Pepsi pays annual visit to Dew Crew

Without Mountain Dew, we’d just be...The Crew

Laura Stritzke
Senior Writer

On Jan. 19, Hope College played Adri-an College at the DeVos Fieldhouse. Hope College fans, faculty and supporters were all present, and of course the Dew Crew had a large orange commanding presence. However, among the crowd there were a few guests not normally in attendance at Hope basketball games, Representatives from Pepsi Co. came to the Hope vs. Adri-an game to evaluate its sponsorship of the Dew Crew.

The Dew Crew is a long-standing tradi-tion for Hope College basketball. Not just your average student section, the Dew Crew averages about 300-400 in attendance and has an intimidating presence that causes visiting teams to dread playing at the DeVos. The Three-Man, stretch ing before games, substituting the referee, rowing and the orange shen are all parts of the Dew Crew tradition.

Mountain Dew has sponsored the Dew Crew since its founding 13 years ago by Assistant Men’s Basketball Coach Matt Neil. Representatives from the company

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“We have always been a little (mildew), so it is not an un-common thing,” Volkers said. Residents affected by the mildew have various concerns regard-ing the issue.

Upon discovering the mildew, Beverly Newey (‘11) said, “I was kind of mad and surprised that it was there. Obviously stuff is go-ing to happen, but it is not something you want in your room.”

For Newey, the mildew raised issues regarding her health. “I am allergic to (mildew), so that makes it even worse,” Newey said.

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“arrested” for a cause

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Hope College hosted a series of events last week entitled the “Hope 6.” The program was sponsored by Hope’s Office of Multicultural Education and Campus Ministries, along with assistance from various student organizations including the Black Student Union, Hope’s

Spreading Peace — World famous pacifist and Hope Alumnus is honored this week.

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For a story idea? Let us know at anchor@hope.edu or call us at 395-7877.
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Wednesday
1/30
Web Cast: “The 2 percent solution”

Thursday
1/31
Interactive workshop: “What’s in your ecological footprint?”
1:30 p.m. Science Center 1000. Part of Focus the Nation.

Panel Discussion: “Reality and Potential in the Holland Area”
10 a.m. VanVliet 302. Part of Focus the Nation.

Friday
2/1
Off campus and parent commuter application deadline

Saturday
2/2
A.J. Muste Memorial Peace Lecture
2 p.m. Dimnent Chapel

Sunday
2/3
The Gathering: “Songs and Witness”
8 p.m. Dimnent Chapel

In Brief
RUSH GETS GOING
Greek life is growing as rush season begins. Fraternity rush started on Jan. 14, and the sororities followed six days later. “Formal rush,” according to Hope Greek Life’s website, is defined as “an opportunity for students to acquaint themselves with the members and the programs of the 15 Greek organizations.” Fraternity and sorority rushes conclude on Feb. 2 and Feb. 5, respectively.

SHUTTLE VAN SHUT DOWN
On Tuesday, Jan. 29, a call to Shuttle Van (x3177) was answered with a dismal announcement: “The Shuttle Vans are shut down due to slippery conditions.”}

Kevin Soubby

Leigh Wendlandt-O’Connor

Contemporary Writer

Friends don’t let friends hook up drunk” does not have quite the same ring as the more familiar slogan. It may be less catchy, but it is just as important to staying safe. Hope College’s Administrative Affairs Board recently amended the college’s sexual harassment policy, placing it in line with Michigan’s state law. Although Hope College’s Sexual Harassment Policy has always maintained that explicit verbal consent is needed to avoid sexual assault and harassment, the policy now states that intoxication invalidates consent.

According to the policy, a person who is impaired cannot fairly or not, but rather debate the situation of the Jena 6, but due to complications, it was decided to keep the money local and it was thus donated to Core City LEAP.

Faculty, students ‘arrested’ for civil rights cause

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assists struggling middle school students.

The “Hope 6” referred to the recently charged events of the Jena 6, and “charged at confronting and combating issues of hatred, and to build awareness of recent acts of racism,” according to the Hope Office of Public Relations.

Events were scattered throughout the week and included events such as a chapel service dedicated to Dr. Martin Luther King’s vision of Christian response, a panel discussion on local and national issues of racism and scheduled prayer sessions, ending with Friday night fundraiser and karaoke contest.

Overall, the fundraiser was a great success, raising more than $1106 for LEAP in just under a week and spurring discussions of race relations throughout the week both at and away from campus.

It’s really easy for us to look at an event 1500 miles away and say to ourselves that such things would never happen here, but I’ve been here at Hope long enough to know that it does, unfortunately,” said Dr. Charles Green, director of the Phelps Scholars Program. “It’s very important to have issues like racial harassment discussed. You can debate the situation of the Jena 6, but due to complications, it was decided to keep the money local and it was thus donated to Core City LEAP.

Nurses wanted: program is booming at Hope

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in part to the aging of our population and the increased need associated with aging, and the anticipated retirement of one-third of our existing nurses over the next 10-15 years.”

Dunn said. “This translates to a wide-open job market for college graduates who have pursued a nursing degree. There is a position available for any college graduate who is licensed as a Registered Nurse.”

Additionally, flexibility and pay have created an increase in interest in nursing. According to Dunn, there is often flexibility in hours, work settings and location, and an average salary for a registered nurse is approximately $45,000. A nurse with a graduate-level education can expect to receive a higher salary.

With an abundance of applicants to the nursing program and the nursing job market showing great promise, Dunn said that there are plans in place to grow the nursing department. A proposal for expansion will be given to Hope in 2009, and from there it will need to be approved by the Michigan State Board of Nursing and Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education. For those students who do not gain admittance to the nursing department in February, there is another chance for application in October, and they are encouraged to apply to the program. However, for those students who are fortunate enough to gain acceptance to the competitive nursing program, the effort is worth it.

