Hope plans property swap with Holland

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Campus News editor

After several years of discussion, meetings and planning, Hope College and the Holland City Council have agreed to a property exchange in hopes of improving both Hope’s campus and the surrounding community areas.

According to Greg Maybury, Hope’s director of operations and technology, with the new property changes, the city of Holland plans to give Hope the properties of Lincoln Park (the skateboarding park near Gilmore and Dykstra Halls), Columbia Park (the tennis courts near the Dow Center) and land east of the Municipal Stadium.

In return, Hope will give the city of Holland the Ferris Building site (at 16th and Fairbanks) and $250,000. Hope will also split with Holland the $1 million cost of financing the resurfacing of Municipal Stadium with artificial turf.

The collaborative property swap, still in its early stages, should benefit both Hope’s campus and Holland’s community significantly, allowing for some important development opportunities.

“Lincoln Park and Columbia Park are completely surrounded by college property and are seen as strategic parcels for long-term college planning,” said Greg Maybury.

Maybury added that Hope currently has no specific development plans for these two properties, but avid tennis players may be pleased to know that plans are underway to use the land east of the Municipal Stadium to build 12 new, outdoor tennis courts.

Holland’s City Council plans to turn the Ferris Building site into part of Smallsen Park, hoping to add a new skateboard park, an ice skating facility and a small water park.

Both Holland and Hope will make use of the proposed co-financed artificial turf.

Maybury said, “The all-weather surface will allow greater flexibility for the Holland Recreation Department to schedule activities for its programs and will allow Hope College more programming time at the stadium for its activities.”

Phelps plans ‘Trayless Tuesday’ to cut waste

Matt Oosterhouse
Copy editor

Arguably one of the biggest emphases in 2008 was the push to “go green” and be sustainable; it worked its way into politics, especially during the period of high gas prices this summer, and proved to be a pivotal point of reference during the 2008 presidential election season. But how has Hope gotten involved?

In 2006, Hope College President James Bultman established the Campus Sustainability Task Force to address campus environmental concerns. Nicknamed “The Green Team,” the task force is composed of faculty, staff and students.

Bultman’s charge to the task force is to audit the environmental status of the campus, investigate and implement additional measures to make Hope a more sustainable campus, monitor progress and cost effectiveness, explore ways to integrate environmental stewardship and establish effective communication with the campus and community on environmental issues.

Phelps Hall will still be available, but Van Heukelom is planning its first “Trayless Tuesday” and 126 pounds of detergent to save. On, Feb. 3, Dining Services will be introducing a result, Hope is Hope is kicking off a voluntary Trayless Tuesday program in early February.

“We weighted our food waste last semester… (and) we think that we can reduce our food waste by 5-10 percent,” Van Heukelom said, noting that according to accounting, 4,975 pounds of food per week is thrown away in the dish rooms at Phelps Hall and Cook Hall.

Van Heukelom believes that there are so many food choices that there is a tendency for diners taking more food than they can eat. By removing trays, diners would need to be more selective as to which and how much food they are taking to their table.

Additionally, large amounts of water and detergent are required to clean trays. According to Van Heukelom, Hope uses, on average, 1,904 gallons of water and 126 pounds of detergent to clean 16,700 trays per week in Phelps Hall alone.

On, Feb. 3, Dining Services is planning its first “Trayless Tuesday,” in which trays in Phelps Hall will still be available, yet students will be encouraged to consider going trayless.
The Campus-West

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Anthem group presents Michigan Peace Team

Emily West

CAMPUS NEWS EDITOR

On Thursday, Hope College’s Anthems International, under the direction of Walter Niewiadomski, will welcome the Michigan Peace Team (MPT) to address the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. The group has been invited to partner with several other peace teams in both Israel and Palestine for 15 years and will be presenting at the Phelps Otte Room at 4 p.m.

James Colten (’11) of Hope’s Anthems group said, “It’s exciting to have the Michigan Peace Team at Hope because it will give more visibility to what’s going on in the world.”

HOPE PR- Dr. Boyd Wilson of the Hope College religion faculty will present the address “Flashes of Zen: Life without Fear” on Monday, Jan. 26, at 7 p.m. in the college’s Maas Center Auditorium. The public is invited. Admission is free.

Wilson is the second speaker in the new “Last Lecture Series” organized by the college’s Alcor Club chapter of the national Mortar Board honorary society to feature members of the faculty. The series debuted in November.

The title of the series is colloquial. Last lectures are not literally presented as the last that the speakers will deliver at Hope, but are meant to highlight the advice that they would most want to share if the event was indeed the final opportunity for them to address the college’s students. The professors are being asked to reflect on their careers and lives, and to think deeply about what matters to them and about what wisdom they would like to impart.

The “Last Lecture” delivered at Carnegie Mellon University by Dr. Randy Pausch on Sept. 18, 2007. Pausch, a member of the Carnegie Mellon faculty who had terminal pancreatic cancer—a fact known at the time that he spoke —presented “Really Achieving Your Childhood Dreams.” He died on July 25, 2008.

A professor of religion and a member of the Hope faculty since 1982, Wilson has received a variety of honors from the college’s students through the years. During the college’s Homecoming celebration in October, he received the 13th annual “Favorite Faculty/Staff Member” award presented by the student body. In 1987 he was the Hope Outstanding Professor Educator (H.O.P.E.) Award by the graduating seniors, and in 1990 he was chosen to deliver the college’s Commencement address by that year’s graduating class.

His research and teaching specialties are religions of India, Indian philosophy and theology. In addition to his academic-year teaching, he has led a popular May Term travel seminar in India through the years.

Wilson has made numerous presentations concerning world religions and Indian culture to academic audiences and the general public, including a presentation concerning Indian women’s folk art during the college’s “Winter Happening” event in January 1994. His most recent scholarly presentation was in September 2007 at the International Congress on Vedanta, where he delivered a paper titled “The Authority of Reason and the Reason of Authority: Sankara’s Use of Tarka in His Brhahma Sutra Bhadray.” External support of his research through the years has included a Fulbright Scholar Award and a National Council for U.S.-Arab Relations grant.

