Dean of Chapel plans departure

Tim Brown will return to full-time duty at Western Theological Seminary campus

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Just two years ago, in early 2001, Tim Brown was named to succeed Ben Patterson as Hinska-Boorina Dean of Chapel. He received a joint appointment where he was at the same time the Dean of Chapel at Hope College and the Henry Bast Professor of Preaching at Western Theological Seminary. Now Brown is moving on. On July 1, he will return full-time to his position at the seminary.

"My fundamental calling is as professor of preaching at Western Seminary, which I really love doing," Brown said. "I became increasingly aware that we really need a full time dean of the chapel doing this important work and I really need to be fully at the task of teaching preaching at Western Seminary."

President James Bultman is disappointed by, but understands Brown's decision. "It's not unexpected, because Tim was doing two jobs and doing them well. But it's not something one can continue to do long term," Bultman said. "We could cry about it, but I'd rather be grateful for what will be the next three months and then to look very carefully with a search committee at who might bring the most to the table for Hope's future."

Despite Brown's departure there will be no further changes in remaining chapel staff.

"We have some very good people remaining, and we're excited about that, but Tim will be missed. There is no doubt about that," Bultman said.

Brown has enjoyed his experience more DEPARTURE on 2

Hope community is divided on Iraq

Students both contest and condone military invasion by the U.S.

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For the past several months, almost all Americans have had one question on their minds: When will we attack Iraq?

Since several presentations to the world community by President Bush, Secretary of State Colin Powell, and UN inspectors Hans Blix and Mohamed ElBaradei, war has loomed closer and closer to American society.

For college students, who have seen very little of war, save the Persian Gulf and U.S. action in the Balkans, the possibility of war is a new experience. One Hope student, Gabriel Wise, has already been called away from campus to serve with his hometown Reserves.

The Security Council's Resolution 1441 specified that Iraq must give an accounting of all weapons of mass destruction in its possession. Use of force is not mentioned as a specific consequence, but the administration feels it has made this clear from the start. While Great Britain's Prime Minister Tony Blair is a staunch supporter of a preemptive strike on Iraq, many countries, led by France and Germany, contest force as a solution.

This past Saturday, millions around the world publicly aired their unhappiness with the possible war on Iraq in rallies and peace marches. Even here in Holland, many, especially Hope students, joined in a rally in Centennial Park and a march down Eigth Street to show discontent with the prospect of war. Although some students support the possible military intervention in Iraq, many also dispute the administration's zeal for action.

"I'm definitely against war. I feel like the entire goal of this is to have better relations with the Middle East and all these other countries and we're just making enemies wherever we go. I think the U.S. is going about this in a completely wrong way and somehow linking it to terrorism," said Andrea Cleary ('05).

And there is more. Cleary's reasoning is only part of a whole more IRAQ on 3

Fall '03 tuition increase is 5.8%

The main reasons for the tuition increase were because of increased need for financial aid for students and increased expenditure for faculty health insurance.

"We've tried to cut back on things that we could, we've done some of that already, but obviously, some of the increases we have to pass on," Bultman said.

Students supply the college with 69 percent of its revenue with 31 percent coming from other sources. According to Bultman, the students pay a significantly lower percentage of the revenue than at other colleges. The other 31 percent of revenue, however, have not done as well this year.

"Our endowment is under attack because more TUITION on 2
The site of the future DeVos fieldhouse and former foundry is a bit of a mess these days but someday will be the home of many Hope College events.

The anchor

Progress continues on Hope fieldhouse

by Tyler Danek

GUEST WRITER

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A pile of rubble is all that remains of a vacated foundry recently purchased by Hope College. The rundown factory, located near the soccer field on the corner of Fairbanks and Business 31, is being demolished and trucked away to provide space for Hope’s new DeVos Fieldhouse.

The fieldhouse, which developers expect to cost $20 million dollars, will provide an entrance to the east side of Hope’s campus. Further money will come out of the college’s endowment to maintain the building. The multipurpose building will host a new kinesiology lab, four basketball courts, a weight room and will have enough seating to play host to Hope’s volleyball and as many as 1000 men’s and women’s basketball.

The arena will also support local high school basketball games, Hope College graduation ceremonies and, at a later date, Tulip Time events.

The new building will allow Hope to host NCAA tournament games, which, because of its dimensions, the Civic Center could not.

The current demolition work marks the first phase of the fieldhouse project, which is scheduled to conclude in the summer of 2004. The next step in the DeVos project is to finish the final debris left from the construction.

