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Hope College
High tide  
Pipe failure floods library basement, forcing removal of science references and journals.

MELISSA HERWALDT  
Interim editor

Weekends at the library are usually the quietest place on campus. Not so last Saturday, when a automatic sprinkler system drenched thousands of science journals and references in the basement.

Forty to fifty people headed the rescue effort in the basement that puts books in danger of a waterlogged death.

David Jensen, Director of Libraries, answered the library phone that afternoon, exhaustion evident in his voice.

"At 9:08 this morning a sprinkler system pipe in the basement leaked," he said. "Thousands of gallons of water dumped onto the science reference and journal areas in the basement. At one point, the water on the floor was two inches deep.

Kelly Jacobson, Head of Public Services for the library, considers the campus lucky. "The leak was stopped within 20 minutes," she said. "Fortunately there were Physical Plant staff on campus when it happened, and so the sprinkler system was quickly shut off."

Public Safety responded when the fire alarm was triggered automatically by the sprinkler system.

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Waterlogged: Chairs sit on tables as wetfyle vecs are used to dry out the soaked library basement. The water extensively damaged carpeting and books. The truck is taking the books to Shioke, Ill., where it will be freeze-dried, he said. "They will put the books in open lattice crates with a low temperature. Afterwards they place them in a vacuum."

But before the future of these books is still uncertain. Some of the books were heavily damaged," Jensen said. "It is impossible to assess the damage right now. We will know later."

In the days that followed, the reason for the leak was discovered. "The pipes broke because when they were installed, the wrong type of cementing was put in," Jacobson said. "Right now an outside contractor is examining the rest of the system. It turns out that there were many similiar errors in the installation. Each incorrect fitting is another point, the water on the floor was two inches deep."

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The weary rescue team was provided lunch by Phelps Dining Service. 'The response of the building staff was remarkable,' Jensen said. "Our library is the hub of the campus community and the reason that the damage is not worse," he said.

On Saturday, Jensen was asked if he and his staffers planned to take the next day off. "Nope," he said. "We re-open tomorrow."

Scholar to speak for Martin Luther King Day

STACY BOGARD  
campusbeat editor

The Black Coalition and Hispanic Student Organization will commemorate the life of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. with a lecture from nationally-renowned scholar Dr. Manning Marable.

Marable, Director of the Institute for Research in African-American Studies and Professor of History at Columbia University in New York, will speak at the Jan. 20 service in Dimnent Hall. Special music will be provided throughout the service by the Gospel Choir.

A graduate of Earlham College, Marable is in a position to understand the fairly secluded liberal arts setting at Hope.

"For Hope College to bring him to the area, it's notable," said Courtney Penn, Director of Multicultural Life.

Marable is well-regarded in the political realm and is the advisor to the Congressional Black Caucus. A syndicated columnist in over 280 newspapers, Marable has played a prominent role in the development of multicultural programs on college campuses around the nation. He is also widely published with numerous books including Speaking the Truth to Power and Affirmative Action and the Politics of Race. Academic journals and publications have published over 150 of his articles.

"Dr. Marable is one of the most powerful scholars in African-American studies in the country," said Penn.

Marable has been featured on MTV, Black Entertainment Television, CNN, NPR, and a variety of other television programs. His syndicated column "Along the Color Line" is also broadcast on radio throughout North America.

Marable's topic for the service will be "Beyond the Rhetoric of the Dream: Our Lives as Living Testimonies.” The lecture will begin at 7 p.m., followed by a candlelight march to a reception in Maas Auditorium.

Congress plans open forums

STACY BOGARD  
campusbeat editor

Student Congress passed a bill last Wednesday that will allow students to ask questions at forum. "The forum is a chance to question those directly involved," said Matt Fretz ('99), Student Congress representative.

Forums will give students a chance to question these directly involved in each area. This includes an ad-hoc committee formed by the Campus Life Board regarding Pull, a representative of the Chaplain's office, FC's and Women's Issues regarding the Christian atmosphere on campus.
Hope-Calvin tickets to go on sale

Tickets for the Hope-Calvin basketball game at VanAndel Arena will go on sale Jan. 22 at 8:30 a.m. in the Dow Ticket Office.

