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## 'Elect Her' event coming to NMU

By Amanda Monthei  
news editor

Following last fall's election, 97 of the 535 seats of the United States Congress are currently held by women, which equates to just over 18 percent of all Congressional seats.

This statistic, among others — such as the fact that the United States is classified as 77th in international rankings regarding the percentage of women in elected positions — have solicited a widespread response from women who are concerned with what could come of such a low representation of females in government positions.

"Historically, women have held a very small fraction of the elected offices in the United States and of the women in elected office, only a few have really had leadership positions," said Judy Puncochar, NMU associate professor of education. "Women are a little more than half the citizens of the United States and yet only 18 percent of the United States Congressional representatives are women."

Stemming from this concern has been a nationwide campaign that aims to educate and train young, college-aged women who have the potential to run for regional, state and national positions.

The campaign — Elect Her: Campus Women Win — was first introduced to Northern in 2010, when NMU was chosen as one of only a handful of schools that would help get the program off the ground.

Currently, only 39 college campuses in the United States and Jamaica are offering the training session.

"Northern was one of 10 campuses to compete for a national grant to run elect her," Puncochar said. "The purpose [of Elect Her] is to get young women to learn how to run campaigns, to learn

what a campaign is all about so they will be able to hone their message, learn how to network and really come up with what the issues are."

Puncochar emphasized that the event is non-partisan, and that its sole purpose is to benefit women who hope to take on leadership and political positions in the future.

"It's just about teaching young women how to run for student government at the college level," she said. "Many women who run at the college level are women who are willing to run at the regional and state and national level — the purpose really is getting more female representation in the long term in the United States."

In the process of organizing the Elect Her event, Puncochar has been receiving assistance from two Freshman Fellowship members.

Danielle Schafer and Olivia Crawford, both freshmen, have been serving as the student liaisons for the event, and have themselves held extensive responsibility in the organization of the occasion.

"My partner and Danielle and I worked together to make the Facebook event, and we also contacted all the speakers and got them all lined up," Crawford said. "And we're the ones that recruit people and try to get them to come to the event."

The event itself will, according to Puncochar, include a meal and speeches from Cheryl Hill — the newly-elected Marquette County Probate Judge — as well as Nancy Bocskar, who is the actual trainer for the event and will be traveling from Washington D.C. to represent the American Association of University Women (AAUW).

The event is being held at 12:30 to 5 p.m. Saturday, March 16 from in the Pioneer Rooms of the University Center, and will also include a simulated cam-



**PUNCOCHAR**

## Dining on music



Kristen Koehler/NW

The band Everything Under the Sun (members, from left: Johnny Kero, Brett Hanson and NMU student Mike Krah) performs at the Marketplace on Monday, March 11 during Dining Services' PigStock event.

## Psychic celebrity visits campus

By Chris Ditttrick  
contributing writer

Acclaimed psychic Chip Coffey will be visiting NMU on Saturday, March 16 in Jamrich 102.

Coffey is known for his appearances on the A&E channel programs, "Paranormal State" and "Psychic Kids," according to Alysa Spivak, a freshman theater and entertainment arts major. Coffey also had his first book, "Growing up Psychic," published in 2012.

"He's a psychic, which means that he has the ability to see the past, present and future," Spivak said. "Also, he can identify what is a ghost and what isn't."

Coffey will be giving a lecture from noon to 1 p.m. on the day of the event, and will also hold an autograph signing from 1 to 2 p.m. following his lecture.

He will later have a gallery reading from 2 to 3 p.m., in which he will offer a couple of private readers to attendees.

The lecture and associated

events are being presented by the NMU Paranormal Research Team (PRT).

According to Spivak, Coffey is considered a medium as well as a psychic, and can find and speak to the dead relatives of a particular individual to convey possible messages from lost loved ones.

Limited quantities of tickets are available for the reading gallery after Coffey's lecture, and can be reserved by emailing prt@nmu.edu, according to the NMU PRT Facebook page.

Those who participate in the gallery reading might have a chance to have a reading performed by Coffey during the event.

According to the PRT website, the student organization was founded in 2004 and is dedicated not only to the documentation and study of paranormal phenomena, but also to the education of the public about the subject of the paranormal.

The organization strives to employ a purely scientific ap-

proach to studying the paranormal, and they do not advocate the use of occult methods and tools. The PRT is willing to talk to anyone who may be looking for more information on what they do or on joining the organization, and are available at events such as the upcoming lecture with Coffey.

According to Naysa Anderson, vice president of PRT and a senior majoring in pre-law and philosophy, PRT investigations often do find evidence of the presence of spirits, and one particular investigation involved a personal experience.

"During an investigation we were in an old building and the group had been experiencing some odd readings and noises," she said. "Some in the group became unsettled by a corner of the room. I approached the corner and stood there for a while taking readings. After a bit, I got the sensation of something squeezing very hard on my ster-

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# SANDRA FLUKE

## “MAKING OUR VOICES HEARD”



### ASK YOURSELF: WHERE DO I STAND?

Social justice advocate and law scholar, Sandra Fluke is coming to NMU. Famous for her testimony regarding women's reproductive rights in the House of Representatives, Ms. Fluke started a nationally-recognized conversation on sexism and bigotry in American culture and politics.

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# Nationally recognized social activist Sandra Fluke to speak at Northern

By Amanda Monthei  
news editor

As an attorney and social activist, 31-year-old Sandra Fluke has been one of the foremost female voices in the increasingly complex discussion regarding women's rights issues, namely contraceptive coverage in the Affordable Healthcare Act.

Fluke, who graduated from Cornell University in 2003 and is a recent law graduate of Georgetown University, will be sharing her story — as well as tips for Northern students to engage in their own social advocacies — on Wednesday, March 20 as a part of Northern's ongoing celebration of Women's History Month.

"She's representative of a very important discussion that I think a lot of college students and political policy makers are having right now," said Mark Surrell, co-president of Platform Personalities, the organization that will be hosting the event. "It's just about not leaving anyone behind or forgetting anyone's rights, which is what she's talking about,

specifically women's rights and how women need to be properly represented if we're going to have a fair and democratic health care program."

Fluke was first ushered into the spotlight of modern American policy when she was invited to speak at a House Democratic Steering and Policy Committee hearing in February 2012. Her testimony at the hearing challenged the current policies — and the legislators that create them — that deny contraceptive coverage at universities and other religiously affiliated organizations like her alma mater Georgetown.

"I think her just being a social justice advocate and speaking out on behalf of women's rights and being young herself will help her relate to NMU students," said Rachel Harris, advisor of Platform Personalities. "I think that what she is talking about is really relative — she's young and engaged and making a difference. She's really making a name for herself."

Fluke was also invited to speak at the 2012 Democratic National Convention in September, where

she discussed the illogical bipartisanship of the current contraceptive coverage discussion.

Beyond that, however, Fluke is quite simply a young activist that is doing what she feels is necessary, and students who are interested in social activism and advocacy will surely be engaged by what she has to say, according to Surrell.

"She's a young lady—she was in college until just recently—so she understands the plight of the college student at a pretty intimate level," Surrell said. "She'll be able to empathize with the students and I think the students likewise will be able to recognize her situation. I think that if (students) are interested in learning how to get involved in things they care about and how to create the institutions to protect the things they care about, I think they can learn a few things from her."

The event will be held from 7:30 to 9 p.m. on Wednesday, March 20 in the Great Lakes Rooms of the University Center. The cost is free for students and \$2 for the general public.

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campaign in which participants will be able to gather votes from students on campus.

It is being funded by the AAUW and Running Start, both organizations that aim to inspire young women to run for public office.

"[The speakers will] basically be talking about how they've gotten into the positions that they're in and what they do in those positions," Crawford said. "Also, how it influences others, what's driven them to get to this point and what motivates them now."

In the past, the event has con-

tributed well to the successful campaigns of ASNMU members, and in fact has a solid track record in its first three years of existence.

"As a matter of fact — in the first two [Elect Her] events — everyone who attended actually won (their respective ASNMU campaigns)," Puncocar said. "Last year we did have one person lose, but we were (previously) running 100 percent with people who attended Elect Her actually winning campaigns."

"We've got a good track record for people who run a campaign and actually do very well with the skills that they get from this training."

Among the many skills that will be covered at the event, the

most fundamental knowledge and skills that Puncocar hopes attendees walk away with is the ability to run successful campaigns and to find the motivation to create a stronger female presence in modern American politics.

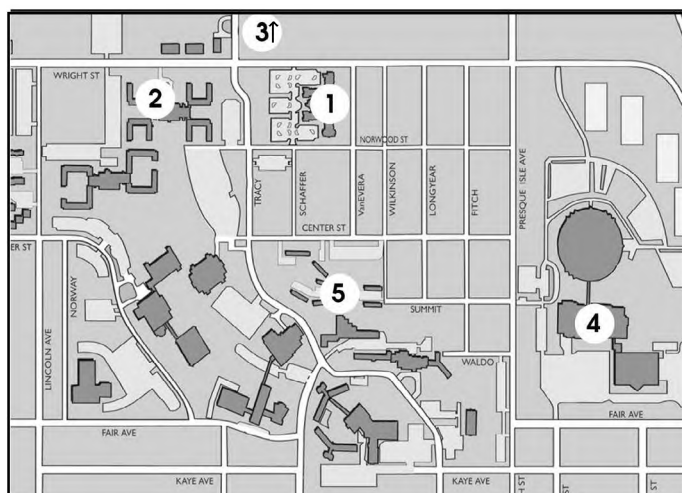
"There is a problem and part of the solution is skill building and leadership training for women to learn how to work together to really help other women running campaigns," she said. "It's excellent training."

The event, while oriented toward young women, is also open to male students who are looking to learn the skills necessary to identify issues — political or otherwise — and run a successful campaign. The event is free for students.

## KEY

1. At 4 p.m. on Saturday, March 9, a student was found using marijuana at the Woodland Apartments.
2. A student was found in possession of marijuana in Hunt Hall on Sunday, March 10.
3. Harassing communication was reported at 2:50 p.m. on Monday, March 11 at Public Safety.
4. Larceny of personal property was reported at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, March 11 at the PEIF.
5. A student was found in possession of and using marijuana at 12:24 a.m. on Tuesday, March 12 at the Summit Street Apartments.

## CAMPUS CRIME MAP



## State News

An ice island that has formed in Lake Michigan off Emmet County in the northern region of the Lower Peninsula has been attracting attention.

Local store owner Jim Sutherland said the combination of cold weather and wind built ice into mountains and caves. He said he hasn't seen this large of ice formations in many years and they have likely been growing for six to eight weeks.

Lake Superior has similar ice formations along the shoreline, drawing hikers and attention as well.

Earlier this winter hundreds of ice balls and boulders formed at Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore Park, also causing attention.

## National News

A large pipeline fire in a remote Louisiana bayou could possibly burn for two days, while the Coast Guard sprayed water on a nearby oil-laden barge trying to keep it cool and the oil from igniting.

The fire began Tuesday, March 12 when a tug pushing the barge hit a liquified natural gas pipeline in shallow water. Officials say they do not expect the fire to be out Thursday, March 14 or later.

Smoke from the blaze is said to be seen 30 miles away in New Orleans.

Four people were injured, one critically. No oil has spilled as of Wednesday, March 13. What the Coast Guard thought to be pockets of oil turned out to be ash from the burned gas.

## International News

Jorge Mario Bergoglio became the first Latin American pope on Wednesday, March 13, as he was surprisingly chosen by 115 cardinal electors as the new leader of the Roman Catholic Church. The new pope hails from Latin American country of Argentina.

Bergoglio, who has taken the name of Francis I, is also the first non-European pontiff to be chosen in 1,300 years, and the first Jesuit to be elected spiritual leader of more than 1.2 billion Roman Catholics worldwide. Bergoglio's victory was announced by French cardinal Jean-Louis Tauran who declared on Wednesday afternoon, in Latin, "I announce to you a great joy. We have a pope."

The new pope is entering a "troubled" Roman Catholic church, according to www.reuters.com, which cites recent child sex scandals and internal conflict as just a few of the issues that has torn at the very foundation of Vatican bureaucracy in past years.

## Weird News

More than 2,800 pig carcasses have been dumped upstream from Shanghai, China, making their way to the financial hub.

People have been fearful of eating infected pork and now new health fears have been created with the possibility of the city's water being contaminated. However, authorities say contamination has not been detected yet.

Since Friday, March 8, authorities have been pulling the dead and rotting pigs, some with exposed organs, out of the water.

Shanghai's Agriculture Committee said authorities do not know the cause of the pigs' deaths. However, they have detected a sometimes-fatal disease in at least one of the carcasses related to the porcine circovirus, which is widespread in pigs but is said not to affect humans or other livestock.

The pigs were said to have come from Jiaying city in neighboring Zhejiang province.

— Compiled from news sources

# Student political campaign results in election

By Amanda Monthei  
news editor

After assisting in a successful congressional campaign for Dan Benishek during last year's election cycle, NMU junior and Marquette native Luke Londo felt the next logical step in his political career was to try running a campaign of his own.

Since that decision late last year, Londo has spent the past three months campaigning for the executive committee position available in the 109th District.

On Friday, Feb. 22, Londo achieved his goal while attending the Michigan GOP District Caucuses in Lansing, where he

successfully secured the executive committee seat by a vote of 9 to 8 among chosen delegates from the 109th District.

"I was genuinely surprised," Londo said. "I walked in pretty confident that I was going to lose. The woman that I was running against, Brenda Raymond, is from the Marquette County party, she's absolutely fantastic. She had served in the position before me, she had already been in the position for some time. But I was pleasantly surprised to win by one vote at the end of a long night of District Caucuses."

While his election to the position was a surprise, Londo said that he put long hours into his campaign to secure the votes necessary to win.

"Working on my own campaign — lining up votes and reaching out to individuals from four different counties — was very, very time consuming and very difficult with school," Londo said. "It's basically

calling them, emailing them, listing things I want to accomplish and then reaching out to them personally with a phone call to ask for their support. I did that with delegates from all four counties in this house district (Alger, Luce, Marquette and Schoolcraft)."

Additionally, Londo is currently serving as the secretary of the Marquette County Republican Party office, acting as a member of the College Republicans, all while juggling 16 credits as a political science major at Northern.