“Most practicing nurses will tell you that they are part of the best profession on earth,” Dunn said. “I have loved every single day I have had as a nurse, which has included jobs in critical care nursing, rehabilitation, research and teaching. In what other career are you assured that you will always have a job, and a job that you love?”
Candidates take states

Laura Stritzke

The 2008 primary elections are underway, and the Republican and Democratic parties in every state are deciding which candidate they want to send to the general election. Michigan has already held its primary, but are the primary elections still important to Hope College students?

"I think it's really interesting to keep up with who is winning in all the different states, because the results will affect all of us," Nicole Tyson ('11) said.

Hope students seem to be very interested in the campaign and its progress. Lucas Whitman ('10) expressed the importance of being aware of the election:

"It's important to pay attention so you know who the candidates are and what they stand for," Whitman said.

Iowa kicks off

On Jan. 3, Iowa became the first state to weigh in the Presidential race. Historically Iowa's caucuses is the first in the whole primary election. A record number of voters turned out to participate in Iowa's caucuses.

A caucus is different from a primary because the voting district assembles in a town-hall meeting style and people separate into groups based on the candidates they are supporting.

State delegates are then awarded to each of the candidates depending on the proportion of people who support them. In a primary, however, the party members of the party (opposing party in "open primaries") simply come to the polls and cast their vote in a booth, and the state delegates are awarded according to the percentage of people who voted for them.

Here is a quick recap of the results (according to CNN.com) for the various states that have had their primaries so far:

- On Jan. 3 in Iowa, Barak Obama won the Democratic caucus, followed closely by John Edwards and Hillary Clinton in second and third respectively. Bill Richardson got 7 percent, and Joe Biden got one. Other candidates running that didn't gain a percentage of the vote were Christopher Dodd, Mike Gravel and Dennis Kucinich.
- Iowa Republicans voted for Mike Huckabee most, then Mitt Romney, and then Fred Thompson. 13 percent went to John McCain, 10 percent to Ron Paul, 3 percent to Rudy Giuliani, and half a percent to Duncan Hunter.
- On Jan. 5 Wyoming held its Republican caucuses (the Democratic caucuses are scheduled for March 8). Romney came in first, Thompson second, and Hunter third.
- On Jan. 8 New Hampshire held both Democratic and Republican primaries. Clinton, Obama, and Edwards placed first, second, and third respectively. 5 percent of Democrats voted for Richardson, and 1 percent for Kucinich.
- Republicans voted for McCain, Romney, and Huckabee as the top three. Nine percent voted for Giuliani, 8 percent for Paul and 1 percent for Thompson.

Michigan weighs in

- On Jan. 15, Michigan held its Republican and Democratic primaries, however Michigan lost all of its Democratic delegates and 30 of its 60 Republican delegates due to moving the primaries outside of approved dates set by the national parties.
- Again Republicans voted in large numbers for Romney, McCain, and Huckabee, followed by 6 percent for Paul, 4 percent for Thompson and 3 percent for Giuliani.
- Many Democrats still chose to vote despite the fact that there were no delegates at stake. Hillary Clinton was the only front-runner who didn't withdraw from the race, and she won a majority of the vote. However Obama and Edwards supporters who did not choose to vote Republican voted "uncommitted" on the Democrat ballot.
- On Jan. 19, Nevada held its Democratic and Republican caucuses. Romney won the Republican caucus followed by Paul, then McCain, then Huckabee, and Thompson with 8 percent and Giuliani with 4 percent.
- Clinton won the Democratic caucus with a slight majority. Obama followed with 22 percent, and Edwards trailed with four percent.
- Also on the Jan 19, South Carolina held its Republican primary. He most votes went to McCain, then Huckabee, then Thompson, then Romney at 16 percent, Paul with 4 percent and Giuliani with 2 percent.
- On Jan. 26 South Carolina held its Democratic primary. Obama won a majority, followed by Clinton and Edwards respectively.
- On Tuesday, Jan. 29, the Republicans held their primary in Florida. The candidates from most to least votes were McCain, Romney, Huckabee, Paul, and Thompson.

Delegates add up

On the Republican side, Romney has 73 delegates, John McCain who has 38 delegates, Mike Huckabee who has 29 delegates, Ron Paul who has six delegates and Rudy Giuliani who has two delegates.

The remaining Democratic candidates are Clinton who has 230 delegates, Obama who has 152 delegates, Edwards who has 61 delegates and Mike Gravel who has zero delegates.

On Feb. 5, is known as "Super Tuesday." Twenty-two states held their primaries, and the results will narrow down both the Democratic and Republican races.
Ethnic conflict in Kenya continues

Presidential elections spark ethnic tensions; ethnic cleansing plagues the country

Karle Laidens
Guest Writer

A month has passed now since controversy over Kenya’s presidential elections sparked an eruption of violence across the nation, but the political and tribal conflicts are continuing to boil.

The immediate source of the current violence was the apparent rigging of the Dec 27 election by incumbent Mwai Kibaki. Vote counts were giving opposition leader Raila Odinga a substantial lead when the Kenyatta International Conference Center was stormed by paramilitary police. Minutes later, the election was declared in favor of Kibaki, who was hastily sworn in later that day.

Violence quickly erupted in cities across the nation; burning and looting became a regular feature in Kenyan cities, and rallies brought out police forces that have switched from tear-gas to live ammunition. Between such clashes and active neighbor-on-neighbor violence, many of whom are often executed with machetes, clubs, poison arrows and stoning, the death toll approached 600 within the first two weeks. More than a quarter of a million have fled their homes, congregating along tribal lines or seeking refuge in neighboring countries.