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Greeks rush to meet and greet

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Religion

Gaining Your Religion

Now, when the Anchor first proposed the idea of a religion section we as staff were pretty excited. It was generally felt that this could serve an area that was not being adequately covered. I agreed to take the position of Religion editor not because I am a religious scholar, but because I have an interest in religious issues and I knew this position would be challenging and educational.

I must admit however, that after I took the position I began to wonder how in the world can religion be covered in a truly objective way. After all, religion isn’t objective. To the contrary, it’s a highly subjective matter. The personal “policy” that I came up with is as editor I will personally agree with something if I have an interest in religious issues and I knew this because I have an interest in religious issues.

Much of what I report will be the unseen and the unprovable, but the story is still worth telling. As a reporter I can’t approach these stories cynically and without any faith. Just as readers can’t read these stories from what was binding me,” she said. Kleinheksel climbed aboard a bus heading to southern Illinois to look for some serious answers to difficult questions.

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“A place where the theological questions that are causing controversy in the world can be looked at in the context of the Hope community. Some of these ideas may be new and you probably won’t agree with all of them. That’s okay. The important thing is that the issues that are on our minds are talked about.

This is the first week of the Religion section, so it is still taking shape. If you have ideas, are interested in writing, doing church reviews or if your organization is planning an event that you think would be appropriate for this page give the Anchor a call.

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POWER OF PRAYER: James Palmer (’98) prays with other Urbana delegates during a general session (above). The circular Assembly Hall hosted the general sessions (below).

Urbana ’96

Missions conference helps students experience God

RYAN PAZDUR

staff reporter

After a long, difficult semester, Val Kleinheksel (’98) decided to do something different with her Christmas break. Instead of spending time at home, Kleinheksel climbed aboard a bus heading to southern Illinois to look for some serious answers to difficult questions.

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“I felt the Lord calling me to go (to Urbana). I was a bit apprehensive to that because of my own fears of the unfamiliar, but the Lord knows best,” said Kerri Hoffman (’98).

Upon arrival, students learned that housing was decided randomly, scattering Hope students all over the U of I campus. Though separated from the group, students were able to get together and share experiences later in the week.

At the first general session, delegates joined together in a UFO-shaped assembly hall to unite in worship and prayer. The general session, repeated twice a day for the next four days, was a time dedicated to building a strong community at Urbana.

Day two hit with exhibit halls and seminars, and many began to understand why the Urbana experience is sometimes described as trying to drink from a fire hose.

“It really was a pretty overwhelming, so much stuff thrown at you. Time alone to process everything is so necessary,” said Peter DeYoung (’97). Daily seminars covered topics like “Forgiveness,” “Knowing God’s Will,” and “Being a Witness Among the World’s Children.” With over 100 seminar choices offered three times daily, deciding which seminars to attend became a problem for many delegates.

The exhibit halls were an experience in sensory overload, students said. Thousands of people walked around perusing the bookstore full of discounted books, free literature, videos, and advice.

Mission agencies representing all areas of the world and all aspect of mission work were present at the conference. Speakers at the general sessions related personal stories reflecting both the overwhelming love and miraculous power they receive from the gospel message of Jesus Christ.

George Verwer, founder of the mission agency Operation Mobilization, was a popular speaker during the general sessions. His challenge repeated throughout the conference was to accept the grace of God by accepting that God can turn human failure into success. We are all “ragamuffins” Christians, dirty and underdressed for success in the kingdom of God, but God is ready to use us to “turn the world upside down,” he said.

During the Sunday, Dec. 29 session as T.V. Thomas, a renowned evangelist, spoke on the uniqueness of the gospel in a pluralist society, he lost his voice and could no longer speak. The director of Urbana urged everyone to intercessory prayer, and Thomas continued in a firm voice.

