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Knicks hold AIDS concert without condoms

Frost says distribution against Hope policy

Matt Cook

The Knickerbocker fraternity held the AIDS awareness concert on Tuesday, March 6, but no condoms or other contraceptives were distributed.

Mitchell Walker (’02), the Knickerbocker in charge of the event as well as a member of Student Congress, originally approached Student Congress with a request that they help pay for entertainment and advertising of the concert. Student Congress voted against the proposal by a narrow margin, citing the Knickerbocker’s plans to invite representatives from the Mackay Health Center. Although Student Congress had no problem with the Health Center providing information and confidential testing, they were concerned about the free distribution of contraceptives.

Instead of holding the concert without Student Congress funding, Walker decided to reward the proposal. “We didn’t have to have the money,” Walker said. “But it was nice to get it.” Walker worked with Louis Canfield (’01), Student Congress president on the proposal.

Before the vote, Walker also met with D. Wesley Poythress, assistant dean of multicultural life and Student Congress advisor, to discuss alternatives to openly distributing condoms.

According to Walker, Student Congress voted for the new proposal unanimously. Student Congress allocated $700 for the event.

Abduction reported to Public Safety

No Hope people believed to be involved

Andrew Lotz
Ennem Wasow

A possible domestic dispute that took place over the weekend in a campus parking lot is being investigated by Public Safety and the Holland Police Department.

Public Safety received reports that an altercation occurred in parking lot T near Kleis Cottage, 326 Columbia Ave., at approximately 9:45 p.m. on Sunday, March 11. Witnesses described a woman being forced onto a four-door, brown-colored car by a male subject who was described as being in his late 30s and having a gray ponytail.

They also stated that the subjects appeared to have been arguing. “At this point it is our belief that it was a domestic dispute, involving someone younger than college age,” said Mike Laffar, Public Safety patrol sergeant. “Nobody is reported missing or abducted.”

It is not known at this time if the subjects reported were affiliated with the college. Local law more ABDUCTION on 6

Student Congress prepares second on-line survey

Matt Cook

Student Congress is planning on holding its second on-line student survey. According to Steve Allen’s (’01), senior class representative to Student Congress, the survey will be up on the Student Congress website by Saturday, March 24.

Student Congress held a similar survey last year.

“Students have seen the success rate of the first survey,” Allen said. “They are expecting a high response.”

The survey will be on the web for a week and will ask students if they would give up their parking space for someone else who needs it.

“Students have been told that if they give up their spaces, they will be given a parking pass,” Allen said. “Students have said that they are willing to give up their spaces for others.”

The survey will be available on the Student Congress website and the Student Congress homepage.

Dancing All Night (and All Day) Long: Gerald Ajogo (’03), Leecox Omollo (’02) and Jacob Sitati (’01) dance in the Dance Marathon on Saturday, along with all the Greek organizations. 24 student groups participated as well as 2 teams of faculty and staff. $37,219.54 was raised for the DeVos Children’s Hospital in Grand Rapids.

2nd Dance Marathon another success

Matt Cook

Campus Beat Editor

This Saturday, 106 members of the Hope College community stayed on their feet for 24 hours in support of local children.

For the second year in a row, the students of Hope successfully put on the Dance Marathon. From 7 p.m. on Friday to 7 p.m. on Saturday, dancers in the Dow Center gym raised money for the DeVos Children’s Hospital, in Grand Rapids. The event was run with the help of the Children’s Miracle Network.

The dancers raised a total of $37,219.54. That’s $13,981.54 more than was raised last year when 75 students danced.

“I am ecstatic,” said Beth Otto (’02), Dance Marathon director. “I am so excited because it’s a lot more than I expected to raise.”

Ottos feels, like everything went off without a hitch.

“Things [went] relatively smoothly compared to what had been going over and over in my mind,” Otto said. “I imagined every single catastrophe, and nothing happened.”

She attributed some of the smoothness to the fact that this was the second year and the organizers knew what to expect.

