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## Midnight Runners



North Wind photo by Duane Pape

Skandia resident Mary Sanford, 16, prepares several of her 23 dogs for the upcoming Midnight Run, which will be held in conjunction with the U.P. 200. Please see Pages 10 and 11 for more information.

## Students indicted in counterfeit case

### Trial scheduled for June 2

By PAUL MARCOTTE  
 News Editor

A federal counterfeiting case involving two NMU students is scheduled to go to trial this summer if the charges are not dismissed later this month.

Former student Robert Thomas Hosking and student James Michael Martin were each indicted last June by a federal grand jury on two charges of "conspiracy to defraud, [and] falsely make and counterfeit obligations of the United States."

The indictment is in connection with counterfeit \$20 bills allegedly made on a color copier at NMU and then passed in Green Bay, Wis.

U.S. attorney Lloyd K. Meyer said Hosking and Martin could be sentenced to five years in a federal penitentiary without parole if they are convicted. They could also be fined \$250,000.

Hosking left NMU after the fall semester. Martin is still enrolled.

A motion was filed by Hosking's defense attorney, Thomas P. Casselman of Marquette, to dismiss the indictment or suppress evidence relating to the printer because the government didn't preserve evidence vital to Hosking's defense.

Martin's defense, court-appointed attorney Robert D. Heikkinen of Marquette, asked the court to be included in the motion.

A hearing on the issue is scheduled for Feb. 26, Meyer said.

According to U.S. District Court documents, NMU library records show that from Feb. 22 to 29, 1996, Martin bought \$200 worth of copy cards that could be used to make two-sided color copies on a machine leased by NMU from Northern Stationers in Houghton.

"That particular copier is no longer on campus," said Victor LaDuke, NMU Public Safety investigator.

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NMU spends \$1.5 million a year on eight women's and five men's sports teams. They have won three national titles in seven years, but are they ...

## Worth the price?

By ANDREW DIETDERICH  
 Managing Editor

Americans take pride in their hometown sports teams. For instance, when the women's volleyball team brought home two national championships in the last four years, Northern Michigan University and Marquette had something more to brag about than breaking snow-fall records.

But many fans may not realize the cost of running a college sports program.

According to the Athletic Department's 1996-97 budget report, just over \$1.5 million was budgeted for NMU sports, not including coaches' salaries.

Still NMU Athletic Director Rick Comley said the university's sports program lacks funds.

"I think we are most affected by enrollment," Comley said. "If it were up, we would have a little more funding to put into athletics."

Comley said the university has been fair to athletics in the past, but he said all of the programs have been cut "five or six" years because of drops in enrollment. The money used for sports comes to the NMU Athletic Department from three main sources: ticket sales, booster clubs and the general allocation funds.

"I would say about 65 percent of the total budget comes from the general fund allocation," said Brian

Verigin, assistant athletic director.

Included in the \$1.5 million total budget are travel, supplies and equipment, game management, grants, recruiting and a category the department calls "other." About 67 percent of the total amount is spent on the five men's sports: basketball, Nordic skiing, golf, football and hockey. The remaining balance goes to the eight women's teams.

Verigin said there is a good reason dollars spent on men's sports outweigh the amount spent on women's. "Obviously, it takes a lot more money to outfit a football player than it does a swimmer," Verigin said.

He said equipment is just one financial aspect of NMU sports.

"It also depends on the conference the team is in," Verigin said. For instance, since NMU's hockey team is Division I, Verigin said more money must be spent on travel and recruiting to keep up with other teams.

"When we are competing against a University of Wisconsin or University of Minnesota, their budgets are so much larger than ours," Verigin said. "Plus we want to be competitive."

Another reason hockey's budget is higher than other sports is the fact it recruits from other parts of the

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## SFC selects chairwoman

By KEVIN WEED  
 News Staff Reporter

Three weeks into the semester and a four-hour meeting later, the Student Finance Committee selected a chairperson. Interim SFC Chairman Chuck Atkins announced the selection of NMU senior Kari Marcotte as the new chairwoman at the ASNMU meeting Sunday night.

Marcotte, a public administration major from Iron Mountain, fills the slot left vacant last November by the resignation of Victor Berry. Former committee member Marc Knepper filled in as interim chair until his graduation in December. Atkins, who served as interim chair for the SFC during the search process, will remain on the committee.

"I see a new, enthusiastic, energetic atmosphere this semes-

ter," Atkins said. "We have members who want to be involved in the programming process."

Marcotte said she will draw on her experience as an ASNMU representative in chairing the SFC.

"I've got a lot of experience overseeing the committee, and I'm familiar with its bylaws and working policies," she said.

In addition to selecting Marcotte to lead the group, the SFC approved budgets for the HIV/STD peer educator group and the Anishinabe Club.

Atkins told the board that the budget approval for the Anishinabe Club included a review of the group's probationary status. Under an SFC vote from last semester, the Anishinabe Club is required to report to the SFC every two months regarding financial transactions concerning powwows held this academic year.

**Counterfeit**

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Beverly Evans, senior library assistant, is a witness for the government because she identified Martin as the user of the copier last February. Martin was in the presence of another individual believed to be Hosking. However, according to Hosking's attorney, Evans "described the subject in such a manner that is questionable."

Counterfeit bills were discovered in Green Bay on March 3, 1996 by the Green Bay Police Department.

Within 48 hours of the discovery, LaDuke made several copies of genuine \$20 bills using the copier at the NMU library.

Court documents indicate that a U.S. Secret Service document analyst performed a visual and microscopic comparison of the copies made by LaDuke and the counterfeit bills passed in Green Bay.

It was the analyst's opinion that, because the counterfeit bills passed in Green Bay and the copies made by LaDuke had similar counterfeit protection security marks, they were made on the same color copier that had been at the NMU library.

The defense challenged the validity of the tests claiming that they provide no significant information other than that two samples were

produced on the same copier.

Court documents state Hosking told LaDuke that he and Martin went to Green Bay bar-hopping.

On March 2, while in Toons, a Green Bay bar, his car was parked at the Port Plaza Mall, Hosking said. Someone opened the unlocked hatch of his Ford Mustang and took a duffel bag and his knapsack. Hosking said he did not report the theft because it was not covered by his insurance, court documents state.

Police interviewed two subjects, Scott Lance and Frederic Franzen, who turned over a knapsack they said was found in a parking garage.

Inside the knapsack were \$20 bills, a copy card and a letter from NMU addressed to Hosking.

Lance and Franzen spent some of the money in a Green Bay bar called Tricky Dick's. The next day, they were caught attempting to pass two \$20 bills at a hair salon in Green Bay.

Lance and Franzen were interviewed separately and admitted to taking the bag and knapsack from a Mustang with Michigan plates.

From March 1 to 3, 1996, Green Bay police recovered 10 similar counterfeit bills.

Jury selection is scheduled to begin at 9 a.m. June 2 in Marquette.

**Athletics**

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country and in some cases out of the country.

"To compete effectively in Division I, we sometimes recruit from out of state," Verigin said. "People from out of state still have to pay the higher tuition."

Another expense unique to NMU is travel.

"Location is definitely a factor, because we have farther to go than schools down state," Verigin said.

NMU head football coach Eric Holm said travel takes a great deal of money from the football team's operating budget of \$92,500. "[Travel] really eats into the budget," Holm said. "But you really want to give the players a first-class experience."

Grand Valley State University and Ferris State University are two teams NMU competes against in conference football. NMU spends \$59,800 on travel, com-

pared with GVSU's \$20,425 and FSU's \$22,000, according to each school's operating budgets.

Apparently, the amount of money spent on travel doesn't really affect the amount spent in other departments. NMU football spends a reported \$31,500 on recruiting. FSU and GVSU spend considerably less with \$8,038 and \$13,659. At the same time, GVSU has \$40,000 budgeted for supplies, FSU \$22,000 and NMU \$13,600.

Holm said overall he is fairly satisfied with the amount the football program receives. Other NMU coaches feel the same way.

Karl Zueger, NMU women's swimming coach, said the swimming program receives adequate funding.

"We are one of the better-funded Division II teams," Zueger said. "When I look at other Division II teams, the support we receive far outweighs that of similar teams."

In salary, NMU is paying just over \$800,000 for the coaches, assistant coaches and trainers.

The result of the money spent is two national volleyball championships and a national hockey title in the past seven years.

The coach/administrator who receives the most compensation for his services is Athletic Director/hockey coach Rick Comley. According to NMU's salary report, Comley had a base salary of \$91,767. Comley has been behind NMU's hockey bench for 21 years and is No. 12 on college hockey's coaching win list. He has also been NMU's athletic director for the past 10 years.

Others rounding out the highest paid Athletics employees include: Holm, \$55,350; Verigin, \$47,368; Mike Geary, head women's basketball coach, \$47,709; Dean Ellis, head men's basketball coach, \$47,365; and Mark Rosen, head volleyball coach, \$40,917.

**Athletics Budgets 1996-97**

	Operating*	Total*
<b>WOMEN'S:</b>		
• Basketball	\$32,500	\$133,674
• Cross Country	9,367	18,531
• Nordic Skiing	6,811	24,034
• Tennis	10,417	37,208
• Swimming	31,000	107,055
• Volleyball	38,506	124,861
• Alpine Skiing	20,356	28,232
• Soccer	20,000	36,000
<b>MEN'S</b>		
• Basketball	37,000	138,174
• Nordic Skiing	6,811	24,034
• Golf	5,190	8,808
• Football	92,500	426,190
• Hockey	193,364	450,853
* Operating = travel, supplies and equipment, other; Total = Operating + game management, grants (scholarships), recruiting		
• Source: NMU Athletic Department		

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## News Briefs

### International

#### Israel mourns 73 soldiers

In solemn ceremonies Wednesday, Israel mourned 73 soldiers who were killed in the country's worst military air disaster. The cabinet and parliament observed a minute of silence at meetings to remember those killed when two helicopters collided Tuesday while heading to Israeli-occupied Lebanon. At least 20 victims were buried during services throughout the country after rescue workers identified their bodies. There were no survivors. Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said the soldiers died while protecting Israel.

#### Red Cross out of Rwanda

The International Committee of Red Cross said on Wednesday it was freezing its work in Rwanda for 10 days and pulling non-essential staff out of the country following Tuesday's killing of five U.N. employees. Gunmen killed four U.N. human rights monitors in an ambush near the southwestern town of Cyangugu. Their Rwandan driver was also wounded and later died. The ICRC, which looks after war victims, prisoners and civilians in conflict zones, lost nine expatriate staff members in brutal attacks in 1996.

### National

#### Clinton promotes education

President Clinton kicked off his national crusade to raise education standards with a speech Wednesday in Augusta, Ga. Clinton challenged Americans to create what he called "the greatest structure of education in the world." He told an audience at Augusta State University, "you can't just flip a switch and make it happen, you have to work at it." Clinton also promoted a key element of the education agenda unveiled in the State of the Union address. He is proposing a \$1,500 tax credit to encourage higher education.

