball against Schoolcraft earlier this season. Johnson has started all six games and has 16 shots-on-goal.

# Soccer takes senior across the country

By Karly Ratzenberger  
staff writer

Senior soccer player Brekelle Sellers started playing soccer growing up in Arvada, Colo., At the age of five, Sellers never would have guessed she would end up a Wildcat.

"My dad was a big soccer player when I was growing up and he was good at it, so he got me into the sport and I played ever since," Sellers said.

Sellers said she had wanted to play collegiate soccer since she was a child. Her original plan was

to play at Bucknell University in Pennsylvania, but after visiting Northern, she fell in love.

"I love the people, the town, how close the lake is and just how beautiful Marquette is," Sellers said. "It reminded me of home in a way, so I chose to not play Division I, and have more of a life and enjoy soccer and school at Northern."

Seller said her favorite memory from playing soccer at NMU is when the team beat Grand Valley State University two years ago.

"They hadn't been beaten in six years and we broke that streak," Sellers said. "We scored in overtime on a free kick and once that ball landed in the net not only was my whole team running out on the field and jumping on one another, but the fans were ecstatic as well. It was amazing."

Brekelle is not the only member of the Sellers family who fell in love with NMU. Her sister, Tevun is currently a sophomore and is also a member of the soccer team.

"I love playing with my sister,"

Sellers said. "We have really good chemistry together and we know how the other plays, so that has its benefits."

Tevun said Sellers is one of her role models, and her talent on the field gives her a lot of potential as a soccer player.

"We have this sisterly connection out on the field," Tevun said. "We know where to find each other at any given minute. We're are so close and being able to push each other in practice and games to get better keeps us motivated and getting better everyday."

Sellers said she really enjoys playing soccer for NMU. She said the team becomes a close family every year, and the girls on the team are amazing to play with.

"Everyone gets along and works insanely hard to be the best," Sellers said. "Even when we walk away with a poor record, we are still smiling and focusing on the next year and what we need to work on to be that much better."

Sellers said she sees her parents as her best role models. She said her parents have worked very hard to provide a good life for their children despite the fact that neither of them attended college.

"My parents have shown me that if you work hard enough in anything and everything that you do, you can go anywhere and be whatever you want in this world," Sellers said.

Sellers claims her biggest ac-

complishment thus far is the fact that she was the first one of her family to go to college, only to be followed shortly by her sister.

"Once I graduate I will be the first generation in my family to graduate and hopefully get a good paying job out of school," Sellers said.

This year, Sellers has assisted one goal and has had three shots on goal. Last year, she scored one goal and had three assists.

"She does such a good job at finding our forwards' feet and getting into to attack," Tevun said. "She also does well at keeping the central mid-field controlled and calm."

Head coach Matt Granstrand said Sellers is a very talented player who does a good job of leading the team.

"She has the ability to almost play as a quarterback for us," Granstrand said. "She is a skillful player and her job is to help get the assist to win the games which is what she has done for the past few years."



Justin Key/NW

Sellers has started in all six games for the 'Cats this season and has lettered the last three seasons.

Although Sellers is technically a senior this year, she will be required to finish one more year of school due to a change in major and an added minor.

"This summer I plan on hopefully getting an internship with an advertising company in New York," Sellers said. "I plan on getting into marketing and advertisement, possibly journalism."

Tevun said she loves playing with Brekelle, and she can't wait to see what great success the team has this year as she shares this experience with her sister.



Justin Key/NW

Senior midfielder Brekelle Sellers pushes the ball upfield last season against Bemidji State at home.

## Wildcats thrash Huskies to begin season

By Laura Conway  
staff writer

The NMU men's club hockey team swept the first series of the season with 7-3 and 7-2 victories against Michigan Tech on Friday, Sept. 14 and Saturday, Sept. 15.

Senior defenseman Evan Weber said the entire team, even the veterans, had the first game jitters on Friday.

"We were nervous, especially the young guys," Weber said.

"You could see it in our play; we were trying to rush a lot of plays and the puck was bouncing all over the place."