He joined the Hope faculty as an assistant professor, and was promoted to associate professor in 1987 and full professor in 1996. He has held visiting professorships at institutions including Tamilnadu Theological Seminary in Madurai, India; Western University, and the University of Stellenbosch in South Africa.

Food Services looks for ways to be more eco-friendly

In Brief

STUDENT REPORTS BEING ASSAULTED JUST SOUTH OF CAMPUS

The Holland Police Department and Campus Safety were made aware last week of a sexual assault on a Hope student. The incident occurred on Monday, Jan. 12, between 8 and 10 p.m. The student was walking toward campus from the area between 14th and 16th Street and College and Columbus Avenues. The attack was made outdoors and the unidentified assailant is believed to be a non-Hope student.

The student has been referred to campus and community resources. Following the report, the Holland Police Department was asked to increase its patrol of the campus and surrounding area. A conspicuous activity that persons should be reported to Campus Safety or a 911 call.

The college advises students who walk in groups and to take advantage of the Shuttle Bus service, especially at night.

Saturday, Jan. 31, will feature environmental-focused presentations by Bouma-Prediger and K. Greg Murray, professor of biology.

“It should be said that we have a long way to go to be a greener campus,” Bouma-Prediger said, “but there’s a lot that Hope has done in that area that people don’t know about.”
Newest technology hits U.S. cars

Colton Wright
Staff Writer

Put down those cell phones and get ready for a more Jetsons-like driving experience.

Car manufacturers Hyundai and Ford unveiled several starling technological adaptations in their newest models this month at the International Consumer Electronics Show held in Las Vegas.

Gary Hamel, who recorded nearly 40 percent losses last quarter, can now equip its vehicles with systems that detect surrounding cars, pedestrians, and even parking spaces.

The revolutionary system uses heat-seeking cameras to detect vehicles and pedestrians then sounds a buzzer and vibrates the steering wheel to signal the driver. Ultrasonic sensors help the driver park by measuring the distance between the car and other objects.

On the other hand, Fords took a different approach aimed at making digital lifestyles mobile. The American auto company whose sales fell to 1961 levels in 2008, will release a dashboard computer in March. The fully functional computer, which includes a keyboard and 6-inch touch screen, allows people on the go to access the Internet and edit documents. Currently, Ford is marketing the Works Solution package to business-oriented people for $1,195 per month with a monthly Internet access fee.

Reporters quoted Ford CEO Alan Mulally during a keynote speech at the convention that the automaker is learning to think more like an electronics company.

With the recent advancements in cell phone technologies, which allow for 24/7 connectivity, automakers are attempting to add another workspace: the mobile office.

"Consumers want a vehicle that's always on and always connected," said Kieran O'Sullivan, vice president of Continental Automotive Systems.

Not so fast, say some Hope students.

"I think Americans need to reevaluate their ideas about cars," said Justin Baker ('11). "They are things to get you from one place to another. If they would spend their time making an efficient cheap car that everyone could afford instead of the top 2 percent of what we are actually doing.

Baker was not alone in his objections. More than 90 percent of those polled agreed bringing computers into the driving mix was a bad idea.

Others polled noted that the technology might make them too responsible for the driver.

"If you're giving people another reason to be distracted, you're asking for more accidents," said Krista Philo (’11). "This leads to the idea that actually driving is not important. It's all the other things you could be doing instead.

Philo, a pre-law student, noted the recent Michigan anti-texting legislation that would prohibit drivers from texting unless they are reporting accidents or crimes. The legislation passed in December by a vote of 68-32 in the Michigan House. Currently, the State Senate is reviewing the bill.

"Drivers are already distracted by cell phones, GPS, and road conditions," added Philo. "The last thing we need is Facebook preoccupying our time on the road instead of concentrating on what we are actually doing: driving.

Soon, people may not need to drive much while driving. Current developments are automatic steering and braking systems. Maybe George Jetson drove his futuristic family around in a 2010 Ford Mustang.

"Peace has to be ushered with freedom."

—MAHATMA GANDHI
EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Israel’s attacks on Gaza illegal

Katya Matejka
Guest Writer

On Jan. 7, the Holland Sentinel printed an editorial byCal Thomas entitled “Meet Today’s Nazism.” Thomas argued that not only is Israel justified in the current attacks but also that they should have never given any land to the Palestinians.

He compared Hamas to the Nazis claiming that the only difference was that “today’s killers don’t speak German.”

When Tariq Aziz put on to say that Israel should use whatever force was necessary until they achieve “total victory or death.” However, the article failed to demonstrate the many sides of the humanitarian crisis in the Middle East and his comparison to the Nazis diminished what actually happened in the Holocaust.

“Israelis attacks have been a violation of United Nations’ resolutions and the U.S. Arms Export Control Act so in calling Hamas terrorists we should remember that what Israel is doing is also illegal. In early November it was Israel that violated the cease-fire first by killing four Palestinians in Gaza. Now, as of Jan. 21, more than 1,200 Palestinians have been killed.

The vast majority of those killed have been civilians, including women and even 410 children. Over 5,000 have been injured. Israel continues to target UN schools even though the UN has confirmed that Hamas was not using their facilities. Now the UN will no longer send aid because several of their workers have been killed by Israeli fire, which shows how indiscriminate Israel is about who they will kill in these attacks.

Hamas was democratically elected by the Palestinians like Yitzhak Shamir, a leader in the terrorist group Lehi which assassinated and targeted British officials, was elected to be prime minister by Israelis in 1982.

Palestinians have lived with 60 years of occupation and oppression where the Israelis control everything (food, medicine, travel) that goes in and out of Gaza.