#### Budget amendment predicted

House Speaker Newt Gingrich predicted Wednesday that Congress would likely pass a balanced-budget amendment to the Constitution. Gingrich, speaking to reporters following a news conference by advocates of the constitution, said: "I think there is a very high likelihood it will pass because the country wants it very, very badly." Responding to charges by some Democrats that the balanced-budget amendment could harm Social Security, Gingrich said its advocates had to make clear to people that "we will not touch Social Security." The Senate began debating the amendment Wednesday.

### Local

#### Auto accident claims four lives

This week, the city of Marquette mourned the deaths of four area teen-agers: Nicholas Michael Krause, 16; Nicholas K. Hoganson, 15; Andrew D. McNamee, 15; and Shaun MacDevitt, 16. All were classmates at Marquette Senior High School. They died when the 1994 Geo Metro Krause was driving slid across the center lane of U.S. Highway 41 in front of the Birchmont Motel and collided with a semi-truck driven by Wesley D. Hiebert, 22, of New Bothwell, Manitoba. Neither Hiebert, nor his father, David, a passenger in the truck, were injured.

The accident occurred about 10:30 a.m. Saturday. Police said the section of four-lane highway was wet with scattered icy spots. The highway was closed for about four hours after the accident.

Police are still seeking information about the accident and ask that witnesses call 228-0400.

— Briefs from news services

## Wildcat Express Card investigated

By KEVIN WEED

News Staff Reporter

ASNMU Up-Campus Representative Sara Schaedig is launching a two-pronged investigation of the Wildcat Express Card after hearing concerns of her constituents regarding the integrity of the cash chip and the durability of the card in general.

"We have a lot of people complaining about the performance of their debit chips," she said. "People are putting money on their cards and then getting it erased. They are losing it if they scratch their card, or if it comes in contact with a magnet."

"It's an inconvenience for students, but it's an easily solvable problem," Wildcat Express Card representative Valerie Hall said.

Hall said the chip electronically stores up to \$50 on each card. Each time the chip is used, the entire balance is transferred from the card to the card reader, the correct amount should be debited or credited from the card and then the amount is transferred back to the card.

"When a student's money is incorrectly erased, I can read the cash chip portion of the card and determine how much money a student lost," Hall said. "The problem seems to be slowing down. Whether that is because we're just into a new semester and people are just starting to use the cards, or if we're weeding out the bad ones, I don't know. With this program being so new, there are a lot of unknowns out there."

Andrew Wasilewski, director of the University Center and Campus Activities, said the problem most often reported involves the card readers in the copy center of the Olson Library and the academic computing center in the Learning Resource Center.

"We had some tough times working through the bugs of a new system last semester," said Kathy Godec, Olson Library circulation supervisor. "Things are working much better this semester."

Godec said a major reason for the improvement is the addition of another Card Center in the basement con-

course of the LRC.

"It's a lot more convenient for students who are using the computer lab," she said. "It saves them a few steps, and it reduces the burden on the machine upstairs."

Wasilewski said replacement equipment in the LRC has been far more reliable this semester.

He also said in some cases, the user may be causing the problem by pulling the card out of the machine, instead of waiting for the machine to eject the card, which is the correct procedure.

"Computer lab and library personnel do have cards which can be used to cover the cost of printing or copying when it is apparent that a student is legitimately unable to use their card for this purpose," Wasilewski said. "In addition, students are encouraged to bring their problems to Ms. Hall's attention in the Wildcat Express Center."

As for the card's durability, cards issued by NMU have experienced about a 3 percent failure rate of cash chips, Wasilewski said. "If the judgment is that the card failed although it has been properly maintained, the card will be replaced without charge. However, cards which have received improper care, such as going through a wash cycle or being scratched, will result in a charge for replacement."

Wasilewski said colder temperatures may play a role in some of the cards cracking. "This leads to the possibility that the temperature range in card manufacturing may be suspect, and this possibility is now being researched," he said.

Wasilewski said one part of the card that has been virtually free of complaints is the black magnetic stripe on the back.

This portion of the card serves some students as a time card for on-campus employment, tracks accounts for the a la carte meal plan and allows some faculty and staff to gain access to buildings after hours through the entry control system managed by Public Safety.

## ASNMU challenges a la carte fees

By KEVIN WEED

News Staff Reporter

Questions surrounding NMU's a la carte food service budget have caught the attention of ASNMU Up-Campus Representative Sara Schaedig.

Speaking to the ASNMU Governing Board Jan. 27, Schaedig expressed concern that on-campus students are not being given credit for the money they put into the meal plan.

Food service "took about \$200 off students' cards last semester and another \$200 this semester," Schaedig told the Governing Board. "Students were never told about this."

However, NMU Director of Food Services Dick Wittman said students were notified that a \$250 administrative fee would be charged for their a la carte meal plan.

"We spoke to parents and students at every orientation session and put the information in the orientation brochures," he said. "We also put an ad in the registrar's newsletter which was sent to every student's home address last August."

Wittman said the decision to charge an administrative fee was

the culmination of research on financial concerns brought on by the new a la carte meal plan.

For Schaedig, the fee has a simple explanation.

"Basically, Food Service is trying to make up for their accounting problems," she said.

Wittman said the change in Food Service Department financing is a result of changing student desires.

"We are no longer in the age of a traditional meal plan," he said. "In the fall of '95, we noticed students switched their buying patterns. They began buying prepackaged items like pops with twist tops instead of high-volume bulk products like fountain pop."

Wittman said because Food Service doesn't make as much money on these items, it needed to look at making up that lost revenue.

"We had a combined meeting of the Food Service Advisory Committee, the Residence Hall Presidents' Round Table and ASNMU representatives," Wittman said.

"We looked at all kinds of things, from raising prices to seeing what other schools are doing. One school we looked at was the University of Wisconsin-Madison. They charge

students a \$900 administrative fee and then give a 50 percent discount for students in the program.

"We looked at a compromise plan, which seemed to be the best," he said.

Under the plan, on-campus students pay \$1,086 to NMU Food Services. After the \$250 administrative fee, students have \$836 to use for the semester with a 10 percent discount on everything except Domino's Pizza. With the 10 percent value figured in, students have \$919 of possible buying power, making the administrative fee as low as \$167.

"It's something we're trying and we may adjust it for next year," Wittman said.

Schaedig still wonders whether services could be better consolidated while still serving student needs.

"I do have a lot of questions as to how things are run in the Food Service department," Schaedig said. "We'll be discussing how ASNMU will approach the subject at our meeting Sunday at 7 p.m. If [affected] students want to be heard, they can come to the meeting," she said.

# Shakespeare fades as a requirement at schools nationwide

By ERIC BRADLEY  
Staff Writer

Shakespeare had a baby and they called it English Literature. But more and more institutions of learning are turning their backs on what students might learn from the 17th-century bard.

In an increasing trend that is sweeping universities and colleges throughout the nation, the work of William Shakespeare is slowly fading as a requirement for English majors.

According to an article published in the Yale Daily News, the National Alumni Forum, a non-profit

organization focused on declining academic standards in colleges and universities, released a report titled "The Shakespeare File: What English Majors Are Really Studying."

The NAF investigated 70 universities and found that only 23 required English majors to take Shakespeare.

At NMU, a course in Shakespeare is a requirement for secondary education English majors as well as graduate-bound English majors.

NMU's English department believes the study of Shakespeare is so important that it offers three different levels of concentration.

English Professor Robert Glenn teaches a Shakespeare course and has for several years. He sees the disappearance of these requirements as a symptom of a bigger problem facing society.

"I think it's deplorable!" Glenn said. "It purposes a lack of vision for our ability to understand our cultural roots. By embracing Shakespeare, we have an opportunity to better understand ourselves, our emotions. It's the implications that bother me. We don't have cultural or historical landmarks anymore."

Glenn said the value of studying Shakespeare—or any literature—is more than what we can learn in class: "One of the things a college education should provide is the ability to enjoy things—not just to-

morrow but 50 years down the road. Shakespeare should do that."

Glenn believes that learning Shakespeare gives us insight into our own lives.

"He can make our lives more rewarding because he can make us see dimensions of our lives we wouldn't ordinarily see," Glenn said.

Sophomore English major Kendalynn Newsham feels the same way.

"In order to understand what is written today, you have to understand what was written back then," she said. "Everything stems from

Shakespeare's plays, comedy, tragedy. It's fundamental."

Newsham said studying Shakespeare wasn't easy but it is something she couldn't leave college without. "I did enjoy it. ... It wasn't

easy but I think it's necessary," she said. "He incorporates all writing elements. I would take it even if it wasn't required."

Ray Ventre, assistant head of the English department, said fading requirements for Shakespeare will hinder students' education.

"I think it's shortsighted for people to think that exclusively studying modern authors will teach you everything you need to know about literature, without a sense of the literary traditions and context which spawned the authors in the first place," he said.

Ventre also said an absence of Shakespeare is becoming the norm, not an exception; whether this brings up a larger issue than just the absence of the work of the poet and playwright is something that needs to be addressed, he said. "The issue has become a magnet for a larger issue that needs to be raised: 'What are the requirements of literacy?' We're going into a new millennium, and the literary requests are changing. Here it's not a matter of what to drop but what to add."

Ventre said that while other schools are deciding what to drop, the NMU English department is advertising for a specialist in Shakespeare.



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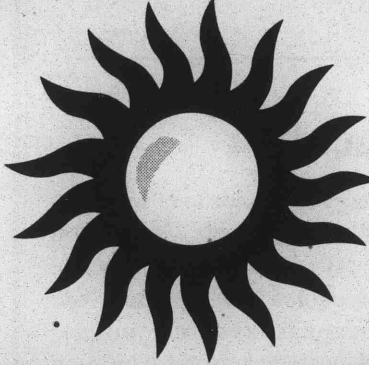
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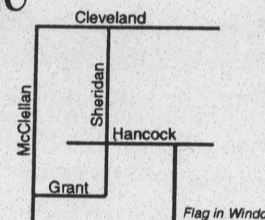
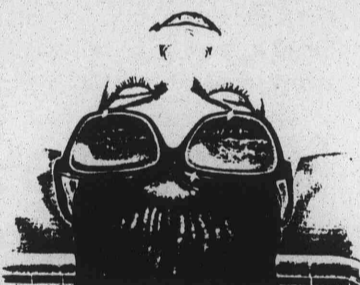
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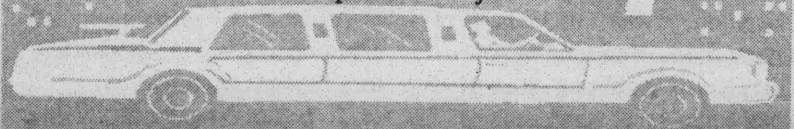
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*Editorial***Sports = business**

Expense has paid off; students don't care

It's not hard to see that college sports — even at a small Division II school like Northern Michigan University — are big business.