Progress being made on the building is exciting for many people at Hope.

Brian Morehouse, who is active on the team of local leaders planning the project said, “It’s nice to have the eye sore eliminated and a new opportunity to expand our campus and community.”

Morehouse also is the director of the Dow Center and women’s basketball coach and added, “The DeVos will be used by almost all of our students. The building is a modern-day fieldhouse that has many capabilities.”

Indeed, DeVos Fieldhouse will be a hub of local activities. For example, the building will be able to host concerts for not only Hope, but the entire city of Holland.

It is still undetermined whether I.M. events will be played on the four, full-size basketball courts at the fieldhouse but the gym space will not go unnoticed. With both basketball teams practicing at the new building, Dow courts will be more available. Additional availability will be given to teams of young, convenient I.M. game times as well as more indoor practice time for Hope’s baseball and softball teams.

Movable bleachers will provide 360 degrees of stadium seating for major events. Morehouse said, “Right now the DeVos plans are being made to attract as many people as possible in the fieldhouse as the building is being used by not just our athletes, but our college and community as a whole.”

One thing the building will not have is an indoor track. “We’d like to do it, but it’s not feasible without making the building substantially larger,” said Hope College President James Bultman.

With the wide variety of things that the building is capable of, it is surprising how little is known of the development by Hope students. Aaron Larson, a sophomore management major at Hope, said, “I had no idea what was going on,” said Aaron Larson. (05) “I think people would be surprised if you told them of the plans. I can’t wait to watch Hope win in the new arena.”

Morehouse agrees with Larson. Morehouse said, “As soon as the actual building’s construction gets underway and the foundation is set, I expect Hope students to start asking more questions. Right now final decisions are being made, anticipation is beginning to grow. I think all students will not only enjoy, but be very surprised with what this building will provide.”

Another purpose of the DeVos Fieldhouse will be to provide a more beautiful eastern gateway to Holland and Hope’s Campus. Currently, Hope’s campus has no clear eastern boundary line.

The fieldhouse will be passed by many people. Anyone wishing to come into Hope’s Campus from the east will pass by it. As they do see a large sign, that has been stylishly designed, will mark the eastern boundary of the campus.

Hope’s campus is continually growing. The fieldhouse is one of three major construction projects now in progress, and this will be another new addition to help attract students.

Construction is tentatively planned for August or September 2003. However, according to Bultman, it will not begin until all funding for the project is secured. The college is presently five million dollars short of the fieldhouse’s twenty million dollar price tag.

The fate of present home of the men’s basketball program, the Holland Civic Center will rest with the city of Holland. The Civic Center is owned by the city and will likely be renovated for various purposes.

The fieldhouse is not the first attempt to find a new indoor sports facility. A proposed 28 million dollar primarily publicly financed Area Center proposal was defeated by Holland Township voters in 1999.

As a dean of chaplains and feels he has continued his calling through his work, “The thing for which I’m grateful is being able to join with and encourage this great chapel team and just be a part of what is obviously a work of God on Campus,” Brown said. “I’m grateful that we’re rolling down the road. I just jumped on it.”

The search for Brown’s replacement will be intensive and will begin immediately. According to Bultman, a search committee that will include Trustee David Baut, Administrative Counsel member Barry Wierman; chaplain staff member Paul Boersma; religion professor Jeffery Tyler; faculty members Karla Wolters; Jonathan Peterson; Maureen Han Kim; and Stephen Herrneff will search for the next chaplain at Hope.

The position of the Reformed Church of America.

“You want someone with the credentials to give spiritual oversight to the campus, preach well, engage students, have academic credentials, write and speak well, and be a team player.”

According to Bultman, the new chaplain should be able to give spiritual oversight to the campus, preach well, engage students, have good academic credentials, write and speak well, and be a team player.

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our investments are not doing as well and some of our auxiliary services, like the Hasuwari Center, are down because of the slow economy as well as the other things. Our rental properties are not generating as much because people do not have the money to rent them, Bultman said.

According to Bultman, our tuition is still less than other private schools, especially those in the Great Lakes Colleges Association. Usually the college redistributing tuition dollars from richer to needier students via gift aid. As stated in the letter sent out to parents about students, Hope College is working to increase aid programs and tax allowances through Hope and its affiliates. Currently, though, the college can do nothing about the fact that there are several scholarships and grants that are being reduced or cut from the state and federal budgets.