Habeas Awarad, a Palestinian who works in International Education at Hope, said it is like, “Israel controls the air we breathe.” He also added that “peace has to be ushered with freedom” and until Israel stops their complete control of Gaza’s borders, Palestinians will never really know freedom.

Israel is militarily stronger than all of the enemies that surround it, thanks in part to the Nazis diminished what actually happened in the Holocaust.

After 9/11 the United States were one people united for our cause and the attacks against the people of Gaza will have a similar effect. Just like violence from Hamas is not tolerated (although only 10 Israelis have been killed in these assaults) such disproportionate violence from Israel should be questioned.

Awarad explained that what we are seeing today is not like virtually experiencing the decades of oppression that Palestinians have been put through. As a nation that claims to stand for freedom and justice we should question who we are supporting and why. The story of Israel and Palestinians that Israel would like them to be destroyed, so can we blame them for fighting back?

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“Sting brings music, eco-message to Sundance Fest”

PARK CITY, Utah (AP) — Sting drew cheers with an impromptu set at a benefit concert for the Rainforest Film Festival, but his real purpose was to bring attention to a film dealing with the pain of ancient forest, passion for rainforest preservation.

Joe Berlinger’s “Crude” traces 15 years of a class-action lawsuit filed by Ecuadorians who claim that oil producer Chevron Corp. is liable for contaminating water supplies and killing and injuring hundreds of thousands of river dwellers of the Amazon River.

Sting and wife Trudie Styler attended the Rainforest Foundation, and they became involved at Berlinger’s behest. The film chronicles Styler’s fact-finding trip to Ecuador and includes footage of Sting performing with the Police at last summer’s Live Earth music marathon on behalf of global-warming issues.

“I have a walk-on in this film and not only that, I’m here to support the missus,” Sting said in an interview alongside Styler, Berlinger and plaintiffs’ attorney Pablo Fajardo and Steven Donziger.

“I think it’s a great battle to fight,” said Sting, whose Sundance visit included performing with the house band at a lodge sponsored by Gibson guitars.

The Rainforest Foundation is helping to bring in tanks to capture rain and provide clean drinking water as a stopgap measure, but the plaintiffs say Chevron needs to pay for long-term measures.

“We’re all conscious of the fact that the world without petroleum would basically stop,” said Fajardo, the plaintiffs’ lead attorney, speaking in Spanish translated by Donziger, an American attorney consulting on the case.

“If these companies act to a greater responsibility, respecting life, I believe we could coexist with oil companies. The problem isn’t petroleum in and of itself. It’s how it’s drilled in our case.”

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**Shootings protested in U.S., Greece**

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Former Bay Area Rapid Transit police officer Johannes Mehserle, 27, pleaded not guilty on Jan. 15 in the New Year’s Day shooting which resulted in the death of Oscar Grant III. Mehserle and others pulled several men, including Grant, from a train early in the morning on Jan. 1 after there were complaints of a fight. Witnesses videotaped as Mehserle shot Grant, 22, in the back as another officer held him face down to the ground.

The shooting has led to several protests in the Oakland, Calif. area due to unrest over how the inquiry starts.

“Tough to figure how,” one person said, “more than a handful of people have been killed by this cop because he didn’t say ‘stop’ and the public called for his resignation.”

**HAND IN HAND— Protesters march in Oakland, Calif. against the recent shooting of a local teen man.**

Laura Stritzke  
GUEST WRITER

On Jan. 9, the House of Representatives in Illinois voted 114-1 to impeach Democratic Gov. Rod Blagojevich. The preceeding day a bipartisan committee made up of 21 House representatives recommended the same course of action, citing the governor’s “abuse of power in the ordinary work of government.”

Blagojevich is accused of trying to sell President-Elect Barack Obama’s vacant Senate seat to the highest bidder. Federal prosecutors arrested both Blagojevich and his chief of staff John Harris on Dec. 9 based on a two-count criminal complaint charging them both with conspiracy to commit mail and wire fraud and solicitation of bribery.

The charges were the result of an extensive FBI investigation of the governor’s activities in which the governor was recorded through the use of wiretaps trying to garner financial benefits for himself and his wife in exchange for Obama’s Senate seat.

When a Senate seat is vacant it is the responsibility of that state’s governor to appoint a replacement. The governor is accused of employing “pay-to-play” politics in looking for a re-placement for Obama’s seat and also in giving out government contracts.

Even after he was released on bail Blagojevich claimed to be innocent and continued his normal activities as governor amidst ceaseless calls for his resignation from members of both parties. The governor defi-nitely appointed Roland Burris to Obama’s senate seat on Dec. 30, a move that drew criticism and resistance. Senator leaders did not want to seat Burris, fearing that it would legitimize Blagojevich’s authority as governor.

After the Jan. 9 impeachment Senate leaders reviewed Burris’ appointment and decided he was a legitimate replacement despite the controversy surrounding the man who appointed him. On Jan. 15, senate leaders swore in Burris to the Senate despite the previous resistance to his ap-pointment. Sen. Dick Durbin (D-Ill.) praised Burris, insisting that the previous resistance was not due to Burris himself, but to how he was appointed.

After hearing about the vote in favor of his impeachment, Blagojevich organized a press conference in which he was flanked by Illinois citizens say-ing he had always “found ways to use my executive authority to save lives.” He vowed to fight to prove that he had done nothing wrong or unlawful.

Rep. Barbara Currie who was in charge of the House Impeachment Committee called Blagojevich’s “a public servant who has chosen not to serve the public … who has betrayed his oath of office … who is not fit to govern.”

The impeachment trial is expect-ed to begin in the Illinois senate on Jan. 26, where lawmakers will have to sort out the accusations against the governor with the politic theatrics that have sur-rounded the entire scandal since it began Dec. 9.

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TheFew officers responded with firing several rounds of tear gas, concealing parts of the city with clouds of gray smoke.