This year, not all the dancers were students. Members of the Student Development staff participated, as well as a group of faculty who called themselves the “Grateful Ed.” The dancers had to work for their money.”

“It’s more that I hurt than I’m tired,” said dancer Mary Chambers (’03). “My muscles hurt, my feet especially.”

Dancers were only allowed short breaks for meals. Otherwise, they had to follow certain rules that forbade them from sitting down or drinking caffeine. They could not even go to the bathroom unaccompanied.

Dancer Jim Hull (’02) found that the most important factor in surviving the marathon was setting a good pace.

The next marathon will be held on March 20, 2002.

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Hope participates in global women's strike

Danielle Koski
Star Reporter

In the first organized women's strike, on March 8, 1857, hundreds of women workers in New York City's textile and garment factories went on strike against low wages, dangerous working conditions, and long working hours. In August 1919, 55 years later, the Women's Socialist International decided to commemorate the strike by observing an annual International Women's Day on March 8. In 1975, International Women's Day became recognized worldwide when the United Nations began celebrating it.

This year, for the first time ever, Hope College observed International Women's Day by holding a strike rally on Thursday, March 8. "It has been awesome Hope has let us do this," said A.J. Cameron ('01), whose mother spoke on women and violence.

People from the community and faculty spoke. The people on faculty who spoke were Deb Swanston of the Sociology Department, Lee O'Connor and Jane Dickie from the Psychology Department, and Kristen Gray from the Counseling Center.

"It was in Scotland last semester and went to an activism conference in England where I picked up a Women's Day card," said Dana Lammers ('01), who came and saw some of the speakers. "I feel connected to the women of the world.

The strike rally took place in Maas Conference room. The walls were lined with quotes and statistics about women. The topics ranged from violence against women to poetry celebrating women. "I am extremely glad we were able to pull this off," Cameron said. "Gazda feels this is a big step for the college."

"I think it is a very important step for the college and the community," said Gazda. "It says a lot about what we are willing to question."

Other events involving Women's Day took place around the globe, including in Chicago and New York City, according to Gazda. "It is something [Hope] should really be proud of," said Gazda.

Women of color to be celebrated

Matt Cook
Campus Beat Editor

An event acknowledging the lives and struggles of women of color is coming to Hope College.

The fourth annual "Women of Color Celebration" will be held on Wednesday, March 28 in the Maas Center Auditorium. It will feature testimonials from Hope students and faculty, a light dinner, and a keynote speaker.

"We've asked presenters to take us on their journey as they've travelled on a road backwards becoming a woman of color," said Glinda Rawls, assistant director of multicultural life.

The theme of the evening will be "Dismantling Barriers through Courageous, Conscious, and Caring Women." "The reason we chose that theme was because we wanted to address the fact that being conscious of who you are, caring for those around you, and being very courageous, very adamant and strong can allow you to dismantle some of the barriers that are presented for women of color," said Rawls.

Rawls feels that women of color have to deal with the dual barriers of racism and sexism. She said that sometimes their voices are marginalized even during Black History Month. The Women of Color Celebration helps combat that.

"We are able to give women of color a voice-piece to show what their struggles have been and what their triumphs have been," Rawls said. "Everyone's story is different."

The event will begin with Hope students talking about their experiences as women of color at Hope College. Then Julian McLeod, professor of mathematics, will talk about her experiences. The keynote speaker is Donna Talbot, associate professor of counselor education and counseling psychology at Western Michigan University. Talbot's professional and scholarly activities focus on multiculturalism, diversity, and professional training. She has given numerous national and regional presentations, and has published several book chapters and scholarly articles. Her responsibilities at Western Michigan include coordinating the Student Affairs Graduate Program.

Among her honors is the "Annuity Comptis" Award for outstanding emerging professionals from the American College Personnel Association in 1993. Tickets must be purchased in advance. On Friday, March 23, it costs $4 for students, $7 for other students, and $6 for the general public.

