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## NMU ROTC cut by Army, appeal planned

By Brice Burge  
staff writer

Northern Michigan University's ROTC program will be shut down by the United States Army, effective at the end of the 2014-2015 school year.

"The university has lots of questions," Director of Communications Cindy Paavola said. "The decision-making factors are

not very obvious right now."

President Haynes said NMU is one of 13 of 273 ROTC programs across the country that will be closed.

"We're still trying to gather information from the United States Army," Haynes said. "We do not have from them yet the rationale and the data as to what they used to base that on. So this isn't a battle with the army but working

with them to find out what the criteria is and what kind of data was used to see if maybe we can help to keep this program open."

Most of the programs are rural schools in the upper Midwest or the South. NMU's ROTC is the only program to be shut down out of Michigan's eight total programs.

Through its 44-year history, Haynes said the ROTC has had a

large impact on campus.

"We have a rich history of support in the ROTC over the years," Hanyes said. "We were told that we were in the top 15 percent of programs and that speaks to the history of cadets that went through this program. We want to keep that tradition and keep this as an option for students."

Rep. Dan Beneshok (R, Mich-1) has signed a letter — along

with the other 12 Congressional representatives of the programs being closed — to the Secretary of the United States Army, John McHugh. In the letter, the congressmen cite the willingness of potential ROTC cadets in rural areas. These individuals, they say, "chose to enlist immediately after high school, rather than wait

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## NMU hires new vice president Enrollment and student services welcoming new vice president

By Amanda Monthei  
managing editor

Current University of Idaho Vice President of Enrollment Steven Neiheisel has been hired as the new vice president for enrollment and student services for NMU. He will begin his duties on Friday, Nov. 1.

Neiheisel has held similar enrollment and student services

positions at various other universities nationwide, though most notably spent seven years at the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay as an assistant dean for enrollment services.

"My background includes enrollment management," said Neiheisel, who received his master's and doctorate degrees from Ohio State. "I actually started my career as orientation coordinator at

Ohio State, so that was first taste of administration — running freshman orientation, which was actually one of the most fun jobs I've ever had."

Neiheisel, having lived in Green Bay for seven years prior to taking a job at the University of Idaho in Moscow, Idaho, said he is particularly drawn to the experience of small regional universities, and that Northern is

particularly alluring because of its relative rural-ness and the surrounding wilderness.

"There's a lot to say for mid-sized public institutions in terms of the kinds of experiences that students can have there," Neiheisel said. "I think with a school of about 9,000 and the breadth of the programs (at NMU), it's a

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## Former ASNMMU president running for state rep

By Cody Boyer  
editor in chief

A former member of NMU's ASNMMU is currently campaigning for Michigan state representative.

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Washington D.C. national headquarters, started campaigning earlier this year for the position in Detroit and Lansing. Thompson was the ASNMMU president from 2004 to 2005.

Thompson said her organizational involvement during her academic years at NMU served as a stepping stone into the world of U.S. politics.

"It's really just the beginning, being ASNMMU president," Thompson said. "The reason I started campaigning is actually the same reason that inspired me to run for ASNMMU: to get in-

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### Sunny Single-track



Andi Shepard, a senior environmental studies major, leads Ellen Holmes, a senior marketing major, on the South Trails in Marquette on Tuesday, Oct. 8. Marquette was named one of the best mountain biking destinations in the country by USA Today. For the full story, turn to Page 5.

Amanda Monthei/NW

# NMU celebrates heritage

By Ray Bressette  
contributing writer

The NMU Archives is celebrating American Archives month throughout the month of October, as they host events free to the public throughout the community.

Over the past week, The NMU Archives, along with the Beaumier Heritage Center and the City of Marquette Arts & Culture Center celebrated the French Canadian heritage, as they hosted the French-Canadian band Mil at Reynolds Recital Hall on Thursday, Oct. 3.

The groups also hosted a French Canadian family history exchange event Friday, Oct. 4 evening at Peter White Public Library, where people of French Canadian descent gathered for Canadian folk dancing and refreshments.

"It's important to stay loyal to our ethnicities," said Dan Truckey, director of the Beaumier Heritage Center. "We're all proud Americans, but we're also very proud of the people who came here from other places, and our dance, music and food is all a big part of our loyalty."

People shared family portraits, heirlooms and stories of their ancestors traveling to America, along with growing up in homes where French was their primary language.

"These events are most rewarding when seeing people embrace," Truckey said. "People come and enjoy themselves, share their family's background and even learn a thing or two about themselves. People enjoy coming together, that's what this is all about."

The events continue with



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Residents of the Marquette community gather in the Peter White Public Library to share family heirlooms during National Archives Month.

Woman's "herstory" week, which will celebrate the history of famous, powerful women in the Upper Peninsula. Kathy Warnes, a recipient of Grace H. Magnaghi researcher's grant will give a presentation on Julia Tibbitts, who gained notoriety as an environmental activist in the U.P. who once sought to save Little Presque Isle and the Superior Shore line.

The presentation will take place at 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 10 at the NMU Archives in Room 126 of the LRC.

In the third week, Camden Burd, another recipient of Grace H. Magnaghi researcher's grant will give a dissertation at the Beaumier Heritage Center on the U.P. environment, and the effect it has had on our culture, along with his research on Henry Schoolcraft and his notes on the U.P.'s culture.

Burd's exhibit on Schoolcraft does not officially open until Saturday, Oct. 26, but those in attendance will get a sneak peak preview of the exhibit after his speech, which will be at 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 17 at the Beaumier Heritage Center.

The fourth and final week will celebrate the 100th anniversary of the National Intramural Recreation Sports Association, which will be presented by the Recreation department at 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 24 at the NMU Archives.

Jaime Ganzel, the NMU archivist said the NMU Archives is always available for the public's interest.

"I think most of the community doesn't know of the resources we have or that we even exist," Ganzel said.

"But it's important for everyone to know we're here to help, whether it's on their family, community or whatever anyone is interested in looking into."

The NMU Archives is located in Room 126 of the LRC, and open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to noon, and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., with no appointment needed. Collections are also digitalized for research online at [www.nmu.edu/archives](http://www.nmu.edu/archives).

"You don't have to be a history student to come in and join us," Ganzel said. "There are things here that will interest you."

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four years to join the fight in defense of their country." The representatives demanded that McHugh answer nine questions regarding the criteria of closure, ranging from prior notice of failure to meet standards, estimated cost and savings from closing the programs and cadet performance at the Leader Development Assessment Course. "I'm shocked by the proposed closure of NMU's ROTC program," Benishek said in a press release sent to the North Wind. "I believe NMU and its students deserve transparency and some answers on why this decision was made."

In addition to Benishek's work in the House, resources from Michigan Senators Carl Levin (D) and Debbie Stabenow (D) are being used in NMU's attempt to save the program said Haynes and the university is working within the community and government for more support.

"We're lobbying in Washington, setting up meetings with the various veteran organizations in this region, and we're reaching out to the Michigan governor," Haynes said. "We're also trying to arrange a phone call right now with all 13 presidents impacted by the cut."

Haynes said his concern lies with the student population who relies on these programs to get an education.

"Forty-two of the 65 students in the ROTC are from the Upper Peninsula. For many of them, it's the only way they will get an education. They need the ROTC and the university scholarships to finish school."

"Many of these students' incomes and family incomes won't allow them to transfer to another ROTC program below the bridge. Of all the ROTC programs in Michigan our university has the lowest tuition and also gives a special scholarship to help reduce their tuition costs."

NMU's net tuition is the lowest of all Michigan schools and second lowest for in-state tuition behind Eastern Michigan University. Facilities and resources like the Superior Dome are also key to ROTC's financial stability.

"We do everything we can to make university facilities and resources available at little or no cost," Paavola said. "Other universities aren't able to do that and we make it very affordable to train here."

Former professor of military science and commander of the MU ROTC Kyle Rambo said he was shocked by the news of the closure. Rambo retired from the U.S. Army before the start of the 2013-14 school year, after serving as commander from 2009-13.

"You start to ask why and then you feel like it's your fault," Rambo said. "You see the faces of the people you worked with, recruited and trained and see how disappointed they are."

