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## Women assaulted in residence halls

BY MARY ANN CANCELLA  
AND ADAM WESTHOUSE  
STAFF WRITERS

On Nov. 15 reports were made to Public Safety that approximately 12 rooms on the second floor of Halverson Hall were entered illegally and several female residents said they were sexually assaulted.

Assistant Director of Police Services Jeffrey Mincheff said Public Safety is still investigating the case, however, charges may be brought against the suspect as soon as today.

"No charges have been made yet, but the prosecutor is currently looking over the case," Mincheff said.

Mincheff said the suspect allegedly walked through Halverson Hall attempt-

ing to open unlocked doors.

Mincheff would not disclose the name of the suspect, however, USOEC Director Jeff Kleinschmidt confirmed that the suspect had been a member of the boxing team. Kleinschmidt said he would not confirm an identification until a name has been released by authorities.

"Right now these are allegations," Kleinschmidt said. "I don't want to say anyone is guilty or not guilty."

Junior physiology major Briana Kirt, one of the alleged victims, said she was sleeping in her bed when a man entered her dorm room.

Kirt said the suspect climbed into her loft saying, "Baby doll, pretend you don't know who I am."

Kirt said she turned on the light and  
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## What's my line?



Kelly Adams/NW

Stand-up comedian Greg Proops, known for his work on the television show "Whose Line Is It Anyway?" performs in the Great Lakes Rooms last night.

## Public Safety investigates larceny cases

BY MARY ANN CANCELLA  
NEWS EDITOR

NMU Public Safety is currently investigating several students' involvement with stolen electronic equipment worth about \$100,000 taken from various buildings over the past year.

The students allegedly tried to sell the equipment on eBay, an Internet auction site.

Public Safety Crime Prevention and Communications Policing Specialist Don Peterman said Public Safety is unable to release the names of the suspects related

with the crime because they are still under investigation and no arrests have been made.

"Several students have been identified in the investigation, but the numbers are still growing," Peterman said.

The stolen equipment includes projectors, video recorders, laptop computers and possibly other equipment, Public Safety Police Investigator Victor LaDuke said.

Peterman said Public Safety has been working on the case since the first equipment was stolen about one year ago.

The majority of the equipment was

taken from the Jacobetti Center, Jamrich Hall, the New Science Facility and the Learning Resource Center, Peterman said.

According to Public Safety's Daily Crime Activity Log, reports of stolen electronic merchandise date back as far as July 1, 2001, at which time a laptop was stolen from Meyland Hall. During the next few months, larceny was reported in the Jacobetti Center on Oct. 1, in Gries Hall on Oct. 3, in the University Center on Oct. 24 and in the Jacobetti Center again on Oct. 25, 2001.

The most recent report of larceny occurred on Nov. 3, 2002 in the LRC,

according to the Daily Activity Log.

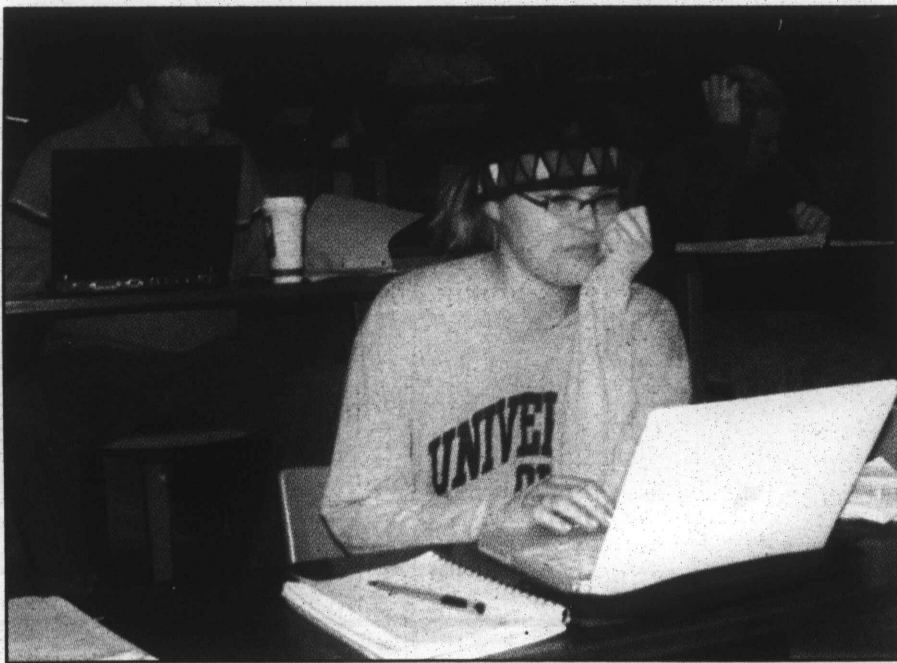
One student assisted Public Safety in the location of several of the students suspected of the crimes.

The source asked to remain anonymous for safety reasons, as none of the suspects have yet been arrested.

"I used the Internet and e-mail to locate several of the students," the source said. "It was easy because they were stupid enough to post the equipment on eBay."

Public Safety asked for assistance due to the source's experience with locating people that was learned through an intern-

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Aruthur Gelsinger/NW

Junior English major Don Willis, left, and junior art education major Amy Burmeister use their laptops to take notes during class in Jamrich Hall on Monday.

## Repairs speed up dial-in connections

BY MARY ANN CANCELLA  
NEWS EDITOR

The Technical Services Office made repairs to approximately 24 of NMU's dial-in phone lines on Nov. 15 to correct a problem caused during installation by SPC Ameritech.

Technical Services Director David Maki said this effected students by slowing down the Internet connections used through NMU's dial in.

"They sometimes heard loud, high-pitched noises or received a busy signal when trying to access NMU's dial-in connection," Maki said.

Telecommunications Manager Jan

Seppa said she received calls from students complaining they had problems connecting to campus through NMU's dial-in number.

"It didn't make any sense, students would say they got a busy signal," Seppa said. "But when we checked the monitoring system it showed we weren't using all the lines we thought we had available."

Seppa said the dial-in connection lines are set up through packages called T1s. Each T1 carries approximately 24 phone lines used for Internet services. She said that campus has 13 T1s and 306 dial-in phone lines all together.

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The next issue of The North Wind will be published on Dec. 5. Happy Thanksgiving!



**ASSAULTS**

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the suspect proceeded to pull the covers over her head.

"At first I thought it was one of my friends," Kirt said. "But when he spoke, I knew that he wasn't one of my friends."

Kirt said the incident occurred at approximately 3:40 a.m. on Nov. 15.

The suspect remained in Kirt's room, where he began to kiss and touch her without permission, Kirt said.

Kirt said that after the suspect left her room she went to her resident adviser's room, however her RA did not answer the door.

Next Kirt went into the TV room and sat with friends while a friend reported the incident to Public Safety.

Mincheff said the suspect

illegally entered rooms in the second floor area of Halverson — the all-girls floor.

Both the Housing Director Carl Holm and the Resident Director of Halverson Hall Mary Kate Dietrich declined to comment on the situation.

"I think it's helpful to get the information out there," Holm said. "But it's an ongoing police investigation and I don't know what I am at liberty to say."

Other residents of Halverson Hall remain concerned.

"We were never informed of the incident," freshman undeclared major Dan Harris said. "I think since it happened above us, we should have been made aware of it."

Sophomore political science major Colby O'Connell said he knew two of the victims who

had confrontations with the suspect.

"All I know is what I heard from the victims," O'Connell said.

Freshman health and fitness management major Mindy McCutcheon said she didn't realize until yesterday how close the assaults were to her.

"I would have been out of luck if I hadn't locked my door, and it makes me pretty scared," McCutcheon said.

She said she was alone in her dorm room the night the incidents occurred.

"Eleven of the girls on my floor were affected by this," McCutcheon said. "But ... I didn't hear anything."

As a reminder, Mincheff said he encourages students to keep their doors locked at all times.

**STOLEN**

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ship with a law firm in Grand Rapids over the summer, the source said.

Peterman said Public Safety was not willing to comment on how they used eBay to locate and identify the stolen equipment.

"If we say how we went about locating the equipment, it might tip off other people on how to commit such a crime," Peterman said.

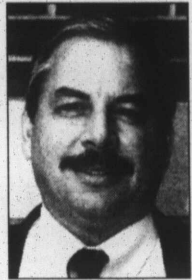
Peterman said since the merchandise has been stolen, Public Safety has begun to increase security across campus.

He said officers have started to make more patrols throughout campus and have buildings checked from inside by other

available staff.

The Marquette Police Department, the Marquette County Sheriff's Department,

the Michigan State Police and the FBI are all assisting Public Safety with the case, LaDuke said.



LaDuke

He said the incidents appear to be related with a series of break-ins and thefts in Marquette County.

LaDuke said he suspects it will not be too much longer before the students related with the incidents are charged.

**ATTENTION**

Students, faculty or staff stealing newspapers from a designated rack or spot on campus are subject to criminal prosecution. Possible charges include: larceny, petty theft, criminal mischief or destruction of property. Individuals stealing newspapers are also subject to civil lawsuits.

**DIAL-IN**

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To monitor use of these lines, the Academic Computing Office connected software to all of the T1s to report traffic, Seppa said. By reading these monitor reports, Technical Services was able to tell that the phone lines were not being used to their capacity, she said.

However, since there was no other way to check what was wrong with these lines, they had to be physically checked for

wiring problems, Maki said.

He said he checked the wiring by turning off each set of lines.

Maki said it was then discovered that one single line in one of the T1s was not properly installed.

"Because of this one line, none of the lines in that T1 functioned properly," Maki said. "This was due to Ameritech's faulty installation."

Maki said once they began checking the wires it took him approximately two hours to cor-

rect the problem.

Due to the faulty installation, this specific T1 was completely skipped over when a student tried accessing the dial-in lines, Maki said.

However, because only one single line was not installed properly, the T1 still passed diagnostic checks, he said.

"It was difficult to pinpoint the problem," Maki said. "We only began to notice it when the server got really busy."

Seppa said she first began

receiving phone calls from students who were unable to access a dial-in connection in September.

Maki said during the summer there was not enough traffic to max out all of the dial-in connections and that once students returned to campus for fall semester, they began to have problems.

Maki said, however, that students should now realize a difference in the speed of accessing the campus network via dial in.

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## BRIEFS

## Local

## Red Cross funds turn up missing

HOUGHTON — Donations of up to \$27,000 collected by the American Red Cross in the Copper Country area to help Sept. 11 victims are currently unaccounted for, a Red Cross official said on Wednesday. An official from the Red Cross regional office out of Des Moines, Iowa has hired an auditor to determine where the donations from the now-defunct local chapter ended up. Red Cross officials say they will compensate for any local money not passed on to relief funds. The donations were intended to be sent to the national Liberty Fund. The investigation comes just weeks after a former executive director of the local chapter was charged with embezzlement of Red Cross money.

## National

## Harlem fire leaves 270 homeless

NEW YORK, N.Y. — On Tuesday, an early morning fire at an apartment building in New York City's Harlem neighborhood left over 270 people without homes. The seven-story building was severely damaged in the fire, which broke out around 1:34 a.m. The cause of the blaze was due to woman leaving a lit cigarette on a bed, according to authorities. The woman alerted neighbors of the fire as she fled the building. At least 10 firefighters were injured in the blaze, although none seriously. Several residents suffered smoke inhalation and were taken to Saint Luke's Hospital. A hospital spokeswoman said two elderly women were admitted to the hospital and were in stable condition. Temporary housing is being set up for apartment residents.

## International

## Oil tanker sinks off coast of Spain

MADRID, Spain — On Tuesday, an oil tanker broke in half and sank off the coast of Spain, and environmentalists are worried that environmental disaster is just around the corner. The Bahamian ship, Prestige, ruptured last week during a storm and spilled between 1.3 and 2.6 million gallons of crude oil into the Atlantic waters. Although the ship's remaining oil tanks are believed to still be intact, scientists say it is likely that they will eventually begin to leak toxic fuel. The result could be even more disastrous than the 1989 Exxon Valdez oil spill in Alaska, which dumped more than 10 million gallons into the northern Pacific Ocean. Spill clean-up has begun along both Spain and Portugal, where oil is already washing up along coastal beaches.

