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GOD COMMANDS NOPE TO REVERT TO MISSIONARY SCHOOL ROOTS

Last week students woke to finding chalkings on campus citing a ‘revival’ in God calling Nope College to become the missionary school it once was.

The chalkings were done in conjunction with a group of 300 Nope students who reportedly gathered at The Bourragh on Wednesday night praying on bar stools for six straight hours, prophesying His return.

On April 2 Nope PR released an ambiguously clear statement Christ becoming a missionary

with select card access only to be known as the WTFS staff’s prime voyeuristic make-out chamber—
We all deserve our own make-out chambers on campus. Only so many people can reserve Dyke-sta Lounge, Blubbers Annex and the 7th floor of Eastern Theological Seminary. I want my empty office! I want it now! WTF, mate," Juan Angry Sexually frustrated Christian (’08) said.

Saffron P. Mooney
Investigative Reporter

WTFS radio, the ‘Voice of Nope College’ announced Friday that their ‘stuff has been shuf-tered’ in the new sound booth in The Mart. The move has taken place over the past 21 years.

An unofficially official Frost Research Survey revealed that six out of 3,000 Nope students noticed WTFS’s two decade plus period of inception. Two out of 400 students who walk past the window, with lone computer radio station’s abandoned glass

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ANGRY SQUIRELS

PITA FLAGS NOPE FOR ‘SQUIRREL FISHING’

Nope college has been officially declared ‘unsafe for animals’ by People against Inhumane Treatment of Animals (PITA). The organization laid siege to the Pine Grove this week on the 7th anniversary of the Squirrelsky massacre and refused to leave until “the animals get the treatment that they deserve.”

PITA sites Nope as one of top three “Christian” colleges in the nation that practices inhumane treatment towards black squirrels.

Nope’s animal psychologist said. “I was talking to a squirrel yesterday who explained to me that his self-esteem was crushed when he was made into a fool squirrel yesterday who explained to me that his self-esteem was crushed when he was made into a fool.

Additionally, PITA reported that “squirrels at Nope College live in constant fear of those ridiculous flying disk things that college students enjoy.” Squabbit said.

PITA presented the concern of the growing popularity of squirrel fishing on Nope’s campus. The art of squirrel fishing has gained immense popularity, not only at Nope, but worldwide, and has now found its place on Wikipedia.org, which defines squirrel fishing as, “the sport practice of catching squirrels and attempting to lift them into the air using a peanut tied to a string or fishing line, and optionally some kind of fishing pole.”

“Although Nope students may view this game as harmless, they can’t read animal’s minds like I can,” PITA’s animal psychologist said. “I was talking to a squirrel yesterday who explained to me that his self-esteem was crushed when he was made into a fool.”

PITA's help.

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Nope College’s avid Frisbee golfers are outraged by allegations of squirrel mistreatment.

The squirrels have plenty of time to get out of the way of a Frisbee,” Fris Vanbee (’08) said. “As far as I’m concerned we’re helping the squirrels. The squirrels at Nope have developed amazing reflexes and speed because of our Frisbees. Thanks to our help, predators can’t catch them.”

The PITA members eventually left campus Friday night when Elvis, Professor Tim Pennings’ overly intelligent dog, had a lengthy discussion with the PITA psychologist and convinced him that the animals of Nope College are better off without PITA’s help.

CLASSES CANCELED AFTER SQUIRREL TRAGEDY

Students urged to lend thoughts, prayers to small rodent

ON THIS DAY IN HISTORY: April 5, 1999

Kirk Cameron
D.C. Correspondent

Nope’s campus ground to a halt Monday after a horrific attack claimed the tail of Nope’s beloved land surfing mascot, Mr. Squirrelsky.

The incident, widely believed to be the work of insurgent, extremist gray squirrels, paralyzed campus activities after the discovery of the maimed animal shortly after 2 p.m. local time.

Students in and around the attack site, preliminarily named Ground Hero, immediately intervened to stabilize the wounded animal and transport it to a local medical facility.

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A chalked message released late Monday evening claimed the attack was the work of newly immigrated gray squirrels.

“Squirrelsky is a message... Give grays rights!” the note read.

Nope administrators will meet Thursday to begin preliminary planning in the wake of Squirrelsky’s unfortunate maiming.

“It’s too early at this point to say what will be next for the little fella,” said D. Leder, head of mascot operations at Nope.

