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**WHITE PINE PICKLE**

*We hew to the line; let the pickle chips fall where they may.*

**NMC STUDENT  
MAKES MILLIONS!!!!**

find out how on pg. 3





# NMC In ALTERNATE HISTORY

Things are quite sunny in the parallel universe 2386M. Felix Cited, seen here, graduated from NMC in 2020 with a degree in early education. (What he's doing is called smiling.) He sailed through the past couple of years as the world experienced an exceptionally peaceful period. Cited is blissfully unaware of pandemics, wars, and social upheaval at home. And he looks forward to devoting his life to a career that is universally respected and supported.

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# kNew courses are coming in fall 2022



**Gladys Canby**  
Thought Leader

NMC is introducing a series of new courses in response to the last two years of chaos. New courses include:

## PSY 222—Dissecting the Social Media of Pop Culture

**Figures:** In this class, students will study the psychological state of influencers, such as Donald Trump and Kanye West, who have the world at their fingertips. Students will debate whether typos determine mental status or artistic style. “I’m super excited,” a current NMC student said. “Kanye showed us that it’s OK to say whatever you want on the internet and

he’s provided a lot of material for psychoanalysis.”

**BUS 10101—Collecting Crypto in Community College:** Part of NMC’s experiential learning program, this course will allow students to invest \$100 in crypto over the course of the semester. This introductory class will describe what cryptocurrency is, how to identify a “crypto-bro”, and when to sell (hint: before regulations take effect). Students will enjoy building a portfolio that they’ll spend countless hours anxiously staring at. Take this class if you’re done being a broke college student and ready to fly to mars.

**SRV 101—Surviving Seven Months of Michigan Winter: When Will It End?:** This health and science course includes how-tos on all the necessities: scraping your car off in -1°F weather, spotting black ice, and layering your clothes to accommodate all four seasons in one day. Students will also learn how to combat Seasonal Affective Disorder with the help of “Tropical Paradise Sounds for 5 hours” (NO ADS!) and a classroom layout that includes five “Sunlight lamps” (as seen on Instagram) to help students who haven’t felt sunshine in what feels like decades.

**COM 000—Speaking to Literally Anyone With a Mask On:** This course has been requested by many of the teachers on campus over the past two years. With mask mandates being lifted, many students have chosen to continue to wear masks—to many teachers’ dismay. This class demonstrates how to effectively communicate using eyebrow-raising techniques and extreme diction. Telepathic communication skills are recommended.

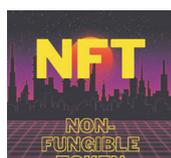
**HUM 001—How To Make Friends:** After coming out of quarantine, everyone’s social skills are a little rusty. This class will focus on the importance of interactions, which may have

been forgotten during the past two years. Topics include: hygiene, smiling, how to tell an actually funny joke, and how to recognize your highschool classmates from two years ago. This class will make you have more appeal than an extended deadline. Take this class if you’re tired of being scared of any and all social interactions, and become the social butterfly you said you’d become “when the pandemic’s over.”

**BAK 325—Cooking with COVID:** Culinary enthusiasts will be excited for the addition of this class, which will focus exclusively on spicy foods. The classroom motto will be “If they can’t taste it anyway, what’s the issue?” Those who are culinarily challenged will enjoy the flexibility of flavor profiles and lax presentation requirements. Anyone who found themselves making five loaves of banana bread during the pandemic is encouraged to take this course and broaden their horizons. No prior course requirements or sanitation credits needed.

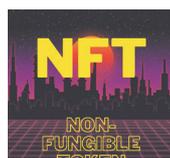
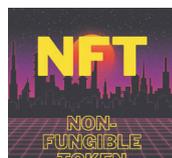
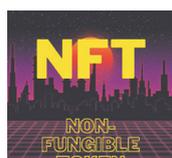
**SOS 911—Doomsday Preparation:** The most requested class in decades is perfect for anyone who is living in 2022, when it seems that anything and everything will go wrong. This class has everything: dorm room bunker layouts (in the event of a nuclear war), how to separate yourself from your humanity over toilet paper, and how to turn your phone into a campfire (you know you want to blow it up anyways).

