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Aerial photographs of the Northern Michigan University campus (cover) and the lighthouse at Lower Harbor (this page). Photography by Bill Sampson.

Northern spared major budget reduction

Northern Michigan University will receive \$80,000 in restored funding under a tentative state spending agreement reached in September by Gov. Jennifer Granholm and legislative leaders. But factoring in the base-budget implications of an executive order enacted last December, the university remains \$724,000 below the state funding level of one year ago.

Northern's fiscal year 2006 budget was developed around the governor's budget recommendation, which called for NMU to receive \$804,000 less than its FY2005 state funding level.

"The restored funding means we won't be faced with having to make additional major reductions on campus this fall beyond the reductions and cost-saving measures already identified in the general fund budget approved by the Board of Trustees," said Gavin Leach, associate vice president for

finance and planning.

Northern will receive slightly more than \$45 million in state funding for FY2006. President Les Wong said the outcome is much better than the 5 to 10 percent cuts for Northern originally proposed by the House and Senate.

"This keeps our budget basically intact, but we still have huge challenges ahead of us as we move into the next legislative process," Wong said. "A per-student funding gap remains, and it's clear some legislators are still very interested in a formula approach to funding higher education. We're relieved the House proposal for this year wasn't adopted. As much as the cuts would have hurt us, the proposed formula would have hurt us even more in the long term."

According to Gongwer News Service, House Speaker Craig DeRoche was pleased that, beginning in July 2006, funding for universities will be allocated in a

method similar to what the House GOP had proposed. Universities that offer certain types of degrees would get more money.

When asked if he was disappointed that NMU and Wayne State are escaping cuts, DeRoche was quoted in Gongwer as saying, "From our perspective, it isn't the dollar amount; it's the formula. The transition (to a formula) is being made, and eventually those that would have otherwise received cuts hopefully by their own initiative in directing programs toward their outcomes will end up with more money."

The state spending agreement does not include the governor's proposed changes to the Merit Award program. She wanted to boost the award from \$2,500 to \$4,000 and make it payable upon completion of two years of college. Overall, it appears higher education and K-12 fared better than other state departments.

Public television to remain on the air at Northern Michigan University



Northern will continue to provide base-budget support of \$200,000 to WNMU-TV, enabling the station to remain on the air. The university's Board of Trustees unanimously approved the measure at its Oct. 6-7 meeting.

Public TV13 and Public Radio 90 were slated for elimination by July 2005 as part of NMU cost-saving rec-

ommendations developed in response to decreased state funding for higher education. The board reconsidered the status of the stations, in part because they demonstrated increased and sustained fundraising potential.

The board had previously voted to provide \$50,000 in continued base-budget funding to Public Radio 90, but withheld a decision on Public TV13 for several months to obtain more information on the station's contribution to academics, as well as costs and benefits associated with the advent of digital transmission.

"What really sold me is the academic tie-in to student programs that we heard about at our last meeting, and the desire to explore new initiatives along that same line," said Chair Karl Weber.

NMU at one time contributed a combined \$1.1 million to radio and television.

NMU projected to reach record enrollment

Fall enrollment at Northern Michigan University has increased 3.6 percent and credit-hour production is up 3.1 percent from a year ago, according to 10th-day figures released by the office of institutional research. Northern's preliminary headcount is 9,379, compared with 9,055 in 2004.

"Based on the 10th-day comparisons with last year, I anticipate that we will at least reach the targeted goal of 9,607 for fall 2005 by the end of the semester," said Paul Duby, associate vice president for Institutional Research. "This figure will surpass our previous high enrollment figure of 9,376 set in fall 1980."

Duby said the number of graduate students has increased 13.3 percent. He attributes this to the leadership of Cynthia Prosen, who was appointed dean of graduate studies earlier this year, as well as a more

focused effort to market the programs. Prosen is a former professor in the NMU Psychology Department.

The freshman class is larger than projected, and the academic credentials of baccalaureate first-time, full-time freshmen continue to increase incrementally.

"The sophomore class is up more than 6 percent," Duby added. "I believe that's due to increased retention from last year's record-high freshman cohort." According to Duby, NMU's third-semester retention rate is at a record 73.3 percent.

Duby added that Northern is holding its own in attracting Michigan students, despite intense competition.

"Northern also has a slightly more diverse student population this year, thanks mainly to a noticeable increase in Native American students."

Social work maintains accreditation

Northern Michigan University's social work program received reaffirmation of accreditation from the Council on Social Work Education in Alexandria, Va.

A CSWE commission voted to reaffirm the bachelor of social work program's accreditation for eight years, ending July 2013. This is the longest time period a program can be unconditionally accredited before the reaffirmation process.

Northern is one of four Michigan universities that have maintained continuing accreditation

in this area since 1974—the first year CSWE began accrediting baccalaureate social work programs.

Social work program director Billy Blodgett said that the 2005 graduating class ranked in the upper 17th percent among more than 400 national programs that participated in the professional social work achievement test.

"Northern students usually rank pretty well—in the top half or third nationwide—but 17 percent is the highest placement we've achieved," Blodgett said.



Northern reaches out to hurricane victims

The Northern Michigan University family extends its heartfelt sympathy to those impacted by Hurricane Katrina.

In early September, members of the NMU community gathered to organize relief and fundraising efforts for the survivors of Katrina. Four groups were formed to help with specific aspects of the relief effort. So far, NMU volunteers have helped the Red Cross assemble comfort kits to supply hurricane survivors with basic necessities and toiletries; held drives for clothing, food, and other needed supplies; and organized fundraisers that include selling bracelets, ribbons, and distributing collection cans. One group has begun the "NMU \$50K" effort with a goal of having each of NMU's 10,000-member community donate \$5.

Recent graduates of Northern's electrical line technician program are working in Louisiana and Mississippi to help restore electrical power.

Deanna Hemmila '88 BS, director of Alumni Relations at NMU said more than 100 alumni families live in areas directly impacted by Katrina. Students working for the NMU Foundation call center are trying to touch base with graduates in affected areas to see how they're doing and express support on behalf of NMU.



Meeting a critical need

NMU, MGH receive \$2 million grant to train nurses

The NMU School of Nursing and Marquette General Hospital have been awarded nearly \$2 million in state grant money to accelerate the education and graduation of registered and practical nurses.

Gov. Jennifer Granholm announced that 13 Michigan universities and community colleges will receive nearly \$17 million in grants made available with Medicaid Disproportionate Share Hospital (DSH) funds. The funding is part of the governor’s MI Opportunity Partnership. It will be used to train an anticipated 1,200 health professionals, including registered nurses, licensed practical nurses, clinical nurse faculty, and allied health professionals such as respiratory therapists and pharmacy technicians.

Authored by Kerri Schuiling, associate dean of the NMU School of Nursing, the grant awarded to NMU and MGH is the second largest of those approved.

Northern will partner with Marquette General to educate an

additional 20 licensed practical nurses and 20 registered nurses during the two fiscal years of the grant. Additionally, preceptor training at Marquette General will be provided to 70 registered nurses who will become clinical faculty for the accelerated program. One hundred LPN students are expected to graduate during the funding period.

“There is an acute shortage of nurses and nursing faculty to teach in nursing education programs. The demand for the nursing programs at NMU is at an all-time high,” Schuiling said. “This award enables us to address these shortages by making accelerated training opportunities available.”

An Upper Peninsula Health Care Roundtable survey—of which MGH and NMU are members—revealed that the top three occupational areas in need of solutions are registered nurses, licensed practical nurses, and nursing aides, orderlies, and attendants. The grant addresses the need for qualified employees in these critical occupations for the entire U.P.

“These grants will help ensure that we’re training and employing people quickly,” Schuiling said. “The program for registered nurses is for those individuals who already have a degree, have not found work, or have lost their jobs and desire a degree in nursing,” she explained. “Examples are teachers who have been laid off. These people will only have to take nursing course work, which is offered in an accelerated format.”

Karen MacLachlan, MGH assistant administrator who oversees nursing and patient services, said the opportunity to increase the nursing healthcare workforce in the Upper Peninsula bodes well for the future of health care.

“Over the years, Marquette General has enjoyed a tremendous working relationship with the School of Nursing at Northern,” MacLachlan said. “This will allow us to build on that collaboration by offering accelerated training opportunities in nursing.”

The MI Opportunity Partnership specifically targets the health-care industry because of the need for skilled workers and the high number of existing vacancies. According to a recent study released jointly by the Michigan Department of Labor and Economic Growth and the Michigan Department of Community Health, the state will need to fill more than 100,000 professional and technical healthcare jobs in Michigan over the next decade.

Grant funding is expected to have a positive impact on the economy of the Upper Peninsula since health care comprises one of the largest categories of employers.

Editor’s Note: This is an edited version of a news release prepared by the community relations department at MGH.

Bridging cultures

NMU alumna receives Fulbright opportunity

Monique Yoder '05 BA is teaching English and American culture to students in Austria. The opportunity comes courtesy of the Austrian-American Educational Commission, which works in conjunction with the Fulbright Commission and the Austrian Ministry of Education.

Yoder began her service as a foreign language assistant at two business vocational schools on Oct. 3. She will facilitate 12 conversation lessons per week for students ages 16-19, team-teach with their English instructor, and introduce students to various aspects of American culture. She is based in Neusiedl am See, in the eastern part of the country near the borders of Slovakia and Hungary.

Yoder graduated from NMU in May with an English/graduate-bound degree and a minor in German. This will be her second trip to Austria.