*This page has been dedicated to Stumpy the Squabbit*
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The Julianna Discrepancy

A Room Divided:

Ioana Hilaiah

Guest Writer

Jet To

What used to be shared rehearsal space is now the scene of brutal guerilla attacks, offensive graffiti and the staging of greater assaults on department headquarters. The little known Julianna Room, a large room in the basement of Durfee Hall used by dance and theater students to prepare various works, has become the new Jerusalem in war of artistic religions.

"We were minding our own business, using the time slot we had set aside," said dance major Ivory Toze ('09). "It's perfectly acceptable to pencil in eight hours of time on a Saturday afternoon."

The cast of the next main stage production, "Hate's Work Discovered," began reciting their soliloquies at a most inopportune volume.

"Our focus was completely ruined!" Toze said. "How can these dancers reenact my first sexual experience with that crap in the background?"

Soon after the cast of "Hate" had conquered Julianna's walls, the dancers struck back with a roaring vengeance.

Sparrows recounted the events.

"About twelve, no thirteen, of those skinny little Barbie dolls interrupted my rehearsal and started dancing and humming 'The Dance of the Hours.' Everyone knows that piece should be outlawed. It's a sin that they even thought of stepping that low."

Since this turn of events, there have been numerous strikes on the DeWitt Theater by individuals wearing ski masks, points and black dance belts. The words "Hope theater sucks it big time," were reportedly sprayed across the stage. Administration closed the building to all visiting high school juniors for the remainder of the week so the mess could be cleaned up.

Naturally, the Dow has been hit as well, as every piece of office furniture in the newly expanded Dance department office has disappeared. They are rumored to be scattered among the off-campus houses of theater students, stashed next to stolen signs, posters and small animals.

As there is no end to this continuing conflict in sight, we at the Ranchor will keep you informed. Until then, pick your horse and stay out of the Julianna Room, as it is probably being used by someone with a greater artistic vision than you.

Choo Choo: Holland Plagued by Acts of God(S)

Lailah Hilaiah

MDOT Spokesman

Nope students who used Damtrack need to start looking for transportation alternatives.

The Michigan Legislature voted on a groundbreaking piece of legislation on Friday, March 30. This new bill, the Damtrack Regulatory Endorsement of Monstrous Subsidies Act (DREAMS) Act, will have a direct impact on Nope students' ability to use Damtrack services.

The new legislation states that "a state subsidy shall be provided...if Damtrack discontinues service or any portion of services during the preceding year, but only if the discontinuance of service was due to any act of a higher being, including but not limited to an act of God, Allah, Ometeotl, Buddha, Kokumthena, Shiva, Flying Spaghetti Monster, Zeus or any of their existing aliases or equivalent co-powers."

"There is no way to understand what is going on in the DREAMS Act because they're trying to hide funds and sneak contingents in," said Nope Professor Gay Ellis of the political science department.

Citing Damtrack's poor past performance, Bill Calhoun, chief of staff to state Sen. William Van Nero, likened the passenger railway carrier to a college student who goes to class late, does minimal work and parties all the time.

"The DREAMS Act will help us get our budget under control and get Damtrack back on track," Van Nero said.

Rumors quickly spread around Nope's campus about the apparent cancellation of Damtrack services because no biblical-like plague had struck the train yet this year.

"It is my only way home. There's no bus. The train was my only option...well maybe I could walk," Matt Trotter ('06) said.

Students, however, failed to realize that any atrocity that occurred would also cause an end to Damtrack services. That is until God, Allah, Ometeotl, Buddha, Kokumthena, Shiva, Flying Spaghetti Monster, Zeus or any of their existing aliases or equivalent co-powers struck on Monday, April 3.

1) If you think the train should be swarmed by locusts, see page 7.

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4) If you think the train should be abducted by the Flying Spaghetti Monster, see page 8.

5) If you think this story should just end, see page 9.
Swift, Thrift, Heavenly Gift
new to Holland/Zeeland area

D.C. CORESPONDENT

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As the new Holland based Quickie Drive-Thru Communion makes clear, the public demands a faster way to purify their souls. The expedient appeal of drive-through communion has transcended into the spiritual realm for many Hollanders.

"Communion has for too long been perceived as a hokey, dusty, slow ritual," pastor David Freestone said. "I expect this little ceremony-on-the-go business to be pretty successful, so I can't have people lingering around. It's grab-n'-go." Freestone is a busy woman. During the week she is on the side. It's sort of our way of relaxing and taking it easy on the Sabbath. This is the day that our family makes a good warm meal and spends time together watching TV and sleeping. We go to church on Easter and Christmas, and occasionally to the Pizza Sunday Picnic. Before Quickie Communion, there was a spiritual void at our home.