Also, due to the current gas prices rising, NMC has decided to follow suit and charge nearly \$5 for bottled water. These are just some of the exciting new changes coming to NMC in Fall 2022, finally giving us something to look forward to after the past however many years it’s been.



## NMC Student Sells NFT, Makes Over \$1

## Million



**Dinah Soares**  
Thought Leader

NMC’s business department is always trying to stay modern, which includes the newly popular business venture—NFT’s. In BUS 666, students created various cryptocurrencies and NFTs in an attempt to sell a product in the real world.

“We’re always trying to get our students to learn through experience,” the class instructor, Ty Coon said. “I don’t exactly know what NFTs are, but the students seem to. As far I’m concerned, NFT stands for ‘Not For Ty.’” Each student created their own products, including cryptocurrencies like “HawkOwlCoin” and an NFT of their mom. Most students took it very seriously, since the project was worth 25% of their class grade. One student, Leigh Zee, did not. He simply photoshopped an image of a pickle into the Mona Lisa. He turned it in and put it up for sale on an NFT marketplace.

“I didn’t really care about the project to be honest, or the class at all,” Zee said. “I’m only here because my parents are making me.”

Despite the lack of dedication or care for the project, his piece shocked the world. It sold for \$1.1M—and earned an A.

“I don’t really care about the grade now,” he said. “It’s not like I’m going to have to work a day in my life now, There’s no reason to work for a degree.”

Zee is seemingly unaware that when each student signed their syllabus, they agreed that anything sold as part of the class would be sold on behalf of NMC. Technically speaking, the college will receive the money.

“We’ve been discussing how to handle this situation everyday since the sale,” Coon said. “We never could have predicted that a JPEG of a pickle would sell for so much money. We want to give Zee his fair share, but this amount of money could be a game changer for us.”

Despite many people’s confusion over what makes the NFT so valuable, the online NFT community can’t stop talking about the genius of the piece.

“I’ve seen so many great pieces since I’ve joined the community, from Jimmy Fallon’s ape character, to Paris Hilton’s ape character,” Khan Arteest, NFT advocate said. “But this pickle—this is the best piece of art I’ve ever seen. I think it sold for way under it’s real value, that’s why I was so glad to pick it up. The way the artist captured Mona Lisa’s enigmatic smile is a mystery. **HE’S A TRUE GENIUS!**”



**NMC rolled out the red carpet in West Hall for Boyz II Men and prepared a special space, seen here just moments before the highly anticipated concert.**

**Upton O'Goode** Thought Leader NMC was honored to welcome the group, Boyz II Men, for a performance in West Hall in celebration of the COVID mask mandate being lifted. The group was a popular R&B quartet in the late 1980s

## Students Absent From BOYZ II MEN Concert

and early 1990s. The group and NMC were surprised to find a near empty venue.

Those that did end up going seemed to love every minute of the musical nostalgia that they got. The group performed all of their biggest hits, including "End Of The Road", "One Sweet Day", "I'll Make Love To You", "On Bended Knee", and "Motownphilly" — and then promptly left for the greener pastures of New Jersey.

Where was everyone? It turns out that the majority of the student body either didn't know or didn't care who they were.

"You think I have time to go see some washed-up celebrities, when I have 37 more assignments due in three hours?" nursing major, Arme Sticker asked.

"Who? I have to plot courses and thousands of Coast Guard facts to memorize," said Power-Driven Vessel, a maritime student. "There are better things I can do."

With the increased use of streaming services, such as Spotify, Pandora, and Apple Music, live concerts may be a hard sell during a pandemic. If someone really wanted to listen to Boyz II Men, they could just search up their favorite song. The group, formerly accustomed to having large crowds and extravagant performances, still performed for those that

showed up.

A group of aviation students explained to the *White Pine Pickle*, "We rule NMC, we don't care about those losers. They're impeding on our territory. Now if you'll excuse us, we have some flight training to attend."

"We thought we heard something up there but we weren't sure what it was so we just turned our music up," said another group playing pool in West Hall.

The tiny audience was almost exclusively aged forty and above. The instructor of the music appreciation course, Reminis Sing said, "It takes me back to the days that I used to listen to them on my Discman."

"When they performed 'I'll Make Love To You', it reminded me of my first girlfriend," said local bystander, Lone Lee. *White Pine Pickle* Faculty Advisor, Jacob Wheeler, said "I think that the kids are really missing out on this experience. This was prime time back in the day. It was a fun time and it'll stick with me for a long time."