“I believe it really was a miracle that his voice came back, and it emphasized the power of prayer that we take for granted,” said Sherri Meyer (’98).

Small group Bible studies were formed to study the book of Acts and to pray for people that have not yet been told about Jesus Christ. The daily readings from Acts were later acted out in the general sessions by Bruce Kuhn.

“He brought the scriptures to life and I thought about the role I would have played if those scenarios took place today,” Kleinheksel said.

By the final night of the conference, many delegates said they had already felt a difference in their life because of Urbana. Some made life-changing decisions by committing to a life of service in missions; others felt a personal conviction to commit to daily Bible readings and to be a witness on campus and among friends.

The conference culminated on New Year’s Eve with an extended worship and communion service.

“It was really incredible seeing so many races and cultures gather together before the throne of God and taking part in the same supper that the disciples had 2000 years ago,” DeYoung said.

All who attended the conference felt a personal impact on their life.

“For most people, it was a time to answer questions and deal with personal issues about their own heart,” Kleinheksel said. “It was a life-changing and heart-changing experience.”
Speaking Freely

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Student Congress will kick off a series of forums Monday night at 9:30 p.m. designed for every last subject. Monday night at 9:30 p.m. designed for every last subject.

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to brave the weather and go to the forum?

Finding our Religion

The first is the addition of a Religion section to the paper. The sect will zoom in on religious issues at Hope and in general. Fall semester Spotlight editor Kim Powell will switch gears to pioneer this page.

Religion is a very important part of the lives of Hope students, whether that is a Christian religion or some other form of faith,” she said. “They are questions that need to be looked at and discussed so we can better understand each other.”

Look for her column further introducing the section on page 3.

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Looking for religious life on campus? tuning in to the Hope Veritas Forum will be a journal, but you should be

editors.

The Hope Veritas Forum made no attempt to find veritas (i.e. truth). At best, the forum attempted to work towards a Christian truth; after all, the forum consisted of Christians, and Christians alone. A group of Christians conversing amongst ourselves are rather likely to confirm our own beliefs as Truth.’ Likewise a group of atheists are likely to conclude that their respective beliefs are ‘Truth’ after a faith-based discussion. I believe that people should do so responsibly. Were some-
On Thursday, Dec. 5th, at the Opus Jam in the Kleitz, a Hope student took off his clothes as part of a poetry-performance collaboration.

This event was almost immediately. Public Safety was called, as if some action threatening the safety of others had occurred. The student has received a reprimand from Dean Fronen.

The student and, by extension, Opus, should not be subject to negative reaction. The only safety threatened in this instance is that of the arts. Opus is Hope’s established literary arts magazine. Opus Jam is extensions of Opus in which students are free to enjoy the performance of musical, literary, and, in this case, visual arts.

At the most basic level, the student’s removal of his clothes was art by its affiliation with Opus; Opus is an art institution and this performance was in the name of Opus so it is to be art.

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This piece involved nudity, but its nudity tastefully presented in a statement about the beauty of a human body and the freedom to appreciate this beauty even in a fitness and sex-oriented society.

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On Friday, Dec. 6th, Jackie Bartley, an English professor at Hope, was named the winner of the 1997 White Eagle Coffee Shoppe juryied student art show in the DePree Gallery (which, along with the Kleitz, is an open forum for artists to discuss the issues that concern them. We will keep running it as long as there is interest). Send your fish-eye lens ideas to the Anchor office attv, Melissa Herwaldt.

In addition, the reader of the poet who arrived to the audience before she began, alerted us to the fact that something that could shock us was going to happen. And it did shock us, couldn’t it — but the calmness and poise with which the artist’s clothes came off made him seem to say, as he stood naked on the stage, “here I am.” The student’s removal of his clothes was art by its affiliation with Opus; Opus is an art institution and this performance was in the name of Opus so it is to be art.

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A. STRASSBURGER
spotlight editor

A wise, self-taught, well-informed man once said, “The unexamined life is not one worth living.” That philosopher was Socrates, and his mortality was the inspiration for a coffee house and news center in Eastown, near Grand Rapids, four years ago.