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"We are about speed here, so you can't park your car and lounge at Quickie Communion, you have to grab and go. I expect this little ceremony-on-the-go business to be pretty successful, so I can't have people lingering around. It's grab-n'-go." Janet Freestone, a stay-at-home mom recently gave her testimony concerning the opening of Quickie Communion.

"On Sundays our busy family always makes B.L.T.s or sloppy joes with cheesy rice and red salt on the side. It's sort of our way of leaving, or while driving away, the pastor will rapidly chant, speak in tongues and throw some gold and aqua glitter on the customer's car."

According to a recent Freeze Center study, approximately 150 students had been to every racism panel, although the accuracy of the figures is questionable, as the study was connected to a possible donation for Dance Marathon. The same study stated that more than 2,000 students had been to none of the panels. This same population seemed to show little interest in the issue. "They're still doing those?" said Jaded Senior ('06). "I swear they would love Pastor Deyoung's new drive-through communion service. I really adore Quickie Communion, because it fits in well with our family's schedule," she said.

"It helps us take it easy on Sunday and at the same time not be seen as lazy, atheistic or pagan."
I read these papers and books so that I can write these papers and books so that I can earn green paper and pay for more books and paper...

...so that I can get more green paper so I can fill out papers and put the paper in a bank and then write a will paper so that my relatives can inherit my paper and everyone will love me and talk about me in the papers.

SLOTH ON THE SLATE FOR NOPE PROFESSORSHIP

Three-toed sloth Surge Carpenter is among the list of potential professors under consideration for hire by the sociology department.

"I'd pick choose Surge [Carpenter]," said political science professor Zoel Poppen. "Unlike the other [potential] faculty members, he has suffered from species-ism and intolerance on countless occasions. His whole life has been an upward battle."

"For instance, countless colleges rejected Carpenter throughout the college application process, despite his having SAT scores significantly higher than the average American high school student," Poppen said.

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Locusts swarmed the Pear Muppet train line late Monday night as the train pulled into Holland from Chicago. The locust swarm caused the train to derail. The accident was similar to incidents that occurred along both the Pear Muppet and the Grey Land lines this past week.

No one has been injured in any of the accidents. The Michigan Legislature voted on a bill that suspended Damtrak's service until the cause of the locust swarms could be attained and damage from all accidents could be repaired.

This indefinite suspension of Damtrak services will most likely continue through the end of the current school year as nearly $1 million worth of damages has been assessed.

Nope College has no means of assisting students in their treks home this year.

Nope hopes and prays to God that the student body will be able to find their way home, so to speak, in the wake of this tragedy," Dean of students Mark VanderPique said.

From PAGE 1

the Kids' they'll remember that Dance Marathon is just months away!"

Some campus groups, however, expressed dismay at the recent developments. "We can't raise a dime here," said Avustur Ledir ('96).

"It's always this for the kids and that for the kids... honestly, who cares about the freakin' kids, it's all about looking hot anyways!"

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Student complains Ranchor
is disgrace to Nope's name

To the Editor:
It has come to my attention that once again this week you and your paper have chosen to produce a satirical paper instead of the paper I expect each Wednesday evening. Without being too personally aggressive, I find this special edition to be puerile, juvenile, and a waste of my hard-earned activity fee. In this climate of spiraling tuition costs and an increasing number of campus groups, I feel that highlighting fictitious events is hardly a priority. The fate of a fake bussing service for males onto Nope's campus is the least of my concerns. I'd much rather read hard-hitting reports on pirates, inner-tube water polo action shots and the location of cars with decapitated owls on their hoods. Additionally, the connection of our fine college to the international socialist movement is distressing. What next, al-Anchor? All true defenders of freedom see this paper for what it is - a mouthpiece for the radical, reactionary left. I'll never spend another hard-earned dollar to buy an Anchor again.

Sheeshee confessed that WTFS and the Borraugh are currently "in a mess of legal issues" as real leprechauns that frequent Nope's 15th Street parties confirmed that the Irish voice featured on Borraugh's commercial is indeed fraudulent. "People think that WTFS has undergone a brief period of transition because we're waiting on underground cables with satellite reception and stuff, but we, your faithful retro-classic/neo-post punk emo/multicultural aware radio station, admit, it's really because of a secret 21 year old underground lip suit with the Borraugh," WTFS's official PR statement said.