The group themselves, now in their fifties, seemed perfectly okay with the turnout. In fact one member was quoted as saying, "This is the biggest audience we've had for a live concert in years."

# NICK NISSLEY IS Actually a Professional Tourist!

**Frank N. Stein** Thought Leader Secret documents leaked to the *White Pine Pickle* last Tuesday have revealed that NMC's president, Nick Nissley, has been living a secret life. He has been working a second job this entire time or, more accurately, running NMC is his side gig. In reality, Nissley is a professional tourist.

The news has shocked the quiet community of Traverse City which has supported Nissley during his tenure. "I thought he was doing a great job," said Dinah Mite, professional plastics taster. "Now I don't know what to think."

Nissley landed the position after searching job postings in Traverse City. He was in Cincinnati at the time, and like most people in Ohio, looking for a way out.

"I'd always wanted to visit Northern Michigan," Nissley said. "I had just committed to my travel blog and I figured that getting a job up here would really add to the authenticity of my experience. Honestly, I would have taken any job offered to me but NMC called me back before I heard from Speedway."

For more than two years, he has steered the college—and gathered over 500,000 followers for his travel blog. The leaked documents have shown that he spends about two hours a day working for NMC and spends the rest of his time touring vineyards, taking day trips, and perfecting the art of the selfie. Nissley is hoping that now that the word is out, more people will follow his blog and even offer him tips and discounts.

With Nissley so focused on living the tourist's lifestyle, many are wondering how they missed the signs. He has been in hundreds of newspaper articles and photographs taken at community events, grand openings, and speaking engagements. And yet, not a single image has been published of him at his NMC desk answering emails or shuffling paperwork—the meat and potatoes of running a community college.

"We should've known!" said Patti Herst. "No one could have run this college while attending all the events he has! His social media accounts read like a dream vacation. I thought that maybe he had a contract with local business groups or

'Pure Michigan', but not this!"

While there have been rumors for years that Nissley gets his boundless energy by being some sort of high-tech experimental cyborg, no evidence has been found to validate these claims. He claims that he's just "vibing" and "doin' what he do

"I don't really see what everyone is so upset about," Nissley explained. "Being an amazing tourist really just makes me better at this NMC stuff. I mean, I know what it's like to pursue your best life everyday. For me, that means hiking a new trail, taking photos on the boat, or trying a new restaurant. For someone else it might be learning to become a nurse. It's really the same thing."

While the community seems split on how to deal with this new information, Nissley doesn't feel the need to step down. "It hasn't really impacted my ability to focus on my passion—recreation," he said. "I think I can squeeze the NMC thing in."

# NMC VARSITY SPORTS UNDEFEATED AGAIN!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

**Larry Fisherman** Thought Leader 2022 marks another year of undefeated varsity sports teams at NMC. Varsity football, basketball, baseball, ping-pong, competitive interpretive dance, LARPing, lightsaber fencing, and all the other impressive teams, have not lost a game for as long as anyone can remember.

"I looked deep into our archives, and I couldn't find a single time that an NMC varsity sports team lost a game," NMC Historian Irene Member told the *White Pine Pickle*.

The phenomenon has caught national attention, and people are starting to discuss the historic streak at NMC.

"It is blasphemous, preposterous, and downright disgusting how few people are talking about this," Stephen A. Smith said on ESPN's "First Take" morning show. "I am diametrically opposed to the notion that this streak is not, in fact, the quintessential embodiment of dominance regarding college athletics!"

The attention brought to NMC has caused some extreme conspiracy theories to surface. One particularly dangerous theory is that NMC only has undefeated teams because they don't have teams at all. As a high-integrity journalistic powerhouse, the *White Pine Pickle* has done extensive research on the topic.

"Yeah," one person residing near Traverse City said. "I feel like they have some kinds of teams for some kinds of sports."

Despite expert analysis from those, like the aforementioned Traverse area resident, conspiracy theorists continue to spread dangerous disinformation about NMC's historic streak.

