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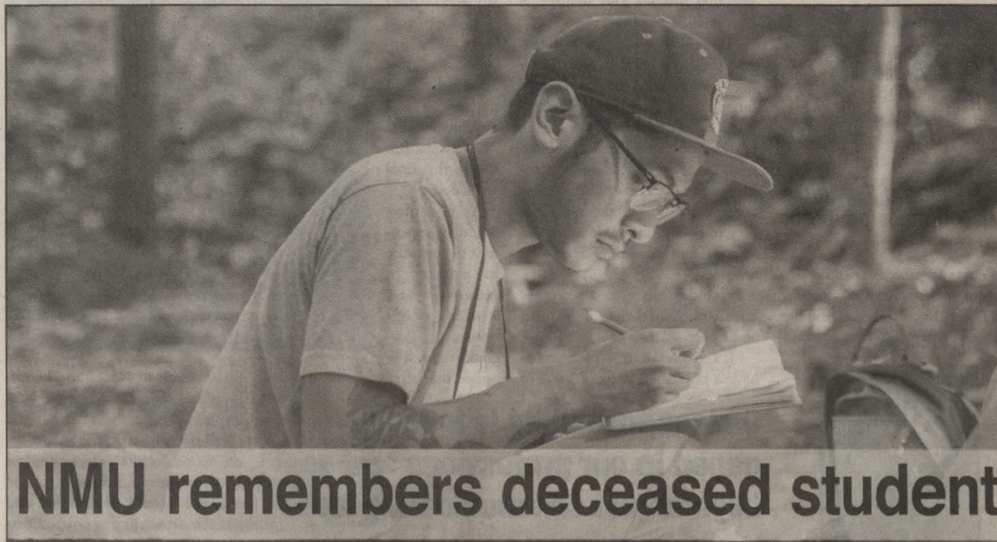


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## NMU remembers deceased student

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Guiancarlo "Carlo" Estupigan sketches in a notebook. The 25-year-old sophomore fish and wildlife management major was found dead Sunday near the Yellow Dog River after missing for three days.

By *Tim Eggert*  
editor-in-chief

Across social media platforms, the greater NMU community is showing its support for the family of former student Guiancarlo "Carlo" Estupigan, who was found deceased Sunday, by sharing his art.

The 25-year-old sophomore fish and wildlife management major was an avid photographer known for capturing the natural world and since his passing, his photographs are being used as a lens of remembrance.

"The outpouring of comments on social media and on campus have been amazing," NMU Chief Marketing Officer

Derek Hall said. "I was blown away by the images on his Facebook page, especially how he captured birds in action."

As of publication, a post remembering Estupigan on NMU's Facebook page has received over 2,300 reactions and nearly 300 comments of condolence.

Estupigan's family said in a comment on the post that Estupigan considered the U.P. his home and enjoyed being with nature.

"In the end, he became one with what he loved to do and is now flying high with all the eagles he so admired," Estupigan's family said. "We love and miss him more than anything, but we

know that he is in a better and happy place."

NMU extended its condolences to Estupigan's family, friends and classmates and expressed its gratitude to all those involved with the search in a campus-wide message sent to students and faculty on Monday.

Estupigan worked in professor Alec Lindsay's biology lab, was known for his love of birds, fishing, photography and the outdoors and was planning to participate in a research trip to Zambia this summer, the message said.

On Tuesday, the NMU flag in the academic mall was lowered to half-staff to honor Estupigan.

"We always honor the fam-

ily's wishes and we thought that [lowering the flag] was the best way for us as an institution to honor him on campus," Hall said.

Estupigan went missing Jan. 24 after hiking near Yellow Dog River. Three days later, his body was recovered at 4:15 p.m. about 2,300 feet south of CR 510 and the Yellow Dog River, around 300 feet from the roadway, by volunteers assisting the Marquette County Search and Rescue team.

Anyone in need of counseling services during this time of loss can contact the Dean of Students Office or the Counseling and Consultation Services at 227-2980.

### Dining Services hires marketing manager

By *Kelsii Kyto*  
news editor

NMU Dining recently welcomed 2003 alumna Marina Dupler as the new marketing manager, something Dupler calls "a dream come true."

The marketing manager "provides communication management for the overall marketing strategy of Auxiliary operations; including, Simply Superior catering & events, Superior Concessions, Residential and Retail operations within Dining Services, NMU Golf Course, the Wildcat Express Center and the University Operations," NMU Dining Director Sharon Carey said. The manager, now Dupler, will accomplish this through the web, social media and written communications.

In addition, the marketing manager leads discussions with the Auxiliary Senior Management Team in order to identify marketing strategies that are cost effective but also effective to the establishment while adhering to guidelines in place by NMU, Starbucks and Smoothie King License Corporate Brands, Carey said.



Dupler

Lastly, the marketing manager hires and oversees a group of student designers, and assigns and reviews projects given by the manager to the group.

Auxiliary Services is excited to have Dupler as their new marketing manager, Carey said.

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## Visiting prof. to discuss autism research

By *Jackie Jahfeton*  
copy editor

A professor from Michigan State University will be visiting NMU's campus to discuss certain brain mechanisms to better understand disorders in social behavior and gain awareness in recognizing individual differences in others and the need for individualized interventions.

Barbara Thompson, MSU assistant professor in the department of pediatrics and human

development, will present her research in the next presentation of the Youth Health Lecture Series, titled "Understanding Social Motivation in Autism." The lecture will be held at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 7, in Reynolds Recital Hall, and admission is free.

As part of Thompson's research at MSU, the term "social motivation" is a way of describing the "drives," or rather the underlying causes for why people may interact with others,

Thompson said. With an interest to better understand social and emotional neurodevelopment, Thompson said this project seeks to understand social behaviors in young children—both typically developing—and children with autism.

"It is important to understand that as autism is a behaviorally defined and diagnosed disorder defined by alterations in social interactions that there is a wide range of social motivation within the population," Thompson

said. "This heterogeneity can be defined at the level of behavior or even within the underlying disrupted neural circuitry."

Thompson's specialization includes social and emotional neurodevelopment, and as a trained neuroscientist, she uses behavioral, molecular and physiological techniques to study the impact of environment and genetic effects on brain development.

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# Economics professor co-edits book

David Prychitko republishes "The Market Process" exploring economic topics

By Sophie Hillmeyer  
assistant news editor

A new book, edited by NMU's own economics professor, addresses a multitude of economic issues including philosophy and methodology.

**It's always a real pleasure to have a published book of mine in my own hands.**

— David Prychitko  
economics professor

David Prychitko co-edited "The Market Process: Essays in Contemporary Austrian Economics," which contains a collection of articles from a journal called "Market Process" that explore and topics such as the equilibrium and economic modeling of the economy.

Prychitko and his co-editor Pete Boettke began working with the "Market Process" journal while at graduate school at George Mason University in the 1980s. The two were drawn to the journal because it discussed an Austrian model of economics that was less focused on formal and mathematical models

of economics, Prychitko said.

The book was originally published in the 1990s as an expensive hardcover book "destined for school libraries," he said. He added that they decided to revisit the book and republish it to be more accessible for students, graduate

students and professors and add to current discussions of economics.

"There have been a number of roads from different perspec-



Prychitko

tives chipping away at the formal models that we use and teach our students all the time," Prychitko said. "That's why getting this book back in print and in paperback could help contribute to that conversation."

The editing process included selecting articles and writing an introduction, he said.

"I've edited a number of books and the fun part is, in fact, deciding which articles to select and the fun part is also writing an introduction that ties the whole theme of the book together," Prychitko said. "It gave the reader a comprehensive overview of what these articles are about, the questions they're asking, the subjects they're interested in exploring. That's the fun part."

Prychitko has edited six other books, published two of his own and is a co-author of a textbook.

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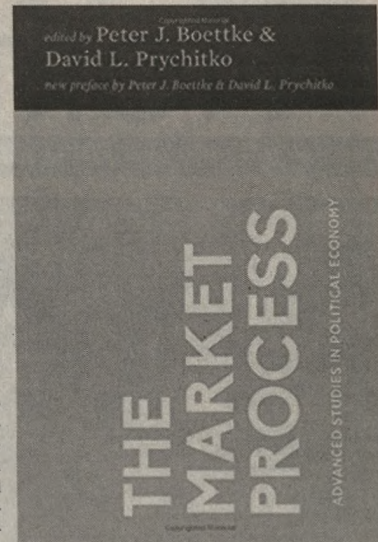
my own hands.

It's something that I can point out and say hopefully there's something of value in this book to students, other professors that they might appreciate just as much as I appreciate," Prychitko said. "It's always fun to see the final work done."

As a professor, it is important to continue to engage in research and scholarly development, Prychitko said. He added that there is good support

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— David Prychitko  
economics professor



for research at NMU and he enjoys seeing his colleagues conducting research.

"Our main objective at Northern as professors is to teach, but also our responsibility is to be engaged in our professions and go beyond just communicating ideas here on campus but be part of the communication of ideas across universities," Prychitko said.