The two officers involved in the shooting were recommended to begin in the Illinois senate...
Live from New York: it’s one of Hope’s own!

Music student receives opportunity of a lifetime with SNL

Julie Kocsis
Staff Writer

At one point last semester, around 11:30 on a Saturday night, I remember looking around and seeing Alec Baldwin engaged in a conversation with Tina Fey and Sarah Palin. In another corner of the room Mark Wahlberg was standing with Lorne Michaels and a security guard. Last semester, I felt like the luckiest girl in the world. I got the opportunity to live in New York and work as an intern with the music department at “Saturday Night Live.”

“How on earth did you get that internship?” I’ve had several people ask me. Last January, answering phones, running errands and just helping everything backstage run more smoothly. There was Eddy, the friendly, but highly out-spoken security guard, and a guy everyone called “Speedy,” who has been the tech/radio guy for all the musical guests since Day 1 of SNL. There were the cast members, Bobby Moynihan and Kristen Wiig especially, who were just really cool, down-to-earth people, though, I loved working with every day.

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—Julie Kocsis, ’10

DREAMING BIG — Julie Kocsis (’10) at the entrance to the Saturday Night Live studios in the GE Building in New York City’s Rockefeller Center, home of NBC Studios and where she interned last semester.

SNL Pages, Sarah, Andrew and Janelle, who sat at the Page Desk every Thursday through Saturday; answering phones, running errands and just helping everything backstage run more smoothly. There was Eddy, the friendly, but highly out-spoken security guard, and a guy everyone called “Speedy,” who has worked as the tech/radio guy for all the musical guests since Day 1 of SNL. There were the cast members, Bobby Moynihan and Kristen Wiig especially, who were just really cool, down-to-earth people. And the terrifying, God-like producers, who have their way with every last thing — coffee, photo copy-schlepping luggage — it was what I got to observe, first hand, that I enjoyed and learned from the most.

One of my favorite musical guests was probably Beyonce. Her performance and that’s what airs. Although most of what I did there were very intern-like things — coffee, photo copy, schlepping luggage — it was among the many things I got to observe, first hand, that I enjoyed and learned from the most. Among the many things I got to observe, first hand, that I enjoyed and learned from the most.

During the early parts of each week arrangements were made with that week’s guest band for stage set-up, rehearsal times, etc. Then on Thursdays, things kicked in a bit more and the guest singer/band would come for rehearsal. I, and the two other interns, helped the guests from their cars, to their dressing rooms and to the stage. Mostly, we worked with the singer’s “people” (manager, backing band, hair/makeup) and helped cater to the artist’s needs.

On Saturdays, we would arrive at Studio 8H around 11 a.m. for the SNL house band rehearsals. Later, the guest band would arrive for their rehearsal. At 8 p.m. was a dress rehearsal of the entire show with a live studio audience, and, of course, at 11:30 was the live show. And yes, it is live. Very live. Something gets screwed up, and that’s what airs. Among the many things I got to observe, first hand, that I enjoyed and learned from the most.

One of the most memorable performances of the semester was Coldplay. One of my favorite musical guests was probably Beyonce. Her performance and that’s what airs. Although most of what I did there were very intern-like things — coffee, photo copy, schlepping luggage — it was what I got to observe, first hand, that I enjoyed and learned from the most. Among the many things I got to observe, first hand, that I enjoyed and learned from the most.

The public is invited. Admission is free.

The Knick Presents "A Man Named Pearl"

The Knickerbocker Film Series will present the movie "A Man Named Pearl" on Friday and Saturday, Jan. 23-24; Monday, Jan. 26-28; and Friday, Jan. 30, at 7:30 p.m. at the Knickerbocker Theatre in downtown Holland.

"A Man Named Pearl" is a documentary that tells the inspiring story of self-taught topiary artist Pearl Fryar. It offers an up-close look at an individual who has devoted his life to spreading the joy of art and sharing his passion for his yard work studied by artists and enthusiasts alike.

The public is invited. Tickets are $6 for regular admission and $5 for students and senior citizens, and will be available at the door.

This Week In Art

Wednesday Jan. 21
Coolispens Entertainment 9 - 11 p.m., Kletz

Thursday Jan. 22
Voltagel Talk by Michael Theune 4:55 p.m., Fried-Hemmingway Aud.

SAC Weekend Movie "The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas" 8 p.m. Vander werf 102 Admission $2

Sunday Jan. 25
Musical Showcase Auditions 7 p.m., Wichers Aud.
Have you Heard? Andrew Gehl and Paul Rice review the year’s best albums

Sigur Rós - 'Moé sud l’eyrum viþlum endalastu'.

The fifth album by Icelandic post-rock giants Sigur Rós marks a wide expansion of their songwriting pallet. The tribal stomping of the opening track "Gobhledignok" and the curious symphonic build of "Inni mér synugar vítlesingur" are easily among the best songs of Sigur Rós entire catalogue, and the rest of the album’s robust art rock and quiet piano pieces are all pretty solid.

Anathallo - 'Canopy Glow'.

Though their studio albums will probably never fully convey the intricacy and intensity of their live show, Canopy Glow represents a band in their creative prime. Though easily overwhelming at first, it is an explosion of sounds and ideas filled with exuberant newness and breathtaking beauty.

Coldplay - "Viva la Vida or Death and All His Friends".

Coldplay could have made a whole career out of the sweeping piano ballads and somewhat less sweeping piano ballads that they’ve been cranking out, but "Viva la Vida" breaks free of all habits and expectations. Take the signature Coldplay sound and rub it up against Radiohead, My Bloody Valentine and U2, and you get an album that is accessible, emotional and ripe with artistic integrity.

Los Campesinos! - 'Hold On Now Youngster'.