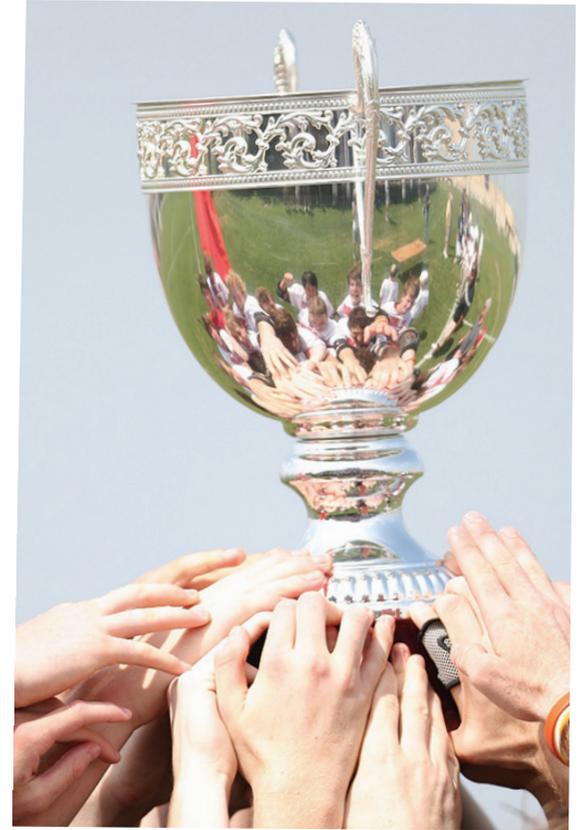
"It makes me sick to my stomach to see the lengths that people will go to nowadays, just to take the shine away from some college kids," NMC Athletic Director and Traverse City Central High School student, Bernie Madoff said. "We invite everyone who gives these theories the light of day to watch our upcoming football game against Bishop Sycamore on ESPN—and don't bother looking that team up because they are legit."

Despite the continuous surfacing of rock-hard evidence that should disprove any theories, some people maintain their radical beliefs.

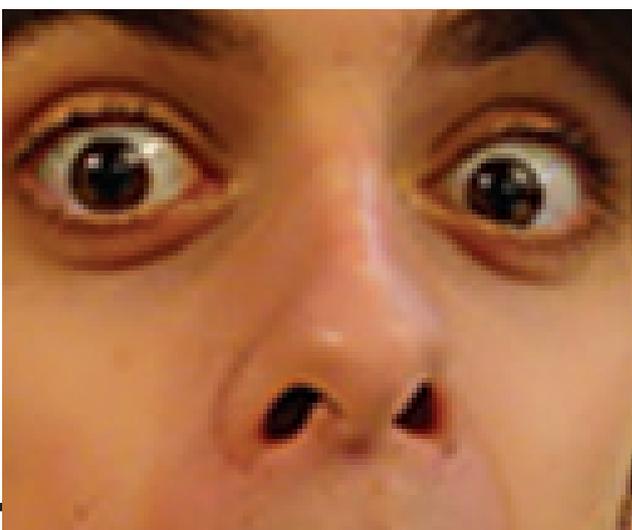
"I am formally inviting any present or former NMC varsity athletes to visit me in the White House," Joe Biden said during his 5 p.m. press conference just before his bedtime.

No NMC athletes were available for comment, but they are set to make an appearance at the upcoming Fyre Festival.

We are very excited for what we have in store," Madoff said. "We have such a rich history, yet we have an even more promising future. With the Fyre Festival and the Bishop Sycamore game. Again, don't look either of those up, or my name for that matter, it's all legit."



## Maskless Campus Causes Confusion :



**May B. Dunn** Thought Leader NMC recently lifted its indoor mask mandate, causing campus-wide confusion as students, faculty, and staff have struggled to recognize anyone. Like a crowd of amnesia patients, no one seems able to find a point of reference for their daily routines on campus.

"I somehow keep going into the wrong classroom because I can't recognize my professor," said one student, who wished to remain anonymous. "I sat through most of a lecture on cultural anthropology before I realized I wasn't in my college algebra class."

Elliot VonTalks-A-Lot, a communications major, says that the confusion has caused problems even in the correct classrooms. "No one would raise their hand to answer a question, and the teacher wouldn't call on anyone because they didn't know who was who. We sat in silence for an hour and a half!"