## Librarians to host social media workshop

By Kelsii Kyo  
news editor

In a society where the term "fake news" circles social media, two NMU librarians are holding a workshop to teach information literacy in order to prevent the spread of misinformation among the community.

The 90-minute event titled "#Reality: How Social Media Shapes Us and Our World" will be held from 3 to 4:30 p.m. on Monday, Feb. 4 in the Back Room of the University Center, room 1213.

The internet isn't just all cat pictures, and many people get their information from social media, Lydia M. Olson Library Mollie Freier said. She is hold-



Freier

ing the event along with Metadata and Cataloging Librarian Catherine Oliver.

"We were talking about how can we as librarians show students more about how to defend themselves against fake news of all strides, and Catherine

actually came up with the idea of focusing on social media," Freier said.

She noted that the reporting mechanisms on Twitter and Facebook say "no, it's you," when users report misinformation.

Freier referenced the Fyre Festival, the "luxury music festival" that was promoted by social media influencers, that turned out to be a fraudulent event.

"What has been revealed recently is that Facebook is kind of a bad thing in many ways," she added.

Freier said her and Oliver will be giving students the tools they need to critically analyze what they learn on social media, so they can find out what's really going on.

"And as librarians, we have superpowers in terms of information literacy," Freier said. "We do library instruction and we talk to students all the time about not just finding the source that seems to agree with you, we all like those sources, but finding the source that actually demonstrates that you're right, or shows the pros and cons of what you're

trying to convince someone of," Freier said.

Many times, people are living in a "bubble," and if people believe anything in their "bubble," they're going to get in trouble, Freier said.

"What happens if you're suddenly thrust into a situation where you have to communicate with someone who's in another bubble?" Freier said.

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— Mollie Freier  
head of public services, Lydia M. Olson Library

People tend to believe what they want to believe, Freier said, and this is made especially easy with the internet. Freier added that many news sources appeal to a certain audience, which also reinforces this problem.

"We would love to see students in our workshop. We've never done this before and we're excited about it," Freier said. "I hope students come with their own experiences with social media."

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head of public services, Lydia M. Olson Library

# NEWS BRIEFS

## STATE NEWS

Michigan Gov. Gretchen Whitmer declared Michigan to be in a state of emergency late Monday night as temperatures lowered far into the negatives with dangerous wind chills. "Keeping Michiganders safe during this stretch of dangerously cold temperatures is our priority," Whitmer said in a press release. Such widespread, extreme weather conditions to this extent have not occurred in years, Whitmer said, and many places such as metro Detroit are not accustomed to those temperatures. Because of this, Whitmer ordered warming centers open across the state to provide shelter for all Michigan residents. This historic, deadly cold snap caused by a polar-vortex plagued the Midwest and East regions of the country and has proven to be catastrophic to some, as the death count linked to extreme weather conditions and exposure is more than seven individuals. "It is imperative that we are proactive with record-low temperatures being predicted by the National Weather Service. Wind chills are predicted as low as 50 degrees below zero," Whitmer said in an MLive article.

## NATIONAL NEWS

The record long five-week government shutdown came to an end on Jan. 25 and took a significant toll on the country's economy. Initial reports show that the shutdown came in at a cost of \$11 billion and nearly a quarter of that sum will be permanently lost, according to The New York Times. These numbers are nearly double President Trump's request for \$5.7 billion to build a border wall. The funds will funnel back into the economy as workers get back into their positions but not all the economic damage will be undone. Now, with the possibility of another shutdown in three weeks, lawmakers are hoping to keep the government up and running while bipartisan discussions and negotiations about the border wall continue.

## INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Pressures continue in Venezuela as protestors flooded the streets on Wednesday, Jan. 30 to show strength for Juan Guaidó, the U.S.-backed opposition leader who has declared himself interim president and called for Nicolás Maduro to step down. These demonstrations mark one week since Guaidó was sworn into office in Caracas as president of the country's National Assembly. Maduro had been sworn into another six-year term just two weeks prior to the uprisings in the country. This spiked tensions because of his corrupted leadership styles that prompted millions of citizens to leave the country in recent years. President Trump spoke to Guaidó Wednesday congratulating him "on his historic assumption of the presidency" and stressing "the importance of the large protests across Venezuela against former dictator Maduro," White House press secretary Sarah Sanders said. People are advised not to travel to Venezuela because of crime, civil unrest and the risk of detention.

## WEIRD NEWS

A three-year-old North Carolina boy survived two nights outside in freezing conditions and told police that a friendly bear was helping him out the whole time he was out in the elements. He was lost on a Tuesday and since conditions were so bad the search had to be called off. Then on Thursday night, police responded to reports of a crying baby in the bushes and found Casey Hathaway tangled up in thorny bushes and cold, but safe. The boy said he hung out with the friendly black bear for two days. The temperature dropped to around 20 degrees and he was not dressed for the conditions but somehow, whether it was with the help of a bear or not, he made it through.

— Compiled from news sources

# "Great decisions" begins

Political science department to hold virtual lectures on foreign policy, immigration and more

By Jackie Jakhfetson  
copy editor

An event series aims to address current American foreign policy and other political issues facing the nation through streamed online lectures from political analysts followed by a discussion session.

NMU's political science department hosts the return of the World Affairs Council (WAC) of Western Michigan's "Great Decisions" series, beginning at noon on Feb. 5 and running every Tuesday through March 26. The series will be held in room 1320 in Jarrich Hall and all the lectures will be free and open to the public.

This year's series will feature experts covering major international issues, such as the China-U.S. Trade War, the new nuclear arms race, immigration, American and Mexican relations, global cyber threats and also the outcome of the Arab Spring, Political Science Department Head Carter Wilson said.

"The lecture series provides col-

lege students with more detailed information and a more comprehensive assessment and in-depth analysis of global problems than they would get from general news sources," Wilson said.

For the past four years, NMU has been a member of the WAC, a non-profit organization that works to educate, promote and offer forums for conversation on international topics. President Fritz Erickson is mainly responsible in keeping that membership alive, Wilson said. And though this event is part of a course, the political science department arranges it so the lecture series is available to the public and other students, Wilson added.

Sponsored by the WAC of Western Michigan, Sen. Arthur Vandenberg (R-Grand Rapids) and former chair of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, this series is about educating people on "contemporary international issues," Wilson said.

"The [WAC] recruits scholars, ambassadors, authors, practi-

tioners—all experts in their respective areas—to provide interesting and enlightening lectures on current and pressing global problems," Wilson said, explaining, "For example, two years ago one of the lecturers was a retired CIA director involved with targeting ISIS terrorists. This year, one of the speakers is a FBI special agent dealing with cyber attacks."

The first lecture features Ambassador Barbara Stephens, president of the American Foreign Services Association, and she will address the fate of the state in her presentation, "State of the State Department." Award-winning journalist Carol Schaeffer, who's covered stories on Eastern Europe and the Balkans, will pull from her in-the-field experience in the lecture "Democracy on the Run: Dispatches from Eastern Europe" that will air on Feb. 12. For a complete list of presentations, visit [www.news.nmu.edu/foreign-policy-issues-addressed](http://www.news.nmu.edu/foreign-policy-issues-addressed) or call the political science department at 227-2019.

# Throw-A-Thon: Ceramics for a cause

By Kelsii Kyo  
news editor

NMU community members have the opportunity to connect with ceramics students and experience their studio for the Empty Bowls Throw-A-Thon, where everyone gets the opportunity to make a handmade bowl for a good cause.

The Throw-A-Thon begins at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 6 at the ceramics studio in the Art & Design building (room L02).

The event is a precursor to the international "Empty Bowls" event, which is put on to raise awareness on hunger issues. Locally, Marquette Alternative High School hosts a luncheon where community members pay to enter and are able to pick out a handmade bowl to eat with. Afterward, they are able to keep the dish as a reminder that food issues still exist.

Senior ceramics major Niikah Hatfield said the Throw-A-Thon is open to all skill levels, and the event is a chance for the community to

get their hands dirty and utilize the tools that NMU's ceramics program has to offer.

"They might not turn out perfect, but they all go to a great cause, and there's something to be learned about the process along the way," Hatfield said.

She added that this type of volunteering is a way to gain experience

the world is only going to be as good as we make it," Hatfield said.

They try to make about 500 bowls per year, and opening that process to the community lets them get involved with the process behind the scenes, and also with the ceramics program at NMU, Hatfield said.

"I'm really proud of all the people that come together to make Empty

**We're the next generation, and the world is only going to be as good as we make it.**

— Niikah Hatfield  
senior, ceramics major

outside of one's comfort zone, and to realize there is so much more going on than what's in everyone's individual lives. Once people put their own lives aside and come together in when things begin to change, she said.

"We're the next generation, and

Bowls happen, and particularly that includes all the work that leads up to it," Hatfield said. "All the ceramics majors contribute to making it happen, and I think it's really cool that as art students in the ceramic medium, we get to use our skills for the greater good."

