

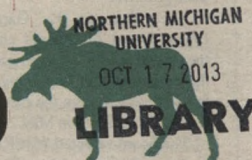
Government failure proves paradox
The government shutdown highlights issues within itself over decisions on what should be closed.

Country singer visits campus
Popular musician Rodney Atkins visits Northern during his headline tour, Doin' It Right.

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Biomass unit will supply electricity on campus

By Cody Boyer
editor in chief

NMU administrators plan to start operating its new biomass energy unit full-time at the Ripley Heating Plant in an effort to use more renewable sources of energy to power the school.

According to the NMU Engineering and Planning Department, the plant will be using wood chips and other plant refuse from sources located in the Marquette area.

NMU Project Manager Giselle Duehring said the new method of supplying the university with energy will cut back on some of the larger utility costs.

"Before building the biomass unit addition onto NMU's Ripley Plant, all the steam generation units were natural gas-fired with fuel oil back-up," Duehring said. "Since fuel costs are the largest part of the operating budget of a generation plant, NMU decided to diversify our fuel options to include a non-fossil fuel so that, over the life of the plant, we would not be tied to just one fuel market. So now we have the choice of using our biomass-fired units and/or gas-fired units."

According to Duehring, the new biomass unit will supply NMU with 15 to 18 percent of its overall electrical power. Duehring said the unit's installation was a part of a campus energy optimization project and the different method of producing electricity and heat will alter natural emissions from the plant.

"Carbon footprint calculations have numerous variables," Duehring said. "For example, if the electricity we generate burning local wood chips displaces power that was generated with coal, that has a different effect on the carbon footprint than if the electric-

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Dancing with the stars



Kelly McCommons/NW

The Northern Lights were near storms levels at Little Presque Isle on Wednesday, Oct. 2. Little Presque is a favorite viewing spot for the Aurora Borealis during the peak season months from August through April.

Search in progress for new NMU president

By Emily Pagel
news editor

The search for a new university president is underway as President Haynes' interim period comes to a close.

Haynes will hold his position as president until Monday June, 30 2014.



LEWIS

"When I took this job I agreed to do this for two years, and I thought it extremely appropriate to do a search and I was firmly committed to doing that," Haynes said. "They promised this campus that

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Awareness Week events supply open forum for wolf discussion

By Amanda Monthei
managing editor

With the newly-instated Michigan wolf hunt beginning on Friday, Nov. 15, students and community members have the opportunity to learn about and engage in conversation regarding the wolf hunt during Wolf Awareness Week, which began Monday, Oct. 14 and runs until Friday, Oct. 18.

The second-annual event, which is put on by the NMU Wildlife Society, is offering a series of speakers, ranging from widely-acclaimed wolf ecologists, researchers, Department of Natural Resources (DNR) officers and NMU professors.

While most of the event's speakers have already visited NMU this week, NMU Wildlife Society President Kayla Ruth said the most anticipated event

of the week will be on Thursday, Oct. 17, with a presentation by Rolf Peterson called "The Wolves and Moose of Isle Royale."

"Thursday night is our big grand finale," Ruth, a junior biology-ecology major, said. "We have Rolf coming down from Michigan Tech, and he'll be giving a talk that was a huge hit last year and has gotten a lot of attention this year."

Peterson, who is a professor in the School of Forest Resources and Environmental Science at Michigan Tech, has done extensive research on the ecology of wolves and their prey. He will speak at 6 p.m. in 2904 West Science.

Other speakers that have come as part of Wolf Awareness Week were Brian Roell, a Michigan DNR officer, NMU alumni Tyler Petroelje — who spoke of



Kristen Koehler/NW

Native American Studies professor Kenn Pitanawakwat speaks to students and community members during an event for Wolf Awareness Week.

his research project involving a Michigan predator-prey study — as well as professor Kenn Pitanawakwat of the NMU Native American Studies Department, who spoke on Wednesday, Oct. 16.

According to Ruth, the event is all the more relevant because

of the recent controversy surrounding the inception of a wolf hunt.

"Our biggest goal is that we just want to promote the education of wolves overall," Ruth said. "This year there is a lot

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they'd do a search and they kept their promise."

According to L. Garnett Lewis, board of trustees chair, the board publicly announced the search at the beginning of fall semester though the process unofficially started in May 2013.

The board selected Witt/Kieffer to work along side with the 11-member campus committee to help elect a new president.

Lewis said having a small search committee was essential in creating the most efficient search for a president.

"One thing that we wanted to do this time was making sure that the search committee was lean and mean if you will," Lewis said. "In the past we've had up to 20 members in the search committee. As a board, we did not feel that that was an efficient way to go about selecting a president; it's too many people.

"We wanted it to be a very manageable committee. We did our due diligence of trying to select individuals who represent all aspects of the campus and the community"

The committee consists of Sook Wilkinson as chair of the committee with additional members: Trustee Stephen Adamini; Nathan Bradbury, ASNMU; Sten Fjeldheim, NMU Nordic

skiing coach; Felecia Flack, director of IT-Information Services; Alec Lindsay, associate professor of Biology; Joe Lubig, dean for teacher education and director of the School of Education; Trustee Steve Mitchell; Jane Surrell, director-prospect/ advancement database management, NMU Foundation; alumna Rebecca Thompson, senior director of engagement at United Way for Southeastern Michigan; and Mary Jane Tremethick, associate dean and director of health, physical education and recreation. Lewis said this process is not any different from other searches for presidents and that other Michigan universities are using similar methods.

"We're not the only institution in Michigan that's looking for their next president, there are actually quite a few," Lewis said. "Saginaw Valley State University, Oakland University and University of Michigan are in the process and if you look you'll see that they're handling in much the similar way, whether they have an interim or not."

The difference Lewis said is in how they are conducting the search.

"If you were to go and look at the University of Michigan, they are actually doing a closed search," Lewis said "If you were to call them up and ask what's going on they'd say 'it's a closed search.' It's very internal.

"Ours is very open and trans-

parent. We are going through the process of letting the institution, the community, and all the other shareholders, and everybody in the state know this is what we're doing."

According to Lewis, students should expect to see candidates arriving to NMU around February.

"We'll probably narrow the pool down between two to four qualified folks that we want to invite to campus and who we want to have various groups meet and interview," Lewis said. "I would hope that students would keep informed of what's going on and then make it a point of participating in some of these open forums."

Haynes said he is unsure if he is will be running as candidate for president in the following year.

"I have to see what the board wants in a president," Haynes said. "I need to know if they are looking for a commitment for five years, 10 years and other factors. Since I don't have that, I can't make a decision."

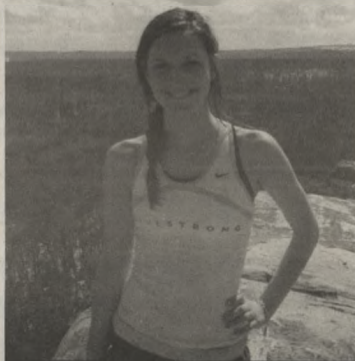
Haynes said the decision really comes down to what's best for his personal life but also what's best for Northern.

"I've been a big part of this campus for a really long time and I have a huge respect for the campus faculty, staff and students," he said. "I have to evaluate, with whatever decision I make: is it good for the university?"

Native tones

Katie Stumman/NW

Seminole/Pawnee Brian Frejo, gave a musical performance during the celebration of Indigenous People's Resistance Day on Monday, Oct. 14.

Superior Edge Spotlight**Kayla Shupert**

Kayla Shupert is a senior from Alpena, Michigan, double majoring in psychology and sociology.

She has completed over 600 hours in Superior Edge, and with three edges done, she is working on completing the Citizenship Edge. When asked what her favorite activity she has done in Superior Edge, Kayla replied, "My favorite has been Camp Star Children's Bereavement Camp. I got to spend an amazing weekend with the strongest kids I've ever met. Seeing such young kids going through some incredibly painful things, yet still being so happy, was truly inspiring."

Congratulations, Kayla!

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NMU students sport safety vests and hard hats as they cheer on the Wildcats during the first home hockey game.

Women for Women and ASNMU sponsor breast cancer awareness 5k

By Chelsea Ewaldt
contributing writer

ASNMU and Women for Women are teaming up to raise money for cancer research with their first 5k walk and run.

Women for Women, a service organization that seeks to promote education and leadership throughout the community and NMU, is a collection of the five all-female residential halls on campus.