"It is difficult. Last semester when I was campaigning for (Benishek), I was working 50 to 60 hours a week," he said. "That wasn't too bad on a 10-credit load, but despite the fact that I'm not working this semester, having a full 16-credit load in addition to working on my own campaign has been difficult."

However, Londo said he plans on finishing out this semester's classes before becoming wholly absorbed in the responsibilities of his new position.

"I'm not doing anything (in the position) as of yet," he said. "Finishing this semester is my number one priority, though. On a district level, we're starting to work on our bylaws. We'll get those finalized and then start getting the ball rolling on recruit-

ing candidates and fundraising locally. Other than that, I'm just finishing school."

After finishing his degree — which he hopes to complete by May 2014 — Londo is planning to move to Lansing or potentially Washington D.C. to further his political career.

"I'm not too sure, but after I graduate next year I'm thinking about putting law school on the back burner and heading to Lansing or to D.C. to see if I can develop a political career," he said. "Otherwise, law school is a decent 'golden parachute' to have."

Yet even with a somewhat established plan for post-college life, Londo said he is happy to be taking advantage of every opportunity that NMU has afforded him and continues to provide him.

"[NMU has] really allowed me to be presented with a wide variety of viewpoints," Londo said. "I'm taking a class right now, Politics of Islamic Nations, which is something I admittedly know very little about, and it's really interesting. Women in Politics with Dr. [Ruth] Watry is also a great class and it's an issue that's not discussed enough."

The array of viewpoints and issues being discussed in NMU classrooms has, according to Londo, helped him become less concerned with partisanship and more concerned with the actual

issues.

"Generally in my political discourse, I deal with strictly Republican issues and then opposing strictly Democrat issues," he said. "That seems to be really counterproductive if you want to be a global or United States citizen that is well-versed in all the issues."

Furthermore, Londo and other members of party organizations on campus assert that involvement in political organizations on campus prepare students for not only opportunities like Londo's, but also for an array of other jobs in the political sphere.

"If you want to be involved in politics at all— whether you're a Republican, Democrat or even Libertarian, whatever party you are — you have to go through these kind of things if you want to be involved professionally," said NMU College Republicans President Justin Bis. "For example, our previous president (Sarah Morrison) is now the executive assistant to the president of the National Rifle Association, and we have all sorts of people working in [Washington] D.C. and in Benishek's office."

"It's incredibly important if you want to get involved in government to first get involved in your campus party because there are a lot of opportunities that we can unlock."



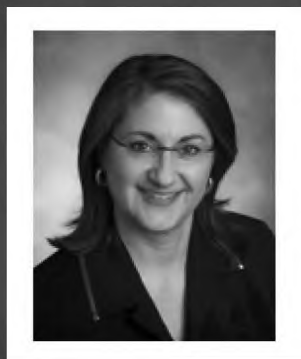
Photo courtesy of Luke Londo  
Luke Londo spent the 2012 election cycle as an assistant to the Dan Benishek congressional campaign.

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# ASNMU discusses progress of campus programs

By Jenean Zahran  
staff writer

Amongst the many projects ASNMU has been working on, two programs that they hope to bring to fruition before the semester is over is the Wildcat Market and the Wildcat Wallet initiative.

The Wildcat Market is a program that existed previously and was an opportunity for students to come together and sell items they had handcrafted.

"I was engaged by a student who had been a regular at the market, and she was concerned about the fact that Wildcat Market was not happening because they had specifically made room in their schedule for it by not taking classes or scheduling work during that time," said Vice President Amber Lopota. "So not only were they losing out on work hours they could have been working, but also on the income from the Market."

According to Lopota, two representatives who are no longer

with ASNMU brought the idea of bringing Wildcat Market back to the students.

At the beginning of last semester, they worked with the administration and were able to secure a location in the atrium of the University Center, just outside the NMU Bookstore and Wells Fargo area.

"The program seemed to do fine until the end of the fall semester," Lopota said. "When we returned from winter break to start winter semester, the Wildcat market was nowhere to be found. The ex-representatives stated they had to have some meetings to ensure the continued progress of the program and then we heard nothing."

Lopota hopes to see it up and operating again for the last six weeks of the semester.

Another program ASNMU hopes to re-start is Wildcat Wallet, a student discount program that is offered to NMU students that allows them to get discounts from local stores. An example of this is getting a free taco at Taco Bell just by showing them your NMU ID.

"I believe it is important that local businesses help provide discounts to Northern students because the fi-

nancial burden that the majority of the students have is very high and businesses giving discounts can help lower the financial burden that students have," said Julie Goldberg, general studies Rep.

One of the actions ASNMU plans on accomplishing to improve the program is calling more local business asking if they will participate in the program. However, no official date is set for that, according to Goldberg.

Goldberg hopes the steps that are needed to continue this program will be done within the next few weeks so that students can benefit from more discounts that various stores can offer.

Any student can help ASNMU with working on Wildcat Wallet. Students who want to get involved should stop by the ASNMU office and talk to a representative about it, according to Goldberg.

While not discussed at the meeting, the Safe Rides Program is going to be available for anyone who needs a sober ride home this weekend.

The rides will be offered from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. from Thursday, March 14 to Saturday, March 16. Interested students can call (906) 362-4669 and ask for "Safe Rides Home," according to Rep Wes Reiber, General Studies.

## COFFEY

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ing very hard on my sternum. Despite my best efforts to regroup myself I had to leave the building completely before the sensation ceased."

Anderson also said that joining PRT was motivated primarily by the words and actions of skeptics towards the paranormal.

"I was motivated to join because I found it annoying how people would talk about the paranormal as a joke," Anderson said. "I think that passing off centuries of the unexplained and behaving as though human knowledge has reached its limits in that extent is an amazing display of arrogance."

The NMU Paranormal Research Team can be reached by email at [www.prt@nmu.edu](mailto:www.prt@nmu.edu), or on their website at [www.myweb.nmu.edu/~prt/index.html](http://www.myweb.nmu.edu/~prt/index.html). They also have a Facebook page, which can be found at [www.facebook.com/NMUPRT](http://www.facebook.com/NMUPRT).

More info about Chip Coffey and his upcoming appearance can be found on his website at [www.chipcoffey.com/](http://www.chipcoffey.com/).



COFFEY



Justin Key/NW  
Chief of the Assembly Abby Roche speaks at an ASNMU meeting earlier this month. This week, the assembly discussed current projects as well as its budget.



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## Northern student nurses holding second annual function for charity

By Emily Pagel  
contributing writer

The Student Nursing Association (SNA) will be holding their second annual charity event for the Medical Care Access Coalition (MCAC) from 7 to 11 p.m. on Friday, March 15 at the Ramada Inn Ballroom in Marquette.

Tickets are \$5 for students and \$10 for the general public, and will be available for purchase in the Nursing Technology Center (1609 West Science) and also at the door.

The price of admission will include pizza, pop, snacks and entertainment. There will also be bead necklaces and glow sticks for sale to help raise additional money for the organization.

Unlike previous years, there is no dress code for this event and SNA encourages students to come as they are.

"There are a lot of students that are involved in Medical Care Access Coalition (MCAC) and they're a big part of medical in Marquette, so it's a good way for us to raise money for the charity," said Alicia Crouse, events coordinator for the SNA.

MCAC is a donation based medical service for the uninsured with a mission to, according to SNA vice president Brendan

Franklin, 'Develop a model system to provide needed health care to underserved individuals in Marquette

County, and to assist other communities in doing the same.'

The non profit organization is located in the Medical Center on Fair Avenue and is able to care for low income patients through donated health care, pharmaceuticals and medical office visits.

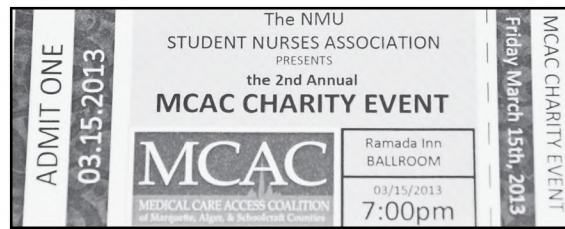
Last year's charity event raised nearly \$3,000 for MCAC.

"We're always working to do better," Franklin said. "The main thing we want to do is to get people aware."

"Not only is our goal to raise money for Medical Care Access Coalition but it's to spread awareness about these programs and how they are around Marquette."

Franklin said the program can serve to benefit not only community members, but also students who do not have access insurance or other ways to receive health care.

"There are a lot of students that use their services that don't have insurance, can't apply for or receive Medicaid, so they do receive things from MCAC," he



said. "Hopefully we can beat last year's goal but it's all up to students."

Last semester, the charity event for the Janzen House was at full capacity according to Franklin.

"It's a ton of fun," he said. "I think every year students find out about it more and more and it's becoming a big thing, these charity events are becoming quite large. I look forward to seeing lots of new faces there."

Students who are unable to attend the event but would like to donate to MCAC can bring monetary donations to the Nursing Technology Center.

The SNA is an organization on campus with more than 80 registered members. They plan charity events, help with the blood drives at the volunteer center and work on campus and in the community on medical-related projects. For more information about the event and Student Nursing Association email [acrouse@nmu.edu](mailto:acrouse@nmu.edu) or [brfrankl@nmu.edu](mailto:brfrankl@nmu.edu).

## Campus organization offering last chance to sign wolf hunt petition

By Joe Lincoln  
contributing writer

Since December 2012, environmentalists on a local, regional and state level have been fighting to generate enough petition signatures to pass a referendum on the recent law that could open up wolves as a game species in Michigan by as early as this fall.

EarthKeepers II, a student organization dealing mostly in environmental awareness within faith-based communities in the U.P., will be holding a signature event on campus on Wednesday, March 20, in order to accumulate more signatures from registered voters on campus.

The event lands on the final day of the 90-day period in which the necessary 161,305 petition signatures can be obtained. Without the signatures to challenge it, the legislation will be passed into law.

"The goal of this movement is to raise wolf awareness and distribute information," said senior Adam Magnuson, president of

EarthKeepers II and environmental science major. "Wolves were just taken off the endangered species list after half a generation — the numbers just aren't there yet."

The event will be held all day from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Wednesday, March 20 in the lower level of the Learning Resource Center (the basement of the library, near the Starbucks Lounge).

Requirements to sign the petition include being a registered voter in the state of Michigan. However, if you are not registered to vote, the opportunity to register will be available at the EarthKeepers II table as well. EarthKeepers II would also like the public to know that if a petition has been filled out in the past, the form can be brought to the table on the date of the signature event to be mailed to Lansing with the rest of the signatures collected.

More information on the wolf hunt petition can be found in the February 21 issue of the North Wind. Email [earthkeepersii@gmail.com](mailto:earthkeepersii@gmail.com) with any questions.

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# Grounds crew offers suggestions for winter parking

By Ellen Holmes  
contributing writer

With winter weather still upon us, the NMU groundskeeping staff continues to fulfill all snow removal needs on campus, and additionally urges students and staff to be mindful and conscious when driving or parking on campus in the coming weeks.

With recent snow days and delays, the grounds crew staff has been especially busy with keeping up on snow cleanup.

According to Jim Thams, associate director engineer and planning/grounds, the choices students make when parking and driving around campus directly affect the ability of the groundskeepers to efficiently remove snow from campus on particularly inclement mornings.

Thams said commuter lots and apartment/residence hall parking lots have priority over other lots on campus when there is substantial snowfall. However, another issue that Public Safety and groundskeepers frequently see is that of inattentive parking.

"Not all of the parking lots have parking islands that run the full length of the parking lot where you can actually pull up against a curb and know you're there, but all the parking lots at least have islands in them and light poles," he said. "Those are all placed in

the center of parking lots so cars can line up on them. So if people are mindful of that and kind of look to their right, look to their left, figure out where they are and where they should be parking, it helps prevent things like cars being parked three deep."

With seven full-time grounds staff, groundskeeping often begin their workdays between 3 and 5 a.m. on snowy mornings, depending on snowfall.

Plow drivers follow their specified routes on campus to clear snow for incoming students and staff, with one who is responsible for the driving areas in parking lots, one who takes care of all main roads and driveways in parking lots and a handful that are assigned to sidewalks.

"Essentially, all of the roads on campus and drive lanes are considered first priority," Thams said. "All of the parking lots that serve an academic building or an administrative building are also first priority. For example the faculty and commuter lots that serve the academic mall."

After these heavily used lots are cared for, the crews' "second priority" lots are the on-campus apartments and other residential lots. However, on mornings where a snow day could be possible, those priorities change slightly.

"If school closes, our priorities

change," Thams said. "We don't take care of academic buildings first, because if school is closed, there's not going to be a lot of activity in those buildings. Where people are is where we redirect the plow drivers — so they'll take care of (residence halls and apartments) first and then come back and hit parking lots that are essentially serving buildings that are closed because of the snow day."

Either way, the typical workday for grounds crew members last anywhere from eight to 13 hours, and can begin as early as 3 a.m.

"On the typical day where snowfall is zero to four inches, first and second priority lots can be cleared in an eight-hour shift," Thams said. "But if we get four to eight inches, it can take the crew 12 or more hours."

But, as previously mentioned, plowing commuter parking lots when classes are canceled is very challenging and less efficient when cars begin parking in them in the morning, according to Thams, who advised students to avoid large commuter lots in the early mornings of snow days. In fact, Thams indicated that the hardest aspect of groundskeeping was just this: beating the morning traffic.

"Once a few cars start to come into a parking lot, it's an obstacle that the plow drivers have to

maneuver around and then they can't efficiently clean around those cars," Thams said. "If you get a string of cars that come in and don't line up quite right or maybe the way they're supposed to line up, let's say they park in a drive lane or something, it makes it really difficult for the guys to clear around them. That's one of the things that's tough to work around, just beating the morning traffic."

To make it easier for plow drivers, lots such as the residence hall and on-campus apartment lots are plowed on alternate Saturdays, and students are sent reminders of the plow schedule on a weekly basis, according to director of public safety Mike Bath.

"Students living on campus are instructed to park in alternate parking areas on these dates so the grounds department can plow those lots and get them thoroughly cleaned," Bath said.

Freshman finance major and dorm resident Tim Hopp said the current Saturday rotation is the most efficient way to keep the lots clear of snow and ice.

"I think that the biggest problem with parking around the dorms in the winter is when students don't move their cars on their designated Saturday clearing," Hopp said. "If students would move their cars when they need to, the parking lots would be a lot safer and cars wouldn't bottom out on snow and ice chunks."