Though the program will not be closing until the 2014-2015 school year Haynes recommends students to stick with the program.

"I suspect that students will make their own minds up in the end. But I just ask them to give the army, Congressman Benicheck, the US Senators and the university a little bit of time to figure this out."



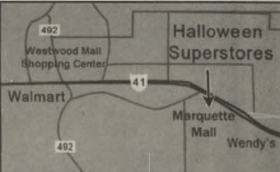
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# Students take advantage of volunteer opportunities

By Chelsea Ewaldt  
contributing writer

Promoters are gearing up for Make a Difference Day later this month and are looking for more student volunteers.

With only 40 student groups signed up, the NMU Volunteer Center is hoping to reach the same number as last year, which saw 1,400 volunteers sign up and 240 lawns raked.

"This year we are currently sitting at 170 yards, but we still have three weeks until the big day," said Seth Kratz, a volunteer coordinator for NMU's Volunteer Center.

There are many different volunteer services that NMU students and organizations offer during Make a Difference Day.

"We raked yards, washed windows, moved logs from a tree that had been cut down by the county, and cover flower beds with tarps," said Courtney Berg, a senior clinical laboratory sciences student.

Make a Difference Day is the largest national day of community service and unites millions of volunteers to celebrate neighbors helping neighbors. This national event was created in 1990 by USA WEEKEND magazine.

"It makes such a difference for the members of our community, it's a few hours out of your day," said Carrie Grishaber, a volunteer coordinator. "It just means the world. We get phone calls year round."

Northern Michigan University's Volunteer Center exclusively plans Marquette's Make a Difference Day.

"It was great to know that the organized effort to make a difference really benefitted our surrounding community," said Jordan Norris, a senior art student with a concentration in photography.

Norris has previously participated in Make a Difference Day and said she is excited to have



Kristen Koehler/NW

Students and organizations volunteer to rake leaves and do other yard work for the local community as part of Make a Difference Day each year.

the opportunity to take part again this year with the Woodland Park Apartments' student group.

"I think that I was in fact making a difference and that I was benefiting people who were incapable of doing so themselves, that really gave me the most fulfillment," Norris said. "It's definitely rewarding to know that you made a difference not only in the community, but in someone's life as well."

This year Make a Difference Day occurs during family weekend.

"We are trying to tell students that even if their parents are here, they can still help out," Kratz said. "Either their group goes early in the morning and they are done by 11 a.m. or they go later and their parents or brothers and sisters can help."

Students who are not part of an organization but would like to participate can do so as well Kratz said.

"We do have single people sign up to rake and then we just give them a small yard," Kratz said.

"If they could find just one other person it would make their job a whole lot easier.

"We can also match them with other singles so it would be a good opportunity to meet new people."

Make a Difference Day kicks off at 7 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 26. Student organizations and volunteers can sign in by the Peter White Lobby. If groups are early they can be first in line for T-shirts and breakfast. This year breakfast will be held upstairs in the Great Lakes Rooms. Then it's time to start making a difference.

"We also have a limited supply of rakes," Kratz said. "The earlier the groups get there, the better chance they have at getting a rake."

Registration for the event is open until 5 p.m. Friday, Oct. 11. Forms to register student organizations can be found at [www.nmu.edu/service/node/10](http://www.nmu.edu/service/node/10). For more information on Make a Difference Day, contact the Volunteer Center at [volctr@nmu.edu](mailto:volctr@nmu.edu) (906)227-2466.

## Briefs

### State News

A Michigan House bill introduced last week would prohibit bars and restaurants from advertising or selling a glass of beer as a pint unless the glass contains at least 16 ounces of beer.

The bill was originally introduced by Rep. Jeff Irwin, D-Ann Arbor, in 2011 and is now being co-sponsored by Rep. David Knezek, D-Dearborn Heights.

"I don't anticipate the state actually investing dollars and sending out the pint police," Irwin said. "That doesn't make sense."

Irwin suggests bars use either larger glasses to accommodate the 16 ounces or not advertise them as pints at all and said consumers should help enforce such a law by holding bar owners accountable.

### National News

Three active-duty soldiers in Washington state were arrested and booked Monday, Oct. 7 for the murder of a fellow soldier. The arrests were made after a military sergeant called Lakewood detectives to say he had received information on the stabbing from a soldier in the unit.

Tevin Geike, 20, member of a combat aviation unit and active-duty soldier from Joint Base Lewis-McChord was stabbed to death Saturday, Oct. 5.

Suspects, Jeremiah Hill, 23, Cedarium Johnson, 21, and Ajoni Runion-Bareford, 21, were booked for Geike's murder.

Authorities ruled out the stabbing as a hate crime stating that they do not believe race as a motivating factor. The victim was white and the alleged attackers were African-American.

### International News

Malala Yousafzai, 16, has become the youngest person ever nominated for a Nobel Peace Prize, which is to be awarded Friday, Oct. 11.

Yousafzai was targeted and shot in the head by a Taliban assassination attempt on Tuesday, Oct. 9, 2012 after speaking out for women rights and "education for all."

Shahidullah Shahid, spokesman for the the Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan umbrella group, once again has threatened Yousafzai's life.

"She is not a brave girl and has no courage," Shahid said. "We will target her again and attack whenever we have a chance."

Yousafzai has dismissed the recent threats against her life and still wants to return to Pakistan from Britain, where she was treated for her former attack and is currently enrolled in school.

### Weird News

An Indiana dog got loose Friday, Oct. 4 from his owner Jerry Butts. He was found Saturday, Oct. 5, crashing an Evansville half marathon. The chocolate Labrador Retriever named Boogie ran most of the 13.1 miles.

Boogie finished the race in 2 hours, 15 minutes, along side runner Kim Arney, making him one of the fastest participants in the race. Although he joined in around the halfway mark, Boogie received a medal for crossing the finish line.

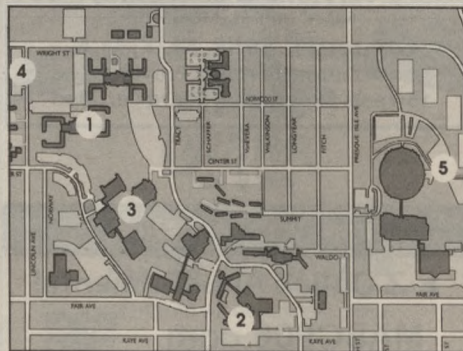
"Because he did not officially enter the race, we do not have his race times. However, we are confident he set a new course record for an unassisted dog," Evansville police said in a statement.

— Compiled from news sources

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1. A student was found with possession of marijuana at 8:53 Thursday Oct. 3 at Payne Hall.
2. A larceny of personal property occurred at 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 4 outside West Hall. The case is still open.
3. Drunk and disorderly conduct occurred at 9:42 p.m. Friday, Oct. 4 on the academic mall.
4. A student was found with possession of marijuana at 5:36 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 5 in Lot 20.
5. Malicious destruction of university property occurred at 2:43pm Sunday, Oct. 7 in Lot 56.

### CAMPUS CRIME MAP



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involved at Northern. It's so similar to what inspired me to get involved on campus all of those years ago and, now, it is putting all of that built skill that I have applied into practice."

Thompson graduated from NMU in 2009 with a degree in marketing. Following graduating from NMU, Thompson said she started working the College Affordability and Access Association shortly before she became the program manager for the District of Columbia Youth Advisory Council (DCYAC) underneath the current mayor of Washington D.C.

"I got my start working in D.C. working on Capitol Hill," Thompson said. "I've worked in the mayor's office in Washington D.C. under mayor Adrian Fenky and then I spent a few years training young people to become activists and organizers and to run for elected office to bring change to their communities."

According to the Alumni Association, Thompson has been featured in newspapers such as The New York Times and the Washington Post, as well as on C-Span. Thompson also served as the served as the legislative director for the United States Student Association, which, according to the Alumni Association, is the

country's oldest and largest national student organization.

While working in the mayor's executive office and remaining active in other youth-oriented programs, Thompson said she advocates for young leadership in universities.

"I am encouraging other young people to do something that I haven't found the courage to do," Thompson said. "I'm challenging them to go home and make a difference and it is time that I do the same."

Thompson also said networking and relationship-building is an important factor for college-level leaders to start taking advantage of early.