The annual operating budgets for NMU's 13 sports teams total about \$1.5 million. (Please see story on Page 1.) Salaries of Athletic Department officials and coaches total about \$800,000 a year. The university is in the midst of raising funds for a new ice arena that could cost as much as \$9 million.

These totals aren't much when compared with Big Ten schools such as Michigan, Michigan State and Ohio State, but it is still a lot of money that some people think could be spent in areas that would help more students — improving the library, distributing more financial aid, hiring more professors, paying for a chunk of the West Science renovation project.

When universities are faced with budget cuts, sports teams are easy targets: they directly benefit only a small percentage of the student body, they're viewed as non-vital to the university's success in educating its students, and they're expensive.

On the other hand, sports can be a great source of pride for a university and can enhance its image in recruiting.

NMU has one of the best all-around Division II athletic programs in the country, but do students really care? If attendance at events is any indication, they don't.

All of this brings up a question: The student-athletes have earned their scholarships, the coaches have earned their salaries, but has the university community earned the right to have these teams?

The Athletic Department obviously thinks so, but the next time it evaluates its priorities, it should take into account the apparent lack of interest by the students.

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**Coverage was flawed**

In the span of 14 days, "News and Views" has become the most controversial radio talk show that no one ever listened to.

Much has been said and written recently about the exact question that Jeff Collard and Andrew Dietderich asked NMU President William Vandament on "News and Views" on Jan. 23 in the WUPX studio. The interviewers, shortly after discussing the alcohol-free weekend, asked Vandament to respond to a rumor that dealt with a single event at which he was said to have been under the influence of alcohol. Since no tape of the radio interview exists, no one can be sure of Collard's exact statement, but it was something like, "We heard you were so drunk you puked in your shoes."

Vandament responded by telling a rumor of his own. The tale was that he had once been picked up for drunken conduct and that police brought him to the Ramada Inn instead of jail. The hosts and the guest enjoyed a good laugh.

Some may find this unbelievable, but The North Wind's intent in paraphrasing the statement last week — and several people who listened to the show considered it an accurate representation — was to protect the president. The staff felt at the time that it would be unfair to have an unconfirmed rumor repeated on 6,000 front

pages throughout the city. After a week's worth of second-guess-

coverage could be misinterpreted as a smear campaign, but we are certain that Vandament's long list of accomplishments will overshadow rumors that surround him.

The claims that The North Wind is trying to protect Dietderich and Collard or that "News and Views" was The North Wind's radio show are equally preposterous. Yes, Dietderich and Collard are members of the paper's staff, but "News and Views" had no connection with the newspaper, except that we allowed them to read our news copy over the air. And if we were attempting to protect the hosts, we did a standard job. On several cases in the coverage, we printed comments that were critical of them. We were also aware that a potential conflict of interest existed, so Dietderich, the paper's managing editor, was left out of decisions concerning the coverage in last week's issue as well as today's.

Despite the mistakes that we made, we still stand behind the focus of our stories — that the most important issues were the attempted censorship of "News and Views" and the subsequent threats of a station shut-down. We still support the hosts' right to ask about the rumor and feel that the interview would not have been newsworthy in the first place had the show not been suspended.

**Michael Murray***Editor in Chief*

ing, it's obvious that we should have used the precise quote. Our objective was noble, but it does not make up for our lack of discretion.

In one of the stories, Dietderich is quoted as saying that Vandament evaded the question. This is another case of a lapse in our coverage: Vandament should have been given a chance to respond to that statement.

It is interesting to note that two distinct groups of critics have emerged concerning the coverage of the interview and its aftermath. Some accuse The North Wind of executing a smear campaign against Vandament, while others allege that we have sugar-coated the events to cover up for Dietderich and Collard because they are North Wind employees.

The North Wind staff has no desire to attack the reputation of the president or anyone else. Vandament has done an incomparable job as president, and the Board of Control is faced with the impossible mission of trying to replace him. We regret that our

**Interview meant 'no harm'**

There have been too many false interpretations of what actually happened two weeks ago on the "News and Views" show interview with president Vandament. First off, I would like to make clear that this is not an apology nor a cover up for anything.

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**Jeff Collard***Commentary*

president about a rumor, again only a rumor, of a supposed "drinking problem."

The fact is, the interview wasn't nearly that harsh. The question wasn't whether he had a drinking problem or not, the actual question was about a specific event where the president allegedly was drunk in public and made a babbling speech under the influence.

The words "do you have a

drinking problem" never once came out of my mouth. The argument that the president was blind-sided is a matter of opinion; but when I asked the question I made sure I did it sensitively and told him beforehand that "I meant no offense or disrespect" to him. It was asked so he could confirm or deny a rumor we had heard on more than one occasion, not to inflict malice on him.

Vandament seemed uncomfortable but he did accept the question. He did confirm he heard a similar drinking rumor about himself, and he openly joked about it on the air, making it obvious to the listeners it was just a rumor and there was nothing there insinuating a "drinking problem."

The comment about the president puking in his shoes has also been blown out of proportion. The comment was not the basis of the question. Vomiting in your shoes is a metaphor often used when someone is very drunk or even uneasy. It would have been the same as asking him if he was "hammered" or "blitzed," etc.

Nonetheless it was asked after

the initial question in a joking or light-hearted manner not to be taken literally.

In the last week, Andy and I both have been attacked by the radio station and the Dean of Students about what they *thought* happened.

In a particular case, one member of the Dean of Students Office, has been telling people that the question I asked was like asking him "if he stopped beating his wife yet."

Needless to say this person, like most (if not all) of the Dean of Students Office, did not listen to the show and may be preaching false information based on what they think happened or what they heard happened.

The last issue of the North Wind in my opinion may have had some misleading information as well. They also reported, trying to be unbiased as possible about what they thought happened.

To be honest it doesn't bother me if people are mad at me or hate me. I just want them to be mad at me for what really happened, and not for what they think happened.

## Questions should be asked

To the Editor,

I am writing in response to the article in the Jan. 30th issue of The North Wind regarding the dismissal of the "News and Views" show on Radio X.

I find it hard to believe that the administration threatened to take away the broadcasting license of the station because of a question that was asked of a public figure (NMU President William Vandament). My question to the administration (really to the ONE who made the threat); What gives you the right to take away the right of public broadcast because of an uncomfortable question asked of a public figure. We as students of NMU and citizens of the United States have the right and obligation to pose questions that may be uncomfortable to anyone, including public figures. If we stop asking questions we stop getting answers, and when we stop getting answers we will become members of a dictatorship.

Now back to the point at hand, THE QUESTION. President Vandament is a public figure not unlike the President of the United

States, a congressman, a senator or a movie star. These people get torn to shreds on a daily basis from things that they did in the past ("I didn't inhale." ... "I never sexually harassed anyone.") or things that they may have done recently. Did the government threaten to take away the publishing rights of The Washington Post when it ran a story about President Clinton saying that he never inhaled?

Television shows like "Date-line," "60 Minutes" and "20/20" are constantly doing investigative reporting, keep in mind, not to smear the names of public figures or businesses, but to get to the bottom of accusations against said person or corporation. Even if the question is not in the best of taste, it still has a right to be asked and answered.

As Gerald Waite, NMU journalism professor, stated in the last issue of The North Wind, "That's one thing about the First Amendment. Its intent is to give us the right to pursue the true and the good. If we say things that are stupid or in bad taste, we are still protected. The Constitution gives

you the right to be wrong."

I agree that the student DJs could have posed the question in a more tactful manner. However, the bottom line is that they had the right to ask the question and the president had the right not to answer it, which he did not. The DJs and reporters here or on any campus throughout America are amateurs.

They don't have the wisdom, insight or tact that the Dan Rathers, Diane Sawayers and the Ed Bradleys have, but hopefully in a few years if they follow their careers in broadcasting or reporting they might be taking over their jobs. So I can't see how taking away their right to be DJs is helping anything. What is done is done. I just hope that everyone has learned a lesson from this little episode. And to President Vandament, I am truly sorry if you were harmed in any way because of this, but you are and have been a public figure not only here in our community, but also other places in this country and you know what comes with the territory.

Kurt Dabb

## Counterpoint DJ embarrassed by radio program

To the Editor:

My name is Kent Randell and I have been active at Radio X for a couple years. I do not represent Radio X in this letter, but I felt it necessary to clear the air and notify the rest of the campus concerning recent events involving WUPX and The North Wind.

First of all, the Jan. 30th edition just lightly glossed over the fact that Andrew Dieterich and Jeff Collard both work for The North Wind, and Mr. Dieterich is the managing editor of said publication. This was conveniently downplayed.

Second of all, we all know that Andrew Dieterich and Jeff Collard asked President Vandament a question regarding a possible drinking problem. However, this is a half-truth. What

they actually asked was words to the effect of "Is it true you vomited in your shoes?" which already implied that he had done this, as well as already implying that he has a drinking problem.

The many pages of print concerning censorship and First Amendment rights was a smokescreen diverting attention from the real issue. Keep in mind President Vandament was asked to come on the show to talk about issues and NOT be humiliated (in effect, he was blindsided).

In conclusion, this was a shameful way for President Vandament to prepare to leave his stay at the university and I as a member of Radio X apologize for the behavior of my irresponsible colleagues.

Kent Randell

## DJ accuses North Wind of manufacturing news

To the Editor:

As the former general manager and a current DJ for WUPX, I have had a lot of people asking me how I would have approached the recent incident with the "News and Views" talk show and NMU President William Vandament a couple of weeks ago if I was still manager of the station. My standard response has been that I would have fired the two DJs immediately, without hesitation, after verifying how they treated the president as a guest of their show.

What Andrew Dieterich and Jeff Collard did is not an issue of free speech, it was tawdry, irresponsible and embarrassing.

What at first glance appears to be a legitimate issue of the administration cracking down on the freedoms of college media is instead at closer

inspection an insidious peek at how desperate The North Wind can get at reporting the news. Apparently unable to find any, they seek to create their own. What is unfortunate is that in their attempt to do so, they have stained the reputation of WUPX.

I have been a proud member of WUPX student radio for more than six years now, but that pride has turned into shame after the interview with President Vandament. I am embarrassed that The North Wind devoted four pages of their newspaper to cover an issue that they generated themselves.

Congratulations go to The North Wind editors. In just one issue you have managed to not only sully The North Wind's reputation, but that of WUPX and President Vandament.

Mark Broemer

## President hurt and betrayed

To the Editor:

This is a comment on The North Wind coverage of my January 23 interview on "News and Views," a program aired by WUPX.

