

Sports editor Tim Brandt plays one on one with women's basketball player Kim Toewe. Read on to find out who won.

UMD STATESMAN

The music festival started yesterday with 75 bands and it will continue through May 4th.

Recommendations for student service fee money changed by Chancellor Martin

By MISSY JOHNSON
NEWS EDITOR

Chancellor Kathryn Martin changed the recommendations of the Student Service Fees committee for the 2003-2004 school year, awarding the largest financial increase to Intercollegiate Athletics and denying increases to Health Services, Rec Sports/ Outdoor Program and Kirby Student Center operations.

Both Martin and the fees committee recommended a close to \$10 thousand cut to the Kirby Student Center, and a nearly \$20 thousand cut to Rec Sports/ Outdoor Program. Health Services will receive a \$33 thousand reduction because of salary freezes. The financial reduction to the Kirby Student Center, Rec Sports and Health Services were implemented because of salary freezes and will not impact student services.

ORGANIZATION	2003 allotment	Organization's request	SSF Committee recommendation	Chancellor's recommendation to the Board of Regents
Health Services	812,295	966,631	966,631	933,631
Health Services Capital Improvement	45,000	45,000	45,000	15,000
Intercollegiate Athletics	307,850	307,850	200,000	292,475
Kirby Student Center	487,862	622,903	572,903	563,078
Rec Sports, Outdoor Program	N/A	562,278	562,278	542,628

**All numbers are in dollars*

The Health Services Capital Improvement fund will decrease by \$30 thousand, which is against the request of the fees committee.

Martin says that they were denied funding because the university has a freeze on new capital projects. A complete list of the

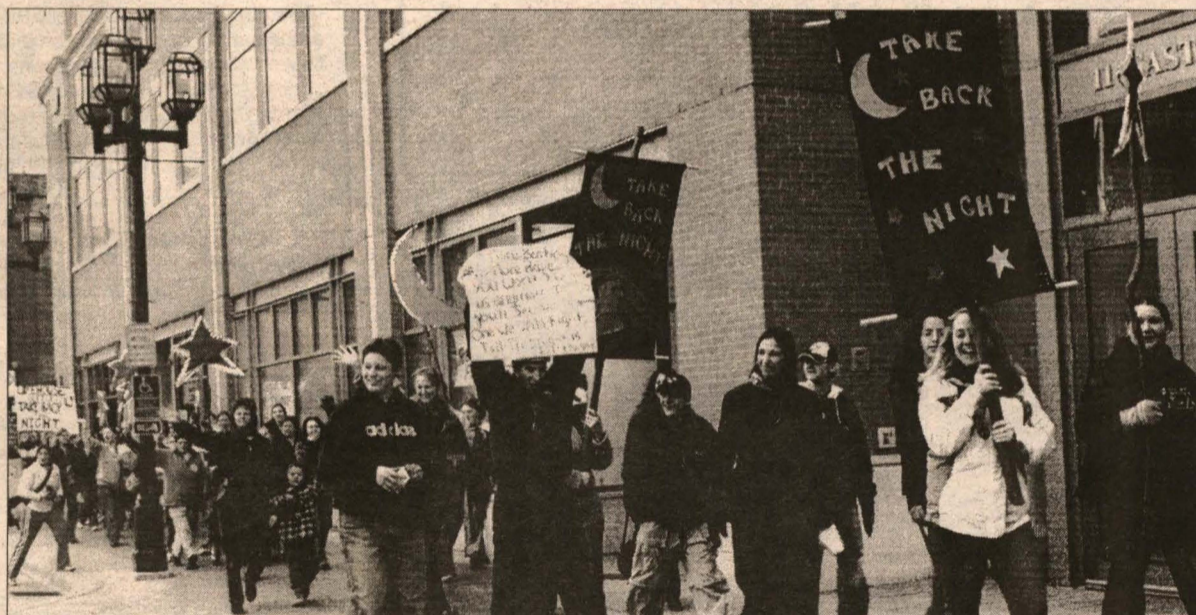
Student Service Fee committees recommendations and the Chancellor's final recommendations can be found on page 6.

Martin's \$90 thousand increase to Intercollegiate Athletics has caused a stir among the committee members. Student Service Fees Committee Chair and SA VP of Administration and Finance Chris Verhaege, said that some members of SA are considering writing the Board of Regents with their complaints.

Martin's recommendation awards Intercollegiate Athletics substantially more than the recommendations of the Student Service Fees Committee. Students on the committee recommended a \$100,000 decrease from last year's budget. Verhaege, said that he wasn't surprised the committee's request was turned down.

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Take back the night



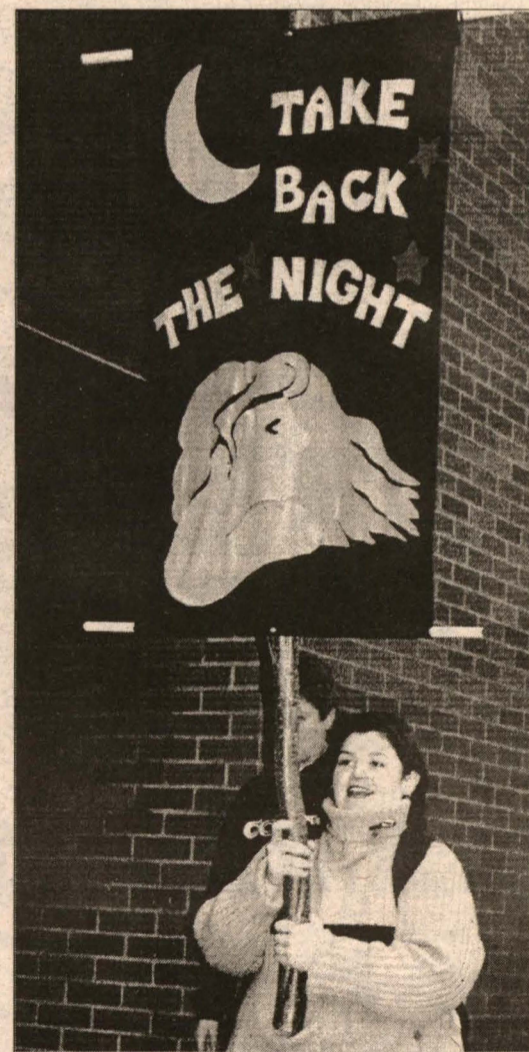
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Over 200 people gathered to raise awareness for sexual crimes against women this past Thursday at the Duluth YWCA.

By SAMARA MACKERETH
PHOTO EDITOR

The citywide Take Back the Night event drew more than 200 men and women to the Duluth YWCA last Thursday to rally for awareness of sexual crimes against women. Although this is the third annual event held in Duluth, Take Back the Night rallies have been held in cities all over the world since it originated in Germany in 1973 in response to a series of assaults, rapes, and murders.

The YWCA was scattered with informational booths from various organizations and agencies such as PAVSA, Planned Parenthood, and women's studies programs from the area colleges. UMD senior Mary Bue provided musical entertainment along with local musician Annie Humphrey. Beth Bartlett, a professor of UMD's women studies program, was a featured speaker at the event. The large group of women, armed with signs and banners, filled the sidewalks and marched from the YWCA to Lake Place, chanting



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"Survivors unite, take back the night" and "women have the right, to be safe at night." The group was followed by a group of men toting a "Men as Peacekeepers" sign in support of the event. The night wrapped up with an open mic, giving survivors a chance to tell their stories. This mission of the event is to create awareness in the community as well as giving victims an outlet to share their stories and make a proactive step in making a difference.



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NEWS BRIEFS

NATIONAL

New drugs make hepatitis C almost undetectable

Fort Worth Star

DALLAS — In as few as three days, new drugs can reduce the hepatitis C virus to nearly undetectable levels and restore the cells' ability to clear the infection from the body naturally, researchers have found.

Protease inhibitors, which have revolutionized the treatment of AIDS, could dramatically improve the lives of the estimated 4 million people in the United States who have hepatitis C, University of Texas researchers in Dallas and Galveston said.

In the study to determine why hepatitis C is so persistent, researchers at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas and the University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston found that protease inhibitors prevented the virus from blocking the immune response. The inhibitors also restored the natural anti-viral response in human cells.

The research brings new hope to the millions of patients worldwide who have hepatitis C, said Dr. Michael Gale, assistant professor of microbiology and an author of the study. "Today, less than half of all patients are cured because the virus is so resistant to therapy," Gale said. "With 200 million people in the world infected, we desperately need new drugs."

STATE

U. Minnesota team unveils stem cell discovery

Minnesota Daily

MINNEAPOLIS - A University of Minnesota research team has discovered new properties of adult stem cells that could eventually treat neurological diseases such as multiple sclerosis, Huntington's disease, Parkinson's disease and Alzheimer's disease.

Dubbed multipotent adult progenitor cells, these rare stem cells are responsible for producing new cells that have a particular body function, such as generating red or white blood cells.

Though still shrouded in mystery, these cells appear perhaps more useful and less controversial than embryonic stem cells, the only other stem cell variety known to generate all types of brain cells.

Scientists are uncertain of the full capabilities of multipotent adult progenitor cells. Discovered only last year in Dr. Catherine Verfaillie's University lab, the cells' role in the body is unknown. Extremely rare — on the order of one in every 1 million bone marrow cells — they require complicated in vitro growth techniques that are still being refined.

INTERNATIONAL

Saddam's regime continued executions in its last days

New York Times

ABU GHRAIB, Iraq — Even as U.S. troops neared the huge prison here, Iraq continued to execute suspected spies.

In the last two days, relatives looking for their loved ones have unearthed 14 bodies, not inside a cemetery, but in a pit just outside Block 5, the building here reserved for foreigners. Neighbors said they had found 10 more corpses on the prison grounds — like the others, all in civilian clothes and all apparently killed recently.

"He is a criminal of war," said Jumaa Khalef, 21, one of the neighbors, referring to Saddam Hussein, who was forced from power on April 9, perhaps a day or two after the men here were killed. "Someone who will kill people like this — what else can you call him?"

Iraqis almost never learned the fate of loved ones executed during Saddam's 24 years as Iraq's leader, though the personal stories told in the two weeks since then reveal a scale of torture and killing that may surpass the predictions of even his worst critics.

SA offers pick-up service

By MISSY JOHNSON
NEWS EDITOR

For the second year in a row, Student Association and Facilities Management is helping UMD students with "spring cleanup" by providing services to pick-up unwanted furniture and other large unwanted items for students living off campus.

This service is open for UMD students living in neighborhoods east and north of downtown Duluth. The pick-up service will not collect food garbage or refuse, hazardous materials, refrigerators, freezers or air conditioners. Items left for pick-up must be left curb side. Haulers will not enter homes to remove any

household items.

Students interested in using this service are asked to call Facilities Management at 726-8262 or email FacMgt@d.umn.edu. Provide your name, address, phone number, student ID number, a description of the items wished to be collected and the date the items will be available for pick-up. Students will be asked to show their student ID's upon pick up.

Facilities Management has set aside May 5-9, 12-14, and 21-23 for pick-up days, however additional dates may be scheduled if desired.

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Correction

In an article entitled "SA elections over, 1,185 students vote" on April 24, the *Statesman* reported that 1,185 students voted. In actuality, 1,225 students voted in the SA elections. Also, a box that listed the 2003-2004 SA office holders neglected to mention the second senators for the schools. Second senator for the CSE is Minh Vu, for CLA is Sean Bell, and for CEHSP is Eric Peterson. The *Statesman* regrets these errors.

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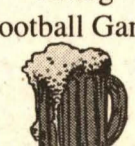




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Faculty members receive awards for their contribution

By LEAH DURLAND
NEWS REPORTER

Several UMD professors will be honored with awards for their special contributions to the university and its students. The awards include Outstanding Adviser Award, Jean G. Blehart Award, Albert Tezla Award and the Chancellor's Award for Distinguished Research. Mary Dragich, Associate Administrator of Academic Administration, outlined the process of receiving each of these awards.

The Outstanding Adviser Award goes to one faculty member from each of the five colleges. The nominations can be made by students, staff or faculty. The Adviser Award goes to Ron Caple, Chemistry; Jon Conant, Foreign Languages and Literature; Dan Glisczinski, Education; Pat Merrier, FMIS; and Robert Repinski, Art. Kayla Hertel a student and advisee of Merrier, said the award is well deserved. "She's an excellent adviser," said Hertel. "Her door is always open for students to come talk to her. She's always trying to help you out."

The Blehart award is given to one faculty member who shows contributions to academic excellence as a distinguished teacher. The winner receives \$1,000 and can be nominated by any student, faculty or staff member. The recipient of the Blehart Award is Richard Davis, a professor of chemical engineering. Davis maintains an open-door policy and is known as a mentor to students. He also works with undergraduate research students.

The Tezla Award is given to one faculty member from the College of Liberal Arts or the School of Fine Arts. The award goes to a person who has excelled at emphasizing the value of undergraduate research and has received scholarly distinction. Nominations are made by departments. The Tezla Award goes to Gloria Brush, an art professor. Brush said that she was "very honored," and was gratified that her work is being recognized in both research and in teaching and advising. "It's a great way to end the year," said Brush.

The Chancellor's Award for Distinguished Research is meant to recognize achievement in research by professors. The nominees are considered by a special research panel appointed by the chancellor. The Chancellor's Award will be received by Erik Brown, a geology professor.

Award recipients will be honored at a reception on Wednesday, May 7, from 2:30-4 p.m. in Griggs Center.

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KPB graphic designers win three first place awards at NACA

By MISSY JOHNSON
NEWS EDITOR

Kirby Program Board graphic designers Jesse Hughes and Kelly Gleason won three first place awards in this year's National Association for Campus Activities (NACA) Northern Plains Regional Conference, surpassing all of the 50 colleges involved in the competition.

Both seniors and graphic design majors, Hughes and Gleason design the posters for events sponsored by the Kirby Program Board, including movies, lectures and concerts.

"UMD usually does well at this event," said Hughes, "but what makes this one special is that we are usually only competing with five states. Now it's up to nine."

Graphic design students from Montana, Wyoming, Wisconsin, the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, Nebraska, Iowa, North and South Dakota, and four Canadian Provinces, all

traveled to St. Cloud, Minn., for the weekend of April 10-13, to attend the event.

