

Activity fee reform falls into place

By JAMES P. LYONS
Assoc. News Editor

The Task Force on the Student Activity Fee was a little upset with the poor attendance at its open forum, but the group still used the time to iron out some of the issues regarding the reform of the Student Finance Committee.

Discussion surrounded the merits of a refundable activity fee Tuesday night as the group waited for students who never appeared. But lack of student interest won't affect the plans to implement a program board system to handle funding and planning of student-funded events.

Before the Tuesday meeting, the task force had finished plans for a proposed system of program committees. Five committees were created to handle the popular forms of programming, including films and lectures, plus other events like Winfester and performing arts.

The new system is being designed to correct weaknesses in the current Student Activity Fee allocation system. The weaknesses, such as the reactive nature of the SFC budget hearing process and the lack of SFC member guidelines, were noticed last fall when controversy surrounded the committee.

Discussion revolved around the idea of a refundable activity fee. Several options were discussed before being rejected by the committee as being too costly.

One proposal involved the refund of surplus money at the end of the semester while another provided students an opportunity to request a full refund after the first two weeks of school.

Jim Bowan, the task force member charged with studying the refundable fee issue, said neither proposal was desirable, noting there would be no way to gauge the number of students interested in a refund.

Without knowing this, the funding board could end up short if an unusually large number of students requested a refund.

Bowan also said Michigan State University had tried the refundable fee and had decided against it because of the complications. Bowan, in the preliminary task force report, indicated that a "non-refundable mandatory activity fee appears to be the best option."

The next step, according to the report, is the development of an implementation committee that will be responsible "for educating...student organizations about the intended changes."

Working with the Student Activities Office, the implementation committee will survey the students to give program boards an "initial sense of direction" on the type of programs students want.

The implementation committee, according to the report, will also "recruit and train members for the program boards until January 1988" and the entire system will be in place by February of 1988.

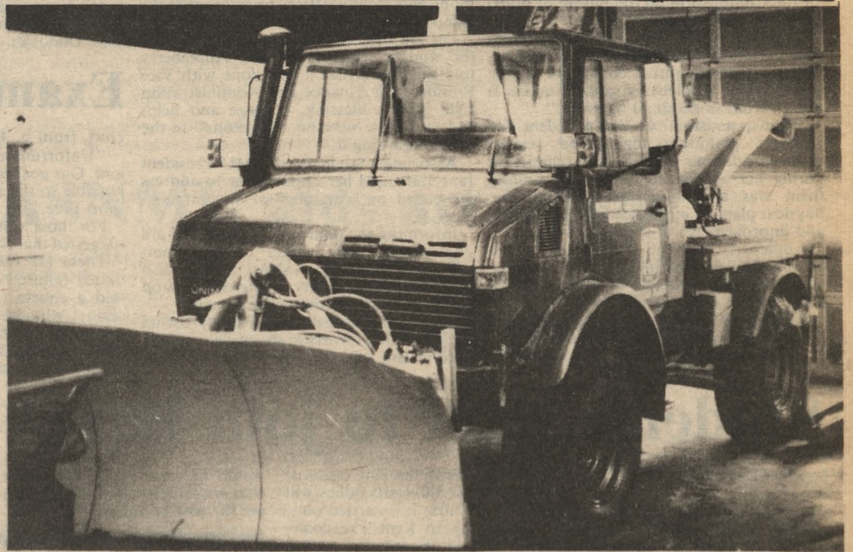
"The implementation committee will be key," SFC advisor Sandra Casselman said, but the success of the proposal "depends on really active, interested students getting on the program boards."

The Insider

Get a job: Placement and Career Planning Director Brian Enos has all the info you need and can pass the word to prospective employers for career-seekers concerned about their future. To get the whole story, see — Page 3.

Tournament results: Last weekend, Northern hosted College Bowl and recreation tournaments for the first year. To get the scoop on how well NMU did, see — Page 7.

Skiers schuss to the top: NMU's alpine and nordic ski teams will be vying for another combined national championship March 2-5 in Crested Butte, Colo. For the full story, see — Page 8.



One of NMU's snowplows that sits idle due to the mild winter. (photo by Derik Opdyke)

Mild winter saves school money

By MARTIN ZOSKI
Senior Reporter

Is the unusually mild winter saving the university money?

According to some "educated estimates" by the superintendent of grounds, Max Muelle, the university has saved about \$2,000 in man hours so far. That money,

according to Muelle, stays in the general fund.

"We've probably saved close to \$600 in fuel as well," Muelle said. Money saved in fuel consumption is often used towards new pieces of small equipment.

The mild winter is allowing for more time to be spent on other

areas, such as tree maintenance, Muelle added.

Considering the reduced need for sand, salt, diesel fuel, gasoline, equipment repair and overtime, "We're in better shape than we've been in 17 years," Bruce Rudio, director of the physical plant, said.

Writing exam questions answered

By LORI ROSE
Managing Editor

A record number of students who took the writing proficiency exam on Feb. 14 passed it. On the heels of this success, exam director David Goldsmith tried to clear up a few misconceptions about the test.

The proficiency exam, first offered in the fall of 1977, is administered twice a semester. Its purpose is to assess the writing skills of NMU students and is a requirement for graduation.

Goldsmith said he has heard of rumors floating among students about the grading procedure for the tests. He said graders for the tests are chosen mostly from the English department, although there are some faculty from other departments and a number of graduate students who do the grading.

Goldsmith added that those who volunteer to grade exam papers must also pass a test which checks their fairness as graders. Prospective graders are given sample tests to grade, and their assessments of the papers are studied to see if they fall in the norm.

Tests are graded on a scale from 1 to 4. A 1 roughly corresponds to an 'A' letter grade — the student shows mastery of writing skills. The papers

designated as 2's mean the writer is proficient, while a 3 means 'not proficient' and a 4 signifies that the writer has serious writing problems.

If a student's paper is rated a 1, it receives only one reading, Goldsmith said. If a student gets a 2, the paper goes for a second reading by another grader. If the second reading produces a lower score, the paper will go to a third reader, Goldsmith said.

Only one-fifth of the papers from the Feb. 14 exam went to a third reader, Goldsmith said. "There is not much disagreement among the graders," said Goldsmith. "I have never seen a person give a paper a 3 and then the next reader give it a 1."

Goldsmith said another problem students have with the exam is that they don't like the choice of topics. "Students claim the topics are stupid or dull," said Goldsmith, "but you can't be very specific. We can't test a student's knowledge, only their writing ability."

"What we look for is reasoned argumentation or exposition with recognizable organization," said Goldsmith. "In short, we look to see that they're literate."

"We had 53 graduating seniors take the exam this past time," Goldsmith said. "That's a number we hope to reduce." He said that seniors should not put off the exam until it's beyond the point when they can retake it, should they have to.

He also noted, however, that 80 to 85 percent of students pass the proficiency exam the first time they take it.

Goldsmith defended the English department's practice of giving the exams on Saturday mornings. "The tests are graded all afternoon, so we need to have the whole day for the test."

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The humble and dedicated North Wind staff will take next week off, too (we were forced). We'll be printing again March 12.

NMU Board listens to reports and questions

By **RON GEORGE**
Senior Reporter

The Board of Control meeting held last Thursday in Bloomfield Hills at the Kingsley Inn gave several representatives from NMU an opportunity to present their views and concerns about the university.

The meeting began with the presentation of the Commission on the Future of NMU report to the board.

President James B. Appleberry commended Ruth Roebke-Berens for her excellence and insightful comments to the commission. Appleberry said, "Success is due to Ruth in no small measure."

Berens, assistant to the president for strategic planning, highlighted several recommendations made by the commission during her address to the board. Among them was a new master plan for the physical plant to increase social integration and improvements in student services.

Appleberry said he was proud of the commission process and that he plans to distribute their findings to other colleges and national organizations.

Appleberry said of all the recommendations in the report by the commission, the one that would bring the most "dramatic"

change was the campus commons recommendation.

"Whether we build a new building or there is renovation, the campus commons must be accessible to off-campus and non-traditional students," said Appleberry.

The president said careful consideration has to be given to the location of the commons and faculty offices to assure that the campus is socially integrated.

On the subject of the reorganization of the student services division, Appleberry told the board that it was done with Vice President for Finance and Administration Lyle Shaw's blessing, courage and help, and said there were no "skeletons" in the closet regarding it.

Associated Students of NMU President Jane Luft used her opportunity to address the board on a number of student concerns.

Informing the board of the financial aid letter-writing and hunger cleanup campaigns initiated by ASNMU, Luft also discussed the possibility of internship co-op programs in the business department.

Luft congratulated the university for its reorganization efforts in the student affairs division and told the board that ASNMU

will continue to formulate a selection process for a student speaker at graduation.

Luft urged the board to push improvements to Tracy Avenue and to make a decision on the campus commons issue.

Luft asked the board to approve proposed bylaws for student radio station WBKX and an ASNMU constitutional amendment on the composition of its governing board.

Vice President for Academic Affairs Alan Donovan presented a report to the

Board of Control on winter semester enrollment and Vice President Shaw gave a report on the status of the sports training complex.

According to Shaw, "The sports training complex is dragging." He said that there had been disagreement on architectural fees.

Shaw said the completion schedule would be met if funds are released from the state.

Exam

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"Unfortunately, that means starting the test at 9 a.m. Our goal is to get the tests graded as quickly as possible so the students can get them back in a very short time."

For those who fail the exam, Goldsmith strongly suggested that they make an appointment to see him.

There are other ways a student can avert continued failure on the proficiency exam. Goldsmith said a course (LB 096) is offered for graduating seniors who have failed the exam. The class is a "crash course in the basics of writing" and acts as a substitute for the WPE. Goldsmith stressed the exam's good points, since it has faced its share of

criticism from students.