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NMU ground crews staff suggests drivers align with the "islands" that are present in all university parking lots to avoid "three-deep" parking in lots.

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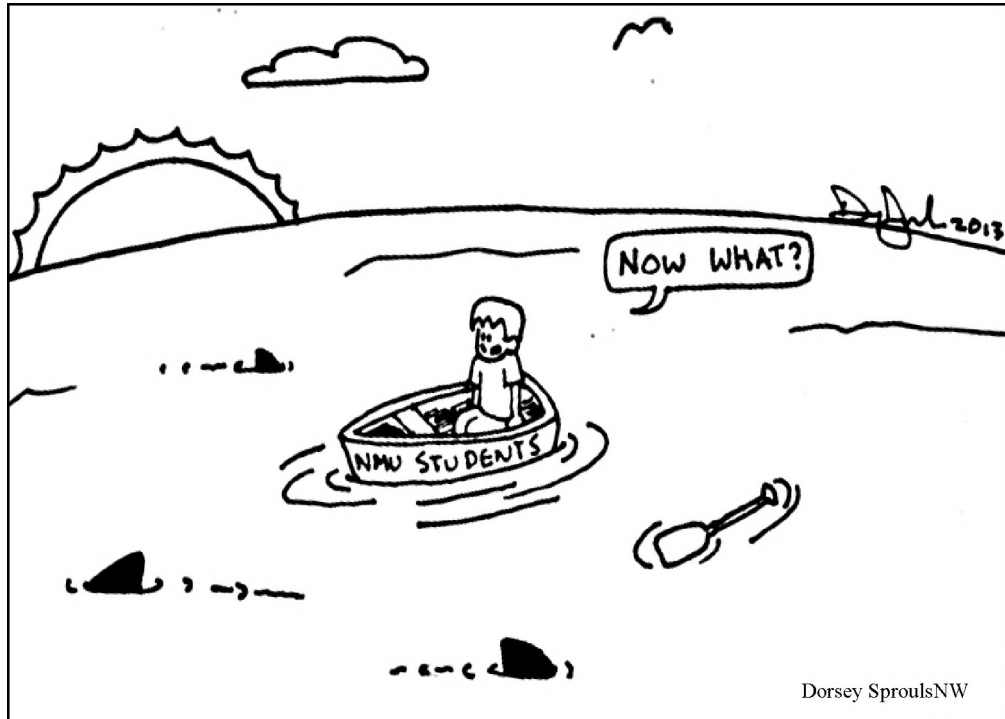
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## EDITORIAL



## ASNMU lacking judicial branch

NMU students have been without an ASNMU Judiciary (ASNMUJ) for far too long. The lack of members on the ASNMUJ became noticeable when the former articles of impeachment were filed during the Monday, Oct. 1, 2012 ASNMU meeting.

Since then, there has not been one single member appointed to the judiciary board.

The ASNMU elections are slated for Monday, April 1, and there is no student judiciary board to offer a necessary check and balance to an already ineffective government during election season and the post-election process.

Because there is no ASNMUJ board, the responsibility of deciding the validity of a complaint during the election and what appropriate action to take will be left in the hands of the Elections Committee, according to the ASNMU Constitution and By-laws.

Article III, Section 1, subsection B states "the committee will be comprised of at least three people...[subsection C] this committee will have: [vii] original jurisdiction over any

formal complaints that arise concerning the elections or referenda. Appellate jurisdiction shall rest with [ASNMUJ]."

The three individuals are ASNMU members John McGovern, college of professional studies representative, and Chelsea Parrish, off campus representative, who both currently serve with the one non-ASNMU member Carol Luedeman — as required by the bylaws.

This committee will be charged with holding those ASNMU members running in the election accountable for upholding campaign rules and ethics. Students should make sure that the Election Committee knows Wildcats are watching them carefully during this student election.

NMU students must put pressure on those overseeing the coming election.

Wildcats deserve better. As the election approaches, hold student government accountable. Remember the election is on Monday, April 1 — do not make student representation another April Fools' joke.

Good Samaritan laws necessary  
Human life more important than policy

Last week, 87-year-old Lorraine Bayliss died after collapsing in her Bakersfield, Calif. retirement community.

Soon after, a 911 recording surfaced of an employee at the Greenwood Gardens retirement complex calling for help.

On the recording, when the 911 dispatcher instructed the employee to start CPR on the victim, she refused.

The worker, who was certified in CPR, and identified herself only as Coleen, told 911 dispatcher Tracey Halvorson that it was a liability issue and against company policy to provide life-saving assistance to residents.

When Halvorson pleaded for her to hand the phone off to another resident or passerby, she claimed there was no one nearby.

Currently, all states have Good Samaritan laws in place, which are aimed at protecting citizens if they were to get involved in an emergency situation, but few people are aware of these rules, and it is easy to get confused as to how Good Samaritan laws might protect the average citizen.

In Michigan, part three of the law (MCL 691.1504) covers rendering of cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and use of an external defibrillator.

Basically, it states that if a person voluntarily performs CPR, they cannot be held liable for any civil damages except those resulting from gross negligence.

Arthur Caplan, a medical ethicist at New York University, said in an article from CNN.com, from a "medical ethics point of view, I think if you call 911, and 911 says, 'start CPR,' you have to do it. You are under an obligation to do it. You've started that process and you must follow through. The policy on paper may make sense," he said, "but policy be damned when someone's life is at stake."

I agree wholeheartedly with Caplan's claims. Forget policy.

It comes down to simply being human.

I can't imagine one being able to sit back and watch another human being die, especially when they've been trained in emergency assistance.

When Halvorson asked Coleen if she was just going to let Bayliss die, she replied, "That's why I'm calling 911."

You could sense the urgency, frustration and utter disbelief in Halvorson's frantic voice.

The call goes on for minutes, and through it all, Coleen seems careless and disconnected while a human be-

ing is struggling to survive right in front of her.

Halvorson assured Coleen that she would not be liable if anything were to go wrong in her providing care to the woman. She stated, the local emergency medical system "takes the liability for this call."

As a society, we have become so desensitized to death as it is so commonly portrayed and covered in the media, that we can completely ignore the reality of a human life ending.

Does it really have to come down to whether or not someone will be sued for saving another's life?

Regardless of the policy of the retirement complex, I feel it's your duty as a human being to step up and help someone in an emergency such as this.

Coleen was perfectly able to help, and was assured she wouldn't be held liable, yet she chose to do nothing.

In some instances, such as in the event of a spine or brain injury, it's important to stay calm and to not touch or move the victim in any way, as it may cause more harm and leave a Good Samaritan liable for further injuries.

In this case, however, Coleen was trained in CPR, and Halvorson, after being described the situation, was urging, if not ordering, her to perform it.

It is possible that a Do Not Resuscitate (DNR) order may have been filed by a victim.

A DNR is a legal document that forbids emergency workers from performing CPR or any other rescue attempts if that person were to stop respiration or if their heart were to stop.

Complications arise when emergencies happen in public. Immediate family is to convey the victim's wishes, and they are often times not present.

Lorraine Bayliss was a mother, and I can only assume she may have been a grandmother, also.

Think about the children and grandchildren she left behind.

Death doesn't affect solely the deceased, and now her family has to cope with not only the death of a loved one but also the possibility that her death could have been avoided if only Coleen would have disregarded "policy" and acted from the good of her heart.

Instead, they've laid Lorraine to rest, perhaps all too soon.

Let's push ourselves away from our television sets and video games and look at the bigger picture.

Death is a reality, not just something displayed in pixels of red that disappear after you press a button on your game controller. At some point in our lives, we've all experienced or are bound to experience, the loss of someone close to us.

I know I would like to know that those around my loved one did everything in their power to help, at least to make their passing as peaceful and as comfortable as possible.

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# The sequester comes to NMU; which cuts affect students



**Weekly  
Take Away**

**Lee  
McClelland**

After another session of partisan brinkmanship, Congress failed to pass a deficit reduction plan, thus triggering \$1.5 trillion in federal budget cuts over the next 10 years: this is being referred to as “the sequester.”

The far-reaching effect of Congress’s inaction has consequences — some dire, such as cuts to Medicare and Title IV education funds utilized by low-income families, and some which are yet undetermined.

There are two main factors to consider when assessing the impact of these widespread federal budget cuts on NMU: (1) how they affect financial aid and (2) how they affect funds obtained through grants used for research and development on campus.

Fortunately, Pell Grants are exempt from the budget cuts for the 2013 fiscal year, which means those students who receive Pell Grants (usually undergraduate students who demonstrate financial need) will be unaffected by the sequester.

However, it is uncertain how much funding will be cut in 2014.

Michael Rotundo, Director of the NMU Financial Aid Office, is optimistic and from the figures he has seen from the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (NASFAA), he expects minor impacts to federal student aid for the Fall 2013 semester.

“Overall, the projected impact looks to be pretty minimal here at NMU, Rotundo said. “The Pell Grant is safe and will not be affected for the 2013-14 school year. In fact, the maximum award for the neediest students will be going up from \$5,550 to \$5,645 for the 2013-14 year.

“The question is if there is a 5.1 percent cut [in the federal budget], what would be the im-

pact on our school? We’re going to see very little negative impact.”

While other Michigan universities such as Saginaw Valley State University, Central Michigan University and Oakland University are projected to have \$8,036, \$73,079 and \$38,656 cut from their work study funding, NMU’s work study funding will remain unharmed.

Students who will be receiving federal loans will note changes in interest rates and fees.

The Direct Loan fees will be increased from 1 to 1.053 percent; the Parent PLUS loan rate will go up from 4 to 4.212 percent; and, pending Congress’s decision before Monday, July 1, Subsidized Loan rates could rise beyond the current 3.4 percent rate.

Because of the abruptness of the sequester cuts, there are no concrete answers but only projected-impact reports and estimates.

While it appears NMU students may not be hurt financially like other university students across the nation, there ought to be concern about reduced funding NMU receives through federal grants.

Erica Franich, director of NMU Grants and Contracts, believes because NMU is a smaller university, the 5.1-percent reduction in federal funds used for grants will not affect Northern like it will other larger research-oriented universities, such as Michigan State University and University of Michigan.

“NMU currently has a number of externally funded projects, which spread across the discipline board in humanities, professional development and various sciences. While we do have awards in the \$100,000 and up ranges, the majority of current projects are working on awards in sizes rather smaller than that. Those types of current awards, at this point, have not been threatened,” Franich said.

The National Science Foundation (NSF) and National Institute of Health (NIH) estimate a loss

of \$12 billion dollars, translating to 1,000 fewer grants that can be awarded annually.

Increased competition among universities — not only in Michigan but nationally — will make it harder to acquire funding.

NMU has three strengths that will allow the university to have an upper hand when it comes to obtaining funding according to Franich.

“We have new creative faculty with interest in developing scholarship and research coming in to Northern,” Franich said, “who work together to come up with interdepartmental projects; new staff in the Grants and Research office who are working to offer more support for faculty members; and new partnerships available locally, such as working with [health professionals] at the Duke-Lifepoint Hospital.”

The biggest impact the sequester may have on students and faculty at NMU is the hit to funding available for the McNair Scholars Program and pending grant submissions, as well as federal flow through funds — funds the federal government allots for the states to award — which are primary sources of funding for the Devos Art Museum, Forest

Roberts Theatre and Beaumier Heritage Center.

While there are no funding cuts for the NMU McNair Scholars Program in 2013, Heather Pickett, director of the McNair Scholars Program, expressed concern for future funding, which may result in reduced opportunities for students to travel to conferences and a cutback of hours for the coordinator position in the McNair Scholars’ office.

“The students [in the McNair Scholars Program] will suffer. We will provide the best service we can, but our services will be diminished,” Pickett said.

While Congress has until Wednesday, March 27 (before the Continuing Appropriations Resolution expires) to repeal the sequester cuts, it appears these reductions in federal spending are here to stay.

Students should think about how they are going to pay for college, not just for next year but for the remainder of their college career.

With interest rates to potentially climb, college may be getting even more expensive in the long run. Luckily, small universities are not feeling the crippling effects of these budget cuts.

That does not mean students on campus won’t feel the wrath of Sequester cuts.

Popular programs such as the Army’s tuition assistance program which could cost Army Reserve soldiers up to \$4,500 annually.

Due to the harsh cuts, the Army decided tuition assistance would be a logical cut to make within the defense budget without compromising national security.

It is disheartening to think intellectual development will suffer in the United States for the 10-year span of the Sequester cuts.

Intellectual stagnation will hurt our economy while leaving some Americans grasping at straws when trying to obtain a college education.

Finding money to pay for tuition is going to be a struggle future and current college students will face.

It is best to start looking for alternatives in the event the Sequester cuts become permanent.

Even so, students and faculty should prepare for a competitive future regarding funding in higher education. Budget wisely in the coming years.



## Sound Off

*Will the sequester cuts affect your ability to pay for tuition?*

compiled by Justin Key



**Chelsea Ewaldt**  
senior, secondary education

*“I feel like it will. I’m already on a fixed income with financial aid and this will just make it more difficult.”*



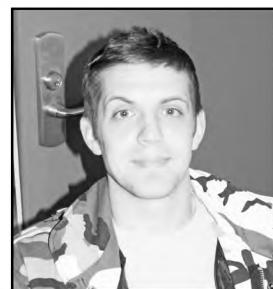
**Patrick Gilmour**  
senior, digital cinema

*“Yes. It makes it more difficult for those paying for school who are working and can’t cover the additional costs.”*



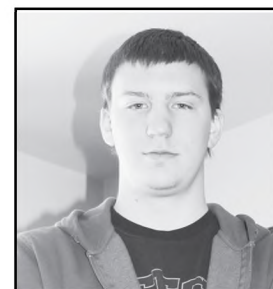
**Julia McLean**  
senior, nursing

*“Not mine personally because my parents help me out with tuition, but I’m sure others will be affected.”*



**Nathan Roberts**  
senior, economics

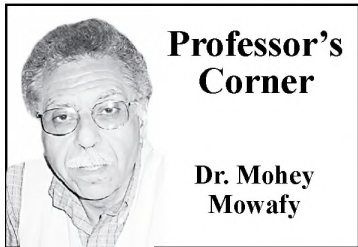
*“It could affect me because I am part of the Army Reserve, and it cut the tuition assistance program.”*



**Drew Dean**  
senior, environmental conservation

*“No. I will be done with school before it can really affect me.”*

# Attractiveness, fitness not synonymous



**Professor's  
Corner**

**Dr. Mohey  
Mowafy**

The impetus for this essay is the recent exchange between Governor Christie, R-N.J., and Dr. Connie Mariano (former White House physician) regarding her prediction that he will die in office because he is too fat.