The problem doesn't stop at students, however. Instructors, unable to recognize their colleagues after the long period of masking, have run into many awkward situations.

"I called someone I've known for five years the wrong name because she wasn't wearing her usual polka-dot mask," said Ricki T. Bones, an anatomy professor. "I've never been so embarrassed." Eliza Dots, an English

professor known for her colorful polka-dot masks and long tenure at NMC, was seen scowling at Bones from behind a corner earlier that same day.

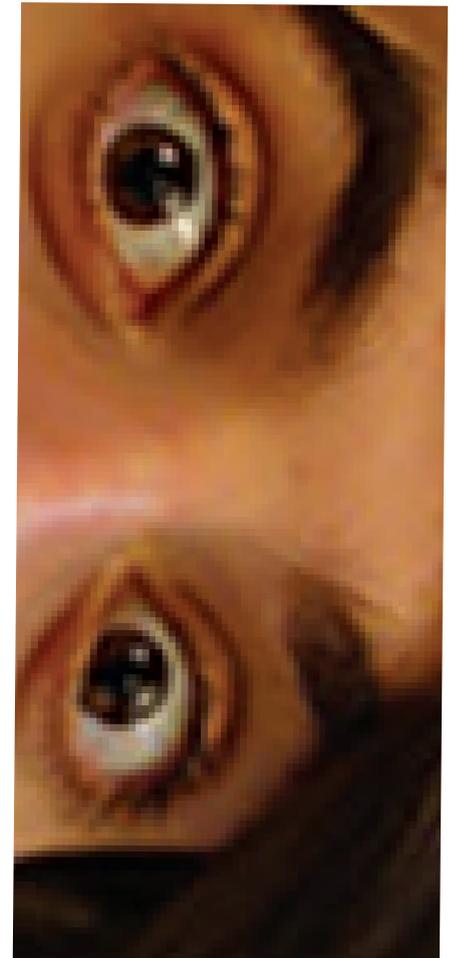
Professors have also been having trouble handing homework back to the correct students, and some are thinking of flipping their courses to an online or hybrid platform just to alleviate the stress. "At least behind the screen, we all know who we are speaking to," said VonTalks-A-Lot.

The decision to lift the mask mandate came after COVID cases dropped and the CDC recommendations changed. But with the whole campus in disarray, NMC president Nick Nissley is considering switching back.

"The safety of our students and staff is paramount, and honestly, this is becoming a safety issue," Nissley noted. According to him, students, staff, and faculty have been colliding into each other while trying to figure out where they know them from. "Two students have broken their noses, and there have been countless skinned knees. I'm worried about what will happen next. It keeps me up at night."

Mask-free advocates hold that the confusion will die down soon and ask that, in the meantime, everyone wear name tags to help stop the confusion. Nissley has not commented on this proposed plan but has been seen wearing both a mask and a name tag around his office. Sources close to

Nissley believe he is "practicing for whatever comes next."