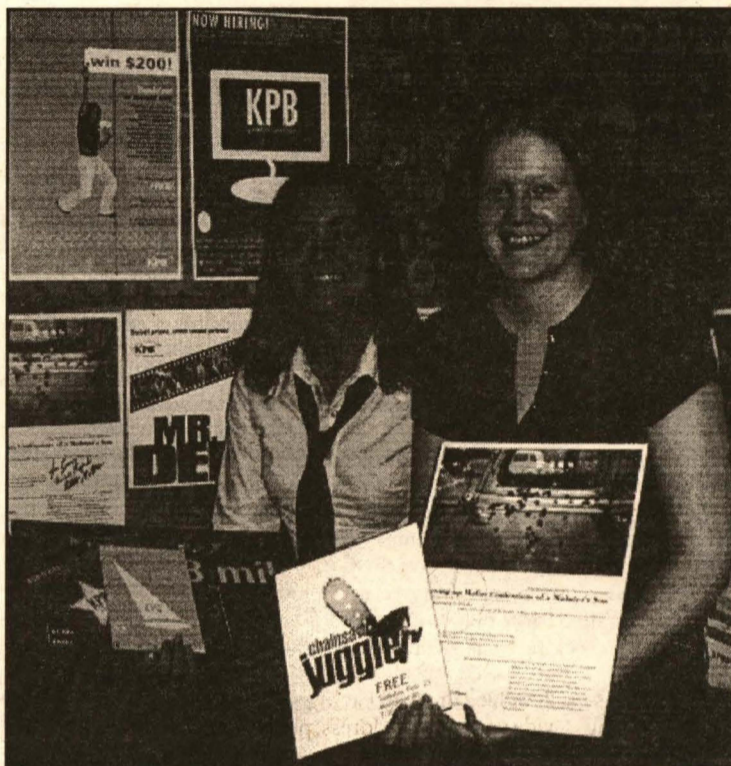
Gleason and Hughes submitted five entries into the graphics category of the NACA event, winning first place for their color poster for a Mafia lecture, their multi-color Kirby Program Board "Now Hiring" posters, and their series poster for the movie "8 Mile." They also won an honorable mention for their non-poster publicity for a chainsaw juggler, in which they designed table tents and displayed them on tables around the school.

"We wanted to enter in the most categories," said Gleason. With help from other members of the Kirby Program Board, they dug through piles of material from this semester to find examples of their best work.

Both girls attribute their success to the quality graphic design program at UMD. Hughes said that many of the schools that entered the event have a lot less money going into graphic design programs and do not have access to the high-quality printing materials UMD makes available to its students.

Gleason and Hughes can spend up to 10 hours designing one poster, dealing with editing, printing and finding photos that work.

"The group really appreciated what we do," said Hughes about the rest of the Kirby Program Board. "That's what makes it worth it."



National Association for Campus Activities (NACA) award recipients Jesse Hughes (right) and Kelly Gleason (left) show off their work.

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Students talk about their summer plans

UMD students give reasons for why they are returning home or staying in Duluth

By **KELLY STONE**
NEWS EDITOR

The semester is coming to a close and summer is upon us. Students are wrapping up with classes and will soon begin to pack to go home. Some, however, are not going home.

There are many things students have to contemplate regarding their decision of summer plans such as money, parents, freedom, jobs, and living arrangements.

When it comes to summer plans, there are usually two options that UMD college students have. They can go home to live with their parents or live in Duluth.

School is expensive and tuition

continues to rise. For the students who were interviewed, it is practical that they were concerned about making enough money for the summer.

Freshman Laura Krause said she is going home to work two jobs. Krause said her biggest reason for going home is to make and save money. Even if she wanted to live in Duluth, Krause claims she would "have no place to live."

With his third summer in a row of going home, Sean Ivory, junior, said the money he makes at his job at home is just too good to stay in Duluth. "I am going home due to the fact that I have a really good job with really good pay and hours," said Ivory.

Junior Pam St. Cyr believes she can save money when she goes home for the summer. "I don't see the need to spend money on rent when I can live at home for free and make money at the same time," said St. Cyr.

The transition of going home to parents is too hard for some. Even though money is a big issue for students, some reportedly didn't mind not socking away as much this summer as long as it meant freedom in Duluth. People go through changes at college, they grow up a bit, and students are used to their freedom and independence.

Junior Kaline Sandven is living in Duluth this summer. "My decision is not based on money. If it was

I would be going home" said Sandven. "I feel like it's time to be on my own."

Junior Steve Shields is looking forward to his summer in Duluth because it is a step toward his independence. "I think that living up here will be a positive transition in my growth as an adult," said Shields.

According to students interviewed, those who are both going home or staying in Duluth mentioned good relationships with their parents.

Sandven thinks her decision to stay in Duluth is a positive transition. "I have found that I have built a better relationship with both of my parents," said Sandven. "Now

that I am completely on my own, we have more in common and can better relate to each other."

Even though Shields is eager to spend his first summer in Duluth, he said, "I am close to my parents, so I will miss seeing them as often."

Krause is excited to go home. She said she is looking forward to relaxing with friends and seeing her parents and other family members.

Ivory said he really doesn't mind living with his parents during the summer. "I like being home," said Ivory. "What college kid wouldn't want free rent and free food?"

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Fiscal crisis affecting states could soon lead to cuts in health care

By **ROBIN TONER** and **ROBERT PEAR**
NEW YORK TIMES

WASHINGTON — Millions of low-income Americans face the loss of health insurance or sharp cuts in benefits, like coverage for prescription drugs and dental care, under proposals now moving through state legislatures across the country.

State officials and health policy experts say the cuts will increase the number of uninsured, threaten recent progress in covering children and impose severe strains on hospitals, doctors and nursing homes.

But those officials, confronting a third straight year of fiscal crisis, say they have no choice but to rein in Medicaid, the fast-growing program that provides health insurance for 50 million people.

Many state officials are pleading for federal help as they face an array of painful trade-offs, often pitting the needs of impoverished elderly people for prescription drugs and long-term care against those of low-income families seeking basic health coverage.

The issue is already roiling state legislatures. Almost every state has made or is planning cuts

in benefits, eligibility or payments to health care providers, according to the National Conference of State Legislatures.

The Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, a liberal research and advocacy group, estimated last month that as many as 1.7 million Americans could lose coverage altogether under proposals advanced by governors or adopted by state legislative committees this year.

Many more who keep their coverage may see it curtailed. Several large states, including California, Florida and Ohio, are considering proposals to eliminate dental and vision coverage for adults. Mississippi and Oklahoma have re-

duced the number of prescriptions they will pay for. Other states, among them Kentucky and Massachusetts, are moving to tighten eligibility or admissions criteria for long-term care services.

In response to the turmoil in the states, moderate Republicans on Capitol Hill have joined Democrats in seeking legislation that would provide additional federal aid for Medicaid, which is financed by the federal government and the states.

"You can't have cuts of the magnitude the states are undertaking without it ultimately harming health care for some of the most vulnerable low-income citizens in

this country," said Sen. Susan Collins, R-Maine, a chief sponsor of the legislation. Another sponsor, Sen. John D. Rockefeller IV, D-W.Va., said, "You don't go down without a fight on this thing."

The Bush administration has opposed such legislation. Administration officials and many House Republicans say Medicaid, created in 1965 as a pillar of the Johnson administration's Great Society agenda, is unsustainable in its current form. Despite recent efforts to slow its growth, the cost of Medicaid has increased 25 percent in two years and more than 50 percent since 1997, and enrollment is rising at the fastest pace in a decade.



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Eighth annual research and artistic fair to take place at UMD

By **BRANDON GLANZ**
NEWS REPORTER

Once a year, UMD undergraduate researchers are given the chance to showcase their ingenuity to onlookers at a collaborative fair. UMD's eighth annual Undergraduate Research/Artistic Fair will take place Tuesday, May 6,

from 1-4 p.m. in the Kirby Ballroom.

Spectators can see presentations on a broad variety of topics that have been tirelessly researched by undergraduates.

For example, last year attendees were offered the liberty of viewing poster presentations such as "Fire Security and Mobile Robotics" and playwright readings

within the same hour. One could have witnessed the "Production of 1,1,1,3,3,3-Hexafluoropropane Using Chlorofluorination" display and then sat down to the "Bittersweet Soldier" video.

"You'll see what other students like you are doing," said Steve Hedman, Associate Vice Chancellor of Academic Administration. "These are the folks in your class."

Students can come to this year's extravaganza for the entertainment or for inspiration toward a research project of their own.

"[Research] is great for a resumé, and it gives you a chance to work directly with a faculty member who could give you a meaningful letter of recommendation," said Hedman. "It'll give you an edge."

Hedman said the fair changed five years ago to include all undergraduates engaged in research. The "artistic" aspect has been added as an intention to showcase anything students are doing in the five collegial units and all subjects of interest.

Previous configurations for the fair only warranted the showcasing opportunity for Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (UROP) participants.

UROP, however, is the enticing route to take for research. Students who are accepted into the program receive awards of up to \$1,700 to carry out their research proposals.

Applications for UROP are taken twice a year and are accepted on the basis of available funding. Information and applications can be found at each college's office.

According to Hedman, the university spends between \$130,000 and \$140,000 each year on UROP, all of which goes directly to the

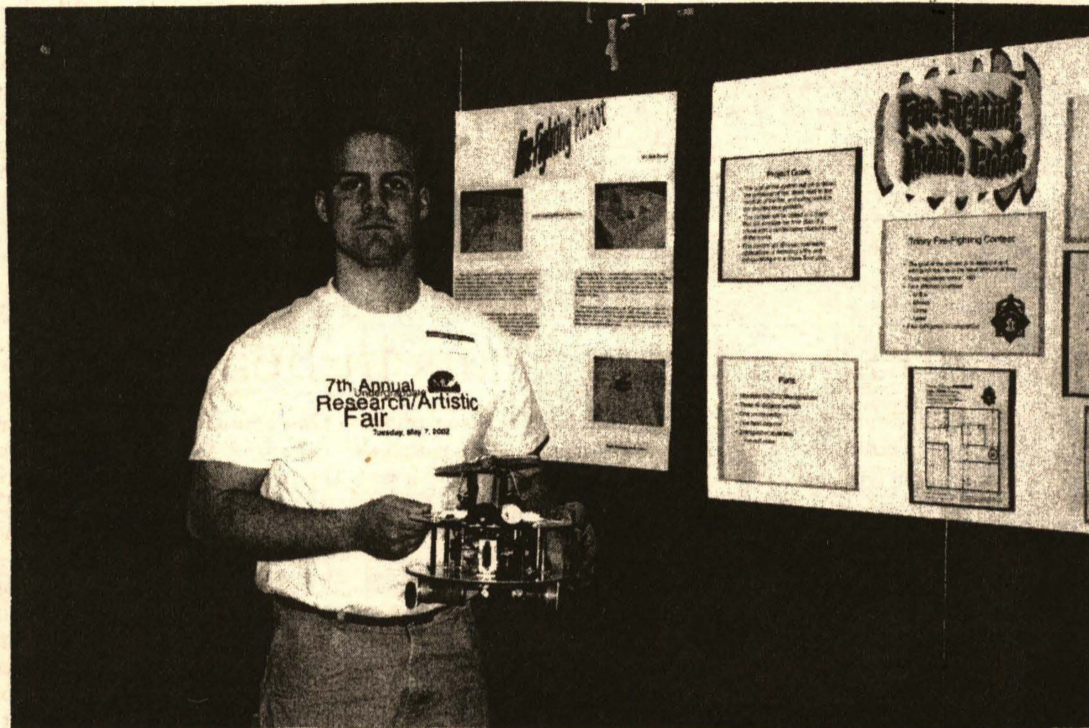
student researcher. Currently, out of approximately 400 students engaging in research at UMD, there are over 100 getting paid for their work through UROP.

"I'm not aware of a single UROP student who said it was a waste of time," said Hedman.

Hedman was adamant in saying that research work isn't merely for students who excel in the classroom. "The grade somebody gets in a class is not a total reflection of that person," he said. "[Individual research] is an alternate way of showing what you're capable of."

Hedman himself said he would never have continued on to graduate school if it weren't for research of his own. "It excited me about learning on my own," he said.

The research fair at UMD isn't the end of the line for some UROP partakers. After last year's fair culminated, 13 of UMD's own headed to a national conference to display their finished product beside the nation's best.



UMD student, Bob Flaaen, shows his piece at last year's research/artistic fair.

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ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN STUDENT ORG.	4,500	0.29	7,500	0.47	4,500	0.28	4,500	0.28
BLACK STUDENT ASSOCIATION	4,500	0.29	4,500	0.28	4,500	0.28	4,500	0.28
HEALTH SERVICES	812,295	52.07	966,631	60.41	966,631	60.41	933,631	58.35
HEALTH SERVICES CAPITAL IMP.	45,000	2.88	45,000	2.81	45,000	2.81	15,000	0.94
HISPANIC/LATINO/CHICANO ORG.	4,000	0.26	4,000	0.25	4,000	0.25	4,000	0.25
INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS	307,850	19.73	307,850	19.24	200,000	12.50	292,475	18.28
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MUSIC ORGANIZATIONS	49,000	3.14	50,000	3.13	50,000	3.13	50,000	3.13
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RECREATIONAL SPORTS (see note)	381,675	24.47	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
REC SPTS/OUTDOOR PRG.	N/A	N/A	562,278	35.14	562,278	35.14	542,628	33.91
REC SPTS/OUTDOOR PRG. CAP. IMP.	49,000	3.14	92,030	5.75	89,230	4.33	69,230	4.33
SERVE	3,000	0.19	4,000	0.25	4,000	0.25	4,000	0.25
STATESMAN	30,000	1.92	30,000	1.88	30,000	1.88	30,000	1.88
STUDENT ASSOCIATION	31,500	2.02	32,250	2.02	32,250	2.02	32,250	2.02
THEATRE	45,000	2.88	45,000	2.81	45,000	2.81	45,000	2.81
TWEED MUSEUM	10,500	0.67	12,500	0.78	12,500	0.78	12,500	0.78
WOMEN'S RES. ACTION CENTER	3,000	0.19	3,000	0.19	3,000	0.19	3,000	0.19
SUBTOTAL	2,808,197	180.00	3,173,374	198.33	2,987,214	186.70	2,987,214	186.70
Excess Reserve Credit					(150,000)	(9.38)	(150,000)	(9.38)
SUBTOTAL					2,837,214	177.32	2,837,214	177.32
Capital Improvement Reserve	109,200	7.00	109,200	7.00	400,000	25.00	400,000	25.00
TOTAL STUDENT FEES	2,917,397	187.00	3,282,574	205.33	3,237,214	202.32	3,237,214	202.32

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FEES: Intercollegiate Athletics awarded more than fees committee recommended

"I'm disappointed they got the full request," said Verhaeghe. "However, it did accomplish something, because now athletics is red flagged for next year."

Students on the fees committee were opposed to increasing the budget to Athletics because they were concerned about the exclusion of programs that directly affect non-student athletes such as cheerleading, dance line and mascot funding.

Before granting Intercollegiate Athletics more money, the committee encouraged them to review the re-institution of such programs. The committee wrote that they believe "that the Athletics request should be reduced to cover only the items that directly benefit students." These items include "subsidized tickets and the majority of student employment costs and areas that directly impact students."

