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WE MOVE TO THE LINE: LET THE CHIPS FALL WHERE THEY MAY. September 30, 1995

Sara Lee deal stalls
by Steven Rue

Ground water quality and ultimate responsibility of cleanup have stalled NMC's proposed Sara Lee purchase. College officials are questioning, whether sites once used as cherry washing stations and a former adjacent dump would now be future environmental problems. According to a 1991 Environmental Assessment, the land showed unacceptable levels of trace metals, petroleum and chloroform at the old cherry washing site.

A new survey was conducted this year at the college's request. It showed the levels of both contaminants had dropped significantly, according .

Communication
top priority for Quinn
by Kyle Alexander

Stronger communication of NMC has become a personal goal for Tim Quinn. "It is my hope that we may strengthen the bonds of communication between students and staff as well as administration," said newly appointed Vice President for Student Life, Tim Quinn. Yet, a major obstacle to accomplishing this goal is the.

NMC discards VPs for Deans
by Jennifer Cole

The appointment of two interim deans as an associate director of development is the first step in President Tom Quinn's reorganization plan. Quinn's plan, adopted by the Board of Trustees on Aug. 29, saves $72,000 to $75,000 in the first year and slightly less the second.

Named to the three positions are Kathleen Gray, interim Director of Development; David Terrell, interim Dean of Liberal Studies, and Roberta Teachen, interim Dean of Occupational Studies.

The plan further calls for elimination of the three existing vice president positions by January 1996. The rest of the plan will be phased in over two years and create two new vice president positions, one dealing with all students and instruction-related functions, the other with business, administration and personnel-related functions.

Gray, previously the Director of Marketing and Grants, will oversee college relations, development, grant services, institutional marketing, alumni relations and information. Terrell, previously the Humanities Division Director, will be in charge of the Communications, Social Sciences, Humanities and Science/ Math divisions. Teachen, previously the Business Division Director, will have Business, Technical and Health Occupations divisions as well as the Center for Business and Industry reporting to her.
Dear Editor:

NMC, and indeed the entire Grand Traverse region, have a debt of gratitude to the very small group of volunteers who met to form the organization now known as the "Voice of the Forest." They were the ones who really made the rest of us aware of the great destruction of land being planned to make room for the community art museum. They were the ones who gave time and energy to minimize that destruction. They may not have completely succeeded in their goal of stopping the building, but they accomplished many things which were already accomplished in the Record Eagle (6/10/86). Beyond this, perhaps their biggest accomplishment was the strengthening of our community of an awareness of the forests of the Traverse area and the danger to all living things from man's encroachment. We need to continue to look at everything we do in relation to its long-term effect on the land. Thank you, members of "Voice of the Forest," for your sincere dedication to your beliefs and for being an inspiration to all of us. I think you're terrific.

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TO THE EDITOR

We are all responsible for losing the NMC forest

While I'm still disgusted with the NMC forest controversy of this spring and summer being viewed as a battle, only a small minority of anger is left after the whole thing is over. No, my biggest feeling right now is merely one of dis-appointment. I'm dis- appointed with myself for contrib- uting to the div- isiveness of the issue. I suppose I am partly res- ponsible for the creation of the controversy as viewed by others. It was too easy to paint the NMC Board of Trustees as evil money mongers intent on raping the land for a buck. This obviously is not the case, but it was much too easy to paint and pass up. I realize now that insofar as the controversy was perceived as divi- sive by both "sides," there was no chance of finding common ground for good communication. Hence, we really didn't have much of a chance to begin with. However, I am disappointed with the Board of Trustees. Maybe they weren't money mongers, but they certainly weren't heroes, either. As more and more evidence was col- lected by petitioners showing that these people were not just idealistic, young college students, but well over 80 percent of the general public, the Trustees grew more and more unwilling to back down. Charged with representing the public's concerns, they did just the opposite. They seemingly held their noses above their duty to the public. Only one of the trustees made a genuine and heartfelt effort to do the right thing. James Specht met several times with the Voice of the Forest Board Members. He was the only one of the trustees who talked to the group. The rest let their attorney appeal to the Board. The public was concerned about feeling the rift in the community that he helped Voice members transplant fragments of the doomed forest into the pres-erved wilderness. It may be argued that this was too little too late, but, again, he was the only trustee who acknowledged the Voice of the Forest and attempted to work with them. Finally, I think I am most disap- pointed with the lack of commitment to changing the museum site on behalf of the public. While many people showed up at the Voice of the Forest meeting, meeting to voice support. The meeting was given where it was was really needed. As it was, only about ten people devoted them- selves to the en- couraging dis- cussion of fund raising, petitioning, and negotiating. It even a tenth of the people who attended the last Voice of the Forest meeting had committed themselves physically, the NMC forest probably would have been saved. The people of Traverse City have lost another precious piece of their past and future. Until everyone realizes that the enormous problems facing the region due to development and pollution mean that the time has come to leave the sole concern of a handful of "environmentalists," we don't stand a chance in the future. The planet's health is not the responsibility of a few devoted people; it is the responsibility of all of us.

