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## NorWester

Pulled an all-nighter?

Juggled classes, work and extracurricular experiences?

Darn proud of your NMC degree?

Then consider becoming an NMC Alumni Ambassador.

Launched this fall, the ambassador program trains alumni to be volunteer members of the NMC Admissions recruitment team at college nights and other special events, as well as on recruitment visits to regional high schools.

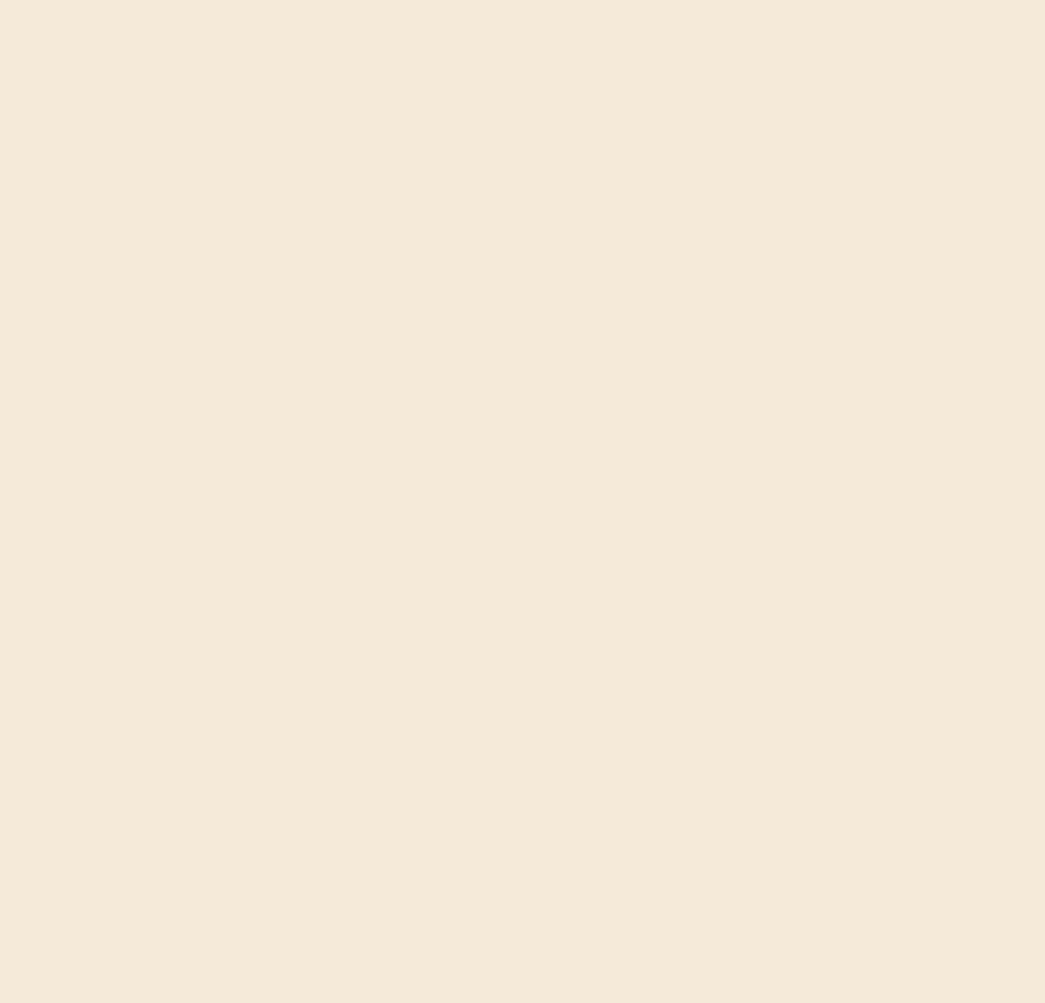
Two recent outings: Greeting high school

students at the annual College Night and offering snacks, spirit gear and prizes at the PinePalooza student fair.

“Some of us walked into our first college classroom as dual-enrolled students, or maybe we returned to college after a career. Some of us are proud to be the first from our family to go to college. Each of us has our own NMC story to tell, and really, there is no more powerful voice than those of our alumni to motivate and inspire youth in our region,” said Director of Alumni Relations Betsy Coffia, Class of 2005.

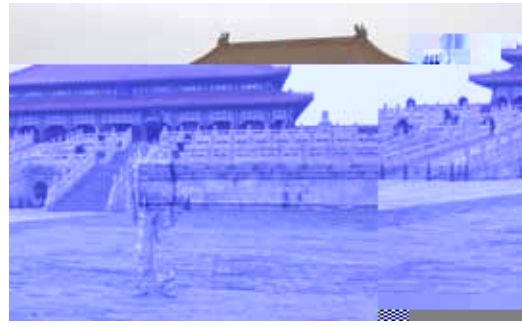
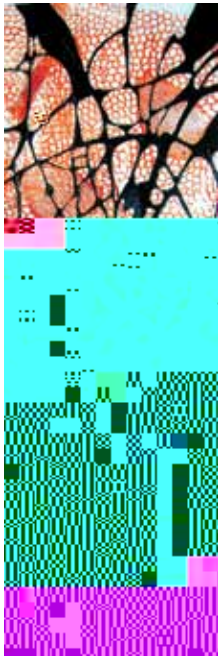
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William Skinner,  
1924-2015

Longtime faculty member William D. Skinner passed away Sept. 20, 2015. He was 91.