Weber said the team had to take a deep breath and just focus on one shift at a time. After they got the initial jitters under control, he said the team started to play really well.

"The veterans got our skates under us first and started playing our systems," Weber said. "Not long after, the younger guys fol-

lowed suit and we got a good win to start off the season."

Defensemen don't usually get a chance to score, but Weber said they were able to get set up for goals in both of the games this weekend.

"Our right wing was getting covered really closely by Tech's defenseman and there was an open lane to pass to me," Weber said. "I was able to move the puck up from the blue line and catch the back of the net on the goalie's far side."

Weber was able to get set up again on Saturday night and score from the blue line; getting the puck past a lot of traffic in front of the net and sink it.

Senior defenseman Shane Feehrey was also able to get the puck into the back of the net.

"I got the puck on the boards and was able to walk it towards the center of the ice," Feehrey said. "I took the shot and sank it; it felt great getting my first goal out of the way."

Overall, Weber said the lines are starting to come together really well.

He said the team's first line is made up of one veteran, senior Brad Gicopoulos, and two rook-

ies, freshman Anders Carlson and sophomore Wolff Belanger, and has already had a lot of success early on in the season.

"Gicopoulos' line looked really good Friday and Saturday," Weber said. "They are clicking and finding each other on the ice really well."

Head coach Carl Trosien said replacing athletes on lines was difficult because he needed to find players that fit the puzzle for the missing players on each line.

"With our first line, Gicopoulos was the only veteran left, so we had to figure out what he needed out there with him to be a successful line," Trosien said. "Once we saw what he needed in Carlson and Belanger, we knew we had the puzzle completed, and it showed this weekend in the games."

Even with a swept series, Feehrey said the team is looking for issues they can nip in the butt right away as they head to play some impressive competition.

"We need to work on the defensive zone and pick up on the far end guy," Feehrey said. "We've got Iowa next weekend who was ranked really high at the end of last season, so we have to

bear down on any weaknesses we may have."

Trosien said playing teams like Iowa and Central Michigan, who have been ranked top eight in the first couple of weekends will be tough but will be huge for regional rankings.

The team wants to earn a spot at regionals this year which is their main goal according to Trosien.

"We need to feed off the challenge instead of being intimidated by it," Trosien said. "We have to not just split a series against teams like them, we need to sweep them to make regionals."

Weber said the team seems to be full of a lot of well-rounded athletes that want to be on the ice and work for their success.

"A lot of the new guys are buying into our systems and we have a great mix of speed, talent, and hard work on the ice," Weber said. "We may not have amazing skill but we have a lot of hard working players, and I'd rather have that on my team."

The Wildcats' travel to take on the Iowa Hawkeyes at 9:15 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 21, and 8:15 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 22, in Coralville, Iowa.



Justin Key/NW

Junior center Kellen Michalak (25) lines up for a shot against Michigan Tech on Saturday. The 'Cats defended their home ice with a 7-3 victory.

# NMU Women's hockey retools roster

By **Dustin Anand**  
contributing writer

It's getting cold and that means hockey season is just around the corner for the NMU women's club hockey team to undergo another season.

The Wildcats practiced on Wednesday, Sept. 12 at the Berry Events Center preparing for another season.

The team is nearing the end of try-outs as they will conclude

with an 18 man roster.

The 'Cats will be hosting Miami University back to back games on Friday, October 5th and Saturday, October 6th for their season opener.

The team is ready to have a stronger season than last year with a new coach and additional players to their team.

Returning wing player Elle Fitzgerald is not only excited about the upcoming season but is determined to work hard and have

a successful season.

"I'm super pumped for this season," Fitzgerald said. "I think we're really looking forward to seeing the team do well this year and build chemistry throughout the year. It's definitely going to take a lot of hard work and dedication; I think getting more chemistry on and off the ice will be a main factor in being able to compete against those teams. We'll work together and focus more on the game instead of drama."

Fitzgerald is prepared for another action packed season when the 'Cats face teams such as Michigan State University, Central Michigan, Ohio State University, University of Michigan, and Miami University.

