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A Mid-East-born professor analyzes of Gulf situation

by Jim Monnett, arts editor

Agreeing to give insight into the Gulf Crisis, sociology department chair Dr. Donald Luidens said the present Persian Gulf war in the end will be less important to the region than how the U.S. deals with the Palestinian question.

Luidens lived in Iraq for five years while growing up with his missionary parents between 1947-1964. He has since spent seven months in Jerusalem in 1984-1985. His brother was born in Iraq while he himself was born in Bahrain.

Because of his parents’ work in the Middle East, his own upbringing there and the work of some childhood friends who have continued with missionary work in the Middle East, Luidens has followed the events of the region.

"In a sense my knowledge has more to do with avocation than vocation," Luidens said, "I'm not a formal student."

"In order to begin to comprehend what is happening in the Iraq-Kuwait crises (indeed in the Middle East in general), one must begin by recognizing that an entirely different image of time is operating," Luidens said.

The Iraqis and the rest of the Arab world have a strong sense of time as part of a long continuum. To Saddam Hussein and the other Iraqis "the individual becomes a temporal player in the long sweep of things," Luidens said. This might account for Hussein's willingness to have an estimated 1 million people in his armed forces of a population of about 17 million.

Another way time enters into the discussion is with Hussein's response to the U.N.'s belief that Iraq started the war when it invaded Kuwait. Hussein might respond, "That may be, but in the longer sweep of things, you've ignited something that transcends this time," Luidens said.

To Hussein, Luidens said, Iraq has as much claim on Kuwait as any other Arab country since both were established by British and French treaties at the conclusion of World War I. From the 1960s onward the British and French continued to cut deals in London and Paris about which Arab rulers to install and support in which Arab countries.

"From the early 1920s until 1958," Luidens said, "Iraqis did all in their power to unload 'foreign' kings in their midst."

Finally the Iraqi military in a "bloody and vengeful coup," overthrow King Feisal II and drove all westerners out. From then on Iraq had a series of military dictators who "turned to Iraqi self-interest and to Moscow for support and military assistance," Luidens explained.

Hussein is the most recent of these military leaders.

Just because Kuwait and Iraq, as well as the other Arab nations, have been cut up and parcelled around by the European nations for the last century does not mean that they have no past beyond those nations. Their history goes much further back.

Back before the time when the land of Kuwait was under the Persian Gulf, before the rise of the Ottoman Empire, Kuwait was formed from the expanding delta of the Shat al Arab River, which is formed by the juncture of the Tigris and Euphrates Rivers.

With this type of history, Hussein and Iraq can wait another century or so to take Kuwait or any other land they feel a right to, Luidens said.

Finally, the other major way time fits into the Gulf War is the West's desire to "get on with life," Luidens said.

"We want things settled, we want them settled finally and we want to get onto the next things," he said. This makes the idea of a sustained war difficult to support in the U.S. especially.

Another important point, Luidens made, is that many Iraqis do not like Hussein any more than his enemies do. But he is their leader, and they rally around their leader and their country out of nationalism, just as Americans who may not like George Bush rally around the idea of "America."

Part of the reason Hussein has remained in power, Luidens said, is because he has rallied Iraqis support by being for a resolution to the Palestinian question.

"I am personally convinced," Luidens said, "that if there were no Palestinian injustices, if they had their own homeland and the U.N. had dealt with Israel, Saddam would not be around."

Luidens referred to the Israeli occupation of the West Bank in 1967 during the Six-Day War. This occupation displaced and relegated the Palestinians who lived there to second class citizens. The U.N. passed a resolution demanding the Israelis pull out. The Israelis have refused, saying they need the land along the west bank of the Jordan River to ensure their national security.

There are 3 to 4 million Palestinian who have no country.

That Hussein does not have total support is evident from the numerous coup attempts since he took over the presidency for life in 1958, a position which was in the last five years.

It is possible, Luidens said, that one of Hussein's motives for invading Kuwait was to keep his generals occupied rather than face another coup attempt from the military. However, at this point it is just a theory.

Luidens emphasized that the Palestinian question has been linked in the Arab mind and that of the rest of the world for a long time.

"Hussein has linked his injustices (in Kuwait) with the ones Israel is doing to the Palestinians," he said. This linkage appears to be finally made in American minds.

Senator Albert Gore, part of the strong Congressional Israeli contingent, said last Thursday that the Palestinian question will go no further in the U.S. until the Palestinian question is finally made in American minds.

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Cards to file available at Chapel

Chaplain urges conscientious objectors to express opinions

by Beth Pechta
editor in chief

Hope Chaplain Gerard Van Heest is urging all men and women who believe it is morally wrong to kill to fill out cards and inform their pastors that they do not wish to serve in the military.