According to Bultman, the tuition increase is partly due to the fact that more financially needy students are at Hope. At the same time, the increased tuition creates more pressure for these students and forces those students who can afford to pay to assist those that cannot. That is something that all colleges deal with, according to Bultman.

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New Member Education begins for Greek organizations

Glenn Lester

The purpose of New Member Education is "to educate new members on what a fraternity or sorority is," said new Phi Sigma Kappa Phil C. (’06). "NME tells you the basic stuff you need to know." NME is also designed to activate pledges into Hope's Greek system, according to Interfraternity Council President and Fraternal Society member Tony Terpstra ’03. Terpstra said that NME will continue for about the next 16 days.

"It’s a time when both active members and new members get to know each other through learning about the history and traditions associated with Sigma Sigma," said Carly Jugenitz (’03), President of the Sigma Sigmas. This spring’s pledge class consists of "200 new members, roughly" according to Terpstra. Sororities have more pledges than fraternities. Just 36 of the 300 pledges joined fraternities. These numbers do not include Phi Sigma Kappa which added over twenty new members. With published Rush events over, NME education is kept secret with most fraternities and sororities. This confidentiality leaves some students uneasy. "I think that people are often inquisitive about something they do not understand. Rush and NME are intimidating for people on the outside because they have never experienced them," said (president Matt B. ’03). "Those with the courage to go through Rush and NME are the type of people we want," Elizando agreed. "A lot of students don’t like what pledges have to go through. Even though it’s not baring, it’s not for everyone. I don’t dislike it."

Prometheans (left to right) Mike Polk (’05), Chris Sterling (’04), Steve Adair (’04), and Joe Tolton (’05) gathered in the basement of their cottage Tuesday night for Great Movie Night. New member education for all greek organizations runs until March 1.

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Iraq, in the nation hold views similar to Bush's. They conceal that war is terrible, but it may just be the solution for this new state of affairs. "War might be necessary in this situation, just to clear things for once—hopefully. We should probably go to war even though I don't want to. It's probably the best thing to do right now, even by those who are for emergency supplies, duct tape, and plastic, to seal off their homes from possible chemical or biological attack. Recently, the administration has agreed to hold off on any crucial decisions for two weeks. This will accomplish three things: first, it gives the U.S. a chance to hear from the Iraqi people; second, it gives Turkey a chance to agree with letting the U.S. use air bases to attack Iraq from the north; and third, it gives the U.S. a chance to further sway those opposed to the war. In the media, a second, more specific resolution is in the works that will specify the use of force as sanctioned by the U.N. Whether or not it is vetoed is insignificant to the U.S. because Bush and company express the fact that Resolution 1441 is enough grounds for war against Iraq. But many, like Shelly Lunn (’06), believe that this is not good enough. "I don’t think we should go because I don’t think it’s fully justified and I don’t think that we have evidence or reason," said Lunn.

Promethean photo by Kurt Koehler

orders to move in on Baghdad and depose Saddam Hussein. President Bush hopes to make the pre-emptive strike before the weather gets too hot for our soldiers to be able to maneuver, since they will be in chemical protection gear and are unused to the brutal Iraqi climate. Although many support this action on the part of the U.S., public opinion worldwide is largely unsure against or military invasion and occupation. Parallels have been drawn between an occupation in Iraq and the ongoing occupation of South Korea, where soldiers are frequently abused by the population. Very few support a lengthy stay in Iraq. As a fact of most, critics favor diplomatic solutions, and hope that war will no longer be a possibility, but Bush has warned us to be prepared. Still, the nation speaks out against the potential strike. "I think war is wrong. War is never the right solution. Ever. The end," said Kyle Delhagen (’04).

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The tripptych "Bacelicious," by Aristarchus Kuntjara, references the work of Dutch artist Hieronymus Bosch in this modern representation. "In a way he's thumbing his nose at tradition (through) tribute to Rembrandt," Hanson said. "I think he's just trying to work through that in these works. Like it's haunting him."

The tripptych Baccalian by Indonesian artist Aristarchus Kuntjara is based on the style of the Dutch painter, Bosch. The tripptych style is a three-part work. In his tripptychs, Bosch would traditionally use the de-nouncement of sin as his theme, such as in the re-creation of the story of the fall and redemption. In Baccalian, Kuntjara plays on this theme using a mix of Indonesian and American images to tell the story of modern day over consumerism. The central theme of the work is a large cake that is a modern representation of Flemish painter Brueghel's Tower of Babel. "It's very fun to look at, but there is something kind of alarming about it," Hanson said.