"The first thing that I would say is just remember that there is a long history of people who are rooting for you that you have never met," Thompson said. "It's not just about the president of ASNMU but it goes for other folks who are involved. Remember that these people are all going places. Value that network."

Current ASNMU president Amber Lopota said Thompson's efforts towards moving into a political career as the potential state's representative is a good example of past success in ASNMU.

"It's a bright light, it's a beacon," Lopota said. "If I know there's a state representative that was once in my shoes, I feel like it opens up the possibility for new ideas and I also

feel like it raises the awareness of student government is college life."

Thompson said her campaign will bring her back to Detroit, which is familiar territory for her as she continues forward towards her career in politics.

"I was raised here and so I have spent my career working to gain the experience to ultimately bring it back to Detroit," Thompson said. "Coming back to Detroit was part of the plan all along but, within the last couple of months, it was the right time to be in this place and it was the right to district, seeing as I grew up in this neighborhood. Both things were aligned, which confirmed for me that it was time to do this."

Lopota said the fact that an ASNMU and NMU alumni is running for a national political position is something the school and the organization should be proud of.

"I think that every representative can take note in really get an understanding of what ASNMU can do for them as far as their careers after graduation," Lopota said. "I think it's wonderful to hear that has a direct connection with NMU possibly gaining access to another area of politics."

For more information about Thompson's campaign, visit her campaign website at [www.rebeccamthompson.com](http://www.rebeccamthompson.com).

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really great opportunity — I think students can have a great experience because it's big enough to have choices but small enough to stay really personal."

Neiheisel said because his sons played hockey while his family lived in Green Bay, he is quite familiar with the Upper Peninsula and the northern Midwest in general, having traveled all over the U.P. for hockey tournaments and games.

"One of the things that I noticed was flying in, I looked out and at least this time of year it was very green, though I do know it turns white," Neiheisel said of the U.P. landscape. "But it's beautiful country in terms of environment, it's got the trees, it's got the lake, it's got a lot outdoors. The Pacific Northwest and the Upper Midwest are the two regions my wife and I just love."

However, some challenges lie ahead as Neiheisel becomes part of the enrollment and student services department at NMU, and especially so as Northern administrators look at big goals for the future.

"Obviously there's the enrollment goals of the institution that need to be trimmed up and achieved," he said, referring to his broadest goal as a new vice president. "I think the success of the students is really going to be a key

in that...obviously better retention, better graduation rates, more successful students, and I think from what I've seen, things are fairly positive. I think really working with the students and the staff to help students be more successful."

According to NMU President David Haynes, Neiheisel was chosen from over 18 candidates, and was ultimately hired after a search committee narrowed the candidates down to three.

"The other two candidates were very strong people, very talented, big names in their field, but everyone felt that [Neiheisel] fit us the best, so we're excited about it," Haynes said. "[Neiheisel] will be seeing whether we are providing the best and most appropriate services. I want him to work with students on that, I want him to engage students in that conversation. He's got a big job."

With his start date of Friday, Nov. 1 approaching quickly, Neiheisel said what most excites him about his move to the Upper Peninsula is being able to work with the faculty, executives and students at NMU.

"I'm really looking forward to the people, as well as the challenges and opportunities," he said. "I had a great experience at the interview, I think it's a great group of people to work with there, everyone from the executive level to the faculty that I met."

"It's a really exciting group of people."

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# Marquette among best biking towns

By Amanda Monthei  
managing editor

The Marquette silent sports community has been recognized by two separate national organizations over the past few weeks, most recently with a position in the top eight mountain biking communities nationwide in an article done by theactivetimes.com but featured by USA Today on the afternoon of Tuesday, Oct. 8.

Theactivetimes.com did a top-10 list of mountain biking communities, which included Bend, Ore., Louisville, Ky. and Harrisburg, Va., while USA Today reduced the list to the top-eight communities.

In Theactivetimes.com description of the Marquette biking community, the area was referred to as a "mini mountain biking Mecca," and was also given the distinction of being the "[British Columbia] of the Midwest," due to the rugged terrain and old-growth forest present in Upper Peninsula wilderness.

According to the director of the Noquemenon Trail Network (NTN) Nicole Dewald, the terrain and accessibility of NTN and other Marquette trail systems is what makes them distinct from other trails systems in the Midwest and nation.

"What makes the Marquette

trails unique is the fact that you can ride out of a hotel or your backdoor and within 15 minutes, you can be on the South or North Trails, enjoying the woods and trees," Dewald said. "Again, our community really embraces this, a lot of our bike paths have been designed to actually reach these destinations — you can take a bike path to the single tracks.

"The other thing that makes us really unique is the type of terrain that we have here. There are good descents and hill climbs here, and I think the topography of the rock makes the trails very unique."

NMU liberal studies senior Lucas Murray, who has been riding in Marquette since he began attending NMU in 2009, said he thinks the amount of events and the dedication of the mountain biking community in Marquette also helps make the mountain biking scene unique and noteworthy.

"I think it's good that Marquette is getting recognized after all the hard work of NTN and the freeride guys," Murray said. "It takes a serious amount of time and dedication to do what they do — the trails are well-maintained, NTN and those guys do a good job of keeping those trails well maintained, and there's a wide variety of different riding you can do here. People do cross-country, downhill, hit jumps, you can do

whatever kind of mountain biking you want to do in Marquette."

Murray, also a member of the NMU organization Northern Spokes, will be traveling this weekend with the club to enjoy another widely-acclaimed U.P. mountain biking destination — Copper Harbor.

"There's world-class mountain biking in the Midwest," he said. "People that know about mountain biking usually think of big places like Whistler (British Columbia, Can.), Moab (Utah), places like that, when there's like really good riding here."

According to Dewald, the NTN has put a lot of resources toward expanding the trail systems and bettering current trails.

"We've probably doubled our number of trails that are available, we have also spent a significant amount of money on signing the trails and in maintenance and upkeep due to erosion," she said. "What we do is follow all International Mountain Biking Association (IMBA) standards, so I think that has helped with our recognition. I also think that the support of the community has helped with recognition of local events."

Marquette was also recently recognized in the Top-15 best ski towns in the "Big East" in Powder Magazine's annual Ski Town Throwdown. The ranking came as part of a bracket competition

to find the best ski towns in the country (similar to March Madness bracketing) in four main regions — The Great White North (Canadian and Alaskan resorts), the Far West (West coast and Pacific Northwest resorts), Rock

Mountain West and The Big East.

Mount Bohemia, in the Keweenaw Peninsula south of Copper Harbor, received the top position in the Big East bracket, with Smuggler's Notch, Vt. taking second.



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Ellen Holmes, top, a senior marketing major, and Andi Shepard, an environmental studies senior, enjoy the intersection of two trails in Marquette.

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## EDITORIAL



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## ROTC cuts prove senseless

The U.S. Army's targeting of NMU's Reserve Officer's Training Corps program — along with 12 other programs nationwide that will close at the end of the 2014-15 school year — is an attack on a program that, while not producing large amounts of commissioned officers, has shown notable improvements in recruitment efforts and commissioned officers over the past five years.

According to Army officials, universities with ROTC programs are expected to produce 15 officers each year. Not only has NMU commissioned 13 officers this year, that number has risen from just five in 2009. However, one of the few reasons Army officials gave for the surprise elimination of 13 ROTC programs nationwide was that the "programs being closed were producing far fewer (than 15 officers per year) and showed little prospect for growth," as reported by the Wall Street Journal on Friday, Oct. 4.

What isn't as widely known, however, was that four of NMU's 13 officers commissioned in 2013 were assessed as 'excellent' at the Leader Development and Assessment Course (LDAC) in Ft. Lewis, Wash. Furthermore, three of those four cadets were ranked as top-3 in their platoons at the LDAC training. If this isn't indicative of the quality of NMU's ROTC program, it'd be hard to find what is.

