Fraters charged

Two members of the Fraternal Society were charged with selling alcohol to minors.

JULIE GREEN
campusbeat editor

Adding to a charge against the Fratens and Delta Chi organizations for a Halloween party held in Otsego/Blissfield Oct. 30, two individuals of the fraternity have been charged with selling.

"The investigation is not done," said Frederick Anderson, prosecutor for Allegan county.

Two separate charges have been brought.

The newest charge is against two individuals who were not yet named.

"The two individuals charged planned and provided the alcohol for persons under 21," Anderson said.

The charge is against two fraternity members who participated in the organization of a party where alcohol was provided to persons under 21, or inquiries were failed to be made as to whether students were under 21, a Jan. 25 news release stated.

The charge is a misdemeanor with a possible penalty of a $1,000 fine, up to 60 days in jail, and community service.

The second charge is against the fraternity and the sorority under a Michigan law that can charge the organization or person who provided the setup and location for underage drinking. The penalty is a possible six months incarceration and a $500 fine.

The charges stem from a product of an Oct. 30 party where buses were, a $15 fee was charged, and alcohol was served. During the party, two Hope students were also hit by a vehicle hauling a U-Haul.

Meredith Care, staff reporter


MAX transports students across town

MEREDITH CARE
staff reporter

Instead of begging for rides from friends, students without cars now have a new transportation option when they need to travel off campus.

The new Macatawa Area Express (MAX), formerly known as Dial-a-Ride, has expanded public transportation services for the City of Holland, Holland Township, and Zeeland Township.

The new transportation system has been introduced in response to residents' requests, according to Greg Robinson, Assistant City Manager.

"Also a study was done in the area, and it showed that because the community has grown so much, there was a need for expanded public transportation," Robinson said.

The MAX service has two options. Catch-a-MAX and Reserve-a-MAX. Catch-a-MAX will be the most common option, with regular routes and bus stops at scheduled times.

Two of the stops, one at River and 9th Street, are especially popular.

MAX is a good idea. Monthly passes are available. The fare amount is required.

Student Congress chooses speaker who climbed

M. LOQUIST
staff reporter

When Student Congress was choosing a speaker for this year, they decided that bigger wasn't always better.

The Student Congress Speaker Task Force wanted someone who would be interesting and entertaining, although not necessarily famous.

"We were very interested in bringing a woman to campus because it hadn't been done in this series before," said Megan Brass ("01), chair of the task force. "We wanted someone fun and interesting who would not cause a controversy."

After contacting speaker agencies and reviewing biographies, the task force presented Student Congress with two choices: Sharon Wood, the first North American woman to climb Mount Everest, and Will Miller, a comedian who talks on the impact of the media on Americans' lives. Although there was interest in Miller, the task force didn't feel that the topic had the same draw that Wood did. Congress agreed with them and decided to bring Wood to campus as the Congress Speaker for 2000.

Wood hails from Canada and reached the summit of Mount Everest on May 20, 1986. She has also served as a helicopter sky more SPEAKER on 8.
Gospel Fest raises hands, roof in praise

CARRIE ARNOLD

For Jenny Huber (02), performing in Gospel Fest 2000 wasn’t as important as the spirit behind it, “The worship, whether in re-hearsal or performance, is where the heart is,” Huber said. “This is not performance based. It’s not a show.” This event, which took place on Saturday, Jan. 26, featured choirs from Hope, Alton College, Grand Valley State University, and Kelleigh Community College. Each group performed separately and then joined together for a mass rehearsal or performance, in the choir imoprtant as ihe spirit behind ii.

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College increases fines to discourage parking

Hope College decided that it was time for pedestrians to take back the sidewalks from vehicular traffic. Beginning Jan. 1, parking fines have been increased from $10 and $15 to $20 and $50 in order to encourage students to keep traffic off the sidewalks and clear them for pedestrians, said Greg Maybury, Director of Operations and Technology. There are still places on campus where parking fines remain $15. This is focused on central campus, from 1st and 10th Street, College to Columbia Avenue, including the Dow, Maybury said. “People will have to be careful where they put their vehicles.”