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# Quiz Bowl team prepares for tournament

By Mary McDonough  
contributing writer

Two weeks from now, the NMU Quiz Bowl team will make the journey to Macalister College in St. Paul for the National Academic Quiz Tournaments (NAQT) Sectionals, their second competition of the year.

Almost 10 years ago, a student approached Spanish professor Michael Joy with the interest of starting a quiz bowl team. Having been on a quiz bowl team in high school, Joy worked to bring that opportunity to students at a college level.

"The team continues to grow," Joy said. "When we started, we would have two-to-four students at every practice."

The team practices four hours every week by answering hundreds of questions as fast as they can. Just in this academic year, the team has competed in 19 tournaments, the highest number to date.



Photo courtesy of NMU Quiz Bowl

Quiz Bowl participants smile in front of the camera after the "Battle Royale" against Michigan Tech in December. The NMU team was able to keep the coveted Superior Trophy.

This upcoming competition will give the team a chance to qualify for the national championship, where NMU normally has one of the larger teams. The last time NMU qualified for Nationals was

2014 and NMU Quiz Bowl finished in 26th place, right behind Cornell University, Joy explained.

With the growth of the team and the current 20 members since 2009, Joy said he can't help but

think back to his team that first started out.

"It's extremely gratifying. The team continues to grow. It's a lot of fun, competitive in a fun way," Joy said. "The students like

to learn things and share their knowledge."

Quiz Bowl President and junior English major Eric Pitz sees the development from the growing team as something due to growing involvement.

"We've been able to pull together a strong team and make it something we haven't been able to do in the past," Pitz said.

With the pressure of competitions, Pitz still sees the team as the highlight of being a part of Quiz Bowl.

"There isn't much I would say is incredibly stressful," Pitz said. "There's stuff to do but I'm not constantly stressed. It's just great to be with good people."

The Superior trophy, given to the best quiz bowl team in the U.P., has never left the display case in the Lydia M. Olson library.

"I hope to continue to beat Michigan Tech," Joy said. "I think we have a good shot at getting back to Nationals in the next couple years and to have fun as we learn things."

## Three-minute thesis returns

By Sophie Hillmeyer  
assistant news editor

NMU's Three Minute Thesis (3MT) competition will return for its second annual event, featuring research from graduate students as well as NMU undergraduate McNair scholars.

The competition opened up to McNair Scholars this year as a way to help showcase all the undergraduate research on campus. There are 18 slots available for presenters from different disciplines around campus, and students who have already signed up to compete come from fields including exercise science, business, Upper Michigan Brain Tumor Center (UMBTC) and education, Principal Secretary of graduate education and research Janelle Taylor said.

"The whole concept of this competition is that it's supposed to be for a broad audience so you're not speaking to your professors and trying to impress them with certain things," Taylor said. "Instead, you're speaking about how excited you are

about your research, how it impacts people and that's going to be really helpful for grant applications and taking [it] to the public."

Each participant is allowed to have one PowerPoint slide to accompany their three-minute research presentation, Taylor said, adding, it's a good way for presenters to summarize research in a way that engages a wide range of listeners. Participation in this event is also beneficial for a resume, she said. Around 200 universities in the world participate, and other higher-level institu-

tions are familiar with the event. It can also be a good networking opportunity, she added.

"I am most excited about the broad range of projects we have and it's going to be really cool to see all the different stuff that people get involved in here," Taylor said. "From the Brain Tumor Center to creative writing, those two are very different disciplines, but to bring all that together is really cool."

The 3MT competition originated at the University of Queensland, Australia, and has now made its way to the Midwest, Taylor said. NMU's 3MT competition judges will include interested members of the com-

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"In Marina's former position as assistant director of alumni relations, she advanced her Northern Michigan University knowledge, made connections with alumni and built relationships with campus departments," Carey said. "Add this to her passion for food, event planning, and guest services, offers us new relationships to foster while enhancing the services offered through the Auxiliary Services operations."

Dupler was hired through an interview committee comprised of senior management. One member acts as the search chair, who is the contact for interviewees and reviews the criteria and description for the position.

The previous marketing manager left the Marquette area due to her spouse accepting a job in Iron Mountain, opening up the position for Dupler.

For Dupler, there is a significant difference from when she was eating at NMU's old cafeteria to the new North-

ern Lights Dining facility.

"Back then we called it 'the caf' and [it] was much like the cafeteria you'd find in a high school. There were trays, a few meal options and that was about it. Students would line up for the coffee machine in the old Jamrich building that you plunked coins into and watery coffee or cappuccino would spit out," Dupler said.

Dupler hopes the excitement from all the new renovations is translated into her work with the student marketing team.

"The opportunities that lay before us are endless," she added.

Dupler noted that she doesn't want her connections to NMU alumni to halt now that she works in a different office.

"My world orbited around our alumni for nearly seven years and my paradigm has shifted to being very student-focused," Dupler said. "It's an interesting change, but I don't want to completely lose my alumni lens. Anytime I can connect students to alumni or highlight alumni success to students, I want to."

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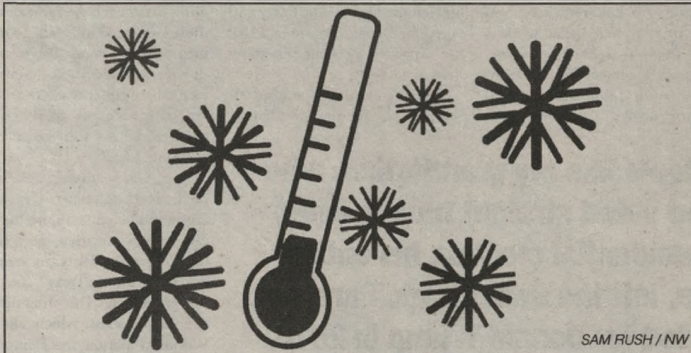
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principal secretary of graduate education and research

munity and they will choose first and second place winners. There will also be a "people's choice" category, allowing the audience to vote for their favorite presentation. The first place graduate student will be awarded \$500 and the opportunity to attend the Midwest Association of

Graduate Schools conference to compete against other 3MT winners from the region.

The deadline to sign-up for the competition is Feb. 1. For more information or to register, email the Office of Graduate Education and Research at graduate@nmu.edu.

## EDITORIAL



SAM RUSH / NW

### Harsh weather conditions demand preparation

Part of a good Northern education is experiencing the beauty that nature has to offer. Unfortunately, this also means experiencing just how cruel the elements can be.

Recently, an NMU student traveled alone to the Yellow Dog River to take photographs. He was caught in a snowstorm, and never made it back to his car. His body was recovered on Sunday. This tragedy is a brutal reminder that nature is a force, not simply something beautiful to marvel at. It is very much alive and powerful, and for those who fail to prepare, it can be fatal.

As temperatures continue to sit at record lows, it's more important than ever to stay warm and prepare for the weather. This means doing everything you can to plan ahead and ensure your safety.

If you're planning on going outside, even for brief periods of time, it is important to dress warm and in layers. At the very minimum, you should have two layers on at all times. Also make sure to cover as much of your skin as possible. Long socks, gloves, scarves and hats are essentials. Hand warmers are also a cheap and easy option that will prevent your fingers from freezing.

Your feet are one of the places on your body that heat can escape the fastest, so it's important to make sure you're wearing the right socks and shoes. Socks should be long and ideally wool. Boots are the only good choice when going through deep snow. When on cleared sidewalks, shoes should be insulated and water proof. Anything you can do to prevent snow getting inside your shoes and melting is advisable. Stay away from mesh shoes, and especially sandals.

If you're planning on hiking out to one of Marquette's nature spots, do not go alone. Always bring someone with you; traveling in a group is the best way to ensure each other's safety. Also, keep away from the locations that expose you to running water. Getting wet in these temperatures can induce hypothermia and even cause death. If you do get wet, strip all the wet clothes off your body. Your chances of survival are improved, as wet clothing will conduct heat away from your body faster than cold skin.

Mother Nature is unforgiving. She does not give second chances. Be smart, stay safe and stay warm.

### Documentaries are stories, not facts



Staff Column  
Sophie Hillmeyer

Documentaries and docu-series have popped up on online streaming sites in numbers recently. From "Amanda Knox", a full-length documentary unpacking a wrongful conviction case abroad, to "Wild Wild Country", a six-episode series profiling the creation, journey and downfall of a religious cult originating in India, there are now so many topics for viewers to explore.

Documentaries allow us viewers to escape our own daily life and be transported into the life of people in these extreme and sometimes unimaginable situations. Their experiences play out on the screen right before our eyes. But where is the line between entertainment and reality?

The intimacy and connections that are created with these characters often times make us viewers either fall in love them and root for their success or grow to hate them and root for their demise. The guiding narration and storytelling lead us to a version of the truth by creating relatable and lovable or idiotic and disgraceful characters. Speaking from my experience, we are so quick to believe the things that we see on the screen.

Is it because as consumers of media and art, we love a good story? Or is it because the narrators stated their credentials and research methods, leading us to believe there is no room for nuances within a story? I can think of a few reasons why I am drawn to these on-screen storytelling techniques, but it is important to remember that there are always two sides to a story. Often times, within this genre, one of those sides gets left out.