Tribalism and poverty

The election controversy was merely the spark that ignited preexisting tribal tensions. Though the Kikuyu tribe, the Kikuyu tribe has dominated the power and wealth essentially since the nation achieved independence in 1963, creating a history of hostility in the remaining tribes.

Anabu Mamo (10), a Hope College student who originally hails from northern Kenya, said, “When you’re growing up, you’re taught that you are your tribe. You put your tribe before yourself, and when things come up, people go back to that way of thinking. Every president helps his tribe and his hometown first, which always creates tension.”

Felix Kikaya (11), from Nairobi, said, “This election just ignited the feelings that were already there between tribes. Neighbors have lived peacefully together, (but) now one neighbor can just go to his neighbor’s house and harm him to death.”

And, Kikaya believes the conflict has the greatest impact on the poorest of the population. In the densely-populated slums, where most are forced to live hand-to-mouth on a dollar a day, people often feel they have nothing to lose by fighting. The sense of desperation is quickly exploited by politicians: Mamo suggests that Kibaki is using the police, whereas Odinga is inciting the pent-up resentments of the general population in order to rile up resistance to a government (and a tribe) that is blocking his personal rise to power.

Close to home

Eunjee Choi (11) was spending Christmas with her family in Nairobi when the violence broke out. Daily life immediately became confined to their home, where they watched the news continuously until the government cut off all media after a few days. Not having prepared any stocks, obtaining food became a concern.

“We left the safety of our home” once a week maybe, if it was quiet. If they say there will be a riot on this Thursday, we go in the morning while it’s quiet because ‘they’re getting ready,” Choi said. “We would divide up jobs (and) get what (we) needed and get back to the house.”

Most shops in the city had closed, and in those that were open, crowds fought to get crucial supplies, like sugar, with prices often having doubled or tripled.

Meanwhile Kikaya has had to adjust to following events in Kenya from here in the U.S. Even though he reads the news online every day, he still feels close to the events.

“(For the first few weeks) I called home almost every day, every morning when I woke up. When I was told some of my friends had been displaced because their houses had been burned down, I knew this was happening right at my doorstep.”

What now?

So how will the situation be resolved? Kikaya believes that a resolution is not easily attainable.

“I am sorry that so many people are dying about this, (but it won’t end) until Kibaki is out of power. If (Odinga) decides to share power with the president, it would he has betrayed the people. If he gives up, what would make the voters go and get cards next time to vote in 2012, if a president can just rig things and keep his power?”

At this point, Mamo, Kikaya and Choi seem to agree that no one leader is likely to be able to bring the Kenyan people under control for the day, things seem to get worse and worse,” Kikaya said, “and I don’t know how things will be in the months to come.

Pioneering journalist Frances Lewine dies

Female journalist spent career fighting prejudices, championing equality and feminism

Chris Lewis
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Former White House correspondent for the Associated Press, Frances Lewine, died on Jan. 19, According to the Washington Post, Lewine was known for fighting against the discrimination of women in the world of journalism while also reporting during the administrations of six presidents, starting with Eisenhower and ending with Carter.

Lewine also worked for Cable News Network as an assignment editor and field producer since 1981.

In 1978, Lewine, along with six other women, filed a class-action lawsuit against the AP, which resulted in a $2 million settlement. Soon after the settlement, the AP began to change its policies in several areas, including pensions, salaries and hiring of employees.

“She was a largely unsung pioneer for women in journalism and role model for myself and thousands of other women who tried to follow in her footsteps.”

— Edie Lederer, AP chief correspondent

Edie Lederer is currently the AP’s chief correspondent at the United Nations and views Lewine as a trailblazer.

“Edie Lederer is a largely unsung pioneer for women in journalism. Linda Deutsch is currently a legal affairs reporter for the AP and worked with Lewine in the past. "All the politicians who wouldn't stop for anyone else would stop for her because they knew her," said Deutsch to the Washington Post. "She would ask the toughest questions, but with a smile on her face. Lewine became the first woman to be a full-time White House reporter for the AP and was also a leader of women’s efforts to obtain admission to the National Press Club’s luncheon where newsmakers gave speeches in a room full of male journalists. In 1971, largely due to the efforts of Lewine, females were finally allowed to attend the luncheon with their male counterparts.

Lewine also campaigned against the Gridiron Club, which is an exclusive group of journalists and politicians. The club excluded women from its annual event until Lewine stood up for her and other women’s rights to be included in the event. Lewine soon became the second female member of the club.

Lewine was never afraid to stand up against the authority of the government and share her views.

“In times (of war) like these, when the credibility of our nation and our president often comes into question, it is the reporter on the scene who can raise issues and put the spotlight on problems so the nation can address them,” Lewine said in the Washington Post report. "Reporters should understand that they have an obligation to search for the truth and to stand in the front line in holding governments and officials accountable for their actions.

Hope College Communications professor Dr. Teresa Housekiewicz views Lewine as a pioneer for women journalists.

“Lewine helped open doors for women to go into journalism and she spoke out against women reporters being routinely relabeled to the society or lifestyle sections,” Housekiewicz said. "She advocated for the right of women to report hard news, which is, unfortunately, still male-dominated even though journalism programs today are predominantly comprised of female students. "
Opus Soup showcases student work

Katie Bennett

This week, students can flip through the pages of the new Opus, Hope's biannual literary magazine. Once a semester, Opus features poems, prose and visual art by Hope students. Last Wednesday, Jan. 23, an event entitled Opus Soup celebrated the arrival of the fall 2007 issue with readings and explanations of the pieces of art by the students. We thought it would be cool to hear the stories behind the poems, directly from the writers,” said Mike Bertrand (’10), co-editor of Opus.