"It does foster a concern for writing standards on campus, and makes us all more aware of the quality of our writing. Also, it does identify the student with writing problems, which is very helpful."

Students want to join Board

By **KIMBERLY KRACKE**
Senior Reporter

How would you like to be a member of the Board of Control and run Northern Michigan University?

If student efforts are successful, you may be able to do just that.

"Currently, the governor appoints members to the Board of Control at all the four-year public universities in Michigan," said Karen Kent, vice president of the Michigan Collegiate Coalition.

"We are trying to mandate that students get appointed to the Board of Control," she said.

Northern has combined efforts with all of the other four-year public institutions in Michigan under the coalition in an attempt to get a student appointed to the board.

In order to change current policies, "the (state) constitution must be changed," said Kent. "Currently, a bill is being drawn up in Lansing, but lobbying is still needed to ensure that the bill will pass."

At NMU, the Board of Control is responsible for all final govern-

ing decisions at the University. It decides what university policy will be and sees that it is carried out.

According to Kent, the coalition is holding out for voting rights. If lobbying was stopped right now, a bill would be written up to allow student observation of the board meetings only.

Those opposed to the bill believe that there would be a conflict of interest if students were on the governing board, because they would only see things from a student's point of view, without viewing the school as a whole.


Kent does not believe this to be true. "I don't see a conflict of interest," she said. "Students have a good idea of what is good for the university."

Kent added, "I think students are needed on the Board of Control because they know what will make other students happy, and attract new students. Enrollment

would increase because students who are satisfied with their school are the best recruiters."

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Compensation: \$350-\$500 per semester

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NEWS BRIEFS

From United Press International

International

Egypt, Israel hold summit:

Two

powerhouses in the Mideast peace process began a two-day summit yesterday in Cairo. Egyptian President Mubarak and Israeli Foreign Minister Peres held the first direct Arab-Israeli talks in nearly six months. Peres told reporters that he believes the two Middle East nations must negotiate directly but an international conference, excluding the Soviet Union and the PLO is needed, so those talks can begin.

Lebanese honor dead:

Thousands of heavily armed members of Lebanon's Party of God, or Hezbollah, attended the burial of 22 comrades killed by Syrian troops trying to end the fighting in west Beirut. Led by spiritual leader Sheikh Mohammed Fadlallah, Hezbollah fighters defied a Syrian military order to stay off the streets. The Syrians moved forces into Beirut Sunday to end the fighting between different factions.

National

Reagan clarifies Iran position:

White

House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater says President Reagan "acted entirely appropriately" throughout the secret arms transactions with Iran and that the president "does not believe he broke any laws." Fitzwater also said that Reagan wrote a letter to the Tower Commission presenting his other "recollections and clarifications." These comments came yesterday, on the eve of today's release of the Tower Commission report on the scandal.

Reagan's denial part of policy:

There may be a new wrinkle regarding President Reagan's role in the Iran arms affair. Sources say Reagan told the Tower Commission he has "no recollection" of when he approved the arms deal, but a new question faced the panel Reagan named to probe the affair: whether the Iran arms policy began with an eye toward allowing Reagan to deny he approved it. The New York Times said the Tower Commission has information that Reagan talked with senior aides about the need to form an Iran policy in which he could deny his approval if it ever were exposed.

State

Gambling on reservations preserved:

The U.S. Supreme Court ruled yesterday that Indian reservations are exempt from state and local gambling laws, a decision that will preserve a key source of income for many Indian tribes. The justices, voting 6 to 3, affirmed a Californian Court of Appeals decision that barred the state from applying its gambling laws to the Cabazon and Morongo Bands of Mission Indians. The U.S. attorney in Grand Rapids filed suit in 1985 against four northern Michigan tribes which were offering high-stakes casino style gambling.

Coalition pushes lakes cleanup:

Great

Lakes United, an international coalition seeking to clean the waterways shared by Canada and the United States, says a series of public hearings in 19 cities last year concluded that the public is alarmed about widespread pollution, especially by toxic pollutants. The group says the only way to get the Reagan Administration and state governments to act is to apply public pressure. The group did note, however, that Michigan is doing a better job than most states.

Threat holds up hockey game Friday

By GENE DESONIA
Sports Editor

An unidentified male phoned the Marquette City Police Department Friday, threatening that a bomb had been placed in Marquette's Lakeview Arena. The incident caused an eight-minute delay in the start of Friday's NMU hockey game.

According to Capt. Orville Dishno, the call was received at 7:17 p.m.

Dishno said, "The arena

management was notified of the bomb threat immediately. Police officers on duty assisted the arena personnel in searching the building, and nothing was found."

None of the 3,533 in attendance at the game were notified of the incident. The public address announcer notified the crowd only that the game would be delayed.

Arena Manager Butch Runstrom declined to comment on the situation.

Seniors offered job help

By JON HALBERG
News Editor

More than 4,000 job openings a week come through the Office of Placement and Career Planning, according to Director Brian Enos.

Enos advises everyone, especially those starting graduation in the face, to stop by his office in the Cohodas Building to get career planning and resume information. Also, prospective graduates should fill out data sheets which will include them in the list of possible candidates for those 4,000 openings.

"Probably not more than 30 to 40 percent of the seniors who will

graduate this May have registered so far," to be put on a resume list for potential employers, said Enos. Only about 30 percent registered last year, he said.

By supplying the office with a resume, recommendations and the data sheet, which includes career choices and geographic preferences, students are included in a computer pool which can be searched by possible employers who want information on graduates. Copies of their resumes will be mailed out free of charge, said Enos.

It's not too late for May graduates to start the process, ac-

ording to Enos, but if they haven't yet begun resume planning, networking job contacts and other job search efforts, "We've got a lot of work to do."

Enos conceded that NMU doesn't attract as many job recruiters as some of the bigger schools downstate, but said that by using its computerized resources, his office could put students in touch with employers in almost any geographic area.

The Office of Placement and Career Planning is not just a last-minute stop before graduation, Enos said. "Students at just about any level can get help in developing career plans."

ASNMU aids art league

By RON GEORGE
Senior Reporter

The Associated Students of NMU have voted to form a special referendum committee to address a request by the Art Students League Gallery for additional funding and any other request made by student groups.

Off-Campus Rep. Paul Lehto's request to convene the committee was prompted by Gallery 236 director Christine Garceau.

Garceau was seeking ASNMU approval for placing the question on the ballot for the March elections.

Students would vote on a possible fifty cent increase for each semester in the student activity fee to help pay for the rental expenses for the gallery, which is housed in the University Center.

"There is a need for a student-run gallery," said Garceau. "We make our own decisions and make our own guidelines."

"Rent is a very substantial amount," said Garceau. "We have exhausted all of our sources."

Garceau said that a student organization should not have to pay rent in the UC and that they have made several attempts to find other places for the gallery.

"We have been here for two years," said Garceau. "We have gotten good exposure and it is an ideal location."

Student organizations housed in the UC such as student activities and ASNMU have their rental space paid for out of the university's general operating fund.

Assistant Dean of Students Sandra Casselman said that recognized groups have a right of free use of university rooms.

"Because the ASL has exclusive use of the room is probably why they are being charged rent," said Casselman.

Senate may change requirements

By THERON FRANCIS
Senior Reporter

The Academic Senate will make a decision on a motion for a revised, more focused American government class requirement following spring break.

Debate over the issue during the Feb. 17 meeting was part of a contentious atmosphere with questions continuing about the new liberal studies program, approved in December 1985.

In a memo to the Academic Senate, the history and political

science departments explained criteria for the American government requirement they propose:

"In that politics is the process of peacefully reconciling conflicting needs and ideas, all our students, no matter what they major in, need to develop a better understanding of our common public life."

Prof. Robert Kulishcek, who drafted the revised government requirement, said it would be "more focused, more restrictive, yet open to a variety of interpretations in classes offered."

Teddie Phillipson, student academic senator, said the four student academic senators "definitely think it's a good thing, and that more restriction is needed in the requirement."

Prof. Eugene Whitehouse, chairman of the Academic Senate's Committee on Undergraduate Programs (CUP), said, "American Government is not a liberal studies requirement, but a graduation requirement."

In a statement issued by state Attorney General Frank Kelley, legislation of the 1950s requiring American government classes was declared not legally binding. The statement allowed state colleges and universities to decide for themselves if they wanted to require the class.

As a result of this, CUP proposed that the requirement be dropped — "If nothing else, to see what would happen," Whitehouse said.

Earlier, the history and political science departments made proposals to drop the requirement.

According to their memo to the senate, "The subject of American government must be addressed throughout the entire course (not limited to one unit) and not be dealt with indirectly or tangentially."

This would not allow Introductory Sociology (SO 101) and The American Economy (EC 101) to fulfill the requirement.

Tracy concerns remain

By BARBARA ALEXANDER
Staff Writer

Some of the pot holes on Tracy Avenue have been filled in. Is this a sign that the improvements needed on the street are beginning? Not according to city engineer Mike Etelamaki.

"Filling the holes is just part of routine maintenance," said Etelamaki. He is "not aware" of any other improvements for the street at this time.

Two Northern students died more than a year ago after being struck by a car while walking along Tracy Avenue. Since that time, ASNMU has approved two proposals requesting improvements in the street.

Some of the problems cited by ASNMU are: poor lighting, no intersection, lack of sidewalks, and no traffic light. Tracy is a route often used by students going to and from the Jacobetti Center, the Alibi and the Wright Place.

Tracy Avenue improvements are still very much an issue to ASNMU, which has presented a list of options to members of the Board of Control and other Northern officials.

"We are urging Northern and the city of Marquette to start making the improvements needed," said Jane Luft, ASNMU president.