Charles Krafft is a self-taught American ceramics artist who traveled to Holland to learn his craft. The Dutch artwork he imitates is Delftware, the traditional blue and white china named after Delft, its place of origin. But instead of re-creating tulips and windmills, Krafft makes Delftware machine guns, skateboard decks, and hand grenades. He got the idea from ads selling Delftware on the back pages of newspapers that were otherwise full of stories of violence. "It's using a technique that normally has very peaceful, pleasing images, and portraying modern disasters," Hanson said. The show's official opening will take place at 6 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 28 with a lecture by Valentin Popov, entitled "Here is no Rembrandt." Deborah Zlotsky will also be giving a lecture on "Painting Still Lives" on March 6.

The DePree Gallery is open Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday from 1 to 5 p.m.
Something fishy at Hope

Holly Ruschar
Guest Writer

As most Hope students know, the college policy concerning nonhuman life forms in dorm rooms is strict: “No person shall allow an animal, bird or other pet to reside in a residential facility. (Fish and guide dogs are exceptions.)” This means that, short of masquerading as a blind student for years with the family dog at their side, campus residents who want pets have had to turn to the scaly side of life—often with interesting and hilarious results.

The first thing that comes to mind when you say “pet fish” is probably something like a solitary goldfish in a round glass aquarium. That is the image that pops up in the minds of the students interviewed for this story, one fit the above stereotype: Barbara Stodden (’05), who has owned a fish since May.

While Yep-yep’s aquariums are basic (a plastic bowl with blue “sea glass” in the bottom), his life is far from dull, for Stodden arranges plants around his bowl so he can look at them for entertainment and often talks to him as she goes about her daily business.

Most goldfish owners at Hope, however, have two or more of them so that their pets won’t be lonely or bored while their owners are at classes. Boom and Bonis have lived in a residential facility. (Fish and owned Yep-yep since May).

While Stodden’s fish have never contracted “ick”—a scourge of aquariums everywhere—and the only difficulty she has ever experienced involved having to bring them home over Christmas break.

Christmas break, in fact, is the largest reason that the first three goldfish in a residential facility. (Fish and owned Yep-yep since May. Jessica Dore (’03) whose aquatic children include seven bettas, two guppies and a pair of black tetras, has bad memories of last Christmas break, for she had first been told that she and her 13 (at the time) fish could stay in her mother’s residence over break due to her oncampus job. Just three days before exams began the college backpedaled on this agreement and she was, as she bluntly puts it, “thrown out, fish and all” with no recourse except to drive them all to a friend’s house in Jenison. In the ensuing upheaval three of her fish succumbed to cold and stress, something she has not forgotten and will not quickly forgive.

“It was obnoxious, being told at first ‘Oh, you can stay’ and then finding out that I would have to leave. Some of them didn’t survive, and that’s why I have a few new arrivals (a gold-colored algae eater and two cloudfish).”

Were it not for this incident, Dore’s overall opinion of fishkeeping on campus would be positive, especially since her fish are well-socialized and she makes sure to enrich their lives in many ways. “We put the male bettas in their hex-tanks. Dore’s interest in fish quickly caught on with her roommate, Ashley Koebel (’03), who also owns three bettas (males named Oberon, Orlando and Legolas after characters from the works of Shakespeare and Tolkien). Indeed, Koebel and Dore swapped fish once, but since Dore’s are so much larger than her own, Koebel’s methods of enriching her fishes’ lives are even more important than Dore’s are, for she admits to “taunting” her bettas, giving a wiggling finger until they go into a fight display. Like Dore, she has experienced a few Christmas break difficulties. Fox, one of her first fish, did not survive being left in an unheated apartment for three weeks, but she says that her parents’ house is “hard for the fish to take.”

Still, she enjoys having her fish with her; as she says, “it’s nice to have company.”

Dore and Koebel aren’t the only betta fanciers at Hope, for Kristen Stolle (’03) has bad fishie, her male betta for two years.

“Since his setup is simple, a vase with glass beads in the bottom, all she has to do is feed him regularly and change the water every two weeks. Lori Dowdy (’04) owns another betta, a 3-month-old male named Felix.

Like many other owners, Dowdy talks to her little swimming roommate; she also decorated his bowl with a fake plant so he would feel more at home in it.