Athletic Director Robert Corran wrote in response to the fees committee that the first priority of Athletics is to provide direct support for student athletes, and that by eliminating non-essential activities, Intercollegiate Athletics can ensure core activities can continue.

"This year we felt shunned by athletics," said student committee member and CLA senator for SA, Drew Sandquist. "Athletics considered the Student Service Fees

another line on their budget. We exist for the students."

In an email interview Martin explained the increase by saying Corran indicated the severity a reduction in student service fees would have on the students involved in athletics.

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~Drew Sandquist,
Student Service Fees
Committee Member

"Athletics was caught in a 'shift in criteria,'" said Martin, "the appeal answered the questions regarding activities that impacted students." Martin continued to say that the additional funds to athletics will be used to subsidize student ticket prices, maintain midnight jam, and for student participation in various events such as homecoming.

The fees committee begins

their meetings in September and met until the end of March. Student organizations submit a budget to the fees committee and provide answers to any questions the committee may have.

The fees committee then reviews the budget and submits their recommendations to the Chancellor, who has final say in what fees get submitted for approval to the Board of Regents.

Committee members Verhaeghe and Sandquist both say that this is the first year there has been substantial differences in the students' recommendations compared to the Chancellors' recommendations.

Usually, Sandquist said, the Chancellors' final recommendations for the Student Service fees only vary slightly. This year, however, that was not the case.

"This year there was a big difference in recommendations," said Sandquist. "Chancellor Martin needs to realize that it's student's money, not tuition. If she's going to have a committee she should take our recommendations a lot more seriously."

Because of the Athletics increase students will now be paying \$202 a semester for Student Service Fees, up from \$187 a semester.

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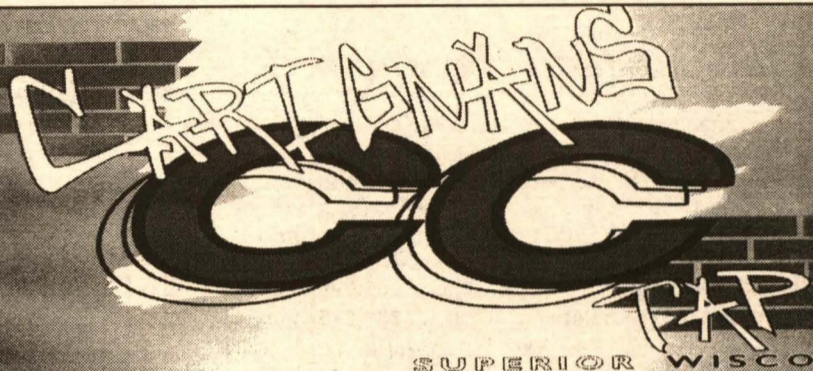
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OUR VIEW

Student Service Fee Recommendations

And why they shouldn't be snubbed

The Student Service Fees committee's recommendation to decrease next years allotment of student fees to Intercollegiate Athletics should hold some weight. That is to say, their recommendation shouldn't be stricken down by UMD's suits in Darland.

There is a lengthy process that goes into dispersing student fees to student groups on campus. Organizations like Kirby Student Center, the *Statesman*, Student Association, Black Students Association, Intercollegiate Athletics and SERVE (a complete list of student fee receiving organizations and their 2003-2004 requests and allotments are given on page six of today's *Statesman*) must first submit their request to the Student Service Fees committee. After interviews, analysis and debate, recommendations are sent on to the Student Association for approval and then on to Chancellor Martin for approval, before allotments are finalized by the Regents of the university.

This year Chancellor Martin nixed recommendations to decrease Intercollegiate Athletics' share of the student taxes from \$300,000 to \$200,000. Instead, Martin granted an appeal made by Intercollegiate Athletics to override the decision of the student dominated committee and has recommended that Intercollegiate Athletics receives approximately \$292,000. She has acted similarly in the past, tweaking the allotments of some other committee recommendations. This year the recommendations for the Kirby Student Center, Health Services and the Recreational Sports/Outdoor Program were also changed by Martin considerably.

Is it too romantic of a thought to believe that students should be able to decide what their taxes go towards on our campus? The dollars are ours after all.

Yet when the committee's recommendation is ignored and changed the entire process looks silly. Apparently, students only have so much control over their dollars.

Upon making their recommendations, the Student Service Fees (SSF) committee explained at length its reasoning. They had decided to decrease the money going

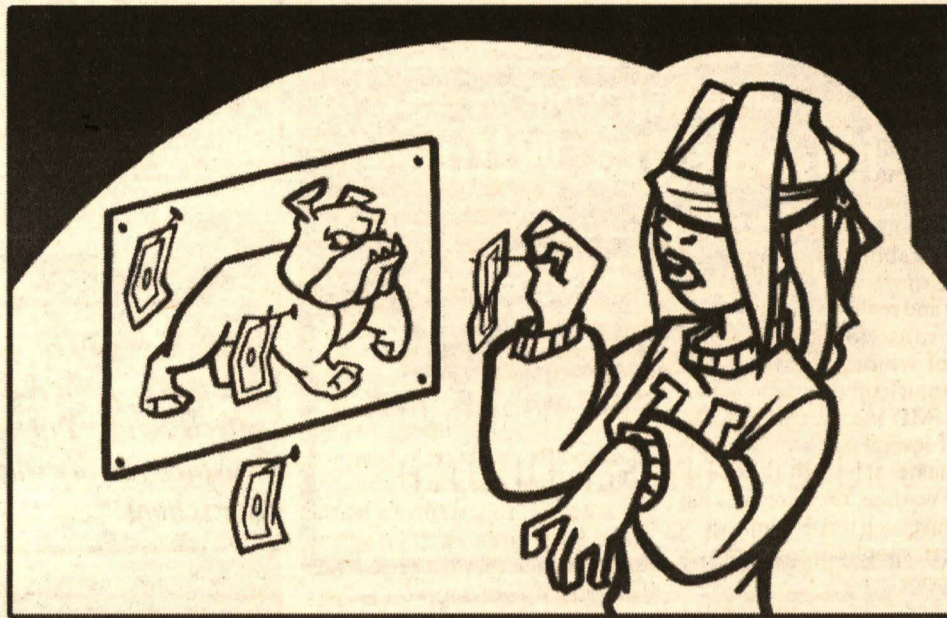
towards Intercollegiate Athletics because they had stopped funding activities like cheerleading and mascots. The committee left the \$200,000 for athletics to fund ticket subsidies for students.

And poof, a stroke came from Darland. Their recommendations had been seen by the Queen of everything UMD. This time, her majesty favored Intercollegiate Athletics. And most disheartening, recommendations, made by a committee dominated by students, were snubbed.

Chancellor Martin should have the authority to approve them. But that is what she should do. Admittedly, Martin approves the committees recommendations about 95 percent of the time. That number should be closer to 100 percent. Ninety-nine percent would be acceptable.

Our student service fee dollars should be spent at our will. The students of this university deserve to have the final say over the manner in which our student dollars are spent. A quick stroke of a wand from Darland is not an acceptable manner to disperse our monies. A committee made up primarily of students should make these decisions. Wait, isn't that what we have now? We thought so, but apparently Martin decided to use her spot in the process with a tad more authority this year. Ninety-five percent of the time she approves the committees recommendations. But this year, Martin snubbed them. Perhaps this means that for the next few years our dollars will be safe in the hands of the SSF committee. Chancellor Martin wouldn't dare let her approval rating drop to 85 percent. Would she?

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As spring parties begin, city seeks improvement

College students and residents in Duluth tend to be separated by a tradition of suspicion and distance.

Things are starting to change for the better, however.

Campus Neighbors, a group of students and residents in Duluth's hillside neighborhoods, is working hard to improve relationships.

The group holds monthly meetings to forge solutions on parking, absentee landlords, police relationships, building inspections, house parties and other issues.

Officials from the University of Minnesota Duluth, the College of St. Scholastica and Lake Superior College also participate. So do community groups: East Hillside Patch, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, city planning district committees and others.

Things are happening. The UMD Student Association plans a furniture pick-up for students in early May so big items don't get left on lawns and porches.

Campus Neighbors is planning "welcome back" gatherings for students and residents in September. This shows students they're coming to a community that cares — and heads off problems before they occur, showing students there are expectations of neighborliness and respect.

Campus Neighbors also is working on a guide for students and neighbors on "living together," including both students and resident views. For example, it might include why residents might view a loudparty at 2 a.m. as annoying.

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The Tavern League across the bridge, in a separate initiative, is doing its part to prevent drunken driving after the bars close in Superior and the return trek to Duluth occurs. Eighty-six bars in Douglas County — members of the Tavern League — participate in the "Safe Ride" program. Bartenders in those bars give vouchers for free cab rides. The State Tavern League covers the cost — with a grant from the Wisconsin Department of Transportation.

This should help alleviate the shocking problem reported by the University of Minnesota Boynton Health Service: University of Minnesota Duluth students drink more, drive drunk more and report more alcohol-related injuries than Twin Cities campus students and students at the average Big 10 university. That report indicates that 21 percent of UMD students drive after having five drinks — compared with 8.5 percent nationally. That is a major public safety hazard that is preventable — if students who drink will take cabs, rather than drive home.

Ongoing issues
It's clear that a small number of irresponsible students and absentee landlords cause the biggest problems — and that's where the

city, university and neighborhoods should concentrate their efforts.

The East Hillside neighborhood police officer already has done a lot to improve matters simply by sending out letters to landlords after parties are busted. He also has identified problem blocks and focused on enforcing existing laws.

The city also is working on getting parent-owned student houses licensed — like any other rental property. This effort will pay long-term dividends in keeping parent-landlords accountable for student activities and upkeep in those homes.

Duluth's housing market has become skewed because parents buy homes for their children in college. The kids rent out rooms to other students at a profit. The result: Duluth sees single-family homes turn into student houses.

The mix at the three main campuses — the University of Minnesota Duluth, the College of St. Scholastica and Lake Superior College — is 3,300 students living on campus and 7,000 living off campus.

City Councilor Donny Ness has suggested the idea of a London Road student-housing district featuring three- and four-story apartment buildings, street-level retail and off-street parking. This would reduce the density of students living on the hillside an relieve pressure on the market in single-family homes. It also would revitalize the London Road business district

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Two problems with SAUMD

Students should pay attention, potentially get involved

By **BRIAN STEWART**
OPINION WRITER

Unless you've been hiding under a keg for the last few months, you've heard of Students Against UMD. You've read about them in the *Statesman*, you've glanced at their handouts and you've seen their table outside the bookstore, complete with melodramatic, attention-grabbing displays. So, who are they? Are they freedom fighters and revolutionaries with a worthy cause to fight, or just a bunch of whiney students with way too much time on their hands?

SAUMD is currently in the midst of several battles, all fought in our name. Through the use of guerilla warfare, they are striking out against such terrible injustices as (insert spooky music here) a food-service monopoly! Other issues on their agenda are the student-service fees, on-campus parking and the now-defunct full-year registration, a victory for which they claim at least partial credit.

It is impossible to not have at least some degree of sympathy for SAUMD. After all, they are fight-

ing for us, and there is not a single student who wouldn't mind seeing their goals achieved. Variety for lunch, more plentiful and cheaper parking, and smaller student fees would bring a smile to all our faces. Their arguments are rational, and their membership is largely composed of determined and intelligent people. However, after much consideration of their arguments and points, two significant flaws surface.

Their main goal, aside from those listed above, is to institute some sort of binding student governance. They point to the Student Association, a group to which many SAUMD members belong and recently sought reelection into, as ineffectual and purely advisory. To a degree, this seems to be the case. SA is given a certain sphere within which they have free reign. However, if SA policy ever conflicts with the wishes or goals of the administration, they might as well have stayed at home. On important matters, SA merely advises the administration who can implement or ignore their desires as they wish.

Changing this is, by a large

margin, the most important of SAUMD's battles. If this is achieved, all the rest of their goals can be settled through the Student Association: Unfortunately, SAUMD is dividing its efforts and diluting its message by focusing on more trivial matters. A student association, after some help in shaking the puppet strings tied on by the administration, could use their power as the elected, representative govern-

the bounds.

The second of SAUMD's missteps is perhaps the most important possibility they've overlooked. There is no greater pool for social change in existence than pissed-off college students. We have the energy, the desire, and the education to make things happen, and we've proven it time and time again in situation after situation. SAUMD would be wise to tap into this energy and direct it. There are about

our school. We are not expendable. We are not just numbers on a stats sheet."

Yes, many of us will soon graduate. We'll leave UMD behind us and perhaps never look back. So why should we care what happens to this school? Not our problem. You might be right, but look at it this way: we'll all probably die within the next 80 years. So really, why should we care if we screw up the planet? Why should it bother us if, in a century, the water is undrinkable and the planet is a wasteland? Not our problem, right? Next time you see SAUMD in front of the bookstore, stop and ask them a few questions. Look at their statistics and facts; ask them why they are sacrificing so much time and energy for us. Tell them you support their goals or tell them why you don't. It's a divisive issue, but it is one that affects us all. You should know what is going on whether you are with SAUMD or not. After all, it's our school.

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ment to address SAUMD's other grievances. The empowerment of SA should be SAUMD's primary and only goal. As a nonrepresentative, non-elected group, seeking any other ends, even if they feel these goals are the desire of the student body, is overstepping

10,000 students at UMD. Imagine the change that could be instituted if 10 percent said, "We want to be represented." Imagine if just one in four of us stood up and said, "We are paying your salaries, we want our voices heard." Imagine if just half of us gathered and shouted, "This is

Duluth Disc Golf: A Double Bogey

Reputation is pinned on outdoor recreation, city needs public course

By **STEVE SANOSKI**
OPINION WRITER

Between the Superior Hiking Trail, Spirit Mountain, the north shore and all the city parks, Duluth accommodates a wide variety of outdoor enthusiasts throughout all seasons of the year. However, among all the recreational opportunities and the large student population in the area, it's hard to believe that there is just one Disc Golf course.

Eighteen baskets scattered among the cross country trails of the Snowflake Nordic Center in Duluth comprise the only Disc Golf course within a 75-mile radius of the twin ports area. And because Snowflake is a privately owned business, there is a \$3 a day access fee for Disc Golf, which is \$3 more than you'd have to pay at most any public course in the country.

Although it may seem a bit unfair, when you're not used to paying for Disc Golf, you expect to play the Augusta of Disc Golf courses when you do fork over \$3. Such was the mindset I was in when I went to Snowflake last week to play my first round of the season. By the end of that round, I had found that the cover charge was merely the first of many thorns in my side, and that this city is in an even drier need of a free, public Disc Golf course than I had previously thought.