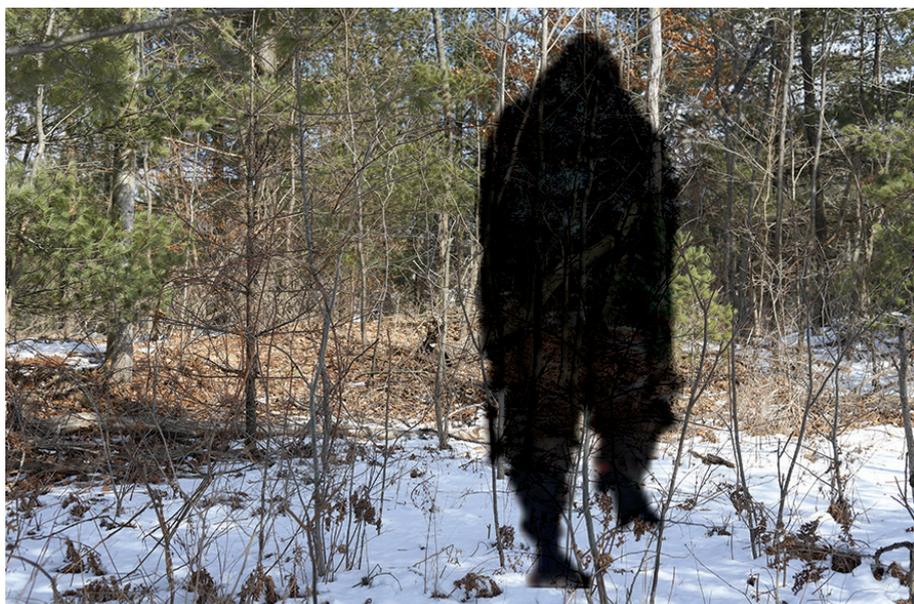


# The Pursuit of Sasquatch

**Captain Curtis**  
Shutter Addict



I backed away as fast as possible while trying to get the shot. Squatchy was just too fast, and also I'm trying to get used to the shutter settings on my camera. I guess this is why professionals use manual mode, and amateurs use auto mode. (Note to self: switch back to auto!)



I didn't get a very good picture here because the lighting was bad.



Another shot where the lighting conditions were tricky, not to mention it was cold outside and my hands were shaking.



Auto-focus focused on everything but Sasquatch. The arrow represents how clear I saw him. (Not the actual size of the arrow)



Here is a legit picture of Sasquatch bathing by the water. Zoom in if you need proof. Everytime I would try to take his picture, he would stiffen up like the trees around him. Just my opinion, but it was like he had a sixth sense. Not my fault Squatchy is camera shy and/or more clever than me.



I asked Squatchy to get down from the public bench because he was way too big for it, but he turned and stared me down. I yelled safely from my window that our tax dollars pay for the bench he was standing on. He grunted, then proceeded to jump on the bench in an attempt to mock me. Everyone else though it was funny. I found him particularly sassy this day.



Squatchy wasn't too happy I asked him to do anything he didn't want to do (like getting down from the bench). He approached my car quite rapidly. I tried my bear whistle—but he came at me faster bro.



Roughly 18", so he's shorter than Shaq, who wears a size 23



After photographing Squatchy all day, he finally trusted me enough to get a selfie. Turns out he's much taller than me, but shorter than Shaquille O'Neal.

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## Degrees at NMC, GVSU set 'water person' up for success

**Michele Coffill**  
Grand Valley State University

To some people in Traverse City, especially K-12 students, Chelsea

Cooper is known as the "water person."

Cooper is the conservation technician for the Manistee Conservation District. Her passion for fresh water bodies and their habitats started when she was young. Two degrees and countless high-impact experiences at Northwestern Michigan College and Grand Valley State University have given her the skills to work in a field she loves.

Cooper graduated from Grand Valley State University's Traverse City Regional Center last year. She earned an associate degree in freshwater studies from NMC's Great Lakes Water Studies Institute in 2018.

"I grew up by a woodland pond and was just fascinated by the transitions in the seasons and what was growing there, but I never thought it would be a career," Cooper said.

She got a start toward a career after looking at an NMC catalog, which detailed its freshwater studies major. "So, I enrolled and soon was spending a lot of time at the Great Lakes Water Studies Institute and it was amazing, even given that I had no background in biology or conservation," Cooper said. "The center has a water quality lab and all this equipment I learned to use. We learned about Traverse City organizations in this field and heard from speakers about what a career in water science looks like."

While at NMC, Cooper also participated in a study abroad program, traveling to Costa Rica to learn about sustainable farming and help test local drinking water. She also had an internship, working with the Long Lake Association on a water quality project.

Cooper started her own business, Protect Our

Watersheds, with another NMC student, focused on providing curriculum about water and water activities to Traverse City Area Public Schools.

"Then the pandemic hit and we tried to offer virtual workshops, but it wasn't working," she said.

After a string of dog sitting jobs, the Manistee Conservation District hired Cooper last year. Her duties encapsulate prior internships and class projects.

"I'm the program manager for area lakes and streams, meaning I coordinate with local watersheds and

offer education and outreach to area schools. I'm known as the water person," she said.

Cooper transferred to GVSU in 2019 to complete a bachelor's degree when she noticed many job postings required that degree. She enrolled in GVSU's Integrative Studies program, which allows students to choose their own path to degree completion.

"I was very happy Grand Valley accepted all my credits and offered a bachelor of science degree. That was important to me. I was able to build a program, mine was in freshwater preservation and sustainability," she said.