"We're hoping that this will become an annual event," said Talbot. "It was something [Hope] should really be proud of," said Gazda.

"It's time to get that together," said Talbot. "It's time for people to come together."

JAMMING: Michelle Bombe, professor of theatre, Lauren Toner ('03), and Melody Kuiken ('03) sing along with Big Al at Karaoke Night, yesterday in the Kletz.

CONCERT from 1 with the MacKeel Health Center.

However, all discussion of distributing condoms was halted when Walker, Canfield, and Poythress received a memo from Richard Frost, dean of students. "It is unacceptable to have an educator present who would answer questions and distribute materials that inform students about AIDS," Frost said in the memo. "It is not acceptable for condoms or contraceptives to be distributed, promoted, or provided in any manner."

According to Frost, it is Hope College policy not to distribute condoms. According to the memo, "This is not something we want to have happen on this campus."

He noted the fact that the college's health center does not distribute condoms. "If a student makes the decision to abstain, we're behind that and we support that," Frost said. "If a student makes the decision to be sexually active, we respect their choice, but we feel that they should be responsible enough to go out and purchase their own contraceptives."

Despite the ban on contraceptives, the Kickerbockers held their concert with Student Congress, faculty, and the MacKeel Health Center was present.

Walker feels that it went well. He was especially pleased with Bill, a speaker from the MacKeel Health Center with AIDS, who shared his experiences. "He didn't hold anything back," Walker said. "He told all, and that was really nice."

However, Walker feels that more people would have taken advantage of the information and the free testing if free contraceptives were distributed. "If people were drawn over to the table for other than the pamphlets, they might have participated more," Walker said.

That is not the only thing that happened on this campus.

"It's kind of like 'yeah, yeah,' but then it gets built into you," Graves said. "It's like a part of you."

Dancers were not alone, though. Morals were on hand throughout the event to support them with footrubs and backrubs and to play games with them.

Throughout the event, families of children benefited by Dance Marathon came and shared their stories. "It's really touching," Chambers said. "It's a reminder of what we're actually out there doing."

Although Dance Marathon was sponsored by Hope's Greek Life, 24 different groups participated, including student organizations and residence halls. The Delphi sorority raised the most money of all the groups.

Organizers have been preparing for the marathon since the fall semester of this year, and plans are already in motion for next year's marathon.

We're hoping that this will become an annual event, like the Pull or Nykerk," Otto said.

DeVos Children's Hospital is the only hospital in western Michigan dedicated to providing comprehensive care to children. More than 75,000 visits are made to the hospital annually.
New dance building lacks funding

Emily Moellman
Ann Arbor

Due to large increase in students declaring dance majors, rehearsal space is an issue. "Declaring dance majors, rehearsal space is an issue," said Bill Anderson, director of Dance and Head of the Dance Department. "The dance department's growing needs are not being addressed for some time. The construction of a new dance facility has been delayed.

According to DelBruyn, the number of students declaring dance majors has skyrocketed in the past four years from 24 students to approximately 100, making the demand for space for classes as well as student and faculty rehearsals more pressing than ever before.

"We only have full access to two studios. Because of this, many classes are forced to run later than normal class times in other departments," DelBruyn said. "Student rehearsals often begin at 9 p.m. and end when the Dow classes at midnight. Construction of the Martha Miller dance facility is delayed due to an array of problems. The facility that was originally estimated to be built in the spring of this year is now tentatively estimated to begin construction is next fall according to Senior Vice President for Finance and Development, Bill Anderson.

One of the many things halting the immediate construction of the building is the lack of funding to pay for it. The facility is also planned to house the growing number of students available in the studios, I will remove the inconvenience though with the distraction of weight room and the bathrooms, said DelBruyn. "If there's no rehearsal space available in the studios, I will remove the inconvenience though with the distraction of weight room and the bathrooms, said DelBruyn. "If there's no rehearsal space available in the studios, I will remove the inconvenience though with the distraction of weight room and the bathrooms.