The 2016 docu-series "Making a Murderer", a series profiling a murder investigation, has had millions of viewers. This "true-crime" style subgenre has increased in popularity significantly after content like the "Serial" podcast was released and aims to create a "perfect murder story." According to Kathryn Schulz's 2016 article in The New Yorker, almost all viewers finished the last episode of "Making a Murderer" think-

ing, "Oh my God, these two guys are innocent" with both Steven Avery and Brendan Dassey's convictions.

Throughout the episodes, we sympathize with the two men. They come across as very misunderstood and disregarded characters who aren't given any control, as the investigators and justice system are portrayed as the criminals. Schulz also points out that the episodes lead viewers to disregard the fact that jurors do not deliberate a murder case for days and days on end without any controversial evidence.

The case gained a lot of attention after the first season. Then, the second season released in October 2018, which brought in a high-profile lawyer who specializes in wrongful convictions, but there were still no resolutions and the two men remain imprisoned. The credits named a substantial list of individuals who declined to be involved in the documentary.

Netflix released "Fyre" on Jan. 18, which is a full-length documentary that unpacked the disastrous 2017 Fyre Festival in the Bahamas, then completely unannounced. Hulu dropped "Fyre Fraud" just days prior to Netflix's scheduled release. The Fyre Festival was promoted as a very high-end and prestigious music festival with beautiful models and beautiful beaches, but in reality, it was a field of emergency tents and no musical performers showed. Attendees paid thousands of dollars to attend the hoax event.

Both documentaries cover the same event but aired on competing streaming sites. Both documentaries covered the same event and highlighted the same wrong-doings of the festival producers, but they also both had their own ethical errors. Linda Holmes' Jan. 18 National Public Radio article discusses how both documentaries paid for interviews and in Netflix's version producers spoke on camera. "Just know that—perhaps appropriately, given the subject matter—neither was made in the squeaky-clean manner we all might wish for," Holmes wrote.

So, that being said, it is important to remember that there are always two sides to the story. Documentaries are designed to entertain, and sometimes they will leave things out, add things in or sneak around a code of ethics to do so.

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# Schultz paving the way for Trump's reelection



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After the fight over the government shutdown, it's no surprise that President Trump's disapproval rating is reaching new heights. According to a Quinnipiac poll on Tuesday, he has an overall disapproval of 19 points. On Wednesday, various polls in Michigan placed Trump against different possible Democratic nominees, ranging from former Vice President Joe Biden to Senator Bernie Sanders. The results: Trump lost in every poll.

Perhaps these polls should be taken with a grain of salt. After all, the polling for the 2016 election was clearly miscalculated. However, there is a growing discontent within the base centered around Trump's inability to fulfill his biggest campaign promise—building the wall. Ann Coulter,

an early fervent Trump supporter, has begun regularly berating the President on Twitter. On Jan. 25, after news broke of the government shutdown ending, Coulter tweeted, "Good news for George Herbert Walker Bush: As of today, he is no longer the biggest wimp ever to serve as President of the United States."

As 2020 nears, things aren't looking very good for Republicans. Yet, a new glimmer of hope may help secure another four years for Trump. Howard Schultz, an NMU alumnus and former CEO of Starbucks, has been mulling over a 2020 presidential bid—as an independent. In a recent interview with CNBC, he said, "It concerns me that so many voices in the Democratic Party are going so far to the left. I say to myself, 'How are we going to pay for these things,' in terms of things like single payer [and] people espousing the fact that the government is going to give everyone a job. I don't think that's realistic."

Schultz can be best described

as a centrist, old-school Democrat. It's the same cloth that Bill Clinton was cut from, who was able to rally blue collar workers and the old Democratic base. Schultz is correct in his assertion that the Democratic Party is moving further and further left,

had voted straight blue in every presidential election his entire life, left the Democratic Party and voted for Donald Trump in 2016. He expressed the same reasoning Schultz lays out.

Running as an independent allows people like my grandfather

the Democratic Party. People who hate Trump and have been struggling to stomach the radicalism in their own ranks are going to move into Schultz's camp, fragmenting the already ideologically-divided party. Blue collar workers and social justice activists will part ways, cutting each of their chances of winning in half.

A similar situation occurred back in 1912. When Theodore Roosevelt failed to secure the Republican nomination, he created the Progressive Party (nicknamed the "Bull Moose Party") and ran for president. This fragmented the Republicans, which allowed Woodrow Wilson, the Democratic nominee, to win with only 42 percent of the vote.

If Trump wants to win, this presidential play by Schultz is the best thing he could ask for. Until Democrats get their act together and make a return to the principles that used to win them elections, they should expect to weather another four years of Trump. "Resistance" doesn't earn results.

**People like my grandfather, who had voted straight blue in every presidential election his entire life, left the Democratic Party and voted for Donald Trump in 2016.**

leaving behind a large portion of the base that doesn't subscribe to radical socialism. Many old Democrats feel disaffected, which I believe played a major role in Trump's election to office. Rust Belt states filled with people concerned about the economy and their jobs flocked to Trump's side. People like my grandfather, who

to find a happy medium between radical leftism and conservatism, something that a huge swath of the population would find comforting. It's also going to be detrimental to Democrats. Yes, Schultz will pull back some of the blue collar folks who voted for Trump in 2016, but he's going to pull far more votes from

## Old tech making a comeback



**Guest  
Column**

Joseph  
Living

With the rise of the digital age, many things people formerly used on a regular basis now find themselves collecting dust in the backs of closets and junk drawers. Things like iPods and digital cameras have replaced many of the

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tools and gadgets that were used significantly in the past.

The new ways of doing things overtook the old, allowing for easier access for millions trying to start new hobbies, share their creations online or use these tools in their everyday lives. Through various outlets of artistic culture, however, many of the technologies of the past have been making a resurgence in modern culture.

Although possibly attributable to nothing more than a style choice, there are practical reasons for using older technologies that relied upon mechanics rather than circuitry.

The digital camera took the camera industry by storm in the late 1990s. Within a decade, it was the new commercial and retail standard, leaving some questioning why the film camera had been left behind so abruptly. Although we now have a cheaper

and significantly more convenient way of taking pictures, does that mean film is useless?

Film cameras utilize mechanics and science to produce a picture. The images can be incredibly clear, as their quality is theoretically limitless. It's restrained by lens quality, camera quality and film quality, which with exception of the film, similarly hold back digital cameras. Digital cameras,

although many are incredibly detailed nowadays, are additionally limited by the digital sensors within them. Film cameras also have a significantly more natural feel, which is translated into every picture taken with them.

Analog records have also seen a resurgence, with many popular albums being offered on vinyl. Similar to the cameras, the argument is that because of the non-digital nature, the music gives off much more of a natural sound than the comparable digital versions. Digital recordings of the song can be distorted in various ways from the recording itself, all the way to the headphone jack at the bottom of your phone. Although digital is infinitely more convenient than its analog counterparts, many still choose to go through the trouble for superior audio quality.

Plenty of old technologies have disappeared from our daily lives, only to be found in the pages of history books. This isn't because old technology is useless, but more so because the modern alternatives are more convenient and accessible for the masses. Despite this, the older technologies will always find a home with people who are willing to put forth the effort for a truly exceptional experience.

## NMU REVIEWS

*Library remains the heart of campus*

On any college campus, the library is the heart of learning, and Northern Michigan is no exception to that rule.

The Lydia M. Olson Library is the only library on campus and houses countless volumes of books between its two sprawling floors. The library also serves as a quiet place for students to study freely, with desks and tables filling the space between the rows of books.

The interior is due to receive renovations soon, which are badly needed. In its current state, the styling screams 1990s. If you were to ask an interior designer, they would voice concern over the outdated yellow and blue

shelving, and most of the tables and desks lack modern amenities such as power outlets.

The space itself however is magnificent, as it is encapsulated by windows boasting a large study area in the back where the glass spans two stories tall, letting in plenty of natural light. Centrally located in the middle of the academic mall, it is the ideal spot to study before class or just chill out and read a book.

Although the cosmetics may be dated, the knowledge it holds within its walls is timeless. The library is a key resource for everyone who attends NMU, and continues to offer students a place of solitude.



By Joseph Living



Photo courtesy of Andy Gregg

An animoosh skier and his husky from the 2018 event race through the snow. The Noquemanon Ski Marathon is composed of nine races and is one of the top-three largest ski marathons in the nation. The event typically attracts over 1,500 cross country skiers.

## THREE DEGREES, THREE DAYS AND NINE RACES

The 21st annual Noquemanon Ski Marathon races through cold temperatures

By Isabelle Tavares  
features editor

**T**he only negative thing about the ski marathon this weekend was the temperature. Cold winds whipped across the masked faces of skiers and crept in the tracks created by freshly sharpened skis. With an overall high temperature of 3 degrees, racers at the 21st annual Noquemanon Ski Marathon found an additional challenge to the already-technical trail.