"I went to Vienna with two NMU professors and a group of students last year as part of a study-abroad program, and I really liked it there," she said. "It's similar to the Midwest with its rolling fields, but in Austria you have the Alps in the background."

Yoder's heritage inspired her to choose German as her foreign language in high school and as one of her minors in college. Selecting a major did not come so easily.

"I started out as a biochemistry major because I liked science, but I switched to English my junior year because I like writing more. I'm glad I made that decision; it's given me a chance to explore the humanities

more. I have a better understanding of myself and the world around me."

The Austrian students that Yoder is teaching have already taken two or three years of the English language, but she hopes to bring more to the classroom than language skills.

"I think it's important that the students over there have a positive image of the U.S.," she said. "I hope to create an open environment so they'll be comfortable with asking questions about life over here; I want them to know how diverse it really is. I also plan on introducing them to some good music."

But Yoder also understands that even though she's the teacher, the Austrian adventure will be a learning experience for her as well.

"This will be my first time living someplace on my own," she said. "I'm also curious as to how they deal with the same issues that we do, and I want to brush up on my German skills. But most importantly, this experience will prepare me for grad school at Michigan State next year, where I'll be studying how to teach English to foreign speakers. Once I finish that program, I'll be able to teach anywhere in the world."

Yoder is one of 121 teaching assistants hired by the Austrian-American Educational Commission this year to promote communication between the two countries. Her service runs through May. She said her long-term goals are to teach abroad for a few years after graduate school, then return to the states for her doctorate in linguistics.

—Becky Kratz

Camerius receives international honor

The World Association for Case Method Research and Application (WACRA) recently recognized NMU marketing professor James Camerius as Global Case Method Ambassador. The award recognizes Camerius' leadership and extensive contributions to case method research and application.

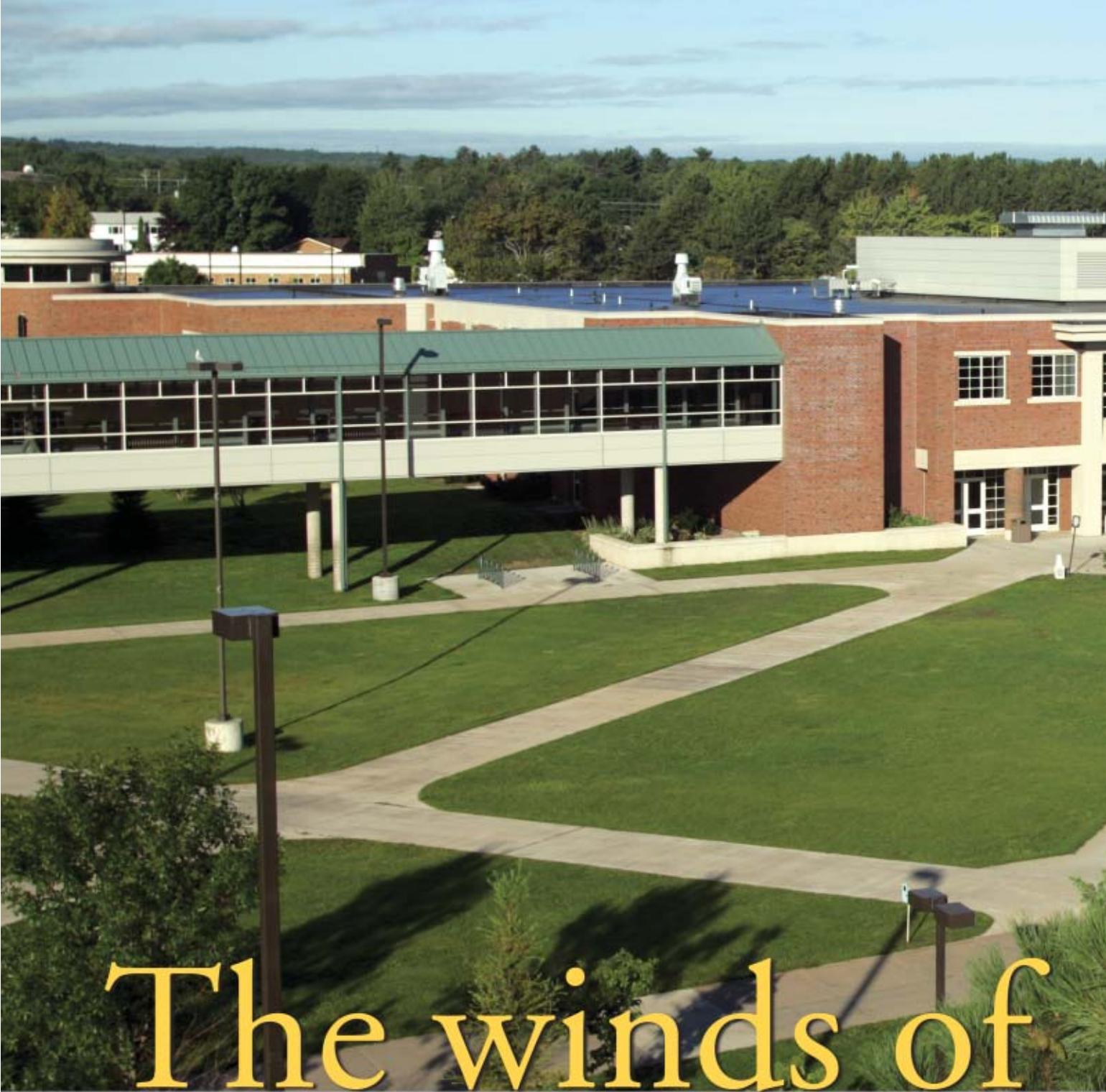
The case method is a way of teaching that involves problem solving in organizational situations. Camerius is a long-time WACRA member and has served as WACRA case workshop and colloquium director since 1997.

Indieke appointed to Newbery committee

NMU education professor Sandra Indieke has been appointed to the Newbery Award Selection Committee, which is charged with identifying authors of the most distinguished American children's books published in 2005. She previously served on the Caldecott Medal Selection Committee, which honors the top illustrators in the genre.

During her term on the committee, Indieke will receive 200-400 children's books from publishers vying for consideration. In identifying "distinguished writing," committee members will consider interpretation of the theme; presentation elements such as accuracy, clarity, and organization; plot development; delineation of characters and setting; and appropriateness of style.

When her task is completed, she plans to donate the books she reviews to the juvenile collection at NMU's Olson Library.



The leaves are beginning to show the first glow of autumn. Hints of red and yellow dot the landscape that only a few short weeks ago was awash with green. It's familiar, this change of seasons in the Upper Peninsula, but it still amazes us each year with its spectacular, quiet beauty. The sensation is similar to what many alumni who have visited campus over the last few months have felt—returning to a place that is at once so familiar and at the same time so different. While any university is in a constant state of evolution—changing programs



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Photography by Bill Sampson.

and facilities to meet the needs of the next generation of students—the changes at Northern over the last 10 years have been particularly striking. In past issues, we’ve shown you the Berry Events Center and the Seaborg Science Complex (pictured above). In this issue, we’d like to show you some of Northern’s newest additions so that you can see for yourself how the face of your university has changed.



For the first time since the late 1960s, all Art and Design programs and faculty members now reside under one roof. The 60,000 square-foot Art and Design facility opened January 17, 2005, and houses the drawing, painting, photography, and printmaking components previously located in Lee Hall. It also accommodates the computer labs and concentrations of digital cinema, environmental design, and illustration that occupied portions of Thomas Fine Arts.

The facility features a 100-seat lecture room, a digital green screen room, a computer suite with four labs and a sound studio; a critique room; a photography suite with light studio, commercial-scale darkroom, and film-loading rooms; and a student lounge area.

There are also six new studios. One is for general design projects and mimics an art agency with 25 cubicles. Another is a portfolio studio, which allows students to effectively photograph their pieces of art—whether they are large or small, flat, or three-dimensional. There are also studios for matting and mounting, printmaking, painting and drawing, and illustration. The latter two feature controlled lighting.

Above: Art and Design and the DeVos Art Museum. Top right: Student lounge. Bottom right: Drawing and illustration studio.



► Being in the same building as the rest of the department makes everything so much easier and convenient. I have ready access to other faculty members, and students can get to my office between any two art and design courses rather than having to trek across campus. It opens communication and encourages interaction.

The four Macintosh imaging studios allow students access to computers, scanning, printing in many forms, digital still and video cameras, and a whole range of production software.

—Stephan Larson, professor, NMU Art and Design Department

► The art program at NMU is quite impressive compared to what it was four years ago when I was a freshman. The equipment is all new and there is plenty of it, which was not the case my first year here. I am glad that I'm here to experience at least one year of this new facility.

—David Fedorski, senior, digital cinema major, Schaumburg, Ill.

► The illustration lab is a pretty good size and has a setup where students can work on drawing tables and easels at the same time. There is also a setup in the front of the studio for a live model and ample storage space for students. We also have an airbrush facility in the studio, and we have the best source of natural light in the entire building, which is perfect for landscapes and outdoor pieces.

—Tom Cappuccio,
professor, NMU Art and
Design Department

art and design



The new Art and Design facility is anchored by the DeVos Art Museum. The museum is comprised of two galleries. One is 2,500 square feet and designed for rotating exhibits, including student, national, and community exhibits. The other is 2,000 square feet and showcases the university's permanent collection, which ranges from Japanese art to early 20th-century illustration. The museum also has a climate-controlled storage room for permanent collection works and a "prep space" with a loading dock to receive pieces for upcoming exhibits.