Doing most of my previous Disc Golfing around the St. Cloud area, I had become accustomed to course luxuries such as paved tee-boxes with signs at each posting a map of the hole (with basic info such as where the basket is located, how far it's away and so

on). Considering the access fee, I thought Snowflake would offer all these luxuries and then some, however, when I got there I found the course so poorly marked that I couldn't even find the first three holes.

Upon finding the fourth hole and releasing my first drive, I realized the amount of rust I had ac-

posed to an across the body throw, usually used only when there is no shooting lane available besides directly above your head).

With such narrow fairways and so much brush, finding your disc after a poor throw becomes more difficult than hunting for Easter eggs drunk and blindfolded and that's in the spring when

hasn't taken off here because there is no public course.

The PDGA (Professional Disc Golf Association) estimates that the construction costs of an 18-hole Disc Golf course are about \$25,000, which is less than one-tenth of the money this city has funneled into the aquarium to keep the fish fed over this past

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cumulated over the winter as my disc tagged a tree and sliced into the woods out of sight. As I made my way into the brush after it, I discovered another major inconvenience of the Snowflake course the painful amount of thorn and barberry bushes.

Emerging from the woods with my arms looking like I had just gotten done warding off some rabid feline, I continued on to find the rest of the Snowflake course to be no different. And since all the fairways really just cross-country ski trails, some of them are so narrow that it feels like you're trying to throw your disc through a mail slot, making it real easy to find yourself in the thick of it once more.

"If you can play this course, you can play any course," said Scott "Goldie" Holliday, who holds the course record at Snowflake and plays tournaments on the pro level. "You have to get really good at throwing tomahawks" (A tomahawk is an overhead throw, as op-

there's no undergrowth. As the trees and bushes blossom in the next few weeks, even course owner George Hovland admits that things will only get worse.

"Enjoy this while you can," he says of the current course conditions. "When summer comes around you'll spend more time looking for your disc than you will throwing it," he said.

All of these inconveniences mean that you either have to be pretty patient or pretty good at Disc Golf to find it worth your time and money to play at Snowflake. But as Disc Golf was originally designed thirty-years ago as a sport for people of all ages and talents, it's obvious that Snowflake is not an adequate course for Duluth, let alone the entire twin ports.

The Twin Cities area currently has over 10 public courses and the St. Cloud area has over five, which is a considerably smaller area, with fewer public parks than Duluth. Snowflake introduced Disc Golf to Duluth six years ago, but the sport

winter.

Considering the conditions at Snowflake, the many public parks in Duluth, and the relatively low cost for the city to build and maintain a public course, it's all to clear that Duluth needs a public Disc Golf course to uphold its reputation as a city which offers some of the best outdoor recreational activities in the state and across the nation.

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From 8 DNT Editorial:

and boost downtown retail. Get this moving.

There will always be some measure of tension between college students and longtime residents — the lifestyles and age differences do matter. But much can be done to minimize conflicts. Students, residents, colleges and the city are moving in the right direction to improve relations.

From an editorial in the Duluth News Tribune on Thursday April 29, 2003

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Humor

Instead of studying for finals, what about just going to the Bahamas and catching some rays? Maybe you'll flunk, but you might have flunked anyway; that's my point.

- A Deep Thought by Jack Handy

Thursday, May 1, 2003

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Top ten bad titles for college application essays

By JON GRILZ

10. "Why I'm Gonna Get So Much Attention in College"
9. "Chico, My Most Unforgettable Cellmate"
8. "D's = A's: My High School's Complex Grading System"
7. "Gross Things I Did to Food When I Worked at McDonald's"
6. "I Hired Some Chinese Kid to Write this Essay"
5. "Why the Admissions Director Loves his Car and Wouldn't Want Anything Bad to Happen to It"
4. "A Few Ideas on What to Do with All those Annoying Elderly People"
3. "Faith Hill: She's a Good Singer, But is She Really a Diva?"
2. "Instead of an Essay, Here's a Photocopy of my Ass"
1. "One Year in College, Then 'Hello, NBA!'"

Who's da man

By JON GRILZ

In a time of war and civil distrust one must really stop and think, *Who's da man?* Now, I know what you are thinking, but no, I'm not da man. Thanks for thinking of me, but I really can't even compete with da real man. Is da president da man? Nope, try again. Not even the most powerful/slow-witted man in the free world can compete with da real man. OK, no more beating around da bush, da man is Harrison "Coolest First Name Ever" Ford. Oh yeah, baby, there isn't a man or woman out there who doesn't know deep down that Mr. Han Solo is da man.

We all watched as da man sat idly by in "Da Empire Strikes Back" while Leia and Luke swapped spit. And even after he learned that they were brother and sister, he was still down with getting a piece of royal ass! Now, he is da man!

We all cheered when Indiana Jones brought a gun to da sword fight in "Da Raiders of da Lost Ark." And we all cried when we thought he was going to get his heart torn out in "...Temple of Doom." And who can forget da first time we realized that both he and his dad, Sean Connery, nailed da same chick in "Da Last Crusade." Too bad she was a Nazi, she was really hot!

Flash to da present. Indy is, like, 80 and still a playa! He has even hooked up with Ally McBeal. Sure, she has a mouth like a large-mouth bass and weighs as much as my left leg, but it is still further proof of "da manliness" that is Ford.

Who can really compete with this man? He is da pinnacle of all that is good and man-ish. I once spent three months in a prison just outside of Hanoi. I spent my nights in pain and my days being tortured in ways I could never explain, but I never gave up my plans, or that all-access codes to governments offices are 1234 son of a oh, well. But anyway, I have experienced blinding pain and mental anguish, but I am still not half da man that da man is. I was tortured by a man trained in body mutilation, but da man was tortured by Darth Vader. I just can't

compete with that.

I spent last summer unearthing an ancient Aztec city and proving da existence of advanced medical practices that could help cure all known STDs, but Indy found da Holy Grail, which is just plain badass.

Just last week I helped to uncover a government conspiracy that linked da former Soviet Union with Columbian drug cartels, but Jack Ryan proved da U.S. conspiracy. It just isn't fair. Oh, well, I would gladly go through it all again just for one more chance to go see "Working Girl" in da movie theaters. Kid Rock thinks he is da American Badass; I don't think so. He may have Pam, but Harrison has had Princess Leia, Marian, Danny, Nazi Chick, Melanie Griffith, and lots of other women of whom I can't differentiate between their real names and movie characters.

So as I sit here twitching from constant flashbacks to my time in Hanoi and da realization that it might have been my love affair with a green monkey in da fated past that never mind, but I just can't stop thinking about Harrison Ford. He has taught me so much in life. Not only that da Millennium Falcon can do da Kessel Run in under five parsecs, but also that when I am 80, I will still be able to woo a 30-year-old anorexic woman with a mouth so big you could fit a party sub in it. Good times. I guess there really is hope for da future. Thank you, Harrison Ford; you are da man!

Oh, and sorry about all da "das," but it's hard to stop once you start.

From ten years in the future

University unleashes Kill-Bots to collect delinquent payments

By DANE PETERSEN

The year I graduated from UMD, I thought it would be a good idea to take a parting gift from the library, as all the reams of printer paper I had lifted during my four years didn't seem to be sufficient payback for all the tuition jacking I incurred.

During the last week of class, I checked out a book, "The Training of an American: The Earlier Life & Letters of Walter H. Page, 1855-1913" by Burton J. Hendrick, with no intention of ever returning it. This is how I learned never to willfully summon the wrath of the UMD library.

On June 27 of that year, I received the following letter in the mail:

Dear Sir,
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I ignored this letter. A month later I received the following billing statement from the university:

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I ignored this letter, as well. Seeing as how I was already employed even without the actual diploma, I didn't see a point in bothering with the university's requests. This bill was followed by no less than seven others that were nearly identical in nature, excepting that they each demanded a steadily increasing sum of money.

Over the next few years I moved around the country quite a bit, and the volume of letters from the university finally tapered off. The last bill I received, post-marked from Duluth on March 12, 2008, politely requested \$16,232.59. They included a self-addressed, stamped envelope to help smooth over our exchange. I tied the envelope to a brick and sent it back to the university.

I spent a few months as a bush pilot in Alaska in the summer of 2009, and one July morning, a battered package from the university wound up on my doorstep. Hmm. Perhaps the school had finally caved in and mailed me my diploma, regardless of our minor grievances over Hendrick. Curiously, I opened the package. A folded note was resting on a bed of packaging peanuts:

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The library is the only facility at UMD with the funds to invest in Kill-Bots, an intelligent and efficient robotic means of criminal suppression. When the new library was built and all sorts of snazzy techie learn-y things came flooding in, they had too much to lose *not* to invest in Kill-Bots. These particular Kill-Bots were the KB.SP.354b model, a particularly nasty breed of tiny, red-eyed, robotic spider. If given the chance they will burrow under your skin and inject a toxin into your bloodstream, killing you faster than disco.

I managed to kick the box in the lake before all the Kill-Bots had a chance to come swarming out. Still, I had to carve one of them out of my thigh with a red-hot blade. The injury left me with a limp.

I don't open packages from the university anymore. In turn, the university has gotten more crafty in their attempts. Sometimes they trick me by not including a return address. Sometimes scrawl the word "COOKIES" across the top of the package in a thick, black marker.

"Mmm, someone sent me cookies. OH, GOD, NO! Kill-Bots again!"

It works every time.

How to lord your land

Brief instructions to landlording and being a p.o.s. human being

By NIAL PIPSLYRH

It takes a calm demeanor, a clear mind, and an intensely, constantly furrowed brow. Being a landlord is not for the faint at heart, nor for the god-fearing. If you are a student and think being a landlord is easy, you are a fool. Here is some advice for up-and-coming landlords. Hooray!

First thing you need to know about becoming a landlord; know your tenant. You should know, college students can afford anything and everything. Most likely your student tenants were all born and raised in Woodbury. If you aren't aware, Woodbury is a Twin Cities suburb where affluent people are as numerous as housing code violations in Duluth's rental properties. That's a lot. Your tenant was most likely born with silver spoon in his/her mouth. Yes, these kids were spoiled rotten. They got all the video games, movies, candy, and whole wheat flour play-doh they wanted. They grew up on weekly \$100.00 GAP shopping trips and YMCA memberships they never chose to take advantage of.

Basically, they got money. Your job; take it away.

As a landlord you will run into many house and property calamities. Tenants, being the pests they are, will often, if not always, bring

these to your attention. They will ask you to fix broken stuff or remove potential health hazards. I know, it sounds pretty unreasonable, but it is true. First off, don't offer your tenants any concrete answers to problems or statements of commitment. Say, "hmmm, doesn't look good." or "must be broken," but don't say, "let's get this fixed for you," or "I will take care of it." If you mistakenly have made promises you never intended to keep do what my ex-landlord used to do. Nothing. If my landlord said something will be done soon we didn't see him for months after. "The furnace will be fixed next week," actually meant, "I give you permission to either die of carbon dioxide inhalation or become violently ill. Either one works for me cuz I will be on a hunting trip in Texas for the next month or two."

One good idea is to get caller I.D. This way if your asshole tenants try to call you, you know exactly who it is and when not to answer. If they catch on and try calling from a different number switch your phone number without telling them. Also, ask your kids and wife not to answer the phone. That's how they get to you.

Passing the buck is not just for governmental workers. You too can apply the same work

shrugging techniques others use without access to a hierarchy, bureaucracy, or red tape. If your tenants complain about the plumbing not being fixed tell them, "I called the plumbers. What, they didn't come?" You don't even have to lie, usually. Just hire the cheapest outfit in town. Duluth is full of half-assed maintenance operations. You can actually pay companies to come over to your house and not fix stuff. Usually they don't show up in the first place, so no need to lie.

Remember, housing inspectors are not to be feared. Hypothetical situation: say the house has been inspected and there is a list of 40 items that need to be fixed in order for you house to be habitable. If you complete 7-12 of these items and promise to do the rest; guess what, the housing inspector will leave you alone. Sweet deal, huh? Well, it gets better. You don't need to keep that promise either. The housing inspector has a short memory.

Yeah, that's a quick tutorial. Now, go do your worst.

Note: The landlord I have now is awesome. I just thought I would point this out so you wouldn't think Duluth is totally devoid of decent landlords. There are good landlords. I mean, there is. There is one good landlord in Duluth. He is mine and you can't have him.

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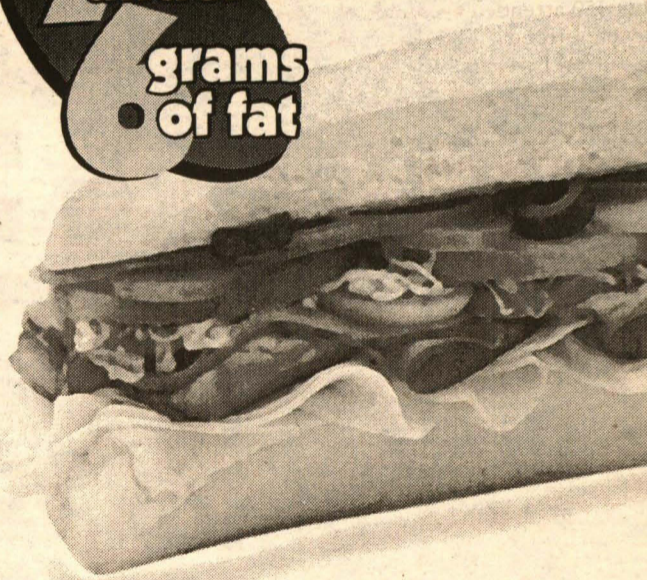
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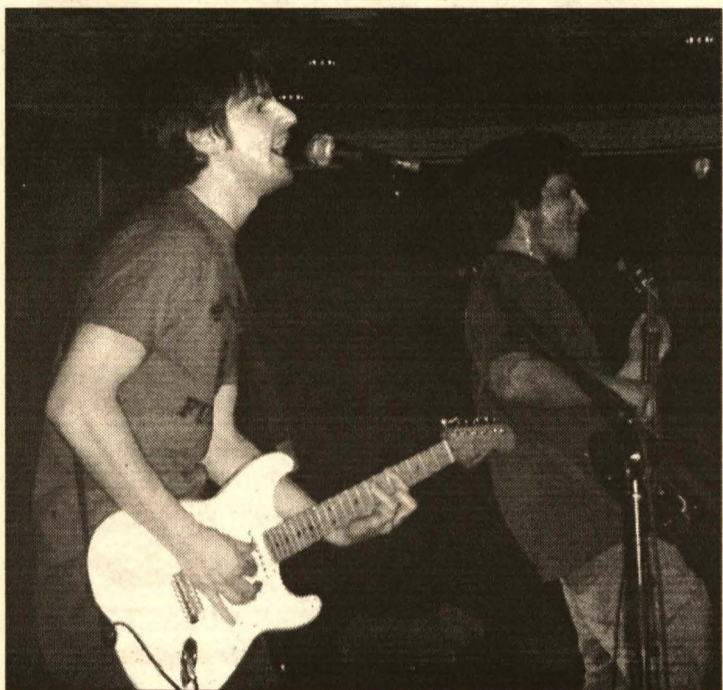
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Nothing Much wins Battle of the Bands

Six bands compete at show sponsored by Alpha Phi Omega



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Failure to Comply was another of the featured bands at the show.