Donna Pearre, vice president of Student Affairs, said she will present the list of options from ASNMU at the next President's Council meeting.

EDITORIAL

Persuasion attempts bombed on this one

Anyone who attended last Friday's hockey game at Lakeview Arena might still be wondering why the players were waiting for the first drop of the puck at 7:35 p.m. and were still waiting eight minutes later.

And if it weren't for this country's respect for freedom of the press, you'd still be wondering. Quit wondering: There was a bomb threat. Someone called the Marquette Police Department at 7:17 p.m. and said there was a bomb in Lakeview Arena. The police called Lakeview officials. Lakeview officials, Marquette police, and NMU Public Safety officers — there were about 30 of them, according to Lakeview Arena Manager Butch Runstrom — searched the building and determined at 7:43 p.m. that it was OK for the game to begin.

Despite legitimate and well-intentioned attempts by City Manager David Svanda to persuade Vice President for Student Affairs Donna Pearre (our university connection) to persuade us not to run the story, it has been printed. A late attempt by Public Safety Director Ken Chant was well taken but not heeded, either. Needless to say, Runstrom would also have been pleased to let the whole thing slide.

With the printing of this editorial and story, those who tried to persuade us not to run it may well cry sensationalism and pin our decision to run the story on student naivete, carelessness and a misdirected sense of the public's right to know.

Why does the public have to know that Lakeview has an emergency evacuation plan that was never carried out? Why does the public have to know that after 30 people searched for a bomb for 25 minutes, the game was allowed to begin? Why does the public have to know anything, for that matter, about something like this that potentially could have affected any number of the 3,533 in attendance?

Those who wanted the story kept quiet argued that it would only promote "copycatism" and "glorification" of a common prank. For the deranged soul with the twisted sense of humor this kind of prank requires, seeing the story in print and hearing it on the airwaves would only add fuel to his sub-par mental fire.

We realize there's a potential that someone actually lives to see his pranks printed in the paper (although realistically such a person probably can't or won't read the printed word). But people do have the right to know that Runstrom decided not to evacuate the building, even though he said the arena does have an orderly emergency evacuation policy. Runstrom could also have simply broadcast the threat, giving people the option of ignoring or crediting it. Whether his decision was right or wrong, people do have the right to know that Lakeview takes all bomb threats "seriously," even though it's easy to be skeptical of such threats.

The argument that eventually caused a majority of the North Wind staff to agree — after hours of discussion — to run the story was the potential that someone might know the culprit and turn the low-life in.

"I wish that were true," Runstrom said yesterday, pointing to another incident the same night in which a Marquette police officer was assaulted after the game in front of many people "who would not help that officer."

However, when the Marquette police were contacted last night, an officer on duty said one person *did* come to the officer's aid, and will even be testifying as a witness in the prosecution against the attacker. We believe there are many more people out there like him.

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Letters to the Editor:

In search of the highest love

To the Editor:

In response to Jon Halberg's column "Starving for your attention" that ran in last week's North Wind, which denounced the highest exhibitions of courage and love as seeking celebrity status and financial gain, we must stop and think. The issues of acid rain, race relations, the Equal Rights Amendment, and the killing of human beings in Central America and around the world are among the most serious facing the human race. These are matters of life and death that absolutely cannot be trivialized.

It is morally and ethically questionable for the North Wind to allow destructive information such as that contained in this column to be printed. To make fun of men who have been willing to risk life itself to stop their fellow human beings' suffering is very saddening.

Jesus Christ taught us that the greatest love a human being can show is the giving up of his life for his friends. What Halberg seems to miss is that people like Dick Gregory, Charles Liteky, Mohandas Gandhi and Jesus Christ were expressing the greatest love that is humanly possible.

To assert that these acts are motivated by ego and greed is the ultimate error in judgment. We must not allow ourselves to be so blinded by the evil of the world that we judge the efforts to

eradicate that evil as wrong. A little time spent researching the lives of those mentioned would prove the motivations for their actions as being peace, love, brotherhood and friendship.

We must strive for spiritual awareness and the understanding of what is required of us as human beings to stop human suffering. Halberg is not to be condemned for making the human errors that we all make. He is invited and will be welcomed with open arms to share the path with those searching for the highest love.

Jerry D. Alatalo

Faculty offices just fine

To the Editor:

Yes, I'm afraid it's another letter about this faculty office space business. I don't mean to beat a dead horse, but this whole situation is so infuriating.

First, I'd like to know why the faculty need new offices. Because their current offices are small, cramped and affords no privacy? Gee, I feel really bad. I lived in West hall for a year; talk about small, cramped and no privacy!

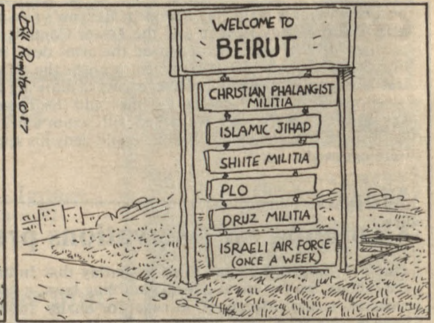
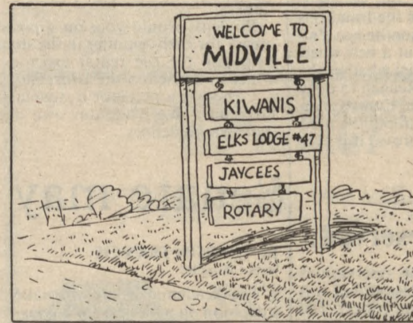
Do you think anyone would consider building new and better dorms for the students who support the school? I highly doubt it. And heaven forbid if new faculty

offices were put down campus. Second, I'd like to know why this school needs a new campus

commons building. What is wrong with the UC we have? I may be in a minority by not wanting a commons, but I sure don't want to see another \$70 added to the already-existing list of fees.

I took the proficiency exam last weekend and one of the questions asked what Northern will be like in the 21st century. Hopefully it won't exist if the students keep getting treated like dirt.

Barbara Yirka



Dave Gill



Funny-smellin' Gillfish tails.....

It's always fun just to sit down at a word machine and spit out mindless babble without the worry of transitions, complete thoughts and yesterday, for God's sake; but with spring break here and not enough time.

So here's my simpleton attempt at something journalists love to do. (If you're a newspaper fan, you might have seen something like this in the form of Downey Does Detroit, The Live Albom, Jim's Jewels, Just Asking...etc.).

Presenting...**Funny-smellin' Gillfish Tails:**
 •I guess I don't mind helping fund the growing sports movement on campus. I mean it sounds pretty impressive when you're at a hockey game, and before the game starts, the PA guy welcomes the crowd to "Lakeview Arena and the United States Olympic Training Center!" I guess that's better than him welcoming people to "Lakeview Arena and Northern Michigan University, the home of an educational institution that devotes half its building square footage to jocks!"

•Say, did you hear about the new Oral Roberts organization? It's called LORD (Let Oral Roberts

Die).

•Speaking of Oral Roberts, I heard that he recently had a confrontation in his bedroom with the devil. Oral says the damn thing tried to suffocate him. But coming to Oral's rescue was his wife, who deep(triple)-sixed the scoundrel.

•Oh say can you see, by the new X-ray lights...

•Ohhh fart...I missed ASNMU's open house yesterday. Come to think of it, I missed its open forum at Vango's last week. Jeez, come to think of it, I missed its last meeting. Well, for crying out loud, what the heck am I? Some kind of pathetic apathetic psychopath, or someone who realizes its members were given a playpen to shake rattles in for a semester or two? (C'mon, it's only a joke, jeez...)

•There once was a man from Missouri, whose sixth-floor life was a flurry; he often gazed at Lake Superior, and thinking he was inferior, built a sports empire and away he did scurry.

•How many work-studies does it take to clean Jamrich hall nightly? Well, by the comment by one in a group of six standing around the other night, "What we need is more vandalism so we got more to do." No lie.

•You know what's going to be interesting? The Michigan legislature passed a law the other day that requires employers to notify employees of the stuff floating around in workers' environments. I could just see this being displayed in Cohodas elevators: "Warning: The air you will be breathing soon contains bull..."
 BEEEEEEEEEEEE!

•This was only a test; fearing you have been deprived of good, vibrant leftist rhetoric in this year's 'Wind, this was only a reminder that it is always just a few keystrokes away.



Don Wilkie



Walkmania can isolate

If you called my name the other day and I didn't turn around, it wasn't because I'm still in a funk about not winning the College Bowl regionals; if I seemed to be walking about in more of a daze than usual, it wasn't because the girl of my dreams finally realized how much I care. And if you heard strange ululations coming from my direction, it wasn't because someone spiked my brownies. No, last weekend I became a member in good standing, or rather strolling, of the Walkman generation.

We are constantly harangued to respect the rights of others; that is exactly what a Walkman does. No one need listen to your chosen music at your chosen volume during your chosen time. You affect only your own environment. What could be easier on your comrades and yourself? (Never mind about self-imposed isolationism; every loneliness is, after all, a pinnacle.)

We move to the country to escape the corruption of the city, move to vegetarianism to escape the corruption of our food, and move to fantasy to escape the corruption of reality by the cold, hard facts. Moving to the beat of personal cassette decks is another small way to control our environment, to escape the corruption of outside influences. What could be more evolutionary? (Never mind about cultural loss due to lack of contact; every king is, after all, sovereign.)

The fight-or-flight syndrome is a basic reaction to conflict, a species response to threats both real and imagined. A fight need not be physical confrontation; an emotional or spiritual struggle is still a struggle. Indeed, one does not need to run to retreat; withdrawing can serve the same

purpose. (Never mind about the inefficiency of withdrawal for birth control; every unwanted child is, after all, a gift from God.)

