Dutch win National Title

Dina Disney gives the number one sign while cutting down the net after the National Championship game.
News

College campuses expand due to enrollment increases

by Pam Lundberg assistant news editor

Due to the prediction of big enrollment jumps in the 1990s, many college campuses are starting to construct new buildings and improve their old ones while some are considering building whole new campuses.

"This is partly in response to the tremendous growth projections," said Barry Dorsey of the newsletter Higher Education from Virginia, regarding enrollment.

Schools considering expansion include such diverse colleges as Bluefield State College in West Virginia, Milwaukee Area Technical College in Wisconsin, Nassau Community College in New York and the University of Washington.

The University of California, a nine-campus college, also plans building.

This building boom contrasts the 1970s and 1980s when schools were worried about enrollment drops and cuts in federal funding, and, therefore, shied away from "constructive spending." Reports warned that many campuses were "crumbling" because they were ill-maintained according to Dorsey. For example, dorm overcrowding became so severe that students were forced to stay in hotels at various times throughout the past decade.

One dorm at Centenary College in Louisiana was plagued by overheating, another by asbestos, filth and muddy showers. At Tennessee State University, students conducted a sit-in to protest cockroaches and a lack of hot water in their dorms.

At the same time, the National Center for Education Statistics finally made it official by announcing that college enrollment nationwide had increased again, reaching 13.5 million students for the 1989-1990 school year.

Most schools are refurbishing existing buildings, "for the first time in the last 10 or 15 years, spending on repairs has equalled that spend on new buildings," Walter Schaw of the University of California reported. "If we don't look at long-term needs, we'll find ourselves without the ability to expand," warned Steve Stoeger-Moore of Milwaukee Area Technical College.

According to William Anderson, vice President of Business and Finance at Hope College, plans are being drawn up now to renovate the Kletsch and add a new dorm. The new dorm will be located in the vicinity of 9th and 10th streets. No official plans have been released yet.

Former US archivist speaks on advantages of collections

by Reba O'Shesky managing editor

Dr. Robert Warner, former archivist of the United States and present Dean of the Library School of the University of Michigan lectured on "What is Past is Prologue," a talk on how archives fulfill a critical role by preserving materials which document a community's past last Thursday.

Dr. Elton Bruins, who introduced Warner, credits him with planting the seed that eventually grew into the Joint Archives of Holland. Bruins also credits Warner with bringing the national archives out from under political influence and into independence.

Warner's talk started with a general history of archives in the U.S. He cited Jeremy Dalcim's Massachusetts Historical Society as the country's first archival collection. Warner said that Dalcim's objective, "to seek and find, to observe and communicate literary intelligence especially in a historical way" was a modern objective and "extremely appropriate today."

He listed other historical societies and private collectors who donated their materials to the public. Warner said the Joint Archives could consider itself "following in the footsteps of this enterprising activity."

Warning talked about state archives and then on the National Archives established in 1934. Most people know of the National Archives building in Washington D.C., but Warner said it was "much more comprehensive than what was in that one building." The National Archives has record centers in thirteen states to help control the vast amount of papers accumulated.

The second part of Warner's lecture was on the role of an archives in a community, applying it specifically to the Joint Archives.

Warner said the three archives housed in the Joint Archives were valuable as a representative history of their creating institutions. While as three separate collections in different places these weren't bad, Warner said, "stringing them together enhanced them and was a farsighted and extraordinary thing."

Warner said that with the collections in one place it was easier to access them.

After Warner's talk a reception was held in the Joint Archives reading room. Here Warner was presented with a "Guide to the Collections of the Joint Archives of Holland by Larry Wagenaar, archivist, and a pair of wooden shoes by Holland mayor, Neal Burgard.

CIA comes to campus

Cold war comes to an end

by Carrie Maples assistant news editor

Barry L. Stevenson, Research Director at the Office of Soviet Analysis for the Central Intelligence Agency, spoke on campus Monday afternoon. He lectured on the topic "What is Past is Prologue," a talk on how archives fulfill a critical role by preserving materials which document a community's past last Thursday.

The world as we know it is indeed turning into something different. He called this a "moment to be savored."

The Soviets, Stevenson explained, have been bothered by a fear of the hostile Western response to the Bolshevik Revolution. "In order to cope with the world, Gorbachev has had to let go of the outer empire (the Eastern European Communist regimes) and is now struggling with what to do with the inner empire (republics in the U.S.S.R.)."

Stevenson said that local governments in the Soviet Union are taking more power and establishing horizontal social structures with other labor unions and local party organizations. "Like Gorbachev himself, we don't know where it's going to end," concluded Stevenson.