Women for Women also strives to promote self-acceptance, while trying to define equality among men and women.

"This organization overall wishes to make a difference in the Marquette community in any way possible," Jenelle Pelletier, president of Women for Women said.

October being Breast Cancer Awareness month, Women for Women will continue to take part in raising money for finding a cure as they have done for five years.

We will be out there side by side with Women for Women to support them and to promote this amazing and worthy cause," ASNMU President Amber Lopota said.

This year the members have chosen to donate the funds raised to the Cancer Care Center in Marquette

General Hospital to offer help on a local scale and make a difference in the community.

"Women for Women and ASNMU encourages everyone to come out and either walk or run the event," Pelletier said. "The 5k is not about competition, but a way to support the Marquette community in any way possible."

"Breast cancer can lay dormant in anyone, male or female, young or aged," Lopota said. "We think of this as a women's issue, however, it is an issue of the human race. It strikes in our own community every day. Marquette and the U.P. surrounding communities lean heavily on one another in times of trial. This is no different."

Christine Scotford, a senior elementary education major, will be running in the event to honor her aunt and grandmother who are both cancer survivors.

"It feels good knowing that I am running for a cause," Scotford said. "I have never ran a 5K, so I am a little nervous, but I know it will be worth it."

The event will be Saturday, Oct. 19 and will begin at the Peter White Lounge in the University Center. There is the option to register the day of the race at 6 p.m. before it

officially starts at 7 p.m.

The run costs \$5 and extra shirts will be available for purchase. Any members of Women for Women can accept registration forms and money.

Registration forms can be found at most of the residence hall desks on campus. ASNMU has been helping with promoting the event and has donated pink glow sticks that each registered participant will receive the day of the 5k.

Additionally, Women for Women will be holding a competition to see which residence hall on campus can get the most residents to attend the 5k.

The organization will announce the winners after the race and will present an award to the winning residence hall created by Women for Women.

"I believe in finding the cause as well as finding the cure," Lopota said. "I would like to see as many students as possible come on out and participate. We want to make sure this is a shining moment where Wildcats unite for really making a difference."

For more information contact ASNMU by email at asnmu@nmu.edu or call (906)227-2452, or email Pelletier at jpelleti@nmu.edu.

Briefs

State News

The Michigan Senate Judiciary Committee unanimously approved a piece of legislation Tuesday, Oct. 15 that would lift the ban of short-barreled shotguns and rifles.

Currently the law prohibits residents from manufacturing, selling or possessing a short-barreled shot gun or rifle. The only exception is the ownership of antique guns that are unlikely to be used as a weapon.

Under federal law, these guns are regulated but must be registered with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives.

If the law is passed, it will unite Michigan with 40 other states that allow residents to own these firearms.

National News

Congress approved a bill to reopen the government late Wednesday, Oct. 16 after 16 days of the government being shutdown. The bill will also raise the debt ceiling until Feb. 7, 2014.

President Obama promised to sign the legislation immediately so that federal workers could return to work Thursday, Oct. 17.

The Senate sent the 35-page bill to the House of Representatives where it was approved 285-144. All 198 Democrats and 87 Republicans present in the House voted yes, while all 144 no votes were Republicans.

Obama said he hopes to move forward on other domestic priorities, including immigration reform and the farm bill after the recovery of the shutdown.

"We could get all these things done if everybody comes together in a spirit of 'how can we move this country forward' and put the last three weeks behind us," Obama said.

International News

On Tuesday, Oct. 15 the governor of restive Logar province was killed.

Arsaka Jamal died after a bomb planted in a microphone exploded. The microphone was being used at a mosque during a speech to commemorate the Muslim holiday Eid al-Adha.

Ayub Salangie, the deputy interior minister, said the bomb was planted in advance and that it was specifically targeted for the governor, though several civilians were also harmed in the explosion.

According to Afghan officials, several others were killed and at least 20 were injured from the blast.

Marine Gen. Joseph F. Dunford Jr., the International Security Assistance Force commander, said the "indiscriminate violence, on a day reserved for national peace and celebration, reflects a complete disregard for the sanctity of life."

Weird News

An 18-foot long sea creature was discovered Sunday, Oct. 13 during a snorkeling expedition off the coast of Catalina Island.

The rare oarfish was found dead, but mostly intact, by marine science instructor Jasmine Santana who swam the fish ashore.

According to Jeff Chace, a program director with Catalina Island Marine Institute (CIMI), it's rare to see one of these species so close to shore since it is a deep-water pelagic fish.

Oarfish, the longest bony fish in the world, can grow up to 50 feet and are known to dive more than 3,000 feet deep making them rare and understudied, said CIMI.

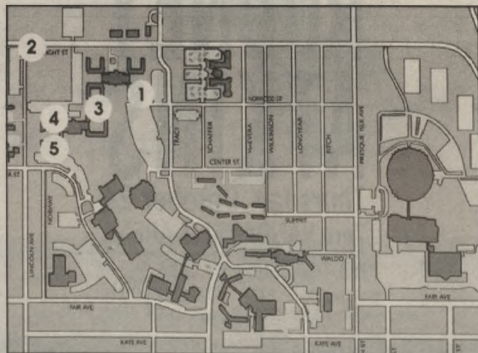
Plans are underway to preserve the fish by burying it under the sand to decompose until they can extract the bones for display at a museum.

— Compiled from news sources

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CAMPUS CRIME MAP

1. A student was found in possession of marijuana at 4:23 p.m. Friday, Oct. 11 at Meyland Hall.
2. A student was found in possession of marijuana at 2:17 a.m. Sunday, Oct. 13 at Wright/Lincoln.
3. An alcohol violation occurred at 2:29 a.m. Friday, Oct. 13 at Halverson Hall.
4. A breaking and entering of personal property occurred between 9 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 9 and 10:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 14 in Gant Hall.
5. A larceny of personal property occurred between 10 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 14 through 9:16 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 15 at Payne Hall.



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more controversy with the Michigan wolf hunt going on, and as an organization we've been neutral on the topic — as are the national wildlife societies.

"However we like to bring in speakers from all sides of the issue, that way anyone who is on the fence about the issue or just wants to learn more can get the information that they need."

To end the week, Ruth said the NMU Wildlife Society will hold wolf-related workshops and games for children at the Moosewood Nature Center on Presque Isle, furthering the group's commitment to education regarding wolf ecology.

"Education is our biggest thing," she said. "We just want people to know what's going on and what these animals are like."

The wolf hunt itself, which



Kristen Koehler/NW
Kenn Pitawanakwat, a Center for Native American Studies professor, leads discussion during Wolf Awareness Week on Wednesday, Oct. 16.

runs from Friday, Nov. 15 until the end of the year or whenever the limit of 43 wolves has been taken, has accommodated the sale of 1,200 total license. The licenses for the hunt were \$100 for Michigan residents and \$500 for non-residents. The hunt will only take place in a handful of western U.P. counties that have had trouble with wolves in the past,

including Gogebic and Houghton counties, while Luce and Mackinac County in the east end of the peninsula will also be allowed a limited hunt. According to DNR estimates from 2011, there are around 660 documented wolves in the Upper Peninsula.

Catherine Parker, who gathered signatures for a referendum aimed at putting the wolf hunt on

the November 2014 ballot, and is an employee at the NMU bookstore, agreed that open forums such as the events taking place during Wolf Awareness Week are crucial for acknowledgement of the wolf's role in the Upper Peninsula.

"It's important to have an event like this," Parker said. "When I was talking to Brian (Roell) from where I was sitting up in the audience (on Monday, Oct. 14), he showed us a long list of game species in the state of Michigan, and he said 'Why do people get so upset about wolves?' and I said 'I'm not sure.'"

"But I think it has something to do with them being persecuted historically, they are not currently a game animal and people don't want to get another animal listed."

While the justification for the hunt is, among other things, that the presence of wolves in the western U.P. is damaging to deer

and livestock numbers, the hunt has been met with strong opposition.

More than 250,000 signatures were gathered during the 90-day referendum period following the implementation of Public Act 520, which names the wolf as a game species, in December 2012.

While this would have typically forced a ballot referendum for the November 2014 election, it was instead met with Senate Bill 288 (or Public Act 21), which ultimately gave the Natural Resources Committee the responsibility to designate game species. Because the NRC and its decisions can not be subject to referendum, SB 288 became law in May 2013, invalidating the signatures garnered during the referendum process.