The art museum was previously located in Lee Hall. The original Lee Hall gallery was established in 1975 and received museum status in 1996. The DeVos Art Museum was made possible with support from the Dan and Pamella DeVos Foundation and the Richard and Helen DeVos Foundation.

Above: Student art and rotating exhibit gallery. Above right: Permanent collection art gallery.



art museum

- ▶ I love coming to work. It is such a great environment to be in. The DeVos Art Museum is a gorgeous space for showing art. It has a great “wow factor” when people first come in. The front gallery is very contemporary, and I can do larger exhibits there. It is a perfect space for showing big paintings and sculptures. The back gallery has a much more classical feel. It is a joy to set up new shows.

With the Art and Design Department and the Art Museum all under one roof, it is much better for students and faculty to interact and enjoy the art museum.

—Wayne Francis, coordinator of cultural affairs and museum director, NMU Art and Design Department

- ▶ The new DeVos Art Museum is much more modern than the one in Lee Hall. The displays are more interactive. The new facility lends itself more to technological art.
- Dan Gausden, junior, history major, Higgins Lake, Mich.

- ▶ Students and community members like the architectural aspects of the building. It’s a really cool place to walk around and check out or just sit and hang out for a while.

—Susan Truckey, freshman, athletic training major, Republic, Mich.

- ▶ The DeVos Museum space is much better than the old one. It’s much more presentable to the public and much better for art shows. I like the use of steel and minimalistic color.

—Britt Johnson-Dunlop, senior, political science major, St. Charles, Ill.

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C.B. Hedgcock Fieldhouse was constructed in 1957 and included a fieldhouse with a 90'x122' gymnasium, a gym for intramural sports, an indoor swimming pool, staff offices, classrooms, locker rooms and showers, a training room, and other facilities. The last varsity basketball game took place in the fieldhouse on Feb. 20, 1999. The building, which is now known simply as C.B. Hedgcock, includes one-stop services for students, faculty, and staff. Some of the service suites at the facility include Academic and Career Advisement, Admissions, Consultation Services, Dean of Students, Diversity Student Services, Financial Aid, Financial Services, First Year Experience, Honors Program, Housing and Residence Life, the JOBSearch Center, Registrar, the Student Service Center (where bills can be paid), Upward Bound, Tutoring, the Music Department's Reynolds Recital Hall, and the newest eatery on campus, the Fieldhouse Food Bar.

Above: C.B. Hedgcock west entrance. Top right: A view of the second floor student lounge area.
Bottom right: The Fieldhouse Food Bar.



► I am amazed at the transformation of Hedgcock. I remember playing basketball in the almost barren building my freshman year, and now I wouldn't even recognize it as the same place.

—Amy Warman '03 BS, Des Plains, Ill.

► I had been in the old fieldhouse many times before, and I was surprised to see how well the renovations went. The setup is open and inviting. It's right in the middle of campus, too, so it's easy to find and has adequate parking. Plus, it was a chore to get to the Student Service Center when it was in Cohodas.

—Brett Kratz, sophomore, business/CIS major, Ishpeming, Mich.

► Being in the center of campus has a much different feel to it. We're more in the mainstream of student traffic. From a customer perspective, we love having a large reception area and so many student service areas close by to direct visitors to. It's a great work environment.

—Gerri Daniels '83 BA, NMU director of admissions

► Hedgcock is a nice place to study and grab some snacks between classes. It's also nice to come here when you really don't have anything to do except hang out. It has big, comfy chairs and plug-ins for my laptop, which are big pluses in my book.

—Andrea Bussiere, senior, nursing major, Ishpeming, Mich.

c.b. hedgcock



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Mildred K. Magers Hall was constructed in the mid 1960s as a residence hall, but declining enrollment in the 1980s caused the university to close portions of the facility. Magers was converted to faculty offices from 1988-1991. Once renovations were complete, the facility housed the dean of the College of Arts and Sciences offices; the College of Business; the departments of Economics, Education, History, Language, Nursing, and Political Science; the Academic Senate; and the AAUP office.

Increasing enrollment over the last several years has created a pressing need for additional campus housing. After all academic and administrative offices in Magers had been relocated to other campus buildings, construction began during the winter 2005 semester to convert the facility back into a residence hall. In August 2005, the first students moved in. The three-story masonry building has 50 residence rooms and four community rooms per floor.

Above: Magers Hall. Top right: A residence hall room. Bottom right: Student television room.



► It's spiffy. I like the sun rooms the best because they're nice to relax in when the TV room is overcrowded. I lived in Payne Hall for two years, and compared to that, it's like living in a mansion here. I waited in line behind 50 people to sign up for this room. I wanted to live here because this is the first new hall since the '60s, and I wanted to be a part of shaping it.

—Michael Jensen, junior, mathematics education major, Des Plaines, Ill.

► Since the renovation began taking shape, alumni have been commenting to me and saying, "Wow!" They always remark on the pitched roof and how it enhances the look of the building. Interestingly, the roof, one of the most expensive parts of the renovation, not only added a classic, residential look to the building, it also increased ventilation and allowed us to do what we needed to with the mechanical system.

—Carl Holm '70 BA, '76 MAE, NMU director of Housing and Residence Life.

► It's awesome. Everyone is jealous of us. The wooden doors are definitely a plus; they look so much nicer. It's nice to know that we're the first ones to sleep in these beds. I wanted to have a loft, though, and we're not allowed, so I was bummed about that. The stackable dresser drawers



make up for that, though. Those give us a way to conserve floor space.

A.J. Fischer, freshman,
marketing major, Wisconsin Dells, Wis.

magers hall



Other than the new above-ground covered walkway that connects Thomas Fine Arts to C.B. Hedgcock, the exterior of the Music Department's main facility remains largely unchanged. Inside, however, the department's facilities have undergone a complete overhaul. Highlights of the renovation include 28 newly designed practice rooms, 16 of which are Wenger studios, named for the company that set the standard for music industry facilities. In fact, NMU's percussion ensemble room is the largest Wenger studio ever built. Two of the Wenger rooms are "V-ready," which means they have programmed capabilities to perfectly duplicate the acoustics of other venues.

The music technology laboratory features 24 keyboard stations—each with an accompanying area for a student's notebook computer. The previous lab had 12 stations. Other enhancements include a new music education classroom designed to simulate a public school setting for future teachers, and an improved storage area with floor-to-ceiling compartments of various sizes with humidity control to protect the instruments.

Above: Thomas Fine Arts with the new connector that joins the facility with C.B. Hedgcock.
Top right: Music technology laboratory. Bottom right: Small ensemble room.



▶ As a former graduate assistant and current adjunct instructor in the music department, I have seen NMU through an amazing transformation. The recent renovation provides the music department with a cutting-edge facility...putting the "fine" back into fine arts.
—Janis Shier Peterson '78 MME, Marquette

▶ Integrating technology into the curriculum has always been a priority, but the renovated practice rooms and the music technology lab allow us to realize this goal to an even greater extent. The facility features stations where students can use state-of-the-art MIDI controllers and sound modules in conjunction with powerful software on their laptops. I'm happy that we can offer our students the chance to become familiar with this type of equipment.
—Mark Flaherty, professor, NMU Music Department

▶ It's great to have access to all of this technology for composing and arranging projects. The music technology lab and all of the newly renovated music facilities here at Northern definitely had an impact on my decision to attend NMU this fall.
—Cameron Mahoney, freshman, music major, Marquette

music department



Reynolds Recital Hall, located at the east end of C.B. Hedgcock, has been called the crowning jewel of the Music Department’s facility upgrades. It has a seating capacity of 300 and will be used for student and faculty recitals. Assets of the venue include curtains over the side wall panels that can be opened or closed to expand or dampen the sound; six different computerized lighting presets to accentuate various moods, from intimate chamber music to full-fledged orchestra; a humidity-controlled “safe room” for the two concert grand pianos; and high-backed seats of slightly varying widths with plenty of leg room for walking between the rows. The recital hall was made possible, in large part, by a contribution from the Phyllis Reynolds family of Marquette.

The recital hall also features a Walker digital pipe organ, purchased with a gift from **Jeannette (Skinnard) Bowden ’36 LC, BA**. In her 44 1/2 years at NMU, Bowden served as the executive assistant to five NMU presidents.

Above: Reynolds Recital Hall stage. Above center: A close up of the organ pipes. Above right: View of audience seating from the stage.



► It was a great honor to be asked to participate in the dedicatory program for the new Reynolds Recital Hall at NMU. My pianist, Jeffrey Peterson, and I very much enjoyed the experience of performing in this new and beautiful hall. The acoustics are just wonderful. It is a very “live” hall and is simultaneously intimate and spacious. The renovation of the concert grand is fantastic! The sound and the touch are superb.

When I was a student at NMU, we performed in a lecture hall in Jamrich Hall. Needless to say, this was not an ideal performance venue. The new hall will give students and guest artists a performing venue that inspires them to perform to the very best of their abilities.

—Valerie Errante, '80 MME,
Shorewood, Wis.

► I got to spend a brief day on campus this summer and had a chance to see some of the new and remember the old. Reynolds Recital Hall is a gem! What a great asset to the university. When I was a student, we held recitals in Jamrich Hall, or the IF Building as it was known back then. Everything looks modern and attractive.