During that interview, I was asked to respond to the statement: "We heard you got so drunk at a party that you puked in your shoes." Although nonplussed, I thought my denial was clear. A subsequent discussion with the interviewer who posed the question confirms that he felt so as well. Although one certainly must question their judgment, I do not think the interviewers intended to ambush me. This was only one of several questions, many also expressed humorously, that could have been posed to introduce me as a real person, not a bureaucratic stereotype. One of the interviewers told me that he has regarded me as a friend and meant no harm.

However, The North Wind, using its public platform, compounded matters on January 30 by (a) reporting the incident in terms that distorted the content of the actual question and (b) using innuendo in reporting that I had avoided a reasonable (?) question. The one-two punch of the radio show and North Wind coverage may have

caused irreparable damage to me.

Clearly, the university must review these incidents and work to ensure that they are not repeated by student press and media. The issue is not whether it is legitimate to approach sensitive subject matter with the university president. The issue is whether the method of inquiry used is fair and proper. Incidentally, I have removed myself from any administrative role in the review of these matters.

Initially I shrugged off my treatment during the interview and was not consulted by those who temporarily suspended the program. Upon reflection, I understand the concern of those responsible for WUPX and The North Wind. The university might now be defending itself in a lawsuit had the interviewers treated someone else in this manner.

As a public figure, I suppose I am considered fair game for all sorts of rumor and mischief. For some, it's just considered good sport. I've never gotten used to that, nor has my wife. We feel hurt and betrayed by the way this was handled.

William E. Vandament, NMU President

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Ben Sager,  
Sophomore



"Doesn't really matter to me. Seems university programs are well run."

Shannon Fraley,  
Sophomore



"I'm here to go to school, so I want to be sure that academic programs are well funded."

Brian Blettner,  
Junior



"I used to be a cheerleader, so I say, 'Go for it.' The sports programs give the university positive recognition."

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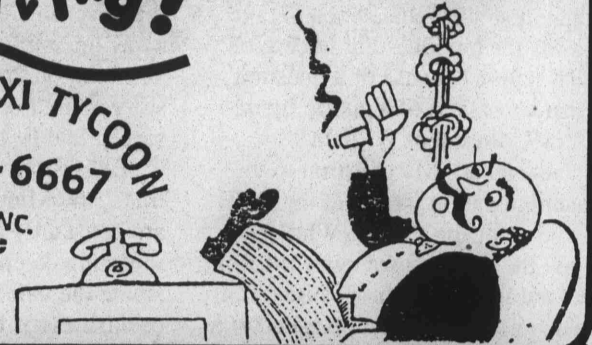
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# Problems of freedom, journalism explained

To the Editor:

The problem with journalism and most everything else is to know the difference between two questions: "What can I get away with?" and "What is really right here?" (A possible definition of "right" is just, compassionate, generous, humble; there are other definitions.) If we don't know the difference between the two questions, what we can get away with, and the other question, even in theory, we are going to have trouble with all our "freedoms," not only freedom of the press.

To make loud, intemperate innuendo about a person is not to protest one is "free" of laws (hopefully), but that one is free of judgment of one's own. But, too, to slap down bad taste and judgment may not be to defend excellence or good judgment; just defense of excellence and judg-

ment as they appear to those with the power to slap as answer.

The problem with "freedom" is especially acute in a university where people, especially young people, are learning to use their minds, including feelings and imagination, to make a better world. Freedom for rebellious young people, even? Freedom for immature young people, too? Freedom for the ignorant, badly bred? Be careful in naming madmen, madchildren. Freedom for people with a sense of imperfection, real or fancied? Freedom needs to be preserved for them most of all, and for all the rest of us. Freedom to make bad mistakes, journey to jail or nightmare or suffering? Are you kidding? Freedom, no matter what, from guilt?

Leslie Foster

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— W.H. Auden

## Tragedy fosters maturity

"Where's Jesse?" I asked my sister Sunday night.

"He's with the other kids. Writing the eulogies," she replied. Her words left a cloud of nausea in my stomach. I know kids are not exempt from grieving, but to imagine them grieving for other kids makes me think we're living in Pandemonium, a place of confusion, of wild disorder.

At 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Nicholas M. Krause, 16; Nicholas K. Hoganson (a.k.a. "Grover"), 15; Andrew D. McNamee, 15; and Shaun MacDevitt, 16, were killed instantly when their car collided with a semi.

The only connection I have with this is that they were my nephew Jesse's friends, his "group." I found myself exceptionally stunned and upset, however, when my sister told me about the accident Saturday night.

I tried to think about the parents, but I couldn't fathom the depth of that kind of pain, so instead I selfishly thanked God over and over that Jesse was not in the car. All the clichés kept tackling each other in my head: senseless tragedy, devastating loss, no reason for it, and why? They were all too trite for such an occasion, and they were all too true.

It's odd how someone else's disaster can affect you. Why did I have the overwhelming urge to tell my sister I loved her before I hung up with her Saturday night? Why was something inside of me making me want to call the rest of my family including Jack to say, "Thank you for being in my life"?

Could it be that the only possibly useful thing produced by such a loss is that it automatically shocks us out of our collective stupor? Maybe, for a little while, it makes us treat each other a bit better. Maybe, for a little while, it makes us wake up in the morning with appreciation instead of dread.

When I saw Jesse on Sunday night I wanted to take him home with me and make him 4 years old again when his only worry was where I hid his Legos. I was surprised to see that he didn't need me to. I have never been so proud of anyone. He and his friends have banded together rather than falling apart. They are taking the memories of their friends and stretching them out, not to cover their loss but to support it, in turn supporting each other and the parents.

Jesse was asked to be a pallbearer at Grover's funeral. As he picked up the phone to call Grover's parents and tell them he would indeed do it, my sister stopped him and asked if he wanted her to call.

He looked at her with newly aged eyes and said, "No, mom. I'll take care of it. Grover is my friend."

Alexandra Kloster

For What It's Worth



# DIVERSIONS

## Marquette to be overruled

By KERRY STEINMETZ  
Features Staff Reporter

For many people in the Upper Peninsula, winter means more than the tedium of shoveling snow and driving on ice; for some it even means more than skiing, snowmobiling and other winter sports.

The UP 200 sled dog race is one of the most exciting things that takes place during the winter here, and many people — including some NMU students — get out into the cold and enjoy the festivities of the event.

Jenny Erickson is one of these students, but she does more than sit and watch. Two years ago, Erickson's cousin, a dog handler for the races, lent her a book on dog handling. Erickson was immediately interested. After reading the book, she decided to give dog handling a try and volunteered to work at the UP 200 that year.

A dog handler's responsibilities include getting the dogs out of the truck when they arrive at the race site, getting them attached to their harnesses, letting them go when the time comes for the race to begin, and generally helping to care for the dogs. Erickson usually handles the dogs for a musher from Minnesota.

"I've always loved animals," Erickson said. "The best part of it all is anticipating when your runner's going to come in, to see their time."

The emotion of the event can be contagious, and not only the people

involved are affected by it. Even the dogs get in on the fun.

"The mushers have to stay at the checkpoints for a certain amount of time," Erickson said, "and if the dogs aren't too tired they sit there barking, waiting to go back out. It's all just very exciting."

Other students get in on the action, too, as volunteers. Stefanie Miklovic volunteered two years ago and ended up working as a timer, recording the times of the runners as they came in. She only got to see

the last two teams come in, but found it thrilling and worth the effort.

"I loved it," Miklovic said. "The dogs would come in, and everyone would help out and make sure they were taken care of. It was really neat."

Volunteers also work in many other capacities. NMU's women's rugby club will be working this year as crowd control.

"We were going around to businesses asking for donations to sponsor us. When we went to Tundra Outfitters they mentioned that they needed volunteers, so we just said that we'd volunteer," team member Heather May said.

"It's a fairly interesting spectator sport if you can get out and stand along the trail," Stan Wittler said.

Wittler is the UP 200 trail boss, in charge of making sure all the trails are clear before the dogs come through. "The start in Marquette is



Mary shares a moment with McKenzie.



Mary Sanford, 16, holds Tiger (left), to Escanaba. "I want to be a teacher."

real exciting and there's some good spots in Harvey, where the trail crosses M-28," he said.

Mary Sanford is a local youth who got involved with "mushing" by handling dogs for a friend who then sold her the dogs and moved to Alaska.

Most recently she won the Gwinn to Munising Classic, and will be in the Midnight Run, held in conjunction with the UP 200.

"It's a challenging race," Mary said. "You run it at night, and the trails can be messy ... running

## The NORTH WIND Top Ten

### Top Ten Reasons to Smile

10. Only 23 days until spring break.
9. It didn't snow yesterday.
8. You don't have to teach the classes you attend.
7. There are roads that lead out of Marquette.
6. Valentine's Day is still a week away.
5. You didn't have to sit through Bill Clinton's State of the Union Address.
4. You had beans for lunch.
3. Your roommate didn't.
2. You're not on the pooper-scooper crew for the UP 200.
1. It may not be beer, but if you drink enough "Surge" you can get a good buzz.

## Student directors debut

By JEREMIAH FRENCH  
Features Staff Reporter

Once again, the soon-to-graduate theater students are putting their best foot forward by directing the plays of their choice.

The shows opened Wednesday night and will run at 7:30 each night through Saturday in Jamrich 105. Admission is free.

The first of two plays, directed by Autumn Lakowski, is called "Down the Road." It's a story of a couple writing a book about a serial killer. In the process, they must do some research and interview the killer, which makes for some unsettling situations.

"It deals with the dynamics of people, which I thought was real interesting," Lakowski said.

"Down the Road" is Lakowski's first directing experience, outside of directing class, and she admits to some slight uneasiness.

"It's kind of out of your hands when it's showtime," she said. "It's pretty scary."

If she were given the opportunity, she said she would direct again, although acting is her true passion. In the future, she plans to hit the stage in Grand Rapids, and if all goes well, on to Chicago.

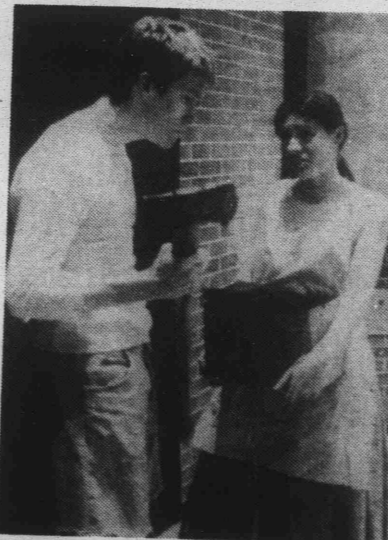
The second show, directed by York Griffith, is titled "Mud."

He said he chose the show because it left a good amount of room for interpretation, and he describes it simply as "a woman's struggle to evolve."

Griffith has also had directing class but other than that, this is his first production.

"The hardest challenge [in directing] is trusting yourself," he said. "I have the opportunity to make a vision possible. ... You can't doubt your instincts."