The funding for the building will come from the $87 million fund-raising campaign "Legacies: A Vision for Hope." Other buildings to be funded by this campaign include the renovation of the Dow building and addition to Peale. The cost of Peale's renovations and additions is slated at $57 million.

All undesignated funds coming into the school for the campaign will go directly to funding for the new science building. 50% of the cost of the building has already been met; Anderson explains that Peale is considered priority in the fund-raising process at this point in time. "Peale was constructed in 1970, and does not have enough modern research facilities to fill the needs of the growing number of students in the sciences," Anderson said.

Anderson explains that the reason the science building is placed on priority for fund-raising is because the demand for space in the dance department is easier to fill than that of the science department. "It's easier to meet the demand for space because it is easier to find open space to dance in," said Anderson. "Whereas science classes have certain technological requirements." DelBruyn reports that the department has started using studio space at the Holland Area Arts Council for other classes. But she believes the demand for space will continue to cause problems for the department.

"Individual student time in studios is short due to the classes that need to be taught to accommodate the majors in the department," DelBruyn said. "You can't create, rehearse, and produce when you have no space to do it in."

Dance students will continue to utilize all space on campus for dance until a new building is constructed.

"If there's no rehearsal space available in the studios, I will remove the inconvenience though with the distraction of weight room and the bathrooms right there. Who wants to create an art in front of a bunch of people like that?" DelBruyn expresses that the dance department is frustrated with the delay in construction of a new facility. "I am unhappy about the situation because it causes a real cramp for students," DelBruyn said. "But we've tried to keep positive and not be negative on the status of the building.

According to Anderson, the department that the fund-raising campaign will reach out to Hope alumni for funds as the progress in the near future. "There are a lot of people still willing to give to Hope," Anderson said. "We will be going out to dance alumni and presenting them with literature on the proposed building. We hope they will contribute.

SOME SUGGESTIONS: These are possible designs for the Martha Miller dance facility.

Andrew Kleczek
Assistant Professor

For the second consecutive year, Jack Rull, a student, participated in a Poetry Blitz, putting up approximately 1,000 poems that he liked on campus.


"There's a move around the country about putting poems in public places," Rull said. "Last year, Rull wrote the editor of a creative writing magazine and told him about the Poetry Blitz. According to Rull, the editor was extremely excited about it".

Losing weight is one Thing Losing Perspective is Another
Gain back a sense of who you were before food took control Eating Disorders Awareness Education Series Carla Beach, MA MSW from Holland Community Hospital Expert speaker and Psychiatrist on the Topic of Eating Disorders When: Kick-off begins Thursday, March 29 Free Lecture and Dinner 6:30 p.m. Free Screenings and Referalls Where: Hope College Maas Center Auditorium 264 Columbia - between 11th & 12th Call 394-3344 to register before March

Some possible designs for the Martha Miller dance facility.

"There's a move around the country about putting poems in public places," Rull said. The poems were taken down in compliance with college safety rules according to Jerry Gunnink, Hope's director of occupational health and fire safety.

"We want you to use existing bulletin boards for postings," Gunnink said. "If you wanted to clear it through, it could be left up as a special thing.

DelBruyn also says that signs that are not posted in designated areas are to be taken down immediately. Last year, Rull said that the poems could not be placed outside, due to a college policy. This year he told students to try and comply with the policy. In one building, this year, a custodian helped the students place the poems where they would not be a problem. At the time of the interview, Rull did not know who was taking down the poems, or why. "It's upsetting, I know my students were disappointed," Rull said. "They were talking about it in class, and they didn't know either."

According to Rull, attempts to get people to take the poems off the day world are part of a national movement.
Opinion

Our voice

Sunday night was a beautiful night on Hope's campus. If you weren't up after midnight, you missed a lovely sight. The campus was covered in poetry. Words were plastered on walls, windows, and stalls. Classroom doors ached for love, and support pillars laughed about loss and twiddles underwater.

A snow fell upon campus. White snow with the black flecks of letters and words settled upon your world as you slept or finished your homework.