Her capstone project continues to help Cooper's workplace. She created a computer program, MNOH (minnow), using standard Microsoft Office programs to more efficiently collect data in the field. Cooper created a Google form to input data and automatically populate a spreadsheet, saying it streamlines the process.

"If I spend three hours collecting data and two hours creating a spreadsheet using our old method, MNOH has cut my time in half," she said.



Chelsea Cooper used her degrees from NMC and GVSU to launch her career in freshwater conservation. She is the conservation technician for the Manistee Conservation District.

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# Top 10 Most Frequently Googled Questions on Campus

**Max E. Mumm** A new report from the NMC Technology department shows what questions are being searched most on campus computers. Here are the top 10:

10. How can I pass midterms without studying?
9. How tall is Nick Nissley?
8. How old is Prof. Drake?
7. Who is Les and why did she beat her man?
6. How can I keep my cool while finding parking on campus?
5. How can I turn my bed into a workspace?
4. How can I make friends without talking to people?
3. Can I wear pajamas to class?
2. When will the drinking fountains turn back on?
1. Why is NMC's school newspaper so good?

## "Campus Quotes"

**What gets you excited about the Metaverse?**

"I wish the whole world could look like an animated B-movie from 15 years ago. Metaverse gives me that." — Jene Pool, genealogy major

"I'm really pumped to finally be able to get out of the house without leaving my bedroom." — Lou Sirr, computer science major

**What's the hardest thing about going to college?**

"It's really hard to make myself get out of bed for my first class at 1 p.m." — Nye T. Person, sleep studies major

"I have to get back into shape each fall. Having to carry all those textbooks up and downstairs, to and from the parking lot can really tire a person out!" — Anita Break, college major

**What is your favorite way to pass time on campus?**

"I love to feed the squirrels. I know which ones I feed because they are up to 50 pounds now." — Willie Feedum, zoology major

"I like to count the number of laps cars will take looking for a spot. I once saw a guy drive around for 25 minutes to save himself three minutes of walking." — Parker Watcher, ground traffic controller major

**How has NMC changed your life?**

"I forgot what mornings were like, and then I had an 8 a.m. class. Wow, the sun is, like, beautiful" — Earl Lee Riser, thinking major

"I've made a ton of friends! All five people in my English class are now close friends of mine." — Al Own, social interaction major

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## Rebus Puzzles

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# ROBERT "BATTINSON" WAS BORN TO BE THE BAT

**Titus Zell** Thought Leader The Bat is back and I, for one, was extremely excited to see Robert Pattinson reprise his character as a pasty, sun-light wary, brooding, surly creature with great hair. This archetype is one that people are so obsessed with that they line up to see it at the theater before it sells out—and for more than one series of movies.

Robert's found his niche and the people like it, so I guess we just have to respect that! His two-tiered looming legacy, boosted by Gen Z nostalgia, has created a recipe for success, some might say. *Ben Affleck who?* As a long-term contributor to this heralded legacy, I will kindly look at my personally mailed autograph and good noodle star, which compliments my collector's edition of the "Twilight Saga", as I continue to boost Pattinson's career by writing this article. I will also continue watching Edward Cullen fight werewolves, dump Bella Swan, and fix dents in her piece of shit truck with his bare hands—hair flouncing all the while.

Both of these well known characters are exorbitantly rich, come from rather prominent families, have dark pasts which makes them foreseeably sulky, and are preferably, but not consequently, nocturnal. The main difference between Batman and Edward Cullen is that Bruce Wayne can't jump off buildings without risking bodily harm and doesn't actually live out the full stereotypical characteristics of a bat by biting anything to survive. He opts instead for his morning blueberries and crossword puzzles with his butler. Which, when you think about it, is much more accurate to the eating habits of an actual bat, oddly enough.

Pattinson's most heartfelt and memorable role lies outside the batman/vampire genre. He's most known for his portrayal of Cedric Diggory (with great hair, of course) in "Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire", from another famous fantasy series. You gotta love Cedric. He slips into the films of this magical world with ease and, for many Potterheads around the world, all too soon slips back out. His performance was a



sincere portrayal of someone who does not fight bad guys, but instead gets killed by one. Unfortunately, J.K. Rowling broke our hearts and ruined it for us by killing him off, along with many other beloved Harry Potter characters.