Not every betta on campus is lucky enough to have a caring owner like Dore, Dowdy or Koebel. Unfortunately, Kelly Bauer (’05), neglected her betta so much that it died—and then she forgot to remove the decomposing corpse until the aquarium was disposed of and subsequently refused to let Bauer own any more fish. Bauer views the experience pragmatically, stating “I just wasn’t responsible enough.”

While Bauer may represent the dark side of fishkeeping at Hope, Carol Belman (’04) is the perfect opposite. Her black mollies, Princess and Arrow, have a heater, light lamp, air pump and all the TV they can watch, as their tank is close to the television set. She started out with three mollies, but after Arrow and Princess bucked the third, Midnight, died suddenly of what she suspects was a broken heart. Princess, the female, is “one tough fish,” according to Belman. She has gotten used to the filter’s intake twice and survived with only a few missing scales and a sore fin to show for her ordeal. The pair sleep in a fake coral house one of Belman’s housemates gave her, and when not in it they’re either cruising for food or hanging out behind the fake plants.

Despite occasional difficulties, none of the fish owners interviewed said they would do anything differently when it comes to owning fish. It may be true you can’t romp with a fish like you can with a dog, but just because fish are physically coldblooded doesn’t mean they can’t bring emotional warmth into someone’s day.

Spotlight

Erin Riley
Senior Staff Reporter

She sits staring into space, eyes heavy, dressed in black boots and the camouflage pants she has worn for the past three days. Tired from the ROTC she enrolled. Following her four years at Hope, Reimink plans to fulfill the required four years of active duty in the army. “It is right — I will never quit doing what’s right.” She responded, “I know I’m not the best nor the physically strongest, but I am mentally apt and determined to do what is right. I will never quit doing what’s right.”

Reimink gradually gained the respect of her classmates by pulling extra shifts on fire watch, eating less of the rations, always knowing required information, and pushing herself to do all she could for the team during training. “Some of these guys are like my older brothers now. The camaraderie and friendship I’ve achieved in 196, I would do for my country, for my country they are protecting.”

For information on western Michigan’s ROTC visit www.wmi.edu/rotc or the national site at www.armyrotc.com/information.
'Laramie Project' is important for all of Hope community

The highlight of my weekend was seeing the Theatre Department's presentation of 'The Laramie Project.' This production presents the college community with an important and unique opportunity. There are more reasons than the superb acting to catch one of the remaining performances of 'The Laramie Project' this week. Based on interviews of the townspeople of Laramie, the production presents the college community with an important glimpse into the 1998 murder of Matthew Shepard, the first person to die as a result of a hate crime. This production presents the college community with an important glimpse into the 1998 murder of Matthew Shepard, the first person to die as a result of a hate crime.

Your voice

Campus needs more space, community, conversation

To the Editor:

A college coffeehouse student on unattended overstuffed furniture Situation: the death penalty. These chairs and couches are arranged in conversational disorder, complemented by small tables of books and magazines. Other students discuss last night's Visiting Writers Series at a table designed by a senior art major. The walls are dark, but they are adorned with student paintings and poetry. On the front porch, another student expresses her newfound understanding of God to her best friend. A bunch of mugs lie on the coffee counter, each one unique because they were designed by ceramics students. In a corner of the room a student plays guitar to a small audience.

The emphasis of a coffeehouse is the place itself, a place that cultivates community, conversation, art, and the energy of life. Passions, beliefs, and ideas need space to grow, space to breathe, and space to run free. Take away the quest for a marketable product and an audience, and the most crucial part of these four years remains: the quest of self-discovery.

Yet, Hope College is largely lacking in spaces that promote this type of self-discovery. It needs a physical space devoted to conversation. As Professor Jane Tongkin notes, coffeehouses offer "a looser, less predictable atmosphere than is possible in an office or a classroom or a cafeteria. Do you think there are enough spaces for students to engage in lively and natural conversation on Hope's Campus? Do you ever feel there is a lack of intellectual discussion outside of the classroom? A lack of time and space for students to use as they please? Would you use an on-campus coffeehouse? Would it help you discover yourself?