Hopefully, you were one of the lucky few who wandered out in the midst of that white storm. You may have looked around, read some, simply appreciated that others were there, and whimpered a tune to yourself as you strolled through campus.

But on Monday morning, the mark of the poetic snow was drowned out by the sound of snow blowers being pull-started with sharp tags. The snow removal machine was set in motion, and released upon the campus—eating up poem after snowflake after snowflake, tearing through expressions of beauty, truth, and learning.

Someone had the maintenance department pull down over 1,000 poems on campus. The maintenance people claim that it is against college policy to allow postings in non-bulletin board areas, but is that really the case? Are all things posted not on bulletin boards immediately pulled down the next day in a campus-wide purge? There may be evidence to the contrary, evidence that suggests that the poetry was pulled down for a different reason.

It is worthwhile to guess reasons why the poetry was pulled down. Perhaps the poems appeared as a threat to some on campus. The poems might have built a challenge out of words, meter, and line breaks—a challenge to the next ordered world of Hope where what is said is always in line with what is supposed to be said. But at an institution devoted to learning and the liberal arts, who could feel such a challenge arising in poetry?

Hope makes a big deal about their liberal arts nature to the families of incoming students. Let's time for the college to make a big deal about its liberal arts nature to the student body? About 50 students got excited about this endeavor, and read poetry outside of class all semester to find those poems that they felt were just the right ones to share with the campus community. The copied and clipped those poems, getting ready to share the voices that affected their lives with the rest of campus.

And what did these students get? Their poetry pulled down the following morning, much of it taken away before they were able to see the beauty of a campus covered in poetry. They got a message that the people who run this campus do not want to be moved, inspired, or even simply accepting. The students didn't get to see their campus covered in words, and all felt betrayed and let down by a supposedly liberal-arts college.

But I was out that night, and I was one who walked and whimpered to myself, glad that the poems were there. To these fifty students, I thank you. Your poems were torn down, but not before a few people could be reached and affected. Don't lose hope in the college, in yourself, and especially not in the power of poetry itself. Poetry existed long before the point of Hope College—artists and all fell betrayed and let down by a supposedly liberal-arts college.

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More homeless in Holland

Megan Krigbaum

March 14, 2001

Recently, a study by the Ottawa Area Housing Coalition (OAHC) has shown that homelessness in Ottawa County is on the rise. In their 1999 study, the Coalition found that there were 1,263 homeless people in the county. In 2000, there were 1,475, resulting in a 16.8% increase in one year.

There is some question about the comparability of these numbers, as the OAHC did not do the 1999 study; the people may not have been counted in the 1999 study, which counted homeless people over the course of four consecutive weeks. The 2000 study was comprised of quarterly counts in order to take into account seasonal increases and decreases in population.

"There is some danger in making a comparison between these numbers, because the people who are not housed are not counted adequately. In many cases in Holland, there are two or three families (15 to 18 people) living in one small house." Albert McGeehan, mayor of Holland, said.

"These families may still have heat, light, and food," McGeehan said.

Bruce Bos, Community Development Director for Holland, spoke about a first grade class involved in Lakeshore Link, an after-school program for kids (ages ten to fourteen) that was given the assignment of drawing a picture of the future of Holland as he who lived in their home.

Some children had had to draw many people to draw needed more than one piece of paper.

"The reason people move to Holland is because there are good jobs and a good community here. They come for the quality of life with hope of great opportunity," McGeehan said. "There is no reason for a person in Holland to live in a car or under an overpass. There are plenty of places for them to go." McGeehan said.

Two rescue missions and several houses maintained by faith-based organizations in Holland. In September 2000, the need for more housing for homeless women and children had increased to the point that a second branch of Family Hope Ministries opened at 425 Marina on Fairbanks and Van Buren Street in addition to the one on River Avenue.

The new rescue mission is the largest, newest and most modern rescue mission in Michigan," McGeehan said.