Though he would consider directing again, he prefers acting. Griffith said.



"Mud" is directed by York Griffith.

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Listening to DJ Shadow's latest release, "Endtroducing," is like eating food out of somebody else's mouth. It's like Johnny Cash covering Soundgarden songs. It's just not right!

DJ Shadow is some guy who recorded a bunch of crap that somebody else already did and expects us to pay money for recycled music. Shadow takes drum samples, voice samples, bass samples and whatever else he couldn't play on his own — without the help of a computer or synthesizer — and puts them all together and creates some sort of gothic, hip-hop gruel.

I think this is an insult to our intelligence. How can a band — or some guy, in this case — record a

**Album:** Endtroducing  
**Artist:** DJ Shadow  
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disc with fake drum samples from other people's music and expect us to pay money for it and like it?

It's as if he said, "Since I'm not a real musician, I'll take the easy road and record a bunch of samples and noises, and everybody will buy it because MTV has a new show called 'AMP' that plays nothing but waste like this. I'll fit right in with everybody else who has no talent."

If you have already bought this disc, you'd better not tell anybody.

None of the tracks on this disc are worth mentioning, but I will say that track No. 7, "Stem/Long Stem," has samples from the Nirvana song "Love

Suite." The first four minutes of the song are tolerable because of the intense drum beat that teases one's pulse a little bit.

There are no lyrics, so you can't sing along, and no real instruments being played. Therefore there is no use for this disc besides a paper weight or a perfect example of how not to make music.

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### Big Bay Fishing Derby

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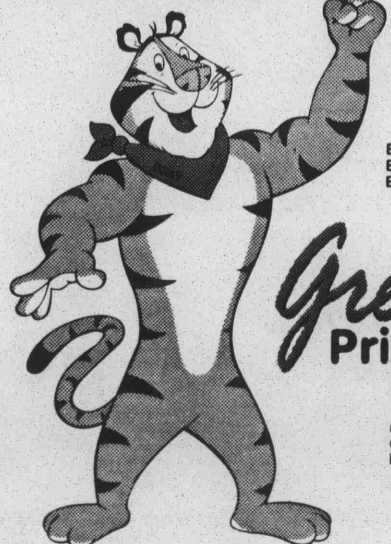
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## 'Star Wars': as good as ever

By **KELSEY MANN**  
Movie Reviewer

By the time 2:30 p.m. rolled around last Friday and the theater opened its doors, an assemblage of over 40 Marquette "Star Wars" fanatics had formed. By 3:45 p.m., all of the tickets had been sold. "Star Wars" is the Woodstock of our generation. It's the one thing that brings so many of us together.

In 1977, audiences flocked to theaters to catch their first glimpse of a film that would become one of America's most adored pictures. Everyone across the globe was swept up in the sci-fi epic. Everyone except for George Lucas.

Lucas was disappointed with the original version that we all know by heart. Twenty years later he's getting the chance to achieve his initial vision. With today's computer technology, he's able to add more creatures, humor and a scene with a certain slimy crime lord.

"Star Wars" is a modern day fairy tale that follows the mythological adventures of young Luke Skywalker, who joins the Rebellion by resisting the malicious Empire. It's a perfect film that entertains everyone. The effects are realistic and

**Film:** Star Wars: The  
Special Edition  
**Starring:** Mark Hamill  
Harrison Ford  
Carrie Fisher  
**Director:** George Lucas

the film's story doesn't suffer. The characters have become cultural icons. "Star Wars" made going to the theaters an enjoyable experience.

The new scenes are spectacular. Mos Eisley Spaceport has grown from a small-town operation to a vast metropolis. Another incredible addition is a scene originally cut that involves a younger Jabba and a 1977 Harrison Ford. The best scenes are the minor changes that catch the avid fan off guard.

This film is an experience. It has always been meant to be seen in the theaters. It's the greatest feeling to hear that first note of John Williams' score and see the words begin to scroll while in a theater full of applause. Now a whole new generation can experience what we did 20 years ago. This film is timeless and will be a part of our society forever.

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# Nunnally remembered

By CINDY KONRAD  
Staff Writer

Michael Nunnally was recognized nationally for his skill as a member of the U.S. Olympic Education Center boxing team at NMU, but his friends knew another side of Nunnally.

He volunteered regularly to help children in the Marquette area. To honor his efforts, the Volunteer Coordinators of Marquette County, along with the Michigan CARES program, have created the Michael D. Nunnally Individual Student Volunteer Award.



Nunnally

The award — part of the 1996 Community Service Awards — “will be given to an NMU student active in the community,” said Vince Borleske, director of the Marquette County Volunteer Center.

Nunnally was the nation’s second-ranked 156-pound boxer when he drowned Sept. 2 while swimming with friends in Lake Superior.

“Mike was a world-class athlete, but he was still able to take the time to volunteer and make a difference

in kids’ lives,” Borleske said. “The kids that he worked with loved him.”

One volunteer activity that Nunnally participated in regularly was Jump Rope for Heart at Father Marquette Elementary School each Valentine’s Day. During this fundraiser for the American Heart Association, Nunnally and other boxers would swing ropes for the children and encourage them to reach their jumping goals. “[Nunnally] was very close to some of the children. He was wonderful with them,” said Bev Lauthna, physical education teacher at Father Marquette Elementary. “When he died, many of the children lit candles in St. Peter’s Cathedral and said many, many prayers for him.”

Nunnally’s volunteerism is also demonstrated through the amount of time he spent working with inner-city children in Detroit and helping with youth boxing programs.

“A big part of his life was training for the Olympics, but his dream was to be an elementary school teacher in his hometown of Jackson, Miss.,” said Tracy O’Rourke, USOEC boxing coordinator. “I think this award represents how he lived his life. If he had \$1 and you needed 50 cents, he would make sure you had it.”

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**Film:** "One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest" (R) will be shown at 7 and 10 p.m. in Jamrich 102.

**Plays:** Lab/Studio II Student Directed Plays will begin at 7:30 in Jamrich 105.

**Art Students League:** Weekly meetings will be held at 6 p.m. in the Art and Design North Studio, room 133. For more information, call S.J. at 226-2951.

### FRI., FEB. 7

**German Luncheon Table:** Each Friday from noon until 1 p.m., the German Club will hold a luncheon in conference room 130 B in the basement of the LRC. You're welcome to join us even

though you may not speak German well. Das spielt keine rolle! The purpose is to have a good time and a leisurely lunch.

**Plays:** Lab/Studio II Student Directed Plays will begin at 7:30 in Jamrich 105.

**Black History Month:** A 20th Century Jam Session: African American Musicians Through the Years, featuring Radio X DJs Eddie Dean and Mwanguske will be presented at 7 p.m. in the Wildcat Den. Sponsored by Ebony Excellence and Multicultural Student Services.

### SAT., FEB. 8

**Film:** "Striptease" (R) will be shown at 7 p.m. in Jamrich, room 102.

**Plays:** Lab/Studio II Student Directed Plays will begin at 7:30 in Jamrich 105.

### SUN., FEB. 9

**Film:** "Striptease" (R)

will be shown in Jamrich 102 at 6:30 and 9 p.m.

**Winfester:** The Wacky Winter Olympics will be taking place in the Payne/Halverson Field from 2-4 p.m.

### MON., FEB. 9

**Black History Month:** Breakfast Special: Southern Biscuits and Gravy will be served from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. in Cat Trax (Quad I). Sponsored by NMU Food Service.

**Winfester:** The Winfester Scavenger Hunt will take place at 6 p.m. in the Cadillac and Brule Rooms of the University Center.

**Mama Carme's Monday Night Marinara:**

Spaghetti sauce instructional. For more information, call Mike at 227-3042.

### TUES., FEB. 10

**Black History Month:** Lunch Special: Empress Zulu Greens and Sweet Potato Pie will be served from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Wildcat Den. Sponsored by the NMU Food Services.

**Winfester:** The Airband Competition will take place at 7 p.m. in the Great Lakes Rooms of the University Center.

### WED., FEB. 11

**Black History Month:** Lunch Hour Lecture: Orature: Passing Down African Literature, His-

tory, and Culture Through Storytelling, featuring Dr. Mutu Wa Gethoi from the History Department, will be presented from 12-1 p.m. in Dining Room B of the University Center. Sponsored by Multicultural Student Services.

**Winfester:** The Broomball Finals will be held at 6 p.m. for women and 7:15 p.m. for men in the Pine Street parking lot.

**Commuter Student Services Organization:** Weekly meetings will be held at 4 p.m. in the LRC near Bookbinders. For more information, call Bonnie Hafeman at 227-1527.

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## Pioneers sweep Wildcats

By JASON LAUREN  
Sports Editor

The NMU hockey team (9-19-2 overall, 5-18-1 WCHA) extended its losing streak to four games last Friday and Saturday by dropping a pair of games to the Denver University Pioneers.

"With nine seniors on their team it gives them an experience advantage. We played well between the goal lines, but we're not scoring and we're not getting strong goaltending," NMU head coach Rick Comley said.

Friday's game consisted of an amazing 81 shots, but solid goaltending allowed only six to find the back of the net—unfortunately for NMU, five of the six were against themselves in a 5-1 loss.

The game consisted of an astounding 39 penalties, which were good for 78 total minutes. "It was a scrappy and physical game," Comley said.

NMU struck first midway through the first period on a short-handed marker by J.P. Vigier for NMU's only goal. The 'Cats had an opportunity to take a 2-1 lead when they had a five-on-three power play for nearly two minutes in the middle of the second period, but failed to convert.

Denver scored two four-on-four goals in a 14-second span shortly after to take a 3-1 lead. It was the 20th time the 'Cats have allowed two goals within a two-minute span this season and only once in the 15 games that this has occurred has

NMU won.

Thirty-one of Denver's 48 shots came via the power play, but the Pioneers only managed to succeed on one of their eight opportunities.

"We played with them when it was five-on-five," Comley said. "We

and Roger Trudeau tied the game with about 17 minutes remaining in the second. "The first 30 minutes was dead even," Comley said.

Denver notched three unanswered power-play goals to put the game away. "Most of their shots on the power play were long shots," Comley said. "A few of their goals were weak."

NMU will battle nationally-ranked Minnesota this Friday and Saturday in Minneapolis in their last two-game road series of the regular season. Faceoff times for both games is 8:05 p.m. "Minnesota is a very skilled team, and we'll have to minimize our mistakes in order to be successful," Comley said.