His co-editor, Patrick Cramb (’11), said, “We felt that the Opus Soup event, which was our opening party, and the Opus fall issue, was a big success. We received around 160 submissions for the fall Opus and then our editorial board narrowed that down. Once

IN BRIEF

THE KNOCK FEATURES JAZZ SINGER ON FRIDAY

Hope College will feature jazz vocalist Rachelle Price and her quartet on Friday, Feb. 1, at 7:30 p.m. in the Knickerbocker Theatre. The young vocalist has won over critics and fans alike with her mature rendition of some of the great jazz classics. In 2003, Price was tapped by the Grammy Foundation as a vocalist with the High School Grammy Jazz Choir, and she was a semi-finalist at the Montreux International Jazz Vocal Competition in France. Price has performed to standing ovations at many jazz festivals, including the Newport Jazz Festival. Jazz legend Nancy Wilson has said about Price, “I think she’s brilliant... the depth, the warmth and the excitement.” Price “is young, gifted... it became clear that Price... has the talent to match her enthusiasm,” The Washington Post has said. Born in Australia, raised in Nashville, Tenn., Price began her career at the age of 18, opening for Josh Redman at New Haven’s Jazz on the Green,” receiving a standing ovation. At the Society of Singers Gala to honor Sir Elton John, one reviewer said that Price “had the ballroom shaking with ‘Planes old ’Holy Moses,’ which had people jumping up again.” Price’s quick grasp of the subtleties of jazz has led to an independent debut, C.D. titled “Dedicated to You.” It is a compendium of jazz standards including “Tea for Two,” “People Will Say We’re in Love” and “The Folks Who Live on the Hill.” For tickets contact the DeVos Fieldhouse, $10 for regular admission, $8 for senior citizens and $6 for children 18 and under.

Opus Soup — Susan Krueger (’08) reads her work “How to Fish” to the Opus Soup audience on Jan. 23. “How to Fish” and other student works were published in the fall issue of Opus.

Curator, artist speak about Vietnamese art

Katie Ludens

The Hope College community recently had the honor of hosting curator Dr. Nora Taylor and painter Dinh Tham Poon, whose work is on display as part of the ongoing “Changing Identities” exhibition in the DeVore Gallery. “Changing Identities” is the first large-scale show to bring contemporary Vietnamese works to American galleries, and it showcases the art of ten female artists from around Vietnam.

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Amy Soukup

To honor the spirit and ideals of A.J. Muste, a world-famous pacifist and Hope College alumnus, a series of events, free of cost, are taking place on campus this week.

After graduating from Hope in 1905, Muste worked to promote his ideas of peace and justice, actively protesting against every major war until his death in 1967. He also participated in and helped form multiple pacifist organizations. In 1985, Hope began the A.J. Muste Lectures to commemorate and continue his life’s work. Among the events surrounding this year’s lecture are two nights of music and literature.

A night of poetry and song will take place on Thursday, Jan. 31, at 7:30 p.m. in Dimnent Chapel. The event will feature poetry read by members of the campus community and a concert by the college Chapel Choir, directed by Dr. Brad Richmond.

The Chapel Choir will perform an original piece composed by Worship Associate Tom Wilson. The piece combines two poems written by British World War 1 soldier Wilfred Owen, who was killed one week before the Armistice.

“(Owen) left behind poetry that spoke of the tragedy of war,” Richmond said.

Along with the choir, the performance will include instrumental and percussive elements and feature baritone soloist, Jeremy Lydic (’09).

On Friday, Feb. 1, there will also be a performance of “The End of Time” at 7:30 p.m. in Dimnent Chapel.

A.J. Muste

Spreading peace through music and poetry

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‘Twenty-seven Dresses’ full of witty humor

Abby DeWuyst
Guest Writer

The title alone is enough to scare away most males, but on the whole, “27 Dresses” offers moments of witty humor that are able to satisfy any comedic palate. This is not to say that the film does not share the same characteristics as other romantic comedies that have been dubbed “chick flicks.”

The movie starts out slow and takes an unusual amount of time getting into the usual rollercoaster of emotions.

Aline Brash McKenna (“Devil Wears Prada”), the screenwriter of “27 Dresses” appears to have pulled inspiration from films like “The Wedding Planner” and “How to Lose a Guy in Ten Days” when forming the plot. Jane (Katherine Heigl), is a woman who spends more time planning the weddings of others than worrying about her own life. The flighty and slightly nerdy character hides her feelings behind a nervous façade that doesn’t break until she is forced to plan the marriage of her sister and the man Jane loves.

The (wedding hoppin’). Kevin Doyle (James Marsden), is an ambitious writer ready to do anything to get ahead and he decides to turn the eternal bridesmaid into his special project. However, after really getting to know her, he finds it harder to expose her ways than originally planned.

Even with the strange similarities, “27 Dresses” is able to stand on its own because of Heigl and Marsden’s ability to create believable characters. If you’re in the mood for marriage, you’ll get your fill with this film.

Almost every possible wedding theme and style are expressed during the movie, and a dress-up montage proves that bridesmaids dresses are ugly so they don’t take away from the bride’s special day. Overall, “27 Dresses” gives a slightly cynical view of “love and marriage” while inadvertently supporting every cliché there is about the perfect wedding.

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Curator, artist speak about Vietnamese work

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Hanoi, Vietnam, where Poon lives and works, and where Taylor has spent the past 15 years studying contemporary painting.

Taylor explained that Vietnam’s art world has a rich history, including significant evolution during the 20th century, but while “there are tons of galleries in Vietnam, not that many artists get to exhibit elsewhere.”