Such actions, said Van Heest, could be an important factor should the U.S. Congress pass a law instituting the draft.

"I'm saying do this early so that you'll have a record of some standing so that it doesn't just appear that 'now that I'm called up, I'm trying to find a way to escape this whole business.'"

Persons who do not wish to serve in the military must petition their local draft boards for conscientious objector status.

Forms and letters of recommendation, as well as a personal appearance before the draft board, are required.

Each draft board looks at this and they'll do their own study as to whether they believe you really are (a conscientious objector) or whether you're looking for a way to get out of this without going to Canada," said Van Heest.

The more people who know of a person's objection to war, the better, emphasized Van Heest, who appeared with conscientious objectors before draft boards in Albany, New York, during the Vietnam War.

"They (the draft board) will check with your church to see how the church feels about it and whether the minister knows you are or not.

"You can't be a conscientious objector to this war; that doesn't go with the government. You can't select which wars you think are just wars and which aren't. You have to be a conscientious objector to killing, to taking a life."

---Chaplain Gerard Van Heest

Professor

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Luidens went further saying, "How we deal with the Palestinians after this thing is done will be more important than it is now."

He explained that until the Palestinians have a homeland, other leaders, like Hussein, can get a toe-hold in countries using that issue as a springboard. Therefore, this war might be just another battle if people like Hussein can use the Palestinian question as a step toward power.

The linkage that the U.S. refuses to discuss between Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and the Palestinians on the West Bank was graphically shown, Luidens said, by the "almost 400,000 Palestinians" who were "thrown occupied Territories (principally the West Bank and the Gaza Strip) following the Palestinian Liberation Organization's mistake of supporting the Iraq invasion."

Finally, Luidens wondered what the U.S. or the U.N. planned to do with Iraq if the U.N. forces won the war. He doubted a military occupation would do much besides keep Syria and Iran from carving up chunks of Iraq.

Sexual assault group aids healing process

Sharon Roebuck
Staff Writer

Statistics say, that one in four women will be subjected to sexual assault in their lifetime, said Dr. Patricia Roehling, a psychologist at Hope's counseling center. Roehling directed a support group for survivors of sexual assault last semester, which consisted of seven people and met for 10 weeks. Now, a new group will be forming for the Spring semester.

Roehling said that the group is specifically for "people who have been involved in some form of sexual assault; including stranger rape, date rape, incest, molestation, basically any form of unwanted sexual contact."

The purpose of the group, Roehling said, is information sharing, support and emotional healing. It is often difficult for friends and families to understand what a loved one is undergoing; sometimes friendships are even lost because of the difficulty in communication under such circumstances.

"It (sexual assault) changes people's lives forever," Roehling said. "There are emotions that a person goes through after an assault that may make them feel alienated and alone, she stated, as if they were the only ones experiencing such feelings. By being in a support group, counselors like Roehling believe students will find that their feelings or emotions are commonly shared by others who have gone through a sexual assault themselves. "They can support and assist each other in the healing process," Roehling said.

As a result of last semester's group, Roehling believes that lasting friendships were formed and important hurdles overcome.

If students are interested in being in the group, they can call Roehling at x7945 and schedule an appointment to talk to her. She is also available to provide information and indicated that she would work out a schedule that is convenient for all who are interested. The counseling center is located in the Sligh Building on East 11th Street.
Hope student receives one-year jail sentence

by Carrie Maples
associate editor

As Americans watched the war in the Persian Gulf unfold, Hope students and faculty gathered in Winants Auditorium to discuss the situation. A panel of eight professors were asked to address the issue in a five minute statement which was followed by a period of questions from the floor.

Dr. Jack Holmes, chairperson of the Political Science Department, was the first to speak. He stressed the importance of acting now to stop Saddam Hussein "to avoid having to take greater action in the future." Holmes also said, "Being a superpower is not an easy job," but without a superpower the world might revert to a "might makes right" situation.

"I believe what is justified and what makes sense for war only is justified when American security is threatened," said Dr. Earl Curry, chairperson of the History Department. He said, "Iraq presents no threat to the United States. I am opposed to the use of force as a resolution to this problem."

Dr. Jane Dickie, professor of psychology spoke of the costs of war. "Every war has a large direct and even larger indirect costs. The indirect costs are enormous." She said it is necessary to remember the human quality of our enemy because technology impersonalizes the deaths of thousands of Iraqis.

"If I were your age and called to go to the Persian Gulf tonight. I would go," began Dr. Wayne Boulton, professor of religion. He spoke of the gravity of the decision to kill, "If you decide to kill, and do it, it is probable a moral suicide will take place." Boulton quoted last weeks, "Ship of the Mind" saying "Iraqis are people like us."

Dr. James Allis, professor of philosophy, talked about the necessity of war at this point. "If we do not stop him now, it is likely that we will have to fight him in a costlier and bloodier war, with even more death, with even more indirect costs, sometime in the next few years," he said.