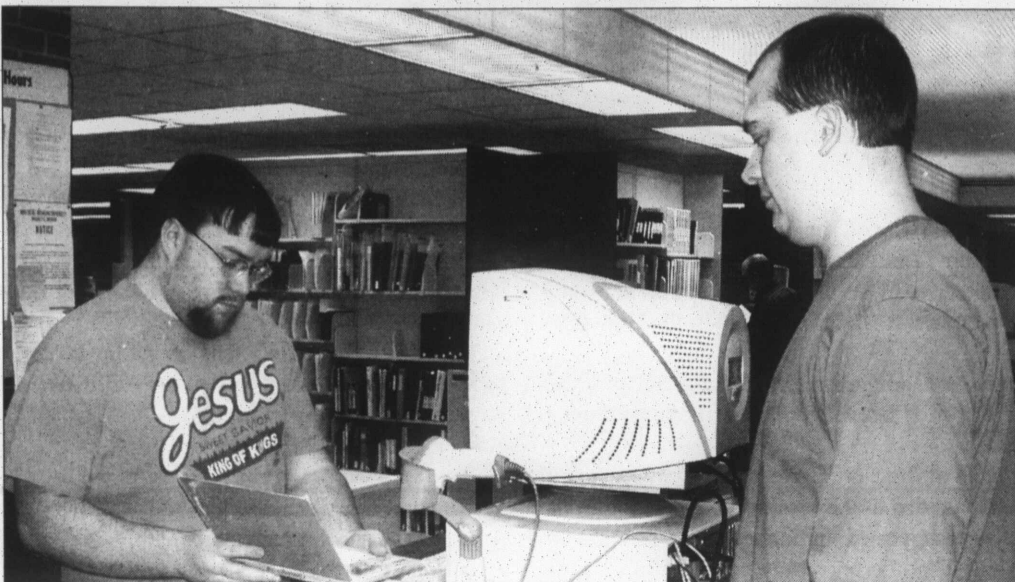
## Weird News

## Rattlesnake kiss nearly kills man

YACOLT, Wash. — A man showing off his new rattlesnake to friends was nearly killed on Sunday after he kissed the snake, which subsequently bit him. Matt George, 21, had found the 2-foot-long snake while vacationing in Arizona. George held the snake behind its head, and the snake bit him under his mustache. He dropped the snake on the kitchen floor, and one of George's friends killed it with his cowboy boot. George was then rushed to the hospital by ambulance where his face began to swell and then completely lost consciousness. The man arrived at a hospital in Portland, Ore., where he was listed in critical condition. By Tuesday, George was upgraded to serious condition and is expected to make a full recovery.

— Compiled from news sources

## Checking it out



Arthur Gelsinger/NW

Junior electronics major Adam Heinzelman assists in checking out books to academic software support specialist Jeff Wommer in the Lydia M. Olson Library on Monday afternoon.

## Radio X to host art show

BY NICOLE GEARHART  
STAFF WRITER

On Nov. 23, NMU's student-operated radio station, Radio X, will be teaming up with the Students' Art Gallery to host an art show for students to have their works displayed and judged for prizes.

The top prize includes \$100 worth of art supplies from the NMU Bookstore.

The show, titled "The Radio X Art Show," will be held in conjunction with the Fall Jam, a concert featuring a number of heavy metal bands also hosted by Radio X.

Both shows will be held at 3 p.m. on Nov. 23 in the Great Lakes Rooms in the University Center.

All submissions to the art show had to relate to music, Radio X or a combination of the two.

Pieces for the art show to be were submitted from Nov. 18 to noon on Nov. 22. These pieces were scanned in order can be dis-

played in the online showcase, which can be viewed on Radio X's Web site, [www.wupx.com](http://www.wupx.com), senior illustration major and Radio X Program Director Josh Buyarski said.

Buyarski, one of the event coordinators, said this is a way for the radio station to appeal to a wider range of students.

"The show is Radio X's way to reach out to the art community," Buyarski said. "A lot of the DJs are artists and we wanted to give them the opportunity to showcase their stuff."

Contest rules state that Radio X employees are permitted to enter the show, but are not eligible for prizes.

The Fall Jam features heavy metal music from throughout the nation.

"This will engage many different people, some looking for art and some for music, all walking away with both," senior art and design major and director of the NMU Students' Art Gallery Whitney Kenniburg said. "It also motivates creativity."

The art show will end at 10 p.m. and the concert will conclude at approximately 11 p.m. Admission is free for NMU students with an ID and \$5 for the general public.

"I think that artists can be musical or visual and [many] artists are both," freshman electronic journalism major and Radio X DJ Skylar Lyon said. "Combining them just makes sense."

The first place winner will receive \$100 towards art supplies at the Bookstore, and may have their work displayed at other Radio X events.

Runners-up will receive Radio X prize packages containing T-shirts, coffee mugs and CDs. Selected artists will also have their work showcased in the Students' Art Gallery.

"The community of artists in Marquette have a lot of output," Kenniburg said. "All they need is space and spectators to balance the equation, and Radio X has given them an opportunity to take part and exhibit."

## Smokeout day kicks butts

BY ADAM WESTHOUSE  
ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

Cigarette smokers from NMU and across the nation will have the opportunity to kick their dependency today for the 25th annual Great American Smokeout.

The smokeout, sponsored at NMU by the Health Promotions Office and the American Cancer Society, aims to bring national focus to the challenge of quitting smoking.

HPO Specialist Lenny Shible said the smokeout is a way of providing encouragement, education and focus on quitting smoking.

"Our job is not to tell anyone to quit," Shible said. "Support

[for quitting] without nagging is very important because nagging usually does not work."

Shible said people have a variety of reasons to quit smoking, particularly when it comes to issues of money. Shible said that a student who consumes one pack per day for a year would spend about \$1,500, over half of what they pay for in-state tuition at NMU.

"Quitting smoking is a process, not an event," Shible said. "The smokeout day can be the first step to doing so."

Shible also said that even if smokers take a break from their addiction for a few extra hours or even a day or two, it is still a step in the right direction.

During the past week, the

HPO department set up booths in both the University Center and the Learning Resource Center, dispensing smoking information and "quit kits" to students.

According to the American Cancer Society Web site, around four million people die worldwide each year due to smoking.

In the United States, tobacco use is responsible for nearly one in five deaths.

Statistically, smokers die 10 to 12 years sooner than nonsmokers do, the Web site said. For most smokers, it takes at least several tries before they actually quit, Shible said.

For more information on quitting smoking stop by the Health Promotions Office in Room 1205 in the University Center.

## FORECAST

- **Friday:** Mostly cloudy with a chance of showers. High around 32. Low 22.
- **Saturday:** Cloudy with snow showers possible. High 30 to 35. Low 25. Chance of snow 60 percent.
- **Sunday:** Snow likely. High around 35. Low 15.

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# AQIP looks to students in processing initiatives

BY CRYSTALEE CRAIN  
STAFF WRITER

Today, NMU will begin gathering input from students on 79 initiatives that are being considered as prospective AQIP projects at forums held at 1 and 6 p.m. in the Michigan Room in the University Center.

On Nov. 1, administrators, faculty and staff met in the Superior Dome to discuss the accreditation process.

Provost of Student Services and Enrollment Bill Bernard said that at the campus conversation in the Dome, 79 suggested initiatives were brought up regarding what the university could do to improve learning.

"We are looking at the big-picture goals," Bernard said.

At today's student forums, the initiatives will be discussed and narrowed down to five to eight of the most important topics, Bernard said.

"We need to pick four to seven initiatives that really make a difference and are able to be carried out in one to three years," University Provost of Academic Affairs Leonard Heldreth said. "AQIP is the sort of procedure that encourages continuance in quality improvement."

Bernard said when the most important initiatives are decided upon, they will be taken down to the Chicago area and introduced to other universities that are participating in the AQIP accreditation process.

The other universities will critique each other's ideas on how to improve learning.

"The initiatives with the biggest impact on learning are the most important," Bernard said.

Once these ideas are approved by AQIP, they can be implemented at the university.

"We get critiques from other universities to see what is more do-able," NMU President Judi Bailey said.

If students choose to attend one of the forums on Nov. 21, they are asked to visit the AQIP Web site, [www.nmu.edu/aqip/campus-conversation.htm](http://www.nmu.edu/aqip/campus-conversation.htm), to review the 79 propositions, Principal Secretary in the Student Activities and Leadership Programs Office Bernadette Norden said.

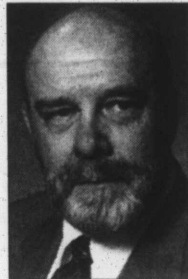
Norden said students should review this list to be prepared to assist the university in narrowing down the various propositions.

Heldreth said to get into the AQIP program the AQIP steering committee had to fill out an application and discuss successes of quality control.

The committee also had to go through a self-evaluation that included faculty and staff discussing working conditions and general feeling about the school itself.

"There were NMU online questionnaires that faculty and staff filled out," Heldreth said.

This led to the campus conversation day on Nov. 1. Heldreth said NMU must stay accredited through the North Central Accreditation, of which AQIP is a division.



Heldreth

# Library granted literary award

Northern Michigan University's Lydia M. Olson Library was selected a runner-up for the state's top literary award.

The Library of Michigan Foundation's State Librarian's Excellence Award is awarded to a library that exemplifies excellence in customer service. One library in the state of Michigan receives this award yearly. The recipient library is awarded a check for \$5,000 to be used as the library wishes to provide services.

The Library of Michigan Foundation awarded the 2002 State Librarians Excellence Award to the Genesee District Library while Fremont District Library and the Olson Library were awarded citations of excellence as the runners-up.

"These libraries exemplify the kind of outstanding customer service that makes libraries such a vital part of their communities," State Librarian Christie Pearson Brandau said.

The selection panel praised

the library staff and cited its unique role in the implementation and support of Northern's technology initiative.

"The library and its librarians assumed the leadership in a new initiative, which certainly is not a traditional library function," the selection committee's nomination review said.

Nominations for this award are supplied by library directors or members of the public. The nominations must be supported by a minimum of three letters written by local businesses, chamber of commerce, governmental units or service organizations.

"We're honored to be recognized," Dean of Academic Information Services Darlene Pierce said. "People of the NMU community and Marquette area know Olson Library staff is topnotch, but it's extremely gratifying when your colleagues cite you as being among the best in the state."

— NMU press release

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Notebook computers may be returned to NMU Public Safety when Micro Repair is closed.

Micro Repair will re-open Thursday, January 2, 2003



# NMU presents chamber music

BY MARY ANN CANCELLA  
NEWS EDITOR

The music department will be holding a Chamber Ensemble at 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 22 in Jamrich 103, showcasing several students in a series of duets, quartets and quintets of percussion, brass, woodwind, string and piano music.

The show will open with a percussion ensemble by composer Christopher Rouse.

The ensemble will also include performances by piano, flute, violin and clarinet quartets and a brass quintet.

The event is free of charge.

Performances are done by students and will not be directed. "Chamber music is not supposed to be directed," music professor Elda Tate said.

Tate said chamber music has a more intimate setting than other larger concerts.

"The name implies a smaller atmosphere," Tate said. "When the individual is the only person playing, that part it is more of a challenge."

She said students in the music department have been planning and working on the chamber ensemble since the beginning of this semester.

Tate said there is no theme for the ensemble, however, most of the music is classical.

Students selected their pieces and worked on them during their chamber ensemble class throughout this past semester, junior violin major Peter Schindler said.

He said most of the music was selected from the Baroque period, which extended from 1600 to 1750.

"I expect the ensemble to go very well," Schindler said. "The music is something that everyone can enjoy."

# ATEP near accreditation

## Athletic educational program close to formal state approval

BY ZAINÉ MAGEE  
STAFF WRITER

For the past four years, NMU's Athletic Training Educational Program has been actively pursuing formal accreditation and they are now nearing completion of the process.

Since athletic training first became available as a major in 1998, Northern has been engaged in the necessary steps involved in having the sixth accredited ATEP program in Michigan, Director of ATEP Julie Rochester said.

"All athletic programs across the country have to eventually seek accreditation," Rochester said. "The requirement started in the mid-90s and is coming to a head in 2004."

She said after 2004 any university program left unaccredited will not be eligible to send students to earn certification as athletic trainers.

If the accreditation process goes according to plan, the ATEP program should be accredited in April 2003, said Glenn Edgerton, professor of health, physical education and recreation.

The accreditation process for

athletic training programs involves several phases and takes place over the course of a few years. Candidacy must first be established, which Northern successfully managed two years ago, Rochester said.

After two years of lobbying for accreditation, the university in pursuit must then submit in detail a self-study report describing all aspects of the training program offered.



Rochester

A site visit follows, where representatives from the Joint Review Committee for Athletic Training Programs (JRCATP) come to the university and make certain everything listed in the self study report is true, Rochester said.

In the final step, the Commission on Accrediting Allied Health Education Program (CAAHEP) reviews the JRCATP's report and makes the final decision as to whether the

institution can be considered formally accredited, Rochester said.

Northern is currently undergoing the final steps in this process and is near completion, Edgerton said.

"About two weeks ago our campus was visited by representatives from the JRCATP," Rochester said. "The site visit went excellent and the committee was extremely impressed with everything. They raved about NMU."


Rochester said she began her career at Northern in 1990 and the only option for students interested in athletic training was internship programs.

Students had a handful of classes to choose from in pursuing their training goals, but a set major had never been created, Rochester also said.

The university has a significant amount of progress in developing a direction for these students to follow by outlining a specific major and lowering the cost of internship programs, Rochester said.