"We went through a hard time, WTF leprechauns, but we're back. 'The Choice' is back. Nope is ready to be heard; besides, now the Borraugh gives us free Guinness."

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**ARCHIVE SPECIAL**

**April 19, 2000 - Day of Infamy**

Academic classes unserted, students backlogged, the campus in chaos.

It is remembered as the Day the Handicapped Doors Didn’t Work. Accounts vary as to the exact cause of the disaster, but all survivors agree that by the end of chapel that fateful Wednesday, the handy blue buttons that provide access to campus buildings for thousands of Nope students were nonfunctional.

As the majority of students poured out for their 11 a.m. classes, they discovered to their pleasure that their access to academic buildings was blocked.

"We thought it was surely a sign from God," said Chapel Girl ('02).

Students, accustomed to easy building access in those pre-lockdown days, proclaimed an impromptu early May Day.

"Roastin’ Squirrel!" event.

As darkness fell, terrified students, unable to enter the dorms or cafes, erected massive bonfires in the Pine Grove and roasted wild squirrels for food at the SAC-hosted “Roastin’ Squirrel!” event.

Only a day before Maundy Thursday, many Nope students heralded the events as signs of the Lord’s second coming in 2000, in fact, in the Easter weekend to come. Throughout the evening, the chapel teemed with hoards of anxious, prayerful students, atoning and preparing for the imminent second coming.

Outside, heathen students responded to the auspicious events in a different manner. A large campus sect constructed pagan altars to the squirrel god, Mr. Squirkersley, while a minority sect burned sacrifices to their own squirrel god, Squabbi.

The night grew moonless and cold. With temperatures falling into the low 40s, packs of frigid, despondent students raided groups surrounding the existing bonfires. Terror spread quickly. Frightened Duthmen and women pulled down trees in the then-densely forested Pine Grove to erect barricades around their respective bonfires.

As the sun rose on the second day of the door crisis, the campus had descended into tribal warfare. Campus Safety riot police were deployed on the south front of the disorder; on a line extending roughly parallel to Eastern Theological Seminary.

Holding the violence in check until repairs could be made, these brave public officials prevented additional casualties.

Today the sculpture at the top of the Pine Grove honors their selfless sacrifice.

**HAUNTING CRUMBLING HALLS:**

Harry Waldorf

**Mandala Becker**

**Lloyd Stadler**

**Source: Blue Compass**

For years, it has been known that there is a ghost living on the fourth floor of Blubbers. This poor girl regretfully perished in a chemistry accident involving a late night in the lab, poorly mixed chemicals and an escaped biology frog. The details are sketchy at best.

Though for years this poltergeist has denied interviews, she granted a highly coveted statement regarding the renovations planned for Blubbers.

Shandi Vanderwilson ('62) has been spending most of her recent after-days staring contemptuously at the renovation plans on the third floor of the dean’s office. In a rage, she has stolen many a cup of warm beverage without donating the suggested 25¢.

“Just don’t see why this is all necessary. Air conditioning wouldn’t be nice, but that would just draw more students into the building. As if I’m not busy enough already.”

Vanderwilson said.

**FIERY HALL, FROM PAGE 4**

Late Sunday evening, Nope students were shocked to see fiery streaks fall from the sky.

“I was being Phelps to go to my car and all of the sudden things started falling from the sky. It looked like hail but it was on fire and it was only falling onto the train tracks,” Ben Wider ('08) said.

Officials report an estimated $1 million in damage along both the Pea Muppet, which runs from Grand Rapids to Chicago, and the Grey Land, which runs from Port Huron to Chicago.

The repair effort will likely continue well into next school year.

Already Nope students have rallied behind Damtrack and begun numerous fundraising efforts including selling candy, street musicians and selling t-shirts that read “Fiery Hall Burn!” All other causes have been put on hold.

Students have also begun organizing Spring Break mission trips to fix the Damtrack lines through out the state of Michigan.

Nope College administration was not available for comment on the transportation problems now posed by the incident.

**THE BLUBBERS’ GHOST THAT JUST WOULDN’T QUIT**

**The Blubbers of Gray Land, which runs from Port Huron to Chicago.**

**FLYING SPAGHETTI MONSTER, FROM PAGE 4**

Authorities report that the Flying Spaghetti Monster abducted all trains in Michigan traveling to and from Chicago.

“My girlfriend called me but all she could get out was ‘I was touched by his noodly appendage,’” Al Owen ('09) said.

Damtrack officials opened the search for the abductee and the anomalous pasta glob to the public.