Snarky UK newcomers Los Campesinos! have more energy than a thousand Death Cab For Cuties. On their stellar debut album they demonstrate a unique blend of twee pop and punk with flourishes of prog-rock instrumentation and a singer who spills out abundant paragraphs of smart sarcasm and obscure indie trivia like he’s got two and a half minutes left to live. There’s a lot of chaos to take in, but the result is 43 minutes of upbeat electric fun.

TV On The Radio - 'Dear Science'.

This follow-up to 2006’s much-celebrated "Return To Cookie Mountain" finds TV On The Radio harnessing their pop catchiness without forfeiting any of their intelligent musicianship and lyricism. Hand claps and blasting brass sections underlay everything from sex and dancing to Israeli politics and Lynchian morals. Somehow, TV Onit managed to create a terrifyingly relevant album that does not skimp on the sweaty dance numbers – a feat worth admiring.

Portishead - ‘Third’.

If a more depressing album came out in 2008, I have not heard it. Portishead’s Beth Gibbons haunts “Third” with a ghostly voice as if Emily Dickinson had picked up a microphone instead of a pen. Death, hopelessness and isolation float over muffled, stop-start drumbeats and sparse, stringy lines like a bad omen. “Third” is a powerful album capable of sucking all the energy out of the listener. Be warned.

The Dodos - 'Visitor'.

This is one of those albums that seems familiar yet unique. Guitarist Meric Long and drummer Logan Kroeber are just two guys who, by all accounts, should not be able to use their traditional instruments in such a shocking way. The fast-paced strumming and tribal drumming mesh with Long’s soaring voice to create an interesting blend of franticness and dreaminess worth a mention in any year-end list.

Bon Iver - 'For Emma, Forever Ago'.

When a man retreats into a winter Wisconsin cabin in the woods in order to write an album about a break-up, he runs the risk of over-personalizing his music. Justin Vernon, the man behind Bon Iver, skillfully avoids this. Instead, his folksy guitar and falsetto fail to overindulge, and "For Emma, Forever Ago" finds its footing by conjuring subtle images of nature, solitude and, most felicitously, a sense of acceptance.

Beach House - 'Devotion'.

To say the least, Beach House wins the award for most fitting album title of 2008. "Devotion" is filled with pining songs which are narrated by a selfless, astute woman capable of giving herself to any one of her conversation partners. The slow, controlled pop of "Devotion" gently welcomes the listener without any jarring standouts – you can almost feel yourself being winked at from across the room by the singer with a "come hither" curl of the finger.

Writing on the walls: Art student endeavors to get the community involved

Taylor Hughes

Arts Editor

Ever needed an excuse to draw, scribble or write on the walls of Hope College? Well then you’re in luck and senior studio art major, Nikolas Burkhardt has created the venue.

Through January 21, Burkhardt has installed markers and pens on a wall in Room 147 of DePree Art Center for all to come be a part of the creative process. Burkhardt wants all to know they are welcome to write, draw, tell stories and jokes, vent or express themselves in any other way.

“The idea behind this project is to explore how art functions within a communal setting,” said Burkhardt. “After a certain period of time I plan to make drawings and paintings in response to what other people have created.”

Burkhardt came up with the idea after hearing of similar projects happening in other places.

“In a town near where I grew up, there used to be an entire outside wall of a building that was a designated “art space” where people could paint and draw,” said Burkhardt. The space soon became controversial and was shut down.

Other influences for Burkhardt include professional artists, Tim Rollins and Matthew Ritchie, who regularly involve a similar collaborative process in some of their artwork.

“I believe that everyone innately has creative potential within them. I wanted to work against the commonly held stereotype of the artist-genius as a tormented recluse and remove some of the mystery from the art making process,” said Burkhardt.

Many have already flocked to the popular project. A Facebook event was created to get the word out including over 500 people interested. Burkhardt himself estimates a little over 50 will have participated.

“During my four years here at Hope, I’ve heard a lot from people that they’ve never been in the art building before. The ultimate goal is to bring the art community from the periphery into the general consciousness of the larger Hope community,” said Burkhardt.

The next phase of this project will be a time of editing where Burkhardt has said he will be trying to achieve an overall sense of unity to the wall drawing. He will be drawing into, painting over, and expanding what already is on the wall.

COMMUNAL ART— Senior Nikolas Burkhardt examines the beginnings of his project. Markers have been installed as all are welcome to come and contribute to the masterpiece.
So long, Mr. Bush
As he leaves office, President George W. Bush's legacy may shine brighter abroad than at home

Ayanfe Olonade
Guest Writer

January 21, 2009

Over the past eight years America has been a part of an interesting story, a story that has finally come to an end: the tenure of America’s 43rd president, George W. Bush. But does Bush’s tenure in office have a happy ending?

With the worst terrorist attack in U.S. history, the worst economic collapse in three generations and a war that has caused so much controversy, Bush’s story seems not to have an ideal ending.

People are now asking: what is Bush’s legacy? On Monday, Jan. 12, Bush defended his tenure as America’s 43rd president in his farewell address.

“I think it’s a good strong record,” Bush said.

While the country may be undecided as to its validity, some people thousands of miles away also agree with his statement.

In Africa, a continent struggling from the AIDS pandemic, many praise Bush and his five-year, $15 billion effort to prevent and treat the disease through an initiative called President’s Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief.

In 2003, Bush launched PEPFAR to combat global HIV/AIDS. This is the largest commitment by any nation to combat a single disease according to PEPFAR reports.

In one of the major towns in Rwanda, there are now over 100 centers where people can receive AIDS testing, counseling, and treatment. The community has experienced great changes since 2002, when they only had two centers. Today, hope has been restored to different families, through PEPFAR, Bush has fought hard against AIDS during his time in office.

Through PEPFAR, Bush worked with national and local leaders worldwide to support integrated prevention, treatment and care programs.

The success of this initiative can be heard in the stories of many children, fathers and mothers who have been given hope thanks to PEPFAR.