—Erik Bergh '79 BME, Jackson, Mich.

► I just performed my first faculty recital in Reynolds Recital Hall, and it was delightful. I love the sound of the room, of course, and the dressing areas and backstage facilities are convenient and well designed. But I think I get the most satisfaction from the fact that the hall itself conveys a message to the audience and performers that music is significant and worthy of investment and attention. When we performed in Jamrich Hall, it seemed that our concerts and recitals were, to some extent, intruding on classroom space. We were like a sports team that only played away games. In the Reynolds Hall, we are home.

—Rob Engelhart, professor, NMU Music Department

reynolds recital hall



Willard M. Whitman School first opened its doors in 1954 to accommodate kindergarten through 6th grade. NMU purchased the building in 2001, after it had been closed by Marquette Area Public Schools due to shrinking enrollment. Interior and exterior work was required to convert the 39,000 square-foot building to faculty offices and classrooms, and to provide a 285-space parking lot to serve the facility.

Whitman Hall houses the School of Education, the dean of the College of Professional Studies, the charter school program, the Center for Native American Studies, the Center for Upper Peninsula Studies, the International Affairs Office, and the Modern Languages and Literatures Department.

Its namesake, Willard M. Whitman (1884-1955), served 34 years as superintendent of Marquette Public Schools. He played a major role in expanding the district through additional buildings and extensive programming. He is also credited with creating the student health protection program, introducing art, drama, and music into the classroom, and developing the adult education programs. Whitman taught classes at Northern for several summers.

Pictured above: Whitman Hall north entrance. Above right: Whitman commons.



► When I taught at Whitman Elementary, we had so many connections with NMU. It was a perfect fit for the university to buy this building and utilize it the way they have. It would have broken my heart to see them tear it down. After two elementary schools I worked at closed, it was almost a sign that I needed to move on. I decided to pursue an open position here. My career took a new direction, but ironically it has led me back to a familiar place.

—Sue (Vokes) Szczepanski '81 MAE, instructor, NMU School of Education.

► It seems corny, but Whitman Hall is still a school. The physical aspect has changed a lot, and that's always going to evolve. But the spirit—the purpose—remains the same, and it's still a noble one. There's still the expecta-

tion that we can influence and create good learners and teachers. The building has a lot of history, but it's what happens inside, the people and the relationships that develop that determine how it feels. This feels good.

—Joe Lubig '91 BS, '00 MAE, instructor, NMU School of Education

► Every time I walk through the doors of Whitman Hall, I think back to my times in the elementary. The biggest sense of familiarity is when I walk through the doors from Lincoln

Avenue. This is where I would walk into school every morning from kindergarten through 5th grade. Having the School of Education located in the old Whitman Elementary is a great way to keep the memory of the elementary school alive.

—Kelsey Deo, senior, elementary education major, Marquette

whitman hall

PRESIDENT'S NOTE

Some things will never change

How could potential students not be impressed with Northern Michigan University? I know as an alumnus, I am very proud of my alma mater as I watch her grow. Northern's reputation as a high-tech, high-touch university is spreading throughout the Midwest and the rest of the nation. This fall we are projected to have a record-setting 9,700 enrolled students. Those students have quite a campus to call their home.

Just look around the university today and you'll get an idea of what I'm talking about: a remodeled Hedgcock and Reynolds Recital Hall, the DeVos Art Museum and Art and Design addition, a renovated Magers Hall, and the new Whitman Hall.

How about the new covered walkways connecting many campus buildings? Do you realize that it's possible for today's students to travel

almost entirely across campus without ever setting foot outside? I happen to think these students are missing out on a real character-building experience by not having to walk outside in the dead of winter, but that's just me.

While the photo spreads in this issue showcase the changes on campus, what will never change is what you don't see in the photos: the long-standing tradition of learning at Northern. The buildings students learn in may have changed, but the solid academic experience has not. Northern continues to be a place where professors know your name and your classmates become some of your best friends.

There are a few other things that also have not changed. Presque Isle is still as gorgeous as ever. The beach remains one of the most picturesque places in town, and the view from the top of Sugarloaf is unmatched.



Has it been awhile since you've visited? While the pictures tell a good story, nothing can substitute for being on campus.

Today's students have the best of both worlds—top-notch learning facilities and the exquisite beauty found only in Upper Michigan. I'm jealous. Are you?

**Barry Axelrod '69 BA, President
NMU Alumni Association**

NMU Alumni Association Homecoming 2005 Award Winners

Alumni Service Award: Beverly A. Laughna '69 BA, '83 MAE, Marquette, Mich.

Beverly's commitment to community service started during her early years at NMU. She serves on the "N" Club Board, Sports Hall of Fame Selection Committee, and the Northern Center for Lifelong Learning Board, to name a few. She is also a mentor in the Student Leader Fellowship Program and a dedicated Wildcat sports fan.

Outstanding Young Alumni Award: Jeffrey C. Vande Zande '93 BS, Bay City, Mich.

Jeff's poetry and short stories have appeared in over fifty small-press magazines and journals, including *College English*, *Fugue*, and *Passages North*. Two of his poems were nominated for the 1999 Pushcart Prize, and poet Jim Daniels nominated his work for a 2003 Pushcart. He has also given a number of public readings of his works at NMU.

Alumni Civic Leadership Award: Matthew J. Wiese '84 BS, Marquette, Mich.

From his time as a Cub Scout pack leader, through his involvement with domestic violence issues, and culminating with his current duties as Day Chair for Government Day sponsored by the Lake Superior Community Partnership, Matt has exhibited selfless dedication to the betterment of the Marquette community.

Distinguished Alumni Award: Dr. Karen M. Reese '63 BS, '66 MA, '76 MAE, Marquette, Mich.

A well-respected educator and student service advocate during her time as vice president for student affairs at NMU, Dr. Reese left her mark on hundreds of students, faculty, and staff who remember her advice, wisdom, and fairness to this day. Dr. Reese's impact on her community equals, if not exceeds, the impact she has had on students.

Bringing alumni together one e-mail at a time

Join the nearly 3,000 NMU alumni who have registered their e-mail addresses on the Alumni Association Web site. It's a great way to reconnect with long-lost roommates, classmates, and friends. Here's what one alumna had to say after she registered her e-mail address:

- ▶ "Over the years, I had lost touch with many of the individuals I participated with in marching band. After I registered my e-mail address, I was browsing through those alumni who were already registered and was pleasantly surprised to find a few familiar names. We have been able to re-establish our connection and share old memories and new stories of our adventures out of college. I check back every month or so to see if any other familiar names have signed on. Plus, NMU doesn't send you any annoying solicitations or spam. Thanks NMU!"

Allison Watkins '99 BA, McClellan, Calif.

Registration has its benefits

When you register your e-mail address, you'll receive "What's New, NMU?" the NMU Alumni Association's weekly online newsletter.

- ▶ "What a great idea! We love the newsletter. We still get up to Marquette in the summer for a few days, but your newsletter is our only regular contact at this time. Keep up the good work."

John '52 BS and Janet (Davison) '52 BA Pantalone, Westland, Mich.

- ▶ "Thank you for your weekly e-mails. Your photos and comments on Marquette and NMU bring back fond memories and help to make these places not so distant. From half way around the world, it is something to look forward to each week."

Karl Theisen '87 BS, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

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Upcoming Alumni Association Events

DATE	EVENT
Nov. 4	NMU vs. Michigan State Hockey Post-game Reception at Tripper's, Lansing, Mich.
Dec. 30-31	NMU vs. University of Wisconsin-Madison Hockey Post-game Reception, Madison, Wis.

For more information about these events, contact the NMU Alumni Association at 1-877-GRAD-NMU or alumni@nmu.edu.

Lost Alumni

We know they're out there. Can you help us locate these people?

Ann Louise McLean '62 BS
Robert D. Carroll '63 BS
Janie L. Close '64 BA
Lois A. Masters '65 BS
Robert G. Taylor '65 MA
Kristin M. Erickson '66 BS
Don R. Test '66 MA
Donna J. Thorley '69 BS
Susan J. Sexton '70 BS
Richard R. Thompson '70 MAE
Dennis D. Trythall '70 BS
Ruth E. Waananen '70 BS
Jay VanHoven '71 MAE
Stephen J. Trombly '74 BS
Phyllis M. Boyle '75 EdS
Joseph B. Tierney '76 BS

If you can help us, please drop us a note at alumni@nmu.edu or call us toll free at 1-877-GRAD NMU.

Lifetime Members

We'd like to thank the following people who have recently joined as lifetime members of the NMU Alumni Association.

Robert '67 BS, '69 MA and Alyce (Krause) '67 MA Jacobson Sr. John '71 BS and Diana (Mitchell) '71 BS Fair Jr.
Barbara L. Tays '72 BS
Christopher E. Mast '78 BS
David E. Penning '78 BS
Robert G. Glantz '79 BA
Edward '79 BS, '83 MAE and Sara (Sabin) '80 BS, '87 MA Niemi Rick E. Amidon '81 BS
Lawrence John '83 MA
Susan M. (Latham) Perry '84 BS
Caroline S. Banfield '95 BSW
Kelly R. Bayee '95 BS
Andy Forbing '03 BA

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Reaching beyond what you know



“I would never have done even half of the things I did if I hadn’t gone to NMU. I think back to how absolutely unprepared I was—such an innocent, green person. Going to Northern was a big opportunity for me.”
—Kathleen Weston

Kathleen Shingler Weston ’29 AB, was one of Northern’s first female graduates to go on to complete a medical degree. In the mid-1950s, she was a member of the research team that developed the Salk polio vaccine while working with Parke, Davis, and Company. In the 1960s, she was honored at the White House by President Lyndon Johnson as one of the nation’s “Outstanding Medical Women.”