When I developed NMU's first course on obesity almost four decades ago, my views on the subject as well as the available material usually used for this subject were radically different. When I worked with NMU's dietetics majors to launch the Students' Dietetic Association (SDA) a few years later, I had become a changed man with a changed paradigm vis-à-vis body weight and what exactly it means and does not mean.

How changed? The motto for SDA was "Good Health for All Sizes." More than 30 years later, I still find it essential to provide a most needed challenge to the traditional view regarding body weight and how it relates to overall health.

I owe my evolution and paradigm shift to Dr. Susan Woolly (the University of Cincinnati), Dr. David Garner (Michigan State University) and the movement they began (now known as HAES, Health at Every Size).

Sadly, I must say many health

professionals (including educators) continue to be locked in a weight-focused matrix (a world other than the real world) with many whom cannot see and cannot accept that body weight/size is an impotent measurement of health if used alone. Its simplicity is, literally, a health hazard. I consider such blindness to be a form of bigotry that conveniently ignores all we know about human diversity.

Everyone can sing, with the greatest of ease, "obesity is bad for you" without caring to take into consideration the level of metabolic fitness of individuals before condemning them. Concomitant with this foolish paradigm is the notion that everyone can be svelte if they just eat well and be active.

The need for us all is to eat well and be active is paramount, and the apparent need some have to deny those who are normally large an entrance to the world of the healthy is too. It is an intelligent guess that we are stuck to a visual of what "healthy" looks like which is the antithesis of "healthy." We are stuck because we continue to confuse our feelings about what is healthy and what is not (with respect to body weight and size) to what is culturally considered attractive and what is not.

Yes, it is normal for any culture to have a visual of what attractive is, which is almost always confined to sexual attractiveness. And, yes, everyone wants to look attractive. What is harmful and abnormal is to idolize that which is unattainable for most and to evaluate a person's

totality based on how they fit the selected visual for attractiveness.

Having the audacity to claim that our quest for thinness is only about health is rather rampant. It was Jodi Hollis who said "show me a woman who wants to lose weight for health and I will show you a man who reads Hustler for the quality of the interviews."

It is true that Governor Christie's looks can accurately lead to the conclusion that he is not fit to finish the Tour De France in a record time, but what does his weight have to do with his fitness for office?

Is it not wise to respond with "fit for what" when asked "are you fit?" Not long ago when president Obama nominated Dr. Regina Benjamin for the Surgeon General post (the Nation's doctor), her nomination (along with her humanity) was viciously attacked because of her body weight, as her entire record of great accomplishments was summarily dismissed because she was deemed "unfit as a role model."

Role model? Wouldn't the critics have been more morally fit if they had deleted the word "role" from their argument? Only in weight-focused matrix can we have such distortions.

I think it a good start to follow the wisdom of the Chinese proverb "the beginning of wisdom is to call things by their proper name" if we are to liberate ourselves from one of the most heinously racist attitudes of judging the entirety of a human by merely looking at him/her.

## Winter bike parking horrid

Riding my bike to campus year round has left me deeply disappointed with Northern's abject failure to accommodate active transportation on campus during the winter months.

Has NMU's administration failed to notice all the bikes being ridden across campus during the winter months?

Where are bicyclists supposed to park their vehicles at the library, West Science, Cohodas or Jamarich Hall?

Does Northern expect bicyclists to clear our own parking spaces?

Are commuters expected to bring a shovel to clear out parking when we want to travel to campus using a non-polluting, non-damaging mode of transportation?

How much does Northern spend clearing parking spaces for drivers?

What are the hidden, external costs associated with facilitating all that driving dependency?

Northern can reduce parking stress; lower associated costs with automobile use on campus; lessen wear and tear on campus roads; encourage healthier lifestyles; create a healthier environment; improve air quality on campus; reduce greenhouse gas emissions; reduce health-care costs for employees and a host of other benefits paid out through making it easier for students, staff and faculty to bike and walk year round on campus.

Establishing a winter snow remediation plan that includes clearing bike parking at key locations would be one small, positive step in making Northern Naturally a reality, instead of an empty promise.

I urge ASNMU to work with administration in 2013 to proactively plan for year round active commuters at Northern.

Northern. Naturally. Not.

**Mike Beck  
junior, environmental studies**

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# Insufficient accommodations for students with gluten allergy



**Guest Column**

**Amanda Buck**

Dining Services' efforts to help cater to students with special dietary needs is lacking, especially those who have gluten allergies.

If Dining Services cannot provide more gluten-free accommodations and awareness amongst their staff, students living in residence halls should be able to opt out of getting a meal plan instead of being required to purchase one.

Some people choose a gluten-free lifestyle yet for most it's not a choice but rather a treatment for celiac disease.

People with this autoimmune disorder experience chronic pain in their abdomen that can result in severe constipation or diarrhea if they ingest a product containing gluten.

An individual with celiac disease has a severely limited range of dietary choices, and even ingesting a small amount of gluten can induce wrenching stomach pain or terrible diarrhea.

The gluten-free diet is very restrictive because it excludes anything containing grains such

as pastas, breads and beer.

For someone with celiac disease, it is extremely important that no gluten-free food comes in contact with a product containing gluten.

In dining areas, this means that no worker should be using the same surface areas or utensils to make gluten-free food as they do for regular meals.

Unfortunately, cross-contamination happens very often in the food industry.

Despite NMU's attempts to provide staff with insight on special food allergens, awareness hasn't progressed quickly enough.

Not long ago, a student with a gluten allergy had to seek medical help after eating something prepared by Dining Services in the Marketplace.

Students should not have their health endangered because of a requirement to purchase a meal plan. If said student would have been able to choose whether or not he or she wanted a meal plan, then perhaps hospitalization would have never occurred.

If a student with gluten allergies does purchase a meal plan, they should have an ample selection of food that is free from cross contamination.

NMU needs to expand training for Dining Services staff to include more education on gluten-free food preparation.

But Dining Services is making an effort to accommodate students with a gluten allergy, be it a small effort.

To prevent further issues such as this from happening, NMU has ordered color coded blue spatulas that are to be permanently used to prepare gluten-free food.

Recently, Dining Services has started to clearly label gluten-free foods and lock refrigerators for students with special dietary needs, actions that should have taken place long before now.

Before, any student could access food in the refrigerators which was causing the most cross-contamination problems to begin with.

There are more than 500 students who are employed through Dining Services, and all are at different awareness levels about specific food allergens, though some training on special dietary needs has been done thanks to Robin Raho, NMU's dining dietitian.

Training has only been given to the supervisors of the Marketplace and the Den.

NMU has yet to establish a formal training seminar for all employees.

If this issue is not fixed soon, students with gluten allergies living in residence halls should have the choice to refuse the

\$810 to \$2,098 cost of a meal plan.

Supervisors are doing all they can to train former and new employees about these health hazards, but even that is not enough. More needs to be done.

A Marketplace employee who did not wish to be identified said, "It is hard for the workers to wrap their minds around the fact that one bread crumb from the hamburger buns could send someone to the hospital."

Yes, going to the Marketplace or the Den is part of the college experience, but if the university can't keep up with the dietary needs of their students and the students feel they can provide safe food for themselves in the dorms, the students should be able to opt out of the meal plan.

NMU just started looking into the foods they purchase as to how it is produced before it arrives at the school.

They are also working toward providing at least one gluten-free meal per meal period.

Again, these are issues that should have been dealt with a long time ago.

NMU's dietitian is aware of these needs and is addressing them as fast as she can, but it is sad to know that after all these years nothing was done for these individuals until now.

Until Dining Services gets its act together, students with

gluten allergies should have the choice to opt out of meal plan.

After all, would you want to pay thousands of dollars for a meal plan if there was only one gluten-free option for you to choose from on a daily basis?

I sure wouldn't, and students with gluten allergies deserve better.

Of course, proper training in gluten-free food preparation needs to come first, but an expanded selection for those with gluten allergies is essential.

Dealing with a disease which limits your dietary selection such as diabetes, celiac disease or Crohn's disease is hard enough.

Having an impoverished variety of meals available to you makes the discomfort afforded by those with illness near unbearable.

I urge students to advocate for change within Dining Services, so our fellow peers who have dietary restrictions can enjoy more than one dish per day and food that is prepared in accordance with an individual's dietary needs.

If you are someone who has an illness that restricts your diet, you owe it to yourself to discuss your diet with Dining Services.

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# LOCAL FAVORITES SERVE UP S MARQUETTE RESTAURANT WEEK



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Vangos is famous for their classic gyros and greek salad, featured on the right.



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The turkey avocado sandwich and tomato basil soup pair nicely with a ganash-iced brownie and basil lemonade. Both can be found at Sweet Basil Deli and Catering Co. on Third Street.



Justin Key/NW

Sweet Basil Deli and Catering Co. also offers a variety of carryout and sandwich options.

**By Nolan Krebs**  
features editor

Finding a solid meal with only a little cash can be tough, especially for someone trying to edge fast food out of the picture.

Since Sunday, March 10 and continuing until Saturday, March 16, the Eastside Independent Restaurant Association (EIRA) has been hosting Marquette Restaurant Week.

The event is geared toward getting people out into the community and checking out different restaurants in town, said Brianne Horton, an event organizer and assistant manager at Third Street Bagel.

“Marquette Restaurant Week is a good time for students or the community to go try places they might not usually be able to afford,” Horton said. “It’s really just a time to try something different.”

Participating restaurants within the Eastside Originals, which are independently owned and operated

restaurants in Marquette include Eastside District, Babycakes, Casa Donckers, Chop House, L’Attitude, Lagniappe Shop, Stucko’s, Sweet Basil Deli, Sweet Thai House, Togo Street Bagel, Van the Vierling.

While each restaurant sets up their own unique menu for the week, Horton said they are required to offer a \$10 fixed price lunch and a dinner meal for \$15. “It varies from place to place, but some places are doing two sandwiches for \$10 and Elizabeth Chop House will have a \$10, which is a great deal,” Horton said.

According to the EIRA website, the Marquette Restaurant Week, which is in its second year, “[...] gives the community the opportunity to experience a variety of culinary opportunities for foodies — whether it is fine dining, local seafood, artisanal goods, pub grub, or ethnic cuisine or just

# SPECIALS FOR WEEK



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Included in Casa Calabria's extensive menu is the steak marsala with prosciutto and mushrooms.

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sandwich, enjoy these East-side gems at an affordable price."

Despite the week of deals, Horton said the aforementioned foodies of Marquette are able to enjoy a food culture year-round with a number of options.

"The best thing about the food culture of Marquette is the nice variety," Horton said. "As someone who only eats at locally-owned restaurants, there are a lot of choices. We have great cafes and coffee shops, too."

Even with the variety, the local standards can wear out their appeal, said post-baccalaureate nursing major Kalen Walkington.

"Marquette's got a lot of good spots to eat out at, and some good deals," Walkington said. "But you can only get \$2.50 slices so many times."

To take a step out of the ordinary and advantage of Marquette Restaurant Week, Walkington said he will be visiting his go-to place for special occasions.

"[Sweet Water Cafe] has a pretty sweet \$10 lunch deal,

and that's probably my favorite place to eat in town. The cranberry turkey sandwich is amazing," Walkington said.

Sweet Water Cafe is featuring a choice of soup, Mike's BLT sandwich or an inside-out grilled cheese and cookie for their \$10 lunch deal.

Senior outdoor recreation leadership and management major Collin Hampel said he's looking forward to the \$10 lunch deal at his already-favorite restaurant, Togo's, which boasts "Marquette's original submarine sandwich."

"The Cowboy Chicken is the best sandwich in Marquette, hands down," Hampel said. "Togo's is my staple, you get a lot of bang for your buck."

Whether it's higher-end, organic food that's on the brain, or just a good sandwich, Marquette Restaurant Week has a lot of the bases covered.

For more information about Marquette Restaurant Week or participating establishments, visit [www.east-sideoriginals.org](http://www.east-sideoriginals.org).



# Cimarron brings 'joropo' style to NMU

By Nolan Krebs  
features editor

The Northern Nights performing arts series will be bringing some of South America's traditional tunes to campus on Saturday, March 16 with the Colombian group Cimarron.

Brandishing a regional style of music and dance called joropo, Cimarron plays what is described as the "cowboy" music of their culture, said director of the Beaumier Heritage Center Dan Truckey.

"The group members come from the farming and ranching plains of Colombia and Venezuela," Truckey said. "[The music] is made by the cattle hands and

farmers in this region."

The style is also influenced by the area's different cultures, Truckey said, including the Spanish settlers and Mestizos, a mix of the indigenous tribes and Europeans.

"The music is very old and combines several traditions," Truckey said. "The band plays many traditional South American instruments and there are a couple of dancers as well who will be doing the traditional joropo dances."

According to the Smithsonian Folkways website, the nonprofit record label of the Smithsonian Institution, the Grammy-nominated group's name translates as "wild bull," and their performances feature "percussive

strings and maracas, dynamic vocal expression, and full-throttle pace."

The concert was originally part of a U.S. tour funded by a grant, Truckey said, which later fell through. Northern Nights decided to continue with the show after re-negotiating a fee, Truckey said, feeling they were still a good fit for NMU.

"Our committee just felt that their music was

so dynamic and we really wanted them to come to Northern," Truckey said.

The Cimarron performance will include both music and dance, something Truckey said was different than other performers in the Northern Nights series this year.

"I love the Northern Nights series because it is so eclectic," Truckey said. "No one band is really like the others, so our audience really gets a lot of wonderful variety — but the one commonality is that they are all exceptional performers."

The series is popular with students looking to see international



Photo courtesy of Northern Nights

Cimarron plays music born from the farming and ranching cultures of South America.



Kristen Koehler/NW

The concert, which will be held in the Forest Roberts Theatre, will feature both traditional music and dancing from Colombia and Venezuela.

performers at a lower price, said senior communications studies major Julia Smith.