George W. Bush’s Legacy

Brittany Adams

For eight years, it has been my honor to serve as your president,” George W. Bush said on Jan. 15, 2009 in his farewell address to the nation. As he leaves the White House, he gives America much to remember him by.

Bush was not even a year into his presidency when the Twin Towers were taken down by terrorists. Not long after, troops were sent into the Middle East, beginning a war on terror that has yet to end. The public has responded negatively to sending troops into Iraq due to the unclear reasoning behind it, the death toll (which, according to www.cnnc.com, is 4,226, in addition to the 6,344 American lives lost in Afghanistan), and the cost of continuing there (www.newsday.com states that the total cost could be anywhere from $1 to $3 trillion).

In regards to the war on terror, Bush said, “Most Americans were able to return to life as much as it had been before 9/11. But never did I intend to do everything in my power to keep us safe.” With his efforts, including the creation of the Department of Homeland Security, the U.S. has not seen another terrorist attack since.

Foreign policy

Bush is famous for using the phrase “Axis of Evil” in reference to Iraq, Iran, and North Korea. To Bush, evil is a very real threat in today’s world.

He said, “I often spoke to you about good and evil, and this has made some uncomfortable. But good and evil are present in this world, and between the two of them there can be no compromise.” This belief has led him to act unilaterally, with mixed results.

Supreme Court justices

Appointing a Supreme Court justice is one of the strongest ways a president can leave a legacy, and Bush appointed two: Justice Samuel Alito and Chief Justice John Roberts. Both justices are known for their conservative politics, much like Bush.

His optimism in face of adversity

According to Ben Feller of the Associated Press, Bush never let his unpopularity get him down. The Real Clear Politics website lists Bush’s latest approval rating at a mere 29 percent, and his own former Press Secretary, Scott McClellan, has released a book entitled “What Happened” which slams him. However, Bush has responded to criticism and negativity by choosing to live with forgiveness and optimism.

Bush said in his farewell address, “There are things I would do differently if given the chance. Yet I’ve always acted with the best interests of our country in mind. I have followed my conscience and done what I thought was right. You may not agree with some of the tough decisions I have made. But I hope you can agree that I was willing to make the tough decisions.”
Juniors, go Greek

It’s easy to tell when rush season has begun. Every evening flocks of freshmen and sophomore girls show up primped and excited outside Maas and Wichers Auditorium waiting to meet the women who could potentially be their new sisters. In the dorms, girls talk about who got an invite to the next closed event while brushing their teeth. Rush is both an exciting time and a nerve-racking time.

Having twice gone through rush, I have a unique view of the process. I rushed SLB as a freshman and quit halfway through, convinced I was rushing for all the wrong reasons. When I was a junior, realizing how much I was missing out, I decided to try rushing again, this time as a Dorian. I had never considered myself a sorority girl, but found there were benefits to joining a sorority as a junior.

By the time your junior year rolls around, you usually have a pretty good idea of who you are. You’ve already dealt with serious moral dilemmas, like underage drinking, and you’ve set yourself apart (or blended in) by establishing a personal style. Usually by your junior year you’re less likely to be swayed into conforming to a stereotype, and you’re more established in your own outside activities and hobbies.

Many people claim that joining a sorority is for people who are so pathetic they have to buy their friends. But as a junior I had already established a solid foundation of friends. Sure, I was looking forward to making new friends and of course, having fun with them, but I knew I needed more from a sorority than just shallow sisters.

The benefit of really knowing who you are and why you’re joining a sorority is that you can then make better decisions about which sorority to join. You can make your decisions about which sorority to rush not based on stereotypes, but because you genuinely appreciate what an organization claims to stand for.

As an added bonus, when rushing as a junior, you have friends in whatever sorority you rush. This may not guarantee you a bid, but it certainly makes the rush process less stressful. Your friends can introduce you to other active members with whom you have common interests, and make sure you’re comfortable at events.

For those of you who aren’t juniors and are rushing—great! Just make sure you’re joining for the right reasons. It’s important that you read each sorority’s creed and are convinced you can stand behind the things the sorority is committed to. Please don’t change who you are in order to fit in. As Greek Life, we want you to join because you have something new and interesting to offer the organization, not because you become a carbon copy of the rest of the members.

So if you’re a junior, consider rushing this year. It’s a great opportunity to meet new people, get involved on campus, and improve the community. It’s never too late to become a part of Greek Life.

Ashley wants to thank her Dorian sisters for their support and encouragement in the last year. She looks forward to meeting this year’s rushes.

Gotta stay positive

New year, same old column

The New Year brings a fresh start. To commemorate this feeling I wanted to make a list of the things I am most looking forward to in 2009, but the pencil I borrowed to make room and erase last year didn’t do anything but smear it all over the page. You know those cheap graphite nightmares that ruined your Scantron sheet in sixth grade? Yep, I had one of those. So, since I didn’t want to go down without a fight, here are the worst things about last year:

1. The Olympics. I know what you are saying. Michael Phelps yadda yadda yadda. But if I wanted to see something exciting in the water I would have gone to the aquarium (or watched a rerun of “Buywatch”). From the opening ceremony lip-syncer to the (may or may not have been) 9-year-old Chinese gymnasts, the scandals were what made the games. Something about Tibet too, but I don’t know much about those guys other than they really want freedom. And Brad Pitt spent seven years there.

And now, a list of what I am most looking forward to in 2009:

4. Robots. Japanese scientists created a robot that scoots across the house and helps elderly people find the objects they have misplaced. I can’t wait to be old!

3. “Watchmen.” A movie based on the Holy Grail of comic books is going to come out this year and I will be attending on the first night with all the other 22 year olds that still collect comics. I might be there alone.

2. Joe Biden. Barack gets all the hype, but this is the man who said, “Every 10 years when you see me at one of these hearings I am different from every other member of judiciary that I have more hair than the last time. You know why? It’s all the activity in my brain! It breaks through my skull and nourishes my follicles with exciting nutrients! Try to follow me.” I follow you Mr. Vice President, believe me I do.