There are those who espouse another option. It may be called "peace at any price," "cooperating with the inevitable," or even "turning the other cheek." For some, giving in seems an acceptable response to conflict; in the manner of gay liberation, living on one's knees is to be preferred to dying on one's feet. (Never mind about the ignominy of blind obsequy; every act of degradation is, after all, a means of survival.)

In terms of audio conflict, we thus have fighters, armed with boom boxes and blaring stereos, ready and willing to take on the world to play what they want. We also have those who choose flight, opting to retreat or withdraw in order to hear their own choices. And we have the appeasers, who meekly listen to whichever music, whichever band is offered. (Never mind about not standing up for your rights; respecting the rights of others is more important, after all.)

Serene in the midst of self-selected isolation, the Walkman lives a dangerous life. Crazy Bike Clubbers careen madly down the street, horns unheard and unheeded by headphoned Deadheads, displaying the innate conflict between action and withdrawal. The sirens and klaxons of Authority have no effect, and even well-meaning cautions have no more impact than a sugared-up housefly smashing into the wall. (Never mind images of animal cruelty; every metaphor is, after all, only a literary tool.)

Whether for good or bad, those who run and hide behind The Wall or anywhere else are under their own control. They may have dropped out of society's mainstream, and not turned on to the common goal, but they are at least tuned into themselves. And for many of us, that's enough. (Never mind about not following the crowd; peculiar travel patterns are, after all, Destiny's dancing lessons.)



Jon Halberg



The threat of voting

Last week's veto of an ASNMU decision to put student commencement speakers to a last-minute student vote showed admirable (and rare) restraint by President Jane Luft of the American tendency to solve every problem by "taking a vote."

The natural impulse to "take a vote" came up this week when the North Wind staff were discussing a questionable story. It's hard to remember that the most agreeable decision isn't always the right one.

People often forget that we do live in an unlimited democracy, which can tyrannize by majority rule just as effectively as any dictator ever thought about. A total democracy denies individual rights. It can, in fact, did, "take a vote" to execute a man like Socrates for unpopular ideas, whether or not he infringes on the rights of others.

Our system is a constitutionally limited republic, which was originally intended to protect individual rights, not to "take a vote" on every public whim or fad. Its democratic function was intended to apply only to the details, such as personnel selection. Basic governmental principles, and moral questions, are not solvable by "taking a vote."

I'm not playing holier-than-thou; I too have felt the impulse, in the voting booth, to go ahead and vote for an unfamiliar candidate for what I consider minor offices. Everyone else is voting, and my choice is as good as yours, right?

WRONG!

This knee-jerk reaction to use your vote when given the opportunity, whether or not it's backed up by knowledge, defeats the purpose of our

system more than not voting at all.

Hey Sue:
Hope you have a delightful birthday. Maybe we can go hiking on Portage Point. — Lori

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Have a great time in FLORIDA this Spring.
But please...
Have a "SAFE BREAK '87"

Make this the best Spring Break ever. But make it the safest one also. Our goal is to have no student deaths due to alcohol or drug related accidents, or non-use of safety belts.

BUCKLE UP IN FLORIDA... IT'S THE LAW!
The Student Activities Office
Florida Coalition for Auto Safety Now

For What It's Worth Paul Bunyan's my neighbor

By SELMA and HELMI
Features Staff

"Is that part of Canada or Wisconsin?" That's just one of the horde of questions that will probably be hurled at you during Spring Break when you tell people where you go to college. Taking this into consideration and avoiding a long explanation requiring maps, we think that it would be more fun to go along with other people's perceptions of us Uppers. We have come up with some snappy answers to their stupid questions:

Q: Isn't it just a bunch of trees up there?
A: Yes, everyone's a lumberjack and we learn to cut trees down before we learn to walk.

Q: Do you live in houses?
A: No, in the winter we live in igloos and in the summer we live in the trees.

Q: Do you have running water?
A: Well, if it's real cold out, you have to run with the creek water so it doesn't freeze.

Q: Do you have telephones?
A: (Give strange look) Oh, you mean that little box you crank up? Yeah, they just put one in at the local trading post and every Tuesday we hook up the dog sled and go down there. It's not much fun though, because we don't have anyone to call.

Q: Do you have drugs?
A: You mean like Tylenol?

Q: Do you know what pizza is?
A: Do you know what pasties are?

Q: Do you guys have TV?
A: No, but there was a nasty case of the pox going around.

Q: Do you have paved roads?
A: No, but Sulo Maki's cement wagon tipped over last summer and when it dried it got REAL hard.

Q: What do you guys do for fun?
A: Drink beer.

Q: Do you have any sports up there?
A: Beer drinking.

Q: Do you have polar bears up there?
A: No, it's too cold for them.

Q: Do you have electricity?
A: No, but one time a big bolt of lightning hit Uncle Emo's house and lit the whole thing up like a Christmas tree. It was the most bestest thing we ever sawed in our life. Uncle Emo glowed for days.

Q: Do you have shopping malls?
A: No, but we got the Sears Roebuck catalog and Dad hunts for all the hides we need. And, whooey, Gramma can quilt a storm. I got so many mittens and not anuff hands to fill em.

Q: Do you have indoor toilets?
A: Whoopoo, no, who would want the outhouse inside the house? Sheesh!

Q: So, what made you come down here to the beach?
A: The bus.

Well, these are just a few of the answers you can use, guaranteed to shut them up for a while. It'll give you time to enjoy your vacation and at the same time give you the opportunity to meet more people. After all, everyone wants to know somebody who may be a personal friend of Bigfoot.

We'd love to chaw the whale fat with you some more, but our last candle is getting low, our dog sleds is double parked and the dogs are getting restless. Asses, we got to get back to the igloo before the polar bears start to feed. Yah, you becha, eh?

Poster winner announced

Here's the winning entry from last semester's vandalism prevention poster contest, which was sponsored by the task force on



the reduction of crime and vandalism in the residence halls. Jan Nowaczek, a freshman from Halverson Hall, won the first place prize of \$100. Connie Schoendorf, a resident assistant in Spooner Hall, took second place and \$50. Laurie Rasch, a senior, took the \$25 third place prize.

The winning poster has been printed and will soon be posted all over campus. Public Safety Supervisor Sue Marshall said,

English course helps raise student GPAs

By ANGEL HOLMAN
Staff Writer

Have you wondered how to raise your grade point average?

The English department offers a course that can help you: Learning Skill Development, or EN 101.

Instructor Vicki Goldsmith, who teaches the course, said, "The freshmen at NMU who have taken the course have seen an insignificant drop in their grade-point average between high school and college, as opposed to the average freshman whose grade-point average drops one half letter grade."

The course is for anyone wishing to learn better study habits. The critical learning tools the course teaches are generation of questions from lecture notes and textbooks, time management, information mapping, and exam strategies.

These learning tools are based on four basic learning skills successful students practice. They

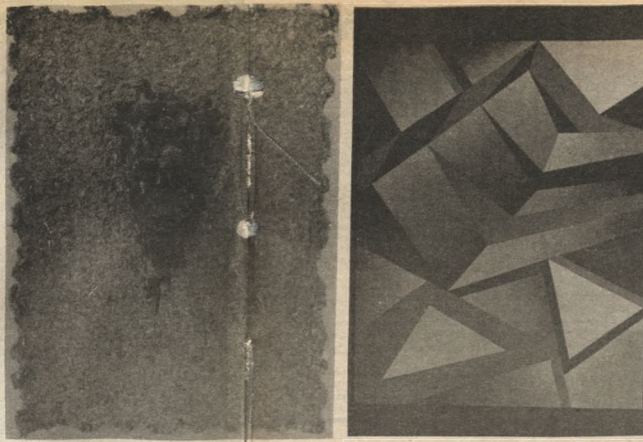
ask questions of new material presented in lectures or books, break up large tasks and complex ideas into smaller groups, test themselves regularly, make connections between subjects — and life.

EN 101 is based on the Learning to Learn Thinking Improvement Program, which has a 20-year history of research and development and was approved by the U.S. Department of Education in 1983.

The program was approved because results showed a significant improvement in GPAs and retention in college students.

Along with the study skills EN 101 teaches, a tutor is assigned to each student. The tutor works one-on-one with the student, overseeing the student's application of study skills to each of his content courses.

Interested students can contact Goldsmith in the English department at 227-1634 for more information.



Mike Lindsey's sculpture piece, "Congested and Compressed" left, a merit award winner in the ASL gallery's painting and sculpture show and Ed Schaal's painting, "Untitled" are on display, along with other works, until tomorrow at the ASL Gallery 236. (photos by Karl Crosby)

Parapro builds life skills

By PAULA BALLARD
Staff Writer

"Talk to me!" You really mean it, but can the person openly talk to you about the problem? When he finally does "talk," do you know how to respond?

If you are interested in learning to help others, the NMU Counseling Center is accepting applications for the paraprofessional training program.

The goal of the program is to train the paraprofessional student to teach skills and interpersonal relationships. These academic and social skills are then practiced in a safe and structured setting.

Christine Platt, director of the program, said, "Clients benefit through learning life skills and paraprof gain counseling experience that is valuable in nearly every career field."

Paraprof are undergraduate and graduate students who undergo training in study, communication and social interaction skills, and time and stress management techniques. They are also trained in assertiveness and conversational skills as well as in ethics, confidentiality and office procedure.

Paraprof are not full professionals. They are students trained to work with counseling professionals. Besides one-to-one meetings with clients, paraprof also assist in leading campus workshops.

To be eligible to apply, a student must have a GPA of 2.5, be willing to commit five hours a

demonstration, role playing, behavior rehearsal, role reversal, and group feedback.

The paraprof also meets for one-half hour a week with the program's supervisor, graduate assistant Larry Van Damme.