"Now that we've been visited and have went through all the steps [in the process] we have only to wait until the CAAHEP meets again in 2002 to see if our work has paid off," Rochester said.

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EDITORIAL

Hall plans leave void

NMU is in the early stages of renovating Hedgcock Fieldhouse, converting it from a physical education building to the new home of the student services department and the Reynolds Recital Hall.

The project, with a \$15.75 million budget, will provide the music department, including choirs and bands, with a facility to perform. The hall is expected to acoustically rank among the best in the Upper Peninsula, but the venues in the area are few and small, giving little competition.

The recital hall will seat approximately 300 people. While it would be an improvement for the music department, this recital hall does not fulfill the overall need our campus has for an appropriate all-purpose venue.

Perhaps the right place to seek direct would be with Michigan Tech's Rozsa Center, which seats 1,101 people, and cost \$20 million. It converts from concert mode to theatre mode, and has held lectures, comedic performances and concerts.

Building the Reynolds Recital Hall the way the plans currently state will still leave us with a void. Programming at NMU is poor partially because the current venues we have are insufficient. Henry Rollins even commented about the lack of feeling in the Great Lakes Rooms when he came to perform, and it wasn't due to a deficiency in student enthusiasm. It's hard to get excited about an event when you know you won't be able to see from the sides or back of the Great Lakes Rooms, or you'll be uncomfortable in a crowded room in Jamrich or the hard chairs of the Berry Events Center.

Marquette is the pinnacle of the Upper Peninsula and deserves a prominent venue. NMU has the perfect opportunity to build a place to allure big acts, and to house them properly. All current venues in Marquette either have limited seating or poor acoustics, which discourages big acts from making the already-intimidating journey to NMU.

The \$15.75 million budget should be used for something more impressive than to renovate a building with pre-existing heat, water and electricity into offices and a 300-seat recital hall.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Conversation Day offers controversy

On Nov. 1, NMU held an "All Campus Conversation Day" in which the faculty discussed where they wanted to see the university in the future.

A "Conversation Day Summary Report," which outlines the propositions made on that day has since been posted. Most of the propositions made during the conversation were good, constructive ideas that will help the university reach its goal of becoming the university of choice in the Midwest.

However, one proposal in the report, Proposition 55, just doesn't seem to fit in. In it, the faculty proposes that "the parking permit fee be discontinued for employees, because it is an unwarranted financial burden."

It seems to me that the faculty is using the mostly positive Conversation Day Report to save a little money out of their own pocketbooks. I highly doubt faculty members can't afford the once a year fee.

Not only that, but the State of Michigan does not appropriate funds for parking lot construction and maintenance, as such facilities are expected to be self-supporting.

That means the only way to get money for them is to charge money for parking passes and collect money from parking tickets. If the faculty is exempt from the parking fee, you can expect to see the student fee increase drastically, as well as the fine for parking violations.

Students, don't let your faculty do this to you.

Einar Manki  
junior, political science

Student appreciates columnist's wisdom

I read Kyle Oritz column "Rape prevention should be everyone's job" and I just want to say thank you for pointing out things that many may be thinking or many others may not real-

ize. I always wondered myself why men get so much pleasure out of hurting a woman, since it will hurt them for the rest of their lives. Thank you for pointing out that the woman is not just someone but someone's daughter, sister, girlfriend or friend. We do need to be more aware of what is going on around us and if someone is in trouble to help them out. To the men out there, why do you even want to hurt a woman in that way, just for a few seconds of pleasure? She may never be able to trust a man again, and lose faith in all men. Think about your actions before you do anything! Thanks again, Kyle, for pointing these things out. It means a lot to hear this coming from a guy, since you rarely do!

Jamie Wilms  
sophomore, history

On-campus graffiti annoys ASNMU rep

As I am studying for a test, I can't help but think that several NMU students are guilty of bad taste. I'm trying to get some reading done in the personal booths upstairs at the library, but it's just not happening.

The reason I come back to these booths is to avoid distraction, however this may be the most distracting area of the entire LRC. There is graffiti everywhere. You've all seen it. Walls, desks and of course, bathroom stalls. These booths back here are horrible, and this particular one I am in is the worst I've seen so far. Written on the wood are three ethnic slurs, two comments bashing alternative sexual orientation, the F-word found a solid 12 times, a picture of an unclothed girl in a very flexible and provocative position, a phrase promoting pedophilia and the classic "For a good time, call Kate at 227-..." The bottom line is, is that this is both sick and disturbing. I come to school here to learn, not to test my gag reflexes. Do the people who write these things have souls?

So, instead of getting my homework done, I am wasting precious studying time writing this, which is very irritating. Since my mind is so off track from studying, I might as well just call it a night. Perhaps I'll call Kate and have a good time.

Chad Curtis  
senior, human geography  
ASNMU off-campus rep

Manager responds to lie accusation

The election is over but the accusation is still out there. I am referring to the Oct. 31 North Wind and Mark Slykhouse's response to my letter. He states that I told half-truths and "blatantly lied." This simply is not the way I do business in my professional or personal life. If Slykhouse had read the entire wording of the Healthy Michigan Amendment, he would have found that only 28 percent of the funds would have gone directly to hospitals.

The "blatant lie" according to Slykhouse was "no money currently is spent on medical care." My words were: "Yet Michigan is not spending a penny of its tobacco settlement on health care and smoking prevention." I interpret health care in this discussion to relate to tobacco caused illness and also mean direct medical care to patients who are suffering.

The only tobacco prevention programs that have received "interest" from the tobacco payments have come through Community Foundations and one half of their allotments were mandated for endowment funds. None of the tobacco settlement dollars have gone toward prevention. I disagree with Mark's tobacco use statistics as well.

Election results showed that many did not want to amend the Constitution. Polls clearly showed Michigan citizens want more funding for tobacco control, prevention and treatment.

Carol Margrif  
U.P. Regional ALA Manager

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# Former athletes driven by greed

For many people, the honor of wearing a uniform for the University of Michigan and the experience and national exposure they receive is enough to keep them happy while playing basketball there.

However, for four former Michigan athletes these benefits were not enough to stop them from risking their careers by taking money from a sports booster during their days at Michigan.

Luckily for them, they did not get caught while at the university. The athletes that former sports booster Ed Martin says he gave a total of \$616,000 will not be punished for breaking the agreement they signed when they decided to play college basketball. Instead, they continue their pro careers and keep making millions in the NBA.

The University of Michigan and the current players are not so lucky however. This year's team will not be allowed to play in post-season tournaments and may watch their school be handed out further sanctions such as loss of scholarships that could damage the school's program even further.

Future Michigan teams and their fans will suffer because of the acts of a few irresponsible and selfish individuals who could not resist temptations.

When athletes agree to play a sport for a college or university, they sign an agreement that says they will not take money or gifts from anyone who is not family or a long-time friend.

While Michigan should share the blame for looking the other direction while players drove expensive cars and showed signs that they had taken money, the players are the primary ones who should be held accountable for what has happened.

Chris Webber, one of the accused athletes, had enough money in high school to go to a private school. With his full-scholarship at U of M, he had more than enough money to support himself in college.

Yet he broke the rules, not because he needed the money, but for selfish reasons. Like anyone else in society who breaks a rule, he should be punished.

When Webber heard that U of M was forfeiting wins from during his career, he told reporters, "It was just hurtful, because we gave everything to Michigan."

Apparently, he did a little more taking than giving during his playing days. Athletes like Webber will often try to justify their actions by saying that the university uses them to make money, but I don't buy it. These athletes gain just as much from

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BY ROB HAMILTON

their institutions, if not more.

First off, colleges offer young athletes national exposure by playing at a major institution. The publicity that many of these athletes get in college has them signing multi-million dollar contracts before they ever play a minute in professional leagues.

For athletes who want to play at the next level, schools provide valuable experience playing at a high level of competition.

Finally and maybe most importantly, universities offer student athletes free education that gives them something to fall back on. Unless you have a GPA near 4.0 and an ACT score close to 30, there is little chance of being accepted at U of M — that is, unless you're an athlete. This free educational opportunity at such a prestigious university is invaluable, yet some athletes take it for granted.

The bottom line is that there is no justification for what Webber and the other Michigan players did. They agreed to play college basketball. They knew the rules. They broke them.

U of M is expected to pay-back over \$400,000 to the NCAA for revenue they received in tournaments during the years that the illegal activity transpired. Webber and the other athletes should be forced to pay those fines and should be sued by the school for breaching their contract. Unfortunately, there is not really any other way these men can be punished. But then again, these players have already proven that their wallets are what matters most.

So now the truth is out, the school is paying for their naivete, but the players responsible will keep on collecting paychecks. It's not surprising that some players don't stick to their word. I'm sure this type of activity goes on in many other institutions as well.

But the sad thing is that the players who are at Michigan for the right reasons will suffer, while those who disrespected the game and their contract will continue to prosper from the publicity and experience the university gave them.

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** Rob welcomes reactions to his columns at [opinion@thenorthwind.org](mailto:opinion@thenorthwind.org).

# SOUND OFF

## THE LIST

- Windtalkers
- Bernie McGrenehame
- Girl Geniuses
- Tom Delucah
- Julie from the Real World
- Survivors cast member
- Affairs of Race in America
- Dr. Ruth
- Chuck D
- Danny Coulsen
- Ben Stein



Steve Brisson  
senior, CIS

"Ben Stein. I can't help myself against competition like Julie from the Real World."



Brandee Giovenco  
freshman, botany

"Dr. Ruth! She's 10 times better than my Grandma Ruth because she would never even say the word 'sex'!"



Michael Larson  
senior, public relations

"Ben Stein — dry, witty, worked for Nixon, what else can you ask for?"



Susan Page  
sophomore, behavior analysis

"Dr. Ruth because we all need to know more about sex."



Becky Stanaway  
junior,  
health information processing

"Danny Coulsen. I am interested in law and I would like to learn more about the FBI inside."

—Compiled by Arthur Gelsinger

# Avoiding the cold, naturally

Come to beautiful NMU, a campus located close to gorgeous parks, with opportunities for hiking, snowboarding, camping, skiing and generally being a big outdoorsy person.

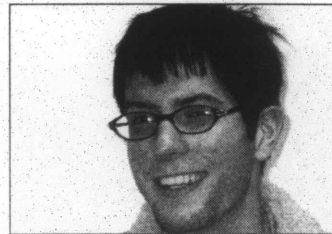
Northern, Naturally. NMU, which offers an extensive outdoor recreation major. Northern, which is surrounded by magnificent trees and wooded areas. Come see bear. Come, get lost on Hogsback.

Don't like the outdoors? Looking forward to preparing for a meaningless existence spent idling away hours under harsh fluorescents, perfecting that pasty complexion while playing Spider Solitaire on the company computer? Find nature abhorrent and long for the sweat-laden recycled central air? Come to Northern anyway!

Yes, soon, so very soon, Northern will be instituting a program casually referred to as AFAR (All Freshmen Are Rats). Yes, project AFAR recognizes the rodent-like nature of many incoming students and offers them a host of rodent-like living conditions, including cramped quarters with up to four students in a 12-by-12 space and hamster tunnels.

And, like herpes at MSU, they are spreading. Soon prospective students will be lured by a wild construct of tubes and underground warrens, though they will still have to

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BY JEREMIAH BRITT

supply their own sawdust bedding. With the coming renovation connecting Hedgcock to Thomas Fine Arts and similar projects connecting the rest of the buildings, students will no longer find it necessary to suffer the horrors of a U.P. winter.

Unless they want to, of course ... Northern, Naturally!

And while it may have been the side effect of chronic insomnia, I think I even heard a rumor that new students will not only take part in a ThinkPad Initiative, but also a BubbleBall Nascent, a program inspired by the ever popular hamster-ball. These eight-foot diameter plastic balls will be made of a new, ultra-light, super-strong, low-fat and temperature-resistant material (breathing holes \$100 more each semester). They will allow students to get from the dorms and in between classes without getting their weekend clogs dirty, or their little noses cold. They not only protect students from the icky environment, they

are easy to clean and cute!

They will be made available "flavored," that is, offered in a variety of fun colors which will allow them to coordinate their BubbleBall with their microwave and cordless phone. Colors include Prissy Pink, Soyilent Green and Agoraphobe Orange. Yes, soon that cruel mistress Mother Nature will have no impact on the lives of our students. Unless they are outdoor recreation majors. Northern, Naturally!

It is certainly a good budgetary move as well, for I am constantly hearing about students leaving the school because they did not realize that a U.P. school would be so inundated with trees and snow. It was terribly misleading of our university to not warn these unfortunate souls that a campus situated amongst national parks would be surrounded by so much flora and fauna. And to assume that they would immediately know that "above the 45 parallel" and "lake-effect snow" meant that our winters would involve yucky coldness was just plain foolish. I am glad we are putting our money towards the abolishment of slavery to the elements, and proud to be at Northern, Naturally!