According to the aforementioned report by the Wall Street Journal, the

schools that seem to be targeted for ROTC program elimination are also primarily rural universities, which are to be cut to make way for ROTC programs at larger, more metropolitan universities. It seems the Army's nearly \$275 million in annual scholarships for ROTC members — which covers tuition and other costs associated with higher education for students who are enrolled in the ROTC — could be distributed more effectively to make cuts unnecessary. Rather than entirely eliminating programs in rural schools like NMU — which is one of the least expensive universities to host an ROTC program, and which relies on the ROTC program for both enrollment and prestige — wouldn't it make sense to make small financial trimmings at all ROTC universities to accommodate the preservation of 13 that maybe aren't producing as many officers as, say, a New York City university ROTC program would?

The ROTC has provided opportunities for the nearly 400 students who have graduated from the program since its inception 44 years ago, and continues to provide 65 currently enrolled students with leadership training and tuition assistance. Army officials need to realize the importance of these programs in rural areas such as the Upper Peninsula, where the wilderness may be plentiful, but relevant career training and opportunities are not.

## Demonstrators yell much, say little



Staff  
Column

Cody  
Boyer

"People talk loud when they wanna act smart, right? So if we play loud, people might think we're good! Everybody ready?"

In a popular 2001 episode of "Spongebob Squarepants," the character of Squidward Tentacles tries to teach a large group of underwater creatures how to join together to form a marching band. When the group fails to successfully come together, Squidward proposes a theory: if you want to sound credible enough as a group, just do whatever it is that you are doing loudly.

Sound familiar, NMU?

When it comes to demonstrators on campus, it is safe to say that we have experienced a surplus during past weeks. While some demonstrators find success in simply handing out miniature Bibles with a smile and nothing more, others have started to dig into more questionable methods of getting their ideals across to students.

In my opinion, ideas and beliefs should not have to be delivered from the top of a stool using raised voices, insults and ridicule to influence those who make up their target audience. This method was used on Wednesday, Oct. 3 by six evangelical pastors at NMU who were preaching Christian morals.

Over the past few weeks, I have seen more demonstrations pop up across campus than any other semester that I've been at NMU. An individual or a small group will plant themselves on the main walkways that students must take in order to get to their classes.

Other times, groups that work in relative silence to get their message across still make a large impact on campus, as with the demonstrators on campus on Wednesday, Sept. 4.

A group of anti-abortionist demonstrators arrived on campus brandishing large, detailed posters of aborted fetuses while handing out pamphlets that compared abortions to the Holocaust. While the campus provides an open forum for groups such as this, many people, including children who happened upon viewing the images, were affected adversely.

There are many different ways people can demonstrate effectively, without even having to use their voices.

On Dec. 1, 1955, Rosa Parks demonstrated her civil rights when she refused to give up her seat in the "white section" of a

bus to a white man when the rest of the bus was full. Only speaking a few sentences, Parks demonstrated a quiet method of displaying her rights, but made an equally loud impression on segregation laws at the time as well as on the civil rights movement.

On the other hand, in the events leading up to World War II, Adolf Hitler led an entire nation and race of people into violence and fear with his own beliefs simply by shouting and being charismatic with his ideals. We all know what his endeavors brought upon millions of people and how it ended for him.

The best way to deliver a potentially controversial idea to people who might come from varying beliefs should not entail driving them away or forcing stuff down their throats. Presenting ideas in a hostile manner does not accommodate an open forum for discussion. Additionally, preaching about love and peace using methods of aggression and hate is a conflicting message for the public. A good presentation doesn't contradict itself.

A good demonstrator doesn't force the floor away from their audience. While they might be the only person speaking, they must take into perspective the thoughts and feelings of others. A person will not be convinced to listen to another person if the speaker is disrespecting their audience to grab attention.

College campuses generally allow organizations to demonstrate in an effort to create open forums for discussion between the demonstrators and students. One-sided rants from extremist evangelicals belong elsewhere. A group of people vocally practicing their beliefs should not demonstrate domination of thought by talking over the questions of their primarily student audience.

So after listening to Squidward's theory, the Bikini Bottom marching band raises their instruments and produces an explosion of noise, dramatically blowing out the windows of the rec center they are practicing in and breaking Squidward's conductor's baton.

Squidward's theory about projecting one's supposed credibility in a loud manner ultimately ended in destruction, and above all, a show of the band's true talent, which is to say, none at all.

"OK, new theory," Tentacles says. "Maybe we should play so quietly, no one can hear us."

Squidward may have a valid point, even if he meant it differently in the cartoon. If a person is going to take time out of their day to insult and upset people to get them to listen, then perhaps they either need to consider a different approach or stop talking entirely.

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# Environmental progress requires innovation

## Creativity ever important as resources grow scarce



**Guest Column**

**Michael Williams**

There is an undercurrent of modern environmentalism that calls for a neo-agrarian return to the land involving localization of food production, currency and commerce.

I am entirely supportive of local food systems and decentralization of commercial ventures. I'd say that more cooperative efforts in resource distribution at the ground level are ideal; however, it appears naïve that "going back" to the land is realistic for people at large. A bit of critical thinking would debunk this notion outright when the prospect of climate change is factored into our common future.

That said, climate change is particularly daunting when paired with the realities of oil and mineral depletion that we will eventually confront. I am skeptical that a return to agrarianism is a total solution to the issues that are staring us in the face.

We are Earth. What separates us from land bases is the stuff of NASA-style space travel. (For the record, I'm also skeptical of Mars colonization.) Current projections

for 21st century global population sizes yield estimates of approximately 10 billion humans by 2050. This particular estimate is conservative compared to the more ominous projections of 12 billion.

For this article's purposes, 10 billion people is enough to consider reassessing how we live with Earth's ecosystems.

Our global epoch is unique: we are faced with virtually guaranteed resource shortages, weird weather and more humans to feed than at any other period in human history. We cannot all be subsistence farmers. Frankly, there isn't enough land.

Taking cues from the past are grand. We have documentation of civilizations that lived with their ecosystems without overusing their resources and had qualities of life that are enviable. However, these societies largely had manageable population sizes.

Enter the distinction of modern society. Industrialization has both brought us radical technologies and rapid population growth. The child of industrialization, globalization, has produced unprecedented comforts (mostly in the form of petro-products) and commercial linkages that are more volatile than they appear. Consider, for a moment, how Wal-Mart shelves would be stocked during an abrupt scarcity

of cheap oil.

In his book "The Infinite Resource: The Power of Ideas on a Finite Planet" (2013), Ramez Naam argues that since humanity's inception, ideas have propelled innovation. He then lays out the notion that with contemporary knowledge and insights about our role on the planet, innovations could be made to address and potentially solve issues relating to overpopulation, ocean acidification, resource depletion, etc. This runs counter to the environmental movement's underlying fetish with the archaic, pre-industrialized, Amish-style life that few of us have actually experienced.

Naam posits that it unfortunately requires disasters to motivate response to ecological issues. He writes that "it took the Cuyahoga River catching on fire—for the 13th time—before we created the EPA and passed the Clean Air and Clean Water acts." While this may be dismaying more than hopeful, regarding climate response he notes that "we've done it before."

As renewable energy gets cheaper, as second- and third-generation biofuels come to market, as wind farms and solar panels sprout, a large part of the resistance to acting against climate will fade away. Innovation will make it easier to get the na-

tion across the threshold of action.

There are a myriad of problems with every alternative energy option listed above and seldom are there ecologically inconsequential behaviors, even with alternative energies. But this is only a challenge to the environmental community to be creative, which is a good thing.

However, humans need innovation by people who experience their own geographic pressures. The politician of the United States does not know what's best for Sudan, nor is the inverse true. The tendencies of governments to prescribe top-down measures typically translate as involuntary bandages to current issues, not future issues. Prevention, not mitigation, comes first.

We live in a period of unprecedented transfer of information. Thus, we live in a period capable of unprecedented innovations. These innovations, ideally, can prevent further disasters in the future, rather than mitigate current ones.

We apes have remarkable brains. To reduce our capacities to the use of social media and celebrity fetish is self-demeaning.

This article is a call for convergence with innovation that will yield a future that is both sustainable and just. For individuals skeptical to the likelihood of

this kind of innovation, I would advise to research Boyan Slat for some encouragement. Slat is a 19-year-old engineering student who has developed floating booms to clean up plastic pollution in the oceans.