By JUSTIN ROTH
A&E REPORTER

The band Nothing Much won first place at last week's Dry Wednesday Battle of the Bands in the unusually warm Kirby Ballroom, with another local band, Alone, coming in second.

Six groups took the stage on Wednesday night to perform. About 150 attended the finale of an alcohol-free day of events that was put on by the national ser-

vice fraternity Alpha Phi Omega and Late Night Kirby.

UMD sophomore Matt Gutzmann, who played lead guitar and backed up on vocals for Nothing Much, drew many cheers during his solos, which incited one fan to yell, "Awesome solo!"

Explaining Nothing Much's victory, UMD junior Brian Schanzenbach, who plays guitar and sings lead vocals, joked, "I think [we won] because of Matt's

cute face."

Nothing Much performed last and played a mix of originals and covers. The bass player and backup singer, UMD sophomore Ryan Earp said that their main inspiration was Weezer.

However, for this show they opted to cover other groups like Green Day and the Cars.

One of Schanzenbach's less romantic originals included his personal take on "Valentines Day," which included the chorus, "One more round to wash it down, one more round, I hope I drown, the Valentine I never found."

He also wanted to notify the readers that he is an Aries and he likes long walks on the beach and candle-lit dinners.

The victors enjoyed performing at UMD again.

"They should do more than two [battles] a year," said UMD sophomore Jeff Ruhlmann, who was on drums.

Fraternity members Trent Siats, Brian Rhiel and Nate Kuehl organized the free event. Kuehl also played bass for Failure to Comply, and introduced a song about drunkenness with a disclaimer: "This is Dry Wednesday, and we're not drinkin'. And I hope you're not drinkin'. But if you are, I guess . . . have fun."

The stage was alive with light and energy, and heated the room like a bonfire.

As the night drew on, it got a little too warm for those up front, and they headed back to their seats.

The smell of popcorn floated through the room, where musi-



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Local band Alone plays at the Battle of the Bands show. Alone ended up taking second place out of the six bands that performed.

cians were shedding layers, blaming the heat.

The liveliness of Foreknown, So the Story Goes . . . , Nick and Gabe, Failure to Comply, Alone, and Nothing Much kept the show energetic until its end at 1 a.m. The crowd was supportive of the bands, even when they made mistakes.

Both Alone and Nothing Much had to stop in the middle of original songs.

The prize that Nothing Much received for their victory was \$20. Kuehl explained that it would have been more if the fraternity could have afforded it.

Other events for that day included two alcohol-awareness speakers, as well as brats and hot dogs in the courtyard.

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Annual Homegrown Music Festival underway

By REGAN KOHLER
A&E REPORTER

Homegrown Music Festival once again is taking the Northland by storm April 30 to May 4. This year, 75 bands will play at seven different venues in Duluth over the course of five days.

"It's really just taken a life of its own," said Scott Lunt, the Duluth musician who started Homegrown five years ago. The festival has had to be extended this year due to the number of bands playing and the fact that some will be leaving to go on tour before the end of the week.

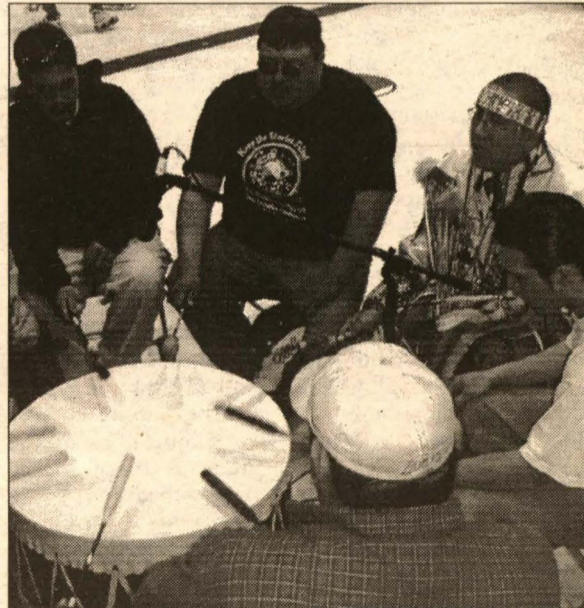
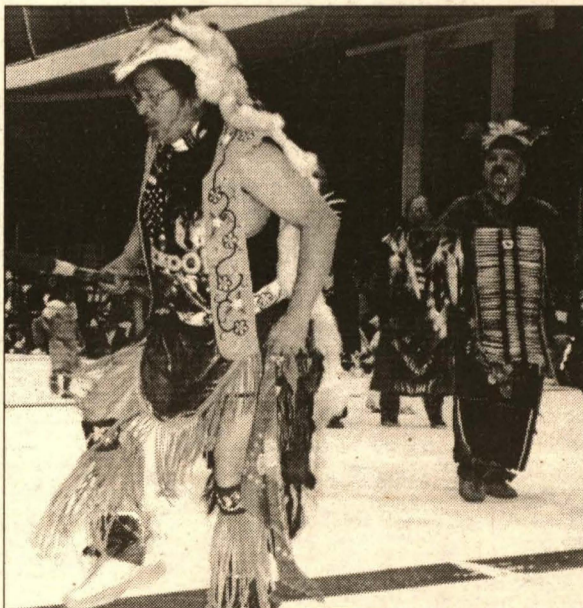
An Independent Film Festival Wednesday night kicked off the events at the Norshor Theatre, with the bands Diecyst, Heavysset and Downhill Nikki playing.

The concerts are spreading to Fitger's Brewhouse, the Red Lion, Pizza Lucé, Beaner's Central, RT Quinlan's Saloon and The Tap Room, while some bands will remain at the Norshor. Local musicians such as Amy Abts and Mary Bue will be playing, as well as prominent bands like the Dukes of Hubbard, Bone Appetit, Gild and the Keepaways, to name just a few.

"There's just a heck of a lot of music," said Lunt regarding the overwhelming number of bands playing this year, as five years ago there were only 10 performing.

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Powwow draws large turnout



PHOTOS BY SAM MACKERETH / UMD STATESMAN

The annual Anishinaabe powwow was held in the UMD Hockey Arena last Saturday and was free and open to the public. The event was hosted by the Department of American Indian Studies and the Anishinaabe Student Organization.

'Identity' puts the suspense back in scary movies

By KYLE LEHANE
A&E REPORTER

These days, it's hard to find a good psychological horror movie. In the genre of slasher films like the Freddy and Jason franchises, horror movies that make the audience think are few and far between.

But then something like "Identity" comes along to show the world that movies can still make one think while being able to scare at the same time.

"Identity" tells the story of 10 random strangers, among them John Cusack ("Con Air"), Ray Liotta ("Goodfellas") and Amanda Peet ("The Whole Nine Yards"), who end up at a secluded motel on a dark and stormy night.

One by one they are hunted

and killed by an unseen madman, and the film turns into a who-done-it as the survivors try to figure out who is killing them.

At heart, "Identity" is a retelling of Agatha Christie's "Ten Little Indians," a story of 10 strangers drawn together because they have some connection and are then murdered one by one. The story is even slightly referenced in the movie in a roundabout way.

However, that is only the basic idea for "Identity," as it entails much more.

The acting in "Identity" is all surprisingly well-done for this type of movie. None of the characters are given any depth whatsoever, but by the time the movie is over it becomes obvious as to why.

Most people would be angry over the fact that the characters are incredibly two-dimensional, but in this film it works.

Cusack shows again why he is one of the better actors of this generation. Playing what is essentially the moral center of the film, he tries to keep all the other characters calm despite all of the madness going on, and he pulls it off well.

Peet also does a good job with what she is given. Playing the stereotypical "hooker with a heart of gold," she's there to provide the movie's shrieking screams, as well as some occasional comic relief.

The only spot of bad acting in the movie is Liotta, but that's to be expected at this point.

Granted, Liotta has devel-



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"Identity" is the story of 10 strangers who find themselves hunted and killed by an unknown person.

oped a reputation for being a horrible actor, but does the point really need to be proven over and over again? How long until he figures out that he needs acting lessons?

The direction behind "Identity" is another area of greatness, James Mangold ("Girl, Interrupted"). Mangold shows that he can handle a horror project with the best of them.

He creates just enough tension and suspense to keep the audience on the edge without pushing them over.

It will be interesting to see if he tackles another project like this in the future.

The cinematography by Phedon Papamichael ("Patch Adams") is also extremely well-done.

Given that most of the movie takes place at night and

in the rain, it would be very hard to see any of what's going on.

But he manages to have the perfect amount of lighting to where the audience knows what is happening but can't quite see it. It's another element of the film that makes it so great.

"Identity" is a grand return to the form of psychological horror, and it's also a welcome one.

It goes to show that a slasher movie can still be an intelligent one.

Here's to hoping Hollywood takes notice and starts making more.

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John Cusack and Ray Liotta team up in "Identity" now in theater's.

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HOMEGROWN: Music to be found in all areas of Duluth

The Brewhouse will be having a kickoff tonight at 7 p.m. There will be a special edition of Starfire Lounge, Lunt's music show, and the release of the festival's specialty brew, Homegrown Hempen Ale.

Saturday will be the annual, free battle-of-the-bands kickball game at noon at Wade Stadium, where each night's performers compete against one another.

"That's gonna be a hoot," said Lunt.

This year Lunt rented a storefront down at 1 W. Superior St., where people can get T-shirts, CDs of bands playing in the festival, and lots of Homegrown merchandise.

Tickets can be purchased there, as well. The store is called The Chicken Shack, and Lunt decided to put a bunch of baby chickens on display there to add to the atmosphere.

The Homegrown Music Festival was originally a celebration of Lunt's 30th birthday. He said he just wanted to have a huge party at the Norshor, so he decided to throw it himself. "I started a band and just wanted to have a big show," Lunt said. "It's sort of become our band birth-

day." This band, Father Hennepin, will also be performing on Saturday, May 3, in the Norshor's mezzanine at midnight.

Lunt came up with the festival's name off the top of his head. "I was like, 'Oh, Homegrown, that'd be cool,'" he said. "That was a lot of backaches ago."

"Everybody goes a little above and beyond the average show [at Homegrown]. You get your money's worth."

There will also be other things that Lunt plans to spring up at the festival.

"There's a few little surprises I haven't even told anyone about," he said.

For an 18 and older venue, the cost is \$6 a night and \$10 for a weekend pass. Twenty-one and older venues are \$10 a night and \$20 for the weekend. They can be purchased either at the Chicken Shack or the concert sites. A complete listing of the band schedule is printed in the *Ripsaw*.

The Brewhouse and The Tap Room are located in the Fitger's complex at 600 E. Superior St. The Norshor and Red Lion are located at 211 and 220 E. Superior St., respectively. Pizza

Lucé is at 11 E. Superior St. RT Quinlan's is at 220 W. Superior St., and Beaner's is at 324 N. Central Ave. in West Duluth.

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Homegrown Music Festival venues in Duluth for April 30 to May 4

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9. Jimmy Buffett, *Meet Me In Margaritaville: Jimmy Buffett The Ultimate Collection*
10. Cher, *The Very Best of Cher*

UMD student musician launches self-titled project

By JOHN SHEEHAN
A&E REPORTER

After jumping from band to band over the past couple of years, Pete Ekstam has finally found some musical stability.

The irony is that the stability comes in the form of his most unstable and unpredictable musical association to date.

The Pete Ekstam Project has the potential to be a revolving door of a who's who in the Duluth music scene, but that is just the way Ekstam wants it; something that is not set in stone but just keeps evolving.

"I decided not to continue [playing with bands], so I started doing solo shows," said Ekstam. "I was doing acoustic performances at Beaner's and started working with Nate Heydt. We did a couple of shows, it was pretty chill. I decided I wanted something that was not just Pete Ekstam, I wanted to keep adding players and keep it open, so I went with the Project."

Other than Ekstam, The Pete Ekstam Project currently consists of hand percussionist Heydt, who also plays with Hobo Alley, and Erik Berry of the Castle Band and Trampled by Turtles on acoustic bass and the mandolin.

Ekstam said the trio started off with no real intentions of starting a band before he came up with the idea of having a structure in place that would allow for interchangeable parts.

He developed a project that would be in place and allow for some consistent players, but always be open for change, while maintaining the body of work that comes with it.

"The band has a few dedicated musicians, but if someone wants to do something else, they can," said Ekstam. "If I or someone moves, we can just start it up again, and the music can continue. There is more freedom."

That freedom is the most important thing for Ekstam. Since moving to Duluth four years ago from Mankato, Minn., he has been involved in a variety of different local music groups.

Most notably, he has played with Onatangent, PAK and Flipsyde, while sharing the stage with a number of other local musicians, partially planting the seed for The Pete Ekstam Project.

The fact that the Duluth music scene has grown hasn't hurt either, as it allows for Ekstam and artists like him to be more experimental in their song writing without alienating their broad audience.

"People are receptive to a lot of different styles [in Duluth]," said Ekstam. "You will see the same people at different shows who like to have a good time and are not dedicated to one genre that stands out."

Ekstam said that local ven-

ues are just as encouraging.

"There are a lot of very open and receptive venues in Duluth in regards to up-and-coming bands," said Ekstam. "Different venues cater to different tastes, but most are very receptive and willing to give artists a shot."

That opportunity to be open and flexible with his musical styles is one reason that Ekstam has decided to remain in Duluth after he graduates.

"[Music] is the kind of thing I've always done," he said. "Song writing is the thing I do. I'm not making good money off of it. I'm in school, trying to keep my passion going. When you have a personal connection with something, you have no choice but to keep going with it."

Being around other musicians only feeds his desire to grow.

"When you have that bond with other musicians, it's magical, and they keep driving you and you thrive to get better," Ekstam said. "It's more about passion and writing music, and making it sincere and unique."

Other musicians have helped him find out more about himself, too, although Ekstam said it is hard to name specific influences. "There is a style that definitely inspires me when listening to music."

"I recently figured out what inspires me as an artist. Artists and bands that are dynamic and not afraid to be fierce and loud and sad and timid at the same time, bands that are not afraid to go up and down the scale."

That is why he appreciates the different genres that are out there, adding that indulging himself with so many different styles allows him to try different things.