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** Jeremiah welcomes reactions to his columns at [opinion@thenorthwind.org](mailto:opinion@thenorthwind.org).



# Committee raises NMU recycling levels

## Bins allow students to dispose of greater variety of reusable materials

BY YONIKA WILLIS  
DIVERSIONS EDITOR

NMU has established a recycling committee comprised of students and faculty who meet monthly to discuss recycling programs on campus, tonnage reports, recycling issues and projects.

Carl Pace, associate vice president of business services and facilities and chairman of the NMU's recycling committee, said one of the issues addressed in their last meeting on Nov. 8 was contamination.

Pace said from now on, to avoid discrepancies regarding where to properly throw away recyclable materials, all of the recycling dumpsters will be painted red.

This will help students residing in the on-campus apartments who often throw recyclable materials along with regular garbage in the green dumpsters, Pace said.

Sarah Davy, Assistant Director for Programming in the residence halls, said recycling in the dorms has been in effect since 1991 and recycling in the on-campus apartments got started up not long after.

"We started recycling basically to help

the environment and to reduce costs," Davy said. "We have a recycling company that comes and takes [recyclable materials]. It's the same company that picks up our dumpsters — Waste Management Services."

*"For a school our size and the [recyclable] tonnages we generate, I think we are doing pretty well."*

— Carl Pace  
Chairman NMU Recycling Committee

According to its Web site, NMU's recycling committee has implemented the recycling of paper, plastic, metal and glass not only in the residence halls, but have also created a university-wide mixed office paper recycling program.

Along with a host of other innovations, the recycling committee has also implemented recycling of cardboard from the University Center and Quad I kitchens, the Bookstore and the Jacobetti Center.

"Everything that we've instituted, we've tried to make it much easier for the students," Pace said. "You can go through all of this effort but we don't want to do this for nothing."

Kristine Bradof, Michigan Technological University's (MTU) Environmental Sustainability Committee's Recycling Subcommittee co-chairwoman and community programs coordinator, said NMU recycles more items than MTU.

Bradof said currently MTU is trying to



Arthur Gelsinger/NW

Undeclared freshman Gina Merlo and freshman philosophy major Tom Sochwin recycle their paper, plastic and cardboard Monday night in Payne Hall.

implement recycling opportunities on its campus.

"I don't have anything to back this up, but from what I've been told and heard, we are certainly up there (as far as recycling)," Pace said. "When you look at some of the other schools that have full-time recycling coordinators, we are doing this with a committee, and it's just part of someone else's duties, and I think for a school our size and the tonnages that we generate, we are doing pretty well."



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Freshman art and design major Alex Pollock tosses an empty soda box into the recycling bin in Payne Hall on Monday. Items such as glass, plastic and paper can be deposited in residence halls, apartments and other buildings across NMU campus.



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Forum hosted at university

NMU has planned another fall forum today from 3 to 5 p.m. in Pioneer Rooms A and B in the University Center.

Faculty and administration will be discussing the future of higher education.

The forum will address a recently released report from the University Investment Commission.

It will also focus on the changing legislative landscape and budgetary issues that impact the state's public universities, including a potential executive order from the governor.

Police remind area of safety

As a part of "You drink and drive, you lose," national mobilization, Marquette County law enforcement agencies will be working with other area groups to protect everyone from impaired drivers during the busy holiday season.

"There will be no warnings," Sheriff Mike Lovelace said in a press conference on Nov. 20.

Violators can lose their license, time from their jobs and lose money to high fines and court costs.

As part of the coordinated effort, MADD kicked off their "Tie one on for safety," red ribbon campaign also on Nov. 20.

The red ribbon campaign is MADD's largest annual public awareness campaign.

The campaign asks motorists to tie a red ribbon onto their motor vehicle as pledge to practice safe and sober driving.

Local walkway will open soon

At 9 a.m. on Nov. 22 officials from the City of Marquette and the Marquette DDA will officially open the Rosewood Walkway and Lakeshore parking lot and bike path extension.

Associated Constructors of Marquette was the contractor for the projects, which are the final phase of a Michigan Economic Development Authority, "Marquette Downtown Business Regeneration Grant."

The grant included the Front Street Streetscape and Front and Rock Street entryway and parking lot completed in 1999 and

2000. The Rosewood Walkway will serve as a pedestrian connection between Lake Superior, the Lakeshore parking lot and area businesses.

The redesigned lot provides 68 additional parking spaces which will serve both downtown employees, customers and visitors.

The public is invited to to celebrate the completion of these exciting downtown projects.

Anyone interested should meet at the Rosewood Walkway entrance on the 200 block of South Front Street.

For more information call 228-6213.

Student choir held in church

The music department will be holding a student choir performance from 6:30 to 9 p.m. on Nov. 24 at Messiah Lutheran Church.

The church is located on the corner of Presque Isle Avenue and Magnetic Street.

The choir concert is free of charge and open to all students and the public.

For more information, call the

music department at 227-2563.

Colloquium to be presented

The psychology department will be hosting a psychology colloquium from 3 to 4:15 p.m. on Nov. 22 in Gries Hall, Room 167.

English Professor Sandra Burr will speak about, "Adventures in Education: Science and the Imagination."

The colloquium is open to all NMU students who are interested and there is no charge to attend.

For more information, call the psychology department at 227-2935.

Fazoli's gives funds to SATO

Fazoli's Restaurant will be holding a fundraiser from 5 to 8 p.m. on Nov. 21.

For every meal sold Fazoli's will be donating \$1 to support the NMU Student Athletic Training Organization.

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## Anti-drug ads remain ineffective

FOR WHAT IT'S WORTH



BY TRAVIS MARGONI

New anti-drug campaigns are evidence of how skewed our society is, littered with personal agendas that become priority over long-term solutions. Rather than trying to educate young people about drugs, our nation tries to scare them, and the reasons behind these lethargic approaches are often political.

The worst commercials I've seen have been produced under the careful scrutiny of the White House and the Office of National Drug Control Policy. The office has created the National Youth Anti-Drug Media Campaign, aimed at youth ages 9 through 18 and their parents. It was launched in 1998 with complete congressional support.

I was shocked when I saw one of the Campaign's commercials last month. In the 30-second ad, two boys sit in a father's office smoking marijuana. At the end of the commercial, one of the boys finds a gun and accidentally shoots his friend - presumably because he is high. It then flashes to a black screen with the writing, "Marijuana can distort your sense of reality. Harmless?"

What a nicely mixed message our government sends about gun control in this commercial, too.

Young people need to learn the truth about marijuana, not just be exposed to random acts of violence that are actually rarely associated with smoking marijuana. Marijuana poses dangers to lungs and psychological well-being for some people, but this all gets lost in most commercials.

The Partnership for a Drug-Free America commercials aren't quite so fabricated; they're just silly, and will be ineffective. "In sixth grade about one in 17 kids is trying pot; in seventh, about one in five. Make sure your kids know you don't want them to use drugs," a Partnership commercial says as it flashes from a lunch bag to a bag of marijuana to illustrate the different interpretations of the word "bag" for these two age groups.

Another commercial funded by the Campaign shows only a girl's face as she says, "Last weekend, I washed my car, went dancing with my friends, and helped bomb a crowded restaurant." Then the text appears, "Drug money supports terror. If you buy drugs you might too."

This particular ad is a disgrace to any educated person who felt a twinge of pain or sadness because of the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11. Those events have become political propaganda, tools used to increase support of politicians who merely want to be able to say that they instituted an anti-drug program. Politicians know this campaign will not decrease drug use, but to slowly implement an effective educational program into public schools to teach children about drugs takes time and hard work. Most politicians need to be able to say they made a difference within two to four years; however long it may be until the next election. The White House must love the drug war-terror war connection, though; hell, let's blame all of our social shortcomings on that damnable bin Laden guy.

Just yesterday, I saw the most morbid display of tasteless melodrama in all this anti-drug shock scenery. In another commercial created by the Campaign, a car driven by young marijuana smokers idles in the drive-thru of a fast food restaurant. As they drive off wrecklessly, a small girl rides her bike in front of the car. The commercial cuts to a black screen right before the car makes contact with the girl. "Harmless?" it asks. I could only wince and look away.

It's hard to find any sort of reason or truth about drugs in commercials in which young people die irrelevantly or a girl makes the insane accusation that buying drugs supports terror.

Unfortunately, the fact that most marijuana use doesn't support terror and won't lead to murder doesn't make for good political rhetoric. Sensationalism wins hollow votes, but it won't curb drug use.

Travis Margoni welcomes reactions to his column at [margoni@nmu.edu](mailto:margoni@nmu.edu).

## Month honors American Indians

BY JOSH JOHNSON  
DIVERSIONS STAFF REPORTER

Fall is a time of living, dying and remembrance. Snow brings new life to a barren landscape, leaves fall to the ground amidst the smell of smoky air and people gather together, speaking of past memories and of memories to come.

For American Indians, fall was a time of preparation for the harsh winter that lay ahead.

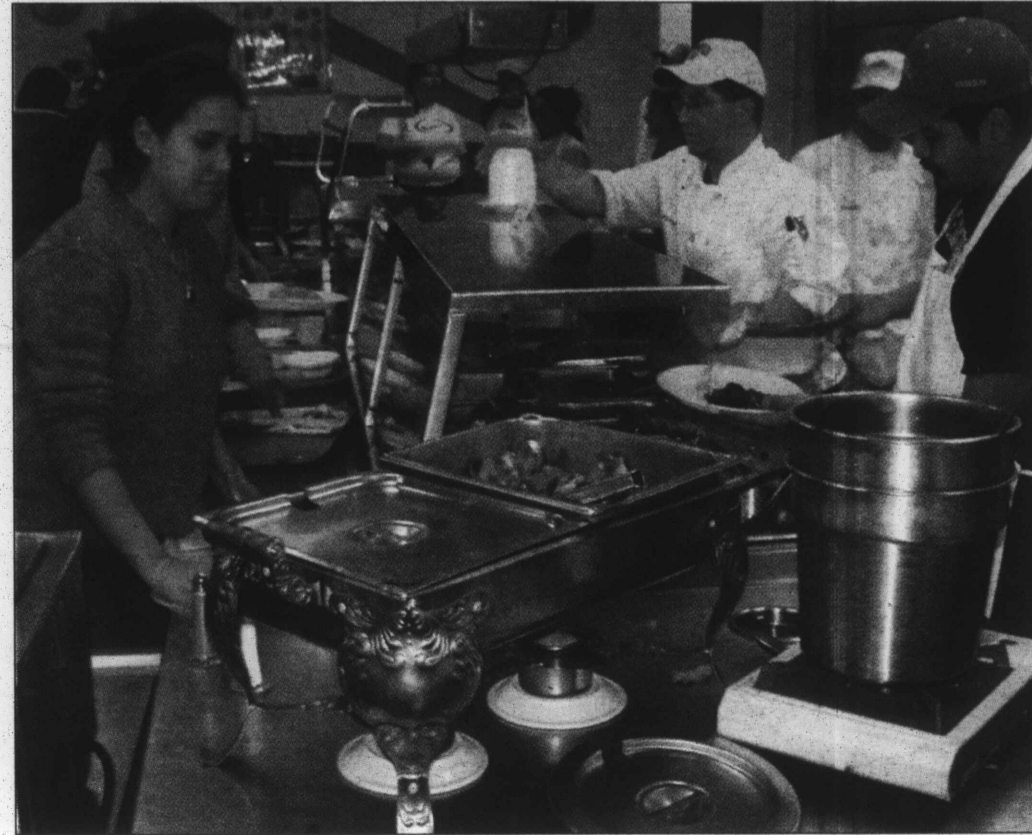
It was also a time for them to pass on their oral traditions through the telling of stories.

"Fall is a good time for storytelling," said April Lindala, associate director of Diversity Student Services.

Lindala said with the preparations that indigenous people faced before winter, they gathered together to pass on tradition, often against the background of a roaring fire.

This November proves to once again be a time of sharing between people. Several events are being held this month by the Native American Student Association in celebration of Native American Heritage Month.

There are approximately



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To celebrate Native American Heritage month, junior nursing major Ileta Fair is served an assortment of hot American Indian food by culinary arts major Rich Miller and volunteer Steve Charley at the Anishinaabe food tasting festival held Nov. 10 in the Jacobetti Center. Close to 50 volunteers showed up at the food tasting event and helped out in feeding over 200 people.

170 American Indian students at NMU, Lindala said, making up the largest minority group on campus.

Some American Indian students feel pressure to attend college, and NASA provides an atmosphere that helps some

students make the adjustment from reservation life to campus life, Lindala said.

Approximately 40 people are involved with NASA, said Molly Meshigaud freshman undeclared major who is also NASA president.

"It's like a family rather than an organization," Meshigaud said. "We're open to anybody."

Lindala said the cultural opportunities offered at NMU are an educating experience that can shape a student's life in the future.