It’s hard to believe that there was a time when Weston was somewhat intimidated by the size of Northern Michigan University. And yet she clearly remembers stepping onto the NMU campus for the first time three-quarters of a century ago. It was a turning point she said defined her destiny.

“I am from Kenton, which isn’t a very big U.P. town, so when I went to Northern it seemed like a huge institution to me,” said Weston, who now lives in Grosse Pointe, Mich., and who will turn 99 in March 2006. “I would never have done even half of the things I did if I hadn’t gone to NMU. I think back to how absolutely unprepared I was—such an innocent, green person. Going to Northern was a big opportunity for me.”

A significant change from the NMU Weston remembers to today’s campus is the way computers allow faculty, staff, and students to communicate with each other.

“I recall when President J.M. Munson wanted students to know about something, he’d pull out a blackboard from his office into the hallway with a message on it. That’s quite different from the Internet

and e-mail, but it seemed to work at the time.”

One thing that hasn’t changed, according to Weston, is the opportunity for a university to expose students to a diverse mix of people.

“I didn’t see a black person until I went to NMU. Where I was from, all of the people were pretty much the same. I had no real concept of other races and cultures. I remember when I went to graduate school, I saw a woman from India dressed in native apparel; it was an impressive sight to me.”

Weston first majored in physical education at NMU. “My mother thought it might be a good choice since I was so active, but I didn’t like it. Biology and history were what I really enjoyed. Professor Chase (history) and Professor Lowe (biology) showed me there were so many things for me to learn. Everyone was afraid of Professor Lowe, but he hired me as a student assistant and that was probably what set me on the biology track.”

Completing her teaching degree in biology turned out to be the first step to a career as a nationally recognized toxicologist. Her area of expertise became animal toxicity in pesticides and drugs. She also became an award-winning author of numerous articles on toxicology.

Despite the many accolades for her scientific work, Weston is just as proud of the part of her career that involved teaching—more than 50 years of it, she is quick to point out.

Upon graduation, Weston taught biology at Munising High School. When her husband, the late **Jean Weston ’30 AS**, enrolled in graduate school at the University of

Michigan, Weston followed and earned her master's degree in anatomy and genetics in 1934. It was there that she began to seriously explore the research aspect of science.

When Jean entered Temple University Medical School, Kathleen was offered a position teaching an anatomy and physiology course.

"Until I came, many of the nursing students really struggled with that required class, so the dean made me a deal. He said, 'Kathleen, if you can get these nurses to pass their anatomy and physiology course, I'll let you into the medical school.' Well, they all passed, and I always got a kick out of the idea that it was the nurses who got me into med school!"

Weston taught at Temple from 1938 until 1951, the year she received her doctor of medicine degree. She and Jean were then hired at Parke, Davis, and Company to create a modern toxicology laboratory. They remained there for 10

years before moving to a suburb of New York City to work in laboratories there. The couple decided in 1968 to create Weston Consultants, Inc., which they operated in Virginia until 1981. It became a leading firm in toxicology analysis with clients such as the National Institute of Mental Health and the Environmental Protection Agency.

During her time in Virginia, Weston returned to the classroom as a professorial lecturer at George Washington University Medical Center and Georgetown Medical School.

"Working on the polio vaccine for three years was my top scientific accomplishment, and serving as a legal expert in court on toxicology issues was also very satisfying," said the 1983 NMU Distinguished Alumni Award recipient. "But I'm most pleased with the fact that I was always teaching. Even when I was in a lab and 'teacher' wasn't part of my official title, I was teaching. My real

talent and concern has always been teaching, and I tell people I've taught at every level from Sunday school to medical school."

Recently, Weston endowed The Jean K. and Kathleen Shingler Weston Scholarship, which will provide a minimum award of \$500 per year to an NMU student with financial need who is majoring in a science area. First preference will be given to students from Kenton, Sidnaw, or Trout Creek, followed by other U.P. high school graduates.

"One thing that hasn't changed over time is the fact that there will always be kids in places like the small town I grew up in who may not have all of the opportunities others have, and who may not have someone pushing them to reach beyond what they know right now," said Weston. "The teacher in me hopes this scholarship encourages its recipients to believe that they can succeed."

Cindy Paavola '84 BS

Les and Phyllis Wong make a gift to the international effort at NMU

President Les Wong and his wife, Phyllis, made the cornerstone gift to Northern's current effort toward expanding its international learning opportunities during a summer dinner held at Kaye House for community leaders who are interested in providing international experiences for NMU students.

The Wongs contributed \$10,000 to international student travel. Other participants at the dinner have also made significant contributions to the fund.

"It is my dream to bring Northern to a point where we can require each baccalaureate student to have an international experience," said Wong. "Hopefully most would choose to actually travel to a different part of the world and experience new cultures."

During the 2004-05 academic year—Wong's first as NMU president—Northern held a year-long, campus-wide discussion about the curriculum for the 21st century. The early talks evolved into the development of two task forces, one on service learning and the other on interna-

tional learning opportunities.

"Obviously, providing study abroad and other types of international experiences is a costly endeavor, but it's also an idea that seems to resonate with some of our alumni and university friends, especially those in business. They know how important understanding our multicultural world is to their career and personal success, so we hope others will join Phyllis and me in growing these funds to help Northern expand its international offerings," said Wong.

To set the mood for the discussion, Phyllis Wong and local restaurateur Don Curto prepared a menu featuring Italian cuisine. The Wongs hope to make this dinner an annual event.

Alumni and friends can support Northern's internationalization effort by contacting the NMU Foundation at 906-227-2627 or at foundnt@nmu.edu. To learn more about NMU's curriculum for the 21st century discussion, go to <http://www.nmu.edu/academics/curriculum21>.

New Wildcat coaches ready for action

It has been a year of coaching changes for the Wildcat and United States Olympic Education Center (USOEC) athletic programs.

“NMU’s intercollegiate athletic department can go through long periods with no coaching changes and then, all of the sudden, there is a period of substantial change. The past 10 months have been such a period,” said NMU Athletic Director Ken Godfrey.

Since last season, head coaches Jim Moore, volleyball, and Mike Geary, women’s basketball, left and are now working with Division I programs. Moore is at the University of Oregon, along with former assistant coach **Stacy Metro ’94 BS**. Geary is at Ball State University.

Longtime hockey associate head coach **Dave Shyiak ’93 BS** also departed to become head coach at the University of Alaska Anchorage.

Taking over the helm

The three new head coaches for 2005-06 are **Troy Mattson ’86 BS**, women’s basketball; **Jenny Ryan ’02 MS**, women’s track and field; and Qi Wang (pronounced Chi Wong), volleyball.

A women’s assistant at Lake Superior State University early in his career, Mattson spent the past 17 seasons working with the NMU men’s program as the assistant and then associate head coach. A point guard and team captain as a Wildcat, he was the 10th player in school history to score 1,000 points.

Ryan was promoted from assistant to head coach of the track and field program in September while **Sten Fjeldheim ’86 BS, ’93 MA**,

who was head coach, became one of the assistants. Ryan continues to serve as Fjeldheim’s assistant coach for the nationally ranked women’s cross country and men’s and women’s Nordic ski teams. Ryan joined the NMU staff in 2000 as a graduate assistant.

Qi Wang and his wife Shelly (Xiao-Xin) left Truman State University to take over as the head and assistant coaches of the Wildcat volleyball program. Qi, the 2002 NCAA Division II National Coach of the Year, was 133-17 in his four years guiding the Bulldog program. He was an assistant there for four years prior to advancing to the top spot. Before becoming a coach, Shelly played with the elite Liaoning Province and Beijing Sports University programs.

Assisting the new leaders

Several of the new assistant coaches are making return appearances on the Wildcat bench: **Marisa DellAngelo ’03 BS**, women’s basketball; **Tom Graves ’88 BS**, men’s basketball; and **Andy Ward ’89 BS**, swimming and diving.

DellAngelo was the 2002 Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (GLIAC) Player of the Year and a Division II Second Team All-American. As a Wildcat, she won the most valuable player award twice and ranks fourth in all-time scoring (1,558 points).

Graves has filled the associate head coach position that Mattson left vacant. He served last year as the men’s volunteer coach. He was a men’s assistant at Northwood (1988-97) and Saginaw Valley State (2003-04), and was NMU’s student-assis-



Troy Mattson



Jenny Ryan



Qi Wang

tant coach from 1986-88.

A diver on the 1979-80 Wildcat squad, Ward was also the diving coach at NMU from 1999-2000 and at Marquette Senior High School from 2001-03.

John Olver is Shyiak's replacement as the associate head coach of the NMU hockey team. The father of junior forward Darin Olver, NMU's leading scorer a year ago, the senior Olver comes to NMU from the Idaho Steelheads of the East Coast Hockey League, where he posted a 228-100-32 regular-season mark during the past five years and won the 2004 Kelly Cup.

He played college hockey at the University of Michigan (1978-80) and was drafted by the Colorado Rockies in 1978.

USOEC gains three helpers

The USOEC also welcomed three new assistants: Tony DeAnda, women's freestyle wrestling; Jim Gruenwald, Greco-Roman wrestling; and **Tricia Stennes '97 BS**, speedskating.