Plastic pollution has generated floating gyres the size of small continents that yield virtual dead-zones in the oceans, the global commons. This pollution (along with rising water levels) disrupts current flow that is vital to climate consistency. The ability to clean and mitigate this pollution is an astounding step toward a future hopefully characterized by corrections of history. To stand in the way of this kind of technology, from a solely romantic perspective, is both perverse and naïve.

None of the future 10 billion will ask to be born; their presence as part of this fragile planet is involuntary.

And yet they (we) will be forced to pay for the negligence and near-sighted behaviors that characterized previous generations. To say that we need to "go back" to ill-defined simpler times is neither enough nor realistic. To say that we need new paradigms with new standards of living and reasonable qualities of life is the basis of a common human future. Anything less will be 10 billion shots in the foot.

### Letter to the Editor

## Hateful extremists should not be tolerated on campus

Dear editor,

I have to express my anger and disbelief at the numerous visits of religious extremists permitted on campus.

As an international student, I'm increasingly alienated in the "Land of the Free." How can freedom exist when one is bound by the confines of a closed mind? What ever hap-

pened to secular education, critical thinking and freedom from dogma?

NMU says in their mission statement that their objective is to "challenge their students and employees to think independently and critically [...] embrace diversity." NMU heralds itself as an institution that "strives to be an inclusive com-

munity where differences are recognized as assets of the institution, respected attributes of the person and a valuable part of the university experience." Rather, they've allowed their students to become targets of insult, intimidation, homophobia and misogyny. How can the university claim that students should "divert their path" when

students are bombarded with graphic images at the doors of the library?

The university showed its support of this coercion by firstly allowing these groups on campus, and then by allowing them to continue to preach bigotry and hate once their true intentions were revealed.

Furthermore, would a Mus-

lim extremist group be met with such apathy? Religious extremists are religious extremists regardless of which god they worship. There should be zero tolerance of bigotry and hate. NMU needs to start providing a safe and supportive environment for all.

**Chloe Macbeth**  
senior economics major

### Sound Off

What are you most looking forward to this fall?

Compiled by Katie Stumman



**Emily Hunt**

sophomore, speech and lang.  
*"I'm looking forward to carving pumpkins because I love baking pumpkin seeds."*



**Rob Villabro**

senior, business management  
*"I'm looking forward to the PrimeTime and Campus Cinema events. I'm ready for fun things to do on the weekend that aren't expensive."*



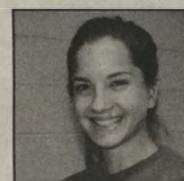
**Nicholas McNeil**

sophomore, criminal justice  
*"I'm excited for hockey season because nothing is better than hockey."*



**Catherine Swiderski**

sophomore, sports science  
*"I'm looking forward to fall trail running because I enjoy running through the woods and admiring the changing of the leaves."*



**Jaylee Brown**

sophomore, nursing  
*"I'm looking forward to hiking because you get to be in the nice, crisp weather and you get to step on crunchy leaves."*

# Colors usher in New Season



By Mary Wardell  
features editor

Do you feel it? In the crumpled leaves that rattle and swirl over the pavement, in their satisfying crunch beneath your shoes.

In rainy days that have you inexplicably pining for kindergarten, when leaves and puddles were not a nuisance, but for jumping in.

Fall is busy and wistful, ripe with a nostalgia for summer and times gone by. Permeating the crisp air is that unmistakable scent of leaves decomposing.

"Everything passes, everything changes," Bob Dylan

croons in "To Ramona." "Just do what you think you should do."

The NMU community gets to experience fall surrounded by incredible vistas in every direction. Alumnus, poet and playwright Jonathan Johnson, returning to NMU on Thursday, Oct. 17 for a poetry reading, said fall is the most beautiful of all the seasons.

"I just can't wait to see some of my favorite trees in Marquette this time of year," Johnson said.

"[Fall] really teaches us all these lessons about renewal, about endurance, about how to be full and flourish and then how to die and let go," Johnson said. "And how to be the

most beautiful when you're dying and letting go."

Death and transformation seem to pervade autumn in the sight and scent of leaves, but the process trees undergo as their leaves change color is complex.

The fall leaves aren't so much "turning color," as "losing pigment," said NMU biology graduate student Steven Caird, who is researching tree ecology on Isle Royale.

"As the season winds down, plants are repurposing the components of chlorophyll (the green pigment) into other more useful and seasonally appropriate molecules," Caird said. "[Trees are] drawing their resources

inward, because it's no longer efficient to continue trying to harvest light."

Caird, a musician himself, said the process is like these lyrics by fiddler Kailin Young: "Open your heart; open your mind. Let the sun shine through your eyes, so that you see the road before you when you're traveling in the night." Caird said he both dreads and loves that "night," winter.

"You just have to remember that the only thing different is that there's less light, and you respond just as much as the leaves on the trees," Caird said. "We, like they, have adapted to store the starch of summer in our roots to pull through 'til next spring."

"Marquette is beautiful in its remoteness and difficulty as well as in its graces," Johnson said. "I think there are few things in life to be that are better than being a young writer in Marquette."

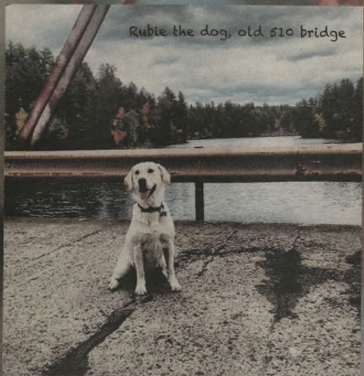
It is good to be a student of any kind in Marquette in the fall, going to school to learn and "hack out a path to the foggy future. Autumn feels fleeting, so full of decisions too quickly passed. But that is OK.

The trees are talking of endurance, beauty and letting go with more grace and complexity than one person can conceive of. That is all we're promised in this life, and it is enough.

CR-510 in Negaunee Township

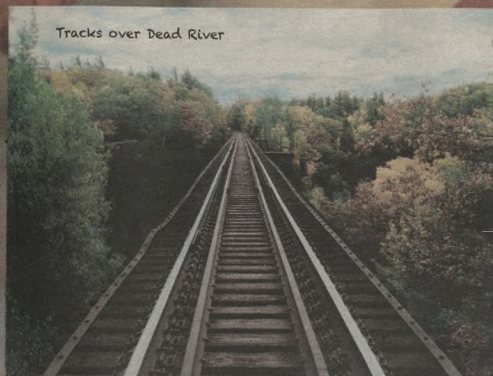


Submitted by Daisy Miller, junior outdoor recreation leadership and management major



Rubie the dog, old 510 bridge

Submitted by Emily Britaine, senior education major



Tracks over Dead River

Submitted by Ben Mark, senior environmental studies and sustainability major

## Caird recommended these places to look for piquing color

- For stunning yellows, check out the birches at Carp River park by Marquette Mountain on CR-553.
- "A wall of red maples" are on M-28 before Munising.
- Pictured Rocks: take H-58. Even if the campsites are closed, the road is still open.
- Recommendations for fall color tours can be found at [www.travelmarquettemichigan.com](http://www.travelmarquettemichigan.com).



## Exhibit sheds light on trade

By Kate Clark  
staff writer

"There is no work for the billboard painters any longer," said Devos Museum featured artist Donald Fels, referring to what was once a thriving craft in India. "They just don't have that as a way of making a living anymore."

Fels's exhibit "What is a Trade?" is comprised of 16 large-scale paintings by Indians who struggled to survive after an increase in mass-produced billboards within their community eliminated their means of subsistence.

"What is a Trade?" is currently running at the Devos Art Museum through Friday, Dec. 13, and Fels will speak about his work and answer questions at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 16.

Fels has been an active visual artist for thirty years around the world. He said this year he's working on projects in Italy, Java, France and Seattle.

Melissa Matuscak, the museum's director and coordinator, said past artist talks have been attended by students and community-members.

"It gives the audience a chance to hear from the artist firsthand, and more importantly, to ask questions," Matuscak said. "It makes the viewing experience much richer after having heard

the artist speak about their work directly."

Fels said during his artist talks he shows images and tries to give context for the audience. He also said he tries to leave plenty of time for questions, which are the most fun for him.

