

Two NMU initiatives receive awards

Parent Partnership, a bi-weekly newsletter from Northern Michigan University President Judi Bailey to parents of NMU students received a bronze medal in the national award program sponsored by the Council for Advancement and Support of Education. It was entered in the Specific Media Relations category.

Bailey created *Parent Partnership* in January as a way to enhance communication between parents and NMU. The Partnership has two components, an electronic newsletter and forums held throughout the state.

NMU's Virtual Advising Web site also received recognition by winning the outstanding Publication Certificate of Merit in the electronic category from the National Academic Advising Association.

The site answers student's basic questions so that they are more prepared when meeting with their academic adviser.

Leading the way

Bailey receives executive leadership award

NMU President Judi Bailey is one of eight campus leaders in the nation selected to receive an Executive Leadership Award from CASE—the Council for Advancement and Support of Education.

CASE presents the award annually to the head of a member institution in each of eight districts. Bailey is the winner in District V, which covers Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, and Wisconsin. She was recognized in July at the CASE International Assembly in Chicago.

NMU Board of Trustees Chair Dan DeVos had submitted a nomination letter to the award selection committee on behalf of the board.

“The NMU community has been energized by her vision, work ethic, and leadership,” wrote DeVos. “She has challenged students, faculty, and staff, and those of us who serve

on the governing board to be bold in brining Northern

to the forefront as a leader of 21st century higher education. Her enthusiasm, belief in NMU's potential, and sheer determination has caused many to rethink their perception of Northern as a small, regional school.”

According to CASE guidelines, nominees for the Executive Leadership Award must demonstrate the ability to actively support advancement, create a vision and inspire others, establish a positive image for his or her institution while leading it to higher levels of success, increase the institution's stature in the community, and encourage innovation and risk-taking among employees.



Student services leadership position filled

William Bernard has joined Northern Michigan University as associate provost for student services and enrollment.

He comes to Marquette from Waterloo, Iowa, where he spent about seven years as vice president of student services at Hawkeye Community College.

“I was interested in the position at Northern for three reasons: it was a good career opportunity; the university has a great academic reputation; and the U.P. offers a nice qual-

ity of life,” he said. “I’ve been struck by how friendly the people are here—both at the university and in the larger community. My wife and I are thrilled to be here.”

Bernard previously served as vice president of student services at Nicolet Area Technical College in Rhinelander, Wis., from 1991-95. He also obtained management experiences in various positions at Cayuga Community College in Auburn, NY, and at Indian Hills Community College in Ottumwa, Iowa.

At NMU, Bernard will oversee

all student service functions. These include admissions, financial aid, student activities, and housing and residence life. He assumes the duties of Karen Reese, who retired last year.

Bernard holds a master's degree in education administration and a bachelor's degree in industrial education from Northeast Missouri State University in Kirksville.



Excellence in Teaching Award winners announced

Three Northern Michigan University faculty members were honored with Excellence in Teaching Awards. They are: **Earl Kaurala '76 MA, '89 MAE** of Education; **Yvonne Lee '72 BS, '73 MAE** of Technology and Occupational Sciences; and Robert Myers of Mathematics and Computer Science.

The university's Teaching and Learning Advisory Committee developed the internal recognition program. It was designed to replace the awards sponsored by the Michigan Association of Governing Boards, which was dissolved. Recipients received a \$1,000 cash award and plaque at NMU's fall convocation.

Kaurala joined Northern's faculty in 1994 with a focus on educational administration. For the past seven years, he has also worked with the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. His duties have included acting as a consultant to NCA-accredited Upper Peninsula schools, providing workshops in school accreditation and improvement processes, and serving as a liaison between the U.P. schools and the NCA office in Ann Arbor.

He previously spent 26 years with the Houghton school district, progressing from English teacher and department head to high school principal. Kaurala also taught at J.A. Doelle High School and at Portage Lake-Range Area Community Schools.

Lee is in her 8th year at Northern. She returned to her alma mater after establishing the hospitality



Left to right: Earl Kaurala, Yvonne Lee, and Robert Myers.

management program at College of the Ozarks in Branson, Mo. Lee previously taught at a technical college in Alexandria, Minn., then moved to the Caribbean and did consulting for the hospitality industry.