A total of nine races kept the audience entertained from the 50K marathon, relay and classic touring to snowbiking, a 15K snowshoe race, a junior Noque race and animoosh skier, where a skier is pulled by a running dog. The total distance, 1,643 feet, that skiers covered was enough to hike up and halfway down Hogsback Mountain.

This year's 50K race winner and 2014 Olympian Brian Gregg said skiing the Noque has been on his list for quite some time and he was impressed

with the race and number of volunteers.

"I'm all hardened up after this weekend," he said with a laugh. "I was certainly cold but I just did a race in Minneapolis a week before and it actually felt warmer at the Noque."

Gregg said he enjoys the U.P. and has a lot of great friends here, adding, he also trained at the U.S. Olympic site at NMU with the college team for three weeks.

"The track groomers and volunteers did a fantastic job, everything was in really good

shape," Gregg said.

Cold temperatures allowed for the trail to set firmly, Gregg said, adding, the trail had perfect "corduroy." The race commenced in Ishpeming, crossed Dead River, bypassed the Mead Hills and opened up to an expansive view of Lake Superior and the Superior Dome.

"There was one section where you're up high

and can see the lake, it was really nice and aesthetic," Gregg said. "There was a lot of private land that the trail crossed, so it's really a testament to the community."

This annual event usually attracts over 1,500 cross country skiers and it's one of the top-three largest ski marathons in the nation, Noquemanon Ski Marathon Director Jason Rolling, director of the Noquemanon Ski Marathon said. Funds raised from the marathon go towards the Noquemanon Trail Network (NTN), which is a non-profit organization that builds and maintains trails for hiking, biking, running, cross country skiing and snowshoeing.

With the large amount of skiers in turn, the race benefits hotels and businesses from the influx of visitors eager to experience what Marquette has to offer. Rolling said this race would not happen without participation from other busi-

nesses and people in the community.

"It takes an entire village," Rolling said. "There is a lot of community support and we are so thankful for that."

NMU athletic training and nursing students also aid in the production of the event, Rolling said, and he commented that their help has been instrumental.

Gregg has skied since childhood and enjoys being outside in the winter months, which drew him to his passion of cross country skiing.

"The Noquemanon is a chance to swap stories," Gregg said. "During the ski, everyone separates and goes to their own path in the woods, but afterwards we talk about the challenging parts and ask how the race went for the other person."

Although 2019 was the first time Gregg raced in the Noque, his wife won the marathon in 2018. They are expecting their first baby within this week, but hope to race together next year.

"I love that natural high you get from putting in the effort," Gregg said. "Huge thanks to the Marquette community and the U.P."

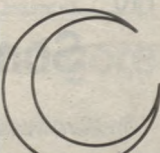


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# East of the Sun

# West of the Moon



By Mary McDonough  
Photos courtesy of NMU Photo Media

No amount of snow or frigid temperatures could stop people from being part of Forest Roberts Theatre history Thursday night, as the curtain went up on the first ever full-length ballet to grace the stage. The elegant portrayal of a young girl being guided by the four directional winds through the intricate choreography flowed so flawlessly with the music, it left the audience raving for more at intermission.

East of the Sun, West of the Moon tells the story of a poor family who is approached by a large white bear, who offers them money in exchange for their youngest daughter. The girl agrees to go live with the animal. That night the girl, expecting to see that same white bear, is surprised by a handsome prince sleeping on the other side of the bed. The young man is cursed to live as a bear by day and regain human form by night. That moment she sees him is love at first sight, only for the prince to be torn away from the castle and kidnapped by evil trolls. It is then up to the girl, along with the help of the northern lights, three witches and four winds to rescue the prince.

Derived from an aged Norwegian folktale, the story caught the eyes of the creative team of Dance Minor Program Director Jill Grundstrom and Susan Candey, local literary editor. They adapted the lengthy and rather dark tale to fit the length of the ballet and highlighted important scenes without losing the essence of the story. The storyline then went to local composer Griffin Candey, Susan's husband, who crafted original pieces of music specifically for this ballet.

Bringing all of those components together for the final project took just over a year. All three felt that the Scandinavian roots would allow the audience to share the same connection to the story, as a large portion of the U.P. has Scandinavian lineage.

"This seems to be a really great connection point," Grundstrom said. "It seemed like a great fit for our community."



Performers from the ballet express *The Girl's* sentiments about her journey from home.

The search for the award-winning Panowski Playwriting contest winner was going on as the creative team brought the story together. The contest happens bi-annually in the spirit of celebrating and producing new theatrical work. When the contest was unable to find a winning show to fill the space, the ballet not only fit the theme but became another way that FRK showcased original work. For Grundstrom, the ballet took on

a certain level of vulnerability that holds true for the entire team.

"It's very personal to be doing this because it is putting our artistic chops out there for the world to see," Grundstrom said.

A live orchestra played the play's soundtrack in the pit of the stage. Candey took the lead from the work that had already been done by the story adaptation. Every piece had to capture a very specific moment.

"I started writing late spring through the summer and into the fall. Once the story was laid out scene by scene I went to work," Candey said. "Writing a ballet is very much like writing a movie score. I've been wanting to write for dance the entire time I've been writing."

To see the show finally come to light is something that Candey is still in awe about.

"It's kind of a surreal feeling. It's a weird process to see and hear something that has been in your head the whole time," Candey said.

Lead character and senior neuroscience major Sadie Knill finds the moments on stage as a time to focus on her character.

"I try to take every moment of it in and try hard to make connections with the other characters because we can't talk with them," Knill said. "It's a lot of eye contact and showing things with your body."

Knill's supporting character, senior English writing major, Ethan Bott, entered the ballet with a bit of a learning curve compared to the rest of the cast. With only a few ballet classes under his belt, the role of The Bear was some-

thing that Bott was willing to work for.

"It's been a good challenge to expand my dance work and to really stretch my limits," Bott said. "I feel grateful, with me as an inexperienced dancer I could not only get the opportunity but also the training to pull it off."

In recent years, NMU debated the importance of a dance minor program. Grundstrom is thankful for the minor since it allowed a once-in-a-lifetime chance for students to be in a world premier ballet.

"It was a great way to highlight dance. For us to be able to do a world premier dance event is wonderful," Grundstrom said. "We have some really talented dancers here in the community and on campus."

When rehearsals started in mid-October, the company knew they would be pressed for time since the schedule had to work around Thanksgiving and Christmas break. For Knill, working with Bott was something that came naturally and made the process easier.

"He's a hard worker and super strong. I just clicked with him," Knill said.

After working on the project for so long, Knill hopes that those who were able to see the show and even just hear the story are able to come away with a life lesson from the journey of the girl.

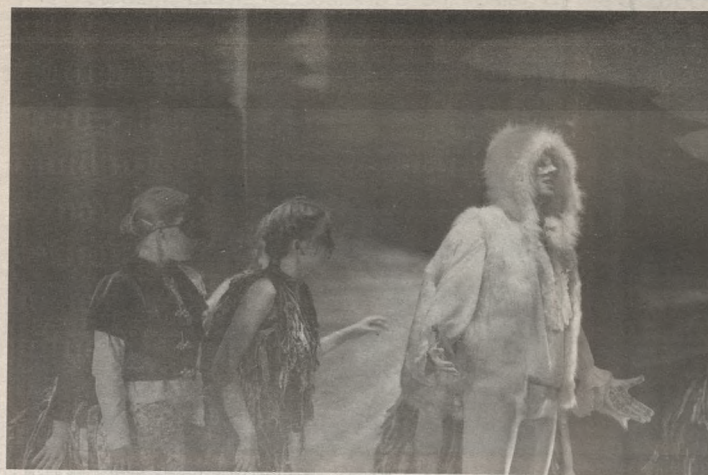
"Take a risk. Just jump into something and it could pay off. It could be the best thing that ever happens to you," Knill said. "Accept change and work with it."



The end of the ballet saw the joining of *The Girl* and *The Bear* during their wedding scene.



Evil trolls in the ballet surround one of the kind spirits in search of *The Girl*.



The Prince, disguised as a powerful bear, is shown here in this confrontation with evil trolls.

"Take a risk. Just jump into something and it could pay off. It could be the best thing that ever happens to you."



# Someone's trash, another's purpose

*Zero Waste Challenge hopes to recycle and sort the trash during the NMU vs. Bowling Green men's ice hockey game*

By Jackie Jafseton  
copy editor

When we go to hockey games, it's a tradition to stock up on the goodies at the concession during intermission. We grab a soda and an order of nachos. But when the last chip is gone and all is left is crumbs in a manufactured plastic dish and barren ice at the bottom of our cup, our nature is to throw it away in the nearest garbage can. Perhaps there's another use for that dish and cup. An NMU organization has been brainstorming ways to reduce the amount of waste at sporting events and will put their initiatives to the test at the upcoming hockey game this Friday night.

The Zero-Waste Challenge at the NMU vs. Bowling Green Men's hockey game will take place at the Berry Events Center and will be coordinated by EcoReps. The group is a student sustainability program designed to give students resources and knowledge to solve sustainability issues both on campus and in the community. The goal of this event is to educate students and the community of Marquette on taking the right steps to sustainable initiatives.