"It's like looking at art," he



Left to right; Nate Heydt on bongos, Pete Ekstam on guitar and Erik Berry on guitar.

said. "You take in what is presented and interpret it differently."

The Pete Ekstam Project is hoping to record an album in late May. In the meantime, Ekstam will be graduating, living in the area, and continuing to play. He said there is an open door for the band, and the Project will continue to go on with various players.

"We can't be anxious, we've got to be patient and work on it," said Ekstam. "We have to do what we feel is best and the rest will follow."

To keep his portfolio in order, Ekstam has created a website devoted to everything he has accomplished musically.

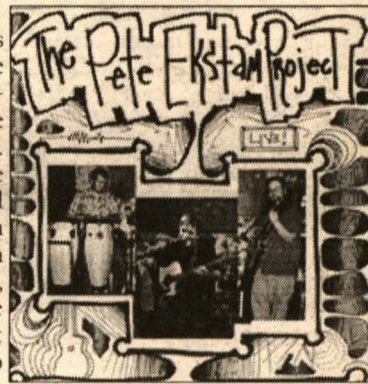
"I've been in three bands here, and when those bands were done I wanted to start something I could continue for the rest of my life," said Ekstam. "That is why I built the site. [The website] is who I am, and it will be there no matter where I am in my life, band or no band. If I run into someone 10 years from now, they can access this collective portfolio and they can see what I have been up to in relation to music. It will always be there, and will keep on building and building."

The site offers songs and images from Ekstam's previous albums. It also provides news and information about upcoming shows and ideas. You can visit Ekstam's website at www.peteekstam.com.

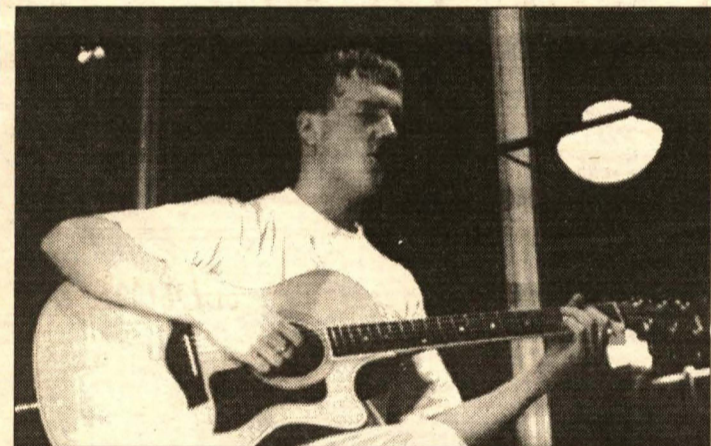
This Saturday, The Pete Ekstam Project will be one of over 70 bands that are taking part in the Homegrown Music Festival.

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The army and New York City

A New Yorker's view on soldiers in the subway

By STEVE HOFSTETTER
OBSERVATIONALHUMOR.COM

I don't have a problem with there being soldiers in the New York City subway. I just want to know why they're wearing camouflage.

Think about it - it's a green man and a white wall. This tactic would be brilliant if we're ever invaded by a horde of colorblind. Which would make for an interesting government. We'd become the red, white, and "hey, is that blue?"

We're going to be invaded, and a fleet of Iraqi soldiers will be walking around the subways thinking that the coast is clear. "It's just a wall," they'll say. "With a green thing coming out of it. And it's holding a gun."

If you want to look like you belong in New York, wear all black, never look up, and give attitude to everyone you meet. Carry your gun in a guitar case, replace your canteen with a coffee cup, and wear something that might blend in a bit more with the subway system (See tile, urine-soaked).

How stupid would someone have to be to mistake a man for a wall? This is the same person who thought his train was coming, only to find out it was two guys with flashlights running really, really fast.

And there's no way for us to know whether or not they're real soldiers. The two things they have to identify themselves are camouflage and machine guns. The only thing easier to get a hold of in New York is a slice of Original Ray's Pizza.

I do understand that the premise here is not to actually blend in, rather to stand out. But couldn't they have looked just as militarily in dress blues?

Now that would be scary - a bunch of guys dressed nicely

in the subway. Instead, they're all in their jungle clothes.

My guess is that we hadn't been in a war in a while, and those uniforms had been gathering dust in their closets. We should be thankful - these guys were one hanger away from wearing a Members Only jacket.

I get the impression that we're supposed to feel safer with these guys around. No matter whose side they're on, guns in the subway do NOT make me feel safer. And just for a moment, lets explore what would happen if we do get invaded.

These soldiers, very few of whom grew up within two states of a subway, will be fighting forces raised in a terrain with caves. And the soldiers that they will be fighting against will have a commanding officer smart enough to dress them up as regular New Yorkers, completely eliminating the element of surprise from our boys.

If given the choice between a guy mumbling in another language and a muscular corn-fed, well-dressed gentleman, who would you think is the New Yorker?

It's safe to reason then that these guys are not combat soldiers - these guys are for show. If New Yorkers complain that were are not being protected, the politicians can point to all the soldiers and speak of the increased security. "See?" they'll say. "On every train platform, you've got two guys standing around not doing much of anything. Doesn't that make you feel safer?"

It doesn't, because these guys are effectively statues. I was in Union Square and I saw a guy playing the bagpipes next to two of these soldiers. The bagpipes! In a subway! And the soldiers did nothing.

Those guns must not be loaded, because if I were

"Now that would be scary - a bunch of guys dressed nicely in the subway. Instead, they're all in their jungle clothes."

equipped with a loaded rifle in cramped quarters next to a guy playing a bagpipe, I would shoot the sucker. And the bagpipe.

But I shouldn't criticize the soldiers too much - it's not their fault they're stationed in a, well, station. It's got to be embarrassing for a soldier to get those orders.

When he's sitting around with all his soldier friends discussing being shipped off, you know he doesn't want to admit where he's going.

"Where are you stationed?"

"Jalabad."

"And you?"

"Baghdad."

"And you?"

"125th street."

"Dude, you're going to die."

Someone up there wasn't thinking this through.

And no matter what they're wearing, soldiers in a subway will never follow orders. Because there's no way to get them.

There's no satellite signal in the subway, and you'd be better off listening to the teacher in Charlie Brown than to a subway announcer.

"Attention all military personnel! Attention all military personnel! Wahwahwah wahwah wahwahwah wahwahwahwahwahwahwahwahwahwah. And there is a delay in the downtown E train service. Two guys are on the tracks with flashlights running really, really fast. And one of them is wearing a blue hat with a big E in the middle of it."

At least I think that's blue.

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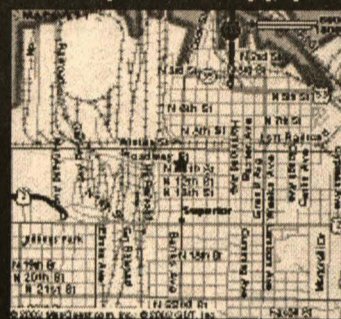
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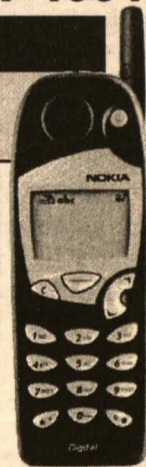
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Men's lacrosse defeated the U of M Twin Cities, propelling them into the national tournament. Many players also received distinguished awards for the season.
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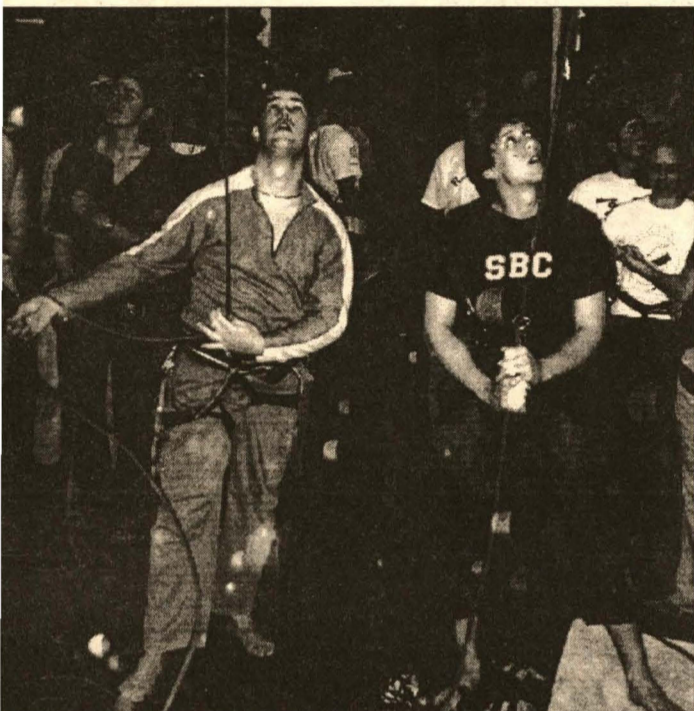
Number of career victories for the winningest coach in UMD Athletics' 73 year history, softball skipper Bill Haller.

"T" TIME:
Sports editor Tim Brandt shot his mouth off about being able to smoke Kim Toewe at basketball, and she basically shoved it down his throat with a gutsy victory.
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Rock climbers hold annual competition



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The North Shore Climbers, UMD's club team, held their fifth annual concrete Smorgasbord last Saturday in the Sports and Health Center. David Olsen won for the men and Laura Petersen won the women's competition.

By **ANDY WENGER**
SPORTS REPORTER

In what was once a storage room, the Fifth Annual Concrete Smorgasbord was held last Saturday, sponsored by the North Shore Climbers (NSC) Club.

The indoor climbing wall, located near the ice rink in the Sports and Health Center, was erected 20

years ago as a room for miscellaneous items. Soon after, the rock climbing club was established in the same room, and today the rock climbing club is the longest-running club on campus.

Although it is a competition, the smorgasbord is a friendly atmosphere. Todd Hunter, who was relieved of his duties as president of the NSC after the competition

took place, was pleased at the turnout.

"This is the biggest competition in the North Shore," said Hunter. "What we stress is friendly competition. We're here to have a good time."

The competition had corporate sponsors helping at the event. The smorgasbord had over \$1,500 worth in prizes. Hunter also noted that even if you don't win one of the three divisions, you will still have a shot at winning a great prize.

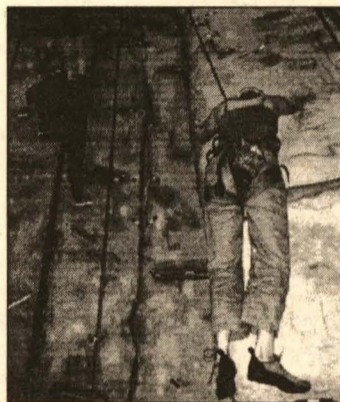
"With the friendly atmosphere, the winners don't necessarily get the good prizes," said Hunter. "The best prizes come in the raffle."

The best prize, according to avid rock climbers, was a hangboard. A hangboard is a training device that helps you do pull-ups with your fingers in different positions. Ross Ekberg, who competed in the men's advanced competition, was excited about this prize.

"Hangboards cost a lot of money," said Ekberg. "I wish I had won it, but even though I didn't, the comp was a lot of fun." The eventual winner of the hangboard was UMD senior Stuart Meints.

The friendly atmosphere was shown well through the 40 competitors, who ranged from college students from as far away as Bemidji, Minn., to the ripe young age of six.

Winning the competition does have its advantages. Hunter, who



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won last year's event, had the privilege of setting the majority of the routes that were used in the weekend event.

For a rock climbing competition, you are awarded a set amount of points for clearing a route using only the specific holds, and getting to the top of the 35-foot wall with both hands. The bouldering cave is also another spot where a climber can be awarded points.

The bouldering cave is much like the climbing wall, but allows a climber to be upside-down and climb in a safe environment close to the floor made up of shredded rubber tires.

This year's winners of the advanced men and women's competitions were David Olsen with 1,405 points and senior Laura Petersen with 1230 points.

Kaija Webster, Community Outdoor Specialist in the Outdoor Program, was happy with the turnout.

"This year, [the competition] really exploded," said Webster. "Climbers have made the best of it."

At the end of the raffle, the new officers of the NSC were announced. They are President Petersen, Vice President Ekberg, Secretary Lauren Sabel, and Trista Maxson has maintained her role as Treasurer.

For further results of the Fifth Annual Concrete Smorgasbord, or more information about the NSC, look at their website, www.northshoreclimbers.com.

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Two climbers pick and choose their way up the climbing wall. Friendly competition was the norm for the event.

Football prepares for Maroon-White game

Spring exhibition gives chance for team to play in game situation

By **BRANDON BROXEY**
ASSISTANT EDITOR

In the spring football game, it is assured that half the Bulldog football team will have to experience a sore feeling: losing.

Being an intrasquad scrimmage, someone has to lose, which is something that no Bulldog is used to. The 'Dogs have lost only three games in the past two seasons, including an undefeated 2002 regular season.

This is basically a chance for the position guys to earn bragging rights"

-Adam Skinner
Football co-captain

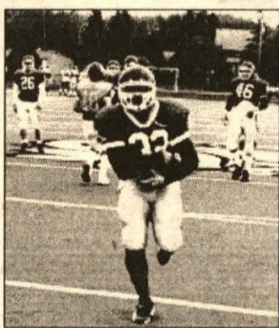
After four weeks of spring practice, the UMD football team will take to Griggs Field May 2 for their annual Maroon-White game, a scrimmage that pits Bulldog vs. Bulldog.

Players are divided evenly by position, and everyone on the team will get a chance to play. There is usually a good crowd in the stadium, and players will get a chance to prove themselves in a game situation rather than practice.

"This is basically a chance for the position guys to earn bragging rights," said junior captain Adam Skinner. Skinner is a linebacker, and said that the main goal of the defensemen in this game is to create turnovers.

"This is a culmination of spring practice," said Skinner. "It gives the guys who have been butting heads all spring [a chance] to go up against each other."

Although there will



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The 'Dogs will be looking forward to playing in a game situation after weeks of grueling practice.

surely be a lot of fans out for the 7 p.m. game, the players don't feel an intense amount of pressure to succeed.

Starting positions are not won or lost in the scrimmage, but it gives a chance for the coaching staff to see where the players are at compared to where they should be.

"This definitely isn't as intense as a game situation,

but it gives the younger guys a chance to show what they can do," said senior cornerback Cash Langeness.

After perhaps the best season in UMD football history, the 'Dogs will need some of the unproven players to step up and fill in for graduated players.

One such position is quarterback, where the 'Dogs lost all-conference star and multiple record-holder Ricky Fritz.

"The position that everyone will probably be watching is quarterback," said Skinner.

Langeness agreed, saying that even though the starter will not be chosen based on their performance in the Maroon-White game, each quarterback is likely to feel more pressure than the other positions.