"We have a lot of incoming freshmen who show so much potential for the team," Fitzgerald said. "We have 18 skaters now as opposed to 10, which is nice. We also have a new head coach."

Fitzgerald hopes the new mix will be a positive for the team.

"I feel our strengths are that we all seem to be more on the same page this year and willing to work on our issues instead of letting them create more problems."

Fitzgerald said with all the changes getting the players to gel could be an issue.

"I think a weakness is that since we do have mostly new players and a new coach, we don't have that chemistry yet and we have to adjust better and more quickly to each other."

This year the 'Cats will have a full roster and have better opportunities than they did with a ten man roster.

Senior defenseman Britt Shand is entering her last season with the 'Cats and is inspired to work with a new group of girls and have her last season end with a bang.

"I truly and honestly am most looking forward to playing with this particular group of players."

I see so much heart and passion for the game that it inspires me to want to work, to get stronger and to help turn this program around. The most challenging part is going to be staying focused and positive. One of the most important additions is our two new coaches."

Shand said the team is committed and wants to show that they're no small league team.

The team wants to maintain the fight they had last year.

"The number one strength of the team last year was our determination to never quit. Regardless of the score, we never stopped fighting. We played collectively as a team until the final second ticked away. But our weakness was not being able to always stay positive." Shand said

The team prepares for a long season as they have road games to Houghton, down state Michigan, Illinois, Ohio, Missouri, and Minnesota.

The team fees are about \$1200 depending on the number of players on the team.

The team also requires a cumulative GPA of 2.00 to remain on the roster.

Come support women's hockey as they play their season opener on Friday, Oct. 5, 2012 against Miami at 7 p.m. at the Berry Events Center.

For additional information go to women's club hockey on NMU webpage.



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The NMU women's club hockey team hit the ice at the Berry Event Center earlier this week. The Wildcats are up in numbers this year with 18 skaters. They host Miami to start their season on Friday, Oct. 5 at the Berry.

## Rugby men hit road for season opener

*'Cats take to the pitch with high recruiting class and expectations*

By **Laura Conway**  
staff writer

With 2007 NMU alumni Ken Laverty coming back to coach the NMU men's club rugby team, the Moosemen are ready to ruck right through their competition this season.

After playing three years with the New London County Rugby Football Club and helping them win the 2011 NERFU DIII Championships, Laverty said he was ready to come back to the Upper Peninsula.

"I came back and have been working on my own business, JK Partners, for the better part of a year now," Laverty said. "I started volunteering my spare time to coach the boys; it's one of the things I'm passionate about and I love to do it with my old team."

Laverty said the team is looking strong this year with one of the biggest recruited classes in recent memory.

"We have over 30 guys and a lot of them are recruits who already have rugby experience," Laverty said. "There may even

be a few rookies that make their way up to the starting line-up."

One of this year's recruits with experience is freshman Nathan Vertel who has two positions on the official roster, inside player and cheer master.

For him, playing rugby is a family past time.

"I've been around rugby my whole life," Vertel said. "My dad plays for a club back in Detroit and I have been watching him play and practice since I was a kid."

After playing on a high school and club team for five years, Vertel said he was glad to find out the school he ended up going to had rugby so he could continue playing.

"I wanted to go to a school I could be outdoors all the time," Vertel said. "Now I get to explore all Marquette has to offer and look forward to knocking people over on the rugby pitch."

Senior Ian Ronayne, Moosemen scrum half, is coming to the end of his college career and comes to each match with the same enthusiasm as when he first started.

"I have been playing rugby since my brother got me into it in the seventh grade," Ronayne said. "I love playing; I get as excited for these matches as I did for my first match."

Ronayne said anyone who wants to play post-college rugby has to get noticed on a city league then you can get picked to play on something like the Michigan Rugby Union Select team.

"Once you make a select team, the national rugby coaches will pick who they like and bring them to tryouts," Ronayne said.

Having a coach for the team has made it a lot easier for Ronayne to meet his goal of continuing his playing career after college.

