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FLYING NORTH? TAKE YOUR PASSPORT

Joe Vasko
Short Voice

On Jan. 23 the Department of Homeland Security released new travel requirements that make it essential to carry a passport when traveling to and from Canada, Mexico, Bermuda, Panana and the Caribbean. The requirements apply to both U.S. citizens and citizens of those respective countries.

The changes come as a result of the department’s Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative passed into law in 2004. They serve as yet another precaution to consider before traveling abroad.

Both youths and adults are subject to the new requirements. Although they currently apply only for air travel, similar requirements will be instituted for all forms of travel by January 2008.

Citizens attempting to cross the border casually will not be able to do so until they can show an American passport.

Citizens trying to re-enter the United States from any of these countries will not be readmitted with only a birth certificate or any other identification methods previously acceptable.

Presently, the Mexican government does not require American or Canadian citizens to show a passport for entry just a birth certificate or a neutralization certificate with driver’s license.

Therefore, travelers will be responsible for keeping their passports in their personal belongings for the return trip.

The people most affected by these new passport requirements are the frequent travelers who will now need to fill out paperwork, make a payment and send in for a passport which could take a month. These new travel requirements will be a hassle.

According to the climate experts, “global warming is very likely a human-caused problem that will last for centuries and require international action to reduce its potentially devastating impacts.”

According to the report, the climate experts and scientists from 113 countries said they were now 90 percent confident that global warming is caused by human activities.

Now that new research is putting blame for global warming directly on humans, the president has added pressure to find ways to slow the threats of global warming.

The Bush administration did embrace the idea of the report, but announced that it would reject the experts’ demands for a “mandatory system of capping greenhouse gas emissions such as carbon dioxide.”

Instead, Bush will rely on his former plans to develop renewable fuels and require more efficient vehicles to be made for the country’s highways.

Many are not satisfied with Bush’s plan.
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Friday Feb. 9
Film: "Joyeux Noel"
7 p.m. Knickerbocker Theatre. General admission $6, $5 for students and seniors.

The Smithonian Institution Traveling Exhibition Service (SITES) partners with Bates College Museum of Art in Lewiston, Maine to depict China’s transition from a traditionally agricultural society to a modern industrialized one and the consequences of such a change. Fifty-seven photographs in black-and-white and color, by seven photographers, are included in the exhibit, which is made possible through the support of Crystal Cruises.

Liu Xiaodi, Jiang Jin, Zhang Ximin, Luo Yongjin, Zhou Hai, Lu Yaunian and Zhou Ming each tell their stories and the story of their country through raw and provoking images. They tell of those struggling to blend into an urban landscape without losing sight of their traditional ways and how they have survived.

More than 90 million rural workers have migrated to urban centers, according to the Boca Raton Museum of Art website, where the exhibit appeared last.

These migrant workers face crowded conditions, inadequate food and shelter and serious mistreatment by more established urbanites.

Exhibition curator, Gu Zheng of Fudan University in Shanghai, says that the departure of peasants from their land and their integration into city life is the most important event in the modern transformation of Chinese society.

Zheng has written a catalog of the same name as the exhibit to see DePree, page 4.
Global
Earth and the threat of global warming and called on others to join them in the initiative to save the earth’s environment.

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“Global warming is very real. The world is warming up much more and much faster than we expected. We have to change it,” Bouma-Depree said. “The consequences are potentially catastrophic. We have 10 years to make significant changes or we will pass a tipping point beyond which there is no return.”

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Braaksma, costume designer, played a huge role in deciding the time period for the play. A 20th century setting allows more freedom with the movement of the characters.

Scandal
The stage. “In the more formal setting, the proscenium stage (i.e. Two Rooms), the designer only has to think of one visual picture, since the audience is only on one side of the stage,” set designer Sarah Watkins (’08) said. “However, in the arena, the audience is surrounding the entire intimate space; thus, there are four visual pictures to take into consideration. As the designer, I am responsible for pleasing four audiences.”

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Hope’s production of the play is set shortly before 1920 instead of the 18th century. Michael Matson defended the $7,500 costume does not really represent the Hope College that I know. Students here come from many different backgrounds and situations.”

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When: Sundays 6 - 7 p.m.

International Food Fair
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Congressional Corner
Annoynces Discussion
Last night, Student Congress discussed the different annoyance representatives have observed around campus. The conversation included ice removal, visitation hours, classes during community hour, the location of the ticket office, the number of signs around campus, parking, and environmental issues such as recycling. Some, such as the ticket box location and environmental issues, are being pursued by task groups. Others, such as ice removal, have been tabled. The Annoynces Discussion will be continued at next week’s meeting. Students are encouraged to contact their representative with their campus annoyances or to attend the Congress meeting.

Tech Proposals
The Student Congress executive board suggested two possible future technology proposals at last night’s meeting. The first involves putting two fully-functioning computers, along with a printer, in a room just outside the Student Organization offices off the Dewitt lobby. The second, a less popular idea, is to install several televion sets in the Dow cardio room. The two ideas will be investigated further, but no official proposals have been brought to Congress at this time.