Erik Anderson seems to be the front-runner for the job, if maybe for the sole reason that he has been on the

team for the most time. Cody Marks and Drew Partanen, who are both younger, could challenge Anderson for the starting position.

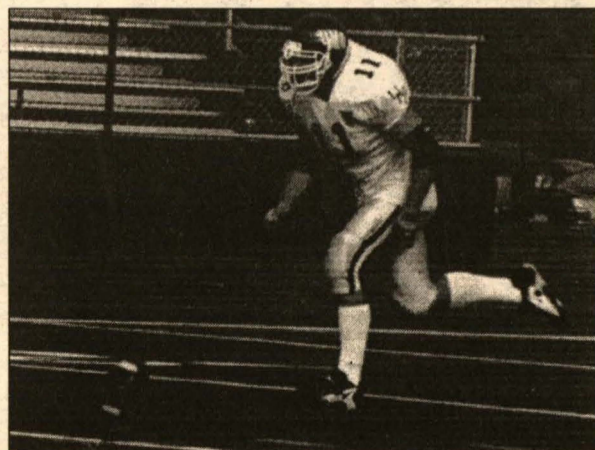
No matter the position, this is designed to be a fun scrimmage for the UMD football team.

It signifies the end of spring practice, so the play-

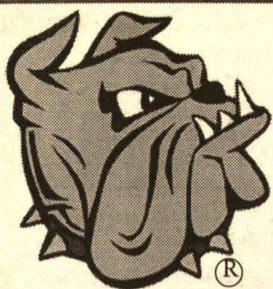
ers know that after the game they will get a few weeks of relaxation.

"It's always a good time," said Langeness, who will be participating in his fourth intrasquad scrimmage. "It's more laid back, and most of the guys seem to have fun."

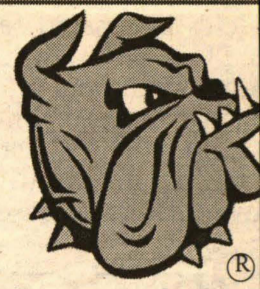
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The Bulldog Rundown



Men's lacrosse advances to national tourney

By **TIM BRANDT**
SPORTS EDITOR

MEN'S LACROSSE

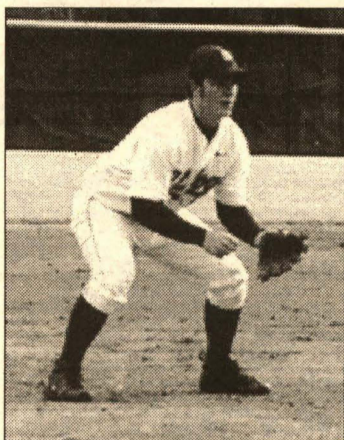
The men's lacrosse team continued its domination over Minnesota teams, winning its third-straight Upper Midwest Lacrosse League title at the National Sports Center in Blaine, Minn.

The 'Dogs went up against St. John's in the quarterfinals and won 11-6. After a 15-6 victory in the semis against Minnesota State Mankato, the 'Dogs took on rival University of Minnesota.

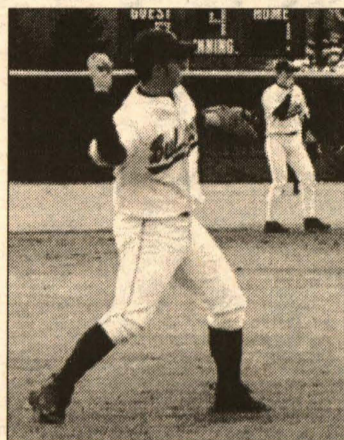
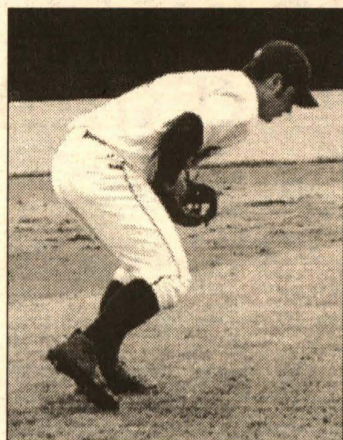
Sophomore attackman **Jon Champ** scored three goals, including the game winner in overtime, as the 'Dogs won 9-8.

With the championship, the 'Dogs advance to the national tournament in St. Louis, Mo. They leave May 5.

Senior **Blaze Leutem** was hon-



Third baseman **Alex Johnson** makes a routine play in recent NSIC action. Johnson has been a starter for most of this season. The Bulldogs have enjoyed success this year because of contributions from freshmen like Johnson who have stepped up big and helped the 'Dogs become top contenders in their conference.



ored with the Most Outstanding Offensive Player of the year for the UMLL, and junior goalie **Sam Litman** was given the Most Outstanding Defensive Player.

They were both chosen for the first team all-conference team along with UMD players **Rob Horn**, **Ben Uzlik**, **Matt Mathiason**, **Andy Michog** and **Derek Daehn**.

Second team selections included **Jesse Schlitzke**, **Derek Shluck**, and **Chris McCord**.

WOMEN'S LACROSSE

The women's lacrosse team lost to Miami-Ohio 9-2 to end their season.

BASEBALL

The 'Dogs won a key confer-

ence series against Bemidji State, and ended up tied for first place in the process. With a few teams at the top of the NSIC standings, the UMD baseball team needed a strong showing in Bemidji, Minn., to give themselves a shot at the conference championship. They succeeded by taking three of four from the Beavers.

Freshman **Luke Hagman** got the start in game one and engaged in a close battle for most of the game. In the fifth, the 'Dogs got key two-out, two-run singles from **Greg Aker** and **Brandon Broxey** to give the 'Dogs an 8-2 lead.

After holding off a small comeback from Bemidji, the 'Dogs took game one by a score of 8-4.

Game two was another close

battle until the fifth, but this time it was the Beavers who took the lead with a rally. Bemidji put together a few two-out singles against UMD ace **Tim Battaglia** and never looked back. Although the 'Dogs threatened, they couldn't overcome the deficit and lost the game 5-4.

The 'Dogs came back to take game three with a solid victory built around pitching and defense. **Broxey** gave up just two hits on the mound while striking out seven, and **Corey Koidahl** hit a three-run home run that proved to be the difference.

The final game of the series was close the entire way, and the 'Dogs needed extra innings to pull off the victory. In the top of the eighth,

Bulldog cleanup hitter **Jo Korneta** hit a two-run round tripper to put the 'Dogs up 4-2. After some trouble in the bottom of the eighth, pitcher **Shawn Tremain** held on for his first victory.

The 'Dogs then played three non-conference games against NAIA opponent **Northland College**, sweeping them 6-0, 8-5 and 14-1. Their record now stands at 30-8 on the season, and are closing in on the school record for victories (32).

UMD plays second-place **Wayne State** Friday and Saturday at Bulldog Park. These are the final conference games of the season for the 'Dogs, and are possibly the most important games of the past four seasons. Game times are 1:30 p.m. on Friday and noon Saturday.

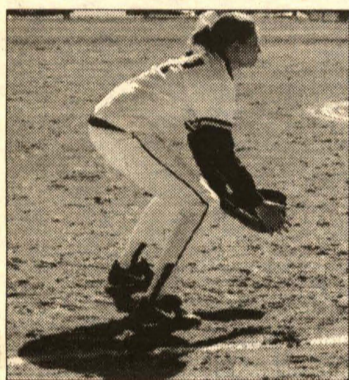
SOFTBALL

The UMD softball team updated its conference record to 12-2, and overall record to 20-8, with a successful week of play.

The 'Dogs played seven conference games in a span of just three days. By going 6-1 in conference games, the 'Dogs still have a chance to repeat as conference champs.

The 'Dogs, playing in Bemidji, took on **Minnesota State-Moorhead** first, and swept them 7-0 and 3-0. **Leanne Hotop** threw a one-hitter in game one while striking out 11.

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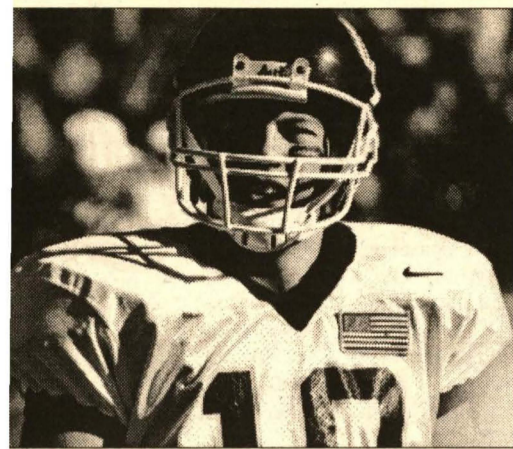


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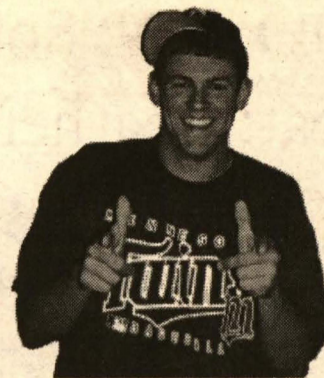
Former UMD quarterback Ricky Fritz has been invited to the Minnesota Vikings mini-camp which starts on May 9. Fritz led the Bulldogs to an undefeated regular season last fall, Fritz also became the NSIC's all-time leader in passing and total offense yards this past season.

Season Records Held or shared by Fritz

Pass Completions-160
Pass Yardage-2,760
Touchdown Passes-34
Total Offense Yards-3,055

Career Records Held or shared by Fritz

Pass Attempts-1,090
Pass Completions-547
Passing Yards-8,711
Touchdown passes-90
Total Plays-1,464
Total Yards-9,926
Games Played-47
Consecutive Games Played-46



"T" Time
Tim Brandt Sports Editor

She got game

It's a cliché, I know. Maybe even one of the biggest. But it's true. Kim Toewe's got game. I tracked down the NSIC Player of the Year earlier this week and squared off in a couple one-on-one games with her. Don't be fooled by the term "squared off," which is usually used to imply two worthy opponents battling it out. This competition, however, was more reminiscent of a Yankees vs. Tigers game.

I arrived at the gym, and the game had already surpassed the expected attendance. Exactly two die-hard fans had made it to this epic match-up of Sports Editor and wannabe baller Tim Brandt vs. NSIC Player of the Year, NSIC All-Tournament team member, 2003 Kodak Division II All-American team member, and Kodak and Daktronics Division II All-North Central Region first-team selection Toewe. The fans were screaming, "Mismatch"; I was too focused to hear them. It was game time.

After listening to my rambling about how my ankle was seriously injured, that I was horribly out of shape, and that I hadn't touched a ball in a few weeks, Toewe chimed in and asked, "Are we gonna play, or am I gonna sit here and listen to your excuses?" I thought, *Oh here we go, it's so on.*

I threw the ball to Toewe and told her to shoot for it. She was off, and I got the ball to start. In 20-20 hindsight, I should have settled for a game of P-I-G.

As I dribbled at the top of the key, I was concentrating more on the fact that I could actually palm the ball than the fact that the game had started. My first shot was like a cheesy, made-for-TV movie: so horrible it was almost comical. The shot, which was dead on, fell about three feet short, and drew laughs from the pair in attendance, a grimace from myself, and an all-out laugh from my opponent. I was only glad that a few of the other women players, who had just been in the gym, didn't see it. Unfortunately, it was the first of many terrible shots.

On Toewe's first position I gave her some space, just to see what she actually had. I eventually forced her into an outside shot that missed the mark. I grabbed the rebound, took it back, and brought the ball into the paint to utilize my size and weight (emphasis) advantage. After missing a turnaround badly, I failed to capitalize on my chance at one of the few leads I would have all day.

Toewe took advantage of my miss by scoring on the first point and gaining a lead that she wouldn't relinquish in game one. Toewe showed off her inside and outside game to win the first game 11-8. Had there been a box score for game one, it would have been Brandt: 10 ill-advised shots, three air balls, two missed layups, and three shots put back in face. Toewe: three blocks, a steal, and several money shots, along with a few looks of sympathy directed toward opponent. Let's take a look at what some people were thinking after the first game. Tim's girlfriend: *He looks like he is gonna pass out.* Tim: *I am gonna pass out.* Toewe: *He looks like he might fall over, and I haven't even really tried yet. Should I let him stay in one game so he doesn't feel so bad? No, I think I will continue to score whenever I want, this is fun.*

Game two started off with more of the same. Toewe jumped out to a demanding 4-1 lead, but I somehow managed to hit a few shots and take the lead. Despite a few clutch two's by Toewe, I held on to win the second game 11-8.

Thoughts after game two. Toewe: *Why is he walking around like he is good? That's the last time I let him win. Did he forget that spin move I put on him? He actually fell down.* Tim: *I can't believe I actually made two left-handed layups and only shot two air balls. Who's da man?* Tim's girlfriend: *See, Tim, this is what it feels like to exercise.*

With the win, I had to run my mouth a little bit. After a few provoking words, Toewe was ready for the third and final game. When the game was about to begin, I realized I probably should have kept my mouth shut. Toewe was all business, talking a little trash, and backing it all up. Hitting shots from all over, she was too much to handle in game three, winning 11-8, and ending my hopes of beating an all-star.

While I look forward to the next intramural season, Toewe is gearing up for a shot at pro ball. On May 27 she will fly to Altamonte Springs, Fla., located just outside Orlando, for two days of tryouts. She will also go to Las Vegas, Nev., to attend tryouts there from May 31-June 1. Scouts from the WNBA, Australia (NWBL) and Europe have been invited to these tryouts.

In reflection, I probably should have just asked her to play a game of H-O-R-S-E or something. As Toewe had joked in an e-mail before the game for me to "bring my 'A' game." It is sad to say that despite the outcome of the games, she saw my "A" game. Even if I was playin' with a hurt ankle, a women's ball, and... I got nothin'. Toewe's got game.

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RUNDOWN: Softball goes 6-1 on weekend, keeps hope alive for repeat; Heather Hamilton breaks school record in Heptathlon

Carlie Peck went 2-2 with a home run and three RBIs. Game two starter Michelle Simmonds continued the domination of the pitching staff by giving up four hits and striking out 13. Katie Kessler went 3-3 with an RBI single.

Next up for the 'Dogs was Winona State. The 'Dogs made three costly errors and couldn't get anything started in a 7-1 loss. Three of Hotop's five runs were unearned, and the 'Dogs left six runners on base.

Game two of the afternoon and four on the weekend was against conference for Northern State. The 'Dogs dominated the contest, scor-



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The Bulldogs' infielders react to a ball hit during a recent home game.

ing 11 runs in just four innings and cruising to the 11-3 victory. Pitcher Jill Struck earned the victory.

Hotop was back on the mound in the next game against Wayne State. She was back to dominating form, pitching a complete game shutout while striking out 11. The 'Dogs won 1-0 in eight innings by way of a Peck walk-off home run.