Hang on... the ride has just begun

Take some time out of your busy schedule and hop on the NMC rider race. It came to town this spring and is staying indefinitely.

Construction is finally underway for a $1.5 million college/community museum after months of protest by concerned students and residents over the site selection. A solution was finally reached, 600 trees were saved and a man-made work of art will sit in a place of nature's. But there are changes not necessarily seen with the naked eye. Tom Quinn was hired as president when Philip Kunkel resigned. Quinn is currently working as the tree-cutting proses heads up. After the recent tree issue was some- what settled, with Quinn in the front seat, the college's roller coaster ride began to twist and turn even more. He's looking for an assistant president in order to expand the college's mission and to increase the college's student enrollment by about 30% from last year while working within a tight budget. And negotiations for the Sara Lee property are hindered by environmental concerns along with a long list of other contingencies.

While many of the contingencies are being settled, college personnel most likely will not see offices on Boardman Lake until spring. And the ride is not over yet. Jung on! The college will probably go to the construction committee in a meeting increase next spring to meet rising costs. Meanwhile, Quinn in his new position, the administration is undergoing by-changes, including the result of the vice-problems for now. Nonetheless, roller coaster ride can't be beat. So hop on, hang on, and enjoy the ride, ahead are more chills and thrills than any ride around.

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Roller coaster summer full of excitement and promise

August 16—Quinn officially takes over as President of NMC.

August 29—Trowce City Rotary Chautauqua/Campas put in bid to purchase Park Place Hotel with intentions of making it available to NMC for a training facility for the hospitality and food service programs. Quinn hopes to work with a four-year school to develop a two plus two hospitality program.

September 4—Rotary's Bid on Park Place accepted. Plans are now in the works on setting up a Hospitality and Food Service programs which probably will take 18 months to two years to complete. (See Pg. 4 story)

September 12—$15 million budget approved, and according to President Quinn it's a "Conservative" budget.

September 18—Museum Parking Lot reopened for use by students.

Late September—The Museum for men will begin.

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June 16—Voice of the Forest is born. Date set for the new group's own open public meeting.

June 26—NMC Board of Trustees meeting—concerns expressed by many people on the museum location.

July 6—Voice of the Forest's Public Forum—64 people gather to listen to information and opinions of the members of the Voice of the Forest.

July 10—New legal petition for the moving of the museum site drawn up and circulated.

July 17—Early Special Board of Trustees Meeting—Public again expresses concern over museum site. Attorney Jim Olson warns Trustees that grounds exist for a lawsuit under the Michigan Environmental Protection Act. Formal decision on moves delayed until July 31.

Ranking renews as president, after more than 36 years in education and little more than two years at NMC. Tom Quinn is appointed President and was the only applicant considered for the job.

August 2—Board of Trustees attorney William offers Trace of the Forest concerns:

Museum site stays where it is. Woods vent of College Drive put into permanent conservation arrangement. Four acres of campus property will be set aside for the development of a new forest ecosystem to replace forest destroyed. Voice of the Forest warns if lawsuit filed, concession will be void.