Friday's Summary:

**First period**—1. NMU, J.P. Vigier (8) SHG 11:07; 2. DU 15:31.

**Second period**—3. DU 14:28; 4. DU 14:42.

**Third period**—5. DU 0:18; 6. DU PPG 11:18.

**Power-play opportunities:** NMU, 0-6; DU, 1-8.

**Penalties:** NMU, 20-40; DU, 19-38.

**Goalie saves:** NMU 43 (Dieter Kochan, 16-13-14); DU (7-16-9)

Saturday's Summary:

**First period**—1. DU 0:56; 2. DU 4 on 4 5:12; 3. NMU Rich Metro (6) 15:12.

**Second period**—4. NMU Roger Trudeau (10) (Tomlinson, Metro), 2:57; 5. DU PPG 5:01; 6. DU PPG 9:04.

**Third period**—7. DU PPG 2:50; 8. NMU Lee Ruff (1) (VanBruggen, Schmidt), 12:28; 9. DU 18:53.

**Power-play opportunities:** NMU, 0-6; DU, 3-4.

**Penalties:** NMU, 10-28; DU, 12-32.

**Goalie saves:** NMU 15 (Duane Hoey, 9-2-4); DU (8-8-8).

1996 WCHA		W	L	T	Pts
	North Dakota	16	7	1	33
	Minnesota	15	9	0	30
	Col. College	14	8	2	30
	Wisconsin	14	8	2	30
	St. Cloud State	13	8	3	29
	Denver	12	8	4	28
	Minn.-Duluth	11	11	2	24
	Anchorage	6	15	3	15
	N. Michigan	5	18	1	11
Michigan Tech	3	17	4	10	

just couldn't match up with them when it was four-on-four. Once they went up 3-1, the game was pretty much out of reach."

Special teams were the key in Saturday's game as Denver posted a 6-3 win. The Pioneers converted on three of four power-play opportunities, while the 'Cats were scoreless on six chances. "We played much better defensively in Saturday's game," Comley said. "In Friday's game we had a hard time adjusting to the altitude, but we got accustomed to it in Saturday's game."

NMU outshot Denver 27-21. It was the seventh time this year that the Wildcats have outshot an opponent and still lost.

The Pioneers jumped out to a 2-0 lead in the first before Rich Metro



North Wind photo by Duane Pape  
Freshman Bud Smith and the hockey Wildcats travel to Minneapolis for a series with the Minnesota Golden Gophers this weekend. Northern was swept by the Denver University Pioneers last weekend, 5-1 and 6-3.

## No. 10 'Cats extend GLIAC winning streak

By JON SICOTTE  
Sport Staff Reporter

They just keep rolling. The NMU women's basketball team, ranked No. 10 in the nation for the second week in a row, extended its winning streak to 11 games by defeating Ashland University 81-62 last Thursday.

Mandee Dafoe started things off for the 'Cats (12-0 GLIAC, 18-2 overall) by scoring eight of her 22 points early. NMU then traded baskets with the Eagles for the first 10 minutes of the first half. The 'Cats then went on a 17-2 run and led 39-23 at the half. "We played well defensively," NMU head

coach Mike Geary said, "but in the second half we let up a little bit."

Ashland cut the NMU lead to 10 in the second half, but Kris Manske hit two three-pointers to keep the Wildcats in the lead and give them the victory. "The defensive pressure wore them down, and our execution on offense [were

the keys]," Geary said. "Our team has done a great job of playing each game as it comes."

NMU's Shana DeCremer, the leading scorer in the conference, was held to eight points, 11 below

her average. But that didn't bother Geary. "Ashland geared a lot of their defensive effort towards her, but we had other people that could step up and hurt them."

NMU travels to Big Rapids and Allendale to take on Ferris State and Grand Valley State. Geary said his team's ranking isn't important to him: "It doesn't get you any extra points at the beginning of the game."

Summary:

NMU vs. Ashland (field goals, free throws, total points):

NMU—Johnston 2-0-6; Weber 1-0-2; Manske 7-5-23; DeCremer 4-0-8; Dafoe 9-3-21; Leverenz 0-2-2; Dykstra 2-3-7; Strand 5-0-10; Gray 0-2-2. Totals, 30-15-81.

Halftime Score: NMU 39 AU 23

FG shooting: NMU 30 of 55 (55 percent); AU 21 of 51 (41 percent); FT shooting: NMU 15 of 19 (79 percent); AU 18 of 22 (81 percent); Rebounding: NMU 40 (Shana DeCremer 9) AU 20.



North Wind photo by Duane Pape  
Mandee Dafoe scored 22 points in the Wildcats' win last Thursday.

## NMU's Manske named GLIAC Player of the Week

NMU junior Kris Manske has been named GLIAC Player of the Week. She scored 23 points and had eight assists, five rebounds and three steals in NMU's win against Ashland last Thursday.

"She's a terrific player," NMU head coach Mike Geary said. "She's not the type to be recognized for Player of the Week in a lot of weeks, and she should be. She makes everyone on the team better. She does a little bit of everything for us."

Manske needs 23 points to be the 11th player in NMU women's basketball to score 1,000 career

points. She also has lifetime marks of 425 rebounds and 414 assists. She needs only three assists to move into second place all-time.

"I think she's the best passer in the league," Geary said. "She's a leader in a very quiet doing-her-job kind of way."

Manske assumes her leadership role with respect, Geary said: "She goes about her business and doesn't think that she's a big deal. When everyone else sees that, they feed off her and think the same thing. I think that's the best form of leadership that you can have."

— By Jon Sicotte

# Northern feeling pressure to make playoffs

By CHRIS BARRUS  
Sports Staff Reporter

The pressure to qualify for the GLIAC postseason tournament now weighs on the shoulders of the NMU men's basketball team after losing to Ashland, 58-51, Thursday.

With six games remaining against North Division rivals, the Wildcats (7-13 overall, 4-8 GLIAC) still feel they have chance to make the postseason tournament.

But NMU head coach Dean Ellis said making the tournament will not be an easy task for the Wildcats. The first time through the North Division, the Wildcats had a 3-3 record with all three wins coming in Hedgcock Fieldhouse. Four of the last six games are on the road.

"We need to win at least four out of the six, maybe five out of the six," Ellis said. "The first time through we won three out of the six, so it is realistic.

"We don't have a lot of room for error. We are not dealing with a big cushion but we still have a chance, and we are not going to give up until someone tells us that we can't get in [the tournament]."

The Wildcats know the pressure to win is on them now, but they feel the pressure will help instead of hurt.

"We know that we have to win," NMU senior Ed Canning said. "It provides pressure but not pressure

that's going to make us play bad. It's pressure that's going to pump us up and get us ready for games."

In the game against Ashland, NMU freshman Cory Brathol's bas-

game it wasn't even anything that you would've noticed."

Canning said: "We played decent. We did everything that we had to do. We maintained the tempo of the game but it just didn't go our way towards the last couple minutes of the game. We missed a couple of shots. They were good shots, they just didn't fall. We did our best."

The Wildcats are on the road for two games this week. They travel to Ferris State for a contest at 7:30 tonight, then they take on North Division leader Grand Valley State on Saturday at 3:30 p.m.

Earlier this year, the 'Cats came away with a 66-52 win against Ferris State and a big upset win over Grand Valley, 90-79.

"We are going to fight until the end, until the last game of the year when they say that we are not in, and then we will believe it," Canning said.

Summary: NMU vs. Ashland University (field goals, free throws, total points)  
NMU — Quiring, 0-2-2; Maselter, 2-0-5; K. Coduti, 3-4-10; Canning, 3-0-7; Moe, 1-0-2; Brathol, 8-5-23; Price, 1-0-2. Totals, 18-11-51.

Halftime score: NMU 29, Ashland 31.

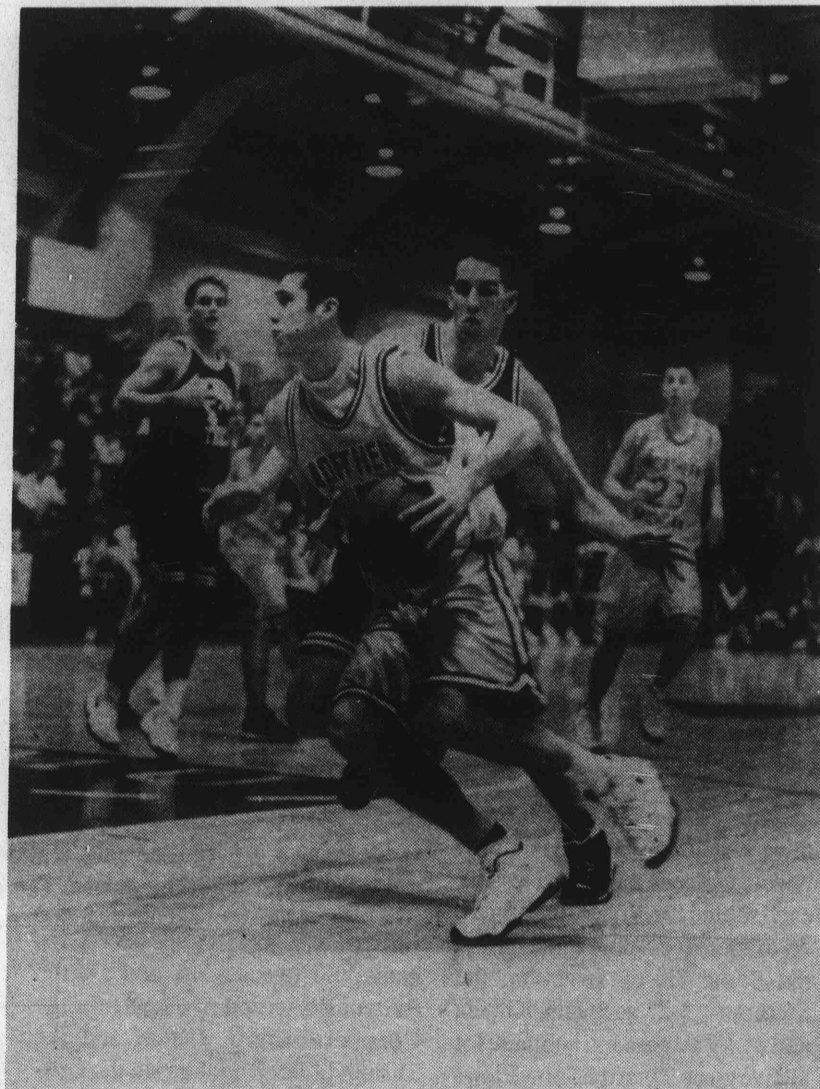
FG shooting: NMU, 18 of 40 (45 percent); Ashland, 23 of 48 (47.9 percent); FT shooting: NMU, 11 of 13 (84.6 percent); Ashland, 11 of 17 (64.7 percent); Rebounding: NMU, 26 (K. Coduti 5, Brathol 5); Oakland, 26

GLIAC Men's Basketball	North Division	
	Grand Valley	10-2
	Saginaw Valley	8-4
	Northwood	7-5
	Michigan Tech	6-6
	Ferris State	5-7
	N. Michigan	4-8
	Lake Superior St	3-9
	South Division	
	Oakland	9-3
Hillsdale	6-5	
Gannon	6-6	
Wayne State	6-6	
Mercyhurst	4-7	
Ashland	3-9	

ket with 6:35 remaining put the 'Cats up 51-47, but it would be the last points they would get in the game. Ashland went on an 11-0 run to finish the game.