Wolf Awareness Week continues at 6 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 17, with Rolf Peterson's "Wolves and Moose on Isle Royale" discussion in West Science 2904.

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ity we generate displaces power that the (Michigan Board of Light and Power) purchases from elsewhere that was generated by a method other than burning coal."

The biomass unit was completed in June earlier this year, according to the Engineer-

ing and Planning Department. Duehring said the biomass unit was turned over to NMU for operation in early August and equipment is still being adjusted by Johnson Control Inc., the architect and engineer of the plant.

Sophomore environmental science major Eric Martin — who contributed research pertaining to the possibility of using leftover wood chip ashes as

a stabilizer for agricultural land or options alongside Dr. Susy Zeigler for his freshman fellowship project — said the benefits of the biomass unit will aid energy consumption at NMU.

"I think it is a great alternative to the coal-fire plant that they [currently] have," Martin said. "It's a good backup if it ever goes out or if they can use it if coal prices become more ex-

pensive than the wood chips. It's a greater fuel than what coal is, as well."

Martin said the byproducts from running the plant can be used for other useful purposes.

"Part of the project that I was working on last semester was to find the uses for the ashes produced afterwards when the wood chips are burned up," Martin said. "The ashes could

also be used to condition soil for farm fields. Here up in the U.P., the soil is really acidic while the ashes are really basic and so it can be reused for that sort of purpose."

According to the engineering and planning department, the plant has been running well since June but requires additional inspections before the facility can run at full capacity.



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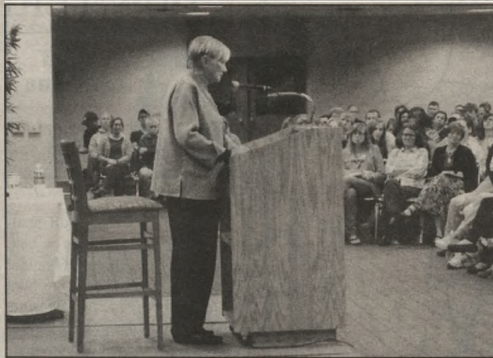
"I had trouble in getting to Solla Sollew, where they never have troubles. At least, very few." Diane Ravitch quoted Dr. Seuss as she opened her lecture on NMU's campus Thursday, Oct. 10, saying Marquette is as close as she's seen to a place like "Solla Sollew."

However, the rest of Michigan and the country is in far worse condition, Ravitch said. Wealth disparity is the highest in history and public education is under severe threat. She introduced her book, "Reign of Error," which she provided at the event free of charge.

New York Times Bestseller "Reign of Error: The Hoax of the Privatization Movement and the Danger to America's Public Schools" (2013) was written in response to critics who falsely claimed Ravitch was "long on criticism and short on solutions," she said.

Associate Dean for Education, Leadership and Public Service Joe Lubig said Ravitch's speaking fee came back unexpectedly in the form of 800 hardcover books meant for distribution to the audience, school boards, libraries, teachers and legislators.

"It was quite a gift," Lubig said.



Courtesy of Jonas Greenberg
Ravitch spoke to a full house and received a standing ovation for her message which has resonated with teachers and students across the country.

Ravitch, former assistant secretary of education in the senior Bush administration, twice appointed to the national assessment governing board by former President Clinton, author of 11 books and research professor of education at New York University, spoke to a packed audience in the Great Lakes Room of the University Center. The event was sponsored by Platform Personalities and other donors.

Ravitch outlined what she terms as "hoaxes" propagated by the Bush-Obama administrations and the media, which promote an education reform amounting to "budget cuts, firing teach-

ers, closing schools, increased standardized testing and turning schools over to corporations."

Teacher "deselection" (firing) is a method promoted in corporate reform to improve student test scores, Ravitch said, a policy with no basis in evidence. She described how a recent Houston "teacher of the year" was fired for low student test scores.

"Considerable research shows there is no rhyme or reason for which teachers get fired and which get a bonus," she said. "The metric for finding 'bad teachers' is arbitrary and capricious."

Standardized testing also defeats the diagnostic purpose of

testing, Ravitch said, because students and teachers have no way of reviewing their answers.

"[Standardized] testing is an accurate measure of a student's income bracket," she said. "We are the only country in the world to test every student every year."

Formerly a proponent of standardized testing and reform such as former President Bush's "No Child Left Behind" act (NCLB), "It was only after I saw the corrosive effects of [NCLB] that I reconsidered my long-held beliefs," she explains in her book.

"The biggest hoax of our day," she said, "is that 'our schools are failing.'" She said test scores and graduation rates are the highest in U.S. history.

Other "hoaxes" include the claim that the "private sector does it better," and that "technology will save us." Though there is a great deal of profit associated with privatizing education, neither of these address the real problems, she said, which are poverty and segregation.

School districts increasingly adhere to the private sector's strategy of "risk management," or "how to get rid of losers and keep winners," she said. This policy leaves behind children with disabilities and low test scores, for the sake of higher ratings and avoiding closure.

What corporate reformers

don't seem to understand, Ravitch said, is that, "When a school is closed, it is a dagger in the heart of a community."

Ravitch offered many solutions for problems facing schools today, acknowledging they are neither easy nor cheap, but said she is optimistic about grass-roots action across the country.

Solutions include prenatal care for poor women, reduced class sizes, full enriched curriculums for all children including physical education and the arts, adequate medical care for all students, strengthening of the teaching profession through higher education standards, "peer assistance and review" evaluations and most importantly, a reduction in poverty and segregation in communities.

Samantha Hawkins, a senior elementary education major in attendance, said hearing Ravitch speak was an exceptional experience, though she was already familiar with many issues as a student and future teacher herself.

"I always wanted to be a teacher," she said. "I want to encourage students to love learning as much as I do."

"Teachers need people to say 'thank you,'" Ravitch said afterward. "Everyone should say 'thank you' to their teachers every day."

Ravitch's blog can be found at www.dianeravitch.com.

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EDITORIAL



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Shutdown stupidity: an analysis

While the government shutdown ended late on Wednesday, Oct. 16, the United States Congress had for weeks been unable to agree on a spending bill, resulting in the partial shutdown of the federal government.

While those who were actually responsible for the shutdown were quick to point at every other possible entity to lay blame, trust in elected officials took a nose dive.

Americans knew where to place the blame. However, there's really no need to discuss the proposed policy changes that ultimately caused the shutdown head-butting. This is not what matters.

What matters is that the federal government (all of it, across party lines) continues to disguise repeated institutional failure and dysfunction in familiar, childish ways.

While thousands of government employees went without pay — among many others affected by the shutdown — Congressional representatives had a seeming disregard for the hardships of hundreds of thousands of their constituents.

Their focus, it seemed, was on what was obviously more important, things like overlooking basic logic in order to vote along party lines while maintaining their reputation and simultaneously running the federal government into a budgetary black hole.

The current situation in Washington feels wholly detached from the rest of the world, from the inability of those in need to use necessary government programs and especially in regards to the basic level of humanity needed to look past bipartisan bickering to

see what — and who — the shutdown was truly affecting.

And while the shutdown has ended, the fix is only temporary and will again need to be deliberated in February, when the debt limit will again need to be raised.

Fortunately, NMU was not directly impacted by the shutdown. However, 16 days of proverbial finger-pointing amongst our elected representatives certainly didn't help students and NMU administrators. For example, those working for national parks and other federally funded recreation areas or facilities were forced to stay home from work.

Yet the statistics, the talking points, the rhetoric and even the finger-pointing that characterized the 16 days of our government's financial debacle — none of that matters. What this shutdown proved is that our government is obviously not capable of doing its job — it is incapable of fulfilling its basic duties, including, quite evidently, serving its constituents.

Now, with the shutdown over, all that remains are two groups continuing to point the blame at each other following 16 days of useless discussion to provide a temporary fix, claiming defeat only in the midst of what could have potentially been a massive economic meltdown.

But for those 16 days, one can only hope that these representatives and senators learned one thing — that despite what direction they're pushing the blame and directing their fingers to, they should ultimately be pointing back at themselves.

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Wolf legislation shoots down citizen rights

Staff Column

Mary Wardell



The debate about wolf-hunting has fierce proponents on both sides. The Department of Natural Resources substantiates the hunt as a conflict-reducing measure, conservatively designed to diminish livestock and pet depredations and negative interactions between wolves and people.

Groups opposed to the hunt claim it is unjustified, pointing to an alleged lack of ecological evidence and to opposition by Michigan voters, animal rights activists and Michigan tribes.