Traveling shows like this one are thus a rare opportunity for those here in the States to find it’s too easy to forget the scenes to make something entirely unique to her.

“(In this exhibition, the artists’ work) is not about Vietnam, it’s about themselves. They’re not speaking about the country,” Taylor said. “When I talked to each of the artists, they wanted to speak about their own lives, their own families. They talk about themselves, like we do.”

“Changing Exhibitions” will be on display through Friday, Feb. 1. The gallery is open from 10 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on weekdays.

Opus Soup showcases student work

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we had the issue finished we contacted everyone who had been accepted and asked them if they’d be willing to read their piece or discuss their visual art.

The party concluded with a performance by the Holbach Band The Hurricane Hearts.

Pepsi Co. pays a visit to the Dew Crew

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were scheduled to come to last Saturday’s game to evaluate their sponsorship. Chris Maybury (‘08), who was the Three-Man his freshman year, didn’t seem to be worried about whether or not the student section would receive continued sponsorship.

“The Dew Crew this year is bigger and louder than it has been the last two or three years, (since) there is a lot of support. It’s going really well!” Maybury said.

Matt Wixson (‘08) has also been an integral part of the Dew Crew during his time at Hope College.

The Mountain Dew representatives will usually come at least once a year not as much as a check-up, but just to see how it’s going and what their money is going toward,” Wixson said.

To many Hope fans’ joy, the 13-year tradition will continue in support of Hope’s Men’s Basketball team, which is currently still undefeated in the MIAA.

Mildew plagues Dykstra Hall

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Interims: On the road to your career

Ashley DeVries
Focuses Error

Kevin Nelson ('05) is in many ways a typical Hope College student. He is over-involved—playing hockey and participating in campus political groups—and he isn't afraid to dream big—after he
graduates next year, he plans to go to law school and eventually hopes to get into politics. But Nelson has had some unusual work experiences. Last spring Nelson interned at the White House in the
office of presidential correspondence. His experience there was anything but typical.

"One day I actually received a terrorist threat. I had to stay on the line until a Secret Service agent could
learn through their coursework.

"An internships offers hands-on experience. At Hope we talk about calling, vocational gifts, and how to con-
tribute to society. It's difficult to know for sure that you're called to do something until you've tried it out," DeVries said.

Researching Internships

The best place to start when researching internships is the Career Services Office. DeVries and her staff are
knowledgeable about local business and have connections with alumni across the country. They are more than
willing to explore students' interests and help them find an internship that fits their skills and needs.

"Career services meets with students to help them research internship opportunities," DeVries said. "We
help with interviewing, the application process, and tips for getting the most out of your internship."

The Career Services webpage on KnowHope posts numerous listings made by local organizations seeking
interns. Other routes of research include career fairs, classified ads and even academic departments. (See side
page at www.hope.edu/student/career/resources/search.

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Avenues of Research Networking: Ask friends and al-
quaintances who work in your field if they know someone who's looking for an intern.

Career fairs: A great way to create contacts for an internship or fu-
nature job. KnowHope has six career fairs be-
tween now and the end of February. Visit http://
www.hope.edu/students/career/calendars/jobfairs.

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Sell yourself with well-written résumé

Justine Vlietstra
Grits 'Wen

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should it be? You're writing about the person that you
know BEST in the world—yourself! You know what
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of your responsibilities, be sure to use action words such
as: arranged, examined, drafted, coordinated, assisted,
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In pursuit of knowledge

Emily Papple

HAF PT

I will never forget when my grandma convinced me that the reason God gave us fingers was not just so we could be barefoot to scoop that last drop of brownie batter. She taught me the importance of going to church, and she modeled what it meant to be a devout Catholic.

My grandma had eight children, three son-in-laws, twenty-two grandchildren and seventeen great-grandchildren. More than anything else, she loved taking care of people, and it showed in her everyday actions.

Once when my grandma was dating, a police officer noted her petite figure and asked if she was old enough to be seeing my grandpa. She told the officer she was just a "half pint." The term became a nickname of endearment that my grandpa always called my grandma. When she got her first car, he had a special license plate made for her that read "HAF PT." I now drive the car my grandma drove and my plate still reads HAF PT. People often ask me (usually in a very bewildered tone of voice) why exactly does your license plate say 'HAF PT'?

I always get so very excited when I hear this question because I get to tell the questioner about my plate. More importantly, I get to tell the questioner about my Gram. I got to tell them how amazing she was and how much she meant to me.

I will never forget the times my grandma and I spent in the kitchen—cooking zucchini or making mud hen's (a favorite family dessert). I will never forget spending hours talking to my grandma about nothing or about everything. I will never forget the time spent in her dining room—just reading or doing homework.

Jan. 27 was my grandma's birthday; she would have been 89 years old. As my grandma got older she developed dementia and her own memory became fuzzy. My grandma died almost four years ago and it is still sometimes difficult for me to recall my memories of her because it makes me remember how much I miss her.

However, I am beginning to realize how important these memories are to me. It is in the never forgetting that these memories gain real value.

The importance of memories was solidified for me last weekend when I attended the memorial service for one of my best friend's mom. As I listened to the stories her family, friends and co-workers told I saw her become alive again through the memories being shared.

From the recipients we make memories until the last time we share them it is important to remember to hold a special place in our hearts for our memories.

Emily was DISPATCH to learn this week that according to the New York Times an estimated that 2.2 pounds of bone is responsible for the equivalent amount of carbon dioxide emitted by the average European car every 155 miles.

Letters to the Editors

"Chivalry" not inherently oppressive

To the Editors:

I appreciate and agree with Evelyn Daniel's recent column "Ladies First," which called attention to possible sexism present in common dating and relationship practices.