"It's a pity," Fels said about the sign painters. "Besides not having an income from painting, the communities all have the same signs and billboards now, because they are all printed in a central place. Before, each painter did his work slightly differently, so the billboards were very cool to look at."

Fels spent seven months in India as a Fulbright Research Scholar.

"Very few artists get Fulbrights and I would bet none has or will again work with billboard painters," said Fels. "I have no idea why I got the fellowship, but it was wonderful because it allowed me to do the project."

Matuscak said selecting the artists and exhibitions to show is one of the best parts of her job. Two years of pre-planning go into the schedule, during which time she researches the potential artists and, when possible, goes to visit their exhibitions.

The signs were designed by Fels and then painted by artists Surya, Raju or Paul, according to the museum's website. The paint-

ings are done on large sheets of aluminum and reference Vascomada Gama's 1498 voyage in search for pepper and spices.

After an initial visit in 2003, Fels returned in 2004 to the place da Gama traded, Cochin, India. He began his collaboration, dealing with issues such as globalization and international trade.

"I like that he's working collaboratively with other people in much of his work," Matuscak said. "I also think he's raising important and relevant questions with the work. It spurs a dialogue and that kind of conversation is the best thing that can come out of an exhibition."

The enamel paintings were done, according to Fels' website, in a 300-year-old warehouse in Cochin's historic port that was once a pepper warehouse.

The painters were paid for their time painting as well with part of the proceeds from art sales.

"In fact, at the last museum venue for the exhibition, in New York, the curator of the exhibition bought one of the paintings from the exhibit for the museum, so its now there and not being shown in Marquette," Fels said. "When I sent money to the painters, one of them told me the money would allow him to enlarge his very small house."

Fels said he still regularly communicates with the painters.

## Service project offers students chance to make a difference in Central America

By Kate Clark  
staff writer

The second of three interest meetings will be held for the Belize service project at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 10 in the Back Room of the University Center.

The program's tentative dates are Sunday, March 2 through Saturday, March 8, over spring break. It will cost around \$2200 to participate.

Kristi Evans, news director in NMU Communications Office, will be co-leading the trip. This will be her first time leading a program.

According to Evans, studying abroad in college changed her life in many positive ways and she encourages students to do it.

"It's incredibly valuable to travel outside one's comfort zone and immerse yourself in another culture, even briefly," Evans said.

The Belize trip takes place in the town of St. Ignacio where students will volunteer at the youth center. According to the Evans student volunteers will tutor, mentor, teach health education and explore the arts.

Senior art education major Jenna Talcott went on the Belize service trip in 2011.

"I decided to do it because I had never been to another country



Photo courtesy of Jenna Talcott

In 2011, students traveled to Belize to repaint El Progreso, a local school.

before," Talcott said. "It seemed like a great way to visit a whole other part of the world and explore a whole new culture."

They stayed in a bunkhouse built for them by "American expats" that overlooked a river in the jungle, she said.

After working in the morning, they spent afternoons hiking, horseback-riding, cliff-diving and visiting tourist sites. They even canoed under Barton Creek Cave, known as the "Mayan's Gateway to the Underworld," she said.

According to NMU's volunteer abroad webpage, interested students must be involved in the Superior Edge program. While

the program does not offer academic credit, it does give students the opportunity to travel and help others over their spring break.

"This is a general-interest opportunity, so students from any academic major are encouraged to participate," Evans said. "We are looking for people who want a spring break that combines service to others, cultural exploration, self-discovery, group-building activities and some fun."

The next meeting will take place Wednesday, Oct. 23. Interested students can download an application and find more information at [nmu.edu/international-programs/node/47](http://nmu.edu/international-programs/node/47).



Katie Stumann/NW

Junior theatre majors John Scheibe and Jesse Morrow play Hornby and Deborah, as they rehearse a scene from "A Kind of Alaska."

## "Kind of Alaska" to play up the unexpected

By Jordan Beck  
staff writer

When NMU senior theater major York Griffith first discovered "A Kind of Alaska," he wasn't anywhere near the Upper Peninsula.

In fact, he was attending the School at Steppenwolf, a residency created by Chicago's famed Steppenwolf Theatre Company.

"There were a couple girls there who were working on a scene from it," Griffith said. "I thought it was really fascinating, and it's kind of stuck with me since then."

Now, after a 15-year-long hiatus, Griffith has returned to NMU to earn his bachelor's degree, and he's chosen to direct "A Kind of Alaska" as his capstone project. Serving as both a homecoming and a farewell, he said, NMU's production of "Alaska" promises to present a classic drama in a bold new light.

Written by Nobel-winning playwright Harold Pinter, "Alaska" tells the story of Deborah, a middle-aged woman who's been in a coma for the past three decades. Over the course of the play's single act, Deborah tries to come to terms with a world that's radically different from the one she remembers.

According to Griffith, one of the primary reasons he was drawn to the play was its deep, fully-drawn sense of characterization.

"One thing that often happens with shorter plays is that they tend to rely on archetypal or stereotypical characters," Griffith said. "Thanks to Harold Pinter's writing, this play is far from that."

Jesse Morrow, a senior theater major playing the role of Deborah, agreed.

"This role has been a nice challenge, since it gives me a

chance to create this person who doesn't have an obvious, stereotypical 'box' that she fits in," Morrow said.

While Griffith is the play's director, his creative process is one of collaboration, he said. Instead of making every artistic decision for the production before rehearsals began, he and the play's cast worked together to determine its creative direction.

"We started the process in a somewhat typical way: learning dialogue, blocking scenes and so on," Morrow said. "But, then, we took a step back to get at the heart of the characters and their energies, as well as their relationships with each other and their surroundings. We did some exercises to explore that, and the piece ended up taking on a new shape, which is very interesting."

Griffith said among the most appealing traits of his production is the fact that Pinter's plays aren't often produced in the U.P.

"It's one of the best short plays ever, written by one of the most important playwrights of the last 50 years," Griffith said. "I think it's a rare opportunity to see a very important play that isn't performed often done well."

According to Morrow, Griffith's production of "Alaska" will be an interesting experience for the audience and the cast alike, especially since it's not typical in any sense of the word.

"Come in open-minded, because it might not be like what you're expecting," Morrow said. "It's got a different aesthetic than you might expect, and it's not a comedy by any means. Just be ready to take the journey with us."

"A Kind of Alaska" will be performed at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 18 and Saturday, Oct. 19 in the James A. Panowski Black Box Theater.

# Alum returns with poetry, perspective

By Mary Wardell  
features editor

*Black mamba of the front tire  
over wet streets, the wet streets,  
after-rain falling from the neighborhood  
leaves,  
luminescence of lamp posts' lamps up  
through the trees.*

This excerpt from Jonathan Johnson's poem "Night Bicycle," as read by Garrison Keillor on NPR, is set in Marquette. In fact, much of his poetry is. Johnson's return to NMU as part of the English department's Visiting Writer series will mark the first U.P. fall Johnson has seen in 15 years.

"I cannot wait to walk through park cemetery, out to the island [Presque Isle] and, of course, from Munising," Johnson said. His planned two-day walk from Munising to Marquette will be one in a series of long walks and runs that for him commemorate important events in his life.

Johnson will give a reading on Thursday, Oct. 17 in the Erie Room of the University Center and will visit creative writing classes, a poetry workshop, a dramatic writing workshop, and a nursing class.

"I'm especially excited about [the nursing] class," he said, where he will discuss, as he does in his memoir "Hannah and the Mountain," the importance of medical professionals in the lives of patients and their families.

Johnson has a B.A. in philosophy (1990) and an M.A. in English (1992) from NMU,

his Ph.D from Western Michigan University, and teaches in the MFA creative writing program at Eastern Washington University.

He has published two books of poetry ("Mastadon, 80% Complete" and "In the Land we Imagined Ourselves") in addition to his memoir, and is working on a novel. His play, "Ode," premiered this spring, and he wrote the introduction to the new anthology of U.P. literature "The Way North," in which a poem and story of his both appear.

"I would say I write to more fully occupy my existence," he said. "A lot of my work is about the relationship between imagination and perception...how the external world interacts with my interior life."

The first U.P. Poet Laureate Russel Thorburn described the appeal of Johnson's work as "heightened language in a narrative form."