-Phil Wulke

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To the Editor:

I would like to thank the chaplain staff for devoting a week of chapel to "Sexuality in Christ." It was encouraging to hear speakers talk about sex from a Biblical perspective, especially when we are all daily bombarded by the lies of a sex-crazed world. The speakers encouraged us to form good relationships, but based on true love for the entirety of another person. A huge detail that was not emphasized is the idea of BOUNDARIES. Sex should not be relegated to an afterthought. What people often fail to realize is that they set themselves up for temptation because they don't set boundaries, or limitations, for their relationships. This obviously has natural consequences such as guilt, STDs, pregnancy, etc. If you, Hope College student, truly desire to be a man or woman of Christ, you are not free to act. Romans 13:14 says, "Rather, clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus, and do not think about how to gratify the desires of the sinful nature." Now, I'm not saying that I don't struggle. I battle with temptation every day. But if you set boundaries on a relationship and say, "I'm not going past holding hands," or "I'm not going to put myself in a situation where we're alone in your room," then it is easier to avoid sexual sin. Also, remember that sexual sin is not just for sex, but can include the preceding events. Jesus said, "But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart." Matthew 5:28. Every person is different. Some have more willpower than others, but we all are vulnerable to succumb to temptation. Dealing with other areas of temptation and sin is crucial as well. Trying not to dress like a sex symbol, avoiding pornography (a huge problem), and squealing lustful desires are all important areas to ask God to guide us.

Afterwards, I talked to another SAC representative who said that while the most popular showing was on Saturday night at 9:30, there were, on average, 200 viewers per weekend this semester. So where were the other 185 of you? "Bowling for Columbine" is a documentary on school shootings and guns in the U.S. With comedian Chris Farley, American Bandstand host Dick Clark, and President of the NRA Charlton Heston in tow, documentary filmmaker Michael Moore tells the tale of guns in our culture and country. Whether you believe in the right to bear arms for protection or the right to protect for better gun control, you should have been there. You should see it. It's about what we endorse, what we believe and what we are becoming. I am not advocating one side of the issue or the other, but simply urge you all to seek out another opportunity to educate yourselves further. As students of Hope College, an institution dedicated to learning and experience, you should have been there—it was a sight to see.

--Micah Holden ('04)
Hope defeats Calvin, then falls to Albion

Loss gives Dutchmen tie in MIAA standings

David Yetter
Sports Editor

The Flying Dutchmen were flying high after Wednesday’s big win over Calvin, but they were brought back down to earth on Saturday, suffering a 69-65 defeat at the hands of Albion College.

With the loss to Albion, Hope now has an 8-2 record in the MIAA and an 18-4 overall record. They are tied in the MIAA standings with Albion and both teams have two more league games before the M.I.A.A. tournament begins. Although both teams have two more league games, the Dutchmen have an 8-2 record in the MIAA and an 18-4 overall record. They are tied in the MIAA standings with Albion and both teams have two more league games before the M.I.A.A. tournament begins.

Don Overbeek (’03) was the only Hope scorer in double figures, but only managed four points in the second half.

The Dutchmen’s poor play was evident throughout the game. They had a hard time getting shots in the basket, while Calvin only shot 1-for-7. The women’s swimmers won five events, including 5 three-pointers. However, Hope’s sports teams have had some success. They have won league championships in the 100-yard and 200-yard freestyle relay and the 200-yard medley relay. The 400-yard medley team qualified for nationals with a time of 3:25.57.

Phoebe Slough (’03) won the 500-yard freestyle with an NCAA Division III record. Hope held Calvin to 507 points and Calvin totaled 418.5. Hope outscored Calvin by a score of 63-57, but Calvin went on to end the game and scored 90 points. The Dutchmen had a hard time getting shots in the basket, while Calvin only shot 1-for-7. The women’s swimmers won five events, including 5 three-pointers. However, Hope’s sports teams have had some success. They have won league championships in the 100-yard and 200-yard freestyle relay and the 200-yard medley relay. The 400-yard medley team qualified for nationals with a time of 3:25.57.

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Coach Glenn Van Wieren was pleased with the performance of the team after the game. “We played a really solid second half defensively,” he said. “We made our free throws and tonight was a really good win for Hope.”

The Flying Dutchmen play tonight at Olivet at 7:30 p.m. and at Kalamazoo at 3 p.m. on Saturday afternoon.

Track tunes up at GVSU

Ollen Ailinov
Staff Reporter

The Hope College Track and Field teams traveled to Grand Valley State University on Friday to participate in an indoor invitational. This trip and their other upcoming indoor events will help the team get ready for the season.

Kara Van Assen (’03) won the triple jump (33.75”) and came in third in the high jump (4’11”). This trip was meant for us to go out there and to get some experience,” said Van Assen. “It is important for us to start building so that everybody will be ready when we go outdoors.”