"Students are really in the driver's seat," Lindala said. "By taking advantage of opportunities through cultural events, they're leaving Northern with well-rounded experiences."

Activities such as the Anishinaabe food tasting social and the viewing of a film concerning American Indian culture have been successes on campus, Meshigaud said.

Nearly 50 volunteers assisted in the feeding of over 200 people during the food tasting event that was held Nov. 10 in the Jacobetti Center, Meshigaud said.

Fry bread, corn soup and different varieties of venison were served during the event.

A viewing of the film "The Business of Fancy Dancing," by Sherman Alexie was shown Nov. 8 in Jamrich Hall.

Lindala said the film drew a

variety of reactions from viewers.

The film may not have been what some people had expected, but it gave the community insight into life on a reservation.

The showing at NMU was also only the second place in the state of Michigan that has shown the film, Lindala said.

Through these events, NASA seeks to give everyone on campus a taste of American Indian culture, Meshigaud said.

Respect is gained for American Indian culture through events like this, and in turn prevents racism.

Though occurrences involving discrimination have occurred against American Indians in the past, there have been no instances so far this year, Lindala said.

Some posters promoting "The Business of Fancy Dancing" have been taken down, but only because the design was attractive to students, Meshigaud said.

Junior elementary education major Julianne Mueller said she hasn't attended any of the events sponsored by NASA, but she finds many of the crafts very unique and interesting. Mueller said being exposed to another culture can be very beneficial.

"It helps a person see new things," Mueller said. "It gives them a new perspective on life and on themselves."

## Student takes time to hike dream trail

BY JOSH JOHNSON  
DIVERSIONS STAFF REPORTER

The walk from the Superior Dome to Jamrich Hall on a blustery day may require enough physical effort for many NMU students to endure in one day.

The thought of hiking over 10 miles in a day, sleeping in the wilderness, carrying nothing but a hiker's pack and dealing with wild animals may seem simply unfathomable.

However, one NMU student made it his mission to deal with these challenges and hike across much of the United States.

Mike Reynolds, a sophomore outdoor recreation major, recently finished his hike of the Appalachian Trail. Reynolds did much of the hike on his own, accompanied by his Arcteryx hiking pack that he named "Sally."



Courtesy of Mike Reynolds

Sophomore outdoor recreation major Mike Reynolds spent the summer hiking the Appalachian Trail. Reynolds saw places such as Smokey Mountain National Park in Georgia.

According to the Appalachian Trail Conference Web site, the Appalachian Trail snakes its way through the Appalachian Mountains for over 2,160 miles from northern Georgia to northern Maine.

Reynolds has spent much of the last two summers and most of this fall on the trail in his attempt to complete the hike.

He hiked nearly 400 miles during the summer of 2001.

Reynolds began the second leg of his journey on May 9 of this year and reached the summit of Mt. Katahdin in Maine on Oct. 15.

"It was the epitome of everything you've been dreaming about," Reynolds said. "It's the only thing I've known for seven months."

For Reynolds, the completion of the hike was far more than the end of his journey. It was the realization of a dream he has had since childhood.

The dream of hiking the Appalachian Trail first came to him when he was about 11 years old, Reynolds said.

His parents dismissed his plans as mere childhood musings, but after several years of speculation concerning the hike, they became two of his biggest supporters. Reynolds' mother, Sue Reynolds, assisted and supported him by updating his Web page, sending him mail and food and keeping in contact with him throughout the journey, Reynolds said.

"My mother was like mission control for me," Reynolds said. "It was like having a full-time job."

Besides the obvious physical challenges a hiker must face, Reynolds had an encounter with a black bear that helped itself to his gear.

As he was getting ready to start hiking for the day, Reynolds heard one of his friends screaming a bit up the trail.

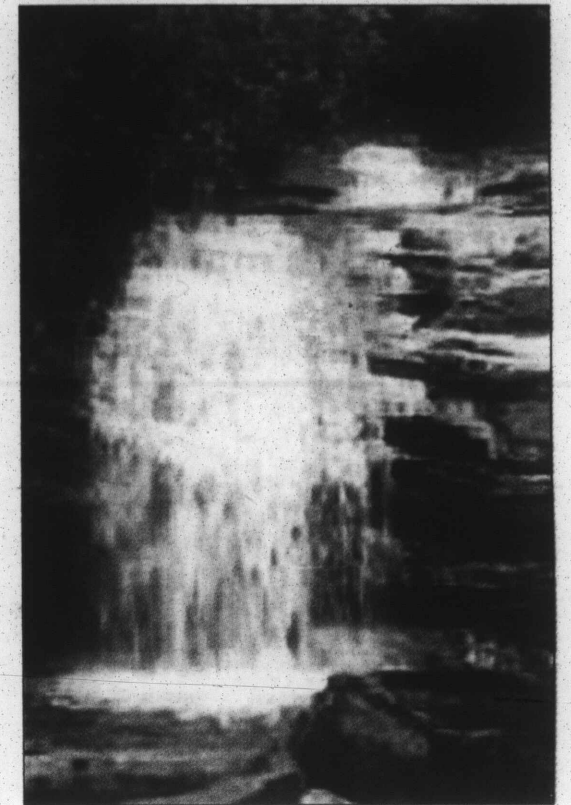
A black bear had stolen a fellow hiker's pack and was tearing it apart for any edible contents Reynolds said.

As soon as his friend was able to retrieve his gear, Reynolds returned to his equipment, only to find the bear rummaging through his own beloved pack.

"It was in between the bear and three of its cubs," Reynolds said. "It was not a good situation."

The bear charged at Reynolds before stopping 25 feet short of him.

Two deep teeth marks in one of his cooking pots



Courtesy of Mike Reynolds

During his hike, Reynolds came across many waterfalls such as this one in Georgia. Reynolds hiked about 10 hours a day with his pack "Sally."

and seven holes in his Nalgene water bottle attest to the strength of the bear, Reynolds said.

The culmination of the hike was Reynolds' ascent to the top of Mt. Katahdin. Reynolds reached the summit near sunset and was able to witness the beautiful display of color that surrounded the rising moon, he said.

Though Reynolds' hike is over, he feels his dream and journey of it will never end.

"To me, it's so much more than a hiking trip, it's something magical," Reynolds said. "It definitely made me feel very close to God and nature."

Reynolds plans to write a book concerning his trip in the future.

A Web site containing Reynolds' journals, pictures and details about the hike can be found at [www.reynoldsindiana.net/mikehike.htm](http://www.reynoldsindiana.net/mikehike.htm).

## World AIDS Day

# Local organizations build awareness

BY MELANIE BOLTHOUSE  
SPORTS EDITOR

It is estimated that 14,000 new cases of HIV infections occur each day.

In this world-wide epidemic, silence is death. To break the silence in Marquette, VOX and the *Two Thirty One: House of Muses Gallery* are sponsoring a special World AIDS Day event beginning on Nov. 23 and running through Dec. 1 at 231 W. Washington St.

VOX, a latin term for voice, is an organization that has been working in Marquette to bring a voice to tough issues that face the community with a focus on women's issues such as sexual awareness and AIDS.

"We want people to be more aware of the struggle in our country and the world," VOX member Nicole Cain said. "We bring up issues that people

don't always want to talk about."

The World AIDS Day event began when VOX decided it wanted to get involved with this world-wide commemoration of those who have died or are suffering in the epidemic.

*Two Thirty One* staff member Anthony Whitlock said the gallery wanted to be a part of the event to increase the gallery's community involvement.

"We want to create a place where people can gather and discuss things and talk about art or whatever subjects are coming up at that time," he said. "We want to become the community's friend."

The week-long awareness event will begin Nov. 23 with a benefit concert featuring Sah, Days Go By and Leif. Whitlock said all profits from the concert will be sent to the World Medical Fund, which supports orphans in third-world countries.

The money is sent to foster fami-

lies who would not be able to add an extra person to their families unless they were given support from an outside source.

Throughout the week, artwork from local artists will be displayed at the gallery. Various poetry readings and musical performances will take place during the days and evenings.

Cain said the week's event will be small things that eventually lead up to the big event on Dec. 1.

On that day, pictures from the AIDS quilt in South Africa will be on display on laptop computers in the gallery.

People will be able to see the different pieces of the quilt that will be displayed world-wide.

"The AIDS quilt project, which is a global project, is really neat because it's all these panels that are made by families or friends that have maybe lost someone to AIDS or have a family member with AIDS," Whitlock

said. "It's a really interesting thing to see."

To wrap up the event, a candlelight vigil will be held at 7:30 p.m. at *Two Thirty One*.

Cain said VOX hopes through this event that people will become more compassionate for those struggling with AIDS.

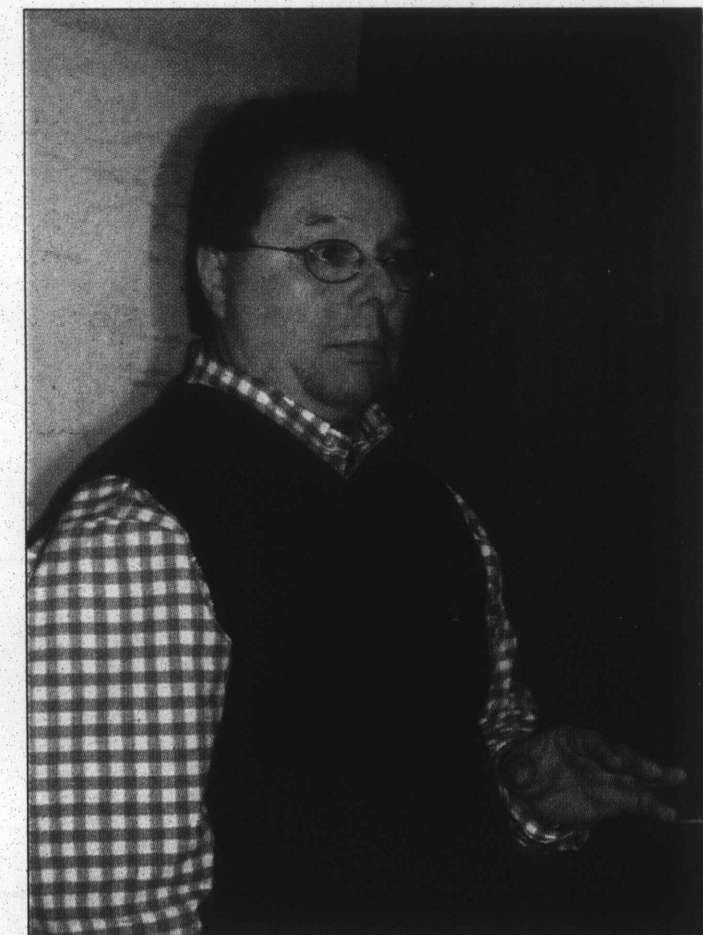
"We want people to realize that we don't need to be afraid of the disease," she said.

Whitlock said the gallery's goal is to create more of an awareness of AIDS and how to combat the epidemic.

"I hope that they will gain a better understanding of how AIDS can be such an epidemic," he said.

*The Two Thirty One Gallery* will be taking art or performance submissions through Friday.

If you are interested in submitting work, please contact the gallery at 228-5663.



Arthur Gelsinger/NW

Tribal Court Judge Michael Petoskey discusses Indian Law for Native American Heritage Month on Tuesday night in the U.C. Other events like the showing of the movie "The Business of Fancy Dancing," are going on to honor the month as well.



**Today, November 21**

*Activity:* The Peter White Public Library hosts Book Babies, a drop-in lapsit story-time for newborns to 24 month olds from 10 a.m. to 10:20 a.m. in the Children's Area. Call 228-9510 for more information.

*Activity:* A Diversity Luncheon will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Brule and Cadillac rooms in the U.C. Lunch is free; everyone is welcome.

*Workshop:* All Campus Tutoring presents "Last-Minute Study Tips: Writing a Paper" from noon to 1 p.m. in JXJ 225.

*Meeting:* An NMU forum "The Future of Michigan Higher Education" will be held from 3 to 5 p.m. in the Pioneer Rooms in the U.C.

*Meeting:* The Northern Lights Photo Club will meet from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in Dining Room A to discuss their road trip, which will be held on Nov. 24. E-mail Chaz at cpeace@nmu.edu or call 227-3746 for more information.

*Activity:* "From the Shoes Up" business- and interview-appropriate attire free to the public and campus at 7 p.m. in the Erie Room in the U.C. Sponsored by Spooner Hall and Getz Department Store.

*Meeting:* Intersarsity Christian Fellowship will meet at 7 p.m. in the U.C.

*Activity:* The Peter White Public Library Book Club will meet to discuss "The Color of Water" at 7 p.m. in the Shiras Room at the Library. Call 226-4311 for details.

*Activity:* A Department of Music concert: by the NMU Orchestra begins at 7:30 p.m. in JXJ 103, Call 227-2563 for more information.

*Film:* "Death to Smoochy" (R) begins at 10 p.m. in JXJ 102.