Thorburn, author of four books of poetry, is very active in the U.P. community, encouraging young poets in schools and through workshops. He said he and Johnson have been editing each other's work for years, developing a strong artistic trust through exchanging poetry in summers at Third Street Bagel in downtown Marquette.

Thorburn said the setting of Johnson's poetry plays an important thematic role in his work, as Johnson has three different areas he calls home—the American Northwest where he teaches, his native Upper Peninsula and Scotland, the home of his ancestors.

"Scotland and the Northwest have these big sweeping vistas that make you feel small and filled with awe," Johnson said. "But the U.P. on the other hand, though it's really wild and giant, to me it feels very close and intimate."

"And when it snows and you feel like the sky is only 20 feet above your head, then it really feels intimate and companionable," he said. "It feels like a confidante. A lot of my work is about that: the feeling of companionship the world offers."

His writing was heavily influenced by his parents, he said, both professors in the English department at NMU. His father, Ron Johnson, still teaches Russian literature, and his late mother was a scholar of

British Romanticism, particularly the poet John Keats.

Johnson, who grew up very familiar with Keats' poetry and letters, said Keats and his lover Fanny Brawne became like long-term imaginary friends to him after at 19 he visited the house where Keats died while backpacking in Europe with the woman who is now his wife.

He said it seemed natural to bring them to life in his play, "Ode," which tells the story of Keats' tragic life, relationship and legendary work. It premiered in the spring of 2013 at EWU, breaking a box office record for community attendance.

"I've never had such an artistically satisfying experience," Johnson said.



Photo courtesy of Amy Howko  
Johnson summers in Marquette like a "12-year-old boy," in a row boat drifting and writing.

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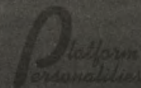
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# Exhibition series delivers victory

## Opening weekend offers coaches a view of athlete potential on ice

By Katie Bultman  
sports editor

The men's hockey season officially opened at 7:07 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 5 versus the U.S. National Under-18 hockey team, resulting in a 3-1 NMU victory.

Head coach Walt Kyle said it was a good start for the Wildcats against a strong team.

"The national team is a very good team; those guys will all be playing in major colleges next year," Kyle said. "That's a big challenge to play that team early, and our guys played pretty well."

NMU sophomore forward Cohen Adair led the 'Cats in scoring with two points on one goal and one assist.

Redshirt freshman goaltender Mathias Dahlstrom had 22 saves on 23 shots during his 40 minutes.

Sophomore goaltender Michael Doan was in goal for NMU in the final 20 minutes. Doan had seven saves on seven shots.

Kyle said both men played competitively over the weekend.

"They're both guys that didn't play much last year," Kyle said. "Mathias didn't play at all; Michael only played six or seven periods, and for guys that hadn't played they both did a real good job. There's going to be competition there."

The score remained at zero for the entirety of the first period against the National team.

In the second period, 53 seconds in, Darin Larkin scored the first goal against the 'Cats.

NMU senior defenseman CJ Ludwig responded, tying the game at one with 4:30 on the clock in the second period. The assist is credited to junior forward

Ryan Daugherty.

Daugherty said the National team played competitively on the ice, which will help NMU with future games in the season.

"It was a good learning tool," Daugherty said. "We saw where a lot of the guys on the team are going to be and need to be."

In the rest of the second period, NMU landed time in the penalty box twice before they took a 2-1 lead with a goal from senior forward Erik Higby off an assist by Adair.

Doan took over the goaltender position for NMU in the third period to record his seven saves.

The U.S. National team was unable to score, and Adair sealed the 3-1 victory for the Wildcats on a power play 18 minutes into the final period. Freshman forward Shane Sooth assisted Adair for the point.

Daugherty said the win proved that NMU has the ability to be a contender this season.

"I think we'll be a really strong team if we stick to our team game plan and don't have a lot of individuals with a lot of egos," Daugherty said. "We're here to win all together, all for one kind of thing."

The following afternoon, Sunday, Oct. 6, the Wildcats hosted Laurentian University for a second exhibition game, resulting in a 3-2 victory for the 'Cats.

Daugherty had two goals for NMU. Doan and Dahlstrom took the win as goaltenders with a combined 16 saves of 18 shots.

The Voyageurs opened the game with the first goal at 3:13.

NMU was unable to respond when Laurentian scored a power-play goal to take a 2-0 lead 9:46



Sophomore forward Justin Rose (21) started at left wing in the game against the U.S. National Under-18 hockey team on Saturday, Oct. 5. Rose appeared in 24 games in the 2012-13 season to earn his first letter for the 'Cats.

into the game.

Kyle said the coaching staff sat a majority of the seniors against the Voyageurs in order to see what some of the younger athletes could do on the ice.

"We tried to play all the guys that were kind of on the bubble, and give them an opportunity to really earn their spurs and find out where they fit in the lineup," Kyle said. "They got a lot of ice time in a lot of key situations and we were able to get a read on some of them in regards to where we think they fit."

With 19:22 into the first period, the Voyageurs were called for a slashing penalty, giving the Wildcats an opportunity for a power-play goal.

Sophomore forward Ryan Aynsley took advantage and put the Wildcats on the board at the

very end of the first period with assists from freshman defenseman Barrett Kaib and freshman defenseman Brock Maschmeyer.

The 'Cats went into the second period down 2-1, where they found themselves in the penalty box twice during the period.

Kyle said the Wildcats took far too many penalties this weekend.

"That's an area where we have to absolutely cut down," Kyle said. "We know that, and we've told guys if they're going to continue to take penalties, they won't be in the lineup."

Though both Laurentian and NMU spent time in the penalty box, neither was able to capitalize on the power play opportunities. The score remained 2-1 going into the final period.

Daugherty managed to tie the game up 10 minutes into the third

period with an assist from junior forward Ryan Kesti.

A minute later, the 'Cats sealed the game when Daugherty scored a short-handed goal off an assist from junior defenseman Jake Baker for the 3-2 victory.

This weekend, the Wildcats take on the University of Wisconsin-Madison in their homecoming game. The teams play at 8:07 p.m. Friday, Oct. 11 and Saturday, Oct. 12 at Wisconsin.

NMU swept Wisconsin last season in Green Bay.

"We know we're playing one of the better teams in the nation and we know it's going to be a real hostile environment," Kyle said. "That's kind of baptism under fire. It's great for our guys to get that experience against a really good team. We'll be better after the weekend I'm sure."

# 'Cats look forward to rival Michigan Tech

By Georgette Breen-Naylor  
staff writer

The football team was unable to defeat Hillsdale and the 'Cats fall to 1-3 on the season.

The Hillsdale Chargers used their early lead to hold off the 'Cats in the game Saturday, Oct. 5 in the Superior Dome. After being down 17-0, the Wildcats battled back, but lost to Hillsdale, 27-17.

The Chargers got on the board first after a three-yard rushing touchdown, and followed up with another score to go ahead 14-0. The Wildcat offense was not able to answer until the end of the second half with a field goal from freshman kicker John Oberheide to make the score 17-3.

Junior wide receiver Marcus Tucker had four catches in the game for the 'Cats with 43 yards receiving. Tucker, who has been one of the top receivers for the

'Cats this season, said he thought the team played with passion.

"I think we played with a lot of energy," Tucker said. "We still have some growing to do as an offensive unit and also as a team."

The Wildcats had only two seniors on the field offensively. Senior wide receiver Christian Jessie led with 64 receiving yards and returned a kickoff for a touchdown in the second half.

Jessie said the team didn't play to their potential.

"Penalties really hurt us," Jessie said. "We didn't convert on a few big play opportunities we had over the course of the game."

The 'Cats had nine penalties for 55 yards, and a few stopped NMU drives. The Wildcats also started inside their own 20-yard line every drive except for two.

Junior quarterback Dustin Thomas said the team seemed out of sync for the majority of

the game. Thomas threw for 216 yards while adding 131 yards and a touchdown on the ground.

"Hillsdale played sound on defense," Thomas said. "Our offense is better than this, we just have to get back to work and improve for this week's rivalry."

The next game will be one of the 'Cats against the dogs, as NMU travels to Houghton to face rival Michigan Tech.

The rivalry started in 1920 when NMU played the Huskies two times each season. The 'Cats currently lead the series with a record of 41-38-5.