A brief review of Pattinson's most famous roles is not complete without mention of this Hufflepuff. I mean, where would Pattinson be without him? Probably still wearing shaggy wigs while helping pregnant teens deal with their difficult mothers, like he does in "The Bad Mother's Handbook" (2007) or wearing a curly mustache while doing a bad impression of Salvador Dali like in "Little Ashes" (2008). Definitely not being chosen to don the honored cape and

cowl while attempting to fly off buildings and speaking in an unnaturally deep voice while kissing Zoë Kravitz on a twelve story building.

It's been a long journey since the beginning of Robert Pattinson's career but thanks to good old Cedric, and a lot of help from Edward, Pattinson has finally made it. Both the acting, and the hair, is much improved. For all the great hair moments in Pattinson's filmography, I think whoever styled the hair for "The Batman" deserves the most credit. Good job Pattinson, I never doubted you for a moment!

## HEADLINE HOROSCOPES

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**Aries (March 21 – April 19)** — Rising Gas Prices Means More People Are Pushing Their Cars to Work

**Taurus (April 20 – May 20)** — Mitch McConnell Attempts to Block the Appointment of Biden's Supreme Court Justice Nominee, Stating "There's a Presidential Election in Two and a Half Years, Let the American People Have a Say!"

**Gemini (May 21 – June 20)** — The Real Estate Market For Caves Spikes as the "Nostalgia" Trend Turns Extreme

**Cancer (June 21 – July 22)** — Tourist Waved For Hours At a Traffic Jam, Mistaking it for a Cherry Festival Parade

**Leo (July 23 – August 22)** — Paul Rudd Uses Boyish Charm to Forge Peace Between Republicans and Democrats

**Virgo (August 23 – September 22)** — Donuts Finally Acknowledged As the Sixth "Love Language"

**Libra (September 23 – October 22)** — New Car AI Will No Longer Take You to Your Ex's House and Instead Remind Riders, "You Don't Need That Kind Of Toxicity"

**Scorpio (October 23 – November 21)** — The U.S. Caves to Protestors and Declares Halloween a Month-Long Holiday

**Sagittarius (November 22 – December 21)** — Kanye West and Ariana Grande Elope in Response to Kim Kardashian and Pete Davidson's Engagement

**Capricorn (December 22 – January 19)** — Corporations Are Starting GoFundMes to Help Them Continue Record Profits During The Economic Downturn

**Aquarius (January 20 – February 18)** — Dodge Unveils New Compact Pickup Truck Line so Heavy it Requires a Commercial Driver's License

**Pisces (February 19 – March 20)** — Billionaires Reveal the Reason for Investments in Space Technology: That Giggly Feeling You Get When Your Stomach Drops

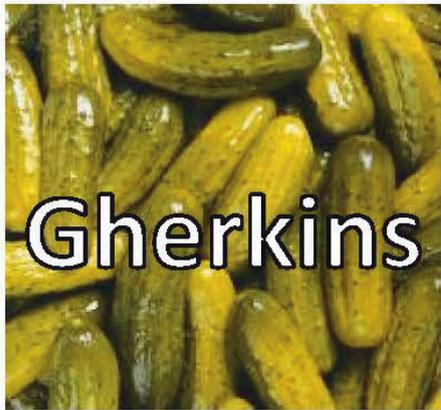
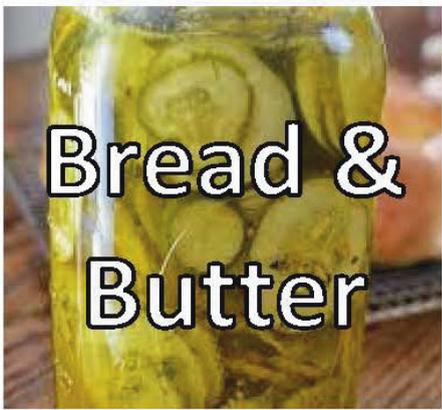


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 <p>Pickled Veggies</p>	 <p>Kosher Dill</p>	 <p>Refrig- erator</p>
Lawful Evil	Neutral Evil	Chaotic Evil
 <p>Hot &amp; Spicy</p>	 <p>Sweet</p>	 <p>Kool-Aid</p>