Meeting Time Change
Student Congress will be moving its meeting time back to 9 p.m. on Tues.
Shopping on a budget - Holland style

All you need to know about area thrift stores

The Washington Avenue Goodwill is smaller than its sister store, but offers a fine selection of clothing, shoes and other wares in an organized, clean store.

Men’s and women’s pants run $3-$4, sweaters $4-$5, pants $3-$4. Soft cover books are 60 cents and hardcover $1 at both stores. A non-profit organization, Goodwill Industries has been helping people in need of career training and counseling enter the workforce since 1902. Goodwill provides job training, placement and career services.

These programs are financed primarily through revenues from Goodwill retail stores, which sell used items that have been donated. With more than 2,000 stores across the U.S., revenue generated in 2005 was $1.64 billion, according to www.goodwill.org. Career services and education receive about 83 percent of the total revenue each year.

Goodwill also has an online auction site operated out of Santa Ana, California. The first auction site for a non-profit organization, www.shopgoodwill.com sells items from Goodwill stores across the country.

percent profit back. Clothing is kept on the rack for 180 days and then donated if it does not sell. The Hive has been servicing “juniors, teens and sassy moms,” for almost a year. The Hive donated more than 300 pounds of children’s clothing to an orphanage in Bolivia this year alone. On Jan. 1, they opened a clearance center where they sell the clothing that doesn’t meet the standards, for discounted prices. Jessica Tijerina, manager of The Hive, says the goal of this new establishment is “to provide clean, affordable, clothing to help charities help others.”

FREecycle

Jenny Cencer
Editor-in-Chief

Holland Freecycle is an innovative grassroots project that harnesses the power of e-mail to connect people with things they want to throw away with others who are in need of those items. Any member of the community can post a note about an item they’d like to give away or a material they are seeking. The one golden rule is that every item posted must be free. Accessible to anyone, a free account can be set up at www.freecycle.org. Items posted include furniture, clothes and anything that can be kept out of a landfill. If looking for particular article, www.freecyclefinder.com can determine where and when it was posted in your region.

The site also links members to Holland Cheapsyce (items sold under $500), listings of Michigan garage sales, coupon swap blogs and trading sites for musical instruments. At press time, a free chest freezer and glass fireplace doors were available. People had postings in search of a punching bag, wrestling shoes, a car mechanic, a guitar, a microwave and old Nintendo products.

Since 2003, the non-profit Freecycle Network has been open to all individuals who want to help others and get some great stuff in the process. Students who enjoy freecycle.org may also enjoy checking out craigslist.org, which became famous last year after a young man obtained a house through a series of trades that started with a paper clip.

BIBLIES FOR MEXICO

Michelle Read
Staff Writer

Holland has two thrift stores that profit solely for the distribution of Bibles. The Bibles for Mexico resale stores on Lincoln and Douglas Avenues have helped distribute more than one million Bibles and study materials to Mexico since the stores opened in 1992 and 1993, respectively. Bibles for Mexico is one of the destinations for Hope’s popular orientation program Time to Serve. The staff at Bibles for Mexico is comprised solely of volunteers, many of whom have volunteered daily since retiring from other careers.

Bibles for Mexico is a great destination for students looking for everyday items such as fleece jackets, T-shirts, room decorations, costumes, kitchen appliances or other treasures, and also support an important cause at the same time.

The Lincoln Avenue location is the bigger of the two, but both have selections of music, books, games and shoes. The clothing selections, however, are the widest. The prices range from $1 to $5 for shoes. Both Bibles for Mexico thrift stores in Holland are part of the larger organization Bibles for Missions Thrift Centers, a part of the Bible League. Donated items are accepted, placed on the sales floor and all profit after expenses pays for Bibles to be distributed in countries of each store’s choice. The Bible League targets small group Bible studies to receive scriptures to ensure they are used.
Shannon Craig

The slogan of the denomination of my home church is “open hearts, open minds, open doors.” Everyone—no matter what. Everyone.

He appeared to many as a refugee. Whether big or small, no matter the color of your skin or your ability comparative to others in different situations. Be open to others whether it’s ideas, actions or customs, because you never know how somebody can change your life until you let them into it.

Weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.” Jesus called us to come as we are. He came with unconditional love to accept us just as we are. He appeared to many people in many different ways, accepting all people. Perhaps if we followed his example and sought common ground we’d get along. Maybe we wouldn’t have misunderstandings, hurt feelings and outsiders.

My brother is 15 years old. He grew up as one of those outsiders full of hurt feelings wishing for acceptance from his peers. I remember when he would come home from school—elementary school—crying after being teased. As my brother has grown, he’s recognized that he’s never been alone waiting in the wings for acceptance.

In a sermon he gave at my church’s youth-led service he said, “It amazes me how people can’t accept (others) for who they are, just because they’re different.”

Differences come in all forms: ethnicity, faith, orientation, race, ability and the list goes on.

My brother said in his sermon: “In life, people are different, but we all have common ground in one definite thing: we are all human beings, all in God’s image. Whether big or small, no matter the color of your skin or your ability comparative to others in different situations. Be open to others whether it’s ideas, actions or customs, because you never know how somebody can change your life until you let them into it.