"This week nothing else matters except beating Tech," Jessie said. "We only have one goal right now and that's beating Tech."

Jessie said the team isn't concerned about a conference title or the division record right now. Instead, the focus is on winning the Mining Cup. The Mining Cup is a

trophy that is awarded to the winning team at the end of each game between Tech and NMU.

"This is rivalry week," Tucker said. "It doesn't get any bigger than this for NMU, our staff, us as players and this community."

For newcomers like the freshmen and the transfers, the rivalry is a new concept. Starting quarterback and transfer Thomas said he doesn't know the rivalry, but he knows how much it means to the 'Cats, and has no intention of being on the losing end.

"I know what rivalry games are all about," Thomas said. "This game is our championship because it's our next game and there is a trophy involved."

The Wildcats will travel the short distance for its first and only game within the Upper Peninsula. The game will take place at 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 12 at Michigan Tech.



Anthony Viola/NW  
Junior quarterback Dustin Thomas threw for 216 yards on Saturday.

# NMU takes pair of GLIAC wins on road

By Rebecca Morstad  
contributing writer

The NMU Wildcats won back-to-back GLIAC games on the road this past weekend.

The first was against the Wayne State Warriors at 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 4 in Detroit, Mich., resulting in a 3-1 Wildcat win.

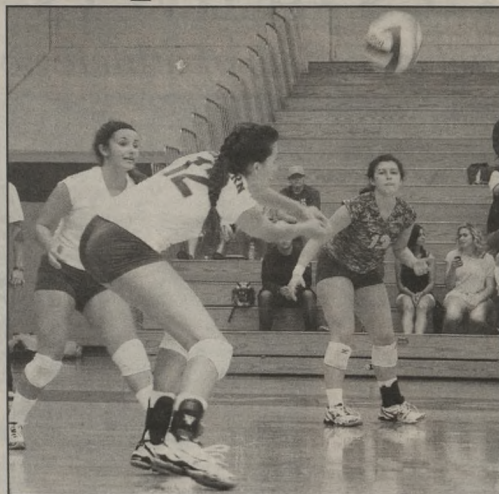
Senior leftside/middle hitter Kalli Herron said the win over Wayne State was huge for NMU.

"We needed that win to stay on top in the GLIAC," Herron said. "We did a great job pushing through ruts and fighting back from being down a few points. We did a good job finishing and playing as a team, which lead us to a great win."

The first set began with a 10-2 NMU lead, including five points from freshman libero Meghan Supple's serve. Freshman leftside/middle hitter Bridget Bussell ended the first set with a kill for the 'Cats, taking the win 25-18.

In set two, the score tied nine different times. The Warriors began to pull away with a 17-14 lead. They never let the Wildcats come within more than two, and took the set 25-20 off a kill by Essence Jackson-Jones.

Wildcat freshman libero Meghan Dahl opened set number three by serving to a lead of 5-1. The Warriors tied the score four times before the Wildcats could finally



Anthony Viola/NW

Senior leftside hitter Lina Lopes (12) tallied 29 kills for NMU over the past three games. Lopes also won the third set against Wayne State with a kill.

pull away with senior middle hitter Sarah Hamilton serving.

Senior leftside hitter Lina Lopes took the set 25-20 with a kill for NMU, which gave the Wildcats a 2-1 lead for the match.

The fourth set opened with a 4-0 Warrior lead. The Wildcats lagged behind until they scored six straight on Herron's serving to tie the game at 19. Back-to-back service aces from Lopes won the game 25-23 for NMU.

The Wildcats were led offensively by Herron with 14 kills. Lopes contributed 11 kills and 12 digs. Sophomore defensive specialist and libero, Alex Berger, had 18 digs. Senior setter Kellisha Harley gave the Wildcats 38 assists throughout the evening.

The Wildcats continued their road tour at the University of Findlay. The 2 p.m. GLIAC game Saturday, Oct. 5 was played in Croy Gymnasium in Ohio.

Herron said the Wildcats really wanted this win.

"After Wayne State, we were very determined to take the game against Findlay to have a 2-0 weekend," Herron said.

With six lead changes and 11 ties, set one was a defensive battle for the two teams. Lopes saved the Wildcats with a kill when the team was down 25-24. Freshman rightside hitter Alex Larsen and Herron had consecutive kills to win the set for the 'Cats 27-25.

Set two started out in favor of the Oilers, who claimed a 15-8 lead. Supple's serving brought the Wildcats within four points, down 16-12. NMU tied the set three more times before taking a 22-21 lead. Kills by Hamilton and sophomore leftside hitter Lisa Studnicka closed out the set for NMU, 25-21.

The Wildcat defense in the third set kept Findlay from ever taking the lead. Three attack errors by Findlay and a kill by Larsen closed out Harley's serving for NMU. On the final serve by Findlay, Herron closed out the set with a kill, taking the set 25-17, and the match, 3-0.

Lopes lead the Wildcats offensively with 10 kills and defensively 14 digs. Berger added 12 digs, and Harley had 38 assists.

Herron said the Wildcats worked hard for the victory.

"We played with great inten-

sity and heart and fought for each point in the three game set," Herron said. "Overall it was a very good weekend for us to lead into a big game against Duluth on Tuesday."

The Wildcats finished their streak on the road at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 8 in Romano Gymnasium against Minnesota-Duluth.

No. 2-ranked University of Minnesota-Duluth shutout the Wildcats, taking the first two sets, 25-17, and taking the third, 25-12. NMU falls to an overall 12-5 record after the non-conference loss, remaining 6-1 in the GLIAC.

Larsen led the effort against the Bulldogs with 10 kills, and Lopes added eight. Berger led the team defensively with 12 digs, and Harley tallied 24 assists.

Head coach Dominic Yoder said the Wildcats played well during the first two sets.

"We just made too many errors versus a very good and consistent team," Yoder said. "Our team is very capable of playing at that level, and we will continue to work on consistency to prepare them for Friday and Saturday's matches versus Malone and Walsh University."

The Wildcats will play at 7 p.m. Friday Oct. 11 against Malone and at 4 p.m. Saturday Oct. 12 against Walsh. Both matches will be home games in Vandament Arena.

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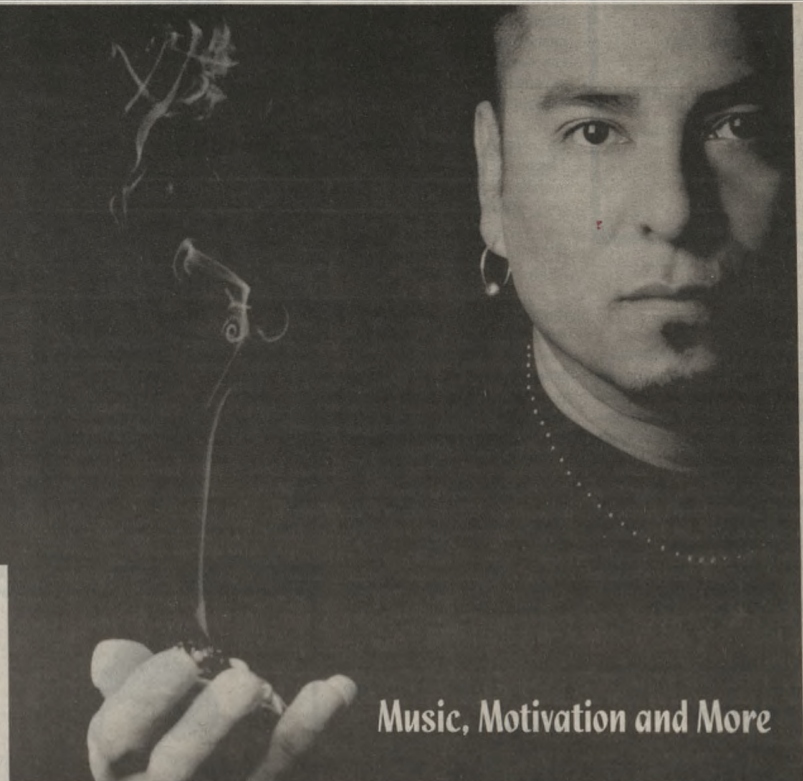


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