Special NMC Board of Trustees Meeting—over 150 people 'in the park' to meet. Forest members again express concern over proposed move. Order and lawsuit become concern over 1000 trees will still be cut.

Forest members meet with President Quinn, NMC attorney Patrick Wilson, and Trustee Jim Spanos. Agreement reached to reforest the 100 trees cut to move the museum. 20 feet from forest and 15 feet from the original location.

A new meeting is called for the same day.

August 14—First move fall on NMC museum site.
Students to get 'real life' practice

BY GAYLE LATTEN

Students enrolled in the Food Service and Hospitality pro-
grams can look forward to having a new setting to pro-
tect their cooking, accounting, and management skills.

The Park Place Hotel, which was recently purchased
by the Rotary Camps

of Traverse City for more
than $800,000, will be struc-
tured into a training center for

the students.

"The Rotary intends to invest around $5 million in
renovations, which may in-
clude a new lobby, dining, and
meeting rooms,

"added Program Di-

The possi-

ness of a new or existing hotel,

"But it won't happen over-

night," added Randy

Lawsence, director of the
Food Service and Hospitality
Management program, the
149-room hotel built in the late
19th century, will not be ready
for students for "several
months to two years.

But college officials think

it will be worth the wait.

"We have been keenly aware of the shortage of quali-
fied personnel to fill our area's

hospitals and restaurants," President Tim Quinn said. "The
college will be able to respond to
the training and educational needs of the growing hospital-

ity industry.

One Hospitality student,

however, was not as optimis-

"In order for any facility to

be competitive, it must be

innovative and be able to

planning to go the extra

The Rotary Camps

and Services will be

in charge of set-

ting up the four-year pro-

gram and arranging for

daily operations will be per-

formed by the students on-


Quinn said that NMC will

not have any financial respon-

sibility for the purchase itself.

He added that joint programs

with MUSC's School of Hotel,

Restaurant, and Institutional

Management will also be ex-

plained.

The food service program is

one of 26 nationally accredit-

ed programs and offers an

associate's degree in the food

service and hospitality manage-

ment.

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"We need to take the time to change
the climate of this institution, to make
it feel as if it were a family again," he con-

cluded.

By improving communi-

cation, NMC will in turn im-

prove its quality, he believes.
"It is my primary objec-

we do everything that is possible for ensuring the

quality of instruction and serv-

e at this school. To do it,

will take a commitment from
everyone's part," Quinn said.

President Quinn feels that the

ground breaking for the

museum, set for May 1st, is a

request in the "Spring," and the

North Central Accredita-

tion visit will further im-

prove the university's qual-

ity, he said.

He also believes that these

events and his new perspective

will make this a memorable year.

"Whereas last year I only dealt

with the college as a whole,

we have to look at everything in a

community perspective," he said.

He concluded, "I hope to take

this college into a brighter

future with the attitude of, we

can be better!"
Sara Lee... "The tensions back there..." Kent said. "Sara Lee has told us that the DNR verbally said the results were negative." Both President Tim Quinn and Kent have said that there would be no problems with the drinking water because it comes through the city's water system.

But the surrounding blocks have also contributed in hold- ing back the closing date for the purchase of the property.

"A whole list of concerns have to be checked off before we (NMC) can close on the property," Kerr said.

All phones, gas, electrical, sewer lines, irrigation and fire alarm systems, and even the property itself have to be changed to independent systems.

"We also had to get the financing package together and we just got Governor Ran- chett's signature for $750,000 in state funds for this pur- chase," Kerr said.

"Time... everything just took much longer." Kerr said. We hope to get everything settled and signed by early October."

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Four telecasts are being offered by the college this fall, all will be broadcast on Cable Channel NMC 13. NMC's telecasts are "Introduction to Psych," "Introduction to Biology," "Introduction to Marketing," and "Introduction to Sociology." Students who wish to register for a telecast must register for a classroom course that begins the week of September 21. For more information about telecasts at NMC, call 313-3400.