The administration at the center have found that more and more people are coming to the shelter. Family Hope Ministries has found that the percentage of women and children in the Holland mission, 81%, is much higher than the national average of 61%.

The new branch of Family Hope Ministries is intended to continue the work of the already running shelter. The official mission statement of the rescue mission is: "To bring people to a saving knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ, thus bringing them to a dependence upon God and independence within society."

The goal of the mission is to provide a temporary and permanent place for the homeless to live, as well as educate them in basic life skills.

There is an emergency shelter at the center, where clients can live for up to 90 days. The people staying in the shelter are required to attend a Bible study everyday.

There are several programs that the clients can participate in at the shelter. The first is the life skills program, which lasts three months long. People in this program are taught the basics of budgeting, parenting, nutrition, conflict resolution. They also attend Bible classes for four hours each day. After these classes, the clients do work around the mission.

After three months in the life skills program, clients either move out of the shelter or into the discipleship program, which lasts six months. This program is not just structured as life skills work, but takes the clients into society. Participants in this program are expected to get a job. All attend Bible classes at night and each is given a church mentor.

Finally, when people finish the discipleship program, they can roll in a transition program during which they live in apartments that belong to the mission. Participants in this program are required to have jobs and pay rent.

"Most of our clients come from a home where they are sharing a house with relatives or friends which is not a good situation. Not many come from the streets," said Kim Newman, communications assistant at Family Hope Ministries.

Those living in the emergency shelter usually share a room with one other person. If it is a mother and children, they often have a room to themselves. Each room has a closet and a chest of drawers, as well as a bathroom. Those in the life skills or discipleship programs have their own room with a desk, dresser, closet and bathroom. There are some apartments in the facility where there is a master bedroom, and another smaller room for children. These apartments connect to one another so that large families can live comfortably.

"We also have a day care for residents who are looking for work or have other appointments. There are usually seven children in the day care at a time," Newman said.

Hope students have recently had the opportunity to help in the child care at Family Hope Ministries. Volunteer Services have asked Resident Assistants to take turns watching children in the center during Sunday night worship services. So far, RA's and residents from Van Vleck, Cook Hall and Lichly have participated.

Residents of Van Vleck recently visited the center.

"We could tell that the kids came from all different backgrounds. It was interesting because one kid was really violent, while one girl sat under a table and cried the whole time," said Tracey Forbes ('03), a Van Vleck RA.

Forbes said that the six girls who went to the center had a good time and could tell that they were appreciated.

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Campus commodes found in good condition

Hope’s bathrooms rated on cleanliness and odors

Hope runner to head to Boston

Carrie Arnold
Sports Editor

Jonathan Atwell ('03) is going places. Using his own two feet, that is.

Last October, Atwell ran his first marathon in Chicago, which qualified him to race in the Boston Marathon this April. Atwell, who has run for fitness since high school, focuses on just enjoying his training and competing.

"I just went out and enjoyed it," Atwell said. "I like to run, ride my bike, and just be outside."

In preparation for the Chicago Marathon, Atwell trained hard for two months, adding cross-training and long runs to his usual routine. Currently, he runs over 50 miles per week in preparation for the 26.2 mile race, including one long run of 20 miles. He puts in two hard days of cross-training, which includes pull-ups, abdominal workouts, swimming and biking. On the other days, Atwell runs four to eight miles.

Besides juggling the heavy workload of a science major and his rigorous workouts, Atwell has also completed several duathalons and triathalons.

"I enjoy the training and the day-to-day stuff," Atwell said. "But it's hard to get your training exactly the way you want it." Atwell hopes to have the same attitude towards the Boston Marathon as he did towards his race in Chicago. Finishing in Chicago with a "decent time" of 3 hours, 10 minutes, Atwell's goal is to maintain this speed on the hilly Boston course.

"I ran with no expectations," Atwell said. "My parents are coming out, and I just want to run and have fun. It's a big deal, but at the same time, it's not."