During this time, Van Damme and the paraprof develop strategies to match method to client. He also monitors the progress of both the client case and the paraprof.

A typical week in the life of a paraprof would begin with a client referral from a counselor who has decided the client would benefit from learning certain skills or techniques. The paraprof and client meet two to three times a week.

After the paraprof explains and demonstrates the skill, the client can then practice it safely. The paraprof will assign a project for the client to complete before the next meeting.

Focus on...

Currently there are 13 paraprof on staff. Platt pointed out that acceptance into the program is selective. Out of 50 applicants last year, only 10 were chosen. Training begins with a mandatory two-day orientation session prior to the start of the fall term. During this time, the trainee will learn basic skills and be monitored for suitability in the program.

Training continues through the year with a weekly two-hour group session that provides a chance for the paraprof to polish basic skills and learn a variety of instructional methods including

Both counselors and staff get a view of what's going on (with students) on campus," he added. "Sometimes it's easier for a student to work with a peer because the paraprof has a common understanding of the social and academic pressures concentrated on students."

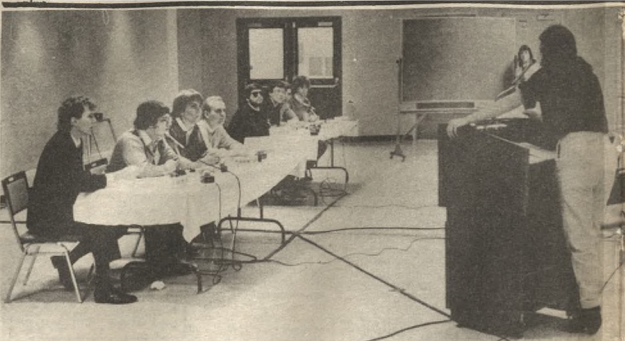
He emphasized that efficient listening, goal realization, and conflict resolution techniques are an integral part of the training program. Interviewing methods are also an important part of the program.

Platt said the program benefits everyone. "The client learns life-improving skills, the paraprof gains tremendous opportunity for personal growth, the graduate student gains practical counseling experience, and this adds to the overall university experience."

She also pointed out that paraprof participation is a valuable addition to a graduate school application form or a professional resume.

If you would like more information on the paraprofessional training program, contact the Counseling and Academic Advisement Center in 201 Cohodas by March 13.

DIVERSIONS



Northwestern, in front, and University of Wisconsin-Madison, listen intently for the commentator to ask the next brain teaser in the College Bowl tournament which was held at Northern last weekend. UW-M took first and Northwestern took second. (photo by Derek Opyk)

Theater to present 'Nightmare'

The Forest Roberts Theatre will present "The Actor's Nightmare" by Christopher Durang as the second production in the lab studio season tonight and tomorrow night in Room 105 of Jamrich Hall.

"The Actor's Nightmare" details the plight of George Spelvin, who is suddenly pushed on stage to replace an ailing actor.

Apparently, no one is sure what play is being performed, but George (played by Tom Mull) finds himself in the middle of a scene from "Private Lives," surrounded by such notable celebrities as Sarah Siddons (played by Shelli Manzone), Henry Irving (played by Ray Manilla) and Dame Ellen Terry (played by Christy Laienen).

As he tumbles from one missed cue to another, George and the other actors shift to "Hamlet,"

then a play by Samuel Beckett, and finally a climactic scene from what could be "A Man for All Seasons." Chaos reigns as George loses all touch with his fellow actors until the final intrusion of a very deadly bit of reality. Rounding out the cast are Whitton Leo as the Voice and Martha Delaforte as Meg.

Admission is free and all seats are unreserved. For more information call 227-2553 during regular hours.

NMU places in Bowl, rec tournament

By KRIS MANTY
Feature Editor

In a sudden death toss-up question, University of Illinois at Chicago beat Northern to the buzzer and eliminated them from the College Bowl competition held last weekend at the UC. Northern placed fifth out of 10 teams in the College Bowl and did well in the recreation tournaments, also held last weekend.

In the double elimination College Bowl tournament, Northern beat Beloit College in the first match 210-155, but lost the second match 145-245 to last year's international champs, University

of Wisconsin-Madison, and then the third match to University of Illinois at Chicago.

Stephen Peters, Northern's coach, said he thought Northern did quite well for the first year it competed. He said there was tough competition, especially with University of Wisconsin-Madison and Northwestern, who placed first and second respectively. Michigan Tech placed third. Peters said Northern did give UW-M "a good scare," though, and was ahead at one time by 25 points.

Peters said he would like to see College Bowl become a tradition at Northern and see more teams enter.

Jim LeTarte, a member of Northern's team, said he was disappointed they didn't do better, but said the team was "much better than the results show." He said it was just bad luck they didn't win the sudden death in the third game and continue in the tournament.

Dave Franti, recreation tournament director, said Northern also did well in the recreation tournament competitions.

Franti said in the seven different events students competed in, including bowling, billiards, 301 darts, table tennis, chess,

table soccer, and backgammon, Northern finished eighth out of 15 in men's bowling and eighth out of 10 in women's bowling. Rob Hill took first place in 301 darts; the doubles team of Syed Ali and Charif Hussein placed second in men's table tennis and Northern placed third and fourth in women's billiards.

Franti said this was the first year Northern competed in other events besides bowling and billiards, and if there's enough student interest, Northern will continue to compete in these events because he said "students could get a lot of enjoyment out of it."

All-campus exhibit to be held after break

The Art Students League Gallery 236 will be holding an all-campus, all media art exhibit, Expo '87, Monday, March 9.

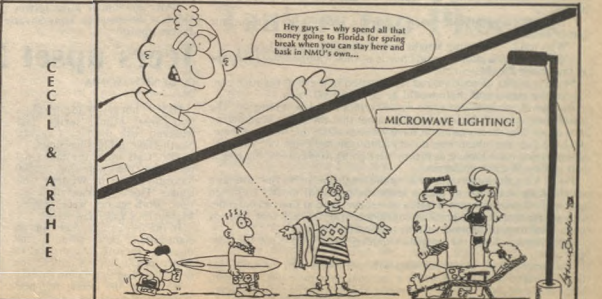
According to Christine Garceau, gallery director, the exhibit is open to all students, not just art majors, who may enter paintings, sculpture, photography and other media.

Garceau said students can enter a maximum of three pieces each and there will be a \$1 entry

fee for each piece. All entries also need to be ready for display.

Students can drop off entries Monday between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. at the ASL Gallery located on the second floor of the UC, Room 236.

Garceau said pieces will be judged by Dale Wedig, assistant professor in the art and design department, March 10 between 1 and 4 p.m. There will be a reception for the public from 7 to 9 p.m. at the gallery.



NMU ski team looking to cop national crown

By PAT SCHUTTE
Senior Reporter

All right! NMU will be well represented at the National Collegiate Ski Association Championships in Crested Butte, Colo., March 2-5 as both the nordic and alpine ski teams qualified by blazing through regionals last weekend.

First, on the flatlands, the defending NCSA national champion NMU nordic team placed three skiers in the top ten in Saturday's 15K individual race. Northern might have had a better showing if it had not been for the poor conditions that they had to ski in.

"We have to seed the racers according to how well they have done this year. Naturally, our guys had to set out first," said Head Coach Sten Fjeldheim.

"Unfortunately, when you seed, you don't know what the weather will be like the next day and we ended up breaking trail through fresh wet and sticky

snow," said Fjeldheim, "while the rest of the field got the better conditions that we left behind."

Regardless, Northern was led by Dan Ray, John Goble and Steve Smiegle who finished third, fourth and tenth, respectively, and first as a team after Saturday's races.

Then on Sunday, after rumors had been floating around the wax room that "the boys from NMU are burnt out," Mike Zielke led a 3x10K relay team (along with Ray and Goble) that would crush those who spouted by over three minutes.

After Zielke had opened up a 1:30 lead over the rest of the field, Ray tacked on another minute to extend the lead to 2:30. And the anchor, Goble, lit the candles on the victory cake with the bottoms of his skis by hauling ahead by another 30 seconds.

And on top of the mountain, the NMU alpine racing team, led by John Mukavitz, snaked its way into qualifying for nationals

with a third place overall finish. This put a smile on the mug of Head Coach Mark King.

"Everybody took chances and let their skis run," said King. "And when you do this, your times are better, but there's a lot higher risk of falling."

But falling was not to haunt the alpine skiers on either day, especially Mukavitz, who with a fourth in slalom and a sixth in giant slalom won himself a place on the Regional All-Star Team (consisting of the five best skiers).

Tom Overett also had a fast weekend as he skied to an 18th in slalom and a ninth in GS, out of 92 skiers.

Mukavitz, who beat a few guys that are sponsored by Central Division of the U.S. Ski Association (who receive free equipment, entry fees and travel expenses), was pleased with the team's performance and is eager to get to nationals.

"We skied out of our minds," said Mukavitz. "Everybody final-

ly skied up to their potential and made it count when things got tight (NMU total time:170.27, La Crosse:170.29).

"We're all fired up for nationals, and along with the nordic team, I don't see why we can't bring the combined team title back to Marquette," he added.

But if there's one thing that stands in the way of this title, it's got to be the altitude. At 9,000 feet, you can bet that they'll have oxygen tanks waiting for the skiers from the Midwest hills.

So here's how the coaches plan on attacking this problem:

Fjeldheim: "We got out here early, thanks to Barb Patrick and Rick Comley, to acclimate (a training process that helps the body adapt to thinner air by increasing the red blood cells' oxygen-carrying capacity) for about a week. This will get us close to the same level of physical stress that we feel at home."

As for King and the alpine racers, things might be a little

tougher.