It is certainly true that there would be a level of sexism present in holding a door open for a woman, if, for example, the man's intentions were to display his physical superiority over her. (I mention this that would be totally unimpressive.)

But, while sexism does to some extent underlie this and other similar dating protocol that occur in American society, one shouldn't forget the many ways that traditional dating and relationship practices communicate things other than dominance and control. I, for one, like holding doors open for women. I like buying them movie tickets. These sorts of things have nothing at all to do with physical and economic power, and everything to do with making the woman feel like she is, in this moment, the most special person to you in all the world. And men like doing these sorts of things because — when we don't screw it up — we feel special too.

To Nicholas:

The reason that chivalry must be "dead" is that it is inherently oppressive. We can hold on to the traditional ways in which men used money and status to show their affection, but those traditions cannot remain exclusively male if women seek an equal position in society. To use an example I cited in the column, each partner in a relationship can take turns paying when going out for dinner. Although the "chivalric romantic gesture" is still there — treating one's significant other to a meal — few would label such a system "chivalry." The sentiment behind these gestures is fundamentally a very good thing for human relationships—as long as both partners participate in the relationship equally. The danger, however, lies in idealizing relationships in which women are merely the objects and loving recipients of affection.

Evelyn Daniel ('08)

Can Campus Safety handle everything?

To the Editors:

I am in complete agreement with Michael Lausch's thoughts on Campus Safety, or the lack thereof (Jan. 23). Anyone remember the tomato war that we had last year? Well, I remember that people were told several conflicting messages about what was going on and what we were supposed to be doing. Some people were instructed to go down to the basement of their dorm or academic building. Others, like myself, were sent outside and simply told to "go back to your room," with no instructions from Campus Safety that would prevent this dangerous situation. And then there was the Campus Safety car roaming around yelling out ambiguous instructions to those of us left to go wander outside. Did anyone on campus have any idea of what was going on?

And also, I know its simple and petty, but has anyone really ever had a successful time with the shuttle van? I learned long ago not to call them anymore because I know that they will never come. In something as simple as that, the system is going wrong. If Campus Safety cannot handle a severe weather warning, let alone the shuttle van system, then how do we ever expect them to handle a more challenging situation?

—Stephanie Dykema ('10)
Yellow Wallpaper
Rachel Lackey
Living is Easy with Eyes Closed
Just after the holidays I can't help but feel the weight of my year. At 21, Christmas followed the same routine—typical sweaters, jeans, CDs and movies as cards and wrapping presents gets less and my parents' house, cluttered with suitcases and a community. And as members of this Board of Trustees to the students, we are...What's Wrong With Greek
We are a community — from the Board of Trustees to the students, we are a community. And as members of this community we have the responsibility to identify problems and take action when they arise. I am of course referring to the existence on this campus of Greek Life. Let me put the preface that I don't think that Greeks are bad people. Most of us have some Greek friends and they're just like you or me. But the practices of Greek Life deserve serious criticism. I'll gladly concede that Greek Life, with all of its sororities and fraternities, raises a lot of money for Dance Marathon, Relay for Life and other causes. But this could be done by groups and individuals outside of Greek Life. I believe that each group or party needs a reason for its continued existence. I won't argue that membership in a sorority or fraternity has been remembered fondly by many. But the supposed benefits come at a great price to those individuals and to our community.
Greek Life's appeal and faults are the exclusiveist and secretive aspect of Greek Life. The sense of belonging and purpose that is found in a group identity; and the elitism of classism that frats and sororities perpetuate. And what about hazing? Well, Hope is very clever in that we now call it "New Member Education." It certainly takes the sting out of that word, but it is unquestionably still hazing.
I encourage you to ask around about stories from pledge week and I doubt you'll hear that it was pleasant or "educational." Not only does hazing exist, but there are also few deterrents. After pledge week, all of Greek Life organizes a party on a different night. What does that say about these institutions?
But what's wrong with Greek Life is largely a slave to its drinking culture. The fact that Greek Life's page on KnowHope has a guide for throwing "BYOB" functions. Yes, B for bring your own beverage. It's especially troubling that Hope encourages this behavior within our community while the admissions office waves the "dry campus" banner to every prospective student and their parents.
So why do we as a community sit idly while these injustices exist? Why are there few consequences? Maybe it's because Hope is dependent on alumni donations, and it's important to Greek alumni that the traditions in which they participated continues.
What was once perhaps a harmless institution is now a dangerous one. It may be that each group or party has its own values, but the hazing, the classism (some Greeks refer to the rest of us as GDIs, literally, "god damned independents") and the entire atmosphere of Greek Life is absolutely no place on a Christian campus.
Our community, especially the administration, should be ashamed. We should be shamed that we affirm these injustices through silence and by letting alumni checks outweigh the care of our students:
As a GDI, I have his readers to know he pushed the Knackebagger Fraternity but divorced himself from the concept due to irreconcilable differences.