Now, this infamous Eastown hangout prized by an eclectic group of patrons for its cozy, relaxed, accepting atmosphere and free exchange of ideas is finding another home here in Holland — directly behind the Kepple House on Ninth Street. Sarah Sample, young owner of the original Socrates’, is set to open its lakeshore sister today, Jan. 15, to the community of Holland.

Socrates’ Newscenter promises to be unlike anything Holland has ever seen. Besides a wide variety of coffees, expressos, frozen cappuccinos and famous milkshakes, the Newscenter will carry muffins, bagels, light vegetable sandwiches, soups, homemade bread, cinnamon rolls, pastries, and its special scones.

But the spirit of Socrates is present not as much in the Newscenter’s food as in its reading material and the conversation it fosters. As does its Eastown counterpart, Holland’s new coffee house will also carry a wide range of magazines and even foreign language newspapers, spanning the globe from England and Spain to the Netherlands, Germany, and even Canada. Socrates’ will be a place where the academic can catch up on current events from all over the world, while amateur philosophers discuss their colliding opinions.

Sample is not oblivious to the college student population in Holland. As the Eastown Socrates’ owners, Sample hopes to soon welcome Hope patrons. She prefers her “Socrates’ Friends and Family” method of spreading the word to newspaper advertising.

Customers who bring someone new to the coffee house can enjoy a free cup of their favorite coffee. Two new friends equals two cups and so on.

Another benefit Socrates’ will offer to stressed-out students is later hours during exam week, and a showcase of different local bands and open mike nights for anyone who wants to read or perform.

Sample stresses the fact that Socrates’ is a place which will welcome people from all parts of the community. The Newscenter prides itself on an eclectic gathering of folks who enjoy good coffee, good conversation, and stimulating reading.

As the owner, she has asked herself, “What will make my clientele most comfortable?” and the result in Holland can be found in a rambling pink house boasting hardwood floors, colorful throw rugs and curtains, antique furniture and small coffee tables. A couch-filled reading room, a warmly-lit dining room, and a magazine room lined with racks of cutting-edge ideas and information about world events all add to the unique, historical atmosphere.

This summer, Sample plans to design a flower-lined courtyard with tables and a small platform for bands behind the house. Patrons who leave Holland for the summer can keep in touch with the local band schedule through the Socrates newsletter.

Whether customers barter their old CD for an espresso or participate in open chess on Sundays, Socrates’ promises to appeal to everyone. Sample is excited to extend what she calls a “laid-back and happy” atmosphere to the Holland community.

Socrates’ Newscenter, located in the large pink house on Ninth Street across from Dykstra Hall, is slated to open Jan. 15. Sample hopes to host local band Baxter this weekend. The funk-jazz-rock band, featuring an organ, drums, and trumpet, is a Grand Rapids and Eastown favorite.

Socrates’ Newscenter will be open from 7 a.m. to 11 a.m. weekdays, and possibly midnight on weekends.

Former prof, centenarian leaves award

NOELLE WOOD
staff reporter

Marguerite De Haan (’49) remembers taking French class from her mother, the late Marguerite A. Prins.

“She was a feisty lady and a good, demanding teacher,” said De Haan. “She gave me the lowest grade I ever got at Hope. Prins died on Dec. 29, 1996 at the age of 101. She was born in Holland and attended Holland High School. She graduated from Hope in 1917, got her master’s degree in French from the University of Wisconsin, and taught French and Spanish at Hope until 1962.

Prins’ involvement with the community was a priority throughout her life. She was a member of AJAW (American Association of University Women). She also regularly spoke at Herrick Library and wrote to congressmen to voice her concerns.

Prins was the chairperson of Modern and Classical Language at Hope. According to her daughter, English was her first love. However, after World War II she also wanted her to teach Spanish.