Whenever you stand on this issue — and it is complicated enough to warrant more than a first glance — the question of whether the hunt is right or wrong is not the biggest issue concerning Michigan voters on the subject of wildlife management.

On Thursday, July 11, 2013, the Michigan Natural Resources Commission (NRC) named the wolf a game species (along with a long list of other animals) and approved a limited public wolf harvest of about 5 percent of the current population of approximately 700 wolves in three distinct regions of the U.P.

But this was the second time such a measure was approved.

The first, authorized by the Michigan legislature in 2012 under Public Act 520, was suspended by an ongoing referendum campaign to put the hunt to a public vote in 2014. Just weeks after the qualifying 250,000 signatures were approved for the referendum, the governor signed Public Act 21 (PA 21/Senate Bill 288) into law. This is where the problem lies.

PA 21/SB 288 gives the NRC new authority to name any animal a game species. This means that Michigan voters would be unable to reverse that decision because it would be an act of a regulatory body and not the legislature. Unless PA 21 is repealed, citizens have no recourse against NRC's designating any game species at their discretion.

According to the North American Model of Wildlife Management (NAM), there are seven principles to consider in managing wildlife including three extremely pertinent to Michigan's situation. These are "wildlife is held in the public trust," "principles of democracy" and "best available science."

The DNR and the NRC have used science to conclude that the wolf population can sustain a limited hunt, but opponents point out that there is no science to con-

clude it will be effective at reducing conflict, nor does science inform morality.

John Vucetich and Rolf Peterson, professors of wildlife ecology at Michigan Tech and regarded internationally as experts on wolves, point out that good wildlife management is a "judicious balance between science and democracy" in their testimony submitted to the NRC in May 2013.

They make the case that, while the DNR tends to disparage the referendum because voters are not qualified to make scientific decisions, the wolf hunt is more a value judgment than a scientific one.

For this reason, the wolf hunt, as well as any controversial wildlife management issue, needs to be open to the public forum for discussion and a vote. As NAM's first principle designates wildlife as part of the public trust, "all citizens, hunters and non-hunters alike, are stakeholders in the management of wildlife," Vucetich and Peterson's report states.

As recently as 2006, Michigan voters used their (former) right to overwhelmingly reject a law to legalize hunting of mourning doves. It was one of the most popular ballot measures in Michigan history, with all 83 counties rejecting the law.

This week is Wolf Awareness Week at NMU, giving students the unique opportunity to learn about the issues surrounding wolves so that they can make an informed contribution to the ongoing discussion.

According to a recent poll by Marketing Resource Group and Mitchell Research and Communications, 67 percent of Michigan voters (plus or minus 4 points) said they would support a limited hunt of wolves if they knew that in rural areas of the state, wolves were attacking livestock and pets and were posing a threat to people.

However, there has never been a recorded wolf attack of a human in Michigan and there are already laws and methods in place to take care of problem wolves if they were to present a threat to livestock or pets.

But it seems last-minute laws that compromise citizen rights remain rampant in modern politics. House Resolution 368 was passed by House Republicans on the eve of the latest government shutdown, which changed pre-existing rules so that a majority vote cannot reopen the government.

Similarly, PA 21 represents a weakening of our democratic rights and is in reality a lean toward fascism.

Michigan voters deserve the right to make their own decisions regarding wolves and other potential game species. PA 21 has voided that right and needs to be reversed.

Shutdown highlights paradox in government



Staff Column

Michael Williams

What we buy reflects what we value. This logic can be extended to the federal government and what it does and does not choose to fund.

For this reason, the government shutdown has been intriguing to observe. In an act of political hubris, the Republican House shut down the government in protest of the Affordable Healthcare Act's passage. As it's not a total shutdown, there are a myriad of government agencies that are still running with employee pay and some that are running without employee pay.

It's worth examining what agencies are still operating and those that are furloughed. Again, those agencies that are up and running reflect the priorities of the United States and those with frozen funds are in the proverbial backseat. As I don't have the space to examine every program funded and every program furloughed, I've chosen several examples to demonstrate a point.

While National Parks are closed to the public, many natural resource companies are still running extraction processes in the parks. E&E reports that "as of 2010, there were nearly 700 oil and gas drill sites...within 13 national park units, mostly in the

Southeast." They go on to note that while many operations have ceased due to dry wells, "there is significant oil and gas activity occurring at the Big Cypress National Preserve in South Florida and at Lake Meredith National Recreation Area in the Texas Panhandle, despite both those units' being shut to the general public."

Funny, according to the infamous Citizens United court ruling, corporations are entitled to the same legal rights as individual citizens. One would think that the same legal limitations would apply too. Apparently, they do not. And for the record, Big Cypress and Lake Meredith are not the only examples.

Government programs for the impoverished have all but ceased, though thanks to the efforts of individuals on the ground concerned for the people they work with, some are still in a semblance of operation.

Zoe Carpenter of The Nation writes that as of last week the shutdown has "kicked 7,000 children out of Head Start and endangered 9 million women and children on WIC..." These WIC members include NMU students, Upper Peninsula citizens and even members of Indian reservations who are eligible for federal benefits. Federally funded centers for women fleeing domestic violence and assault have been slashed, leading to calls for individuals to donate monies needed to continue operating. Many of these centers have weekly budgets of five figures or more and



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cannot thrive on donations.

Despite the NOAA website and other subsidized weather monitoring services being down for a bit, climate is still a thing. Last week, in the midst of the shutdown, South Dakota saw record snowfall and a record die-off of beef cattle, a big industry for the state. NPR reports that "the number of animals [lost] is hard to confirm. In part, because the federal agency tasked with tallying livestock losses after a disaster is closed during the partial government shutdown."

With the warm weather that preceded the blizzards, the cattle had not yet built up their winter coats. As a result, some in the state estimate between 50 to 80 percent of cattle dying of freezing and suffocation. Farmers who

attempt contacting the USDA for aid get an automated message asking them to call back when the agency is operating.

Nevertheless, covert military operations targeting jihadists in Somalia have picked up since Thursday, Oct. 1.

Gene Healy of Reason.com has documented the growing presence of U.S. troops in Somalia, as well as the continued operation of the National Security Agency's domestic spying. Funding to Syrian rebels has not ceased either. Many of these rebels ally themselves with al-Qaeda. U.S. foreign policy is characterized by paradox, even in the midst of a meltdown.

Healy presents a problem: are our priorities with the well-being of U.S. citizens or the agendas of

the military-industrial complex?

As taxpayers and citizens are disregarded for political statements, the funding of foreign military operations has not ceased. As farmers in Rapid City, S.D. and mothers in Ypsilanti, Mich. yearn for government assistance, the cash-flow to Syrian insurgents cannot be stopped.

The federal government, for all its unique capacities to help its citizens (I mean taxpayers, I mean funders), chooses foreign priorities over domestic ones. It chooses aiding rebels over aiding retirees.

We need a counter-movement demanding legislation to defund Congress every time it shuts down the federal government. We won't get paid for calling into work and nor should they.

On couch forts and bean burritos: A brief look at the essence of essay writing



Professor's Corner

Josh MacIvor-Andersen

I spend most of my year cartwheeling around a nonfiction classroom, trying to convince students that everyone has a story to tell, a story that matters. Each and every single last one of you, I say.

Mostly I believe it. Even if you've only traveled as far as Escanaba, just once, and the trip was in a non-descript beige Nissan Sentra and you just went down to pick up a friend from the airport, grab a bean burrito from Taco Bell, no onions, and you listened to generic pop radio by bands with petal and autumn in their names, and spaced out coming home, missing the booming metropolis of Trenary entirely.

Yes, even you have good sto-

ries to tell. It's my thesis. My semester-after-semester main point.

Because even the minutiae of our lives can carry a kind of universal dovetail. We connect through the cosmos — that immense vacuum of space and cold and roaring silent ether — by the tiny experiences we all share as human beings on Earth.

Couch forts, for example. Or pillow forts. Or the forts you build by arranging kitchen chairs in a half circle and draping sheets over the spines.

For most of my students these constructions were almost obligatory, a rite of passage for a bona fide North American upbringing. But it's when you enter. It's the feeling of it. It's how the entire universe shrink-wraps around that tiny space and suddenly, inextricably, that space is all that matters. It's the silence and the getting-away-with-it and the fact that no one, if only for a second, can even see you.

When we talk about it in class,

there's a sort of hushed, mutual recognition, as if that long ago fort magic was settling over us like a dust.