She returned to the United States to pursue the Branson opportunity. After two years at College of the Ozarks, she joined the NMU faculty.

Myers joined the NMU mathematics faculty in 1969. He teaches calculus, geometry, and statistics.

He served four years in the U.S. Air Force before embarking on a career in education. He was a math teacher and department head at the International School in Ibadan, Nigeria, from 1963-65. He also was a math coordinator for Peace Corps training programs in Boston and a master teacher at Harvard-Newton Summer School.

Nomination criteria for the award include a sustained record of high achievement in teaching evidenced by positive peer observation; high student qualitative and quantitative evaluations; thorough knowledge of subject matter; clarity, organization, and consistency in subject presentation and assessment; enthusiasm for teaching and learning; creation of a safe and open learning environment; and experimentation with teaching and learning paradigms.

CAPS professor to receive Fulbright grant



Louise Bourgault, NMU professor in the Communication and Performance Studies department, will receive a Fulbright

U.S. Scholar Grant to study how performance art is being used to address the AIDS crisis in Mali, West Africa.

Bourgault will focus her attention on a women's group that performs street theater warning about the dangers of sexually transmitted diseases. She said it is a complete reversal of traditional Malian street theater, which excludes female participation.

"Men play women's roles and the material often spoofs women for not being obedient enough or for costing too much money," Bourgault said. "Now you have women dressing as men and doing parodies that show men as irresponsible for not practicing safer sex. The significance for gender is extraordinary."

It is also a society in which men are allowed to marry four women. Bourgault said research shows that, in both polygamous and monogamous relationships, men are more likely to be unfaithful than women. If a man contracts the HIV virus, he could unknowingly bring it into his household, infecting multiple wives and future children.

"A United Nations organization, UNAIDS, has made it clear that campaigns need to focus on altering the African male's definition of masculinity. This is revolutionary," she added.

Bourgault will be in Mali conducting her research from January through April 2003.

College updates

College of Arts and Sciences

Head of English department to edit Shakespeare volume

Jim Schiffer, head of Northern's English department, has been appointed editor of the New Variorum edition of Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night*, or *What You Will*. When completed several years from now, the volume will be published by the Modern Language Association.

"The end result will be a moderated and threaded discussion of more than 400 years' worth of significant remarks or observations written by critics and editors," Schiffer said. "This book will include line-by-line commentary and essays on sources for the play, major characters, critical reception, and stage history. Variorums tend to run between 700 and 1,000 pages. They make terrific research tools for students and scholars."

Schiffer was appointed by a committee of scholars affiliated with the MLA. He attributes the selection to essays he has published on the play and Shakespeare poems, in addition to his previous experience editing a collection of essays on Shakespeare's *Sonnets*. During his research on the latter, he frequently consulted the *Sonnets Variorum*.

The last variorum to focus on *Twelfth Night*, which Schiffer would argue is The Bard's best comedy, was published in 1901.

Arts and Sciences to offer three new degree programs

Northern is offering three new academic majors this fall: earth science, geographic information science, and entertainment and sports promotion.

Earth scientists provide information for solving problems and establishing governmental policies for resource management, environmental protection, and public health, safety, and welfare.

The bachelor's degree program in geographic information science will enable students to acquire not only basic operational skills, but also broader information technology skills such as spatial database management, software development, and project management.

The Communication and Performance Studies department will offer a major in entertainment and sports promotion to supplement its existing public relations program. Career opportunities include publicist, sports information director, and travel services specializing in tours for sports fans.

College of Professional Studies

UPCED receives Kellogg grant

The Upper Peninsula Center for Educational Development received a three-year grant in the amount of \$385,574 from the W. K. Kellogg Foundation for funding of the U.P. Middle Start II project, which will help middle schools throughout the region and beyond communicate better and improve student outcomes.

The grant will help create a digital communications network and assist teachers and administrators in improving schools through workshops, expert resource personnel, technical support, and interactions with other schools. According to UPCED Director Carl Wozniak 18 U.P. schools are participating in the

project currently.