"If by some quirk of logic I were called up tonight, I would say no," said Dr. Boyd Wilson, professor of religion. He said he was called up in 1968 and again in 1976 but refused to go both times. "I cannot support my government and I cannot support this war," he said. "Two things are sure right now: the United States cannot lose this war, but, the United States cannot win this situation."

Dr. Allen Verhey, professor of religion, discussed the criteria for a just war, a Christian war, where violence is only the last resort. "Peace deserved a better chance," he said. "I do not think the war is just. I do not think the war will be fought justly," said Verhey. He suggested a moral criteria might prevent this war from becoming a crusade or jihad.

"My greatest concern now that the war has begun is that we have given no consideration to what we will do once it is over," said Dr. Larry Penrose, professor of history. He called this the "Nintendo war" because of the tremendous technology used in fighting. "The issue in the Middle East remains today what it has been for forty years, what to do with the Palestinians," he said.

The issue of economic sanctions was discussed by the panel. The failure of sanctions was the cause given for attack but some believed they had not been given enough time. "In the long run, sanctions would not work, but they haven't been given enough time," said Curry. But others felt it was a failure of diplomacy that would have to be dealt with after the war.

When the floor was opened for questions by students, many felt concern over a reinstatement of the draft. Tom Boyer ('91) said, "We blew it. I blew it. We didn't write our congressmen. This could be another Vietnam."

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Job market tightens
Recession affects number of job recruiters

by Scott A. Kaukonen
news editor

With the economy in a recession, Hope seniors are anxiously peering around the corner to graduation and the uncertainty of the job market that lies beyond.

The recession, officially pronounced by the White House the first week of January, has forced hundreds of companies to scale back and even drop their plans to hire newly minted grads.

The lack of jobs that will be available to fresh college graduates is reflected in the drop in recruitment by employer's on Hope's campus. According to Dale Austin, director of Hope's Career Planning and Placement Office, the number of recruiters on Hope's campus is down by about 10 percent. This is consistent with reports from other colleges across the country.

According to Austin, "Some of the companies will just cancel wholesale. Some that have hired 10 to 15 in the past few years, may cut that in half this year."

Most recruiters continue to visit campuses, though more likely they will be found at the more cost-efficient job fairs. Most recruiters have long-standing relationships with the college and since they are not sure which campuses will provide the select student they are looking for, they will continue to visit campuses.

"In general, it isn't the case that they'll just go through the motions for public relations. It would be inappropriate," said Austin.

"We've had a couple of Fortune 500 companies... and banks, which are typically involved in training programs, cancel their recruitment," said Austin. "Not only are they cancelling their recruitment, they're laying people off."

"Dating back to 1982-83, the past two years have seen the most serious drop in hiring quotas for new college graduates," said Patrick Scheetz, author of "Recruiting Trends 1990-91," Michigan State University's national survey of 549 employers' hiring plans for the year.

In 1982-83, the last time the U.S was officially in a recession, student job opportunities dropped 16.8 percent from the previous year.

Last year the drop was 13.3 percent, the MSU survey found.

The decrease this year is 9.6 percent.

Many employers cited uncertainty about the economy and the prospects of war in the Middle East as the reasons they have cut back their student hiring.

"But not all fields are being squeezed. Some consulting firms are not as significantly affected. Some don't generally hire right-out-of-college graduates and when they do they are quite selective," said Austin.

Some manufacturers in the area have found the military presence in the Persian Gulf beneficial to their business. One such company in Freeront produces a dry lubricant that keeps sand from sticking to metal.

"If there are some areas that are depressed, there will be some movement in other areas," said Austin. "People need to look at the alternatives in a situation. If the price of oil goes back up... as we have related to alternative energy and exploration will be in demand."

According to Austin, "People will need to look at as many opportunities as possible to make themselves visible. People should also be aware of the relative economic situation across the country."

Austin said that New England was the least promising: Massachusetts. The Southwest followed by the Northeast, are the relatively strongest regions.

The budget cuts at the state governmen level will hurt those seeking employment in Michigan, due to the laying off of state employers, cuts in grants and revenue.
Puppets, basketball and flora headline Happenings

(HOPE) - The annual Hope College Winter Happening will be held on January 26. Among the events and activities scheduled for the day are three seminars concerning contemporary topics, a review of the history of puppetry, a luncheon featuring musical entertainment and a men's varsity basketball game in the Holland Civic Center.

The event is sponsored by the college's Alumni Association, but is open to all interested persons. Except for the basketball game and the Winter Happening Luncheon, admission to all events is free.

The three seminars, featuring presentations by members of the Hope faculty, will be given concurrently at 10 a.m. The locations of the seminars will be available on the day of the event at the Winter Happening registration desk in the lobby of Van Zoeren Hall.