All students, faculty and staff are subject to the fines, and repeat offenders will have their vehicles towed. Students won’t be allowed to park in these areas even during move-in.

“The amount of parking and driving around 12th Street has dropped,” Maybury said. “We’ve gotten around the area, but there are still enough tickets issued.”

Some cars have begun parking on the road near the flag pole on Columbia. Maybury. It’s not part of the college’s property, but is monitored by the city. Sidewalk parking has also produced sprinkler damage. “It’s not nice if the walkways were truly pedestrian,” Maybury said.

Presidential series continues

JULIE GREEN

The inauguration of President James Bobbitt has become a year-long event as the third speaker in the Presidential Lecture Series spoke last week, and the fourth will come two weeks.

“As part of the inaugural planning, we decided to create a forum for the community,” said Nancy Mills, Dean of the Social Sciences. This series was meant in part to take the place of the Critical Issues Symposium, which held every year. Due to scheduling conflicts, the school elected not to hold CIS this year.

“We decided to follow the theme of the inauguration,” Miller said, though the theme, “Visions of Hope,” had to be broadened a little. The college decided on five themes it would like to discuss throughout the year “We looked for people who could help us engage in issues across the community,” Miller said. The five themes decided on were academic excellence, reconciliation, the global community and diversity, Christian faith and Liberal Arts, and leadership. “Our hope is that we’ll be able to move ourselves to the next level on discussion and action,” Miller said. Although the theme has grown in numbers over the past few years, choir director Damishia Taylor sees that growth as secondary to the growth in worship. “We’re diving into the history of worship. What I find most exciting is the heart of worship in students and their willingness to glorify God in any way possible,” Taylor said. “They chose Gospel Choir as a way to do that.” Earlier in the fall, the Gospel Choir performed at the unveiling of the Sringer Truth memorial statue in Battle Creek, ushering in a new state holiday. “It was something we made a priority to be a part of, not just Battle Creek, but the state,” Taylor said. Huber has made a decision to try to limit or minimize state holiday.

“AMAZING GRACE: Todd Hanlenbeck (’00) sings a solo during Gospel Fest. The choir will tour Western Michigan during February break, and have a final concert on April 8 and 9.”

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“The performance in the Gospel Fest is only a small portion of the choir’s spring semester plans. Over February break, the choir is planning a tour in Western Michigan, performing in churches in Glen Arbor, Roscommon, Kalamazoo, and Portage. They also have several local performances planned and a final concert on Saturday and Sunday, April 8 and 9.”

“We’ll buy a lot of two-wheel carts that the students can take their luggages in, and we’ll make the streets more accessible (during move-in and -out times),” Maybury said.

To make the streets more accessible, 10th Street will be closed to parking and general traffic on 11th Street and Columbia Avenue will be restricted.

“We’ll experiment with it this year and see how it works,” Maybury said.

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Learning to live with a live-in

As students plan living situations for next year, choosing the right roommate can make the difference between a happy or unpleasant college experience.

JANE BAST
.lifecycle/EDITOR

With three different roommates in one semester, Amanda Whitmer (03) knows what to look for in a roommate for next year.

"I got along with everyone, it was just a matter of different schedules and circumstances, Whitmer said. Another student suggests that a roommate should be as much like you as possible, but that isn't necessarily true. "Oddly enough, it doesn't have to be someone who does things the way you do," said Director of Counseling Kristin Gray.

"In groups don't always make the best roommates. "Roommates who are acquaintances and have a lot in common, but don't spend a lot of social time together are the best roommates," said Cook Hall Resident Director Monica Marcelis. "It's important to communicate and respect each other's time and space."

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Learning to live with a live-in

Just the two of us

When I shared a room with my sister, we never really talked. In my defense, I should mention that we have very contrasting personalities, I consider myself shy, while my sister lives in abject faith. Whereas I go to bed after 2 a.m. and sleep until 1 p.m., my sister is early to bed and early to rise. Plus, she talks in her sleep.