Anyone is welcome to participate, no prior experience or knowledge is required. By volunteering, participants will receive a t-shirt and they'll also teach others how to sort their trash into compostable and recycle

materials in order to reduce the amount of waste that's dumped into the landfill. The goal is to get that amount as close to zero as possible.

"There are many reasons people should care: recycling and composting save large amounts of energy and keep reusable materials out of the waste stream. Keeping waste out of the landfill can also reduce the emission of hazardous gases and byproducts, while recycling plastics can prevent plastic products from breaking down into microplastics that can create serious problems in the environment," sophomore anthropology major and EcoReps student coordinator Isabelle Ureel said.

During the hockey game, there will be an information table and several sorting stations around the Berry Events Center where EcoReps and volunteers will help attendees sort their waste into three categories: recycling, composting and trash, Ureel said, adding, they will also answer any questions people may have.

NMU Dining Services have partnered with EcoReps for this event and will use compostable and recyclable materials such as serving food in cardboard containers or on compostable plates, Ureel noted. At each sorting station, EcoReps and volunteers will organize compostable materials like food products and recyclable goods such as water bottles. The



Photo courtesy of Isabelle Ureel

Students at last year's Zero Waste Challenge sort trash into compost, recycling and waste containers.

only waste that this event can't prevent from ending up in the landfill is plastics such as candy wrappers, she added.

This event is a force of a community coming together, Ureel said. Along with NMU Dining Services, the Sustainability Advisory Council (SAC) and Marquette County Solid Waste Management are partnering together to make this event possible. Though the SAC first hosted the Zero Waste Challenge events, EcoReps hopes to broaden this initiative to other sporting events such as adding basketball games or hosting more hockey games, Ureel said.

A large part of the organization is coordinating events, volunteering and promoting a more responsible attitude to the sustainability culture to students and the community. Senior environmen-

tal science major and EcoReps co-coordinator Olivia Walcott has been involved with this event since it launched back in 2017 and has climbed the ladder from being selected to join the President's Sustainability Advisory Council to now overseeing the implementation of the EcoReps program. It's been a "full experience" for Walcott as this is the third time participating and the second time coordinating the event's organization, Walcott said.

"The Zero Waste Games serve as a model for how we could divert more waste in the future. Unfortunately, in the Upper Peninsula we don't currently have a facility that could regularly accept the amount of compost that NMU would produce," Walcott said.

Though it may seem like a challenge to host an event like this,

the establishment of partnership through these Zero Waste games have only benefited EcoReps and the "institutional support" the program receives allows for it to continue pursuing sustainability efforts, Walcott added.

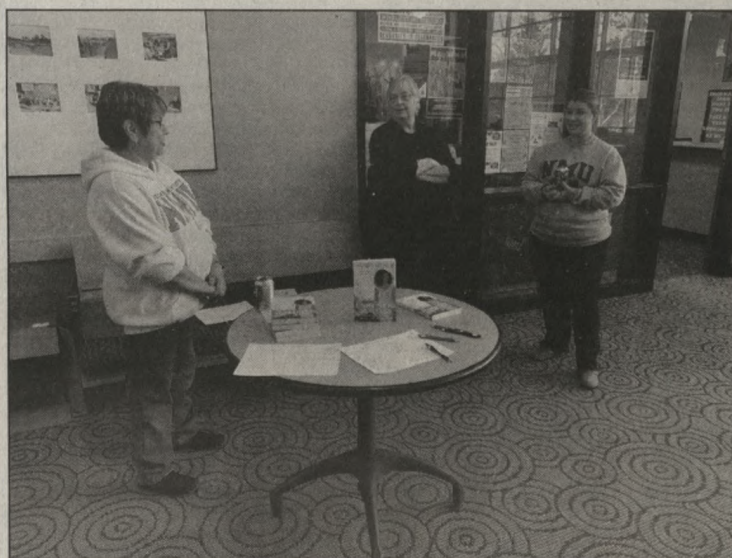
"EcoReps hopes to cultivate a culture of sustainability at Northern. This is to say, in everything we do we hope that it creates a ripple effect throughout campus and in the wider community," Walcott said.

To volunteer at the Zero Waste Challenge hockey game, register at [nmu.edu/skillbuilders](http://nmu.edu/skillbuilders). And for those interested in joining EcoReps, applications for the 2019-2020 academic year will be available mid-February. Students can sign up for email alerts about application availability and the EcoReps newsletter by emailing [ecoreps@nmu.edu](mailto:ecoreps@nmu.edu).

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## Diversity Common Reader chosen



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The Diversity Common Reader Program is a semester-long initiative focused on bringing a wide array of cultural ideas to NMU. This semester brings forth Janet Mock's book "Redefining Realness."

# Puffy prom sleeves, murder mystery and gore

*Superior Arts Youth Theatre to host second annual fundraiser 'Dance with Death'*

By Isabelle Tavares

features editor

Filled pink prom dresses are splattered with blood, the prom queen is hysterical and the star football player lies motionless on the floor. Across the room, the 1950s doo-wop band plays while attendees discover whodunnit.

The Superior Arts Youth Theatre (SAYT) will host "Dance with Death," the second annual murder mystery fundraiser at 6 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 2 in the Great Lakes Room at the University Center. In 1950s prom style, The Murder Mystery Co. will perform a three-piece act and facilitate the mystery with their in-depth characterization.

"Dance with Death" is a way to get parents, or people in the community who don't always get to attend productions, to experience theatre in an interactive way. The SAYT hosts this event as a way to give back to the community while also raising money for the theatre.

"We wanted to host an event where people were excited to get involved and try something out of their comfort zone," Jalina McClain said, executive director of the SAYT and 2013 NMU theatre and media productions



Photo courtesy of Jalina McClain  
Attendees dressed in 1920s styled garb for the first SAYT fundraiser last year. This year, attendees can expect a 1950s prom-style murder mystery.

graduate.

Actors from The Murder Mystery Co. interact with event attendees according to which role they are assigned to. Each table has a special mystery folder that contains a rundown of the game and individual roles, such as a suspect or the murderer themselves. The guests, who are also given names, are involved in the murder plot, not to sit and watch.

McClain said attendees are never forced to act: it's the level of participation that they want. Throughout the evening, attendees gain clues about the mystery that comes in three acts where they learn the basics of what happened, McClain said.

Last year's event had a 1920s theme, and it was a huge success, McClain said. The SAYT raised over \$3,000 with an atten-

dance of 100 people. Every year, this event will have a fresh theme so it's new for the people who come year to year. The event will also feature a cash bar and raffle tickets.

"The Murder Mystery Team makes it really fun and easy to get involved," McClain said. "They really keep the story going and their characterization is really amazing. Last year our attendees

really joined in and picked up the fun of playing these characters in the mystery."

McClain said they are hoping to get over 100 people this year and raise over \$5,000. A portion of the funds raised will pool towards the SAYT movie production that's going out in March, she said. There are 60 children involved and each child in the production gets their own costume, props and makeup. Non-reusable materials, like makeup, is the largest ongoing cost.

"We want to give the kids the best experience we possibly can. By putting on these fundraisers it really alleviates the pressure of us selling tickets or going door-to-door asking for donations," McClain said.

The more people that come the more fun it is, she said. There's a community of people in Marquette who enjoy attending murder mysteries, and often times parents bring their friends, McClain said. This mixed community allows the SAYT more exposure.

Tickets are \$65 per individual and \$500 per table, and each ticket comes with two free drinks. The event is 21 and up only.

## Coffee and Climb event rocks the ORC

*Students attend reoccurring event hosted by the Outdoor Recreation Center*

By Adrian Lucas

contributing writer

A cheerful murmur filled the PEIF as climbers of all ages switched from their snowy boots to their climbing shoes. The scent of coffee and donuts welcomed climbers like a warm hug. Ropes were swinging and getting tied onto harnesses while others clapped climbing chalk from their hands. The

chalk dust settled on the floor at the same time people eagerly ascended the wall.

More than 20 students and community members gathered in the PEIF on Monday, Jan. 28 for a Coffee and Climb event hosted by the Outdoor Recreation Center (ORC) to climb the rock wall, eat donuts and drink coffee.

The ORC hosts many events,

workshops and trips each year. Starting last year, the ORC started hosting a Coffee and Climb workshop every month at the PEIF to encourage people to climb.

"Today is Newcomer Night which allows people who aren't as experienced or comfortable rock climbing get a chance to try it out. Anyone is invited though, and it's a great way to kick off your week," Intramural Sports and Outdoor Recreation manager at NMU Christopher Smith said.

Smith is responsible for the hiring, training, scheduling and evaluation of student employees in the ORC and IM sports department, as well as offering intramural leagues and special events for the students, faculty, staff and community members on campus.

"I started this Coffee and Climb workshop after seeing another institution do it, and I thought it sounded like a cool idea," Smith said. "We're just



Photo courtesy of Christopher Smith  
Students and community members gather around the indoor rock wall at the PEIF for the Coffee and Climb event.