Dr. Harvey Blanksponsor, the college's Frederick Garrett and Helen Floor Dekker Professor of Biology, will examine the flora and fauna of the Galapagos archipelago in "Today's Garden of Eden." The series of volcanic islands, which lies off the coast of South America, is famous for its endemic plants and incredibly game and unique wildlife. Slides taken during the college's May Term course at the islands will accompany the presentation.

Dr. Thomas Ludwig, associate professor of psychology, will present "Hands-On Learning: Psychology Made Easy." He will demonstrate his award winning computer program "PsychSim II," winner of the 1980 EDUCOM Non-CRITICAL Higher Education Software Award for Best Psychology Software. Up to 28 participants will be able to test their susceptibility to visual illusions, measure the effect of interference on memory or get a rat's eye view of a maze learning task.

Dr. Ion Agheana, born and raised in Romania, will discuss "Romania: Democracy's Odd Man Out." Agheana, professor of romance languages, will examine the political and cultural significance of their discovery of the ancient art of puppetry. Masks, shadows, marionettes, hand and rod puppets will be demonstrated, as well as new construction and performance techniques.

Williams' puppets have appeared on national cable television, in commercials, in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade and in theaters nationwide. A 1973 Hope graduate, Williams has also designed sets for the Hope Summer Repertory Theatre and the Children's Performance Troupe, and created the elaborate puppets featured in the college's popular Christmas production, "The Nutcracker: A Play."

During the lucheon in the Mass Center auditorium, which begins at 12:30 p.m. and costs $6.50 per person, the college's Saxophone Quartet will fight the January blues with jazz. Having performed at the college's Musical Showcase at Devos Hall, the group is a favorite, and its music encompasses a wide variety of styles and popular composers. The four student members are senior Elliot Church of Traverse City, junior Frank Magnotta of Grand Rapids, senior Kevin Rosenau of Cadillac and junior Philip Waalkes of Wyoming.

Another highlight of the day will be the men's varsity basketball game against Kalamazoo College's varsity team in an MIAA league match-up in the Holland Civic Center at 3 p.m.

Halftime will feature a free throw shooting contest for "randomly-chosen children age eight through 12."

As a part of the exceptional child classes taught by professors Cherup and cook, blindfolded students walked around the campus last Tuesday led by sighted guides. The goal of the activity was to sensitize the students to the role of people who are really deprived of their sight. Photo by Rich Blair

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Letters to the Editor

Students explain collection of pop tabs

We, Shawn and Jennifer, would like to thank the Hope College Community for their generous response to our project of collecting pop can tabs. Because we have received many letters requesting more information on our project, we thought we would share it with you all through this letter.

The pop can tabs we collect through two Holland residents then reach a Hope grad who is the choir director at the First Reformed Church in Holland and who also teaches a third grade class in Ravenna. When we began collecting the tabs, we were under the impression from the information given to us by one of our go-betweens that they were primarily to help fund kidney dialysis. After receiving several letters from skeptical students and faculty members, we decided to contact the teacher directly. We were told that he originally began the project with an educational purpose in mind. His intent was to have the children collect the tabs until they reached a total of one million. He said he believes the children (and many adults) don’t realize how many one million is. In order to visually demonstrate it for them, he began the pop tab collection project. Soon after beginning, he started receiving phone calls suggesting that when they reach their goal of one million, they use the tabs to benefit a charity. One suggestion discussed was that they be sold for scrap and that the money be donated for kidney dialysis.

The American Legion collects the tabs, sells them for scrap, then helps purchase machines for hospital pediatric units. Questions arose, however, as to whether or not that was still done. Both the teacher and Jennifer did some calling, and it was discovered that although this used to be done, it is no longer necessary due to changes in the Michigan Medicaid system. If someone does not have insurance to cover the cost of the dialysis, Michigan Medicaid now covers it. Shawn and I are both very sorry that we mised you due to the misinformation we received. The teacher has, however, found another comparable and legitimate charity to which they donated the tabs. The American Legion collects the tabs, sells them for scrap, then helps purchase machines for hospital pediatric units. He also said that if another legitimate charity were to come up, it would also be considered.

Again, we would like to apologize for having originally misinformed you. We will be changing our signs and collection envelopes to read “Pop Tabs for a Cause”, and we do encourage you to keep questioning anyone else who does claim to be collecting the tabs for dialysis. Someone could easily sell the tabs for scrap and keep the money themselves.

Thank you again for your support in the past. We hope that you will continue to support us in our project and that with your help and our dedication, we can lead the project to a successful end.

Shawn Callaghan (’93)
Jennifer Bigler (’93)

Black Coalition announces fashion, talent show

Do you have a special talent you would like to show off? Are you interested in modeling? Well if you answered YES to either of these questions, Black Coalition has news for you...