Simmonds pitched her most dominating game of the year against Concordia-St. Paul in the sixth game of the weekend. Peck struck out an incredible 18 batters in the seven innings she pitched. Simmonds gave up just one hit and allowed no walks in the game. The 'Dogs won the game by the score of 6-0.

Hotop was back on the mound

for the final game of the weekend, which was her fourth start in three days. Hotop gave up just one hit as the 'Dogs beat Southwest State 9-0.

The 'Dogs next swept Bemidji State Tuesday 12-0 and 17-0. Simmonds picked up her ninth win of the season in game one, pitching five innings of one-hit ball. Tamara Anderson, Peck and Shannon Haasser each homered for the 'Dogs.

Hotop kept pace with Simmonds with her ninth win in game two for UMD. Peck went 3-4 with a double and her second home run of the day.

When this edition went to press, the 'Dogs were playing their final conference games against

Minnesota-Crookston. They will be headed toward the conference tournament next, which will be played May 2 and 3 in Wayne, Neb.

TRACK

Amassing 4,420, eclipsing a school record of 4,299 points, and finishing third were all in a day's work for UMD athlete Heather Hamilton. Hamilton competed in the 2003 Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference Heptathlon in Aberdeen, S.D.

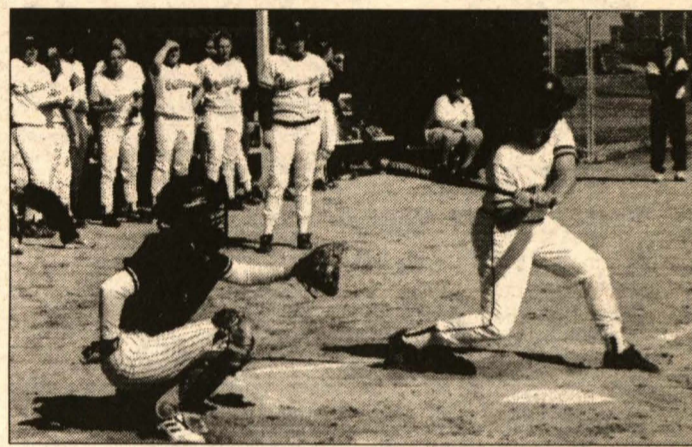
Only Bemidji State's Caesre Stimson (1st), and Northern State's April Hericks (2nd) finished ahead of Hamilton. Also placing for the Bulldogs was Erika

Olson who came in sixth with 3,889 points in the competition.

The men's team came away with valuable points, taking home seven points at the Northern Sun Intercollegiate Conference Decathlon that was also held in Aberdeen, S.D.

Leading all UMD finishers Justin Richards placed fifth in Decathlon with 5,147 points. Finishing right behind him was UMD athlete John Ellich was sixth with 5,072 points. Jason Sydeko also placed for the 'Dogs, coming tenth.

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Ultimate Frisbee season ends

By CHRIS VOIGT
SPORTS REPORTER

The Ultimate Frisbee team is the on-campus group that many people don't know even existed. The team's president and captain Jamison Krier, and the team just finished its regular season.

The regular season concluded with the College Regions at the University of Iowa in Iowa City. The team was a little disappointed with their 2-2 finish, but remains optimistic.

John Cairns, Northern Lights Ultimate member, said, "I think we had hoped to do better, but we still had a good time. We got to see some really good competition and some beautiful weather."

Before the tournament in Iowa, there were the Northwest Sections at St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minn.

The Ultimate Frisbee season is a long one, as it starts right when school does in the fall and doesn't end until school is just about over. There is a lot that goes into a successful team, and a lot of time and preparation is spent getting ready for the year.

Preparation starts during fall practices, where the main goal of the squad is to get back in shape and learn to work with each other. This is done three times a week during the fall season until it starts snow and becomes frigidly cold.

Next, the team moves their workouts inside to the Field House, where they continue to practice, but only twice a week.

The team also practices on Park Point when they cannot use the facilities at school.

This enables them to better prepare for the cold and windy conditions that they sometimes face when in competitions.

There are many tournaments and competitions throughout the year, and they range from all over the state into Iowa, Wisconsin and

various other sites.

Many of these events are at other college campuses, such as St. Cloud State, Gustavus Adolphus, University of Wisconsin-Stout and Madison, Winona State and a number of other schools also host tournaments.

There is a tournament on campus that the team hosts over Martin Luther King Jr. weekend to help them raise some money, since they do not receive very much funding through the Student Association and Rec Sports.



Northern Lights Ultimate comes together for a team photo.

"We raise more money through our own tournament than we get combined between SA and Rec Sports," said Krier.

The team would ultimately like to attend the Mardi Gras tournament that is hosted in Baton Rouge, La.

"Our goal is to get to the Mardi Gras tournament, but the funding doesn't help us with that," said Krier.

In the upcoming years the team hopes that they can encourage more people to come out for the sport and continue to attend a high number of tournaments and

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**-Jamison Krier
Ultimate president**

competitions. The team is excited about how much new interest is being generated.

"Recently, over 100 new players signed up at our recruiting booth. We hope to have two men's teams and start a women's team this fall. Forty-six of the new recruits were women. The enthusiasm for the new women's team has been incredible," said Cairns.

If you would like more information on how to become a part of this little known team, contact Krier and he will help you out.

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UMD shines

School records fall at Drake

By CHRIS VOIGT
SPORTS REPORTER

During last weekend's prestigious Drake relays in Des Moines, Iowa, UMD set three new school records and had an overall solid showing in a meet that featured the nation's best athletes in track and field.

The records that were set at the relays included both team accomplishments as well as individual accomplishments. In the distance medley event, the quartet of Kelsey Dahlgren, Erika Olson, Abby Demulling and Jill Sullivan set a new school record with a time of 12:23:62.

That performance shattered the old record of 12:37:12, which had been held since 1994. That race was good enough for a seventh-place overall finish in a field that included elite athletes from all over the country.

Sullivan said, "Our relay team all ran smart and we basically wanted to go out there and do our best, we didn't have the record in mind at all. We just knew that now was the time to run our events because it was so huge just to be there."

The other relay event record that was broken occurred in the 1600 meter relay and was done so by Heather Hamilton, Katie Schofield, Andrea Vake and Joslyn Marson.

They ran a time of 3:55:25, which broke the old record of 3:57:33, set in 2002 at the NSIC outdoor championships. The newly-recorded record time was good enough to place fourth in the weekend races.

Hamilton then came back and set a new school record in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 1:02:19, which broke the old mark

of 1:02:68 that she also held. This race was good enough to provisionally qualify her for the NCAA Championships in Edwardsville, Ill. later in the year.

She also finished 20th overall in the race and fourth among the Division II runners who were participating. Hamilton's time was also good enough for 11th best in the country this year in Division II.

Also in the sprint medley, the quartet of Hamilton, Vake, Schofield and Marson finished in fifth place out of 23 teams, with a time of 4:02:78.

"The opportunity to run at Drake was one of the biggest accomplishments of my track career," said Hamilton.

"I was very nervous in the hours leading up to the race, but once I got in the starting blocks, I felt calm and focused."

"All in all, the weekend was very successful, and it was against a lot of top-notch athletes," added Hamilton.

With such a great weekend behind them, people may wonder how the season can get better for the Bulldogs. They have the conference championships ahead of them, followed by nationals for those who qualify. "Even though I ran a personal best, I still have a better time in me this year," said Hamilton.

"Overall we just had a great weekend of track," added head coach John Fulkrod. The records that were set over the weekend, as well as the overall accomplishments of the team at such a coveted event, forced the rest of the track and field community to take notice of UMD in future events.

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UMD Art and Design Student Exhibition

The annual UMD Art and Design Student Exhibition is now on display in the Tweed Museum of Art and will run through May 5.

This annual juried exhibition features the students' best efforts in painting, drawing, printmaking, sculpture, graphic design, photography and mixed media works.

Philosophy Colloquium

"The Truth, The Whole Truth, and..." will be presented by Dr. Robert H. Evans, UMD Philosophy Dept., Wednesday, May 7, at 3 p.m. in ABAH 245.

Celebrate Great Faculty

An all-UMD reception honoring faculty who have won Outstanding Adviser Awards, the Jean G. Blehart Award, the Albert Tezla Award, the Chancellor's Award for Distinguished Research and other awards will be held Wednesday, May 7, from 2:30-4 p.m. in Griggs Center.

The event will be hosted by Chancellor Kathryn A. Martin and Vice Chancellor Vince Magnuson.

Student Research Fair

The eighth annual UMD Undergraduate Research/Artistic Fair will be held Tuesday, May 6, from 1-4 p.m. in Kirby Ballroom.

There will be poster, computer and oral presentations by the students depicting their research or creative projects. The Academy of Distinguished Teachers will be doing a panel presentation from 1:20-2 p.m.

The opening ceremonies begin at 1 p.m. with comments by Chancellor Martin, Vice Chancellor Magnuson, and Associate Vice Chancellor Hedman. Refreshments will be served.

For information, contact Char Mahai at 726-7103.

ROTC Open House

Free pizza and door prizes! Everyone is welcome to come join the ROTC crew for an open house Friday, May 2, at 4 p.m. in the ROTC Building.

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Music Dept.

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Women's Hockey Celebration

A celebration will be held to honor the UMD Bulldogs who won their third consecutive NCAA Women's Hockey National Championship in March. The event will be held tonight at 7 p.m. at the Duluth Radisson Hotel.

The city of Duluth is also hosting a celebration set for Saturday, May 10, at noon by the Old Navy store at the Miller Hill Mall.

For information, contact Sharyl Beaudin at 726-8168 or 726-6200.

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Physics Seminar

"A Search for Astrophysical Point Sources of Neutrinos with Super-Kamiokande" will be presented by Andrew Clough, UMD Department of Physics, Thursday, May 8, at 3 p.m., in MWAH 195.

Intl. Brown Bag

"Education and Sustainable Development in Central Siberia" will be presented by Bairma Tsbikdorzhieva, director of the Department of International Relations, State University of Eastern Siberia, Monday, May 5, at noon in K355-357.

Geology Seminar

"Aspects of Carbon Cycling in Large Lakes Around the World" will be presented by Ms. Simone Alin, UMD Large Lakes Observatory, today at 4 p.m. in LSci 185.

Outdoor Program

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*Sunday, May 4 - "Lake Superior Rainbow Smelting," 4-7:30 p.m., meet in the SpHC Lobby. Cost: \$5 UMD students/\$10 others.

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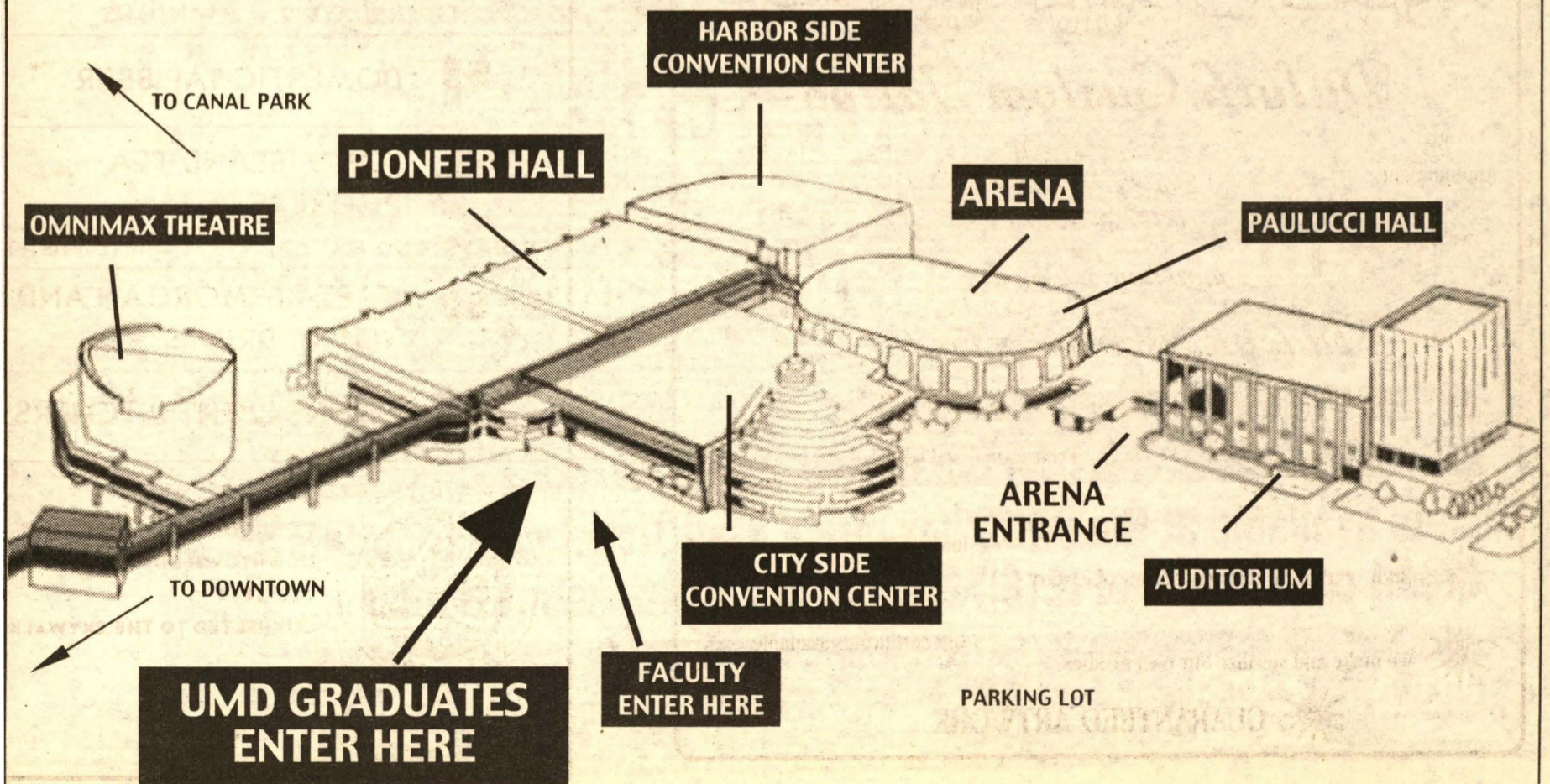
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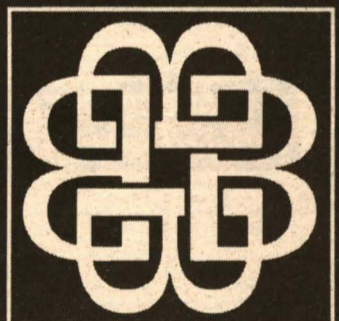
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