"This will be the third show I've seen so far this year that [Northern Nights] have put on," Smith said. "A group of my friends and I saw Homemade Jamz Blues Band and Frontier Ruckus earlier this year. Seeing really good music on campus is almost always cheaper than what you might pay at other venues."

Smith said people in Marquette, students or otherwise, seem open to a lot of the different styles and groups that pass through the area.

"Even though the bands that

come to NMU are international, it's a lot of the same type of music that you might see at Hiawatha," Smith said. "A lot of music around Marquette has the same folk or traditional feel to it."

The concert begins at 7:30 p.m. in the Forest Roberts Theatre. Tickets are \$5 in advance and \$6 at the door for students and children, \$13 in advance and \$15 at the door for faculty, staff and seniors and \$18 in advance and \$20 at the door for the general public.

For more information about the concert, call Truckey at (906) 227-3212 or email [dtruckey@nmu.edu](mailto:dtruckey@nmu.edu).

## Citizens take plunge for Special Olympics fundraiser

By Kate Clark  
contributing writer

Marquette's Law Enforcement Torch Run (LETR) Polar Plunge will be held on Saturday, March 16 at Marquette Mountain.

Registration will begin at 1 p.m. and the actual plunge takes place at 2:30 p.m.

"Unlike some other fundraising events," said event organizer Nicole Dahl, "participation by plunging is a little crazy and allows someone to participate in an event that not everyone is apt to do."

The main goal of the polar plunge is to raise donations toward the Special Olympics Michigan (SOMI), which provides training and competition to more than 19,600 athletes with disabilities.

Even though one might think the only people foolish enough to go into frigid water would be the citizens of the U.P., the polar plunge is actually a nationwide event. Texas and Florida even manage to host the event, albeit usually in chilled pools.

According to the 2013 handbook for the event, in Michigan last year, LETR raised almost \$905,000 and this year it sets its sights on surpassing a million. In

Marquette, Dahl said, the goal is to surpass last year's raisings of about \$9,000. This year in Michigan, 28 plunges will be taking place. The polar plunge is being sponsored across the state by Buffalo Wild Wings, as well as Starbucks, Applebee's and Charter.

To make the jump requires a minimum \$75 donation, which participants can provide themselves or through donations from supporters. Those wishing to contribute but hate the idea of actually diving in can find a plunger to sponsor on the event's website.

As participants gain donations through sponsors, they also win incentives from a tumbler once they've past the \$200 mark, while those who manage to raise more than \$2,500 receive a mini fridge.

Participants can also forego these things and allow the item's cost to go back to the Special Olympics. There are six incentives in total. All can be found on the event's website at [www.firstgiving.com/polarplunge/marquette](http://www.firstgiving.com/polarplunge/marquette).

If you're on the fence, Dahl said no one has ever died doing the plunge and her first time, she was nervous, too.

"But the truth is, if I can do it, anyone can do it," Dahl said.

However, the plunge isn't the

only event taking place that day. A costume parade precludes the main event.

Carla White, an organizer involved with the Jackson Polar Plunge before moving to the area, said the zany costumes are one of her favorite parts.

"It's great to see what everyone can come up with from year to year," White said.

The dress code for the costume parade requires participants to keep it appropriate, wear shoes and don't obstruct your mouth or nose, which White said leaves much room for costume creativity. The person with the best costume will win the "Golden Plunger Award."

Afterwards, awards are given out and the after party takes place. Admission is free to plungers and \$5 for the general public.

The final event is the Man Carrying Woman Contest, which begins at 5 p.m. This requires a \$10 registration fee, registration will be open until the competition begins, the proceeds will go to LETR. First place receives 'woman's weight in prizes,' which Dahl said includes cash, a gift certificate to Elizabeth's Chop House and drinks from Keweenaw Brewing Company and Monster Energy Drink.

The Law Enforcement Torch Run consists of law enforcement officers and corrections department employees who raise money and awareness for the Special Olympics. The campaign began in 1981 in Wichita, Kan. and currently stands with more than 142,000 volunteers in 48 countries.

LETR, the SOMI website says, made its way to Michigan in 1984 when the Central Route relay began officially fundraising for the Special Olympics. Alongside the Polar Plunge it raises money through fire truck pulls, runs and raffle tickets.

White said she expects about 50 plungers and more than 100 spectators this year.

"The plunge in Marquette is not one of our largest plunges across the state but it's definitely one of the funniest and raises a lot of money," White said.

The first polar plunge took place in Saginaw in 2000 and raised almost \$10,000. In 2013, SOMI hopes to raise more than a million dollars.

Those who would like to help the organization reach this year's goal or sponsor a participant, visit [www.firstgiving.com/polarplunge/marquette](http://www.firstgiving.com/polarplunge/marquette).



Nolan Krebs/NW

Those who aren't crazy about taking a dip in nearly frozen water at the Polar Plunge may sponsor a participant through the fundraiser's website.

# Jamie Lidell drops the funk on fifth LP



**Album:** Jamie Lidell

**Artist:** Jamie Lidell

**Release Date:** February 18

**Label:** Warp Records

**Runtime:** 48 min

fresh sound.

As you may have guessed, “Jamie Lidell” is at its best when it’s combining the past and the future, and nowhere is that sense of syncretism more crucial than on lead single “What A Shame.” On the surface, it’s among the most modern-sounding songs on the album, full of juddering synths and modulated vocals.

What really gives the track its heart and soul is Lidell’s raw, classically-funky singing, which provides the perfect contrast to the track’s sleek production. If you enjoyed Bobby Womack’s recent cameo on Gorillaz’ single “Stylo,” you owe it to yourself to check this song out.

“why\_ya\_why” is another example of just how well “Jamie Lidell” mixes the synthetic and the organic. Things start off simply enough, with Lidell offering his best Oogie Boogie impression over a sparse piano line and a few vocal samples in the background.

But, about thirty seconds in, the track explodes, adding both digital rhythms and New Orleans-style brass.

Things get even stranger as the song goes on, too. The ending of “why\_ya\_why” features both a muted-trumpet solo that could have been recorded decades ago and a spacey drum breakdown imported directly from modern

dance music, a combination that works far better than it has any right to.

This is all interesting stuff, but perhaps the greatest trick “Jamie Lidell” pulls is that the weighty ideas put into it don’t make the result any less effective on a purely instinctive level. Instead, this disc functions equally well as a study

in musical time-travel and a collection of breezy, funk-influenced pop songs.

It just depends on how closely you want to look into things. And if you don’t want to look into things all that closely when you’re catching a few rays on some far-off beach...well, who could blame you?

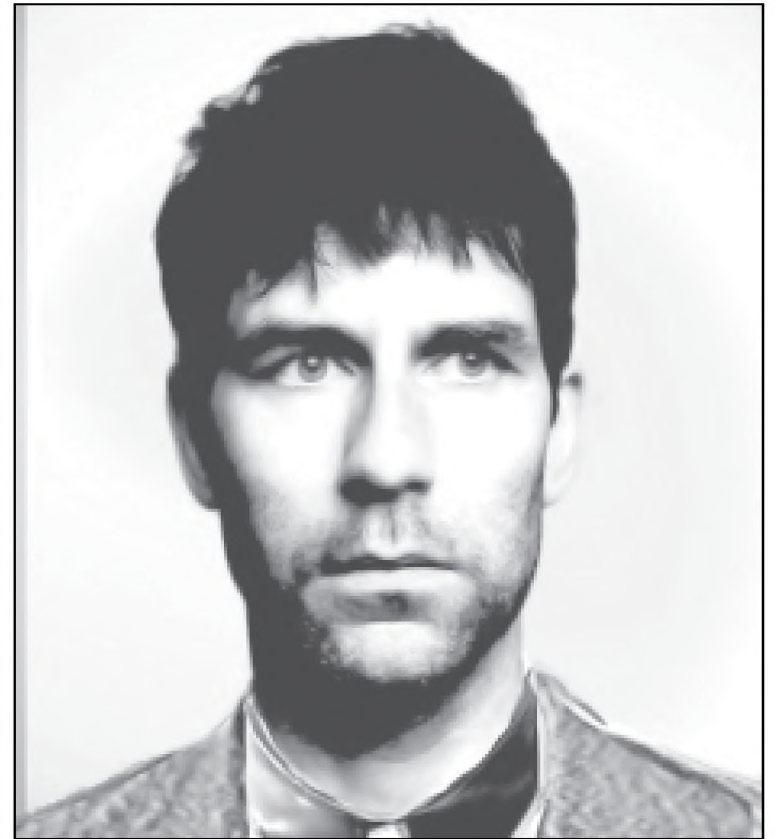


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Jamie Lidell is an English electronic musician based out of Nashville, Tenn.

It might be hard to believe with



**By Jordan Beck**  
staff writer

the weather the Upper Peninsula has been experiencing lately, but spring is right around the corner.

Whether you’re planning to head somewhere warm in a few weeks or waiting for the good weather to come to you, you’re going to need a few new albums for your spring soundtrack.

Jamie Lidell’s self-titled fifth LP might not seem like an obvious choice, given its late-February release date, but make no mistake:

if you want a musical accompaniment to the high temperatures and wild nights of spring break, this is 2013’s current front-runner.

Best described as a combination of funk and synthpop, “Jamie Lidell” sounds both deeply indebted to the past and like nothing else out there right now.

Generally speaking, the album has a bit of an ’80s vibe, thanks to its old-school melodies, reverb-heavy drums and multi-tracked vocal harmonies.

But Lidell’s roots as a musician aren’t just in funk — he’s also well-known for producing experimental electronic music. Both sides of Lidell’s history are present and accounted for on this album, giving it an incredibly



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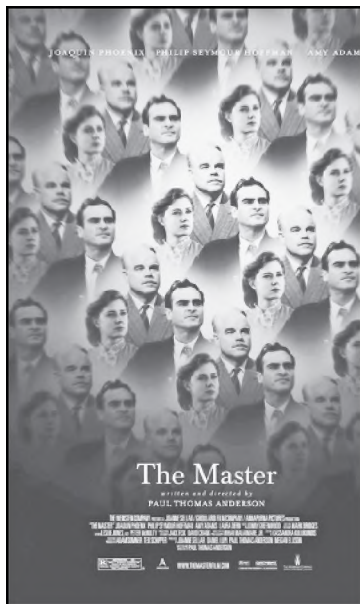


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# Anderson, Hoffman shine in 'The Master'



**Film:** The Master  
**Director:** Paul Thomas Anderson  
**Starring:** Joaquin Phoenix, Philip Seymour Hoffman, Amy Adams  
**Runtime:** 143 minutes  
**Rating:** R

Phoenix and Amy Adams.

The movie follows Freddie Quell (Phoenix) as he transitions from the Navy to civilian life at the end of World War II. After proving a deadbeat drunk, Quell drunkenly stumbles into Lancaster Dodd (Hoffman), an accomplished man who is the leader of an organization called "The Cause." Dodd finds Quell to be fascinating and offers Freddie work in order to spend more time with him.

If Anderson was posing a thesis to his audience in "The Master," surely it would be whether or not a human being can live without being under another's submission.

Throughout the film, the dynamic relationship between Phoenix and Hoffman propels the plot further. Other critics and writers have offered speculation that Lancaster Dodd is a fictionalization of L. Ron Hubbard, the founder of the Church of Scientology.

There are interesting correlations between the two organizations (the timeline does match up quite nicely) but this fact takes away from the artistic message Anderson so adequately conveys to the audience.

With a doubt, Hoffman's performance is unrivaled by his colleagues in "The Master," which is what earned him an Oscar nomination for Best Supporting Actor

in this film.

Hoffman's acting range is quite impressive: his role as Willy Loman in the latest run of Arthur Miller's "Death of a Salesman" has been regarded as the best run of Miller's famous play.

Hoffman's ability to switch from a calm, articulate intellectual to an irate fanatic oozing with profanity at the drop of a hat is remarkable. And Anderson knows this, which is why he often casts Hoffman in his films.

While Joaquin Phoenix adequately portrays Freddie Quell, it seems like an extension of his role in "Walk the Line" (2005) but with added sexuality, explicit behavior and drunkenness. Quell is a typical oddball Anderson character, but Phoenix does not bring him full circle. At the conclusion of the film, I was left wondering whether or not Anderson made the right choice in casting.

Amy Adams's role as Peggy Dodd, Lancaster's wife, is superb, though she is not frequently featured in the film. Adams's softness and understanding character compliments Hoffman's, who is unstable and unsure of himself.

The real drawback of "The Master" is Joaquin Phoenix's performance, which has taken quite a hit since his role as Johnny Cash in "Walk the Line." Though Anderson is known for teasing genius performances out of acting legends such as John C. Reilly

in "Hard Eight" (1996), "Boogie Nights" (1997) and "Magnolia" (1999), and one of Anderson's favorites, Philip Seymour Hoffman in "Hard Eight," "Magnolia" and "The Master," the famed director cannot evoke the feeling and emotion from a carbon-copied Johnny Cashesque performance by Joaquin Phoenix, who only adds a heightened sexual explicitness and crudeness to Anderson's character Freddie Quell.

Phoenix was a terrific actor in the late 1990s and early 2000s, but something happened which affected his genius. Perhaps it was the terribly-forged biopic "I'm Still Here" (2010) where Phoenix documented his transition from acting to rapping that possibly setback Phoenix's confidence as an actor.

It is unfortunate that a miracle worker such as Paul Thomas Anderson couldn't lift the veritable wreckage of Joaquin Phoenix from his own ashes in "The Master."

Anderson's overall creation is beautiful. Wonderful, serene settings are balanced by seemingly obscure, oddball characters who are trying to fit into society in this mid-nineteenth century world.

Any movie fanatic ought to see "The Master," and anyone looking for a good movie need look no further. "The Master" is another Andersonian jewel which shines all on its own.



By Lee McClelland  
 opinion editor

Writer, producer and director Paul Thomas Anderson is known for his odd choice of subjects and settings in his films.

Anderson's early work comes to mind: "Boogie Nights" (1997), a film that follows one California man's journey in the business of pornography during the '70s and '80s where Anderson is capable of making those in the business of adultery relatable, people with whom the viewer can identify with.

"Punch Drunk Love" (2002) starring Adam Sandler does much the same thing. Anderson creates Sandler's character — a rare opportunity for Sandler to act in a serious role — as a passive, submissive man who lets other walk all over him.