And loves N'Syne. For years, we lived in a fragile state where one false move reigned the war. And now I love my sister—don't get me wrong. Once we finally received our own room a few years ago, our standoff ended. I learned to appreciate my sister as a person, not just an annoying roommate.

But I've known my sister for the past sixteen years. What's shocking about college is that we are forced to live in an intimate circle with total strangers.

Each year, Student Development sends 700 freshmen for their first year. Students housing cards, asking such deep questions as: "Do you smoke?" and "Are you outgoing?" Based on this knowledge, they match each student to another, and the two then must share a private cell sized space for the next school year.

Going potluck feels a bit like an arranged marriage. You don't meet your roommate til move-in day, but before hand you each negotiate what you will contribute to the partnership. For my first roommate, I brought carpet, a computer, a fridge and a shelving unit. She brought the phone, TV and stereo.

I say my first roommate, because although I've only been here one semester, I've already been separated once. In my defense, I should mention that she was an only child, let her father and boyfriend home in California. I moved myself into a little place here, but I grew up 45 minutes away. I am used to Dalch jokes and whole months without sunshine. So, a little taste of full semester and didn't come back. I would say that adjusting to two strangers has taught me a lot about myself, but it really hasn't. Instead, living with someone has taught me the art of compromise.

I can't say my new roommate each time she does something I don't like, the way I did my sister. And she can't screw or go tell Mom each time I annoy her. We simply deal with our differences, compromise and try to live in peace. And life, to some extent, is a series of compromises.

In life, we don't get to choose our families, co-workers or classmates. We deal with what we're given and they deal with us. If we give it a chance, in the midst of the crowd of strangers, we'll find people to love and respect.

I'm starting to appreciate my new roommate as a person. We began the semester as strangers and slowly but surely, we're learning to respect each other as individuals.

After living with my sister, I never thought I'd want a roommate. But living with someone really isn't so bad. I know every day won't be perfect and I don't expect them to be. I take life with my roommate in stride, thankful for the small graces each day with her brings. Here I wouldn't have otherwise met. Ridge said. "There's a lot of variety of people. It gives you something different."

Clustermate Mel Kuiken (03) feels the cluster system makes college life more manageable for new students.

"It made the transition as a freshman a lot easier," Kuiken said. "We're like having a bunch of sisters."

Resident Assistant Sara Johnson (92) thinks that the family atmosphere of clusters are one of Dykstra's greatest benefits.

"There's always somebody around. It's fun," said Johnson. "I think socialization is a lot easier. It feels so much like a family. As an RA, I feel like I know my residents a lot better because I really live with them."

Unfortunately, the large amount of time clusters spend together can also be a bit of a challenge.

"It gets too comfortable," Kuiken said. "A lot of people feel they don't have to go outside the cluster to make friends. They stick really close together."

By not expanding their social circle beyond their cluster, Dykstra residents can be isolating.

"When you meet new people and bring them back, the cluster internalizes people," Kuiken said. "Some people don't really want you to hang out with people outside the cluster."

Kuiken realizes the social pressures living in a cluster can bring.

"There's a lot of pressure to hang out with your cluster, even if you want to sleep, study or hang out with other friends," Kueten said. Clusters can also get noisy, making it difficult for less social students.

"The clusters have a tendency to be loud," Kueten said. "I think you really have to be outgoing and extraverted to live in Dykstra. I think if you're introverted, it can be overwhelming."

Still, Johnson said, the benefits outweigh any challenges.

"You have 12 people to find someone to relate to," Johnson said. "One of the best things about clusters is learning to live with someone who may be completely different from you."

Ridge agrees that living in Dykstra has been a mostly positive experience.

"I'm not sure I'd live here sophomore year," Ridge said. "But I'm glad I had the opportunity as freshman."
Facing grim reality

Reactions to the Jan. 19 article, “Police investigate sexual assault complaint,” have ranged from shock to disgust.

The article detailed a former Hope student’s allegations that several members of a fraternity sexually assaulted her at an Oct. 9 party. The student filed a suit with the Holland Police Department and the investigation is still underway.