"It's impossible to take that six minutes out and say we did anything different than we did before," Ellis said. "There probably was a six-minute stretch in there somewhere else where we did not score.

"On the stat sheet it just looks ridiculous but if you watched the



North Wind photo by Duane Pape

Pete Moe and the Wildcats fell to Ashland, 58-51, last Thursday. The 'Cats travel to Ferris State to take on the Bulldogs tonight at 7:30. They head to Allendale for a matchup against Grand Valley State on Saturday.

## Swimming team drops first dual meet

By KRISTY BASOLO  
Assistant Managing Editor

The Northern Michigan University swimming and diving squad dropped a dual meet against rival Oakland University last weekend, 186-113.

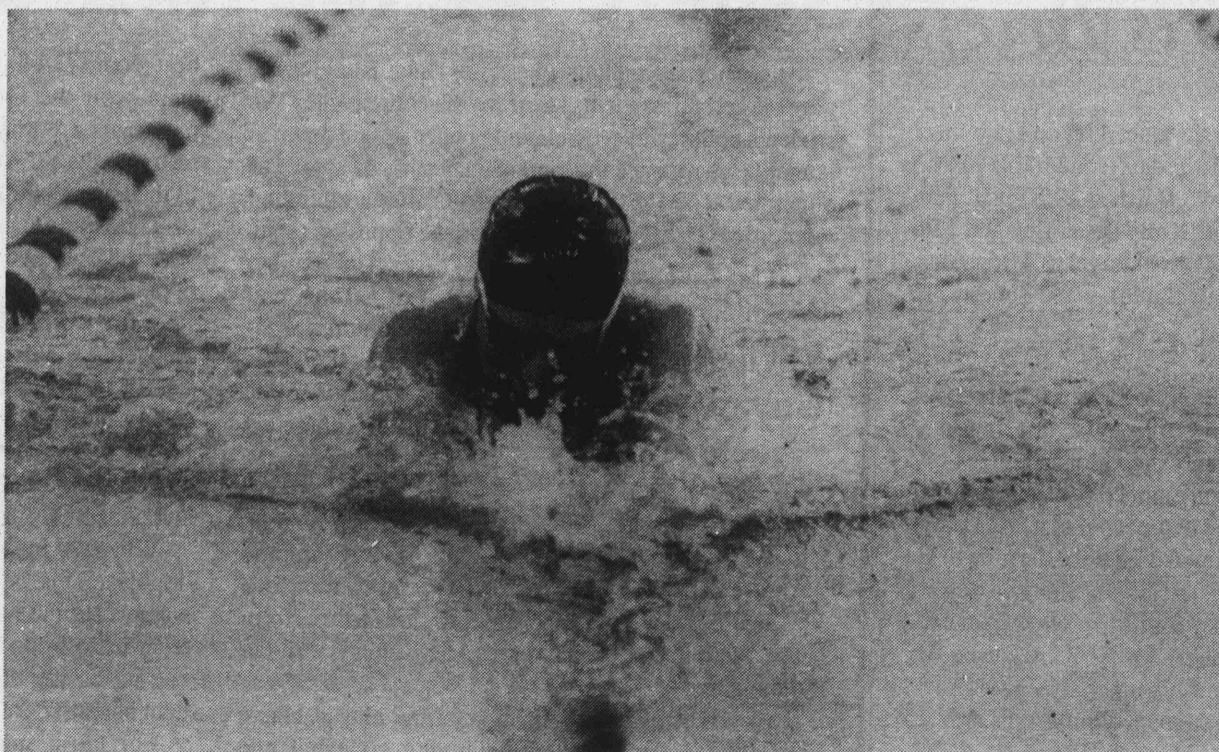
"We did a good job holding our own against Oakland," freshman Erin Vostad. "There were some really close races."

Vostad extended her individual record to 10-0, remaining undefeated in dual meet competition. She won the 100-meter freestyle race (:53.50), the 100-meter butterfly competition (:58.04) and the 200-meter individual medley (2:11.90).

"I wasn't nervous about being undefeated," Vostad said. "I knew it was out there though, which was good because I swim better under pressure." She leads the team in points, with 247.25, and in first place finishes, with 18.

Junior diver Debbie Duncan also remained undefeated with a 10-0 record, capturing the 1-meter and 3-meter springboard events. Duncan has made the National qualifying standard in her last six events.

The only team-best race was in the 1,000-meter freestyle race where



North Wind photo by Duane Pape

Daneen Taylor and the Northern Michigan Wildcat swim team suffered a dual-meet loss to the Oakland University Pioneers last Saturday, 186-113. NMU will compete in the GLIAC Championship Feb. 19-22 at the PEIF pool.

Jennie Crouse swam a 10:56.19.

"A close race was with Jennie Crouse in the distance event," Vostad said. "It came down to the last five yards which made it exciting to watch."

NMU's other first place finish was Jenny Laughna's win in the 200-meter breaststroke.

NMU's next meet is the GLIAC championship Feb. 19-22 at the PEIF pool.

"We are excited to swim fast and host a great GLIAC meet," Vostad said.

"The fans help us too — it's great having the stands full of people supporting us and cheering us on."

## Football signs 18 recruits

NMU head football coach Eric Holm announced the signing of 18 student-athletes.

The signees from Michigan include: Norway wide receiver Tony Ebeling; defensive end/tight end Jeff Sarnowski of Sault Ste. Marie; kicker Pat Gibson of Walled Lake Western; tight end Matt Kuksa of Redford-Thurston; wide receiver Dan Valik of Sterling Heights Stevenson; and lineman Robert Seleh of Fordson.

Wisconsin athletes include: Wausau West's quarterback Tim Freiberg and running back Brad MacDonald; lineman Nick Forer of LaCrosse Aquinas; and offensive tackle Kurt Malnar of Cambridge.

Illinois athletes include: running back James Randle of Joliet Catholic; wide receivers Kameron Jackson and Steve Webb and quarterback Mark Peterson of Buffalo Grove; defensive back Eric Heard of Waukegan; defensive back Mark Bliven of Rockford-Boylan; and defensive back Louis Medina of Providence Catholic.

## Intramural season in full swing

By RONALD SEABERRY JR.  
Staff Writer

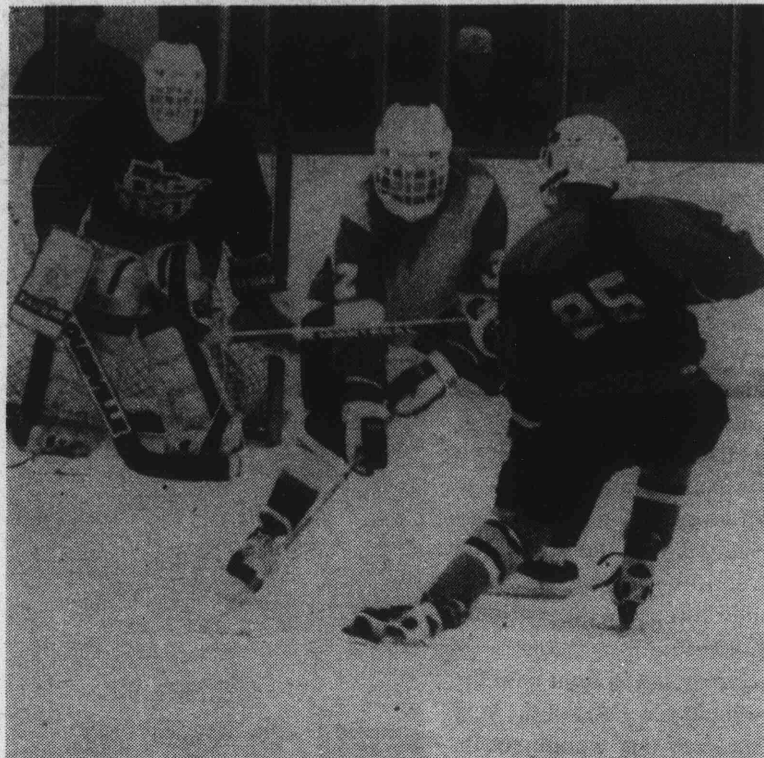
The main intramural season has started, as the schedules for basketball, volleyball and wallyball became available.

**In early volleyball action**, the Freebirds flew over Flight in two straight games, 15-7, 15-1. Mortal Fish routed V.A. Hall, 15-7, 15-4. Dakota is out of the tournament, and the Woosh Heads got a forfeit victory.

**In men's broomball**, Octagon squared away Lambda Chi, 5-1. Bruce Desselier scored three goals, and Tim Syskel scored the other two for Octagon. The Untouchables couldn't be touched as they rolled over the Beat, 3-1. Michael Mulligan scored all three goals for the Untouchables, who advance in the winners' bracket to meet Octagon.

**In women's broomball**, Niva's snuck by Hunt Hall, 2-1. Nicole Golbeck and Beth Hessing each scored for Niva's, who move on to meet the Snow Plows. First the Snow Plows swept up the Sweepers, 5-2, as Laura Kilpela and Amy Aittama combined for all five goals. Then the Snow Plows advanced over Phi Sigma Sigma, 4-1. Amy Aittama once again led the Snow Plows with two goals.

**In ice hockey action**, the Choppers kicked Home Grown out by a



North Wind photo by Duane Pape  
**Jason Lauren, 85, of the Pride, watches his snapshot rocket over the net in intramural hockey action. The Pride defeated the Ravens 9-5.**

score of 5-2. Jeff Phillips added two goals and two assists, and Darren Reiter also scored two goals for the Choppers. Cap'n Geech and the Shrimp Shack Shooters ate the Leftovers for lunch. Justin Kangas scored twice, Pat Aldrich assisted twice, and goalie Randy Wetalainen only let one goal get by. The Pride outscored the Ravens 9-5, as Cory

Korpi and Jason Lauren each scored three times, and Lauren assisted twice. Ron Reynolds had a nice individual effort for the Ravens, scoring three goals. Lastly, the Young Guns shot Gang Green, 4-2. Brad Gerometta led the Young Guns with a goal and an assist as the Young Guns had a balanced offensive attack.

## U.P. offers many outdoor activities

We live in an area where canoeing, skinny dipping (don't deny it), and hiking are wonderful outdoor activities — especially skinny dipping. But this is winter, and in these long months, swimming naked requires an ice auger, because it's not allowed in the PEIF (although I know of a couple of young ladies who would still try).

Have you ever tried hiking in the winter? Obviously this wouldn't work. In the winter we can't cast flies in the bathtub. We just wouldn't be as successful — at least some of us.