Misery, pain continue in Palestine
To the Editors:
In 2008, pain and bled that Palest- inians have to provide daily to accom- plish their rightful state on their land and remove the enemy from their ranks and their land. Fed with bullets, American missiles and hunger, Palestine will face the world and defeat its enemies.
Despite the visit of President Bush to the Middle East, less than one hour after he reached2556

n the company of false convictions, the judicial system is now a dangerous one. It imposes a siege on 1.5 million humans for time ever in her life; lucky for her she got a permit to move out for the Christmas vaca- tion, when her parents did not, and lucky for her father was out of the Gaza to be able to escape. Some days I feel helpless like my cousin, while she was eating pizza in my house over Christmas, I did not see hunger, but I saw an adult trapped in the body of a 3-year old eating mozzarella choose for the first time ever in her life; lucky for her she got a permit to move out for the Christmas vaca- tion, when her parents did not, and lucky for her father was out of the Gaza to be able to host her for twenty days of freedom.
I do not see Palestine free, but I do not see it as the way you see it.
—George Philip Kicuyu('09)

Let’s see Palestine free, but I do not see it as the way you see it.
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LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

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The Anchor
Where the wind still blows

Stephen Cupery

Tread lightly

The last time I saw my footprint it was stoutly mismatched with a raccoon’s human hand-like paw track. Both were imbedded deep in the snow, their shapes crisscrossed with shadows dancing awry beneath swaying forest sentinels. It occurred to me our business differed there among the garbled speech of water and trees. Need apparently compelled this bandit of a creature towards the meandering stream I was traipsing along, whereas my doing wasn’t necessarily to gain a drink or arrive at my den or nest. Rather, the footprints I left were, I think, evidence and reminder of that ancient primordial want for travel, for going elsewhere, somewhere, anywhere.

In his book Outside Lies Magic, John Stilgoe notes a certain significance of our essentially innate drive to investigate. "Exploration is second nature, a second nature intimately linked to the adolescent days, but a nature easy enough to recover any weekday evening, any Sunday morning, any hour snatched away from programmed learning, from the webs and nets that invisibly and insidiously snare."

But why do we really find it in us to leave home, uprooting the familiar and setting off on the loose? What draws our souls such and beckons if not motivates us to imitate that vagabonding spirit found so pervasively yet differently in the animal kingdom? Whether it be the far off pioneer call spurring us westward into frontier lands for lucky strikes of opportunity and space or, at least, for this college generation, simply the affordability, the independance granted and probably a lacking in the bind of generational inherited trades displayed within agrarian communities of farming past.

For those like I who have heeded an itch, a compulsion to learn of the vastness and uniqueness in that distant land, we might not be so much the victims in an "unsettling of America" as Wendell Berry puts it, and instead find our migratory ways naturally lending to realizing each ones own niche.

A bird can fly where the whim of wind takes it. And at first glance birds evoke tremendous freedom. As it seems, the flights of terns, swans or gulls are without borders, perimeters and prevail unregulated. Though as I understand more about birds I found they are not quite the gloriously unrestrained things I imagined them to be. Theirs is a world of territory, ritual journeys, repetition, and personal property too. They then, are as much earth-bound and homely as us despite divisions of will and choice.

So, amid this endeavor of going, finding, experiencing novelty in other settings foreign, make your mark with tracks that have purpose, inhabit roosts with all dutiful carefulness, and leave appreciative of places not your own, wild or friendly as they may be.

Upon publication, anyone daring enough to find Stephen losing his way in Belizean jungles is more than welcome to come and join him in tracking the elusive jaguar.

Weekly Sudoku

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Hope basketball, the heart of Holland

As the women’s basketball team continues its winning streak and the men come off a close 79-76 victory over Calvin College, students, community members and faculty reflect on what their home team means to them.

“I am from Midland, and got a job teaching at Holland High. This has become my town, and Hope is a big part of it. By living here, Hope has become my team.”

Dave Sanderson, 63, Hope Fan

“I think it helps that it’s such an intimidating atmosphere, with everyone dressed in orange and blue and the house packed. When I go to play other places, there’s not nearly as many fans. (Hope’s fans) are really loyal and we appreciate all their support.”

Jordyn Boles (’08), Hope women’s basketball player

“You look around the arena and you see people from every position in Holland, people from all walks of life, pastors, businessmen, teachers, children. The arena is just awesome, and we’ve always had great student involvement.”

- Glenn Van Wieren, Hope men’s basketball coach

“I am a Calvin graduate, but a Hope fan. My wife says she reformed me.”

Ivan Compagneir, 79, Holland resident

“There is a great love affair here in Holland for Hope and for Hope sports. The sports piece surely begins with men’s and women’s basketball. It goes on from there.”

- Holland Mayor Al McGeehan

“One of the reasons we were selected as the school to host the 2008 and 2009 NCAA D3 Women’s National Championship was because of the community of Holland, and our campus being so supportive of basketball in general and of women’s basketball.”

Brian Morehouse, Hope’s women’s basketball coach

“Men’s Basketball

Winning streak to eight on Jan. 26 by defeating Calvin College 79-76. The score was tied 10 times before Hope took the lead for good when Tyler Wolfe made a layup with 2:36 left to play. Hope now leads the all-time head-to-head series with Calvin 84-83. The Calvin victory improves the Dutchmen’s record to 14-2 overall and 6-0 in the MIAA.

Women’s Basketball

Hope will play Tri-State today in DeVos Fieldhouse at 7:30 p.m.

HOPE SENIORS HONORED AS MIAA PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Marcus Vanderheide (’08) and Jordyn Boles (’08) both received MIAA player of the week honors after impressive performances last week. Vanderheide scored a total of 47 points, scoring 25 over 27 over two MIAA victories. He recorded his third double-double of the season on Saturday’s win over Calvin 79-76, while scoring a career-high of 30 points. This is the second time Boles has received this award this season and the third time in his career. Along with Vanderheide, Boles scored 38 points in a pair of Dutch victories. The senior guard scored 11 points in the Alma game and followed with a career-high 27 points in the 72-63 win over Saint Mary’s. Also, in the Saint Mary’s game, Boles recorded seven three-point baskets, which set a school record. This is the third time Boles has received this award in her career.