"Over the past few years seniors have had to play both coach and athlete roles," Ronayne said. "With Laverty here we can focus on our game and have a better chance to continue on after college."

The Moosemen have already had a win under their belt to warm up for the season.

The Alumni match where the

current team play a match against graduated ruggers.

"It was a really good learning experience for the rookies and gave us a chance to see how we play together," Ronayne said. "The first kick off was actually right to a rookie who ran it back to score a try right away."

Laverty said he is ready to get the season started and see how far the team will get this year.

"We are getting ready for our first match of the season against Milwaukee who were ranked fifth nationally last year," Laverty said. "We didn't rank that high after last fall season, but after last spring season I am expecting some good things from the boys."

Ronayne said the team has some tough competition headed their way after a switch in rugby unions.

"We just combined with the Wisconsin Rugby Union," Ronayne said. "Now we are going to be playing the best teams

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— Ken Laverty  
club rugby head coach

in both Michigan and Wisconsin."

Laverty has faith in the cohesiveness of the team even though half of the team is coming in as strangers with no experience with the game.

He said the team is bonding really well on and off the pitch.

"Success comes with team unity, it's important to trust the guys next to you on the field," Laverty said. "Our team is getting to that point where they can not only find each other on the pitch but rely on each other's support off the pitch."

The Moosemen play their first match of the season away at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 22 at University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

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Fall — Welcome back. — **EIC**

Students — Come out to Kream a Kappa at the Game Day Block party!! — **Kappa Beta Gamma**

NW printer — I don't like counting to 100 as I watch your spooling percentage climb. Your death is imminent. — **F.E.**

New printer — Please come soon. We need you more than you know. — **NW staff**

Bill Cosby — I see you have finally been drawn back to the Upper Peninsula. Was it perhaps some persuasive man's sweater compliments? Rhetorical question Bill Cosby. — **O.E.**

Singer named Seal — Have you ever been clubbing, Seal? Get it? Seal Clubbing? I laughed.. — **Actual Seal**

SNL — I am so happy you've returned. You light up my life. — **Actual Seal**

Resident Evil 6 — I can't wait for your release. Between trying to lose my acne and virginity, who knows when I'll find the time to play you. Who am I kidding? — **Unspecified teenager**

The Jersey Shore — Did someone finally throw the golden chain into Mount Doom? Is it safe in New Jersey again? — **Gandolf the Guido**

Mitt Romney — Want to burn money and laugh at poor people with me later? — **Paul Ryan**

Paul Ryan — Toats. — **Mitt Romney**

Kristy — Thanks for the food! — **NW Staff**

Barack Obama — Can I please play videogames again, Barack? Please? I promise I'll be good.

— **Joseph Biden**

Psy — Killer moves. — **White male**  
 Joseph Biden — Those are drones. It's not a game, Joe. — **Barack Obama**

Acoustic guitar — Forget booze. You're the real social lubricant! — **Kumbaya Fanboyz**

NJ — I miss you already but do not worry. I will be strong and do well out here while I am away. I shall return to you when the time is right — **East Coaster**

You — So glad I finally get see you during "OUR" rotations, a month is way too long! Now let the fun begin! Love you. — **Me**

My favorite big sis — Thans for the soup, it was yummy. Possibly better than moms...shhh don't tell her! Love you! — **Your favorite little sister**

Arctic House — You guys are all pretty chill, I love our house this year..remember to always stay iceeee! — **Girl in long hall**

Justin Bieber — I think about you 99% of my life!! — **Carley and Laura**

Duncan Dudley — Hi Duncan! I miss your face! Give Panda a kiss for me — **Doodles**

Jake — I get to see you in one week! You guys better start preparing for me and Palmer. I love you! — **Shaina**

National talk like a pirate day — Ahoy matee. Arrrrrgghhhh — **Former pirate**

Sons of Anarchy — Thanks for being such a great show and never disappointing me. — **SOA lover**

Diet pepsi — Please stop making me addicted to you. It is really challenging to delete you from my diet. — **Addict**