**We're just trying to encourage people to come and climb with us... anybody who climbs and likes free coffee and doughnuts should definitely check this event out.**

— Christopher Smith  
Intramural Sports and Outdoor Recreation manager

trying to encourage people to come and climb with us."

"Anybody who climbs and likes free coffee and donuts should definitely check this event out," junior art education major Elise Shulick said.

The next Coffee and Climb event will be hosted from 7 to 9 am on Feb. 27 at the PEIF.

RSVP for the upcoming event at the NMU ORC website or on

their Facebook page. The workshops are open to students, staff, and the Marquette community.

All workshops are free for current PEIF members and \$10 for non-members. Free coffee is provided for attendants that bring their own mug (BYOM) and 50 cents for those who do not. Free donuts are also available at the event, but at a first come, first serve basis.



## Wildcats bucked by Mavericks

Photo courtesy of NMU Athletics  
Freshman forward Ty Readman chases down a puck while trying to hold back a Minnesota State Maverick.

By Ryan Spitz  
staff writer

Last weekend's hockey games at the Berry Events Center served as a wakeup call for the Northern Michigan University Ice Hockey team.

NMU's six-game winning streak was snapped at the hands of then-No. 7 Minnesota State-Mankato (MSU) in a close 3-2 loss before the Mavericks earned the sweep on Saturday in an 8-2 drubbing of the Wildcats.

Northern (13-12-0, 12-6-0 WCHA) now sits tied for third in the WCHA with Michigan Tech, each with 36 league points.

Lake Superior State follows the Wildcats and Huskies with 35 points while Bemidji State trails them with 34 in a narrow race for playoff seeding in the stretch run of the season.

It's not exactly the spot NMU head coach Grant Potulny wanted his team to be in, a tight home-ice playoff hunt with three other teams when they could have been in first place at the end of the weekend.

Saturday, in particular, was the Wildcats' worst game of the season following the six-goal loss.

"I didn't like the preparation, I walked out of the pre-game speech and just didn't like the feel in the room," Potulny said. "To be honest, I'm concerned about our starts. Ferris State scored first on us and we came back and won. Anchorage scored first on us and we came back and won. Fairbanks scored first on us and we came back and won.

"You can't do that. That changes the complexion of the game when you're playing from

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— Grant Potulny  
head coach, men's ice hockey

the front of chasing the game. For whatever reason this year, we haven't been able to start well at home. That's been the bread and butter of our program is that we come out of the gates swinging. I didn't think we did that either night."

In Friday's contest, the Mavericks jumped out to a 3-0 lead early in the third period. NMU finally received goals from senior forward Troy Loggins and freshman forward Griffin Loughran, but it was too little, too late as Mankato fended off a furious NMU rally to hold on for the win.

The Wildcats outshot the Mavericks 34-21 in the game, with senior goaltender Atte Tolvanen making 18 saves. Mankato freshman netminder Dryden McKay stopped 32 shots in the win.

Despite outshooting MSU again Saturday 24-22, the Mavericks scored just 1:07 into the game on a goal from Julian Napravnik which was the first shot Tolvanen faced.

It was all downhill from there, with the Mavericks scoring two more to make it 3-0 before Tolvanen was pulled for freshman goaltender Nolan Kent.

Tolvanen did come back at the start of the second and played the rest of the game, letting in four more goals while Kent let in one.

NMU's two goals came from junior defenseman Philip Beaulieu at 11:40 of the first, beating McKay on a shot from the blue line while freshman forward Grant Loven notched his fourth of the year in the second period.

The Wildcats continue the homestand this weekend, welcoming No. 13 Bowling Green (BGSU) to the Berry Events Center for a weekend series. The Wildcats and Falcons split the weekend back on Nov. 2 and 3, with BGSU earning a 3-1 win on Friday before NMU rebounded for a 2-0 win Saturday at the Slater Family Ice Arena.

The last time the two teams met in Marquette was during the second round of the WCHA playoffs last season when the Wildcats won the best-of-three series in game three on a Loggins overtime slap shot to send NMU to the league championship game.

Potulny said he knows the importance of the league standings going into this weekend and will do his best to get his players

## Icers playing to raise concussion awareness

By Alex Skinner  
sports editor

When the Bowling Green State University (BGSU) Men's Hockey team comes to town this weekend, fans will notice a slight wardrobe change for the Wildcats, a helmet sticker to support the "New Tough Campaign." The initiative, founded by the Headway Foundation for Concussion Awareness, is aimed at promoting a platform for players to unite in creating a positive mental shift in athletes' mindsets in regards to concussions and concussion-like symptoms.

The WCHA has joined with both the Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) and the National Collegiate Hockey Conference (NCHC) in an acknowledgment to making student-athletes safety and well-being a new focus moving forward.

Joining NMU and BGSU this weekend to represent the WCHA in support of the New Tough Campaign are the Lake Superior State University Lakers, Ferris State University Bulldogs, Alabama-Huntsville University Chargers and the Minnesota State University Mavericks.

"The sheer number of athletes rallying behind this weekend is a testament to the progress being made about the proper ways to handle concussions in sports," Paige Decker said, co-founder of the Headway Foundation and former

college hockey player at Yale University. "As athletes who have experienced long-term post-concussion symptoms, we understand how important it is to handle this injury properly."

In a study conducted by the NCAA between 2009 and 2014, it was discovered that in 10,000 athletic exposures, which is defined as one athlete participating in a practice or competition during which the athlete was exposed to the possibility of athletic injury, hockey players were exposed to concussion-like symptoms 7.9 times during a five year playing career. That number is the second highest figure amongst college sports while only trailing wrestling with a rate of 10.9 average concussions per career.

The stigma behind "toughing it out" is what the New Tough Campaign is looking to change amongst younger athletes and awareness is the first step to change.

"We understand that removal from play when a concussion is suspected is often the mentally tougher but necessary thing to do," Decker said. "We want to facilitate a productive dialogue around this subject."

Additionally, fans are able to pledge their support and donate to the Headway Foundation by visiting headwayfoundation.com, with donated money going to areas that include awareness campaigns, support packages and educational curriculums.

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— Grant Potulny  
head coach, men's ice hockey

locked in.

"Had we split the weekend, we'd be even-steven with them. Had we swept them, we're kind of in the driver's seat," Potulny said. "None of those things happened. Now we have to focus on finishing where we finished last year. We all know the importance of finishing second. It keeps you home for the first two rounds and you have a chance to host the championship game.

"It's not just Northern Michi-

gan and Bowling Green. Lake State's there, Tech is there, all of a sudden Bemidji is there. Those are all of our opponents in the next six weeks. We've got to make sure every weekend we're as dialed in as we can be. It's not like there's a separation from the top of the league to the middle of the league. We're all kind of bunched up right there."

Puck drop versus Bowling Green is set for 7:07 p.m. on both Friday and Saturday.

# SPORTS BRIEFS

## Academics

A total of 83 Northern Michigan University student-athletes were named to the 2018 fall Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference All-Academic and all-Academic Excellence teams. The total is an all-time record for the Wildcats who surpassed last year's fall total of 80.

Football led the Wildcat varsity programs with 31 honorees between both awards, followed by men's soccer with 14. Women's cross country had 13 honorees along with women's soccer while volleyball had 12 named to the two teams.

A total of 45 Wildcats were named to the All-Academic Excellence team, including 14 by football to lead all NMU programs. Women's cross country was not far behind with 11 while women's soccer and volleyball each recorded eight honorees on the team. Men's soccer rounded out the Wildcat fall programs with four.

A total of 873 student athletes were recognized by the GLIAC for their work in the classroom this past fall. To be eligible, a student-athlete had to be on the active roster at the end of the season and could not be a freshman or a first-year transfer. Spots on the All-Academic (3.0-3.49) and All-Academic Excellence (3.50-4.0) teams were determined based on cumulative GPA.

## Swim and Dive

The Northern Michigan University Swim & Dive teams have been selected to the College Swimming and Diving Coaches Association of America Scholar All-America (CSCAA) Team list.

The CSCAA's Scholar All-America committee are selected on the basis of their Fall grade point averages and represent 16,502 student-athletes. To earn the honor, teams were required to post an overall grade point average of 3.0 or higher.

## Wildcat of the week



Photo courtesy of NMU athletics

The NMU Wildcat Men's Basketball team found themselves down early against Michigan Tech but catapulted themselves into the lead and victory thanks in large part to the hot hand of senior guard Naba Echols. To go along with 23 points in the game, Echols contributed with three rebounds, three assists and two steals.



## Conference race heats up

Photo courtesy of NMU Athletics

Junior guard Sam Taylor drives the lane against a Michigan Tech University defender in a 63-59 win.

By Nate Bellville  
contributing writer

Once the Northern Michigan University Men's Basketball team fell behind by 12 with 12 minutes remaining in the first half against their rivals, the Michigan Tech University Huskies last Saturday, they had to find a spark to rally themselves back in the game. A three-point shot by Naba Echols provided that spark.