DeAnda finished fifth at the 2005 World Team Trials and sixth at the 2004 U.S. Olympic team trials. He also won a bronze medal at the 2003 Pan American Championships.

Gruenwald finished in the top 10 at the 2000 and 2004 Summer Games and captured the U.S. national title in 2002 and 2004.

Stennes trained at the USOEC from 1989 until retirement in 1994. She continued to participate in coaching training camps. Stennes, a '88 and '92 Olympian, returned to NMU as a part of the Bridging Program, which works with retired USOEC athletes to help them earn a college degree.

Cinda Paavola '84 BS

NMU Sports Hall of Fame 2005 inductees

Steve Avery '89 BS, Cranberry Township, Pa.

A four-year letter winner with the football Wildcats, Steve holds the NMU record for yards rushing in a career with 3,842. In 1987, he was named the GLIAC Player of the Year and an All-American honorable mention. After graduating from NMU, Steve went on to play in the National Football League. He played for the Pittsburgh Steelers from 1993-95 when they won three AFC Central Division championships, one AFC Championship, and took on the Dallas Cowboys in Super Bowl XXX. He has since retired from the NFL and is the regional marketing director for The Hartford/PLANCO.

William Hamor '64 BS, Beverly, Mass.

Bill earned four letters as a two-way tackle with the 1960-63 Wildcat football teams. During his time on the squad, NMU compiled a 24-10-2 record. He has a master's degree from Eastern Michigan University and has enjoyed a productive teaching and coaching career. He coached the Beverly, Mass., high school football team for 26 years. His 1988 Panther squad was 10-0 and went to the Division II Super Bowl.

Joan Peto Hopkins, Richmond, Ky.

Joan was hired as the first coach of the NMU women's swimming team in 1977 and led the Wildcats to seven top 10 national team finishes, including second place in the NCAA Division II Championship in 1982. During her nine-year tenure at Northern, her teams produced eight Division II national champions and 34 Division II All-Americans. Joan is the coordinator of the Bratzke Student-Athlete Academic Success Center at Eastern Kentucky University.

Randy Meier '82 BS, Riverdale, Mich.

Randy was a four-year letter winner on the NMU wrestling squad. He earned All-America honors at 142 pounds in 1979 when he was fifth in the NCAA-II finals. He was the 1982 co-captain and was fourth at 152 pounds at the national meet. As the head wrestling coach at Fulton High School, Randy has coached 44 state qualifiers, 24 state place winners, and 11 state champions. Randy retired from coaching in 2004 and is currently a physical education instructor.

Keith Nelsen '86 BS, Tampa, Fla.

A four-year letter winner in football, Keith was a two-year starter at quarterback for the Wildcats. He holds the NMU record for total offense in a season and total offense in a game. Keith was team captain and most valuable player in 1985. He earned a juris doctorate from the University of Wisconsin Law School and currently serves as chief administrative officer and general counsel for Danka Business Systems, a provider of office printing solutions and services.

Gary Shanley '64 BS, Alanson, Mich.

Gary competed in both football and track at Northern and earned six letters. He was a member of the 1960 track team that won the NAIA State Championship. Gary's 30-year career in education included coaching the high school football team. His record at Indian River Inland Lakes includes a 24-game winning streak, two undefeated seasons, and one state championship. He retired from teaching in 1994 but continues to officiate track meets.

Bill Harris, Jackson, Miss.

Bill earned four varsity letters in basketball at NMU and was the team's most valuable player three of those four years. He is the all-time leading scorer with 2,224 points and is the all-time, single-season scoring leader with 763 points. Bill also holds records for the most career field goals (856), the best career free-throw average (84.4% - 387 of 458), highest-scoring senior (763 points), and best free-throw average in one season (89.7% - 113 of 126).

Tell us what's happening in your life

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Pre-1960s

Melvin Holli '57 BS of River Forest, Ill., co-authored *The Mayors: The Chicago Political Tradition*, published in 2005. Melvin is a history professor at the University of Illinois, Chicago. He was NMU's first National Woodrow Wilson Fellow and earned his doctorate from the University of Michigan in 1967.

'60s

Nicholas Ilnicky '61 BA, '62 MAE and **Frances (Kangery) Ilnicky '67, BS '69 MA** of Marquette teach history and English, respectively, at Texas State Technical College in Harlingen, Texas, while maintaining their home in the Upper Peninsula. iczar78@aol.com

Michael Manty '65 BA of Schaumburg, Ill., is the executive vice president and chief operating officer of U.S. Tsubaki, Inc., a supplier of transmission and motion control products. agentman385@sbcglobal.net

Ronald Takalo '66 AS, '66 BA, '74 MA, '87 EDS of Orange County, Iowa, retired in May 2005 from Northwestern College, where he taught Spanish for 23 years. Previously, he taught Spanish and English in the South Haven Public Schools in Michigan. Ron and his wife, **Carol '67 BS**, who retired in June 2005 from the Remsen, Iowa, school system, plan to spend a lot of time in their new log cabin near Iron River.

Douglas Grossa '68 BA of New Port Richey, Fla., retired from Jenison Public Schools in Michigan after 36 years in mental health, international education, and school psychology. Doug has worked in Bangkok, Thailand, Brisbane, Australia, and Grand Rapids, Mich. Doug presently works full-time for Pasco County Schools in Florida. www.dougandsally.com

Karen (Mattson) Vicinanza '69 BA of Rome, Italy, is a self-employed English school teacher and director. mattsonkaren@yahoo.com

Susan (Raica) Poupore '69 BS, '84 MAE of Kingsford retired from the Breitung Township school district in June 2004 after 35 years of teaching.

'70s

Barbara (Kennedy) Vinocur '70 BS of Traverse City was honored last May as Outstanding Educator of the Year by the Traverse City Area Chamber of Commerce. Barbara has been a social worker in Traverse Area Public Schools for more than 17 years. She works at West Senior High.

Donald Paglieri '70 BS of Pelham, N.Y., was named 2005 Man of the Year by the Pelham Civic Association, one of Westchester County's (N.Y.) largest and most active volunteer charitable organizations. Donald is the membership chairman of the Civic Association, president of the Danny Fund, former chairman of the Pelham Guidance Council, a

Eucharistic minister in St. Catherine's parish, and a leader and organizer of many parish events. He and his wife, Pat, have two children.

Thomas Van Horn '71 BS of Novi is a retired elementary science teacher. He and his wife have been married 26 years and have four grandchildren. He is an avid snorkeler and bowhunter, and helped with a dolphin rescue in March 2005 in the Marathon Key in Florida. He's had great science education and outdoor experiences, and remembers snowshoeing, fishing off the ore docks, hiking class, and walking on the Lake Superior ice during the winter.

Christine (Evans) Miller '72 BA, '79 MA, '80 MA of Lansing received her doctorate from Regent University in 2003. She is a department coordinator at Davenport University and a care pastor for Mt. Hope Church in the City in Lansing.

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Larry Inman '76 BS of Williamsburg is vice president of Huntington National Bank, vice chair of the NMU Board of Trustees, a member of Grand Traverse County Board of Commissioners, chair of the State of Michigan Community Corrections Board, and chair of the Northwest Michigan Council of Governments.

Dan Stencil '76 BS of Clarkston, has been elected president of the Michigan Recreation and Park Association. Dan joined Oakland County Parks in 1977 and is its operations administrator. He has been a member of MRPA since 1979.

Alan Christenson '78 BS of Lompoc, Calif., is retiring after 23 years of service with the Federal Bureau of Prisons. He held positions as correctional officer, correctional counselor, case manager, and correctional treatment specialist. Animalfamily_28@msn.com

Maureen Tippen '78 BSN of Clarkston received the Nightingale Award in May 2005 for nursing in the community. Maureen is a clinical assistant profes-



◀ Elevated view of Northern State Teacher's College, 1930s.



◀ Aerial view of Northern Michigan University, 1953.

sor at the University of Michigan in Flint. mtippen@umflint.edu

'80s

Mark Wilcox '80 BS of Houghton was recently named city editor of the *Daily Mining Gazette* in Houghton. mlwilcox@chartermi.net

Lori Hazen '81 BFA of Lake Worth, Fla., teaches fifth grade in the Palm Beach school district. "I wear my NMU Alumni t-shirts with pride, and it never ceases to amaze me how often I run into people here in South Florida

who share a tie to NMU in some way. My years at NMU hold some very special memories." IMHazen@aol.com

David Kashian '85 BS of Iron Mountain was promoted to president and CEO of the First National Bank and Trust of Iron Mountain and Kingsford in May 2005. dkashian@up.net

Barry West '85 BS of Crownsville, Md., is the chief information officer of the Federal Emergency Management Agency in Washington, D.C. He is an adjunct professor at the University of Maryland and president of the American Council for Technology, which is the largest

government information technology association in the United States. barry.west@comcast.net

Randy Guss '86 BS of Hudsonville is a senior applications engineer for Steelcase, Inc., in Grand Rapids. He stays active coaching his three sons: Kory, 15; Taylor, 13; and Austin, 9. rguss@steelcase.com

Jan (Bilky) Wierschke '86 BSN of Sheboygan Falls, Wis., was recently hired by Prairie Enterprises of Sheboygan, Wis., as the large case manager/disease management program coordinator. Jan also obtained

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certification as a national asthma educator this past February. Jan is completing a master of science in nursing degree as a nurse educator at Cardinal Stritch University, Milwaukee, Wis. jwierschke@prairieontheweb.com

Jerome LaPage '87 BS of Houghton was named customer service manager-special projects and training at the Upper Peninsula Power Company. He will continue to serve as the instructor for the electrical line technician program at the Midwest Skills Development Center, a training center certified by NMU.