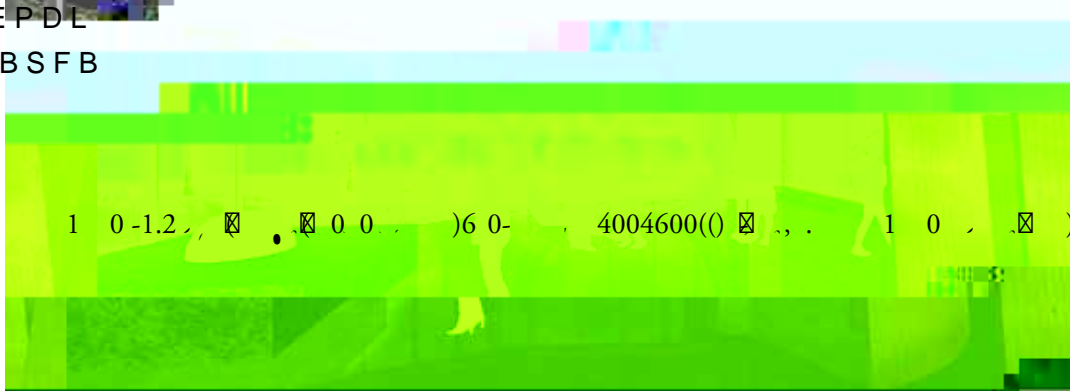
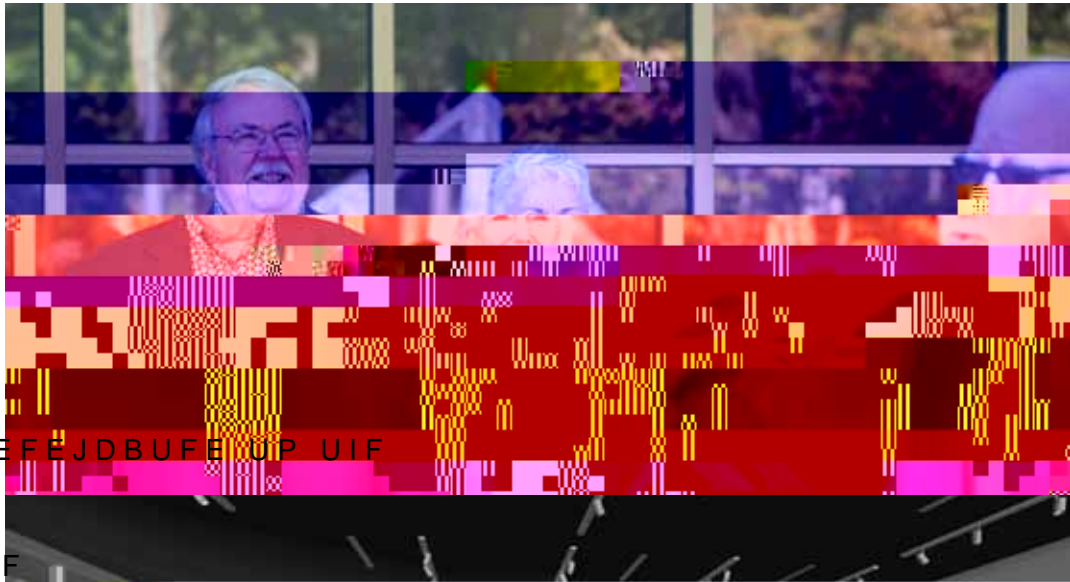
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## AAS-paramedic degree now available

A classroom may not seem like the natural habitat for a self-professed “adrenaline junkie” like Austin Groesser, but he’s in one this fall.

The 19-year-old EMT is one of the first students in a new associate degree-paramedic program offered jointly by NMC and Munson Regional EMS. This semester he’s taking English, biology, and psychology while continuing to accrue work experience as an EMT. Once the 19-year-old has two years of EMT experience, he’ll be eligible to enroll in Munson’s paramedic program. NMC will accept the coursework he completes in that program as transfer credit. And by September 2017, Groesser expects to earn both his associate degree and his paramedic license.

“If I’m going to spend the time doing it, I’d much rather have a paper degree plus my license,” said the 2013 graduate of Traverse City West High School.

Daryl Case, manager of Regional EMS Education for Munson, said the new degree is important in the context of a career lifetime.

“Being a paramedic is a young person’s game,” Case said. “It’s a young person’s game.”



October 15

International Affairs Forum lecture



Chris Coughlin