*Activity:* Downtown Marquette hosts the "Ladies Night" Celebration. It's a night for ladies to shop, dine and register their holiday "Wish Lists" with downtown merchants. For more information, call 228-6213.

**Friday, November 22**

*Presentation:* "Biological and Medical Illustration: An Overview" will be presented by Will Hamilton, CMI, at 3 p.m. in the Mead Auditorium in the West Science Building.

*Deadline:* ASNMU childcare scholarship applications are due by 5 p.m.

*Meeting:* Superior Nights, a role-playing, inpromptu acting student organization, will meet at 5 p.m. in the U.C.

*Activity:* Budo Taijutsu, a Japanese martial arts class, is held from 6 to 8 p.m. in the PEIF Dance Studio.

*Activity:* The Department of Music presents the Chamber Ensembles at 7:30 p.m. in JXJ 103. Call 227-2563 for more information.

**Saturday, November 23**

*Activity:* The 69th annual Fall Jam (Superior Massacre) will begin at 3 p.m. in

the Great Lakes Rooms in the U.C. The show features metal bands from all over the country (Fog, 137, Dreaming of Dragons, Summon, Blatant Disarray, Dumah, and Domain Malevolence). Free for NMU students and \$5 for non students. For more information, call Josh at 227-1844.

*Athletics:* The NMU women's club hockey team will host Michigan State University at 4 p.m. in the Berry Events Center.

*Film:* "Whetstone" begins at 7 p.m. in the Seaborg Auditorium.

*Meeting:* Citizens Opposed to War with Iraq (COWI) will meet at 7 p.m. at Messiah Lutheran Church, Room 202.

*Film:* "XXX" (PG-13) begins at 9 p.m. in JXJ 102.

**Sunday, November 24**

*Activity:* The Department of Music presents the NMU Choir at 3 p.m. in the Messiah Lutheran Church on the corner of Presque Isle Avenue and Magnetic Street.

*Film:* "XXX" (PG-13) begins at 6:30 and 9 p.m. in JXJ 102.

*Activity:* The Downtown Marquette Association hosts the Annual Cookie Walk and Open House from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information call 228-6213.

**Monday, November 25**

*Athletics:* The NMU women's club hockey team hosts Michigan State University at 10 a.m. in the Berry Events Center.

*Activity:* The Peter White Public Library is hosting a book discussion of "The Color of Water" from 10 a.m. to noon in the Community Room. Call 228-4448 for more information.

*Presentation:* Cover Map Accuracy Assessment and Identification of Important Beaver Habitat Variables at Seney National Wildlife Refuge will be presented by Leah Kainulainen, at 11 a.m. in the Mead Auditorium in the West Science Building.

*Class:* Budo Taijutsu, a Japanese martial arts class, will be held from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the U.C.

*Athletics:* The Wildcat men's basketball team hosts Northland Baptist at 7:30 p.m. in the Berry Events Center.

*Meeting:* OUTLook will meet at 9 p.m. in Marquette Room, in the U.C. Call Nick at 227-1554 for more information.

**Wednesday, November 27**

Thanksgiving Recess begins.

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# USOEC hosts speed-skating qualifier

BY DAVE MOSS  
SPORTS STAFF REPORTER

Some of the best short-track speed skaters in the country, including those training at the United States Olympic Education Center in Marquette, gathered at the Berry Events Center on Nov. 16 and 17 for the American Cup.

The competition determined who filled three places for women and two places for men on the World Cup team.

It also determined who filled four places for women and five places for men on the World University Games team. The top finishers overall filled the positions.

Saturday's events were the 1,500-meter and 500-meter races and on Sunday, the skaters competed in the 1,000-meter and 3,000-meter events.

NMU freshman and USOEC athlete Shani Davis finished second overall, earning him a position on both the men's World Cup team and the World University Games.

"I have never made a World Cup team," Davis said. "This is my first one."

Davis said he is not sure whether or not he will compete in the World University Games. It will depend on how he does in



Scott Salisbury/NW  
NMU freshman and USOEC athlete Shani Davis, right, finished second in the men's 1,500-meter event with a time of 2:23.794 during the American Cup on Nov. 16 and 17.

long-track skating this year.

"If I make the all-around team for long track, I won't go to the University Games," Davis said.

Davis finished second in the 1,500-meter with a time of 2:23.794 and third in

the 500-meter with a time of 46.627 on Saturday. On Sunday, he finished second in the 1,000-meter with a time of 1:31.581 and third in the 3,000-meter at 5:14.864.

"I was really happy with my performance," Davis said. "I have never made all

eight finals in my career of 14 years."

Other NMU students and USOEC athletes that competed in the American Cup included freshman Sara Bell, who placed ninth overall, sophomore Adam Duncan, who placed 10th overall, special graduate Kreg Greer, who placed ninth overall, and junior Mike Kooreman who placed sixth overall.

Kooreman said he wasn't happy with his results in the competition.

"My goals basically were to win some races," Kooreman said. "And that (didn't) exactly go as planned."

Kooreman's best finish was fourth place in the 1,500-meter.

"I think I had an off weekend this weekend," Kooreman said.

Bell said she was tired on Sunday, and it affected her skating.

"Just having the endurance to get through all the races (Sunday) was tiring on me," Bell said.

Bell said she is looking forward to the U.S. Championships in March. Her goals are to make the cut at trials and to skate well.

"I think I could have done better over-

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## Hockey ticket revenue supports sports budget

BY PHILIP WENZEL  
STAFF WRITER

The draw of the hockey season gives the NMU athletic department a reason to smile as the majority of the profits from ticket sales start rolling in each October.

Hockey generates a vast majority of the revenue the athletic department takes in each year, revenue that is distributed to all sports programs including varsity and club sports.

Athletic Director Dan Spielmann said athletic money is distributed to each separate sport based on their individual needs.

"Each program puts their budget together based on the current year and who they play, and then we allocate funds based on their needs," he said.

Spielmann said the two sports with the highest funding are hockey and football. Next in order come women's soccer, volleyball and men's and women's basketball. Several other smaller sports also receive funding from the school, like cross-country, swimming and club sports.

Hockey is given high priority because it creates the highest revenue in ticket sales of all NMU sports teams.

Spielmann said the total intake on ticket sales is roughly \$500,000 per year and about 80

percent of that comes from hockey.

That does not mean, however, that hockey receives 80 percent of the school's ticket money.

Income from ticket sales is not distributed proportionally to the amount of money a sport takes in, Spielmann said, rather, ticket revenues from all sports are put together into the overall sports budget.

He also said hockey's funding is the highest because it is NMU's only Division I sport. He said it is necessary because the hockey team must play against powerful CCHA competition, including big programs like the University of Michigan and Ohio State.

Hockey head coach Walt Kyle said he is satisfied with the funding his program receives.

"We're certainly funded well," he said. "My program is very comfortable with the support it receives from the university."

Ticket sales are just one of many forms of revenue for the Northern sports department. Spielmann said there are also booster clubs, which raise money for recruitment and

scholarships. The most prominent booster club is the Blue Line Club, which performs those tasks exclusively for the hockey program.

Other sources of revenue include the student activities fee, summer sports camps put on by NMU and some funding from the state.

Spielmann said some club sports will hold their own fundraisers if they don't receive enough money from the department.

When it comes to scholarship money, Spielmann said Northern must award it to each program with equal respect to men's and women's sports.

It must comply with Title IX, a federal law that prohibits universities from discriminating in terms of gender and educational opportunities.

Spielmann said the women's programs are at full allocation according to NCAA rules. The men's programs are close to full allocation.

"We're pretty close to having gender equality," he said.

Women's head basketball coach Michael Geary said scholarships are awarded to players based not only on athletic abilities, but also on academics.

"We want to get the best players that fit our needs," Geary said. "But they also have to be able to do college work and have a good academic record."



Spielmann

## Volleyball team finishes season

BY DAVE MOSS  
SPORTS STAFF REPORTER

After advancing to the semi-finals, the volleyball team lost against Gannon University in five games on Nov. 15 to finish fourth at the GLIAC Tournament in Allendale, Mich.

Sophomore outside hitter Jennie Little was named to the GLIAC all-tournament team. She was the only one from NMU to receive that distinction.

The 'Cats won their first match of the tournament in a three-game sweep against Findlay on Nov. 14, winning 30-24, 20-23 and 30-20.

Little led the match with 21 kills, followed by senior middle blocker Beth Laveen with 14. Sophomore setter Kelli McCune had 49 assists.

McCune said Findlay had a bad attitude on the court and showed disrespect toward NMU in a game on Oct. 19 when the Wildcats beat Findlay at home.

NMU hoped for revenge when they faced Findlay at the GLIAC tournament.

"We came out and worked our butts off," McCune said. "We just dominated that match."

Head coach Tracy Hruska said the team was solid in the entire match against Findlay.

Winning the Findlay match led to NMU's advancement to the semifinals where they played Gannon University. Gannon entered the tournament as the third seed in the GLIAC south, while Northern was the fourth seed in the GLIAC North.

"We prepared the same way for Gannon as we did Findlay," senior defensive specialist Meaghan Kimball said.

Kimball said her team also had a grudge to settle against Gannon because of a coaching miscommunication that occurred earlier in the year when Northern almost had to forfeit a game.

NMU started out with a win in the first game against Gannon with a score of 30-18. Gannon evened the match at one with a 30-17 win.

The Wildcats pulled ahead again in game three with a close 33-31 victory. NMU only needed to win one of the last two games to win the match and advance in the tournament.

Northern was ahead, 25-20, in the fourth game; however,

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# 'Wolves overpower NMU

## Football team fails to hold NU offense, drops final game, 64-42

BY ROB HAMILTON  
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

For the 16 senior members of the NMU football team, a win against Northwood University in their final game would have been the perfect way to end a successful season.

But the Wildcats could not contain the Timberwolves' offensive rushing attack and finished their season with a disappointing 64-42 loss on Nov. 16 in Midland, Mich.

After holding teams to only 115 yards rushing per game in their first 10 games, the NMU defense allowed the Timberwolves to rack up 453 rushing yards in 71 attempts.

"They pretty much ran all over us," senior defensive back Casey Young said. "They had a big fullback and a couple of other tough runners, but it just came down to the fact that they got the job done and we didn't."

The Timberwolves (7-3 GLIAC, 7-4 overall) jumped out to a quick lead as freshman running back Chris Gruse ran the opening kickoff back 82 yards for a touchdown.

"It was real emotional for them

because it was senior day," head coach Doug Sams said. "Anytime you get off to a start like that on the road, it really hurts."

NU added another touchdown before junior quarterback Kyle Swenor hit junior wide receiver Brandon Munson on a 76-yard pass play. Swenor threw for 301 yards in the loss, and set an NMU all-time record for most passing yards in a season with 2,839.

The Timberwolves continued to pile on points in the second and third quarters. NU led 29-14 by halftime and 57-21 going into the final quarter.

The NMU offense came to life in the final quarter, scoring on a six-yard touchdown run from senior fullback Jeff Osborne and on a 20-yard touchdown reception by senior tight end Matt Bush from Swenor.

Junior tailback Terrell Goldsmith also scored a touchdown late in the fourth quarter. He finished the game with 112 yards rushing on 13 carries and three touchdowns.

Young, who had 12 tackles in his final game, said his team had a difficult time defending the 'Wolves

option-based offense and gave up too many big plays.

"With any option team, you have to have a disciplined team where everyone knows their responsibilities," he said. "A couple of times, we just had defensive break downs and gave up our responsibilities."

NU senior running back Chad Coons had a career-high 211 rushing yards in the game and tied the NU all-time record for touchdowns in a game with four. The Northwood special teams unit was spectacular, returning two kickoffs for touchdowns and forcing two fumbles on Wildcat kickoff returns that eventually led to touchdowns.

Sams said the entire team was responsible for the loss.

"It wasn't all the defense's doing," Sams said. "We had some special teams mistakes, and our offense did not capitalize on all of our opportunities."

Junior linebacker Brandon Genwright led the Wildcat defense with 18 tackles and a forced fumble. Senior linebacker Ben Laarman added 14 tackles in his final game.

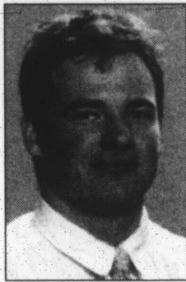
The 'Cats end their season in fifth place in the GLIAC with a 6-4 record (6-5 overall).

Although NMU lost its last three games, Young said he was happy with his team's accomplishments.

"Nobody really expected that much out of us this year," Young said. "We were a better team than our record showed. We were just inconsistent. That's something that a team that's going to compete for a championship can't be."



Young



Swenor

# Women ready for opener

BY MELANIE RASMUSSEN  
STAFF WRITER

The women's basketball team is busy getting ready to begin their upcoming season as they head into their first game against Lewis University on Nov. 23 in Romeoville, Ill.

The team began preparing for the season in the second week of October and concentrated on fundamentals, defense, offense and getting plays down. They have practiced five to six days in a row with weight lifting every day in addition to regular practice.