King: "Our races will be more than twice as long, and this, coupled with the high altitude, will put an incredible amount of stress on the guys' bodies and minds. But if they're hungry, they'll really have to put it out, ski in pain and keep attacking even though their legs are melting and they're breathing fire."

No other team in the history of the university has had the success that the ski teams have had. Here's how the coaches feel about bringing home the combined NCSA National Championship Title:

King: "One of the teams from our division, probably St. Olaf, will win alpine. But as far as the overall team title goes, NMU will take it. We have one of the strongest, if not the top ski program in the nation."

Fjeldheim couldn't have agreed more: "If the alpine team skis as well as they did at regionals, we'll win the whole damn thing."

the north WIND SPORTS

Pat Schutte



Dub that knight King

There is this varsity team that almost wasn't this year. A team whose record is by far the greatest in the history of this university. A team whose sport may be considered minor by most, although most of them enjoy it. A team that is to this school like copper is to harbor.

I'm speaking of course of the alpine ski team. Not since the 1960s, when the Packers reigned king, have the people in Marquette had such a consistent winner to follow. Don't research this, but I believe over the last ten years or so the alpine team boasts a record of 843-27. Quite impressive.

Anyway, in the fall of 1986, the alpine ski team was without a head coach. And according to the NMUUERB, (NMU Upper Echelon Rule Book) no head coach, no skiing. Sorry fellas.

So the fall months passed and the skiers would stress. No coach, no dry land training. No dry land training, no muscle motivation to confidently enter the '87 ski season. Dark daze alright.

But throughout the ordeal, there was always a light flickering through the piles of red tape that held the alpine team in a state of anxious suspension. And that light came in the form of one Mark King.

Picture King as a young knight armed with a rock (a rock in the form of determination), going up against a bunch of giant NMUUERB holders.

"Why, no student can coach a varsity sport!" the bureaucratic giants would say.

"Why not?" the young knight would question. "I bet I can."

"Well....." the giants would chortle as they whipped more red tape at the young knight.

So after weeks of rock vs. red tape battles, in the end, the rock convinced the giants and there would be an alpine ski team.

But was it too late? No snow caused a month delay in practice. The break-away gates (which eventually came) that the skiers have had to race on the last three years, but have yet to practice on, were not there. And the fact that there was no dry land training going on, why, the alpine racing team looked as if they were going to play some big league ball in Pop Warner uniforms.

Poof! King the knight is now King the magician. In his first stint as a coach, King managed to take a team comprised of mostly freshmen and sophomores and turn it into a contender. And at that, a contender that would mature and grow in confidence with a coach that some of them used to goof around with as teammates last year.

And finally, King the magician quickly grew into King the conqueror.

This weekend the alpine ski team will join forces with the nordic ski team in hopes of bringing home a national championship. And win, place or show, just remember the young knight with the rock. Especially if you're a giant.



NMU goaltender Mike Jeffrey provides the last line of defense by stopping a Bob Joyce shot as Wildcat defencemen Tony Savarin and John Goode close-in. The 'Cats beat North Dakota 6-3. (Rick Peters photo)

Icers upset No. 1 Fighting Sioux

By GENE DESONIA
Sports Editor

NMU's hockey Wildcats split a two-game home series last weekend with the No. 1 ranked North Dakota Fighting Sioux.

The 'Cats upset the Sioux 6-3 on Friday, then were shut out 5-0 Saturday night in Western Collegiate Hockey Association action. Both games were held at Marquette's Lakeview Arena.

In the win Friday, there was an eight-minute delay prior to the opening faceoff. According to NMU coach Rick Comley, the delay was due to a bomb threat.

But after the delay, the host Wildcats stunned the visitors and

the 3,533 in attendance by taking a 4-1 lead after one period of play.

NMU sophomore Phil Berger, offensive Wildcat-of-the-Week, tallied twice in an 18-second span to pace NMU. His first marker came at 17:04, when he tipped the puck past UND goalie Scott Brower, who left a rebound in the crease.

Then Berger raced down the right side and blasted a slap shot past Brower from the top of the right circle. That gave the 'Cats a 4-1 lead going into the locker rooms.

"Northern Michigan was better in every phase of the game

tonight," said North Dakota coach Gino Gasparini, whose team is now 31-7 overall and 28-6 in the WCHA.

"We gave up some quick goals. We got a little better as the game went on, but the bottom line was...they were a much hungrier hockey team," he said.

Wildcat senior Kory Wright got things rolling, as he scored a short-handed breakaway goal at 14:27 of the first period.

Mickey Krampotich scored North Dakota's only first period goal when he rushed down the slot and fired a wrist shot to get his 23rd goal of the year — a

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Stein's squad finishes strong

By BILL KINJORSKI
Asst. Sports Editor

After the Lady Wildcats dismantled the University of Wisconsin-Parkside 91-50 in their last home game of the season Sunday, they lost in overtime Tuesday night to the Grand Valley State Lakers 78-73.

Although it wasn't exactly a Cinderella ending to a 16-11 season, Head Coach Paulette Stein is happy with her team's performance this year, especially with the play of the five seniors on Sunday. "They have done everything I have asked them to do, and I can't ask for any more than that," said the Lady 'Cats mentor.

Only two days after the 'Cats' devastating and emotional win over UW-Parkside, they struggled early against a Grand Valley team they defeated earlier this season 78-50.

Down by 16 points in the first half, the 'Cats, with a blend of youth and experience, gradually pulled back into the game. With less than three minutes left in the game Northern trailed 57-50. Freshman Mary Aldridge played like a seasoned veteran, scoring

the next seven points and tying the game at 57.

Seniors Alice Short and Karen Linden answered with baskets of their own, but GVSC led 63-61 with only eight seconds remaining in regulation.

Northern pushed the ball up the court to Linden who drove to the basket and was fouled with no time on the clock. The senior from Algonquin, Ill., calmly made the two biggest free throws of her career, sending the game into overtime.

At that point in the game Stein couldn't have been prouder of her team. "I think the team showed what it is capable of doing, coming back the way it did," said Stein. "Mary (Aldridge) gave us the big boost both offensively and defensively coming off the bench. She was the key to sending the game into OT," added Stein.

The 'Cats started overtime where they left off in regulation scoring eight straight points while building a 71-65 lead. Unfortunately three Wildcat starters, Linden, Short and Sheri Tucker fouled out before the contest was decided.

Just as Aldridge led Northern's comeback in regulation, GVSC's

Sue Polus scored seven of her 14 points in overtime leading the Lakers to their fifth straight victory and a 16-12 record.

Tucker scored 15 points while Linden and Short added 13 apiece.

The 'Cats final home game was a showcase for the seniors. Short, Linden, Tucker, Mary Jo Antilla and Debbie LaCrosse started the game and excited a very vocal crowd of 127.

Stein's squad defeated UW-Parkside 90-68 in their first meeting, and did a more thorough job the second time around. The 'Cats had very little trouble scoring, while the defense held the lady Rangers in check while building up an early 20-7 lead.

The five seniors showed the underclassman what it means to work together dishing out a total of 22 assists, and scoring a combined 75 points. Tucker and Linden, the teams number one and two rebounders, each grabbed nine, while Short scored a game-high 22 points.

LaCrosse hit a career-high 18 points, making all eight shots from the floor and setting a new NMU record. Antilla had a season-high nine assists and scored nine points.

"Even though we are losing half of the team, and its leaders, we have signed four big players who will definitely help us inside," said Stein. "Our strength is at the guard position, and I don't anticipate there being any holes next year."

Wildcats lose two; set to host Wolves

By BILL KINJORSKI
Asst. Sports Editor

The men's basketball team knows now more than ever that there are at least two ways to skin a 'Cat. Going from one extreme to another, the 'Cats were nipped by Grand Valley State Monday 103-100, after getting crushed by Ferris State 88-66 Saturday.

The two losses dropped the team's record to 13-13, with only one game remaining on the schedule. The 'Cats will host the University of Michigan-Dearborn at the Hedgecock Fieldhouse on Saturday.

It will be a landmark game in a sense, because UM-D officials announced last week that the university is dropping men's varsity basketball after this season. The team currently has only six players on the team.

In the shootout at Allendale, the teams combined for 23 three-point field goals in 39 attempts. It was a last second three-point shot that did the 'Cats in.

In both games the 'Cats were haunted by the second half syndrome. On the strength of its defense, Northern trailed by one at the half against Ferris, but was outscored 55-34 in the second.

They played even better against GVSC, leading by as many as 14 points in the first half. But after being down 53-39, the Lakers charged back to take the lead away from the 'Cats, 67-65, early in the second half.

The Lakers, who were playing in front of a large senior night crowd, held the lead until Gerald Clark hit a three-pointer to put Northern up 98-95 with less than 40 seconds to play.

After the teams exchanged a pair of free throws, the 'Cats had a 100-97 lead. But the game wasn't over. GVSC's Andy Kolp

threw in a three-pointer with only seven seconds remaining to tie the game at 100.

Things went from bad to worse for the 'Cats when they inadvertently asked for a timeout that they didn't have. They were given a technical foul and GVSC's Kent Wiersma, who had eight three-pointers and a game-high 33 points, didn't come close to making either of the two free throws.

The Lakers retained possession after the foul, and had seven seconds to work with. The ball ended up in Mike Davis' hands, and with Tony Goldson all over him, he put up the game-winner with no time left on the clock.

The 'Cats, who have been one of the best three-point shooting teams in the country this year, couldn't keep pace with the Lakers who hit 11 of 18 attempts from outside. Wiersma did the most damage hitting eight three-pointers for the second game in a row. GVSC finished the season with a record of 12-16.

Northern played without senior co-captain Al Ruleau, who was benched by Ellis for disciplinary reasons. Ruleau is the team's second leading scorer.