If we lived as Jesus did, if we lived with humility, with the righteous, but rather broken and the sinners. He didn’t ask questions, but called us saying, “Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.” Jesus called us to come as we are.

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Rumbleweeds

I won’t even get into the whole mascot thing...

Jeremy Benson

As you read this, Hope College basketball fans across the country are gearing up for the big game: painting faces orange and blue, stretching spirit fingers, grilling hot dogs on the porch of the DeVos Fieldhouse, and making signs such as “Dan Holt is so broke!” Although game time isn’t until 8 p.m., the upper-echelon of the Dew Crew will assume their position in the front rows of section 10, donning masks and striped shirts, talking about homework they are neglecting.

All this will be happening while the women face Olivet College. But the Dew Crew won’t notice, or care to notice. They are only there to support the men, apparently, and only give marginal shout-outs to the women.

At the last Hope/Calvin game at home, a women’s game, the Dew Crew showed up in the last three minutes. Oh, they were ‘there’ the whole time, but only thought it necessary to join the handful of cheers during the final seconds. Hope lost by three points. Nobody from the Dew Crew showed up for the match up against Kalamazoo College.

The Dew Crew has no reason not to be actively present at women’s games. It’s not like men’s games are more exciting than women’s games. Both teams excel so much that nearly every game is a blow out. The men beat Tristate University 101-57. The women beat Kalamazoo 101-53. I fell asleep when the Dutchmen defeated Olivet 79-57.

It comes down to systematic oppression, or covert sexism, in the form of hype. Whether or not they mean to, the athletic department, the public relations department and the local newspapers downplay the successes of the Flying Dutch.

Last year, the front page of the Sentinel’s sports section glared a photo of Eric Vosin missing a free throw to lose against Wittenberg College. That same weekend at DePaul University, the women continued to win—but the mention of their victories hid on page 3.

Notice, for double headers, the women always play early which is not the prime time slot. On Wednesdays some students have night classes; I won’t attend today’s game but the mention of their victories hid on page 3.

This year, as my roommates and I drove my green Aerostar home from Massachusetts, with “We are the Champions” blasting from my speakers, we passed an exit for Seneca Falls, New York (look it up). We have come a long way since then, and have a long way to go. I will continue to push, I hope you will join me.

In the mean time, GO DUTCH!

Jeremy is a junior who will be sneaking a radio into his 6 o’clock class to listen to the women beat Olive.
DUTCHMEN LAUNCH TOWARD MIAA CHAMPIONSHIPS

R.J. Thebo
Staff Writer

With only one conference meet left in the 2006-07 season, the Hope College men’s swimming team is looking forward to another chance at Olivet College and the MIAA championship trophy. The Flying Dutchmen currently rank second in the MIAA standings with a record of 4-1. Defending champion Olivet currently holds first place and remains the team to beat as Hope heads into MIAA action this weekend.

“Olivet College will be a huge challenge. They had a great team last year that beat us at the MIAA championships, and they lost very few people from last year to this year,” captain Wade Engers ('08) said. Hope was defeated by Olivet 109-189 early in the season.

“The tough loss to Olivet in the first meet of the season will play a key role in preparing us for the big meet,” Jeff Holtman ('07) said.

The Dutchmen are led by captains Kyle Waterstone ('07), Jacob Holton ('07) and Engers. The three combine to lead a strong Dutchmen squad, with half the team comprised of freshman.

“We’ve had freshman such as Matt Rose ('10), Ryan Nelis ('11), Mitch Ruch ('10) and Phil Heyboer ('10) step up and win very important races throughout our dual meet season,” Engers said.

Although the Dutchmen have their hearts set on winning the MIAA championship, they know Olivet will be their main obstacle this weekend. The Dutchmen are currently on taper, cutting distances in practice to reserve energy and strength for the MIAA championships. However, Olivet does things a little differently.

“They train differently than we do, without a mid-season taper so it is very difficult to determine how fast they will be,” butterfly and IM swimmer Karl Hoesch ('07) said.

The Dutchmen sacrifice skill in the breaststroke to Olivet, and will be without any diving points this weekend as Olivet scores four. Although Olivet will be the favorite on paper this weekend, the Flying Dutchmen have plenty to motivate them.

“Each good swim that comes out of everyone will build confidence and get us excited for our upcoming races,” Andre Bravo ('07) said.

As the meet nears, two things become obvious. One is that Olivet will boost the best shot at taking the title this weekend. The other is that the Dutchmen have faith that teamwork will keep them in the meet and give them a chance to take it.

“It is unity and determination that will allow us to win the MIAA and stand together as champion when it is all said and done,” Holtman said.

After a tough loss to Olivet early in the season, the Dutchmen are eager to get this going this weekend. With a strong taper and recent wins against Albion and Alma, Hope will be right in the thick of things at the MIAA’s. “Winning the MIAA trophy back from them would be one of the greatest things to ever happen in my life to this day,” Bravo said.

“I speak for all the seniors when I say all we want to do is bring that trophy back where it belongs, Hope College.”

Look for the Dutchmen to swim strong Feb. 8-10 and bring home the MIAA hardware for the third time in four years.