The Middle Start program, funded by the Kellogg foundation, has its roots in the 1990s, when schools recognized that there are significant issues in middle grades education not found in elementary or high school classrooms. Wozniak said the schools have come a long way since the beginning and he hopes to work with school districts beyond the U.P. and the state of Michigan in the near future.

College of Technology and Applied Sciences

NMU receives construction software gift

Northern's construction management program recently received a gift of software worth \$160,000 from Primavera Systems, Inc., of Bala Cynwyd, Pa., according to Mark Curtis, dean of the College of Technology and Applied Sciences. Primavera is providing NMU with 60 licensed units of their construction management software.

Primavera is a leading provider of comprehensive project management, control, and execution software and is the predominant software used in the construction management profession.

"This is the software that our students will be using in their construction management careers, so it is exciting that they will get hands-on experience prior to graduation," said Curtis.

"Since our beginning in 1983, Primavera has donated educational copies of our project management software to colleges and universities that are committed to preparing

their students for careers in project management,” said Nancy Allen, Primavera vice president of corporate marketing.

Curtis said that construction management instructor Mike Andary spearheaded the effort to introduce Primavera to NMU.

College of Business

College of Business establishes business honor society chapter

As a result of the Walker L. Cislser College of Business’s recent accreditation by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB), the college has established a chapter of the business honor society Beta Gamma Sigma.

Being a member of the society is the highest recognition a business student can receive in an undergraduate or graduate program. Students ranking in the top 7 percent of the junior class, top 10 percent of the senior class, and top 20 percent of master’s programs at universities accredited by AACSB are eligible to become members.

The College of Business offered 15 memberships to outstanding students; four accepted the honor and were inducted, including Kathleen A. Rose of Marquette, Katherine E. Fosburg of Negaunee, Damian R. Matacz of Western Australia, and Eric L. Lundin of Rapid River.

“Having this honor society at Northern puts our students on par with students from other schools, for example the University of Michigan inducts students into Beta Gamma Sigma,” said James Scheiner, dean of the College of Business.

Poles in Michigan

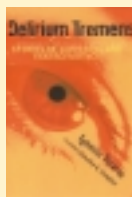


Michigan State University Press, 2002

Dennis Badaczewski, Education

From Michigan’s earliest Polish marriage (in 1762) to the most recent post-Cold War migrations, this book chronicles how each successive wave of settlement has enriched and enlivened Michigan culture.

Delirium Tremens



Hazelden Information & Educational Services, 2000

Translated by Timothy Compton, Modern Languages and Literature

Mexican novelist Ignacio Solares interviewed people suffering from alcohol-related visions and interweaves eleven of their stories here in a strange and fascinating literary exploration of human drama on the edge of sanity. Blurring the line between fiction and nonfiction, *Delirium Tremens* tells a multifaceted, textured tale of personal, social, and emotional trauma and of the courage that leads some of these people back to sobriety.

Dimensional Management



Industrial Press, 2002

Mark Curtis, College of Technology and Applied Sciences

Written for college-level engineering and technology students, this textbook functions as a primer or a handbook for those wishing to optimize the interchangeability of multicomponent manufactured products through the study and use of various sophisticated manual and computer-aided dimensioning and tolerancing techniques.

Italians in Michigan



Michigan State University Press, 2001

Russell Magnaghi, History

Through an emphasis on the family as the essential institution in ethnic group success, this book celebrates the accomplishments of Michigan’s famous and not-so-famous Italian sons and daughters.

The Invisible World



Crown, 2002

John Smolens, English

This story of hidden truths and intrigue pits father against son. For years, Sam Adams’s father had been a shadowy figure in his family’s lives, keeping a slender connection from afar while his wife and children are haunted by loneliness, his daughter wasted by addiction, and Sam, hounded by his father’s enemies. Sam has spent his life trying to discover what his father, who “worked for the government,” was doing that was worth the family’s ruin. To solve the puzzle, Sam will have to see his father clearly for the first time, before he inevitably vanishes again.