Prins’ influence on the college has lasted beyond 1962, the last year she taught. A scholarship and a cottage still bear her name. The Marguerite Prins French

A. STRASSBURGER

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Dave Terpsma, Director of Public Safety, representatives from the Holland Police Department and others will field questions about campus safety. Bill Anderson, Vice President of Business and Finance; COT and Tyler Smith (’97), Student Congress Comptroller, will deal with questions regarding the distribution of money.

The forums will give students who otherwise would not express their views a place to provide their views and receive feedback.

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You’re Invited!

How would you like to taste test many delicious foods, all in one room?

Be our guest, because you’re invited to the second Hope College Dining Service Food Show!

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Where: Phelps Dining Room
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Why: Test new products & give feedback

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of ten people including artists, businessmen, professors and students answered questions and responded to comments made by the audience. The panel included Peter Payne, Ph.D. in philosophy of science at the University of Michigan, James Herrick, Hope communications professor, Dan Foster, Hope communications major, and Danita Geltner, a New York artist.

Students questioned Ross’ theory with their own principles of physics. Other questions dealt with a range of topics including the environment, arts, faith and dinosaurs.

Saturday morning and afternoon activities consisted of workshops dealing with a wide range of topics, including politics, evolution, the environment and the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Experts in these fields were invited to express their opinions on how their professions support The Truth.

The forum concluded with the performance “C.S. Lewis on Stage” presented and written by actor Tom Key. His brown suit and sweater vest projected an air of intellectuality as he strolled through the childhood, struggles with faith, and the love letters of C.S. Lewis.

“The whole forum was beneficial, including Key’s performance and I learned a lot from it,” said Jason Henderson (’97).

Do you like to drive? Would you like a smooth job? Be the distribution manager for the Ank, and make easy money. Call (616) 396-1037 to inquire.

Plan to attend the Pro-Life Rally

Thursday, January 23 7:30pm
@Holland Christian High School (950 Ottawa Ave.)
Speaker: Greg Koukl
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Topic: The Death of Humanness
Right to Life of Holland Area
Everyone is welcome.
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**January 22, 1997 marks the 24th year of the Supreme Court Decision (Roe v. Wade & Doe v. Bolton), which legalized the violence of abortion throughout our country during the entire nine months of a woman’s pregnancy.**
Bowling for bucks

I was sitting there on my father’s couch watching the bowl games with a drink in my left hand, the chuck in my right, and the slice of pizza in front of me that tasted like liverwurst, and I was quite disgusted. Not at the piece of filth I was guzzling at, mind you, but rather at the way the bowl system was set up and played out this year. This bowl alliance was rather at the way the bowl was gnawing away at, mind you, but that’s another story.

Do you have the Bowes bowl game? The Associated Press ranked them fifth in the nation. What, is that good enough for the alliance? The BYU snubbed the bowl could be the Rose Bowl, or the Orange Bowl, or the Sugar Bowl. Unranked teams like Stanford were in with a record of 6-5?

I’ll tell you why they weren’t invited to a big bowl. Mormons don’t drink. Mormons don’t cruise around town and leave phat tips at Hooters like most other college football fans do. It is against their religion. I can speak from this position because I am a non-practicing Mormon. Almost everyone in my family is Mormon. They would never drive to the cross-country trip to the Sugar Bowl in a non-practicing Mormon.

All my life I have been told that I am not just another freakish, bitter old man who whines but I have devised a way to make the situation better. I propose a full ranking system involving all bowl games. From the Vegas Bowl to the Orange Bowl. Take every bowl and rank it in order from 1 to 13 and then have the teams that play in it coincide with AP rankings. The AP rankings, of course, are based solely on the quality of the program, the amount of fans they have. For example, the number one bowl could be the Rose Bowl, which pairs the number one team against number two, and so on, all the way down to the number 13 bowl hosting the numbers 25 and 26 teams. That’s it.

Plain and simple. Unranked teams like Stanford and Michigan State shouldn’t play in bowl games. They were horrible. The game should’ve been entertaining, pitting two disgusting teams against each other, but it wasn’t.

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