Stevenson is a University of Michigan graduate and has worked for the CIA since 1966.

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From Sunni and Anne
Band hired for May Day concert

The Vinc Andrews Band performs May Day concert at Municipal Stadium.

by Brian Paige

The Vinc Andrews Band has been hired by the Student Activities Committee and the Student Congress for a live concert for night of May Day in addition to the regular May Day activities.

This year there will also be a May Day King elected out of the junior class with the May Day Queen.

There were several recommendations for the concert, which is tentatively scheduled for an evening show at the Holland Municipal Stadium. Other possibilities explored were the Hooters, the Romantics, and Otis Day and the Knights.

Gun Night happens April 10

The Hope Students for Second Amendment Rights and the Holland Police Department will sponsor a “Gun Night” open to all Tuesday, April 10 at 7 p.m. in Vander Werf 102. The event will include discussions on gun control, current Michigan gun laws, and an opportunity to learn gun safety. Anyone attending Tuesday’s discussion will be eligible to experience firing both a .38 special police revolver and a 9 mm semi-automatic pistol at the police station firing range the following night. All questions can be answered at x7881, x365, 399-4152 and 396-1897. The Hope Students for Second Amendment Rights is a part of POL 295: Lobbying Issues.

Sailing Club competes at IIT

This past weekend the Hope College Sailing Club competed at the Illinois Institute of Technology (IIT) in Chicago at Belmont Harbor and took first place overall, winning the regatta. The winning team in A Fleet was Pete Sturzma, skipper, and Amy Ragains, crew. The B Fleet team took fourth place with John Hafen as skipper and Jen Cameron as crew.

Student Congress sponsors forum

Student Congress will sponsor an administration-student forum featuring President John Jacobson and other top-level administrators on Thursday at 7 p.m. in the Maas Auditorium. Also featured are Vice President for Business and Finance William K. Anderson, Vice President for Admissions and Student Life James Bekkering and Provost Jacob Nienhuis. The agenda is open. Questions can be directed to the Student Congress office, x7881.

WTHS holds Radio-a-thon

89.9 FM, WTHS-Holland, Hope College’s radio station, will be holding its 1st ANNUAL WTHS RADIO-A-THON, today through April 7. The event is an attempt to raise $5,000 to help defray operating expenses and to better the quality of programming and sound for the listener. The station will be giving away records, cassettes, t-shirts and other prizes to people who call in or drop by with pledges. The event will feature “all-request-Saturday” as well as local personality guest-hosts and specialty shows.
Hope students work with homeless on Staten Island Spring Break trip

by Sunni Tehnor
staff writer

For six days over spring break, thirty Hope students, myself included, were in Staten Island New York working with Project Hospitality, a city-run center that helps the homeless.

Besides two days of sightseeing in Manhattan, we spent our days in the soup kitchen, feeding hundreds of homeless and impoverished people in the area. The food was donated by companies or concerned members of the community.

While working in the soup kitchen, the Hope students were given a chance to interact with people and share experiences. Many of the people were happy to share their life stories with the guests while others were more reluctant to be open with these visiting "foreigners." One man named Harry told me how he got caught up with drugs and lost over fifty pounds because he would smoke crack all day rather than work out.

We spent one day painting bathroom walls and dressers at the Project Hospitality itself, where homeless women and their children live. Many of those women were there to escape their abusive husbands and to start their lives anew.

Project Hospitality offered fun programs and trips for the children as well as educational seminars for the mothers. Some of the visiting Hope students were given a chance to babysit the children while the mothers were at such meetings as Alcoholics Anonymous.

The Hope students devoted a lot of time to clearing a back lot to be used as a playground and a recreational area. Fallen trees and debris were hauled away to be chopped up and removed.

We also had clean up projects in the building where we stayed. It is an office building where the directors of the project worked and where homeless men could come have coffee and watch television. There was also a storage room where donated clothing is kept and handed out if needed.

Taking photographs of our trip was more difficult than one might imagine. Just because people are homeless and poor doesn't mean that they're not human. I had to ask the permission of each person before I could take their picture so they wouldn't be treated like someone from a freak show.

Most of the people were happy to be photographed, while a few shunned away. I was told by a director that the women tend not to want to have their pictures taken because they are in hiding from their abusive husbands. I gladly obeyed their wishes to remain anonymous.

Some Hope students helped census-takers count the homeless in the Staten Island Ferry Terminal. During the week, signs were up in the kitchen. "Let the Government Know You Exist Come And Be Counted."