For Atwell, running is simply about enjoying himself and staying fit, and he recommends that runners be "smart" and remember nutrition and basic training rules. "I'm just thankful to be alive and healthy," Atwell said. "Long runs are not the most enjoyable thing, and I just have to remind myself how lucky I am that I can do this."
It's going to be fun jamming with your painting. How many poems about mermaids can I possibly produce? -A

I'll miss you on Sunday, especially when I'm quizzed on which gland enables marines to chew through bars, you know that one, right?

Free Mumia!

**Hope College Gospel Choir Annual Spring Concert**

The Hope College Gospel Choir Annual Spring Concert will be held Saturday, March 31, at the Holland Civic Center (150 E. 8th Street). The performance will begin at 8 p.m. Tickets are $5 each, and may be purchased at the Chaplains Office (125 E. 10th Street) during office hours. For more information call 855-7145.

**SURVEY from Alles**

Want to get information from freshmen who were forced to live in special living areas, such as a converted study lounge in Kollen Hall, because of over-enrollment.

"We want to know how that affected their overall experience," Alles said.

Other questions address parking and how students get their information about the campus.

Alles is currently working with CIT to get the questionnaire online and ready for students when they return from Spring Break. All students are asked to participate in the survey, which will be up for a week.

From the previous survey, Alles found that most people answered the survey within the first 48 hours it was distributed.

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**VandenBerg champ second year in a row**

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Hope College senior Betsy VandenBerg ('01) made her last swim meet one to remember.

She capped off her four years at Hope by defending her 200-yard breaststroke crown at the NCAA Division III National Championships in Buffalo, N.Y. this past weekend. Her time of 2:19.19 was almost three seconds ahead of the second place swimmer.

"It’s definitely an honor," VandenBerg said. "There are a lot of great swimmers in Division III, not quite as strong as Division I for obvious reasons. But it’s an honor, especially to do in my senior year."

VandenBerg has been a contender in the 200-yard breaststroke at Nationals each year she’s been at Hope. She received the silver medal for second place her freshman and sophomore years, then went on to win the gold her last two seasons.

Calvin College was the only other MIAA school to receive points, finishing in eighteenth place with 42 points.

Betsy VandenBerg felt her time on the swim team was the best thing she did at Hope.

"Our team’s great, and our coach is great," VandenBerg said. "I’m really going to miss the whole team."

This weekend the men’s Division III championships will also be held in Buffalo, where eyes will be on Hope junior Josh Boss as he looks to defend his 200-yard breaststroke crown.

Boss will also be looking to win the 100-yard breaststroke where he finished second last year. As a team, the men finished sixth at nationals last season.

**Hope lacrosse beats Calvin**

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The Hope College lacrosse team did something that hadn’t been accomplished in 22 games over a 14 year period; they beat Calvin.

The game took place in the snow last Thursday at Hope College, where Hope defeated the Knights 7-5.

"It’s a monkey off our back, it was good to beat them," said Chris Sizemore (’02), team president and captain. "It feels good to do something that hasn’t been done in 14 years."

The lacrosse team has been a part of Hope College for almost 30 years. This year’s team of 28 players is one of the bigger teams they’ve had in the past three years.

Hope started off the game hot, scoring the first four goals of the game to take a 4-0 lead at the end of the first quarter.

However, Calvin came back to score three in the second quarter, so they trailed by only one at halftime.

Hope was able to stay with Calvin in the second half, and secured the victory.

Sizemore credited the team’s success in part to the way the team came together in their time spent in the gym this winter, where they practiced from midnight until 2 am.

Hope is 1-1 in the MIAA this year, with one win over Calvin and one loss to Calvin.

 According to Sizemore, the team has already completed one of its two goals of the year.

"One of our main goals was to beat Calvin now, we really want to go undefeated this year, that’s our other goal," Sizemore said.

Hope was supposed to play Calvin again Wednesday afternoon at Calvin, however due to the weather that game has been canceled. Hope’s next game will be March 28 when Hope will host Albion College.