The plot of "Punch Drunk Love" has Sandler ordering massive amounts of pudding in order to rack up frequent flyer miles while he deals with a developing anger problem: an odd plot indeed.

But Anderson captures the human condition so well in these obscure characters. In his newest film "The Master" (2012), Anderson employs a star cast: Philip Seymour Hoffman, Joaquin

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# Yorke and company run wild on 'Amok'



**Album:** Amok

**Artist:** Atoms for Peace

**Release Date:** February 25

**Label:** XL Records

**Runtime:** 44:35



**By Jordan Beck**  
staff writer

A quote from Radiohead/Atoms for Peace frontman Thom Yorke, describing the latter group's debut album, "Amok," to "Rolling Stone" was simply, "[...] There are still songs here."

It's an unassuming comment on first glance, but, upon closer inspection, it says volumes about how much of a trailblazer Yorke has become over the years.

After all, how often does the lead singer of a band that regularly sells out arenas have to reassure the press that their new record contains such things as

hooks and melodies?

And he's not lying — "Amok" really does have some catchy moments. They just aren't easy to notice at first. Like almost everything Yorke's done since "Kid A" was released back in 2000, repeated and focused listens are key to truly understanding what's going on here. But once you put in the time and give "Amok" a few spins, something truly remarkable starts to emerge — a taut, nine-song labyrinth of an album, equally influenced by alternative rock, funk and electronica.

It's an easy labyrinth to get lost in, though, and lead single "Default" might actually be the least accessible song on the record. While the rest of "Amok" is jam-packed with rhythms, "De-

fault" is sparse and simple, built out of Yorke's falsetto, twitchy drum machines and what almost sounds like a broken calliope organ. It's a great song, to be sure, but don't expect to hear it on Top 40 radio anytime soon.

Second single "Judge Jury and Executioner" probably won't crack the charts either, but it makes far more sense to the untrained ear. For starters, there's a satisfyingly big hook here, in the form of a three-note bassline that sounds suspiciously like humming played back on a sampler. The rest of the song is no slouch, either — it sounds a lot like "In Rainbows" with a heavier emphasis on groove, which is in no way a bad thing.

That newfound focus on bass isn't entirely Yorke's doing. In fact, Atoms for Peace could be considered a supergroup. Along with Yorke, the project features the contributions of long-time Radiohead producer Nigel Godrich and Red Hot Chili Peppers bassist Flea. The term "supergroup" almost sounds inaccurate when applied to this band.

Unlike so many groups described as "supergroups," the creation of Atoms for Peace is clearly not the result of inflated egos looking to expand their own legends. In fact, there are moments where "Amok" feels almost like it could be a Thom Yorke solo al-

bum — which makes sense, since the band recording it was initially formed to be the backing band for Yorke's solo gigs.

Those moments don't last long, however. While Yorke is unquestionably the main creative force behind "Amok," it's almost impossible to imagine the album sounding like it does without Flea's influence. From opening track "Before Your Very Eyes..." on, there's a genuine sense of warmth to "Amok" that's far from common in Radiohead's discography. Tracks like "Stuck Together Pieces" and "Reverse Running" wouldn't have felt out of place on "Rocket Juice & the

Moon," Flea's underrated, Afro-funk-tinged collaboration with Gorillaz/Blur mastermind Damon Albarn.

So, with all this in mind, what's the best way to approach "Amok?" It's simple: Don't expect the next Radiohead album, because this isn't that.

And don't give up after listening to it once, because this is the kind of record that takes time to "get."

Instead, take it for what it is: an unusual side project that happens to favor musical depth over immediacy. There are still songs here. They just might not be the ones you were expecting.



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Atoms For Peace is a supergroup that includes Thom Yorke of Radiohead, Flea of Red Hot Chili Peppers and English music producer Nigel Godrich.

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# NMU loses in first round of playoffs

## Wolverines shut down Wildcats' final season as part of the CCHA

By Cody Boyer  
sports editor

Following a split against Lake Superior State, the Northern Michigan University hockey team hit the road to play against the University of Michigan, losing two games and concluding their final series in the CCHA in the first round of playoffs.

The No. 10 seed Wildcats traveled to Ann Arbor, Mich. to play the No. 7 seed Wolverines on Friday, March 9 and Saturday, March 10, ending their final games in the CCHA. The 'Cats have been a part of the CCHA for a collective 31 years, first joining during the 1977-78 academic year and rejoining in 1997-98 after switching to the Western Collegiate Hockey Association (WCHA) in 1984.

NMU head coach Walt Kyle said the team played hard on Friday, but the Wolverines regrouped on Saturday to take the series.

"The last two periods on Friday really woke Michigan up," Kyle said. "They came at us full-throttle from the minute the second game started. They took us somewhere we couldn't follow, so the best team certainly won the series with the way they were playing."

On Friday, March 9, the Wildcats ended the first night against the Wolverines with a final score of 3-2. On Saturday, March 10, the Wolverines concluded the series with a victory of 6-2. The weekend had been set to be a best-out-of-three series, which concluded after U of M swept the first two games of the match-up. NMU finished the weekend with an overall record of 15-19-4.

The 'Cats opened the playoff weekend on Friday behind their competition after the Wolverines scored three goals in the first period. Michigan tallied their first goal when junior defenseman Jon Merrill, a draftee for the New Jersey Devils of the NHL, scored during a power play at 6:39 into the game. Senior forward Kevin Lynch, draftee for the Columbus Blue Jackets, scored the next two goals to finish the first, bringing the score to 3-0.

"I thought, Friday night, that we came out really early and really nervous, Kyle said. "It really wasn't a 'three-nothing game'. It was due to the early mistakes that we made that made it that way. To the guys credit, they came back after that and played extremely well during the last two periods. We put ourselves right back into the

game with ample opportunities to tie it, which is kind of a microcosm to our season, in regards of offense."

Senior forward Matt Thurber was unable to play during the playoff series against Michigan, as he broke his leg during a practice session during the week prior to the match-up. Kyle said the missing man in the lineup caused a difference in the quality of play.

"That was absolutely a factor in the way we played," Kyle said. "[Sophomore forward Reed] Seckel and [senior defenseman Erik] Higby were not as effective without him in their line. We can't win a playoff series without a goal from your top seven or eight guys, so playing without him was a factor."

The Wildcats made it to the scoreboard 4:57 into the second period when senior forward Kory Kaunisto tallied his fifth goal of the season. Kaunisto's shot was assisted by junior defenseman Wade Epp and junior forward Jake Johnson.

Freshman forward Darren Nowick contributed the next goal for the 'Cats, marking his sixth of the season and bringing the score to 3-2 with four minutes left in the third period. Junior forward Stephan Vigier and sophomore forward Ryan Daugherty earned assists for Nowick's shot.

Between the posts, junior goalie Jared Coreau saved 22 shots in the crease while Wolverine freshman goalie Steve Racine tallied 26 saves. Michigan was outshot 28-25 by the Wildcats.

Following the end of the post-season series for the Wildcats, Coreau was also named NMU's January Scholar of the Month.

On Saturday, March 10, the Wildcats fell 6-2 in their final game of the 2012-13 season. Michigan started the game's scoring for the second night in a row during the first period, with sophomore forward and Dallas Stars draftee Alex Guptill tallying a goal 4:02 into the game. Freshman defenseman and Winnipeg Jets draftee Jacob Trouba scored at 15:05 into the first, bringing the score to 2-0.

Nowick scored the first goal for the Wildcats again with only 40 seconds left in the first, bringing the game to 2-1 going into the second. His seventh goal of the season went unassisted.

Michigan finished off the period's scoring with two more goals past Coreau, with junior defenseman and Montreal Canadiens draftee Mac Bennett earning a power play goal at 6:06. Freshman forward Andrew Copp contributed the second goal with 2:35 left in the second, bringing the score to 4-1 going into the third.

Copp went on to score one of the last Michigan goals during the third period alongside junior



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Senior defenseman Kyle Follmer has appeared in 116 games over the course of three years playing for the Northern Michigan University Wildcats. Follmer has also contributed 11 goals, 44 assists and 55 conference points.

forward and Colorado Avalanche draftee Luke Moffatt.

Senior defenseman Kyle Follmer buried the final goal for the Wildcats with only 1:06 left in the game, bringing the final score to 6-2. Follmer's shot was assisted by freshman forward Justin Rose.

Follmer said Saturday did not reflect the way the team played on the previous night, as well as it did not go the way they had expected it after the LSSU weekend.

"We felt like we had out-played them during the last two periods of Friday's game," Follmer said. "We felt pretty confident going down to Michigan, too. We had met them and tied earlier in the year, and we knew we could beat them."

Coreau finished the game with 40 saves in the Wildcat crease. For the Wolverines, Racine finished with 18 saves between the posts. Coreau said going into the WCHA next season, the team is keeping their heads up as they move forward.

"We have an excellent chance every year, consistently, to be top-three, in my opinion," Coreau said. "Northern is going into a revamped league that is an even playing field. It is exciting for us, and it will be interesting to see how we do."

Before NMU's spring break, the Wildcats split their weekend against the LSSU Lakers, defeating them with a score of 3-1 on Friday, March 1 and losing 3-0 on Saturday, March 2. Kyle said the start to the series against the Lakers was a promising one, offensively, but the team was lacking in other areas.

"In the end, we gave up 50

shots tonight, so I was disappointed with the quality of play there," Kyle said. "You have to be better than that, defensively, especially going into the playoffs. Having said that, I thought, offensively, we did some really good things. I was happy with our offensive opportunities but wasn't happy with our quality of play."

During Friday's game against LSSU, the Wildcats started the game with a 3-0 lead going into the third period. Seckel opened the scoring in the first period, assisted by senior defenseman Scott Macaulay and Higby.

Higby brought the game to 2-0 with a goal during a power play 1:59 into the second. Follmer and Seckel assisted the shot.

Thurber earned the final Wildcat goal with three minutes left in the third, assisted by Follmer and Seckel.

Macaulay said the split against the Lakers should have prepared the team to bring their best quality of play to the ice down in Ann Arbor.

"It kind of shows you how quickly something can come to an end," Macaulay said. "In a best-of-three series, you do not show up one night and get behind the eight-ball just to fight for your life the next night. It was a tough way to go out."

The Lakers scored one goal in the third to keep the 'Cats from earning a second-season shutout.

Coreau was named the CCHA Warrior Goaltender of the Week following the series against the Lakers, as he stopped a collective 84 shots throughout the weekend.

Coreau said it was an honor in lieu of ending the season earlier than expected.

"I was pretty happy to be the regular-season goalie of the week, so I looked at it in terms of that, at least," Coreau said. "I feel honored to be recognized for both the Warrior and January Scholar award, but that doesn't mean I am necessarily better than anyone else."

The conclusion of the season marks the end of five collegiate careers for members of the Wildcat hockey team. Follmer, Macaulay, Thurber, Kaunisto and senior forward Brian Nugent will all be graduating at the end of this academic year.

"The loss on the road was a tough way to go out," Macaulay said. "It has been a quick four years. This is a winning team and a winning tradition around here, and I know the guys will find the way to get back to it next year."

Kaunisto was also nominated as NMU's 2012-13 CCHA Scholar-Athlete of the Year.

The Scholar-Athlete of the Year title will be given to one of 11 chosen athletes from the other teams in the conference on Friday, March 22 at the 2013 CCHA Awards.

Next time the Wildcats hit the ice, the team will be competing in the WCHA. NMU's first series in their new conference places them against Michigan Tech on Friday, Oct. 25 and Saturday, Oct. 26 next fall.

"I want to wish all of the guys next year good luck," Follmer said. "Our fans and the community have been so great. I've played in a lot of rinks, and [NMU] is one my favorite places to play hockey, and we've had a lot of great people supporting us the entire way."

# Skiers take honors at Championship

## Three All-American titles declared for Nordic ski team in Vermont

By **Dustin Anand**  
contributing writer

Six skiers from the Northern Michigan University men's and women's Nordic ski team competed in the NCAA Championships last week, leaving with three athletes with All-American titles.

Thursday, March 6, marked the start of the NCAA Championships at Rikert Nordic Center in Middlebury, Vt. The Northern Michigan University men's and women's team placed 11th over-

all out of 21 teams with a total of 278 points. The University of Colorado took the gold with a total of 708 points.

Three skiers for the men's and three for women's started the competition with the men's 10-kilometer and the women's 5-kilometer Classic Race.

Junior Erik Soderman for the men's team finished in 10th place for the 'Cats with a time of 26:56.5.

In the 10-kilometer Classic Race, sophomore Kyle Bratrud finished in 23rd and junior

George Cartwright in 33rd place.

"The NCAA championships are interesting," Bratrud said. "There are only 40 guys and 40 girls racing so actually a much smaller field than most races we do all year, but everyone there is just as good as the next so you don't really see huge gaps."

Bratrud said his performance could have been better but is proud of the work his team from the NCAA Championships.

"I have definitely had better classic results this year," Bratrud said. "I was a little disappointed with that one. However, this is the national championships so I am racing the 40 best guys in the country so nothing to complain about."

On the women's side, Freshman Mary Kate Cirelli finished in 15th place for the 'Cats with a time of 16:22.9 in the 5-kilometer Classic Race. Junior Jordyn Ross finished in 23rd and Junior Rosie Frankowski placed 25th.

"I think I had two of my best performances of the season," Cirelli said. "The NCAA's are the races we work for all season. The best competition in the country is there."

Cirelli, who is from Vermont, said she was comfortable at the races and thought she performed exceedingly well for her team.

"I think after our two races, we definitely left an impression on the other schools," Cirelli said.

"Our coaches are amazing and without their help I don't think it would have been the same."

Saturday, March 9 was the last of the NCAA Championships with the men's 20-kilometer mass start race and the women's 15-kilometer mass start race. Two 'Cats finished in the top 10 in the men's 20-kilometer. Soderman placed in fourth with a time of 50:16.0. Bratrud also competed in the event, placing 10th, while Cartwright finished behind him in 28th. Bratrud and Soderman earned All-American statuses after finishing in the top 10 in the 20-kilometer mass start race.

Bratrud said being awarded All-American status and having the opportunity to be a part of the team has been riveting.