"This season we have seven freshmen and two transfer students, so right now the team is working on getting the plays down like the back of our hands," senior forward Alyse Shier said.

Last year, the team made it to Regionals but lost in the first game. The team lost four seniors to graduation last year, and only has two seniors on the roster this year.

Shier said the two seniors will not be the only ones looked to for leadership.

"Coach (Geary) is looking for everyone to be leaders," Shier said. "There is no one leader on the team."

Freshman forward Michelle Moard said coming into college basketball as a freshman has been a very big adjustment.

"The practices are very tough mentally," she said. "When you are there in practice, you only think about basketball."

The team will not be playing zone defense, but will be going strong man-to-man.

"The team is ready to go," Shier said. "We are mentally focused and prepared."

Shier said this year is the most exciting year for her personally.

"The talent and the chemistry of this team is already fantastic and we are just getting started," she said. "We may be young, but there is a lot of basketball intelligence out on our court."

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## Season begins for 'Cats

BY MELANIE BOLTHOUSE  
SPORTS EDITOR

After going 4-7 on the road last season, head coach Dean Ellis said he is not expecting travel to be a problem in the men's basketball official season opener in Fargo, ND.

"It will have no effect," he said. "We have to learn to play on the road."

Going into this weekend's North Dakota State University Tip-Off Tournament, Ellis said NMU is taking in valuable experience from the two pre-season exhibition victories against Laurentian University and Finlandia University.

"We're feeling pretty confident after our win against Finlandia," junior forward Steve Watts said. "We still have things to work on, but we're coming together as a team."

The 'Cats will begin their weekend at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday against Minnesota State University-Moorhead.

The Dragons finished 17-10 overall last year and had a Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference (NSIC) record of 11-7.

MSU-M is led by senior guards Jared Bledsoe and Kyle Staloch. Bledsoe was named to

the All-NSIC first team last season and recorded the most points for the Dragons with 14.9 points per game.

Staloch was named to the All-NSIC honorable mention team and was second in scoring with 11.2 points per game.

The second game in the tournament for NMU will be against North Dakota State University at 9 p.m. on Sunday.

NDSU is coming off a second-place finish at the Disney Division II Tip-Off Classic held Nov. 15 through 17 in Lake Buena Vista, Fla.

*"We still have some things to work on, but we're coming together as a team."*

— Steve Watts  
junior forward

The Bison went 2-1 for the weekend with victories over Lake Superior State and Columbus State.

NDSU was defeated by Henderson College in the last round of the tournament.

The team is led by senior forward Denver TenBroek, who broke four career records during the Disney tournament.

Against Columbus State, he

generated 37 points and was 13-15 from the free-throw line.

The last time NMU met with North Dakota State was in the 1992-93 season. The Wildcats defeated the Bison, 83-81.

Ellis said he expects the two tournament games this weekend will be a challenge, and he will look to his returning players to lead the team.

NMU did not meet with either Minnesota-Moorhead or North Dakota State last season.

On Nov. 25, the Wildcats will open their official home season against Northland Baptist Bible College.

The Pioneer's roster consists of eight upper classmen, including six seniors. The team defeated Finlandia in its home opener, 88-78.

Last season, Northern defeated Northland Baptist, 86-57.

NMU will have one more game going into the Thanksgiving break.

On Nov. 27, the team will travel to Kenosha, Wis. to meet with the University of Wisconsin-Parkside.

The game against the UW-Parkside will be the beginning of a hectic schedule for the 'Cats with three games during the Thanksgiving week. They will face LSSU on Nov. 30.

## Experience key in National meet

BY RACHEL GRIFFIS  
SPORTS STAFF REPORTER

After taking second place at the NCAA II Great Lakes Regional, Northern's cross country team met the qualifications to run at Nationals and is now preparing for the NCAA II Championship on Nov. 23 in Ashland, Ohio.

In the latest NCAA II poll, NMU is sixth place.

Head coach Sten Fjeldheim said that he expects to place between fourth and eighth at Nationals.

"We're all ranked really close together," he said. "It's really competitive."

Fjeldheim said he still expects competition with Grand Valley. The Lakers are currently ranked third.

GVSU put an end to Northern's five meet winning streak at the conference and regional meets.

Northern took second at the GLIAC Championship on Oct. 26 with 55 points, while the GVSU Lakers secured first place with 29 points.

Last year at Nationals, NMU

trailed GVSU by eight points to take sixth place.

"We have quality training under our belt," junior Katherine Huemmer said. "We could be fourth or better."

In preparation, Fjeldheim said that last week the practices were hard, but this week's training will taper.

Fjeldheim also said that once they arrive in Ashland, the team will spend time examining and familiarizing themselves with the course.

"We're bringing in a really experienced team," Fjeldheim said. "It is a great advantage. Everyone except the freshmen has been there already."

On Saturday, the 'Cats will only enter their top seven runners in the race. Running for NMU will be Huemmer, senior Caitlin Compton, junior Jordan Seethaler, freshman Maria Stuber, junior Jennifer Lahr, senior Aubrey Smith and sophomore Tami Kochen.

"We're running against the best in the nation," Huemmer said. "It will be a good learning experience. I hope to observe and learn from the other runners."

### Northern Michigan University INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY Interpretive Guidelines

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# Road series tests NMU

BY ROB HAMILTON  
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

The NMU hockey team is hoping to have much more success against Nebraska-Omaha University this weekend than it did the last time it left the Upper Peninsula for a CCHA series.

The Wildcats (5-3 CCHA, 6-4-1 overall) have won four consecutive games since being swept in by Miami University at Oxford, Ohio.

In the four wins, NMU has outscored opponents, 16-4, and has limited opponents to an average of just 20 shots per game.

Junior goalie Craig Kowalski said the series against Miami-Ohio was frustrating but served as a learning experience for his team.

"I think it was pretty good for us in the long run," Kowalski said. "It made us realize that we can't just show up and play. We have to be ready to play with intensity every game."

After three home wins and a victory at Lake Superior State University, the 'Cats will get their first chance since the Miami series to prove they can win outside of the U.P.

The team will travel nearly 800 miles by bus to face a Nebraska-Omaha team that will be looking to turn its season around.

The Mavericks (2-4 CCHA, 3-6-1 overall) are coming off two heartbreaking one-goal losses to

Alaska-Fairbanks in their last series.

Despite their record, head coach Walt Kyle said the Mavericks are a solid physical team.

"I've heard their rink is very tough to play in," Kyle said. "Northern has had trouble with them over time so we have to come prepared."



### THE MATCHUP

NMU	W-L-T (Overall)	UNO
6-4-1		3-6-1
<b>OFFENSE</b>		
3.82	Goals (Avg.)	2.80
78	Assists	42
120	Points	70
26.5	Shots (Avg.)	23.9
<b>DEFENSE</b>		
2	Shutouts	1
3.09	Goals Against (Avg.)	3.80
27.6	Opp. Shots (Avg.)	32.0
.891	Save Percentage	.881
<b>SPECIAL TEAMS</b>		
28.3	PP. Percentage	15.9
74.6	PK. Percentage	86.7
13	PP Goals	7
0	SH Goals	2
158	Penalty Minutes	188

UNO holds the all-time lead in the series, 4-3-2, and swept the 'Cats in two games at Omaha last season.

The Mavericks are led offensively by junior forward Andrew Wong (three goals, seven assists) and senior forward David Brisson (four goals, five assists). On the defensive end, Nebraska-

Omaha has struggled to keep the puck out of the net. Junior goalie Dan Ellis has allowed 3.42 goals per game and has a .894 save percentage.

Kowalski, on the other hand, has been stellar in the team's last four games, saving .950 percent of the shots he's faced.

Kyle said his team's defensive effort in its past few games has been helped by the return of freshmen defensemen Nathan Oystriek and John Miller from injury.

Oystriek, who has a goal and two assists in four games this season, said that it was extremely frustrating to watch his team struggle and not be able to play earlier in the season.

"It was really hard for me sitting in the stands, not being able to help my team out," he said.

The Wildcats will get another key defensemen, sophomore Jessie Bariniuk, back from injury this weekend.

Bariniuk has only played in three games this year and has not scored a point, but he played in 39 of the team's 40 games last season.

After having a bye last weekend, the Wildcats will play their first game in 13 days when the teams face off on Friday night.

"It would have been nice to play them last weekend because we're kind of on a roll here," Kowalski said. "But I don't think it will hurt us. We'll be ready for them this weekend."

## USOEC

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all in the standings," Bell said. The next World Cup Competition is Nov. 29 through Dec. 1 in St. Petersburg, Russia. The World University Games are Jan. 16 through 26, 2003 in

Tarvisio, Italy.

Speed skating enthusiasts will be able to watch a World Cup event at the Berry Events Center.

A short track event is scheduled to come to Marquette in October 2003.

## VOLLEYBALL

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Gannon came back and won the game, 30-27, and forced a fifth game which they won, 15-13, to knock Northern out of the tournament.

"It just wasn't on the cards that night," Kimball said. "They didn't beat us; we just lost."

Leading NMU against Gannon were freshman middle blocker Holly Greenamyre and senior middle blocker Beth Laveen, who each had 16 kills. McCune added 54 assists.

Kimball had 24 digs for NMU followed by McCune with 23.

NMU finished the season with an even 15-15 overall record and a conference record of 9-9. They placed fourth in the

GLIAC tournament.

Hruska said the team faced adversity throughout the season from losing former coach Scott Sandel and key players early in August as well as from injuries.

She said they were a very young team this year but everyone stepped up to play well.

Kimball said the team relied on its freshmen this season.

"They stepped it up throughout the year," Kimball said. "They played awesome with the sophomores and juniors."

Hruska stepped in as interim head coach this year, but she said she is the top candidate for the job.

"Continuity in this program needs to start with someone who has been here as long as I have," Hruska said.

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# Club team claims silver bracket at U of M

BY DAVE MOSS  
SPORTS STAFF REPORTER

Northern Michigan University's women's club volleyball team traveled to the University of Michigan on Nov. 9 and won the silver bracket at their first tournament since the club's founding last year.

The tournament at U of M was the team's first competition against strictly other club teams.

Northern played two matches to determine which bracket it would enter for the tournament. The top teams were grouped into the gold bracket to determine first place, while the remaining teams went into the silver bracket. In the first match, NMU beat Loyola University in the first two games. They lost their second match to the U of M Maize team.

In the silver bracket of the tournament, NMU faced Loyola again in the semifinals and won. In the finals, they faced Grand Valley State. The first two games of the match were split between NMU and GVSU. NMU won the first and GVSU

took the second. NMU came back and won the third game, 15-11.

"Everyone was very supportive of each other," Hewitt said. "We had a great time, which is what made it come together for us."

Seven members of the team were able to attend the tournament. The club has about 15 participants who practice regularly. Hewitt said they had not played together as a team before, except for practices.

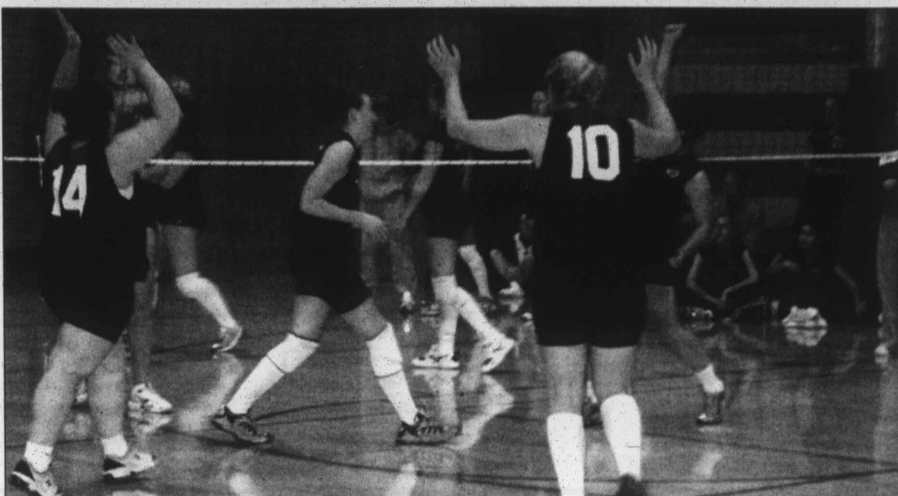
Senior co-president Arin Snell played outside hitter for the team. Hewitt said Snell had strong hits and aces in the last two games to help with the wins.

Hewitt said they went into the tournament with the goals of winning one match and having some good serves. They ended up leaving with a division title.

"We made a name for ourselves in the volleyball club world," Hewitt said.

The team is done with competitions for the fall semester. Its next tournament is Jan. 19, 2003 at Central Michigan University.

"We want the club to keep going and



Courtesy of Angela Hewitt

The women's club volleyball team had much to celebrate on Nov. 9 as they took first place in the silver bracket during the club volleyball tournament held at U of M.

represent Northern," McLaren said.