Dawn (Strejc) Black '88 BS of New Albany, Ind., is a senior recruiter for Chase Bank, covering southern Indiana, Kentucky, and West Virginia. Dawn's husband, **Mark Black '90 BS**, is a school administrator for South Harrison School Corporation and started his first year as principal of Corydon Central Junior High School this fall. Mark and Dawn have been married for 15 years and have a three-year-old daughter, Christina. Markblack4@aol.com

Fred Bratumil '88 BS of Mt. Pleasant was recently elected to the board of directors and named rookie ambassador of the year for the Mt. Pleasant Area Chamber of Commerce. Fred is

vice president and general manager for CBC Credit Services.

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Jennifer (Laws) Hohman '88 BS of Marquette was recently promoted to access specialist at Pathways Community Mental Health, her employer of 11 years. The position involves entering people into the system at Pathways and gathering demographic and billing information, as well as data entry for the billing department.

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David Hakamaki '89 BS of Iron Mountain recently opened his own photography business, Cutting Edge Photography. He specializes in senior portraits, local sports programs, and exclusive weddings, along with promotional programs for business and industrial customers. He has clients across Michigan and Wisconsin. David is an adjunct economics and business professor at Bay College's West Campus in Iron Mountain, and has been chairman of the City of Iron Mountain Planning Board for three years. hakamaki@chartermi.net

Gina (Bogaud) Hakamaki '89 BS of Iron Mountain was recently promoted to assistant chief of pharmacy operations at the United States Veterans

Administration Hospital in Iron Mountain. Gina served for three years as a staff pharmacist at the Iron Mountain V.A., and had worked in retail and consulting pharmacy for nine years. She and her husband, **David '89 BS**, have four children: Henry, Hannah, Lara, and Ryan. hakamaki@chartermi.net

Ron Rutledge '89 BS of Holloman AFB, New Mexico is an F-117 Stealth pilot flying with the 49th Fighter Wing at Holloman Air Force Base. Ron departed for a five-month deployment to Iraq in August. He will be coordinating close air support of U.S. and Allied troops. RonRutledge@chartermi.net

'90s

Dan Norton '90 BS of Pinckney was recently promoted to director of human resources with LK Metrology Systems, a tier one automotive supplier. Nortond2003@netscape.net

Bruce Roberts '90 BS of Marquette, an investment professional with American General Securities, was honored by two mutual fund companies, Putnam Investments in Boston and American Funds Distributors, Inc., for achieving high professional standards.

► Students walk along the academic mall in 1973. Jamrich Hall is on the left; Olson Library is on the right.



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Robin (Soine) Nickel '91 BS, '94 MA of Waunakee, Wis., graduated in May with a doctorate in curriculum and instruction from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. She is an associate director at Worldwide Instructional Design System.

John Prophet '91 BS of Appleton, Wis., has joined the NMU College of Business Advisory Council. He was recently promoted to shareholder at Schenck Business Solutions in Appleton. John specializes in income tax planning, research, and compliance for both individuals and closely-held entities in a variety of industries. He is active with Junior Achievement of Appleton/Heart of the Valley and is also a committee member for the Wisconsin Family Business Forum at the University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh.

Patrick Bowl '92 BA of Boonsboro, Md., and his wife Kristin celebrated the birth of their first child, Kieran Patrick, on August 8, 2005. p_bowl@yahoo.com.

Chris Charboneau '93 BME of Madison Heights is in his 12th year of teaching music at Woodward Academy.

Paul LaFond '94 BS of Lowell teaches fourth grade at Belding Elementary in Belding. Paul's wife, **Carie (Kaniszewski) LaFond '95 BS**, is the program coordinator for the Artistry Beauty Institute in Grand Rapids. They have two children, Jackson and Lauren.

Christopher Pokorski '94 BS of Clinton Township is an account manager with The National System, an advertising and marketing firm. pokorskich@yahoo.com

Carrie (Smale) Kangas '94 BS of Great Falls, Mt., received the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services Engaging Families in Positive Change Award for the balance she maintains between keeping children safe and recognizing family strengths. Carrie is a Cascade County intake social worker.



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Rae Kammerer '95 BS, '98 MA of Lansing began the University of South Carolina's School of Library and Information Science master of library and information studies degree program this fall. rkammere@hotmail.com

Angie (Fiori) Weston '95 BS and **Matt Weston '98 BA** of Aurora, Ill., welcomed their son Joshua Britton into the world in February 2005.

Daryl Wilcox '95 BSN of Eagle River, Alaska, is an ambulatory surgery staff registered nurse for the Department of Veterans Affairs in Anchorage, Alaska.

Heidi (Craigie) Leggett '97 BS of Grand Rapids and her husband, David, had their first child in May 2004. leggettylenn@hotmail.com

Kimberly DeMark '98 BS of Frederiksted, Virgin Islands, is an office manager with Century 21. konagirl20022002@yahoo.com

Jarrod Erpelding '99 BS of Grand Blanc is the media relations manager

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for Dow Corning in Midland. In September 2004, he and his wife had their first daughter, Hannah Amber. Jarrod.erpelding@dowcorning.com

Derrek Sigler '99 BS, '01 MA of Potter, Neb., and his wife, **Brandie**, celebrated the birth of their son, Terry James Lee on Sept. 16. Derrek and Brandie work for Cabela's in Sidney, Neb. Derrek is a writer/editor for the Internet division and Brandie works as a quality assurance tester for the Internet MIS division. Derrek writes, "I could try and explain her job, but that would mean someone would have to explain it to me first. I just smile and nod when she tells me about her day."

'00s

Mindy (LaBelle) Schetter '00 BS of Marquette graduated from the University of Michigan Dental School with a doctor of dental surgery degree in May 2005 and is working at Dental Associates of Marquette. mjschetter@hotmail.com

Shawn Howe '01 BS, Greg Rose '03 BS, and **Jeff Crumbaugh '03 BS** of Clintonville, Wis., have all converged on Clintonville High School, where they have each been teaching science for two years. "The science department is now 75 percent fresh NMU grad material, and it is starting to show. Motivation and expectations have done a complete turnaround, and the student enrollment for science classes has never been higher." They are thrilled to be working together in such a pro-technology school. They say, "Thanks, NMU!"

Scott Steele '01 BS of Harper Woods has been working for the Oakland University Police Department since 1999. scootst@aol.com

Elizabeth (Campbell) Waters '02 BS of Ypsilanti and is a registration clerk at Washtenaw Community College. ewaters@alumni.nmu.edu

▶ Hedgcock Fieldhouse, 1960s.



▶ Interior of Hedgcock Fieldhouse, 1960s.



April Lash '02 BS of Fort Myers, Fla., teaches second grade in Fort Myers. aprillash@hotmail.com

Damian Matacz '02 BS of Perth, Western Australia, finished playing a season of professional basketball in Cork, Ireland, in 2004-05. As a member of the University College Cork Mardyke Demons, he helped bring the league title back to his club after a 16-year absence. Damian plans to be back in Ireland or Europe this season to continue playing professional basketball. dmatacz@hotmail.com

Brian VanWorner '02 BS of Alpena is human resource manager for Employment Services in Alpena. Brianvanwormer02@yahoo.com

Stacy Kramer '03 BS of Lake Linden is a second-year law student at Chicago-

Kent College of Law. She completed a summer internship with the Cook County Public Guardian Office.

Carson Rizor '03 BA of Ann Arbor is a development assistant at Michigan Radio, the University of Michigan's public radio station. He is responsible for managing the station's day sponsor program and membership database. crizor@alumni.nmu.edu

Scott Toennesen '03 BS of Lombard, Ill., is a medical department manager at Wheaton Eye Clinic. sbtoey@hotmail.com

Kristy (Vermillion) Henderson '03 BS of Fairbanks, Alaska, is the membership coordinator at the Alaska Club, a health and fitness club. klvermin@aol.com

L. Thane Belen II '04 BS of Grand Ledge has been teaching English in Kazakhstan for the Peace Corps since June 2004. Thane's experiences at Northern led to making this decision. "Lena Throlson, an NMU counselor, inspired me with her own story to look into the Peace Corps and consider furthering my education with the solid experience it would offer me. Dr. Jon Saari, an amazing NMU history professor, encouraged me and gave me new perspectives while serving as a wonderful model of character and leadership. Dr. Ira Hutchison, my favorite sociology professor and head of the NMU Sociology/Social Work Department, mentored me in my career search and was a great friend to me—always welcoming me in to talk even when his work had really mounted up with the unfortunate NMU budget cuts. Dr. Louise Bourgault, an NMU communications professor who combines academics and activism wonder-

fully, gave me the opportunity to take action in a great benefit concert, which was a major experience I drew from in my Peace Corps interviews. Without these individuals and others from NMU's awesome ranks, I could not have developed the vision to come this far. I'm very grateful to have known each of them."
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Crystallee Crain '04 AA, '05 BS of Ypsilanti is working on her master of arts in sociology at Eastern Michigan University. Ccrain1@emich.edu

Clair Isaaz '04 BS of Salt Lake City, Utah, is public relations director for Rocky Mountain Raceways. cisaaz@yahoo.com

Josh Johnson '04 BS of Fallon, Nev., is a reporter at the local daily newspaper, and his wife, **Danielle (Bailey) '03 BS**, is pursuing a teaching credential and is employed by the Boys and Girls Club. joshuatjohnson@hotmail.com

Christine Knutson '04 BSN of Glendale, Ariz., is enjoying the Arizona sunshine while working as a registered nurse at Banner Thunderbird Hospital.

