

A photograph of two children sledding down a snowy hill. The child in the foreground is wearing a dark jacket and goggles, while the child behind is wearing a red jacket and a red headband. Snow is flying around them, creating a dynamic and joyful scene. The background is a bright, snowy slope.

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Aaron Morse '97 BFA has come a long way since his days at NMU when he made questionable use of a residence hall kitchen. As one of the founders and owners of Dark Horse Brewing Company in Marshall, Michigan, Morse is applying his NMU education to the art of brewing.

PICTURED ON THIS PAGE: NMU senior Lindsey Weier at a recent cross country skiing competition. Weier, along with many others with NMU ties, will be representing the United States at the Olympics (see story on page 7). Photo by NMU Sports Information/Duane Pape '00 BS.