THE ANNUAL FASHION-TALENT SHOW
Saturday March 2, 1991 in the Maas Auditorium at 7 p.m.
The last date to sign up is Monday January 28, 1991.

Any interested participants please sign your name and phone number on one of the three sign-up sheets which are in the Student Development Office, DeWitt and Phelps.
As expected, church was standing room only. It seems that in times of crisis people turn to the church hoping it might give them something to hold on to.

Other people turn to the church for a different reason. They turn to see if any of the clergy or regular church goers can explain, "How could God let this happen?" or "If Jesus is Christ really did rise from the dead, and still a little afraid of the dark. But his father tells him not to be afraid because God will guard his people. Booth says his prayers, but he also listens for the explosions that he knows are coming. He runs his fingers over his gas mask. He knows how to put it on. He waits for the air raid signal Jesus waits with him.

Kuwait City, Kuwait: Steve, a U.S. pilot, checks his instruments as autopilot carries him to the right path. There his co-pilot will drop 4,800 lbs of explosives on a military objective. In this case it is the expected site of a SCUD missile truck. It sickens him, but he will do his duty. Jesus reaches out to Steve and hugs him saying, "Do not be afraid, I will be with you."

The Kuwaiti-Saudi Arabia border: Amal, a Iraqi tank commander, sits in a bunker behind a secured and build-up tank. A camouflage net covers the tank and the bunker. Amal slowly chews his bread. He bites his tongue as the ground shakes and sand falls onto his head. 'Two miles,' his gunner guesses. Amal wishes the bombing would end. Jesus wipes the dust from his beard and wishes they would let him take their pain away.

Montgomery, Alabama: Ruth Lancaster gazes sadly at the television in her nursing home room. This is her fourth war. The television is playing Gulf news on all of her three stations. She wishes she could watch something else. She has had enough coverage of death. It depresses her. Soon it will be her turn. She turns off the television.

My father is a retired Army Lieutenant Colonel. He fought in Vietnam. He was not with my mother when my brother was born. He came home again to see his infant son and went off to fight again.

About a year later he was lucky enough to see his first daughter enter the world. Then once again he left to continue fighting.

Less than a year before I was born, my dad came home again to see his son and daughter for only the second time.

Shortly after I was born, Dad finally came home to stay.

By this time my brother was already four years old. He was an energetic and talkative little kid with a distinct personality. Imagine how strange it must have been for both father and son that first time they saw each other. My brother, looking up into a face that looked so much like his own, said to my father, "So you're my dad, huh?"

During those four years my father spent fighting, all three of his children were born. And during those four years my family was torn apart. According to my mother, the only thing worse than having my father away at war was living in a country that didn't recognize or support him.

After watching one particularly violent peace demonstration (yes, VIOLENT peace demonstration) on the news, my mother, outraged to the point of tears, sat down and wrote a letter to my father.

She expressed her frustration and anger at the demonstrators and questioned their right to be so cruel and to say such things about their own country.

My father's reply was not what my mother expected to hear. He said that he was glad that those Americans could do what they were doing because there was no other way to speak out against what was going on in the world. He was not fighting for the people of a country that did not recognize or support him.

Speaking out against my father were the same people who my father was fighting to protect. The verbal attack he suffered was the reason he fought. He told her that the right thing was for those who want to speak out against their own country, to speak there, and not in a country that does not have the right to speak out against them.

He added that he was fighting for the people and their right to speak out against their own country. He told her that the U.S. government does not allow to demonstrate, then he didn't want to defend our country.

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President Bush addresses reasons for war

Dear Editor:

If armed men invaded a home in this country, killed those in their way, stole what they wanted and then announced the house was now theirs -- no one would hesitate about what must be done.

And that is why we cannot hesitate about what must be done halfway around the world: in Kuwait.

There is much in the modern world that is subject to doubts or questions -- washed in shades of gray. But not the brutal aggression of Saddam Hussein against a peaceful, sovereign nation and its people. It's black and white. The facts are clear. The choice unequivocal.

The terror Saddam Hussein had imposed upon Kuwait violates every principle of human decency. Listen to what Amnesty International has documented: "Widespread abuses of human rights have been perpetrated by Iraqi forces -- arbitrary arrest and detention without trial of thousands, widespread torture, imposition of the death penalty and the extrajudicial execution of hundreds of unarmed civilians, including children."

There's no horror that could make this a more obvious conflict of good versus evil. The man who used chemical warfare on his own people -- once again including children -- now oversees public hangings of dissenters. And daily his troops commit atrocities against Kuwaiti citizens.