1. Graduation. No more showering with shoes on, getting scammed during book buyback, or checking my email with the regularity of someone diagnosed with OCD. I will be liberated while you suckers will still be logging on to Moodle.

RJ Casey forgot to add “This Column” into his list for 2009. Brace yourself for another semester of his hard-hitting editorial prowess and obscure pop culture references that will have everyone pleading for more.

Letter to the Editor

No room for indifference: Gaza injustices necessitate discussion

To the Editors:

In a recent feature on the BBC website, “Gazans Confront Shattered Lives,” we read about a 15 year old Palestinian girl named Amira al-Girim, who is now lying in a Gazan hospital bed with a broken leg. Amira’s parents were buried a box with remains they thought had been her. Her mother had already removed her legs cut off. The floor was covered with blood from her father’s car crushed, and I found my father’s car crushed, and I found my father’s car crushed, and... I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and I looked outside, I found my father’s car crushed, and...
For the past three years I have lived on a college campus. No classes, no homework; it’s just where I live. And every year, about this time, I see the same winter fashion trend: a winter coat with running shorts. I firmly believe that entering college is a brief stage of the evolution, followed by rapid growth and development. This causes (most) every college freshman to find joy in the simplest and most ridiculous things (I used to be a college secret society. And when you are, I will see you walking through campus in your winter coat and running shorts and chuckle.

Jim Kast-Keat

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Growing world Christians in the soil of peace

Hope College ranks in top 10 for Peace Corps volunteers

HOPE PR – Hope College is in the top-10 nationwide among small colleges and universities producing Peace Corps Volunteers in 2008.

Hope is the only school from Michigan in the top-25 for small colleges and universities for 2008, according to the “Peace Corps Top Colleges and Universities 2009” listings released on Monday, Jan. 12. With 18 alumni serving as Peace Corps Volunteers, Hope is in a five-way tie on the listing with Colgate University, Dartmouth College, Gustavus Adolphus College and Williamette University. In last year’s report, Hope ranked 24th nationally for 2007 with 14 alumni serving as volunteers.

The Peace Corps ranks schools according to the size of the student body. Small schools are those with fewer than 5,000 undergraduates, medium-size schools have between 5,001 and 15,000 undergraduates, and large schools have more than 15,000 undergraduates. Hope has 3,238 students this year.

The number of alumni volunteers among the top 25 in each of the three undergraduate size categories ranges from 42 to 104 for large colleges and universities; from 19 to 57 for medium colleges and universities; and from 15 to 35 for small colleges and universities.

Although it is a note require-ment for service, the majority of volunteers who have served in the Peace Corps since its founding 47 years ago have been college graduates. Currently there are 7,876 Peace Corps Volunteers serving in 76 countries. Peace Corps Volunteers must be U.S. citizens and at least 18 years of age. Peace Corps service is a 27-month commitment.

Michigan State University and the University of Michigan are also in the top-25 undergraduate listings, in the category for large colleges and universities. Michigan State University ranked third with 89 alumni volunteers, and the Uni-versity of Michigan at Ann Ar-bor ranked fifth with 82 alumni volunteers.

The University of Michigan is also in the report’s top-five listing for the number of volunteers that it has pro-duced historically, with a total of 2,276 since 1961.


Activities to do with older siblings

Ashley DeVecht
Co-editor to Guest

For those Hope College stu-dents with older siblings, Sib-lings Weekend can be hard to bear. Arts and crafts hardly entertain teens, and the Bio Zoo may only keep the atten-tion of older boys for half an hour. Students are often left wondering, “What should we do now?”

This year the Student Activ-ities Committee has compiled a series of activities that may help fill your sibling’s itinerary with fun and excitement.

Mad Science Presents CSI

Sponsored by the office of Events and Conferences, the Mad Science production of CSI: Live! is an interactive journey through the world of crime scene investigation. Attendees will act as “re-cruits” helping CSI investiga-tors to test theories and solve the case. They’ll use their logic and the forensic know-how used in popular television shows to analyze mysterious gasses, launch experimental projectiles, and fire lasers.

The program is appropriate for ages 8 and older and admission is free for Hope students.

Hope vs. Albion Game

Nothing says “Hope Col-lege” quite like Hope Basket-ball. Give your siblings an ex-perience they will never forget; dress them in orange and blue and join the Dew Crew for an action-packed game.

Hope plays Albion at 3 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 24 at the De-Vos Fieldhouse. Students get into the game for free with a Hope College ID.

Harlem Globe Trotters

Tell your siblings to stick around for an event that has never before come to Holland.

The Harlem Globetrotters will be performing at the Devos Fieldhouse on Monday, Jan. 26. Tickets start at $18 and are for sale at the Devos Fieldhouse.

The Globetrotters will play against the Washington Ge-nerals while showing off their fancy footwork and entertain-ing basketball tricks.

The Globetrotters have been around for 82 years and are well known all over the world. They have played for world leaders, presidents and popes.

Entertainment at Lemonjello

Grab a cup of coffee and en-joy the music of local bands. The Mighty Narwhale, Glow-friends, and Zach Vinsin will be performing starting at 8:30 p.m. There is a $3 cover fee, but the first 50 Hope students get in free.

Protests over shooting extend outside U.S., turn violent

Since its founding in 1918, the organization has grown from the four founding chapters to 226 collegiate chapters with nearly 550,000 initiated members across the nation. The Alcor chapter has existed at Hope since the 1936-37 academic year, although it did not become part of the national Mortar Board organization until 1951.

The chapter also sponsored a “last chance talk” during the 1960s. The idea back then was to invite a faculty member to express his/her ideas under the hypothetical assumption that this would be the last opportunity to address the student body. The late Dr. D. Ivan Dykstra, professor of philosophy, delivered the first “last chance talk” in the spring of 1962.