The 'Cats other co-captain, Bill Harris, scored 30 points and hit seven three-pointers. Clark, who went 0-11 from the floor against Ferris, hit five three-pointers and finished with 19 points. Lake Cosby added 16 while grabbing a game-high 13 rebounds.

Northern has only beaten Grand Valley once on their home court. They have had about the same luck against Ferris, winning down there only once since 1975.

Ferris out-rebounded the 'Cats 57-42, and Northern hit only four of 23 shots from three-point range. Goldson led the team with 22 points.



Debbie LaCrosse (34) hails down the rebound against a Wisconsin-Parkside defender as Karen Linden looks on. The Lady Wildcats trounced the visitors 91-50 Sunday. (Rick Peters photo)

Gymnasts prep for home finale

By RON GEORGE
Senior Reporter

The Lady Wildcat gymnasts are gearing up for their final home meet of the season this weekend against Central Michigan.

Last week the 'Cats took second and third place in the University of Northern Colorado and Air Force Invitationals in Colorado.

Coach Lowell Meier was pleased with his team's performance against such a high level of competition.

"It was a super effort by a team that competed twice in two days," said Meier.

NMU finished third behind Texas Women's College, by just two-tenths of a point in the Air Force invitational with 172.05 points.

Denver, meanwhile, took first with 180.05. California-Poly was fourth with 170.70 and Northern Colorado was fifth with 169.05.

On Thursday, the Wildcats finished second to TWC by just six-tenths of a point with 172.55.

Although NMU failed to win a team title, there were a number of fine individual performances turned in by the gymnasts.

All-American Marie Phillips captured the all-around title at the Air Force competition with 36.45.

Phillips finished fourth in vaulting with a 9.05, fifth on the uneven bars with 9.00, first on the balance beam with 9.10 and a first in the floor exercise with 9.30 points.

Karen Viola also did well at the meet as she had her best score of the year with 33.90 in the all-around.

"It was a good meet for me," said Viola. "My performance gave me confidence. I had been in kind of a rut."

NMU co-captain Viola said, "We've been up and down this year but we really pulled together this weekend."

According to Meier, Robin Mohre, Nancy Toward, and Melissa Rosbacka all had good weekends.

Meier and sophomore Peggy Borch all feel confident in the Wildcats' chances this weekend against CMU.

"I think we can win against Central," said Borch. "They are our biggest rivals, so we will be fired up."

Borch, who placed 15th in vaulting and 11th in the floor exercise last weekend, was happy with the team's overall showing, although Michele M-Cullough, one of the team's best gymnasts, was absent due to injury.

Meier hopes the momentum of last week carries over to this weekend's invitational.

"I hope we can keep going," said Meier. "It's better to peak at the end of the season."

The Wildcats will compete at Central Michigan and Bowling Green March 7, then travel to Wisconsin-Oshkosh and Wisconsin-Madison March 14 and 15, respectively. The gymnasts will then be at regionals March 21.

Tankers top Phoenix

By KIMBERLY KRACKE
Senior Reporter

The University of Wisconsin-Green Bay Phoenix dropped a 139-76 decision to Northern's swim team Saturday.

The NMU swimmers ended up their home schedule on a high note before heading off to the Midwest Independent Championships, which will be held through Friday at Notre Dame, in South Bend, Ind.

The meet today will be a good preparation for the NCAA Division II Championships, according to coach Anne James. The nationals will be held in Long Beach, Calif.

Some first place finishers last weekend included Nana Wilemon

in the 200 freestyle, Sue Skala in the 50 freestyle, Darby Cardarelli in three-meter diving, and Lori Bachoffer in one-meter diving.

Senior Denise McDowell is the leading scorer for the Wildcats, with an astounding 387 points for the season. Her points include sixteen first place finishes, nine second place finishes, and three third place finishes.

Last weekend McDowell also placed first in the 200 individual medley. Other first place finishers last weekend included: Terri Bakos in the 100 backstroke; Amy Bailey in the 100 breaststroke; Barb Gilbert in the 200 backstroke; Nicole D'Amore in the 100 freestyle; and Beth Pilkington in the 100 butterfly.



Wildcat icer Phil Berger looks for a rebound in the crease against the Badgers at home. NMU will face Wisconsin this weekend in the first round of the WCHA playoffs. (Rick Peters photo)

Icers' playoffs begin

By GENE DESONIA
Sports Editor

Northern's hockey Wildcats will travel to Madison, Wis., this weekend to play the Wisconsin Badgers in the first round of the Western Collegiate Hockey Association playoffs. The games will be held at Dane County Coliseum Saturday and Sunday, with faceoffs set for 7:35 p.m. CST. The contests can be heard on WMQT-FM 107.

NMU has not got past the first round of the playoffs since joining the league in the 1984-85 season. With that in mind, it is obvious what the team's goal is as it goes into the two-game, total goal series with the Badgers. But the question is how will the 'Cats win the round.

NMU coach Rick Comley said, "The teams are very even. They will have the home ice, which is usually worth a couple goals. But the key is to keep things close the first night."

Earlier this season, the two teams split in the four games played (two at each team's rink), with the Badgers edging the 'Cats in total goals, 16-15.

Last weekend, NMU split two home games with the No. 1 ranked North Dakota Fighting Sioux. The Badgers, meanwhile, lost two games to Minnesota on the road.

Senior captain Gary Emmons said, "If we can play as intensely

as we did Friday against North Dakota, we should do all right."

Comley added, "We have a set style of play, but their rink is bigger than ours, so we will have to play a different style of hockey. We will have to hit and forecheck well, and get in front of their goalie on our shots. Shutting down the (Tony) Granato line will also be a big task," he said.

Junior goalie Mike Jeffrey will be between the pipes for Northern this weekend, according to Comley. Jeffrey sports a 13-10-1 record and has a 3.73 goals against average, with a .894 saves percentage.

Emmons leads the 'Cats' scoring attack with 66 points, followed by Ron Chyzowski's 37 points. NMU finished the regular season with a 16-18-1 league mark, 18-19-1 overall. NMU is in fifth place in the WCHA standings.

Wisconsin is led by Granato, who has 71 points. Also adding to the Badgers' offense are Granato's linemates Paul Ranheim and Steve Tuttle. They have 57 and 47 points respectively for Wisconsin, which finished fourth in the WCHA standings. The Badgers are 17-17-1 in the league, 20-17-1 overall.

In other WCHA playoff games, Minnesota-Duluth will travel to North Dakota, Michigan Tech will play at Minnesota, and Denver will host Colorado College.

Two wrestlers off to nationals

By CHRIS GOERLITZ
Staff Writer

Chris Kennedy, a 150-pound freshman, and Keith Lawver, a 142-pound senior, will be the only Wildcat wrestlers participating in the Division II National Championships March 6-7 at Edwardsville, Ill.

Kennedy captured the Midwest Regional Championship with a 3-2 win in the finals while Lawver took third in the tournament at Grand Valley Saturday, after losing 2-1 in the semi-finals.

Wrestlers advance to nationals by finishing first or second in the regionals or, as in Lawver's case, finish third and are selected as a wild card because they competed in the nationals last year.

"Both Chris and Keith look very good," said Head Coach Robin Ersland. "I've considered both of them potential All-

Americans all along."

The day didn't go as well for the rest of the team as they finished sixth out of seven teams with 39 points. Regional champion Lake Superior State had 63.75 points.

"I didn't expect us to finish so low as a team," said Ersland. "We lost some tough matches."

Indeed they did. Besides Lawver's 2-1 heartbreaker in the semi's, heavyweight Craig Brooks lost two matches by a total of three points on his way to a fourth place finish, Bob Berceau and Joe Butler each placed third.

"I'm disappointed with our finish, but not with our effort," Ersland said. "Berceau had one bad match and Brooks lost two tough ones."

Ersland added, "I was surprised with Kent Caelwaerts' performance, though. I thought he could be a national place

Hockey team splits

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power play goal — to tie the game 1-1.

But the rest of the period belonged to the Wildcats, as defenseman Darryl Olsen beat a screened Brower with a slap shot from the point, while NMU was on the power play.

Freshman Eric LeMarque scored the only goal in the middle stanza during a power play on a weak wrist shot that deflected off Brower into the net. UND then changed netminders, as Ed Belfour replaced Brower.

The Sioux then scored twice in the final period, but senior Gary Emmons, the Wildcats' leading scorer, also tallied to put the game out of reach.

In the nets for Northern was junior Mike Jeffrey. He stopped 26 (8-9-9) UND shots on the night. Jeffrey was awarded defensive Wildcat-of-the-Week honors for his play in the game.

At the opposite end, Brower made 11 saves (9-2), before being replaced by Belfour, who backstopped 15 (7-8) Wildcat shots.

"Against a team with the calibre of North Dakota, I think we played very well," said Comley. "It was a big win for us. But I think we will see a much better North Dakota hockey team tomorrow night."

Despite another delay Saturday night — 20 minutes due to senior night activities — the record crowd of 4,438 would not see another upset on the weekend.

UND dominated the Wildcats, recording a 5-0 shutout, Belfour's third shutout of the season.

NMU had three great scoring chances early, but Belfour turned back shot after shot, frustrating the Wildcats' offense.

"Our best hockey came early," said Comley, "but we couldn't score. Belfour played outstanding and his shutout was well-earned."

UND's Scott Koberinski netted the first goal when he got his own rebound and sent a hard wrist shot past Wildcat goalie Dennis Jiannaras at 9:45 of the opening stanza.

Then at 13:15 of the same period, Tony Hrkac scored his 38th goal of the campaign — a power play marker — to give UND a 2-0 lead going into the locker rooms.

"Last night, they got on the

board quickly and easily," said Gasparini. "Tonight the role was reversed."

Bob Joyce then spoiled any chance of a Northern comeback early in the second period, when he raced down the left wall and beat Jiannaras low on the right side.