What’s most shocking about this alleged event is the way that many in the college community have reacted to it.

Many comments have centered around the graphic language of the article, rather than focusing on the notion that this event may have actually occurred. The article was graphic, as the victim said she was raped and forced to give oral sex, but there was little reference to the fact that this may have happened at Hope.

Perhaps that’s what society has turned to. People would rather live in tiny Utopias than face the grim reality of sexual assault. And that’s the attitude that many in the college community seem to be taking.

The victim said in the article that she turned to Holland Police rather than Hope officials out fear that the issue would be “swept under the rug.” She didn’t trust that the administration and staff would put her individual safety before the collective reputation of the institution that we need is reassurance that the college is on our side. If she had taken action against the attackers earlier, her case would have been done, but she wasn’t sure how the administration would react. By further educating the students would have been safer and more secure in the fact that the college is on their side.

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Sophomore weighs in on sexual assault case

To the Editor:

When I read the Jan. 19 article on sexual assault I was very upset, but as the week went on I became even more frustrated by how the campus reacted to it. I was also alarmed with a statement the victim made in her interview with the Hope College News.”

Zuzekma (’00), the victim said that she went to the Holland Police before Hope officials because of the fear that the incident would be "swept under the rug.”

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Aikido teaches ancient art

ANDREW LOTZ
spotlight editor

Thomas Groendal ‘00 is spreading his own unique brand of martial arts on Hope’s campus.

Groendal, a practitioner of Aikido, organized a club on campus to introduce other Hope students to Aikido.

“Aikido is an art based on the idea of using your attacker’s energy to defuse a situation and defend yourself,” Groendal said.

“In other words, it is taking someone’s ki and using it against them,” Groendal said. “Ki is taught to the students as a term for mind and body energy.

The Hope College Aikido Club is an informal group of individuals who have an interest in teaching, practicing and learning Aikido.

There are no dues for the organization, only interest and dedication are expected. No ranks are awarded. Currently, Groendal is the primary teacher of the group.

“I may be able to get my teacher to come in periodically,” Groendal said. “It is an art form, something which benefits the daily lives of most everybody that come in contact with it.”

Not only does Groendal teach his students, but he also learns from them as well.

“I am teaching it so that I have the opportunity to continue practicing this art myself, and try to spread this wonderful part of my life,” Groendal said.

This is the third time that Groendal has taught Aikido at Hope.

He taught regularly in 1997 and 1998, before he went to Japan. Classes have started, and currently Groendal is teaching a small, regular group.

“I would prefer a few more, but I greatly prefer people who can be there regularly. Anyone is welcome,” Groendal said.

While the classes are open to all those interested in learning about the art of Aikido, Groendal prefers that he be contacted first via e-mail at gl13080@hope.edu.

The Aikido club meets on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the Juliana Room, in the basement of Darlee Hall, from 5 to 6 p.m.

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Annual dance concert headed for Knickerbocker

DAWN DODGE
staff reporter

The Knickerbocker Theater will come alive this weekend with rhythm and dancing as the InSync Dance Theater gives their annual concert.

The InSync Dance Concert will take place on Friday and Saturday, January 28 and 29, at 8 p.m. in the Knickerbocker Theater. Tickets are $6 for adults and $4 for students and will be available at the door. Although they give a concert every year, InSync strives to keep the show fresh and entertaining.

"Because we are a repertory dance company, we do some of the same pieces each year, but throw out the ones that have been around for a longer time," said participant Danny Taylor (01).

InSync Dance Theatre, now in its fourth year, is the resident dance company at Hope, drawing on the dancers.

Some of the new works to expect are "A Tribute to Fosse," a celebration of Broadway choreographer Bob Fosse, as well as "Cabaret" and "Steam Heat."

The company's focus is on tap and jazz dance, and in corporate Broadway way, hip-hop, music of the Roaring Twenties, salsa, swing, gospel, and Irish styles in their pieces. This year's concert will include approximately thirteen pieces, four of which have been performed previously.