The star senior guard scored 23 points in the game, with 13 of those coming in the first half, to help the Wildcats beat the Huskies 63-59.

At that key moment in the game, Echols said that someone had to step up and give them a push.

"With getting a key rebound, playing defense, and seeing that Isaiah Johnson was struggling, I took it upon myself to get everybody else ready to go," Echols said. "It doesn't matter how much we're down at home, I always felt we're still in the game."

Head coach Bill Sall said the coaches used an early timeout to dial up some adjustments.

"From our guys, there was no panic, but we had to change up our gameplan a bit," Sall said. "We really focused on their guards and tried to take them away and get help from those guys, but their forwards made their shots."

"Sometimes the best of gameplans go to waste quickly and that's what happened."

The Huskies started off the game leading 12-5 after sinking four threes, three of them from Trent Bell. Echols scored five straight points to make it 12-10. Tech continued their strong start as another three from Bell made it 22-10. Then, Echols sank a momentum-changing three which helped NMU rally back to within one. The Wildcats would take

a 25-24 lead after a layup by junior guard Sam Taylor and did not relinquish the lead the rest of the game.

The game stayed close until a three from Taylor stretched

Summers with eight.

"We just had to make our shots," Summers said. "When we finally played with [defensive] pressure versus them, we got on that good run."



Photo courtesy of NMU Athletics

Junior guard Sam Taylor looks ahead while teammates sophomore guard Alec Fruin (24) and junior guard Kenton Mack (11) discuss the game.

NMU's lead to 34-28. The Wildcats took a 37-30 lead into halftime after a missed three from Tech's Bryan Heath.

Tech started the second half on a five-point scoring run, then the Wildcats scored their own five points to make it 42-37. NMU extended their lead to 53-40 after a three from junior guard Marcus Matelski. Down by nine with 2:20 remaining, the Huskies attempted a late comeback but came up short as free throws from Echols and sophomore guard Alec Fruin sealed NMU's 63-59 win.

Echols finished perfect from the free-throw line for the second straight game, going 6-for-6. Following Echols in scoring was Taylor with 13 points and redshirt-freshman forward/center Troy

With their winning streak now to three, the Wildcats are listed in third place and back within one game in the GLIAC North Division lead and in the top five overall.

With the lead within reach, Sall said the whole conference is still anybody's ballgame.

"Everybody's beating up on everybody, but since now we're only one game out of first, we just gotta get on the road and win," Sall said.

NMU will be on their first road stint in three weeks as they face off against the University of Wisconsin-Parkside Rangers in Kenosha at 8:30 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 31, and then at the Purdue Northwest University (PNW) Pride at 2 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 2.



## Pesky Huskies nip 'Cats

Photo courtesy of NMU Athletics

Junior forward/center Jessica Schultz dribbles low in the paint while senior guard Tess Weatherly stands ready.

By Levi Erkkila  
contributing writer

The Northern Michigan Women's Basketball team hosted U.P. rival the Michigan Technological University (MTU) Huskies this past Saturday. Despite a late comeback attempt, the Wildcats fell short in a 55-53 defeat.

In Saturday's contest, sophomore forward Lexi Smith led the Wildcat offense with 12 points. Sophomore guard Elizabeth Lutz added 11 points while junior center Jessica Schultz, senior guard Darby Youngstrom and senior guard Sydney Dillinger posted four rebounds each.

The Wildcats fall to 14-5 on

the season and 9-2 in the GLIAC while Tech improves to 12-7 overall and 8-3 in the GLIAC.

The Wildcats failed to convert on nine layups and seven free throws.

"We played hard but we have tendencies at times to not finish plays," head coach Troy Mattson said. "[Michigan Tech] made some shots and we didn't."

Michigan Tech started the game strong and halfway through the first quarter, NMU trailed 11-3. With 2:22 remaining in the opening frame the Wildcats cut the MTU lead to 11-8. The Huskies outscored the 'Cats 5-1 to send the game into the second quarter with NMU behind 16-9.

Three minutes into the second quarter, Tech extended their lead to 23-11. After a 9-4 run, MTU took 31-15 advantage with 3:05 to play in the half. The teams entered the break with the Huskies leading 34-21.

NMU opened the second half with four unanswered points making it a 34-25 game. Tech went on an 8-2 run increasing their lead to 42-27 with a minute to play in the quarter. The Wildcats entered the final frame down 42-28.

The Huskies started the fourth quarter by extending their lead to 46-28. With five minutes left in the game, the Wildcats cut the deficit to 46-39 fueled by an 11-point run. With 2:12 on the

## Multiple Wildcats see improvement

By Travis Nelson  
contributing writer

The Northern Michigan University Women's Track and Field team traveled to Saginaw Valley State University this past weekend to participate in the Jet's Pizza Invite. The Wildcats had an impressive showing, as they had six first places and 16 top-five finishes.

In total, 15 Wildcats set their personal record in the invite.

"Overall it was definitely pleasing," head coach Jenny Ryan said. "Our athletes all performed well and [it was] exciting to win six events. All around we definitely saw some great performances, and I think we're on the right track heading to the GLIAC championships that are a close few weeks down the road."

Sophomore Isabelle Peterson led the team in the sprinting events, as she took home the 60-meter title with a time of 7.77 seconds, as well as finishing in second place in the 200 meter.

Senior Shayla Huebner won the 800 meter with a time of 2:16.57, with junior Paige Du Bois and freshman Hannah Jones, also finishing inside of the top-five.

In the field events, three Wildcats won first place. Senior Michelle Juergen took first in the high jump, clearing 5 feet, 4.25 inches. Sophomore Dunja Drobac cleared 37 feet, 0.25 inches to win the triple jump title and sophomore Lauren Alarie took home the long jump title with a distance of 16 feet, 7.25 inches.

NMU's 4x400 meter relay team of junior Sydney McPeters, Du Bois, senior Paige Dutcher, and Huebner won their event with a time of 3:53.01.

NMU will be traveling to Stevens Point, Wisconsin, for the Pointer Invite this Saturday, and the Wildcats are looking to build off of their successes at the Jet's Pizza Invite.

"[We are] looking to keep lowering the times and working on things that didn't go well the last meet," Ryan said. "[We need to] keep getting the chance to compete, compete hard and keep getting the times down."

Hosted by the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point, the meet will start at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 2, with the field events, followed by the running events at noon.

a 3-pointer, NMU made it a one-point game, 54-53 with 14 seconds to play. Tech added a free throw with two seconds to go. The Wildcats put up a last-second shot attempt to tie the game but failed to convert as Michigan Tech claimed a 55-53 win.

Despite staying in first place after the loss, NMU players were visibly frustrated with Saturday's result.

"They were disappointed we got beat. I expect us to bounce back," Mattson said.

The Wildcats travel for a pair

of road contests, first up playing the University of Wisconsin-Parkside at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 31, then continue to visit Purdue-Northwest for a 4 p.m. tipoff on Saturday, Feb. 2. The players and coaches know this game will not be as lopsided as the 72-39 NMU victory back in December.

"I've been worried about this game and it will be a real challenge for us, Mattson said. "I told my team yesterday that the score last time is not indicative of who Parkside really is."

## Wildcat Sports Schedule

Jan. 31	Feb. 1	Feb. 2	Feb. 3
Women's Basketball at Wisconsin-Parkside 7:30 p.m.	Men's Ice Hockey vs Bowling Green 7 p.m.	Nordic Skiing Northern Michigan CCSA Race	Nordic Skiing Northern Michigan CCSA Race
Men's Basketball at Wisconsin-Parkside 8:30 p.m.		Track and Field at Pointer Invitational	Men's Basketball at Purdue-Northwest 2 p.m.
		Women's Basketball at Purdue-Northwest 4 p.m.	
		Men's Ice Hockey vs Bowling Green 7 p.m.	

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**BRAIN**

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The goals of her studies hope to better understand these functional disruptions for individuals with neurodevelopmental disorders.

This lecture will not only demonstrate the tremendous amount of heterogeneity in social behaviors, but it will address that "behavioral diversity" should be explored further and taken into consideration when creating potential interventions to improve social interaction, Thompson continued. Though this research remains in the "preliminary stages," Thompson and her team were the first to demonstrate the successful translation of a behavioral paradigm which previously was designed for use in animal models, but was transformed into a robust paradigm for young children, she said.

"We are now applying this paradigm to better under-

stand social behaviors, and our recent results demonstrate a vast heterogeneity in social behaviors, even amongst typically developing children," she noted. "I hope that the presentation will provide a better understanding of social behaviors in children."

And Thompson said she's "delighted" at any opportunity she can share her research endeavors.

"I think that if you are interested in topics related to the brain, behavior, neurodevelopment or children, this talk may either present you with new information, or may provoke you into considering your own research questions related to these topics," Thompson added.

The series is co-sponsored by NMU, U.P. Health System - Marquette, Superior Health Foundation and MSU College of Human Medicine. For more information, visit MSUYourHealthLecture.com.

**WORD SEARCH OF THE WEEK**

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