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Bultman honored by election to NCAA Presidents Council

Chris O'Brien

Fifty years ago, Hope College President James Bultman was coming to the end of his senior year in high school. He was faced with the daunting decision of choosing where to attend college. Following high school, he played football, basketball, and baseball and was being recruited to continue playing at Ferris State. At one point, Bultman was seriously considering this path.

“I thought I would go into pharmacy at Ferris,” Bultman said. “But a teacher of mine said, ‘You’re not a Ferris type of person, you should come to Hope College.’”

After looking into Hope and weighing the two options, Bultman decided to come to Hope and major in chemistry. At Hope, Bultman continued his sports career, lettering in both football and baseball all four years. Bultman was named captain of both the football and baseball teams, and was named MVP of the baseball team his junior and senior year. Bultman said he enjoyed being a part of such successful teams.

“We didn’t have a playoff, but we did win the MIAA in baseball my senior year,” Bultman said, “And the 1959 football team was really an exceptional team.”

After graduating from Hope College in 1963, the future president of the college returned in 1968 to teach in the Education department. Sports once again became a part of Bultman’s career at Hope as he became an assistant football coach in 1970 and head baseball coach in 1971. He coached both teams until 1985, and then served as president of Northwestern College in Orange City, Iowa, until 1999. In 1999, Bultman returned to Hope as president, and was back at the place he always felt was best.

“I’ve always thought Hope was a very special place,” Bultman said. “The balance of intellectual, spiritual, social and physical as a whole package is really special.”

Once again, sports will play a large role in the president’s career as he was recently named to the Division III Presidents Council of the National College Athletic Association. On this council, he along with 14 other presidents will be the primary governance body responsible for major policy decisions governing Division III athletics. The term begins this April and will last four years.

“Through all of the different jobs he has had at Hope College, Bultman said he really does not have a preference to any specific one:

“As president, decisions are weightier, but in terms of fulfillment I would have been content as a professor and coach,” Bultman said. “I’ve always thought I’ve had the best job in the world probably since 1966.”

Athletes come together in canned food drive

Taylor Hughes

Hope College ACT is a relatively new program to the Hope community. Formerly known as SAC, ACT stands for Athletes Coming Together. The program ended the year of 2008 doing just that.

Nov. 25 to Dec. 5 ACT organized their first canned food drive competition between the athletic teams. The winner got the chance to donate $250 to the charity of their choosing. This holiday season the winner decided to give back to one of Hope’s own.

Baseball player Matt Richardson (’09) collected for everyone on the team and was determined to win the competition. In the end they had amassed over 660 items of food and won by a landslide.

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-Matt Richardson (’09)

Athletes are competitive so the competition between teams to raise food for the needy was a natural fit...it was a testament to what a team can accomplish outside the field or court,” Richardson said.

Richardson decided to donate the money in the form of a gift card to long-time volunteer for the Hope College football, baseball and women’s basketball team coach Rich Hayes. Hayes has donated his time and dedication to his teams by attending practices, helping with equipment, and overall support and encouragement. You can find him at any game lending a hand with anything from the ball cart to the clock and scoreboards.

“Coach Hayes always brings a positive attitude and never asks for anything in return. He just loves being with the teams, helping out and being a part of the Hope College sports tradition of team excellence,” said Morgan Hughes, assistant athletic director, assistant women’s basketball coach and an ACT advisor.

Hayes’ wife, Betty, is a former employee of Hope College’s copy center but has since retired and has been burdened with medical complications. The money will go to him and his wife. Upon receiving the gift certificate in thanks for his help over the years, coach Hayes appeared truly astonished.

“I was very surprised. I’ve been doing this for over 15 years and wasn’t looking for anything. I am proud of these boys and just enjoy helping out with the teams,” Hayes said. He then directed the attention from him to head baseball coach, Stu Fritz, explaining all the great work he does for his players. Fritz returned the gratitude and expressed his pride in his players and the athletic community at large.

“It was really great that we could help those in need and one of our own. The team really jumped in with both feet,” Fritz said.
**MEN’S BASKETBALL**

**Calvin stuns Hope in nail-biting home loss**

James Ralston
Sports Editor

With a sellout home crowd behind them, the Hope College men’s basketball team fell just short against Calvin College on Jan. 17. The Dutchmen struggled throughout the game, falling behind by 10 points twice in the second half.

“After the Grand Valley State University on Jan. 23. Last dual meet against Grand Valley particular will be their upcoming importance for the women in part. They now sit in second place in the MIAA with a 3-1 conference record. They will face Alma College at home on Wednesday Jan. 21 at 7:30 p.m.

“Something more important to the pool. “As seniors, especially, we realize the most important thing is having fun,” Ansilio said. “We want to swim our best and have fun.”

On the men’s side of the sport, they are working to continue to train at the same level that they have been. “We need to keep our training up,” Vogelzang said. “We have about three and a half weeks left until our taper, so it’s important to focus on training these next few weeks.”

The men’s team has several long-term goals as well. “We want to keep swimming as fast as we’re able to,” Vogelzang said. “We’re working on getting national cuts for the national meet. We want to place in the top ten at nationals. We also want to swim fast at the league meet and win.”

The teams hosted the Michigan-Illinois Quad Meet on Jan. 17, for results see box (right).

**So close**

**Teams carry national rankings into MIAA season**

Bethany Stripp
Guest Writer

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“Something more important to the pool. “As seniors, especially, we realize the most important thing is having fun,” Ansilio said. “We want to swim our best and have fun.”

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The men’s team has several long-term goals as well. “We want to keep swimming as fast as we’re able to,” Vogelzang said. “We’re working on getting national cuts for the national meet. We want to place in the top ten at nationals. We also want to swim fast at the league meet and win.”

The teams hosted the Michigan-Illinois Quad Meet on Jan. 17, for results see box (right).