"Chris Bowler is a fifth year senior, so he has a ton of good knowledge," Bratrud said. "George is one of the best skate skiers in the country in my mind and of course Erik was a national champ last year and had a very impressive fourth this year. We wouldn't be successful if it wasn't for each other."

In the women's 15-kilometer mass start race, Frankowski was named All-American placing in seventh with a time of 39:36.9 for the 'Cats. Cirelli placed in 14th along with Ross, who finished in 17th.

"It was all of our first time at NCAA Championships,"

Frankowski said. "It was special to be experiencing all of the racing, the high competition level and the overall event for the first time."

Frankowski said it was an honor to be a part of the competition and to represent her school.

"It is a huge accomplishment to even qualify for NCAAs and an honor to represent our Central region on a national scale. It takes 500 to 600 plus hours a year to get to the level of the best athletes on the women's side."

Frankowski also said hard work and dedication from the team made this season most successful.

"What made our season successful is the same formula as always, hard work, dedication and commitment," Frankowski said. "We have the opportunity to be part of what I would say is the best ski program in the nation under Sten Fjeldheim."

Overall, Frankowski said she appreciates the team's effort and couldn't complete this year without the help of her teammates and coaches.

"Without the program at Northern and the team support and commitment to hard work and challenging ourselves while learning from each other, we would not be where we are today," Frankowski said. "We owe the most thanks to our coaches and our teammates."



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Sophomore Kyle Bratrud earned an All-American title after placing 10th in the 20-kilometer freestyle in his second-year appearance on the team.

# Swim team earns honors in Alabama

By **William Burns**  
staff writer

The Northern Michigan University swimming and diving team competed in the NCAA Championship and placed 20th, with two Wildcat athletes earning All-American titles.

The Wildcats were in Birmingham, Ala. on Wednesday, March 6 through Saturday, March 9 to compete against 35 other schools.

While NMU only earned 59 points and 20th place, sophomores Molly Kearney and Madison Sechena both earned All-American status following this weekend's event. Kearney earned 472.6 points in the three meter dive to get her second All-American title.

Kearney also was able to give

Northern 13 points toward the team's final score. Sechena competed in the 200-yard breaststroke and took seventh place after racing the event for a time of 2:19.78. Sechena earned 12 points for the Wildcats over the duration of the championship.

Head coach Heidi Voigt said she is happy with how the team performed and that it is always a positive thing when every athlete on the team contributes.

"Every swimmer and diver that we took to the championship this past week scored," Voigt said. "That is a very big deal and it shows in our performance."

In the 200-yard backstroke, senior Gaby Alzaga competed in her final event for the Wildcats. Alzaga raced for a time of 2:03.54 and placed 13th in the event while also contributing four points for the 'Cats.

In the 100-yard breaststroke, freshman Crystal Bennet raced the event in 1:05.02. That time earned Bennet 25th place. Bennet also took part in the 100-yard butterfly and placed tenth in the preliminaries, but did not earn a spot in the finals

for the event.

Sechena said she was very excited to get the chance to participate in the NCAA championships, but she was even more excited to see how well her teammates performed altogether.

"I thought the team did awesome," Sechena said. "The team improved over ten places from last year's nationals. It was a great way to finish up the season."

Kearney earned her All-American title in lieu of a severe neck injury she endured at a practice session last season.

Kearney said while the injury came with a lot of people doubting her ability to return to the pool, she never gave up.

"I won't let anyone tell me I can't do something," Kearney said. "When I got hurt, one doctor told me I may never be able to dive again and I wouldn't let that happen. While I was out I realized that I have so many people that would tell me how lucky I am, that they are sending good thoughts my way, and how happy they are that I kept diving."

At the end of the four-day event, Drury University won the NCAA championship. The Panther's win is their ninth title in the past 16 years and all nine titles



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Sophomore diver Molly Kearney earned two All-American titles after scoring 472.6 points in the three meter dive and placing sixth in the event.

have been achieved under head coach Brian Reynolds.

As for the Wildcats, Voigt said while the team is done competing until September, that doesn't mean their work is done.

"There were girls on the team that didn't get to make it to nationals," Voigt said. "Some of them have already begun training. So next year has already started for our team."

**I won't let anyone tell me I can't do something. When I got hurt, one doctor told me I may never be able to dive again and I wouldn't let that happen.**

— Molly Kearney  
sophomore diver

# 'Cats lose at GLIACs to finish season

By Katie Bultman  
staff writer

The women's basketball team lost to Ashland University to conclude their 2012-13 season, tallying a final score of 68-35.

Following a loss against Michigan Tech, the Wildcats competed against Ashland in the first round of GLIAC playoffs on Friday, March 8.

On Saturday, March 2, NMU faced the Huskies in a rivalry rematch after a 69-60 victory at home a month earlier.

Freshman forward Alyson Matkovich, who scored eight points against Tech, said the victory earlier in the season helped raise team morale going into the game.

"We were really confident," Matkovich said. "There was intensity in the atmosphere and we had worked on post defense and knowing how to stop them. Now (that the season is over), we have stuff to work on in the off season."

The first few baskets of the game were made off of free throws for both teams. The score remained close in the first half, and neither team was ever down by more than five points. Sophomore center Courtney Lemon tied the game at 15 with 10:34 left in the first period with a three-point shot.

A minute later, Lemon sunk another shot from behind the arc to once again tie the game, this time at 18.

With 15 seconds left in the first half, Matkovich scored a jump shot to lead NMU into the second half with a two point deficit, 30-32.

Head coach Troy Mattson said the team put in a hard week of practice to prepare for the game.

"It's a big rival game that you look forward to playing all year," Mattson said. "We had a whole week to prepare and we came in with a strong mindset. The girls played well on offense, if you look, (freshman forward) Nea Makela had nine points in the first half."

Makela finished with nine points, four rebounds and two blocks. In the second half, Michigan Tech's Kylie Moxley, who finished with a game-high 20 points, put in six points within three minutes to take the lead by 10.

"Kylie had an outstanding freshman year," Mattson said. "She played well against us that day, we didn't play well that game."

In a period of five minutes, NMU only scored two points, which were from sophomore guard Lauren Gruber. The lack of scoring left the 'Cats with a large deficit that the team could not



Justin Key/NW  
Sophomore guard Alyssa Colla tallied an average of 12.9 points per game this season. Colla was also named Second Team All-GLIAC Conference.

make up.

With 42 seconds left, junior forward Katie Becker put in two points to finish the game for NMU, leaving the team with the 71-58 loss.

NMU finished 13-13 overall in the regular season and 10-12 in the GLIAC conference play. Gruber earned All-Defensive Team

honors in the GLIAC conference on Friday, March 8. Her teammate, sophomore guard Alyssa Colla, also earned honors when she was named Second Team All-GLIAC conference.

Mattson said the 'Cats finished off the season strong and began to come together as a team.

"Other than one to two games,

we really played well," Mattson said. "We played with a lot of intensity all season long. We spent a lot of time learning the last six to seven weeks and started to understand defense."

The No. 8 seeded Wildcats moved on to play the No. 1 seeded Ashland in the GLIAC tournament quarterfinal on Wednesday, March 6, finishing with a 35-68 loss. NMU struggled on the boards, taking down 27 rebounds in comparison to Ashland's 40 rebounds.

Colla finished the season-ending game with eight points and seven rebounds. Gruber chipped in eight points and one rebound. Sophomore forward Brooke Coenen contributed five rebounds and four points.

Mattson said the team went into the game prepared, confident and ready to play against top-ranked Ashland.

"Playing the best team in the country is a tough task," Mattson said. "We went in with the right mindset and played hard. They were just better than us."

Matkovich said the girls are going to take it from where they left off and work on getting better during the off season.

"Ashland is tough, they have great players," Matkovich said. "We are going to continue to improve and hopefully match up against them."



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# Huskies swipe 'Cats in season finale

By Katie Bultman  
staff writer

Michigan Tech defeated the Wildcats in front of one of the largest crowds of the season, with a 72-48 victory over NMU on Saturday, March 2.

The Wildcats ended their 2012-13 season with a 5-21 overall record, and a 4-18 GLIAC conference record.

"We played well, we just lost it after the half," freshman center Matt Iverson said. "Next year we'll bring in a couple of new

players and, hopefully, we stay healthy." The Wildcats beat the Huskies 59-55 at home back on Saturday, Feb. 2, leaving both teams hungry for a victory in the rematch at Tech. Fans filled the gym with nearly 2,000 people, one of the biggest crowds of the year.

Student assistant coach Curtis Rybski said both teams were prepared going into the final rival game of the season.

"[We] knew it was the last game, knew it was the rival and were focused," Rybski said. "At the same time, it was a must-win for [Tech] going into playoffs. We were up against a tough team with the best player in the league, Ali Haidar."

The 'Cats kept up with Michigan Tech for a majority of the first period.

Around the 13-minute mark, Michigan Tech's Jordan Chartier put in a three-pointer to take the lead by five, jumpstarting a wave of scoring for the Huskies.

Michigan Tech began to pull away by as much as nine points within the next few minutes.

With 7:31 left in the first half, freshman guard Stephen Pelkofer sunk a three-point shot that closed the gap to bring the 'Cats within four points of Tech.

Junior forward Matthew Craggs cut the lead to two points with a layup at 6:43 in the first half,

leaving the Wildcats down 23-25.

The two point deficit was the closest the 'Cats came to taking a lead in Houghton.

From that point, Michigan Tech's Ali Haidar went on a scoring streak, sinking eight points within four minutes.

His run put the Huskies up 36-28 at halftime.

Iverson, who was unable to play due to a concussion injury from the previous game, said Haidar played hard against the 'Cats.

"It was his last home game as a senior and he's a great player," Iverson said. "He had a great night at home."

Junior forward Scooter Johnson opened the half for NMU with a jump shot, and the 'Cats down 30-42.

The Wildcats followed the next nine minutes with only four points, all of which were from the free-throw line.

Northern Michigan could not make up the difference, and Tech kept up a 24 point lead through the end of the game.

Senior forward TJ Cameron finished with a team-high 15 points for NMU to end his career as a Wildcat. Cameron also contributed three rebounds, one steal and one assist.

Craggs, who was recently named the NMU February Scholar Athlete of the Month, added 12 points and a team-high seven re-

bounds against the Huskies.

Craggs was nominated by instructor Dr. Olga J. Hocking for holding a 3.29 GPA as a student athlete.

In the final results of the game against Michigan Tech, the 'Cats allowed Haidar to dominate the glass with 10 rebounds and 17 points.

Rybski said NMU had prepared defensively for Michigan Tech's offense that would challenge the 'Cats down low.

"We knew Haidar was going to come up strong," Rybski said. "We planned to double him and force them to kick it out, where the floor percentage was lower."

The Wildcats forced 11 turnovers by the end of the game, but the Huskies still managed to shoot 64 percent from the floor. Michigan Tech out-rebounded the Wildcats 27-14.

Rybski said NMU played strong throughout the game, even when they could have thrown in the towel.

"[We] played tough all the way through," Rybski said. "We had so many guys out throughout the season, and we're very proud down the stretch the way they finished. We're proud of them for not giving up. We're always looking forward to the next season and what we have to work on as players, as coaches, and as a program as a whole."



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Senior forward TJ Cameron (1) ended his college basketball career with a team-high of 15 points on Saturday, March 2 against the MTU Huskies.

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# Baseball travels south to start season

By Cody Boyer  
sports editor

With their season opening just around the corner, the NMU club baseball team traveled to Florida last week to train with and play against several teams, winning a match against Michigan State University.

From Sunday, March 3 through Saturday, March 9, the Wildcats took part in the 2013 NCBA Spring Training Showcase in Plant City, Fla. The 'Cats competed alongside 11 other teams, playing five games of their own with a victory against Michigan State University.

Head coach Kane Beauchamp said the team's chemistry is still evident after having last played back in the fall semester.

"Although the fields are covered in snow here, the talent of this team is obvious," Beauchamp said. "Talent can only take a team so far and this squad works well together. It is important that all

the guys work together to be successful and the players understand that."

On Monday, March 4, the Wildcats opened their week against Ohio University, losing 9-4. Ohio University went on to win against Western Michigan University (11-6), lose versus Penn State University (6-2), win against Ball State (8-3) and shut-out Michigan State University (14-0).

The 'Cats also lost to Northeastern University on Monday with a score of 5-4.

Sophomore pitcher Adam Gannon said their first games in the south debuted good-quality playing, but did not stop them from coming up short in the end.

"I think we played well against Ohio," Gannon said. "We hit well and played against them well, but sometimes one team just ends up with the win and, this time, that was them."

The Wildcats competed against two teams in one day once again on Wednesday, March 6 following a day off on Tuesday, March 5, losing to both Southern Illinois University Edwardsville and Bowling Green. SIUE defeated the 'Cats 14-4, while Bowling Green earned a victory with a score of 12-0.

Senior outfielder Brandon Frazho said seeing the difference of team attendance between all of the teams made an impact on the overall quality of the Wildcats on the field.

"It was funny to see each team bring 15 to 20 guys for their squad, as we only could afford to bring 10," Frazho said. "With our limited subs, people could get play time all over and we even had to deal with a couple injuries throughout the week. People sometimes do not realize that baseball can be a tough sport, as well, which is why subs are critical."

The team re-entered the field on Thursday, March 7 to earn a victory against Michigan State University, tallying a score of 6-2.

The Spartans appeared in five games of their own during the week, earning four losses and one win as they defeated UNC-Charlotte 6-5.

Gannon said the team regrouped from the previous losses to come out against the Spartans with great baseball.

"We refocused ourselves and our energy to come out with a great win," Gannon said. "I credit the defense greatly for backing up the pitching and hitting during that game."