The question, then, is whether your story can be crafted into an essay or memoir or lyric-what-have-you, elevating an intimate experience into something a person other than your mother might want to read.

Yes, I say. Sure, but it's hard, and takes practice, and requires a posture toward the experience that treats it as skeleton — or a piece of the skeleton; the femur or the stirrup bone — in need of deep archeological digging and dusting and cataloguing; a screwing together of all the right bones into just the right shape. And then the fleshing.

This is where some students roll their eyes or chafe at the thought of revisions and endless fiddling with prose. It starts to simply feel like homework.

But those who persevere receive this prize (even if Mom's

are the only eyes on the finished page): the blessing of self-examination, of personal-interrogation; the blessing of a mechanism that helps us make sense not only of our own loves and lusts but, also, perhaps, of the migratory patterns of monarch butterflies — and maybe even finds some weird connection between the two.

The world, after all, is full of inconsiderate beings — people who don't properly consider their environment or themselves in it. We are an increasingly unreflective bunch raging in knee-jerk anonymity on the comment threads of a million internet sites, waxing vitriolic on Miley Cyrus and Syria, sometimes in the same virtual breath, mostly without thinking.

The personal essay, though, even centuries after Montaigne used it to explore himself as if he were a continent, is still the most potent tool for internal and external reflection that I know. It's like a superpower. A super magnifying glass beaming both inward

and outward. A super search engine, albeit a tad slow, but here the slowness is life-giving: we can look, and then look again, and then look again.

I wish the world were full of more essayists. I wish we would take more time to consider, to reflect a little harder, and then share what we find only after much deliberation in unique, well-crafted, generous and endlessly creative ways.

I wish that even if you've only travelled as far as Escanaba, just once, you'd still ask of the experience: What does it mean? and then essay your way to the answer.

That bean burrito may be a gateway. The missing of Trenary might be the beginning of something rich, a human story, and that story may hum with meaning across a cacophonous planet and land in the head and heart of someone who knows, even over all those miles, exactly what you mean.

Oh, the Places You Could Go!

By Kate Clark
staff writer

NMU's Family Weekend allows students to show parents and siblings the campus lifestyle and Marquette area. It is scheduled for Friday, Oct. 25 through Sunday, Oct. 27. Lizzie Corser, graduate assistant in the Center for Student Enrichment (CSE) and coordinator of the planning committee for family weekend, said the event is opportune for students in the freshman and sophomore classes after they have settled into the area.

"It allows the families to see the campus in action and for students to show them around," said Corser. The average turn-out for family week is around 1,000 people, she said. Family Weekend begins with a "Kick-Off" event in the University Center from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Friday. There will be refreshments as well as additional tickets for weekend events on sale. Students can show their family their school pride by taking them to one of the many sporting events over the weekend. On Friday, the NMU hockey team will play Michigan Tech with the puck dropping at 7:07

p.m. in the Berry Event Center. The football game against Wayne State will begin at 1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 26, and there will be a tailgating party beforehand at 11 a.m. The tailgating party is one of the biggest events of family weekend, Corser said. Typically around 700 people take part in the party at the Vandam Arena, Corser said. There will be performances and door prizes. The tailgate party tickets are \$7, but will be free for children younger than 12 and students participating in Family Week. On Sunday, the women's soccer team will compete against Grand Valley at noon

at the soccer field located behind the Superior Dome. In addition to the home games occurring over the weekend, the Marketplace will hold a Friday night fish fry from 4 to 8 p.m. Meals cost \$9.50 and live music will be provided. There will also be a family brunch in the Marketplace from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Sunday. Other on-campus events over the weekend will include Black Mahal, a "Punjabi funk hip hop" group, which will perform at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 25 in the Great Lakes Rooms of the University Center. Tickets are \$5 for students and children and \$18 for the general public.

The Forest Roberts Theatre's "Haunted Theatre" will run from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. Oct. 25 to 27, taking place from First Nighter's Club board member Marty Martello said the event takes place the weekend before Halloween. "If you are easily scared, come with a friend who makes you feel safe," Martello said. For those who will have younger children visiting, there will be a family friendly version from 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Saturday. He says this version has less gore and that no actors will touch participants in the tour. Over the weekend, students can also use the opportunity to show their families around Marquette.



Hike all or part of Presque Isle's two-mile shoreline along Superior for its vistas and wildlife, only a few miles outside Marquette. Kristin Kochler/NW



Coco's is located on the beautiful shores of Lake Superior. Check out their new lunch and dinner menus and the boneless chicken wings. Kristin Kochler/NW



Tahquamenon Falls is located near Paradise, Mich. The upper level is one of the largest falls east of the Mississippi. It has a drop of more than 50 feet and is more than 200 feet across. Kristin Kochler/NW



Black Rocks Brewery is located on Third Street in Marquette. They offer a variety of beer which is changed weekly and have brewed over 150 different flavors. Anthony Viola/NW

Paul Truckey: from Broadway to NMU

By Cody Boyer
editor in chief

"Tomorrow we'll discover what our God in Heaven has in store. One more dawn. One more day. One day more."

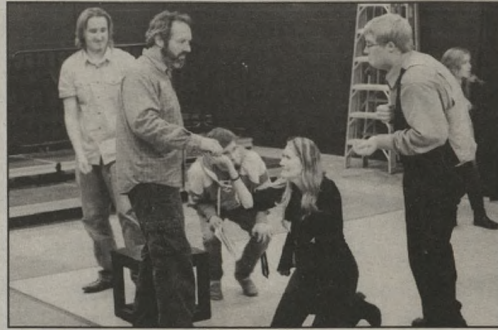
With enormous voices and an even larger reputation, "Les Misérables" has established itself as one of the greatest Broadway musicals of all time.

While schedules might actually tell you that the NMU production of "Les Misérables" is not happening tomorrow, the highly-anticipated event's lead actor has experienced many "tomorrows" with the show over the course of more than 15 years of involvement with the award-winning musical.

Associate professor Paul Truckey, who will be lending his voice as lead protagonist Jean Valjean in the upcoming November productions of "Les Misérables" at Forest Roberts Theatre, has appeared in "Les Mis" performances as lead roles both on Broadway and in National Touring Companies since 1995.

Following years of performing in the professional version of the show, Truckey said "Les Misérables" has been a part of his existence for a long time.

"My 30s were basically 'Les Mis,'" Truckey said. "I started doing it on the road in road productions. We are talking about



Kristin Koehler/NW

Jean Valjean pays the Thernadiers in "Les Mis." Left to right: Devin Murphy, Paul Truckey, Andy Lawrence, Monica Noreen and Ethan Burke.

a national tour, for people who don't know. It's basically the Broadway company on the road."

Truckey said he auditioned for "Les Mis" in Salt Lake City, Utah, where he was asked to come to New York when he was told they did not have an opening on the tour. After auditioning again in New York, Truckey said he was hired on and he started traveling with the company.

"After that, I was right out on the road with the show," Truckey said. "The first place I got to perform was El Paso, Texas. That's where I met up with the tour."

According to the National Touring Companies Directory, companies that travel on the road to bring performances to places other than venues on the famous

Broadway Street are replicas of shows performed directly in New York. Truckey said the company he was with was no different.

"We were managed by a company called Alan Wasser Associates," Truckey said. "The company measured for all of Cameron Mackintosh's shows, like 'Phantom [of the Opera],' 'Miss Saigon' and all of the shows that were running at the time. They all put on a roadshow that is equal to a Broadway show, so when you are seeing it in a town near you it is the same thing you are seeing. It's a genius way of being able to bring Broadway to somebody in Iowa who can't get to New York City."

Truckey said his time on the tour was short compared to what

was going to happen next after his two years on the road.

"From there, I was done, I thought," Truckey said. "Two years of doing that, you know, you are living out of a suitcase. I wasn't living in New York. I was just living on the tour. That was it. I didn't have an apartment. They called me into the office and they said that the role that I was playing was open on Broadway and they wanted me to come to Broadway, which was huge for me. I did that for four more years in New York."

During his "Les Mis" career, Truckey has appeared on the Today Show, the Rosie O'Donnell Show and the 1998 NBA All-Star Game Halftime Show. With his experiences with the 10th Anniversary original Broadway cast, Truckey said the differences between the professional production of the show and the production at NMU will not exist.