The research focused on the traditions behind weaving, as well as the variations in patterns and styles from tribe to tribe. "I had never thought about the time and effort that went into this type of art before," she said. "It's amazing that they have been preserved and are still around, considering how delicate many of the items are."

As an art history major, Lauren has distinguished herself as being capable of doing thorough work and good writing," German said. "Hermes noted that despite her unfamiliarity with the pieces, she welcomed the opportunity to learn more about them. "I didn't have much experience with Native American art, but when I was asked to do the project, I was immediately interested," Hermes said.

Hermes began her research as a request from Senta German, assistant professor of art history, who needed someone to compile information for the exhibit pamphlet. "If you're interested in dance, going to this concert is a great way to support the programs at Hope," Taylor said. The exhibit is on display at DePree Art Gallery until Friday, Feb. 11 and is recent addition to the permanent collection. It was received as a gift from Hugh DePree, former chief executive officer of Herman Miller Inc and long-time supporter of the arts at Hope College.

The addition of this exhibit into the permanent collection expands our available resources on Native American art," German said. "Ideally an art collection should have artifacts from as many cultures as possible and this exhibit helps us achieve that."

Hermes feels the exhibit is an important tool by which much can be learned about cultures that our society is not often exposed to today. "I hope people are able to see something they aren't able to see every day and then realize and appreciate the great amount of time, effort, and skill that went into the weaving," Hermes said.

The gallery is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Local coffee shop hosting student poetry readings

MATT COOK
intermission editor

A local business is promoting the sharing and enjoyment of poetry from Hope College and other local poets. A new series of poetry readings called the Inspirited Poets Series will be held for the first time on Friday at the Gourmet Garden, a nauture store and coffee bar in downtown Saugatuck.

The first installation of the Inspirited Poets Series will take place at the Gourmet Garden on 322 Cedar St. in Saugatuck. A reception will begin at 6:30 p.m., and there will be readings from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

The "owner wanted to establish a weekly scheduled reading where area poets could read and get recognition for their work," said Craig Tonnoma (00), the organizer of the series.

Tonnoma, who was referred to the owner of Gourmet Garden by the English department, has a personal interest in reading his poems publicly.

"I've just finished putting a book together and I'm hoping I'll be able to sell some books at the readings," he said.

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Craig Tonnoma

Tommola has gotten to work many times before (see Schuler (00) and Andrew Lang (99)). "It's going to be very exciting. I've been in class with them, so I've been exposed to their poetry for a couple of years, Tonnoma said. "We've worked together to get to this point. I'm excited to have read their poetry."

The inspired Poets Series is intended to be a weekly event, with readings every Friday night. Tonnoma plans on keeping a consistantly high level of poetry. "I've just finished putting a book together and I'm hoping I'll be able to sell some books at the readings," he said.

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**FRATERS from 1**

The students could be charged by the school in three areas: the Greek system, student body and student athlete code of conduct.

"The college process would most likely await the out come of the criminal case," Renner said. This is to ensure the rights of the students. If they plead guilty to the criminal case, it could jeopardize their rights during the criminal case.

Anyone wishing to learn more about the new Macatawa Area Express can pick up a brochure at the Student Union Desk in DeVitt.

**Roomies from 3**

With all the worries and concerns surrounding roommates, students often lose sight of the benefits of having a roommate. "With a roommate, you get somebody else’s perspective on things," Gray said. "You learn good communication skills and how to communicate. You can learn how to have a sense of humor about quirky differences and all those are really important for marriage. In some ways, having a roommate prepares you for your life roommate." And sharing a room can teach you patience. Roommates Lauren Toner ('03) and Hope Reese ('03) have learned to love each other, despite the lack of privacy in their Dykstra Hall triple.

"It’s like a family," Toner said.

"When you always have people around you, it teaches you to be patient in a completely different way."

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Emily Snyder ('02) agrees that

expanding public transportation services will be helpful for many people.

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**Prayers from 4**

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Innocence lost

The state of Hope College men's basketball seemed a slightly skewed to me during their another classic matchup two weeks ago. The Civic Center was ready to blow during their Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association matchup. The building dubbed as "the college atmosphere in the county" was sold out and the fans threat-ened to bring down the Civic's dilapidated ceiling tiles. But the atmosphere still didn't feel quite right.