This brutality had reverberated throughout the entire world. If we do not follow the dictates of our inner moral compass and stand up for human life, then his lawlessness will threaten the peace and security of the emerging New World Order we now see: this long dreamed-of vision we've all worked toward for so long.

A year after the joyous dawn of freedom's light in Eastern Europe, a dark evil has descended in another part of the world. But we have the chance -- and we have the obligation -- to stop ruthless aggression.

I have been in war. I have known the terror of combat. And I tell you this with all my heart: I don't want there to be war ever again. I am determined to do absolutely everything possible in the search for a peaceful resolution in this crisis -- but only if the peace is genuine, if it rests on principle, not appeasement.

But while we search for that answer, in the Gulf young men and women are putting their own lives on hold in order to stand for peace in our world and for the essential value of human life itself.

Many are younger than my own children. Your age, most of them. Doing tough duty for something they believe in.

Let me tell you about one of the soldiers over there. S.F.C. Terry Hatfield, a young man from Georgia. He sent me a Christmas card. And this is what he wrote:

"Mr. President, I just wanted you to know my soldiers and I are ready to do whatever mission you decide. Freedom as we know and enjoy has been taken away from another country and must be restored. Although we are separated from family, friends, loved ones, we will do what must be done. We stand ready and waiting. God Bless you and the U.S.A."

Terry understands the moral obligation that has compelled our extraordinary multi-national coalition to make this stand in the Gulf. To look this international terrorist straight in the eye and say: no concessions. To proclaim for now and for the future: no compromises. To bear witness by our presence to the fact that aggression will not be rewarded.

Terry waits thousands of miles from the White House, yet share the same thoughts. We desperately want peace. But we know that to reward aggression would be to end the promise of our New World Order. To reward aggression would be to destroy the United Nation's promise as international peacekeeper. To reward aggression would be to condone the acts of those who would desecrate the promise of human life itself.

And we will do none of this. There is much in the modern world that is subject to doubts or questions -- washed in shades of gray. But not the brutal aggression of Saddam Hussein against a peaceful, sovereign nation and its people. It's black and white. The facts are clear. The choice unequivocal.

So now we must consider where we can work toward building his nuclear arsenal and perfecting his chemical and biological weapons capability. Another day of atrocities for Amnesty International to document. Another day of international outlaws, instead of international law.

I ask you to think about the economic devastation that Saddam Hussein would continue to wreak on the world's emerging democracies if he were in control of one-fifth of the world's oil reserves. And to reflect of the terrible threat that a Saddam Hussein armed with weapons of mass destruction already poses to human life and to the future of human beings together, as an America united against these horrors, we can, with our coalition partners, assure that this aggression is stopped and the principles on which this nation and the rest of the civilized world are founded are preserved.

And so let us remember and support Terry Hatfield, all our fine servicemen and women, as they stand ready on the frontier of freedom, willing to do their duty and do it well. They deserve our complete and enthusiastic support -- and lasting gratitude.

Sincerely,

George Bush
President of the United States

Jerusalem

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The very factors that led to the situation as it stands today. It is ludicrous to suggest that Iraq is attempting to preserve the status quo -- they have already changed it drastically (however unappalingly) since August 2, and are the people clamouring for an International Peace Conference to redress the status quo.

While the U.S. understandably finds it repulsive to give Iraq any credit for raising the Palestinian issue back to the top of the international agenda, the uncomfortable fact remains that it has, and there is no reason why the Palestinians should be denied their rights simply to spite the person who has voiced concern -- whether genuine or not.

We feel that the U.S. has gravely misinterpreted Iraq's willingness to negotiate, an analysis that has been arrived at by both Western and Mid-Eastern scholars of the present crisis (such notably scholars as Rashid Khalidi, Ron Stein and Anthony Sullivan etc.). It is therefore disconcerting to see that U.S. policy makers have decided that Iraq is not going to negotiate.

Regarding the question of economic sanctions, they may take years to work, as in the case of South Africa. Not enough time was spent to see it they would have had an effect. In fact, there were already indications of their efficacy. Iraq's GNP has dropped by 5-10 percent in the last six months. There is a chronic shortage of milk -- children are being fed rice water instead, and are suffering from malnutrition. It has also been pointed out that even if they had been effective, economic sanctions were not necessarily the best way to pursue a peaceful resolution of this conflict.

As students recently back from the Middle East, we feel it is important to realize that there are people -- mothers and fathers, sons and daughters, brothers and sisters -- that live there: the suffering of whom are easily ignored by the use of clinical, sterile words like "surgical strikes", "carpet bombings" and the like. There are wounds being created and reopened in that part of the world that will take generations to heal.