Erin Ver Berkmoes '04 BS of Dowagiac is a reporter for Leader Publications. Emvb2004@yahoo.com

Phillip Molnar '05 BS of London, England, has been working for Law Business Research, Ltd., a publishing company in London since June 2005. He wrote an article for a newspaper in Ohio following the July 7 terrorist attacks in London titled "Letter From London: We Need to Show Them we Aren't Scared." His article details the incredible work ethic and resilience displayed by his co-workers in the days following the bombings. "I used to write for the *North Wind*, so I was happy to get the chance to keep up on writing." phillipmolnar@yahoo.com

Marriages

Stuart Mattonen '87 Dipl. to Emiley Jokinen.

Candace Ruusi '87 BS to Brian Savolainen.

Jodi Ghiardi '92 BS to Jeremy Smith.

Jackie Lefebvre '92 BS to Todd Beauchamp.

Lisa Junak '95 AB, '97 Cert., '05 BS to Robert Ruby.

Dee Harrington '96 BS to Robert Dane.

Cassandra Warren '96 BS to Eric Saari.

Chad Larsen '97 BS to Suzanne Curry.

David Magno '98 BS to Mandy Kittleston '04 BS.

Laura Klar '99 BS, '01 MS to Peter Pless '00 BFA.

Tara Leppanen '99 BS to Michael Warren.

Sheryl Rantala '99 BSN to Tim Givens '02 BS.

Kristin Peterson '00 BS to Benjamin Williams.

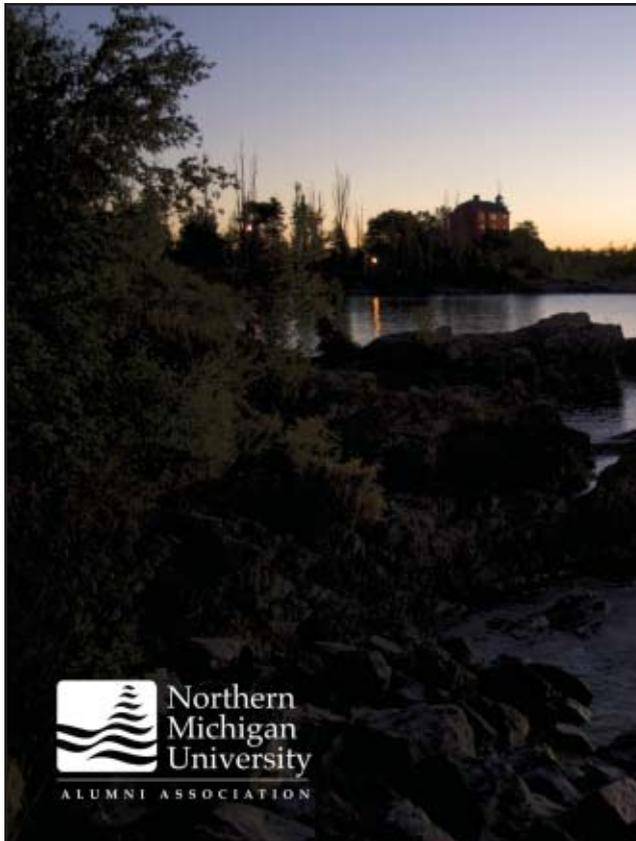
Luke Steinke '00 BS, '02 MS to Kathy Nizick.



◀ The first dormitory at Northern Normal School, constructed in 1900 by John M. Longyear and J.C. Ayer.



◀ NMU begins renovating the old Services Building and power plant to become the new Art and Design Studios North. The project was completed in the fall of 1996.



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Jennifer Mohill '01 BS to **Randall Stark '01 BS**.

Scott Steele '01 BS to Shelley Coy.

Elizabeth Campbell '02 BS to **Michael Waters '02 AS**.

Katie Hamari '02 BS to Daniel Beerman.

Brandon Wislocki '02 BS to Kimi Ishihara.

Danielle Bailey '03 BS to **Josh Johnson '04 BS**.

Anna Bennett '03 BS to Jake Edwards.

Ian Nelson '03 BS to Melissa Yunker.

April Vivian '03 BFA to Stephen Christian.

Kristy Vermillion '03 BS to Sean Henderson.

Ryanne Woody '03 BS to Nathan Sothard.

Teresa Dwyer '04 MS to Danny Armstrong.

Leslie Isleib '04 AB to Luke Kallioinen.

Elena Keranen '04 BS to James Hemmila.

Juliana Rule '04 Cert. to John Maki.

Allyse Shier '04 BS to Zechariah Hoyt.

Robert Davis '05 BS to Katie Worley.

Julie Noren '05 BS to Gregory Knauf, Jr.

Arin Snell '05 BS to Jason Copenhaver.

Deaths

Margaret (Ulasich) Fogle '29 BS, July 13, 2005, Ironwood.

Bernice Bal '30 LC, '40 BS, April 22, 2005, Oakwood.

Paul Grigg '33 BS, Aug. 3, 2005, Marquette.

Ruth (Brown) Smitherman '35 AS, Sept. 8, 2000, Blue Hill, Calif.

Jean (Pearce) Kelly '36 AS, April 11, 2005, Vista, Calif.

Floyd Wallace '37 BS, May 5, 2005, Flint.

Kathleen (Callow) Olson '38 BS, Dec. 10, 2004, Menominee.

Ruth (Brotten) Sands '41 BS, Feb. 20, 2005, Garden Grove, Calif.

Evelyn (Williamson) Chambers '42 BS, March 11, 2005, Grand Marais.

Clement Fleury '43 BS, June 9, 2005, Kingsford.

Phillip Collins '48 BS, Feb. 3, 2005, Rocklin, Calif.

Mary Cretens '49 BA, May 5, 2005, Gladstone.

Van Quaal '49 BA, June 22, 2005, Geneseo, N.Y.

Harold Baij '50 BA, July 10, 2005, Munising.

Milo Kronsich '50 BS, July 17, 2005, Riverview.

Claire Johnson '54 BS, April 16, 2005, Norway.

In the beginning...

By DOROTHY DOLF DROZDIAK '51 BS



Dorothy Dolf Drozdiak.

Northern Michigan University began very modestly in 1899. The institution was manned by six instructors, who educated 32 students. A complete class was composed of friends who knew each other well. Intimate friendships were formed that lasted a lifetime.

The first permanent building, the South Wing, was completed in 1900, and the North Wing two years later. It was named for Peter White. The South Wing was destroyed by fire in 1905 and later replaced by the Longyear Building in 1907.

Longyear Hall had a spacious, three-story, square-shaped entry. It was a magnificent structure. At the base of the staircase leading to the upper levels was placed the school's weekly newspaper for students to read. At Christmas the area was trimmed with greens and lights. When Ethel Carey was Dean of Women Students, it was forbidden to use red lights. You can imagine why.

There was a heart-shaped mound on the lawn in front of Longyear, upon which were supposedly planted one of each kind of tree native to the region. In later years, on past the building almost to the intersecting street, there was a set of monkey-bars for children to enjoy.

The early dormitory for girls was a long, white, wooden building situated on a grassy plot on the south side of College Avenue—most convenient to the school. After it no longer served as a dormitory, it became the original St. Michael Church, the one in which I was married. It has long



Longyear Hall, circa 1979.

since been replaced by a beautiful, traditional, edifice.

The earliest professors were revered, almost like gods. Many of them are the ones for whom buildings were later named. Several of them—Halverson, Meyland, and Gant—lived for a time in my old neighborhood. Meyland and Halverson later moved into other homes, but Gant remained our neighbor.

I took a class from Charles B. Hedgcock during my very first semester, and one of my mother's instructors was also mine, Casey Wiggins, who at one time also lived around the corner from us.

In the '50s, attendance hovered at around 1,000 students—still small enough for everyone to know each other...almost. I always looked forward to Monday morning. I loved school, not that I was that dedicated of a student, but I loved being with so many friends.

I'm sure that in the future, current students will look back on this time as the "good old days." To me, the Northern of today is a completely different institution. The buildings are new. The original ones are but a memory. I will always remember NMU, and the people, as they used to be.

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I have so many good memories from my years at NMU...

My best memory was my first and last time on the fraternity tug-of-war team in the fall of 1964. Unlike other years, this time the final teams started digging in by making trenches. I wanted to give it a try since it was my last year at NMU. I had to fudge on my weight to get on the TKE team. Up until that year the tugs had ranged from five to 15 minutes. This one lasted two and a half hours.

All I can remember is the other TKE's and my friends screaming in my ears. I could hardly stand up after the pull and had ten blisters to show for the victory. I looked real good escorting Judy Bohan at half-time of the football game with my hands all bandaged up.

The NMU Alumni Association helps me keep this and other memories alive by bringing me up to date on old classmates and friends as well as what is happening on campus. My membership allows me to receive this information on a regular basis—no matter where I am.

Gary Hoppe '65 BS. Member of the NMU Alumni Association since 1986.



Photograph of Gary and Judy Hoppe by Kim Marsh '80 BS.

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