Maybe it was the constant interruptions for TV timeouts. Maybe it was the usual small senior selection of alumni and area residents circling the bleachers seats from their balcony. Maybe it was the usual amount of fan support Hope was getting when other home games were far from packed affairs.

But I think what really got me was the realization that Hope College's men's basketball was no longer the innocent, small college environment it had thrived on for so many years.

Sports has long ago forgotten about the educational aspect of life, and it seems that Hope may have inadvertently fallen into the same pit.

Men's basketball at Hope is the show. There is no other sports team at that school that could possibly compete with the amount of myth, fan and media support and hype that the Flying Dutchmen get. Not even the football team.

The team has become one of the college's strongest selling points. And why not?

The team has the most MIAA championships, two NCAA Final Four appearances in the past 10 years, and head coach Glenn Van Wagenen, an individual who practically owns Holland.

They also have a storied rivalry with Calvin, a college that arguably has as rich a basketball tradi-

tion as Hope. Van Wagenen believes that the college has taken the liberty of exploiting times.

The two colleges staged an appearance at the Van Andel Arena, marking the largest attendance ever for a Division III game. The rivalry has been featured in the media, broadcasted around the world, via television and the Internet, marking the rivalry's move to the big stage.

The area has almost always been treated with the same love and respect as Hope basketball. Team members are regarded as local heroes, the team's moves are followed on social media, and season tickets fans must wait something like 149 years.

College athletics, especially in Division III where athletic schol- arships are looked down upon, are usually about sport and education. The events are supposed to be contests, not stages for enter-

tainment, but Hope basketball has become in many ways Holland's version of The Beatles. The Dutchmen are as much entertainers and "money makers" as the University of Michigan football team is to the Chicago Bulls are. Which may not necessarily be entirely horrible. The fans love coming to Hope games and the media, of which I am a particularly guilty member, plays to the team like Pavlov's dogs.

I was sucked into the basketball va

vroom years ago. I was hypnotized by the idea that the men's basketball team was the end-all-be-all of Hope athletics.

But as I sat in my seat in press row, listening to a TV commentator, two sets of radio DJs and around 3,000 fans, I realized this wasn't anything particularly different from professional sports. TV still controls the action, fans are still fickle, and the athletes are forced to put on a good show.

Hope men's basketball had lost its innocence.

Hope should never promote itself as a pure sports atmos-

phere. The men's basketball team is held to the same standards that professional and major Division I teams are. Wins and image are number one, and education is just a nice bonus.

Sometimes I just long for the days when college contests were just footnotes in the newspaper. and wins didn't matter as much as sportmanship did.

Then another Hope-Calvin game looms on the calendar and I get sucked into the pageantry of the whole thing.

SPEAKER from I guide and a mountain climbing guide.

She received the first Tenzig Norgay Award as Professional Mountaineer of the Year.

Wood now spends her time speaking on her experience on Everest, teamwork and how she worked to achieve her personal goals.

"We are not sure what topic exactly we will be presenting," Hope's Lisa Herrema said. "She has a large list of possible keynote topics and our committee has not chosen one yet. We will be choosing a topic in the best interest of the student body.

The tentative date for Wood's visit is April 8, two months later than the traditional time of the Cong-

ress speaker series. However, Congress hopes this will allow for better advertising, which they be-

lieve is key to a large audience turn-

out.

"We're a little worried. We had such a great turnout last year be-

cause of the big name and profes-

sors really encouraged students to go," Brax said. "We don't think that will happen this year but Wood will absolutely be a great turn-out as well. We're looking forward to having her speak.

"The                BATTLE UNDER THE BOARDS: Hope's Lisa Hoekstra (90) scores in the paint against St. Mary's. Hoekstra finished with 13 points and 11 rebounds as the Flying Dutch won 87-54. She takes on first place Alma this Saturday at 3 p.m. in the Dow Center.

Hoekstra photo by Jen Bodine