HOPE HOCKEY DEFEATS DIVISION II GVSU

The Hope College hockey team defeated Grand Valley State University 5-1 on Jan. 25. In the Dutchmen victory, four different players scored including Maarten Galantowicz (’10) with two and Jon Shaver (’08), Ryan Kelly (’09) and Matt Schrader (’10) with one goal each. Goaltie Mike Headley (’09) stopped 35 of 38 shots. Hope will play Albion College at The Edge on Feb. 2 at 9 p.m.
Leading the nation, Dutch still perfect

Team gains confidence with continued wins

Nick Minkel
Sports Editor

With 17 wins and zero losses, the Hope College women’s basketball team continues to strive for perfection. Recently, the Dutch came back from a three-point deficit at halftime to defeat Saint Mary’s College 82-73.

In the come-from-behind win, captain Jordyn Boles (‘08) scored a career-high 27 points, which included the for a school record of seven three-point baskets. Boles, who has 186 three-pointers, is only two away from the school’s all-time three point record held by Bria Ebelis (‘06). Also, Boles was named MIAA player of the week for last week’s performance.

On Saturday, Hope and Boles will face Kalamazoo College (1-8) for the first time this season. Although Kalamazoo has struggled this year, the team does have two standout players. Hope “has to contain”

“One of there guards is averaging 14 points a game and is able to shoot the ball very well,” Boles said. “They also have a post player that is averaging nine rebounds and 13 points a game. It is going to be important that we communicate where these two are at all times.”

Kalamazoo’s guard, Kelsea Howell (‘08), led the Hornets in steals and blocks and received second-team all-MIAA honors last year. Hope defeated Kalamazoo twice last season 81-34 and 101-33.

Despite having a perfect season thus far, the Dutch are continually trying to improve every day in practice.

“Coach Mo has really been stressing to our team about playing all 40 minutes of a game and not just turning it on when push comes to shove,” Boles said. “Effort and energy are the keys to how each game should be played. We need to concentrate on rebounding, close-outs, communication and making sure that we get the ball inside.”

An added bonus has come with winning this season as well-confidence. With the combination of experience and talent, this year’s team is living up to its ranking of the nation’s number one team on www.d3hoops.com.

“The team has a lot of experience, many of the girls have been in the NCAA tournament before,” captain Kaitlyn Kopke (‘09) said. “We also have some strong underclassmen who work hard and contribute to the team.”

By continuing their hard work and solid play, Hope will try to make a run at the MIAA and NCAA titles.

“It is going to be important that we all continue to play together and trust each other,” Boles said. “I would take this team that I have right now over any other team in the nation.”

Swimming prepares for final dual and MIAA championship

James Ralston
Sports Editor

In the 2007 MIAA season the Hope College men’s and women’s swim teams both swam to a strong second place finish at the conference finals. This year both teams are hoping to build on that result towards a MIAA championship and possible national bids.

“The team as a whole has stepped up training to a new intensity level this year,” captain Chas Vander Broek (‘08) said. “Winning conference the past two years has inspired us to work that much harder to succeed.”

The swim teams hosted rival Calvin College (25-26) and came out victorious.

The men had a decisive win over the rivals 163-116.

“Defeating Calvin puts us in a good place for the MIAA championships,” Vander Broek said. “Swimming well in such an important conference meet should get us excited and help us prepare for conference.”

The women prevailed in a tough battle against defending MIAA champion Calvin that came down to the final relay, which went 1:54-1:56 win.

“Calvin was a very tough team and we focused a lot of our training on them,” captain Trish Meier (‘08) said. “It was a close meet so we can’t go into conference overconfident. We need to keep focused and know that they are going to bring it.”

The conference meets will conclude with a dual meet at Olivet College Feb. 2. Following that meet the teams will have two weeks off to prepare for the MIAA championships, which will be held at the Holland Aquatic Center Feb. 14-16.

“We are starting our taper now in preparation for the MIAA championship,” Meier said. “Now we just need to focus on the details, plenty of sleep, proper nutrition and the small techniques will help us shave the tenths of seconds that make a difference.”

The men are also hoping that their hard work will lead to success at the MIAA meet. Their final meet at Olivet holds significance as Olivet is the reigning MIAA champion for the past two years.

Last year, the men’s team lost to the Comets 109-189 and the women won 191-93.

“Compared to previous years I think we’ve done very well because we have put in the extra hard work that it takes to improve,” Vander Broek said. “The entire team is working really hard.”

The women have also seen strong team and individual success largely thanks to their hard work. Meier pointed out a few swimmers to watch out for heading into the conference finals.

“Laura Ansilio (‘09) is really going to bring it,” Meier said. “She’s a competitor and has been working extremely hard.”

Also our entire backstroke group has always been strong.”

With plenty of potential combined with energy and hard work, both teams are looking forward to a successful finish to the season.

“We feel better about our chances now compared to the beginning of the season,” Vogelzang said. “Hopefully all of our hard work will pay off when it counts.”

When an opportunity Knox

James Ralston
Sports Editor

Despite being on the Hope College varsity women’s basketball team for three years, Courtney Knox (‘09) has never started a game. She spent her freshman and sophomore years learning from experienced post players on the team and transferred that knowledge onto the court when an unfortunate injury to teammate Carrie Snikkers (‘11) forced Knox to take on a larger role.

“Courtney is stepping up big, she’s rebounding, playing defense and scoring for us; she’s doing a really good job,” Snikkers said. “She’s working hard, and its good to know that there are people on the team that can step up when they’re needed.”

Snikkers, who had been filling the post position on the second line behind Lindsay Lange (‘08) has been inactive since Jan. 9 due to a foot injury. In the game following Snikkers’ injury, Knox led the team with 13 points scored. She also contributed with a team-high eight rebounds in the victory.

“Courtney has really stepped it up and has earned every minute she has,” Meier said. “She got an opportunity and really took advantage of it.”

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