"I'm awfully fond of saying that theatre is no different to me anywhere I do it," Truckey said. "It's not and I mean that. I'm not trying to be nice. When a play starts and I am on the stage, it doesn't matter where I am. It's the play. That's the way it is, whether there are 2,000 seats or there are 50. The play is the play is the play while I am doing it."

Director Ansley Valentine said bringing Truckey's experience and talent into the show is going

to be something worth seeing.

"Paul played in Les Mis for several years, so he knows the show and the characters on an incredibly intimate level," Valentine said. "Consequently, he brings a lot from his past experience with the show, so there is not much for me to do toward helping him develop his character. He is a pro, and will bring his experience to the stage."

Looking away from "Les Mis," Truckey has also performed in "The Fantasticks," "The Problem," the original company of "Utah!," "Sunday in the Park with George," "Nine," "Romeo and Juliet" and many others.

Performances of "Les Misérables" are will be hitting the stage Wednesday, Nov. 13 through Saturday, Nov. 16. Tickets are available at the EZ Ticket Outlet, the Forest Roberts Theatre and online at tickets.nmu.edu for \$10 for general public and \$5 for students with ID cards.

"The students are fantastic," Truckey said. "I'm going to tell you right now that everybody should get tickets to see this thing because it is going to be awesome, and not me. The kids are incredible. I'm not kidding you. I sit out there at night and I'm listening and they sound exactly like the Broadway show. There is no difference."

For the full interview, visit The North Wind's website at www.

Twin brothers know adventure in Marquette

From mountain biking to DJ-ing to kiteboarding, Twin brothers Kyle and Matt Bloch are involved in many organizations and sports in the Marquette area.

Matt, a senior business management major and employee at Lakeshore Bike, is president of the NMU Northern Spokes group.

Kyle, a senior mechanical engineering major and freelance DJ, is a student brand manager for Red Bull and is an active member in Northern Spokes.

Both are kiteboarders, skiers and bikers, and enjoy getting other students excited about the sports they love while getting on the water, trails and snow as much as possible.

Amanda Monthei, managing editor at the North Wind, sat down with the pair to talk about biking, kiteboarding and some of their worst "kite-mares."

NW: So, you guys are collectively involved in quite a bit both on campus and off. What inspires you to be so involved?

Matt: I think it's the setting of NMU, it's a smaller community and that's why I think I came up here for school.

I have a good sense of community here which has made me want to get involved with my passions like mountain biking and that sort of thing.

Kyle: We've always been very active and outdoorsy, and this is the perfect setting for that kind of thing so I guess we just kind of jumped into all of it and wanted to take it all in and got really involved.

NW: Why are you guys so drawn to mountain biking and similar sports?

Kyle: We grew up in an active family, my dad was a pretty extreme guy and raced motorcycles growing up and was a professional, so he always pushed us. He kiteboards too with us, so a lot of [our passion] has to do with our dad and our mom being very active. Growing up we never had TV or video games, we had motorcycles and kiteboards instead.

Matt: Two wheels have definitely been in our lives more than kiteboarding, it's kind of in our blood. The speed and discipline you need for biking and certain skill sets you need are attractive for us.

NW: What are your goals for the mountain biking club, what are you working towards?

Matt: We are just trying to get kids involved. We've had a successful fall.

Kyle: It's growing really fast, we have a lot of new guys that are really stoked to ride.

Matt: We've got freshmen

coming to Northern that haven't seen these trails and they come on our rides and it really opens their eyes. You can definitely tell that they are very excited and come back every week. Then they're going into the local bike shops, supporting the community, buying bikes, doing races and coming to our events, it's cool to see that one ride can change someone's mentality about a town or sport.

Kyle: Trails are hard to find sometimes too, so getting people out there and showing them where they are and then they tell people about it, it gets their friends out — it's a snowball effect.

NW: So what's been your best adventure recently?

Matt: The enduro, which was the last race we did, was super fun. It was Saturday, Sept. 29.

Kyle: An enduro is where you race downhill but you have to do these stages and a lot of them aren't timed. It's a different element of racing.

Matt: You're not timed so you can ride with all your friends to the stages and I think that was huge. The entire mountain bike community came out for that day — it was cool to see everyone riding of the same thing.

NW: So on the contrary, any



Kristin Koehler/NW

Business management major and President of Northern Spokes Matt Bloch kiteboards in the mouth of Marquette's Dead River earlier this fall.

bad falls in recent memory?

Kyle: Falls go along with it. In the past, we've had a couple 'kite-mares'. I've ended up in the hospital probably five times.

NW: What does a kite-mare typically entail?

Kyle: One of my lines got folded and I lost control. If you've ever seen on Presque Bay (near the pavilion), there's a kite shredded up and hanging in the trees. Yeah, that was mine.

Matt: A kite-mare usually entails a near-death experience.

Kyle: I was on the beach and got launched, a hard gust of wind lifted me up, slammed me on the beach and thankfully the kite hit the trees and I managed to pull my safety but it was really scary. That was a bad day.

NW: So is Northern Spokes open to beginners?

Matt: That's a misconception that we have. We try to be very open, but mountain biking is intimidating sometimes. But there are new trails that are beginner friendly (in Marquette) and I want to make sure that people are aware of that. If we need it, we'll have two rides, a beginner and an intermediate to advanced ride. We try to cater to all levels. We're also just trying to grow the club more, trying to get more students involved.

Country music star sparks excitement

By Trent Podskalan
staff writer

Dust off your boots, pull out your cowboy hat and prepare for a night of country music in NMU's Vandament Arena. Rodney Atkins will perform at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 24 with openers Rose Falcon and Frankie Ballard.

The 44-year-old Tennessee native has had six number-one hits from his first three albums including "If You're Going Through Hell" (2006), "These Are My People" (2006), "Farmer's Daughter" (2010) and "Take A Back Road" (2011), according to his website. He has sold over four million singles since 2008. He released a new single, "Doin' It Right," that hit the airwaves Monday, Oct. 14.

Northern Arts and Entertainment (NAE) President Brittany

Craighead said this is one of the first major tours NMU has been listed on.

"Getting on his tour is huge for us," Craighead said. "People will want to come up here once they see we're on his tour."

Senior marketing major Roy Robert Owensby said this will be one of the first concerts he's attended at NMU.

"I'm actually going to be able to know the music that's being performed and sing along and have a good time," Owensby said. "I'm really excited about that."

Senior criminal justice major Kyle Grabowski said he's always enjoyed the country concert atmosphere and it's something he wants to get back into.

"I just like the laid-back style of country in general," Grabowski said. "Not even just the concerts but the music and story the

music can tell."

Craighead said the Vandament wasn't NAE's first choice.

"Unfortunately there were some conflicts with reservations in the Berry already," Craighead said. "But it's going to be a good show no matter what."

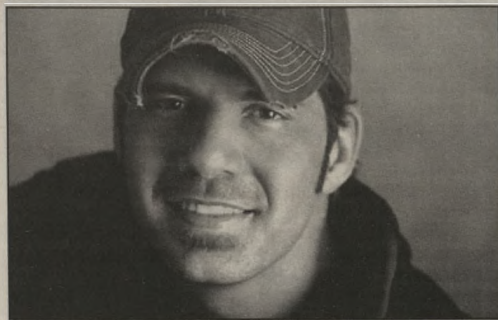
As of Monday, Oct. 14, Craighead said 689 tickets were sold. One-third the Vandament's capacity was sold through Facebook and word-of-mouth before any other promotions occurred.

Craighead said you could get your tickets at no cost.

"Keep a watch on our Facebook, Twitter and Instagram, and we'll be posting about giveaways shortly," Craighead said.

Look for "Northern Arts and Entertainment" on Facebook and "@NAEofNMU" on Twitter and Instagram to find updates.

"A lot of people are freak-



Courtesy of Rodney Atkins

ing out and don't know what to wear," Grabowski said. "[But] everybody seems to be super-excited."

Craighead said no cameras will be allowed and bags will be checked.

"We're going to make sure there is no alcohol or drugs,"

Craighead said. "We'll also have extra security there and walking around during the concert."

Tickets are on sale now and are \$18 for NMU students and \$35 for the general public.

The concert is sponsored by NAE and the Student Activity Fee. Doors open at 6 p.m.

Justin Timberlake's Part 2: different take, solid results



By Jordan Beck
staff writer

"The 20/20 Experience--2 of 2" sounds like the direct sequel to an earlier Justin Timberlake album, but not the one you'd think. While it was recorded during the same sessions as the first "20/20 Experience," it actually feels more like a long-lost follow-up to 2006 smash hit "FutureSex/LoveSounds."