Members of the club hope to organize a tournament at home for nearby club teams to play.

"Hopefully in the next couple years, we could have a showing at the National tournament," McLaren said.

The team practices once a week and will accept new members at any time.

"We all love the game," McLaren said. "We all love playing it."

Anyone interested in joining the club volleyball team can find out more information at the club sports office in the PEIF.

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SCOREBOARD

WEEKEND CALENDAR

**—FRIDAY—**  
 • The NMU men's basketball team plays Minnesota-Moorhead at 7 p.m. at Fargo, N.D.  
 • The NMU hockey team plays Nebraska-Omaha at 7:05 p.m. in Omaha, Neb.

**—SATURDAY—**  
 • The NMU cross country team will compete in the NCAA II Nationals at 10 a.m. in Ashland, Ohio.  
 • The NMU hockey team plays Nebraska-Omaha at 7:05 p.m. in Omaha, Neb.  
 • The NMU men's basketball team plays North Dakota State at 7 p.m. at Fargo, N.D.  
 • The NMU women's basketball team plays Lewis University at 3:30 p.m. in Romeoville, Ill.

**—MONDAY—**  
 • The NMU men's basketball team hosts Northland Baptist at 7:30 p.m. The team will also play at Wisconsin-Parkside at 8 p.m. on Nov. 27.

GLIAC FOOTBALL

Team	GLIAC	Overall
1. Grand Valley State	-9-0	10-0
2. Saginaw Valley State	8-2	9-2
3. Findlay	8-2	9-2
4. Northwood	7-3	7-4
5. N. MICHIGAN	6-4	6-5
6. Ferris State	4-5	4-4
7. Hillsdale	4-6	5-6
8. Indianapolis	4-6	4-7
9. Michigan Tech	3-7	3-7
10. Wayne State	3-7	3-8
11. Ashland	2-8	2-9
12. Mercyhurst	1-9	2-9

NU 64, NMU 42

N. Michigan 7 7 7 21 42  
 Northwood 16 13 28 7 64

**—FIRST QUARTER—**  
 NU Chris Gruse 82-yard kickoff return (Doug Daniel kick), 14:46; NU Pernell Jackson 25-yard pass from Jason Martin

(Daniel kick failed), 5:50; NMU Brandon Munson 76-yard pass from Kyle Swenor (Kyle Marotz kick), 5:29; NU Daniel 29-yard field goal, 1:11.

**—SECOND QUARTER—**  
 NU Chad Coons 55-yard run (Daniel kick), 10:44; NMU Terrell Goldsmith 33-yard run (Marotz kick), 8:40; NU Coons 9-yard run (Daniel kick failed), 0:58.

**—THIRD QUARTER—**  
 NU Coons 9-yard run (Daniel kick), 13:13; NU Coons 1-yard run (Daniel kick), 12:15; NU Jackson 8-yard run (Daniel kick), 4:37; NMU Goldsmith 4-yard run (Marotz kick), 2:23; NU Robert Height 91-yard kickoff return (Daniel kick).

**—FOURTH QUARTER—**  
 NMU Jeff Osborne 6-yard run (Marotz kick), 14:34; NMU Matt Bush 20-yard pass from Swenor (Marotz kick), 9:04; NU Jason Martin 1-yard run (Daniel kick), 3:13; NMU Goldsmith 2-yard run (Marotz kick), 0:47.

**—GAME STATS—**  
 FIRST DOWNS — NMU 24; NU 29.

RUSHING YARDS — NMU 195; NU 453.  
 PASSING YARDS — NMU 301; NU 107.  
 PENALTIES — NMU 5-40; NU 6-59.  
 TIME OF POSS. — NMU 22:40; NU 37:20.  
 TURNOVERS — NMU 3; MTU 2.

**—INDIVIDUAL STATS—**  
 RUSHING — NMU Goldsmith 13-112; Abraham McCoy 6-67; NU Coons 18-213; Bryant Lawrence 18-112. PASSING — NMU Swenor 24-42-1-301; NU Martin 7-13-0-107. RECEIVING — NMU Munson 6-149; Pat Rouzard 6-59; NU Jackson 2-51.

GU 3, NMU 2

N. Michigan 30 17 33 27 13 2  
 Gannon 18 30 31 30 15 3

KILLS — NMU 69 (Holly Greenamyre 16, Beth Laveen 16); GU 80 (Katie O'Conner 25). ASSISTS — NMU 62 (Kelli McCune 54); GU 74 (Jessamyn Deemer 62). DIGS — NMU 107 (Meaghan Kimball 24); GU 121 (LeAnn Byer 29). SERVICE ACES — NMU 1; GU 4.

GLIAC VOLLEYBALL

NMU 3, UF 0

N. Michigan 30 30 30 3  
 Findlay 24 23 20 0

KILLS — NMU 54 (Jennie Little 21); UF 42 (Kristen Coutts 15). ASSISTS — NMU 51 (Kelli McCune 49); UF 39 (Allison Barnes 36). DIGS — NMU 52 (Meaghan Kimball 15); UF 42 (Lindsey Beckstedt 12). SERVICE ACES — NMU 6; UF 2.

USOEC SKATING RESULTS

**—NMU TOP FINISHERS—**

Nov 16 —  
 Women's 1,500: Sara Bell 7th  
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 Men's 500: Shani Davis 3rd

Nov 17 —  
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 Men's 1,000: Shani Davis 2nd  
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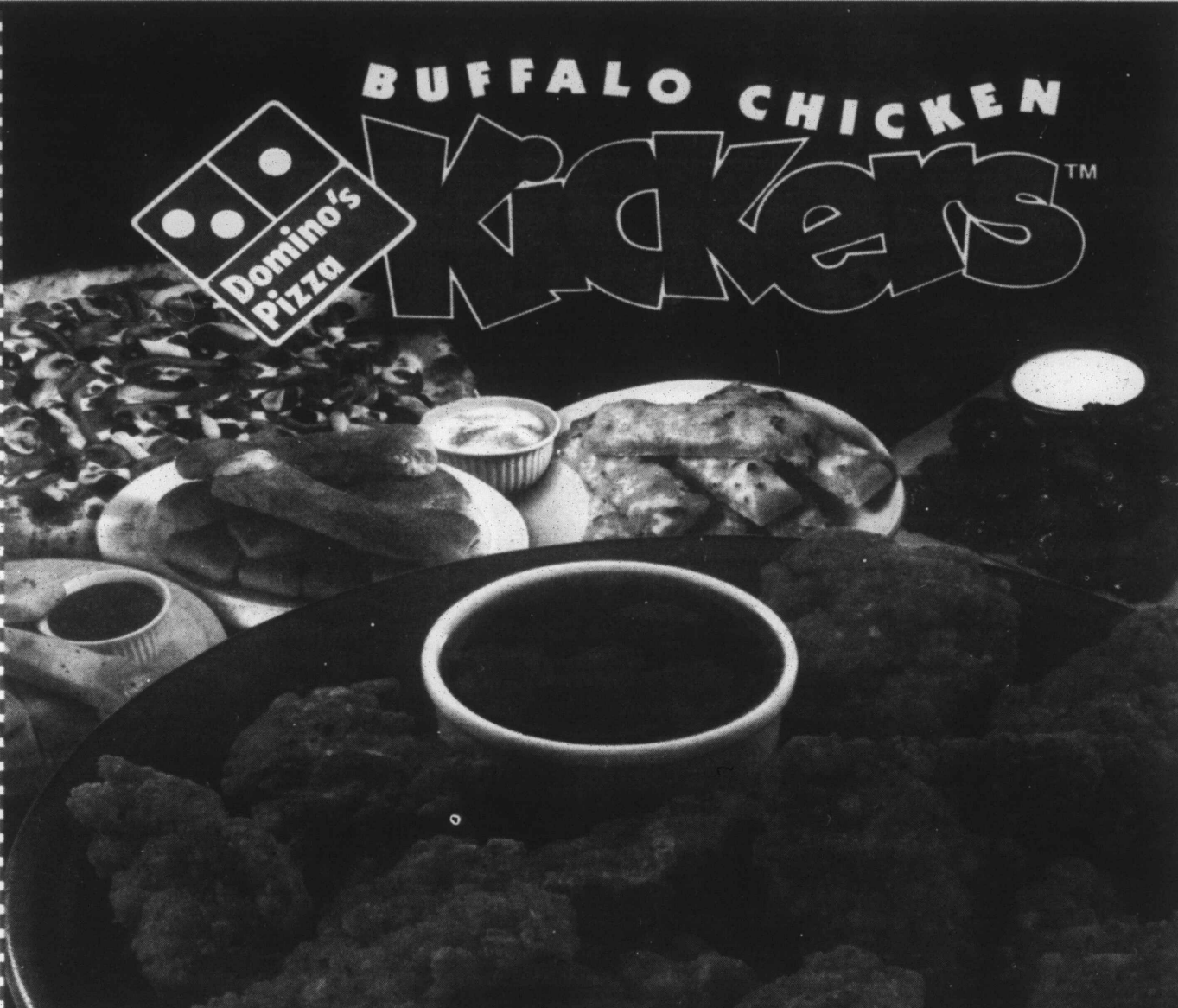
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Jeff - Happy Birthday! - Love, Mich

Boy - Think of all the health benefits. It's a no-brainer - Girl

Bree - Woman's rugby banquet. What should we bring? Maybe my orange hair? - Love, Chuck

Angie - Three days in a row! It'll be a good weekend - Melanie

Clean - Food, hugs and quality reading soon. I can't wait - Anxious

Brandy - Happy Birthday! You better come to the bar so we can buy you drinks! - K-Lo

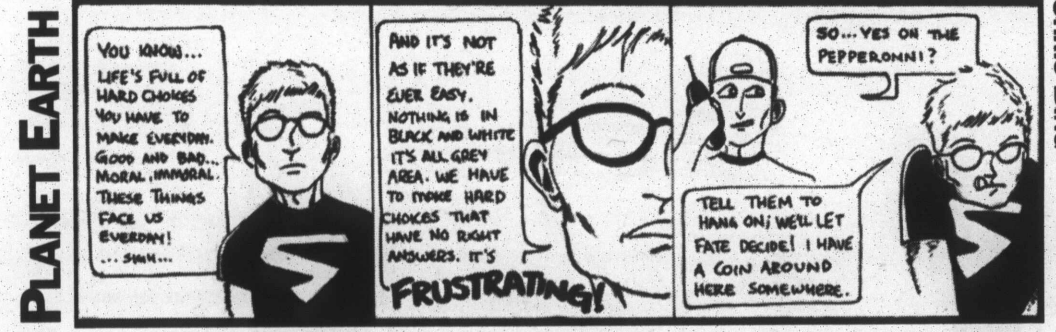
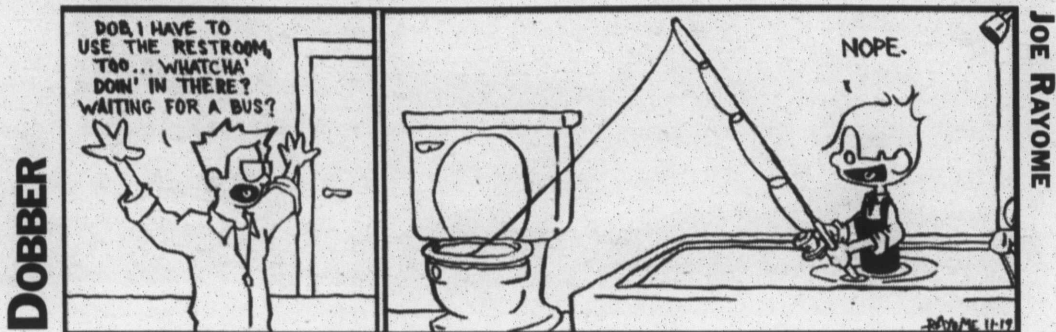
E.L.O. - I heard there were mindreaders coming to campus next semester. We should check it out. - B.O.C.

Lifesaver - Thanks for everything this week. I really appreciate all your help and food - Dish boy

Rob - The signs are made and the chants rehearsed. Meet us by the tanks. Tonight the lobsters run free! - LLF (Lobster Liberation Front)

Tom - Let us know you're alive - NW staff

Mom and Dad - Happy Anniversary, 26 years! I can't



wait to come home and see you. It's been way too long since I've had a good meal! Love you guys - Yoni

News boy - Learn to write headlines already, eh? - Opinionated

Staffers - Retreat at my camp. Maybe we'll have another lobster freeing moment - Elder

Staff - Enjoy the well-deserved week off! Excellent job covering things on deadline this week. One more to go - Chief

Thesis - Are ya done yet? How about now? - Degree

Rob - Thanks for the pizza tonight. We owe you - Staff

Sabrina - Don't let the cowork-

ers get you down. Happy Turkey Day - Curse

Becci - Where have you been? - Mel

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