NMU's best scoring chances came in the second period when Emmons hit the post from inside the slot, and Ron Chyzowski hit the crossbar minutes later.

Krampotich again took the

wind out of the Northern sails early in the third period when he tallied at 4:11 seconds on a wrist shot from the right circle.

Then at 4:47 of the final stanza, Ian Kidd scored a power play goal on a weak snap shot that got past the NMU netminder.

Hrkac, who assisted on the play along with Joyce, set a WCHA single-season point record, making that his 86th point in league play.

Belfour made 33 (17-9-7) saves in the UND nets, while Jiannaras stopped 27 (11-9-7) Sioux shots.

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What's Happening

Thursday, Feb. 26

Phi Alpha Theta, the history honor society, will offer tutoring in history from 3 to 4 p.m. in Room 7B in the history department. No appointments are necessary and the tutoring session is open to all students with history classes. For more information, call Jim LeTarte at 227-2512.

The Forest Roberts Theatre lab show of "The Actor's Nightmare" will be shown in JX 105 at 8:15 p.m. Admission is free and all seats are unreserved.

Friday, Feb. 27

Phi Alpha Theta will hold a tutoring session from 9 to 10 a.m. for any students having problems with their history classes in Room 7B in the history department.

The psychology department will hold its weekly colloquium from 3 to 5 p.m. in Room 102 of Carey Hall.

The SFC will hold its weekly budget hearing in the Marquette Room of the UC from 6 to 9 p.m. All interested students are welcome to attend.

The Forest Roberts Theatre lab show of "The Actor's Nightmare" will be presented at 8:15 in JX 105. All seats are unreserved and admission is free.

Saturday, Feb. 28

SPRING BREAK STARTS!

The men's basketball Wildcats will take on UM-Dearborn at 7:30 p.m. at the Hedgcock Fieldhouse.

Monday, March 9

Classes Resume.

The Non-traditional Students League will hold its weekly coffee social from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Room 112 in the LRC. All older students are welcome.

The Public Relations Organization will hold its weekly meeting at 3 p.m. in the Wildcat Den.

History Prof. Jon Saari and his wife Christine, will present their final lecture in the series, "China: A Yearlong Look", called "The Buddha is Still Alive," at 7:30 p.m. in JX 105.

ASNMU will hold its weekly meeting in the Gries Hall social lounge at 8 p.m. All interested students are welcome to attend.

Wednesday, March 11

Catholic Campus Ministry will hold its weekly single parent support group meeting from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Spalding Hall resident director's apartment. Babysitting is provided. For more information, call Pat Lynott at 227-1433.

Gonzo Films will show "Wild Strawberries" at 7 and 9 p.m. in JX 102. Admission is free to NMU students and \$1 for non-students.

Catholic Campus Ministry will hold its weekly meeting of the Adult Children of Alcoholics Support Group from 7 to 8 p.m. in 113 Hunt Hall.

Area lugers defend crowns

By MARTIN ZOSKI
Senior Reporter

Four Marquette residents and an NMU student are now part of the ten-man U.S. National Naturbahn Luge Team. They earned their spots at the national championships last Saturday and Sunday at the old Weasel Gulch of Marquette Mountain.

NMU student Darren Blank and Marquette resident Joe Genovese successfully defended their men's doubles title by finishing with a low two-day total time of 13:19.28.

Judy Brooks of Marquette placed second in the women's singles championship. Greg Guertin, also of Marquette, placed second in the men's singles championship.

Defending singles champion (and NMU graduate) Keith Whitman lost his crown with a third

place finish, but still qualified for the national team.

The national team consists of the top three women's singles finishers, the top three men's singles finishers, and the top two doubles teams.

Even though Blank finished first at the Sunday singles' heats, he didn't make the national team because of it. He placed only seventh on Saturday, and both days' races were used in determining the national team.

Blank and teammate Joe Genovese had to be in top form to repeat as doubles national champions. They finished first on Saturday and second on Sunday.

Another team (Dick Genovese and Lance Foerch) also had first and second finishes. But Blank and his teammate's combined time of 13:19.28 (from their four heats) was enough to edge them over their competition's time of 14:07.55.

Incidentally, Joe and Dick Genovese are not related. Both doubles teams qualified for the national team.

Beth Ayn Erickson of Grand Forks, N.D., earned the women's singles title by finishing first Saturday and Sunday.

Dick Genovese of Rockford, Ill., took the men's singles title by placing second Saturday at 8:12.78 in three heats, and second again Sunday at 8:50.26.

Blank finished fourth overall in the men's singles. Another NMU student, Doug Van Beynen, finished fifth.

Marquette 14-year-old Tammy Wills won the junior medal by finishing fourth Saturday and fifth overall in the women's singles division.

"The track got bumpy on Saturday, but overall the races went real fine," said race director Fred Anderson. "Over 500 spectators stopped by."

Here's your guide to Wildcat action during spring break. If you're around, stop in and support the men's b-ball team at its last game of the season.



Hockey	Feb. 28	at Wisconsin	7:35 CST
	Feb. 29	at Wisconsin	7:35 CST
Men's B-ball	Feb. 28	U of M-Dearborn	8:00
Women's Swimming and Diving	Feb. 26	at Midwest Ind. Champs.	
	Feb. 28	at Notre Dame	
Gymnastics	Feb. 28	Central Michigan	2:00
Wrestling	March 6	at Div. II National Champs.	
	March 7	at Edwardsville, Ill.	
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Out-of-doors

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A fisherman's paradise

"It's here! It's here!" I exclaimed. I threw the rest of the mail on the table and plopped down on the couch and opened the crisp pages of the first fishing catalog of the year.

I sniffed the ink on the shiny surface of the magazine and looked at the picture on the front. A lone fisherman stood by a lake, just above ankle deep, with the early morning sun on the rise. Steam rose from the lake in the background and a fishing rod jutted from the man's arms as he faced the lake. I started to drool.

Turning the first page, I saw reels laid out on cloth and sand. What lines! What form they held!

On the next page were the rods in all different sizes, shapes and lengths. There were graphites, boron, space age fibers and even old fashioned fiberglass.

I flipped the pages slowly, drinking in the equipment to choose from. If only I had a king's ransom.

Then onto my purest heart came a shock. In complete miniature and sleek form was a computer disguised as a fishing reel. I read the small print. The reel, with microcomputer and LCD readout, is the world's smartest spinning reel.

Technology has invaded a place of peace and relative backwardness. As a fisherman, I find it relaxing to lounge on a bank under the shade of a tree and watch a bobber, for an afternoon. What better avenue of escape exists then the art of fishing?

It doesn't even have to cost a lot. My first setup was a green willow branch whittled down to size, and some string and a clothes pin. I spent the afternoons, as a boy, fishing for suckers on a small stream in Indiana, with much success.

I still remember the first time I went fishing. My great grandfather took me to my uncle's riverfront house, to instruct me in the manly art. He set me down on a cement pier and put an eight foot pole in my hands.

Baiting the hook with a fat night crawler, he told me not to move or I would scare the fish. He went inside to talk, while I waited. After the first ten minutes I started to fidget. I lifted the hook out of the water to see if my bait was still there. It was.

Wham! "Grandpa! Grandpa!" I yelled. "I got a big one!" He looked out the window and saw a small boy with an eight foot cane pole bent over double. "Hold on to him boy," he yelled back. "Don't let him go!"

The bass was three pounds, four ounces. This was the start of a hobby that would later try to consume me.

Tying a three-and-a-half-inch wood Jitterbug on my line, I whipped it as far out as I could throw over the black surface of the pond. Splash! was the echo of its landing. I reeled in evenly and listened for the soft gurgle, gurgle it made as it waded across the surface of the water.

The sound of a bass smashing a lure in the stillness of the night, when you're listening intensely, is in comparison with cannon fire. The fight was on. I pulled in many bass during numerous summer nights with that old wooden plug.

Snowboarders hit slopes

By ROBERT SHAND
Staff Writer

High atop Marquette Mountain, looking down on all the fresh powder, I strapped my feet in, said a prayer, and down I went. Throwing my weight from side to side helped me to turn as I made my descent.

Suddenly, I found myself face down in the snow. I quickly got myself back up on my board and was once again racing down the hill. This is the sport of snowboarding.

Alternative Sports

Snowboarding, like all sports, is not an easy sport to master. It relies heavily on balance, with an emphasis on endurance and courage.

The average speed is usually 15 to 20 mph. Going that fast may not seem like that much to a skier. But when your feet are strapped in and you have no poles to help your balance, it's fast. Trust me. I know.

Sound dangerous? Actually, snowboarding is not as dangerous as it seems. CBS News did a short segment on snowboarding which said snowboarders suffer fewer leg and knee injuries than do skiers.

When you think about it, skiers can have problems with crossing their skis and flipping all sorts of

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ways. Snowboards are short enough so that when the rider falls, board and rider roll together, reducing chances of injury.

Also, the bindings do not release. And for a good reason. They don't have to. The board is designed to keep the legs in a stable position, lowering the possibility of leg injury.

Originating in Vermont, the sport has become very popular in the great powderbowls of the West. Even in the Midwest, snowboarding is beginning to

pick up. Dennis Henderson, owner of a local sporting goods store, said, "The sport has really grown in the past year. This is the first year there has been a national competition for snowboarders."

This is also the first year that Henderson's store has sold the boards. About a dozen are surfing down the backhills of the U.P. this season. The reason I say the backhills, is because, as of now, Marquette Mountain is one of the few areas (in the U.P.) that permits the use of snowboards.

Snowboards are about half the price of a good ski package (around \$250). Incidentally, the Stratton Resort in Vermont claims 8,000 daily passes are sold to snowboarders.

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