The dream-like soundscapes that defined so much of "1 of 2" are absent here, replaced by heightened tempos, producer Timbaland's skittering beats and some seriously potent hooks.

In a way, this is an odd move.



After all, "1 of 2" attracted a huge amount of attention for its romantic, sophisticated sound. Why abandon that sound so quickly, especially on an album with the same title as the one that introduced it?

Listen to it closely, however, and it becomes clear that this wasn't meant to be another take on the same genre. Instead, it's

the yin to the first record's yang--darker, dirtier, and closer to earth.

"True Blood," a ten-minute-long monster of a track, is one of the album's early highlights. And "monster" is the right word: in keeping with "1 of 2"'s penchant for oddball metaphors, the song uses vampirism as a metaphor for romance. (Yes, the title is probably a reference to the TV show.) It's goofy, but it works, thanks in large part to the neo-"Thriller" production on display throughout. This is a track that you'll hear at every Halloween party this year, and for good reason.

"2 of 2" isn't as experimental as the first "20/20 Experience," but there are a handful of moments where Timberlake and Timbaland bend the rules of pop music. The most out-there of

these moments is "Only When I Walk Away."

Over seven minutes and three discrete sections, "Walk Away" transforms from sleek blues-rock to digitized reggae, from sharp focus to blurred impressionism.

Not everything about "2 of 2" is as effective. "Drink You Away," the weakest track of either half of "20/20," is a misguided attempt to combine Timberlake's signature sound with modern-day country. It comes closer to being good than it has any right to, but there's just not enough common ground between the two styles for the song to feel natural.

The album's less optimistic vibe also leads to a few clunky lines. Unfortunately, "anger" and "Justin Timberlake" just aren't concepts that go well together. To

be fair, though, JT isn't responsible for the album's worst turns of phrase. Those come courtesy of Jay-Z, who spends his guest verse on "Murder" complaining about Yoko Ono's role in pop culture.

On what may be "1 of 2"'s most beloved song, Timberlake described a lover as "the other half of me." It's a fitting line: "The 20/20 Experience" is a project that's been built around parallel structures since the very beginning, and "2 of 2" is its purest expression of that idea. The fact that it doesn't really sound like its predecessor isn't the point -- this is that album's evil twin, and it's all the better for it. "2 of 2" may not be a 5/5, but it's a fitting conclusion to one of 2013's finest musical experiences.

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Spikers rise to lead GLIAC

By Rebecca Morstad
contributing writer

The NMU volleyball team defeated Malone at 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 11 in Vandament Arena and went on to defeat Walsh at 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 12, claiming their tenth 3-0 shutout of the season.

Senior leftside/middle hitter Kalli Herron said this was a very big weekend for the Wildcats.

"We needed these two wins to stay on top of the conference and hold a high rank," Herron said. "The game against Malone we played a little sloppy and not as well as we hoped, but we came out with the win."

The Wildcats took an early lead in the first set of the GLIAC match, leading by seven points for most of the set.

Malone was able to tighten the game to three, trailing 20-17, before the Wildcats scored five of the last six points of the set.

A defensive battle ensued in the second set, with nine ties and four lead changes.

Neither team was able to claim a hefty lead, and the Wildcats won the set 25-22. Senior leftside hitter Lina Lopes finished the set with a kill for NMU off an assist by senior setter Kellisha Harley, taking the 2-0 lead.

The Pioneers started set three with a 2-0 lead. The Wildcats responded by tying the set at three.

The match remained close with six ties before NMU was able to pull away with a 14-9 lead.

The Pioneers tightened the battle again by coming within one point, 20-19, but they were unable to pull through. An attack error by the Pioneers gave NMU their 25-22 win.

Herron and senior middle hitter Sarah Hamilton lead the Wildcats offensively with 11 kills. Lopes added another 10 kills for the Wildcats.

Sophomore libero/defensive specialist Alex Berger had 11 digs to lead the defense, and Harley set up the Wildcats with 41 assists. The team tallied a total of 49 kills and a .288 attack percentage.

Malone was led by Anna Hays with eight kills. Taylor Slauterbeck contributed another seven.

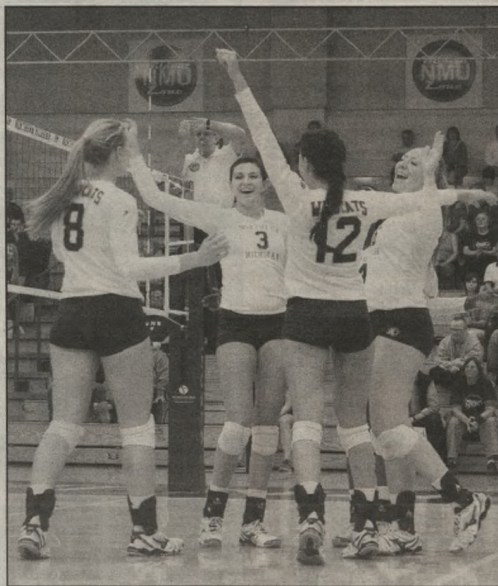
Slauterbeck also led the Pioneers defensively with 13 digs. The team finished the match with 33 kills and a .163 attack percentage.

Hamilton said the weekend victories over both Malone and Walsh were important.

"We followed our game plan for each team which led us to the two victories," Hamilton said. "Walking away from the weekend with wins is always exciting."

The Wildcats continued their weekend in Vandament Arena against Walsh University. NMU won the GLIAC match with their second shutout of the weekend.

Berger served to open the first



Anthony Viola/NW

The 'Cats tallied their tenth 3-0 shutout of the season after defeating GLIAC teams Malone and Walsh to land a three-way tie for first in conference.

set, taking an early 6-0 lead for NMU. Berger's serving included two service aces.

The Wildcats, who led by as many as 12 at one point, never let the Cavaliers recover in the set. Herron had four kills in this set, including one to secure the Wildcats' 25-15 win.

Similar to set one, set two began with Berger serving and a 4-0 lead for the Wildcats. The Cavaliers were able to tighten the score to just one point, 14-13, before the Wildcats pulled away with four consecutive points on Hamilton's serving.

Two points of these were service aces by Hamilton, who also went on to close the set 25-18 with a kill.

Set three began with the Cavaliers' first lead of the afternoon, 1-0. Freshman rightside hitter Alex Larsen helped the Wildcats take back the lead with five consecutive points. Larsen tallied five kills in this set.

The Cavaliers were never able to come within more than four points for the rest of the set. Hamilton secured the 25-10 victory with a kill, assisted by Berger.

Herron said NMU was anxious about defeating Walsh.

"Since we lost to Walsh in five [sets] last year, we were very eager to win this year," Herron said. "We played with great energy and had a lot of fun on the court, which helped us with the win in three. This was a good weekend for us and we are looking forward to the upcoming games in Ohio this weekend."

Offensively, the Wildcats were led by Hamilton, who had 10 kills in the afternoon matchup.

Larsen tallied nine kills and Lopes added eight. Setting up the offense, Harley finished with a to-

tal of 35 assists.

Lopes led defensively with 10 digs and Berger added seven. NMU tallied eight team blocks and a .398 hitting percentage.

The Cavaliers were led offensively by Kelsey Snider, who tallied eight kills and Krissy Sokol, who added seven. The team finished with 20 total kills and a .068 attack percentage. Devin Hummel led the team's defense with nine digs and Haley Howell set up the offense with 19 assists.

Head coach Dominic Yoder said he was proud of the Wildcat performance.

"I thought the team played very well this weekend to help place NMU in a three-way tie for first place in the GLIAC," Yoder said. "Herron, Hamilton and Harley all had strong performances. Our offense was dominated this weekend, but our serving really helped our defense work pretty easy."

The Wildcats are now 8-1 in the GLIAC and 14-5 overall. They are in a three-way tie with Grand Valley State University and Ferris State University for the lead in the conference.

Hamilton said the Walsh game meant a lot to the team after losing to them last season.

"Everyone on the team brought a great amount of energy and excitement Saturday as we took on Walsh," Hamilton said. "We also understand that next weekend's matches are just as important as these. We are going to take pride in this weekend and build off of that momentum."

NMU will travel this weekend for back-to-back away games. The first game will be at 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 18 at Ohio Dominican, and the second at 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 19 at Tiffin.