Saige — Thanks for liking my soup. It is my favorite. I love you. Lets do something fun this weekend and hang out with me more please. Thanks. xo — **Shaina**

Sports — Get your pages done so we can go home. Good job with your page layouts though! — **EIC**

NW staff — good job again this weekend. You guys are awesome and it will only keep getting better — **EIC**

Kristy — Thanks for everything! — **NW staff**

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  - Funky Cold Medina
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  - Sons of Anarchy
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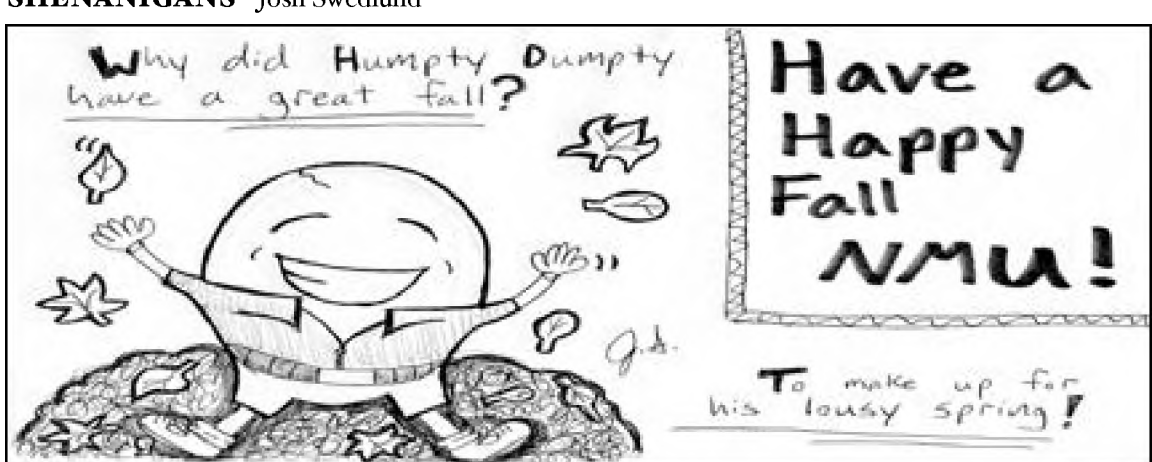
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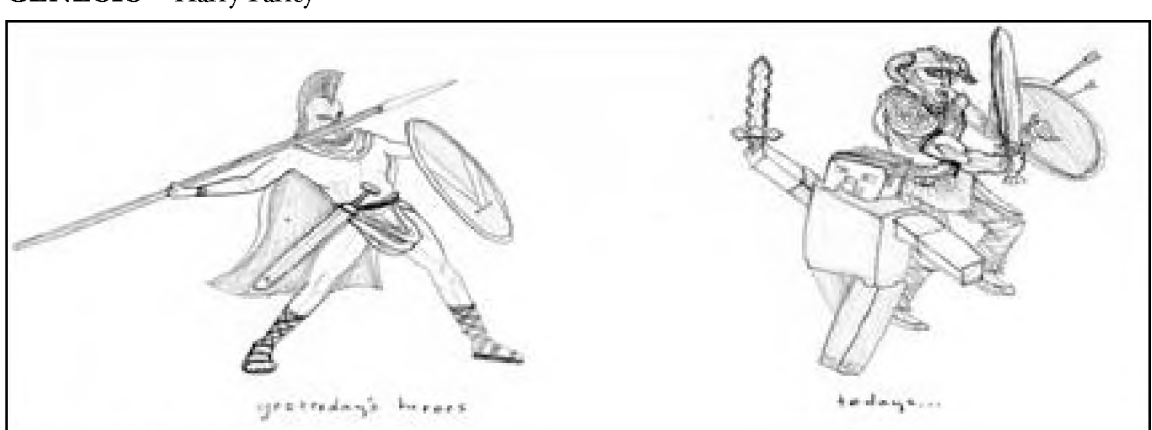
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