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Great Lakes Jerusalem Program, 1990
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Christian rap music is the most popular second best class music to many secular acts like Public Enemy and Too Short. But SFC's 1991 disc "A Saved Man (In the Jungle)" may begin to change this reputation. SFC (Soldiers for Christ) is radical music that will not be found on most Christian music stations because it is professional sounding and written in the street talk of the members. The disc is over an hour long and filled with raps like "Peculiar" about being a born captive crowd, the audience. He raps in "The Bomb", "So give me that mic you stupid, you're hard headed like the pharoh, he didn't want to listen and neither do you, what's it gonna take for God to get through to you?"

Later in "The Bomb" SFC addresses the censorship question and looks at how SFC is censored from secular stations for being Christian. He raps, "Jesus ya thats the main topic I hip hop it and then I drop down and watch eyebrows raise, won't play me on their airwaves but if I get perverted and act like a freak then 24-7 they'll play my beat, explicit lyrics, they get mad when they hear it, well I'd come clean and get thrown off the scene, why oh why, I don't know the answer, you say the name Jesus get cut off like cancer."

Besides Jesus Christ, SFC is proud of their heritage with lots of Martin Luther King Jr images and raps about unity of brothers before Christ. SFC's "A Saved Man (In the Jungle)" is good solid rap. For P-Part concert, part magic show. Chamber Magic blends both art forms to create a third in which both eye and ear are astonished. Since its premiere performances in 1984, Chamber Magic has been presented to enthusiastic audiences of all ages throughout the United States, and made its European debut in Grenoble, France in July of 1985. Artists Richard Hatch and Rosemary Kimura bring to their performances the best of fine classical music mingled with a touch of childlike wonder. Their unique approach to entertainment touches the soul with the music of Kreutzer, Saint-Saëns and Rimsky-Korsakoff, and touches the heart with the magic of Hofzinser, Punn and Vernon. "The Linking Ring," official publication of the International Brotherhood of Magicians, described Chamber Magic as "an evening of classical enchantment," adding "The finale makes patrons heads swirl." Though he holds two degrees in physics from Yale University, Hatch has chosen to violate the laws of nature rather than discover them, and has been a full-time professional deceptionist since 1965. He was awarded his first prize in 1985 at the annual New England Close-Up Magic Competition; and in 1987 he was awarded Life Membership in the Society of American Magicians and lectured by invitation at the prestigious Magic Circle in London.

Richard Hatch and Rosemary Kimura will give performances this Friday and Saturday which blend elements of music and magic. P.R. Photo
Dutch down Alma in last minute of play

by Dan Combs
staff writer

The Flying Dutch basketball team won its fifth straight game and continued its unbeaten streak at home by pulling off a close victory, 61-59, over an MIAA opponent, Alma. The game was played last Saturday at the University of Indianapolis.

Hope overcame a five point deficit at halftime to win this game. Lissa Nienhuis (‘91) scored the game winning basket with fifteen seconds left to play. The basket put the Flying Dutch ahead 60-59. Alma had a chance to take the lead back, but Jolene Kanary (‘91) missed a jump shot with three seconds left. Kristen Koesters (‘91) then made one out of two free throws to make the final score 61-59.

Coach Sue Wise said of the win, "This is a test for us to be behind. This is the first time we've been behind and been able to come back and win this year. So I think that was a real confidence booster.

The Flying Dutch had a real score in the first half when Nienhuis went down grabbing her leg. She was helped off the court and missed the remainder of the half.

According to Alma Coach Charlie Goldset, his team did well, but gave Hope credit. "I think the difference today was they had a little bit more poise than we had. Their players didn't hurry anything, they worked the ball well and took good shots in the last seven or eight minutes.

The poise truly showed down the stretch. After taking a time out with 8:45 left in the game, Hope went on a 9-0 run. From that time out until the end of the game, the Flying Dutch outscored Alma 16-6. Hope's defense only allowed two field goals by Alma in the same time span. Another thing that showed off the Dutch's poise, was their shooting percentage. After only shooting 39 percent from the field in the first half, Hope made 50 percent of their shots in the second half.

With the win, Hope improved their overall record to 10-4, 3-0 in the Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association (MIAA). Alma dropped to 2-1 in the MIAA and 9-3 overall.

Hope has a very crucial MIAA game today, as they travel to Adrian. Adrian is unbeaten in the MIAA, and is 13-1 overall. Adrian is also ranked very highly on the national poll. After that, Hope will then travel to Kalamazoo for another MIAA game this Saturday.

Women swimmers score double

by Rochelle Anderson
sports editor

The women's swimming team left seven swimmers home last Saturday to take on the Olivet Comets at Kresge Natatorium in the Dow Center. While the rest of the team and the men's team travelled to the University of Indianapolis. The team was successful in both places.

Kristin Caldwell (’92), Monica Bullard (’94), Shaney Froysland (’93), Caryn Borchers (’92), Cristy Vredevelt (’91), Tamara Luehrs (’94), and Jennifer Noorman (’94) took first place in every event they did not swim for exhibition against Olivet.