NMU rattled by No. 3

By Katie Bultman
sports editor

The men's hockey team was unable to repeat last year's sweep over University of Wisconsin-Madison at the Badger's home rink this past weekend, Friday Oct. 11 and Saturday, Oct. 12.

Wisconsin is currently ranked No. 3 in the nation, and NMU head coach Walt Kyle said the men played a difficult game against a good team.

"You are always disappointed when you don't win, but in reality we knew we were playing a very, very good team," Kyle said. "It's a big arena, it's a great environment to play in and it's certainly real advantageous for the home team. We reacted pretty well to that."

Last season, the Wildcats hosted UW-Madison in Green Bay, Wis. to earn a 2-1 victory Friday, Oct. 12, 2012 and a 4-2 victory Saturday, Oct. 13.

This year, Wisconsin took two games against NMU in the Badger's homecoming weekend when they won 5-2 opening night of the series.

NMU redshirt freshman Mathias Dahlstrom played in goal, tallying 33 saves for 38 shots on goal.

Kyle said Dahlstrom played well against a good team.

"When you look, Mathias let in five, but in all fairness he really didn't let in any bad goals," Kyle said. "I thought he played really well and we just, unfortunately, didn't make some of the plays we needed to defensively."

Point leaders for the 'Cats included senior defenseman CJ Ludwig, who had two points off one goal and one assist, and senior forward Stephen Vigier, who scored one goal for the Wildcats.

Ludwig said the Wildcats started off nervous, which came off sloppy on the ice.

"Once we felt a little more comfortable, we started moving the puck better," Ludwig said. "Moving it defense to defense efficiently gave us some time for our forwards to get open. Then we started to use our forwards to cycle the puck down low. We possessed the puck in their end, which helps us create offense."

The Badgers opened the game with three goals in the first period alone. NMU did not respond until 17:41 in the second period when Ludwig scored with assists by junior forward Ryan Daugherty and senior forward Erik Higby.

Wisconsin scored again at the end of the second period

to put the score up 4-1, and then scored their fifth and final goal within the first two minutes of the last period.

Vigier finished the game on a power-play goal with assists from Ludwig and junior defenseman Mitch Jones. The game ended 5-2 in favor of the Badgers.

Kyle said aside from the first period of the series, the Wildcats played as an even match to the Badgers.

"Wisconsin came out on Friday night and kind of stormed us," Kyle said. "First period we got rattled a little bit and wound up losing that period three to nothing. From that point on, it was a pretty even series."

The following evening, Saturday, Oct. 12, the Wildcats came within one point of a victory against the Badgers, taking a 2-1 loss to Wisconsin.

Doan played in goal to tally 27 saves for 29 shots on goal.

Kyle said Doan played well after the first goal he let go.

"The first goal was not a great goal and I know Michael wasn't happy with it, but it was good to see that he was able to regroup in a tough environment," Kyle said. "He played very well and made some huge saves for us."

Junior defenseman Luke Eibler scored the only goal for NMU in the third period. It was unassisted, and brought the 'Cats to a tie 10 minutes into the final period.

Doan racked up five saves for the Wildcats before Wisconsin's Grant Besse put the puck in the net for a 2-1 lead.

NMU was unable to make up the deficit, and the 'Cats lost the game 2-1.

Kyle said NMU really improved their game Saturday.

"We were very much in that game, it could've gone either way," Kyle said. "It was a tie game with three minutes left; we had a breakdown and gave them an odd man rush that they were able to score on, but I was really happy with the growth. If we continue to grow like that and continue to get better we'll be in good shape."

The 'Cats open the season at home against the University of Nebraska-Omaha at 7:07 p.m. Friday, Oct. 18 and Saturday, Oct. 19.

Vigier said the team is excited to be in the Berry Events Center for the season opener.

"Omaha is going to be a big, physical team and it's going to be a good challenge for us," Vigier said. "Hopefully after this week we'll be ready and hopefully we get a good crowd on the weekend."

Huskies seize fourth straight Miner's Cup

By Georgette Breen-Naylor
staff writer

The Wildcat football team headed up to Houghton to play against their rival Michigan Tech on Saturday, Oct. 12 and walked away with a loss when the Huskies defeated them 31-7.

This was the fourth straight season that the Huskies took the Miner's Cup from the 'Cats.

Head coach Chris Ostrowsky said the team is still pretty young.

"It's never good to lose," Ostrowsky said. "This is the youngest team I've ever been associated with, and I would be lying if I said I didn't believe in our future and our players."

The Huskies started off with 24 points on the board before the 'Cats were even able to score.

Junior linebacker Kyle Polk said he thinks the 'Cats stepped up when the offense was down.

"Our defense really stepped up to the plate when our offense was down," Polk said. "We are taught to pick each other up, and that's what we did."

NMU did not respond to MTU until redshirt freshman running back Keon Collier scored a touchdown on a 16-yard run in the third quarter with 5:34 left.

Collier appeared in two games last season as running back and rushed for 75 yards on nine carries against Findlay. He added

two receptions for 30 yards in that game. He also had 32 yards on the ground on five carries against UW-La Crosse last season.

Collier's touchdown, an eight play, 80-yard drive, was set up by two big pass plays from junior quarterback Dustin Thomas.

Early into the third quarter Thomas suffered an injury and was replaced by freshman quarterback Shaye Brown.

Brown appeared in his first ever collegiate game.

"I was very nervous," Brown said. "I knew my coach wouldn't give me anything I couldn't handle and my team had my back."

Brown was five for 12 for 37 yards. He lettered twice at Linden High School as a quarterback and was named All-State, All-League and All-Area in high school.

Brown said he didn't think the team played to their full potential.

"I think we played awful," Brown said. "I've seen this team when they are playing their best and it was just an off day."

Brown and Polk both said execution is what caused the 'Cats to lose against the Huskies.

Brown also said the team made too many game mistakes.

"We didn't execute, plain and simple," Brown said. "Offensively, we just made too many little mistakes."

Sophomore defensive back Thomas McNamara and junior

linebacker Nick Krause led the defensive end with a total of eight tackles.

Last season McNamara lettered for the first time after he appeared in six games. He had 17 solo tackles and 11 assisted tackles on the season.

McNamara said there could have been some things done differently to change the outcome of the game.

"We could have played a full 60 minutes," McNamara said. "We just need to learn to play a full game and to not take any plays off."

McNamara said he thinks the team could work on some things before the game against Grand Valley State.

"We need to work on all aspects of the game," McNamara said. "We have a lot of young players on the team and we need to keep improving every week."

The 'Cats will be on the road at Grand Valley State University at 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 19.

Currently the 'Cats are 1-4 overall and 1-4 in the GLIAC. The GVSU Lakers are 4-2 overall and 2-2 in the conference.

Ostrowsky said it's about the team more than the opponent at this point.

"It's all about us at this point," Ostrowsky said. "We need to improve in every phase of the game."



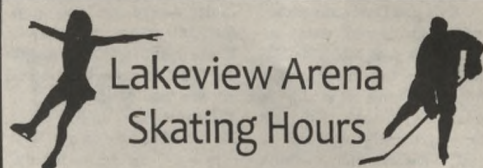
Senior wide receiver Christian Jessie (3) had 20 receiving yards and a 20-yard kick-off return against the Huskies at the Michigan Tech home field.

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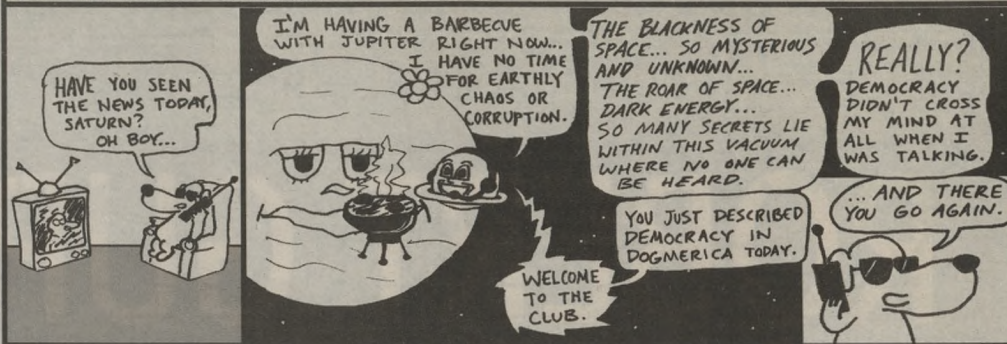
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