Honor Orientation

NMC's Honor Program is currently undergoing changes and a new coordinator, Mickey Goulet, expects to suspend- ing the "American Indian Honors Contract" program while researching future Honor programs.

Student contact is arranged between the instructor and student if the student decides to take a particular enriched class for honors.

If interested in the Honors Program plan to attend one of the following orientations: Monday, Sept. 27, 2:30 to 3:00 p.m., Fine Arts building, Rm. 115; Sept. 29, 10 a.m. to 12 noon, Health building, Rm. 207, Friday, Sept. 29, 10 a.m. to 11 a.m., Science building 101, and Thurs., Oct. 5, 11 a.m. to Noon, Science building, Rm. 110.

For more information, call the Honor Program office, EXT. 1178 or Mickey Goulet, EXT. 1180.

Tribute To Women

A tribute to Tribute to women's rights is on display on the second floor of the Traverse Area District Library until the end of October.

"The Story of the Nineteenth Amendment," which guaranteed women the right to vote in 1919, is sponsored by the League of Women Voters and open to the public.

Students Needed To Help In Substance Abuse Program

Fifteen NMC students are needed to assist in a substance abuse program development, peer counseling, and consultation.

In exchange for volunteer hours, students will receive training and experience as the Michigan Committee for the Apprentice Counselor Accreditation (ACC).

Contact the counseling office on West Hall (313-0500) for the first meeting session. Students will be required to submit a letter of application by September 30th which detail their interest in the program.
Special Event Series

Chinese Golden Acrobats and Magicians of Taipei
Sunday, Oct. 22, 1989
7:00 p.m. Cadillac Community School Auditorium

Joe Clark
NEW JERSEY HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL
Thursday, Nov. 16, 1990
7:30 p.m.
Larson Rocksted Auditorium

Dumisani Kumalo
SOUTH AFRICAN JOURNALIST
Wednesday, Feb. 7, 1990
Oleson Center

Sarah Weddington
Thursday, March 8, 1990
7:30 p.m. Oleson Center

Tom DeLuca
HYPNOTIST / COMEDIAN
Friday, Feb. 16, 1990

Greenpeace
Tuesday, April 17, 1990
7:30 p.m. Oleson Center

Dr. Helen Caldicott
PEACE ACTIVIST
Friday, April 4, 1990
7:30 p.m. Oleson Center
BRIEFS

Civic players open ’89-’90 season with “Five and Dime”

The Traverse City Civic Players open their 30th season with “Come Back to the Five and Dime, Jimmy Dean, Jimmy Dean” by Ed Garvey. Performances are held at 8 p.m. Thurs. through Sat. at the Old Town Playhouse through September 26. Tickets are $5 with a discount for senior citizens and students on Thursday evenings, and group rates are available. Call for ticket reservations at 947-2443 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. daily.

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Deans...

The three positions will be posted this week and Quinn plans to conduct a first search by permanently filling them. Terrell feels that the search is a good idea because “it is only fair to the institution to with candi-

dates from the outside. There are many people qualified and the search process gives the best

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HELP WANTED-Winter wanted to help with the setting of a children's book. I have the characters, the action drawn, need help with the prose. Call Lorna at 263-4007.

HELP WANTED-WTP is looking for qualified writers to join our staff. If you would like to write, apply in Rm. 28, Science building or call 922-1737.

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Outdoor Challenges Help Instructors Prepare for Year

Members of the Business division visited the Bay Area Adventure School last week and tried their hands at the school’s 35 foot high rope course. During the morning, the group participated in problem solving activities, using both physical and mental abilities.

Participating in the Bay Area Adventure School program were (standing left to right): Mary, Jacob, Sherry, Sheppard, Gordon, Marv, Kessel, Raddy, Joanne, Helen, Andy. (kneeling): Kathy, Knopf, group leader, Mary Ann Brown, Joan Berg.