So far in the spring season, the Wildcats have tallied an undefeated streak leading up to the week

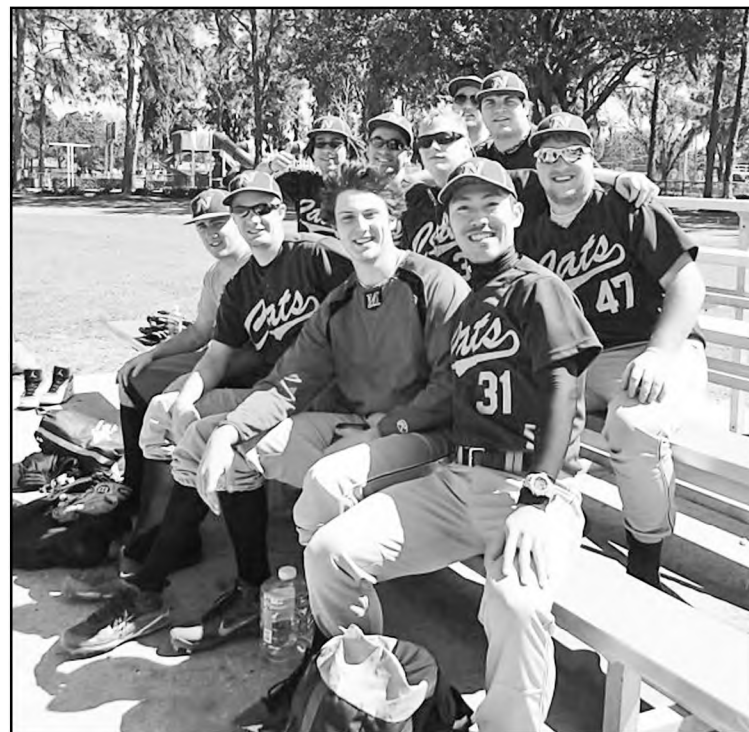


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The NMU club baseball team competed in the 2012 fall season, playing three different teams over the course of eight games and winning three.

in Plant City. On Saturday, March 2, the team defeated the LSSU Lakers 7-0 in each of its two games. The winning continued against LSSU on Sunday, March 3, with another score of 7-0.

Frazho said the earlier streak and the game against Michigan State opened the teams' eyes to what they could achieve this season.

"We played probably the best baseball we've ever played since

becoming a club team here at Northern," Frazho said. "I think we have a very good chance of going undefeated during the rest of the spring now, and possibly even make the NCBA playoffs. Spring Training was fun and challenging, and an experience that I do not think we will ever forget."

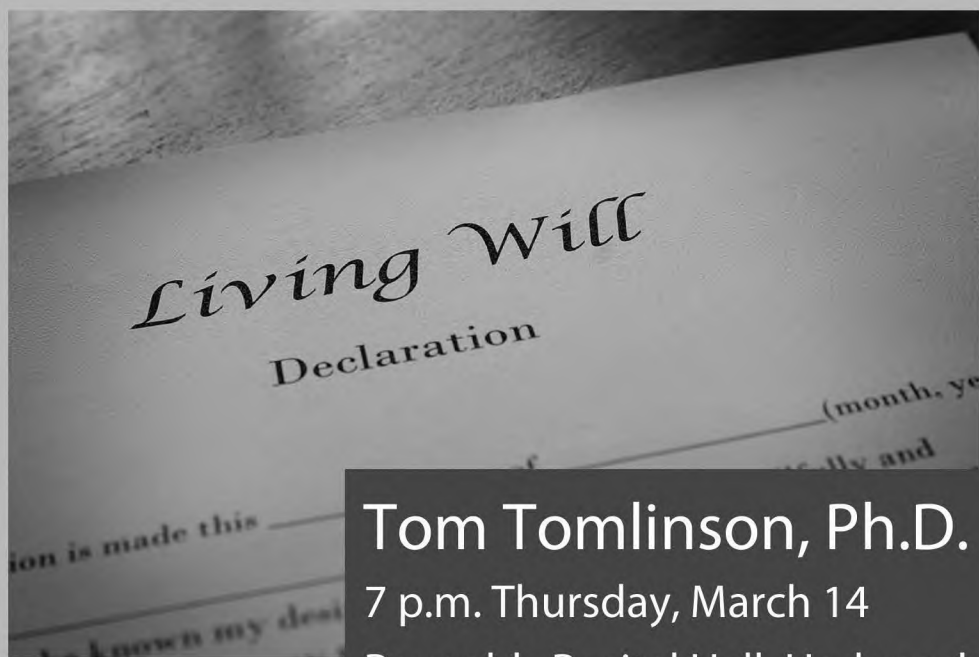
The Wildcats next play the Michigan Tech Huskies on Saturday, March 23 and Sunday, March 24 in Marquette.

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— Brandon Frazho  
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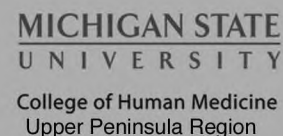
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**Cellphones**— We are so glad you were only in our century for a decade or so. You really irritate human beings. Convenient but inconsequential, that's what time says. — **19th Century**

**90s Music**— You are my muse on Wednesday evenings. What a decade for songbirds and rad rappers.— **OE**

**To those who use the word YOLO** — You are ruining me. You only live once, at best, is a functioning idiom for idiots. You might only live once, but I will live on for the foreseeable future. Do not pervert me so, YOLO singers.— **The English Language**

**ASNMU** — We don't mind you using \$300 for food at the SAM conference. We know you're used to getting by on very little. — **Student Body**

**Baby molds**— Creepiest assignment ever. — **Art Students**

**North Korea**— WE GET IT. Your country is a tough cookie. You can swing it like the big boys. And much like the United States does from North Korea, you take the shoddy products of American culture, such as Dennis Rodman, and make them your own. — **The World**

**SNL**— You are truly something to look forward to. Justin Timberlake's episode was far and above the rest of the work you've done this season. Keep me laughing you treasured American institution, you. — **A Fan**

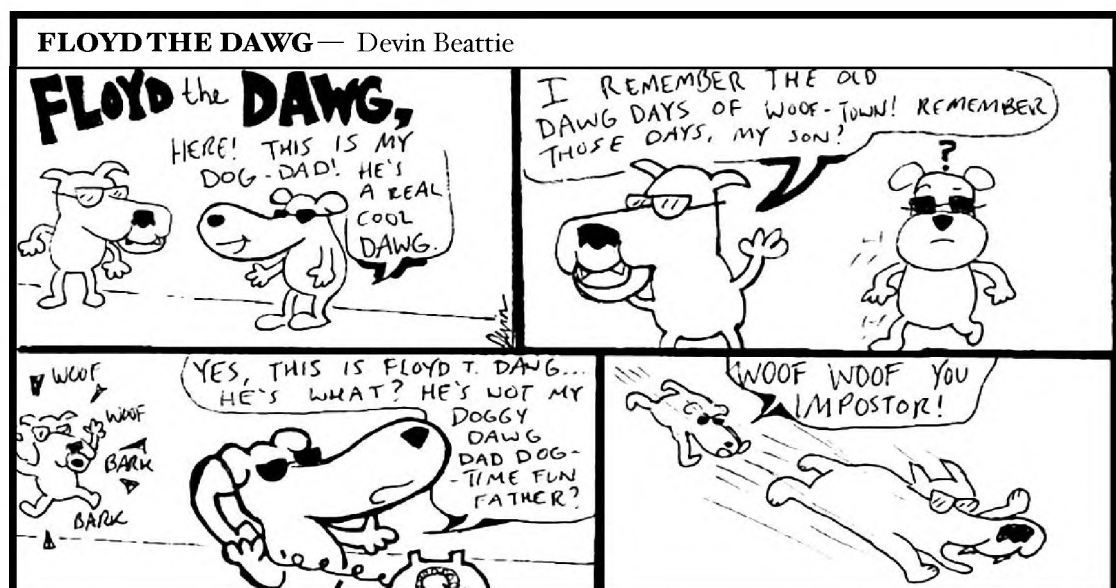
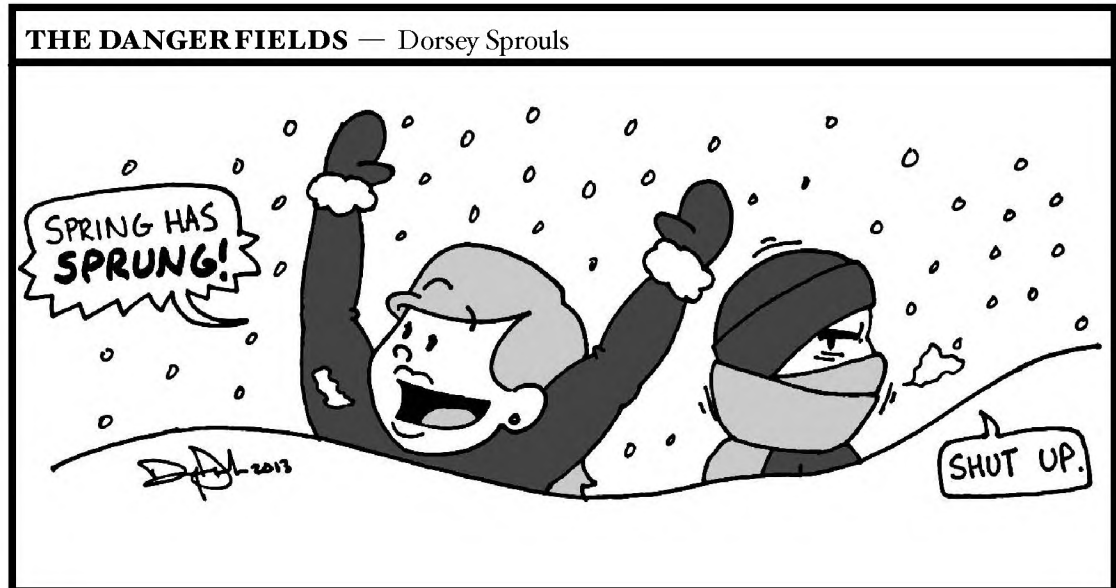
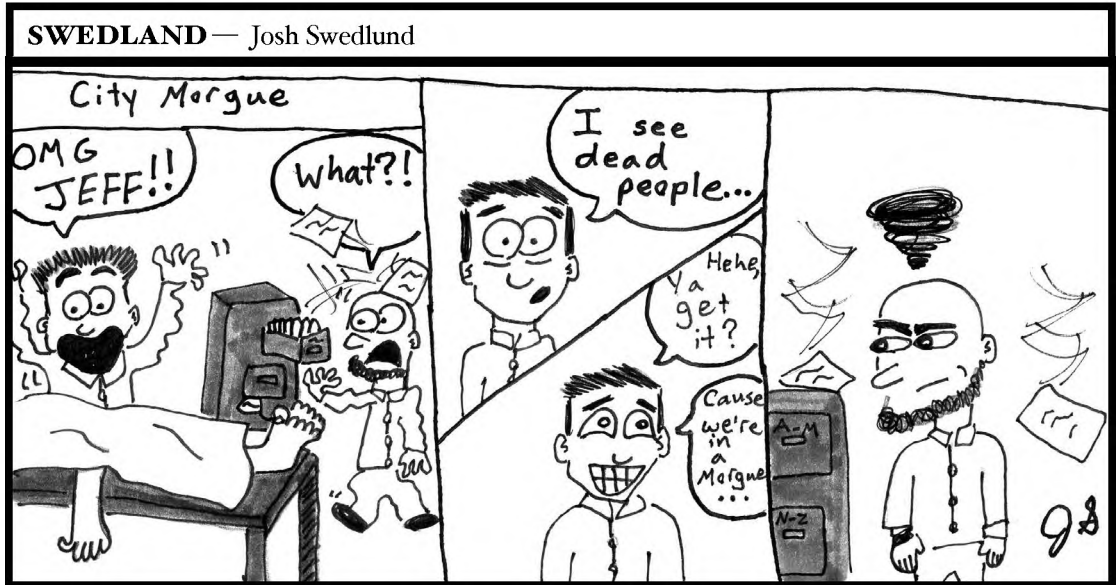
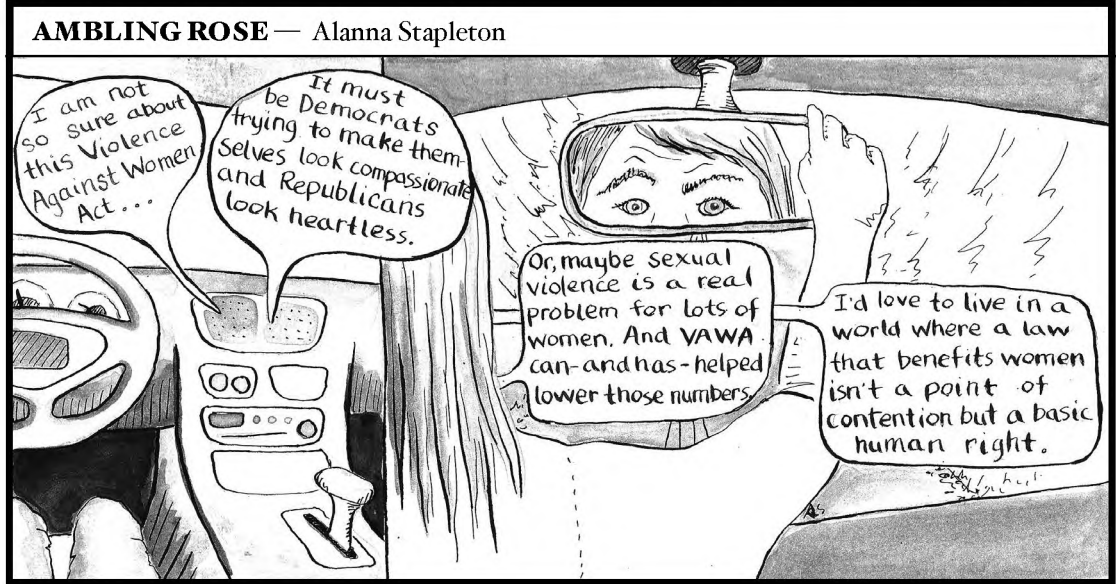
**Usher**— No, those are my confessions. No one else is allowed to use them. I copyrighted confessing useless information for the entertainment of others, so backoff. — **NMU Confessions**

**Paul McCartney**— We received your application for our short order cook position. We enjoyed your answer to the question "Are you good with people?" Beatlemania is the best answer we've ever gotten. — **Burger King**

**Google**— Whatever happened to "Don't be evil?" Stealing people's private information is pretty evil. — **Personal Privacy**

**American Particle Physicists**— We are kicking the very quarks and neutrinos that make up your collective behinds! Long live the European Union! — **European Particle Physicists**

- Inspirations**
- Biggie Smalls
  - Piggin' Out in the MP Sunshine
  - ASNMU food budget
  - Hannibal Burress
  - The letter "O"
  - Spring Break (or lack thereof)
  - Hard Cider
  - Half Pints



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