The point is, in winter there are outdoor activities we can and should be participating in, and I — as an NMU student — have made a commitment to do so.

I made this commitment by first joining an alpine ski racing team. The races are every Thursday night and I get to ski for only \$8. Plus, I get to get outside and enjoy some time with friends.

OK, so you don't ski? Then try ice fishing. True, even I'll admit, it can be boring, especially without a big screen T.V. or dancing girls or boys (I prefer girls, but it's your choice).

If observing wildlife is your thing, try snowshoeing. I have still yet to take part in this adventure, but not for a lack of trying. I have failed

**Kevin Hadas**

*Outdoors Columnist*



three times in my life due to stupid technical problems. Last weekend was a classic example. I attempted to go snowshoeing, but there were three of us and two pairs of shoes for rent. I would recommend calling ahead.

The trip last weekend wasn't totally a failure because Shane and Bethany went snowshoeing and I cross-country skied for the first time in about 14 years.

The equipment has changed for the better and it wasn't very difficult to train myself to do it again. I am now interested in learning the more difficult skate skiing.

As we drove home from the lodge, we made one last commitment. We committed to try a different activity every Sunday. I even weaselled Shane and Bethany into going ice fishing (although I think asking these two may have been a bad move).

Next weekend we will be going to see some ice caves. What will you be doing?

## Sports Briefs

### Alpine skiing

The NMU women's alpine skiing team placed second in a meet in Mt. LaCrosse, Wis., last Saturday and Sunday. Erin Pirkola placed second in the giant slalom, Katrina Lake finished 13th and Laura Daavettilla took 15th. Lake earned fourth, Kelly Bauer finished 11th and Pirkola took 13th in the slalom. NMU will travel to Afton Alps, Minn., for the Lake Superior Divisionals Saturday and Sunday.

### Nordic skiing

The NMU men's and women's nordic skiing teams both finished second in the CCSA Championships in Cable, Wis., last Saturday. The Wildcats' Barb Jones was the women's individual winner, while teammates Lisa Clausen and Keri Nelson claimed fifth and eighth in the 5K. The 'Cats' Jesse Downs finished in the top spot, David Lloyd took sixth and Addison Whitworth claimed eighth for the men in the 10K. The NMU men (20-K) and women (15-K) finished second again in Sunday's competition. Downs (fourth), Lloyd (sixth) and Whitworth (eighth) were the top finishers for NMU. Clausen finished fifth, and Nelson took eighth for the women. NMU will next compete in Biwabik, Minn., at the regional championships Feb. 15 to 20.

### USOEC speed skating

The USOEC short track speedskating team won a bronze medal in the 5,000-meter relay Sunday at the Winter World University Games in Chunju, Korea. It was the only medal for the U.S. team, and it came in the last race of the games. The USOEC's Scott Koons, Tom O'Hare, Scott Simnujak and Joe Rohraff teamed up for the bronze. Two USOEC women's skaters, Kelly Anderson and Therese Lease, also competed.

## Where are the NMU students?

At Cameron Stadium where the Duke Blue Devils play basketball, students stand for the entire game. The students holler, wave towels and bounce up and down in attempts to distract the opposing team. If that was attempted at NMU, the 30-40 students usually attending wouldn't even affect one player on the opposing team.

The number of fans at women's basketball games could fit inside a regular-size classroom.

Fan support for any athletic event means motivation for a team to perform

better. No one enjoys playing in a half-empty arena or fieldhouse.

I am not being biased, being a former player. I have been to the football, hockey, swimming, volleyball and men's basketball games for the past four-and-a-half years.

The support that is given to these teams is good, but with anything there can be more.

Most athletes come from schools that give a lot of support for athletics. Past teammates of mine would tell me that when they played, the gym was packed with students, family and people from the community. That has hardly happened at Hedgcock Fieldhouse.

The women's basketball team last year achieved the

best record (25-5) in the school's history. Last year the team won the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference tournament for the second year in a row. It also won the NCAA regional tournament and advanced to the Elite Eight for the first time in NMU's history.

This year's team is undefeated in the GLIAC and has suffered only two non-conference losses to very good opponents.

With everything this team has accomplished, Hedgcock Fieldhouse contains about 200 fans supporting the team, most of them non-students.

My question is, where are all the students? Is the problem the time the game is played? Not knowing the day of the game? Or is there just that much lack of student support for this team?

When the men play after, the attendance more than doubles. This is good for the men, but why is fan support for the women so little? What more does this team have to do? Isn't its past record and what it is accomplishing this year enough to generate some student support?

For those students who do attend, I know your support is much appreciated. No one likes playing in an empty gym.

This year's team has a chance to play host to the GLIAC postseason tournament for the first time. It will be held the week before our spring break. Students will be here and it would be a shame to miss some great teams competing against each other.

The women's game isn't as boring as many people think. Some even say it is more exciting than the men's game.

**Michelle Guyant**

*Sports Columnist*



# Comics

## THE Crossword

- ACROSS**  
 1 Cry loudly  
 5 Sorrow  
 10 House, in Jerez  
 14 Cleveland's lake  
 15 "— Lucy" (TV rerun)  
 16 — arms (very angry)  
 17 Dancer Pavlova  
 18 Troubled  
 19 Have confidence  
 20 Interfere  
 22 — well  
 24 A direction  
 26 Dried out  
 27 Meant by implication  
 31 Feeding trough  
 35 Winglike part  
 36 Flower part  
 38 Filched  
 39 Hoarfrost  
 41 Piece of turf  
 43 Shoe part  
 44 Occurrence  
 46 Cut into cubes  
 48 Caesar of old TV  
 49 Passover meals

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- 51 Identity  
 53 Crucifix  
 55 — majesty  
 56 Sock pattern  
 58 Like corduroy  
 62 Et — (and others)  
 63 Violin name  
 66 Indian language  
 67 City in Poland  
 68 French painter  
 69 Cafe au —  
 70 Dueling sword  
 71 Foe  
 72 ABA mem.

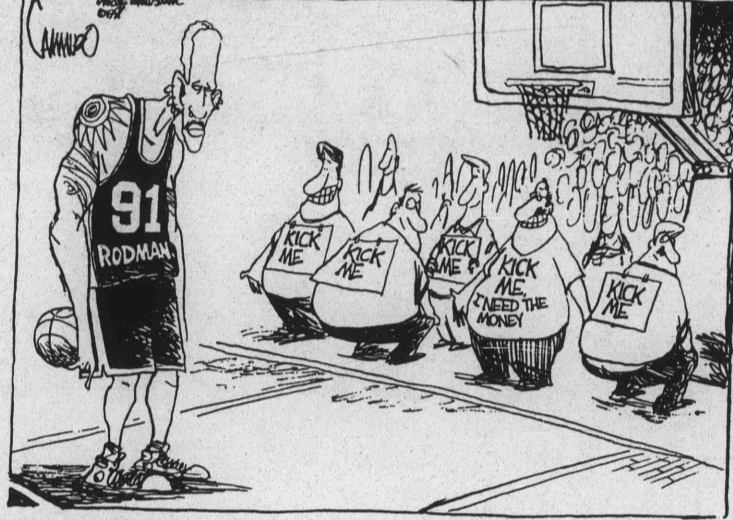
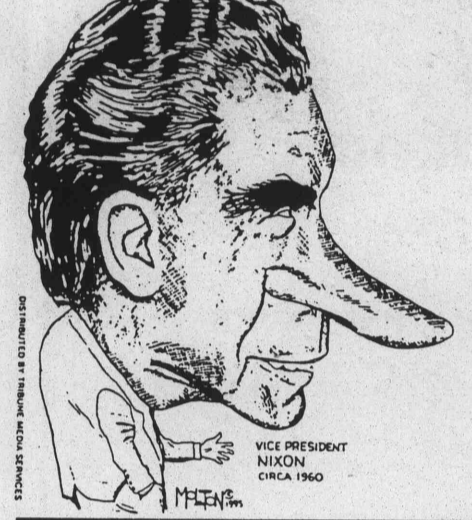
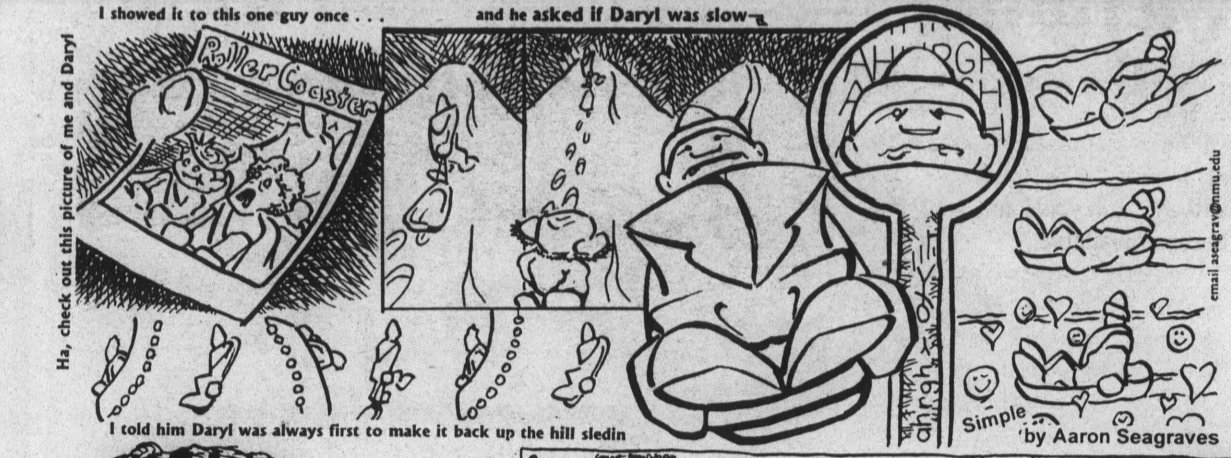
- DOWN**  
 1 Girder  
 2 English composer  
 3 Gale  
 4 Heavy  
 5 Dispossessed  
 6 Cry at bullfights  
 7 Smoked salmon  
 8 Kilns  
 9 Cash in

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### ANSWERS

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- 10 Undertows  
 11 Mimicked  
 12 Farm structure  
 13 "Have you — wool?"  
 21 Kingdom in Asia  
 23 Times  
 25 Lukewarm  
 27 Concerns  
 28 Oil source  
 29 Called  
 30 Bette or Jefferson  
 32 Web-footed bird  
 33 Famed New York island  
 34 Hollow stems  
 37 Not widespread  
 40 Give power to  
 42 Recklessness  
 45 Actor Donahue  
 47 Mr. Amaz  
 50 Console  
 52 Mass of interstellar dust  
 54 Evil spirit  
 56 Drooping



**Jeff Koval**

SOMETIMES LIFE JUST DOESN'T MAKE SENSE. SOMETIMES EVERYTHING JUST SEEMS WRONG.

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