Hope competed against a good number of Division II schools, resulting in moderate finishes. Jessica Oosting (’03) finished third in the 800-meters (2:55.73), while Freshman Allison Trotter finished sixth in the triple jump (30’11.5”).

Among the men, Sophomore Peter Derby finished fifth in the mile (4:36.15) and seventh in the 800-meters (2:02.78).

Hope’s biggest competition this season will come from rival Calvin College, whom Hope has lost to the past couple of years. “Our goal is to close the gap with Calvin and hopefully beat them when everything comes together,” Van Assen said.

Hope’s next indoor competition will be in Chicago on March 1.

Lady Dutch swim to MIAA title

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Sports Editor

The Flying Dutch swim team defeated five other schools, including Calvin, and captured the women’s swimming and diving championship on Saturday at the Holland Community Aquatic Center. The championships mark the team’s 10th championship in the last 12 years and the 20th in school history.

A number of girls conditionally qualified for the NCAA Division III championships in Atlanta next month. Michelle Smith (’04), Audrey Arnold (’04), Erikda Weivoda (’03), Kelly Parker (’03), Morgan O’Neill (’03) and Erin Vandenbos (’03) are all on consideration for the tournament.

During the meet, the women won three of the five relay races. They came out on top in the 200-yard and 400-yard medley and also in the 800-yard freestyle relay.

The Flying Dutch also had three double-winners. Senior Kelly Parker won the 100- and 200-yard breaststroke, Junior Michelle Smith won the 500-yard and 1650-yard freestyle and Junior Audrey Arnold won the 100-yard and 200-yard backstroke.

The men’s team also had a good weekend, although they were not as productive as the women. The Dutchmen finished second to MIAA champion Kalamazoo. Kalamazoo finished with 660 points, while Hope ended up with 507 points and Calvin totaled 418.5. The Flying Dutch capped off their 200-yard freestyle relay and the 200-yard medley relay. The 400-yard medley team qualified for nationals with a time of 3:25.57.

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Hope teams are on a winning streak

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The Flying Dutch basketball team defeated Albion by a score of 70-56 on Saturday and clinched their fourth consecutive MIAA championship. They also extended their unbeaten streak to 23 games.

On Wednesday night at the Civic Center, Hope defeated Calvin by a score of 92-76 in front of a sellout crowd. The Dutchmen got off to a great start and ran away with the game early. They went on a 20-0 run to start the game and never looked back.

Hope drove the lane and developed an inside game, which in turn created perimeter shots. Chad Carlson (’03), who was held scoreless in Hope’s first meeting with Calvin, hit an early three-pointer that set the tone for the night. Hope held on to their lead throughout the first half and Junior Matt Taylor nailed a three-pointer with 1 second left in the half that gave Hope a 20-point lead. After free throws by each team, Hope went onto the break with a 48-28 lead.

Coach Glenn Van Wieren was pleased by the Dutchmen’s performance in the first half. They shot 7-for-10 from three-point range while Calvin only shot 1-for-7.

They also grabbed 12 offensive rebounds, while the Knights could only manage five. Hope kept the pressure up in the second half and never let Calvin get back in the game. Don Overbeek had a masterful game for the Dutchmen and was all over the glass. He finished the game with 14 points, 18 rebounds, 8 blocks and 5 assists.

“1 was the man that happened to be open,” Carlson said after the game. “We were moving the ball around real well and I was the one that was getting the shots and they were falling for me tonight.”

Coach Van Wieren was happy with the performance of the team after the game. “We played a really solid second half defensively,” he said. “We made our free throws and tonight was a really good win for Hope.”

The Flying Dutchmen play tonight at Olivet at 7:30 p.m. and at Kalamazoo at 3 p.m. on Saturday afternoon.

The Flying Dutchmen were flying high after Wednesday’s big win over Calvin, but they were brought back down to earth on Saturday, suffering a 69-65 defeat at the hands of Albion College.

With the loss to Albion, Hope now has an 8-2 record in the MIAA and an 18-4 overall record. They are tied in the MIAA standings with Albion and both teams have two more league games before the M.I.A.A. tournament begins. Although both teams have two more league games, the Dutchmen have an 8-2 record in the MIAA and an 18-4 overall record. They are tied in the MIAA standings with Albion and both teams have two more league games before the M.I.A.A. tournament begins.

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