Vredevelt, who was the captain for the home team said, "We did what we expected to do. It was just a fun meet."

The final score finished closer than expected with the Dutch defeating Olivet 84-72.

"We swam a lot of people, and this made the score closer. We also wanted it to be more of a competition.

Due to lack of swimmers, each swimmer had to swim a variety of events. "A lot of people had to swim what they usually don't, but we also swam at least one of our own events," commented Vredevelt.

The only person who did not get to do what she normally does was Luehrs. Luehrs not only dives but is one of the team's main freestyle swimmers. "I think this made the score closer. We were not able to do what we normally do."

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Dutchmen take second at Invitational

(HOPE) - Hope College swimmers got a taste of the future as they had outstanding performances at an invitational meet at the University of Indianapolis over the weekend.

"This was a great opportunity for our athletes in a championship environment," said coach John Patnok. "This was a great preparation for the league and national championship meets."

The Flying Dutch won the women's team championship while the men finished second in their competition. The 14-team field included 12 members of "AA" and 4 from "D" colleges.

In the men's competition, Matt Dahl (‘91) set a Hope record in the 200 backstroke with a winning time of 2:03.21. Scott Neuman won the 100 breaststroke with a winning time of 1:05.98.

Jeff Bonn (‘93) won the 200 freestyle in 1:46.42. The 400 freestyle relay, with Jeff Bonn, Matt Dahl, Mark Van Loan, and Brian Ford, also won the 400 freestyle relay. The team of Higdon, Kruithof, Van Loon, and Ford won the 400 medley relay.

Lewiston, Maine was the site of the meet. The team of Neuman, Matt Dahl, and Brian Ford won the 200 freestyle relay. The team of Higdon, Van Haren, and Matt Dahl won the 200 medley relay.
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Tanya Anderson ('93) shows her enthusiasm during an intramural bowling activity while teammate Andy Akins ('93) looks on. Photo by Lance Everi

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Mi-Dearborn 62, Olivet 55

MEN'S SWIMMING
University of Indianapolis Invitational - 2nd Place
(14 teams)

WOMEN'S SWIMMING
Hope 84, Olivet 72
University of Indianapolis Invitational First Place
(14 teams)

For M's & M's continue expansion

by Kocnene Anderson
sport - Indoor

Hope's intramural program has been under the direction of Anne Irwin for three years now and has been growing every year. The program offers 10 different sports all together, with a wide variety of variations on each sport.

For instance, volleyball is offered in five different forms. There is an activity for incoming students, three players for women, men's, women's, and coed. Basketball is similar in its set up, allowing many chances for anyone to play.

Intramurals serves more than one purpose. "It is an outlet for them (students, faculty, and alumni), not only physically, but socially too," said Irwin. "It's a chance to meet new people and spend time with friends while being active."

According to Irwin the program is growing every year. "I have been the director of intramurals for three years," said Irwin, "and each year we have more participation." Men's softball doubled in size from 1988-89 school year to the 1989-90 year, from 107 to 214 people participating.

The second fastest growing sport for the men is three on three basketball. In the 1988-89 school year 59 students participated and last year 151. Students participated. This year 38 teams have signed up. Although that might seem a decrease when you count the people per team (114), more than three people can be on the roster. The final total won't be known until the season is over.

The women's program has undergone some adjustments in the last three years. Two years ago 42 women played indoor soccer, while three on three volleyball was not offered. Last year indoor soccer was not offered and the volleyball was with 29 women participating. That number jumped to 49 women this year.

The success of the program is accredited to hard work and organization. "The hard part is getting it set up," commented Irwin. "It runs itself once you get it going."

Irwin added, "I had never done anything like this before so I looked at Adrian's and Calvin's programs and used their rules and parts of their point structure."

The final result came from a variety of places. "I took a composite from a book from the late 70's, and memories from the system I participated in when I went to MIU along with the Calvin and Adrian programs to make up this program."

Drawing from a variety of sources can be very beneficial, like getting the best of all the programs. When comparing our program to Calvin's and Adrian's Irwin said, "I think we have the better program because we have more participation. We have just as much, if not more, participation than Calvin and their school is twice the size of ours. They also don't offer as many activities to get involved in."

Irwin went on to say, "We may be one of the top in the country. That's why I am anxious to get to the NIRSA (National Intramural Recreational Sports Association) conference this spring. I'm anxious to see if maybe our program is a better one." The conference is for Division I, II, and III schools.

Before Irwin became the director of intramurals, the program was student run. "It was basically students that just decided they wanted to get together and play. They didn't have a schedule."

Upcoming activities include coed badminton and men's and women's five person basketball. Rosters are due to the Dow Center office by 5:00 pm on January 28, 1991.
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