The Ferry Terminal is a place where many of the homeless, women and teenage boys, reside to fight the winter cold and to sleep on the benches. On one bench you'll see a row of men clad in suits, carrying briefcases on their way to Wall Street. On the adjacent bench you'll find an old woman sleeping under newspapers next to a man with his face huddled under a blanket on the cement sidewalk near a row of stores with a furnished parking lot.

Walking through beautiful on trail Park we watched Nate Evans and Matt Young, both Hope sophomores, run around playing with the group of children while cyclists, skateboarders and happy couples enjoyed the sunshine. A few minutes later we saw a man picking through a garbage can.

Living in New York City myself, I see both the best and worst of the city. New York has been doing a lot to help ease the problem. Besides city-run shelters, the homeless have their own monthly newspaper now called Street News which they sell to earn some money. The newspaper is filled with interviews with famous people about their views on homelessness.

The city is supposed to start selling tickets soon that people can give out to the homeless rather than worry about giving money. The tickets are good for food at various restaurants in the city.

Working with the homeless project has been quite an experience for us all. We were able to live out free time productively to help others and we hopefully made a difference in some lives.
Letter to the Editor

Off-campus transportation lacks accessibility for student workers

Dear Editor of the Anchor,

Indeed there are a lot of services and resources available to today’s Hope College students. Some of these services, however, sometimes do not prove to be convenient or useful. Off-campus transportation, which runs Monday through Friday from seven to twelve midnight, is a prime example of one of those not so convenient services.

College life is hectic with classes, studies, and activities everyday, so the best day for students to work off campus is on Saturday. Some employers like students to work before seven A.M. on Saturdays too. The problem, which affects different groups of students, is that Off Campus Transportation does not even run on Saturday.

One group is made up of students who are from the Holland area and often keep their jobs from the summer but need transportation. According to the “rules,” which state that rides can only be to jobs, students cannot even receive an off campus ride to their homes in Holland or Zeeland on Friday, even if it is for a Saturday morning job. But their job description allows them to take students, with destination home, to Kent County Airport. I think Off Campus Transportation should use some consistency in their so-called “rules.”

Another group consists of some students that cannot get an on campus job because of financial aid, so they seek employment off campus and Saturday work is often required of them. Without Off Campus Transportation they will have no income at all. No fun at all. Is that what Hope College wants?

Lastly, students seeking higher pay than the $3.35 of campus jobs go through job placement and find employment elsewhere, yet it requires them to work on Saturdays. There simply are not enough places of employment within walking distance of Hope’s campus. With so many students working off campus and needing rides, the college should respond to those needs.

If the students are from the Holland area they can always have their parents pick them up on Friday and let them use the family sedan to get to work on Saturday. Parents have to waste time bringing and getting every weekend and students feel guilty about it.

A common alternative is called “seek and beg.” By simply listening to others’ conversations, a student can find out who has a car and then devise a plan finding out the person’s name, room number and the telephone number is essential. The only thing the seeker has to do is bug, pester, annoy, and torment these strangers into giving him or her a ride to work.

Another alternative, becoming a “user,” involves friends. These so called friendships revolve around cars and the term “user” soon gets around. Now the user is left with no friends and no ride.

Consequently the only thing left to do is to walk. Some jobs require students to leave two hours early because they are so far away.

The fact remains that not only will students seeking rides benefit from Saturday transportation, but the students employed by Off Campus Transportation will too. Instead of sitting around all day, these students can make more money. Both riders and drivers will be happier.

This issue has been brought up as a request for a change in hours. You are now aware of how the Off Campus Transportation can better serve the students of Hope College, by simply providing rides on Saturdays. And better yet, change the hours to begin before seven o’clock.

Sincerely,

Merry Westenbroek
Letters to the Editor

Basketball skeptic convinced

Dear Editor,

On March 16, 1990, I bought some tickets at half price for the Hope College women’s basketball NCAA Championship. One of the guys couldn’t make the game that night so I bought his tickets. A couple of weekends before that, I helped take chairs down at the Dow Center for the Great Lake State Classic. I’m sure there and I knew I was missing something; they had a closeness and camaraderie that I don’t see that often. After all, there were some Zeeland girls on the team, so I have to support my home team. When I called the Hope office to order the tickets I bought them. Then I called my wife so she could line up a babysitter for the night.

Hope College of Holland, Michigan vs. Centre College of Danville, Kentucky. We went early to get good seats. First, we saw St. John Fisher of Rochester, NY versus Heidelberg College of Tiffin, Ohio. Amazing is the word. I’m sure the guy whose heroes were John Wayne and Matt Dillon, macho men. But these girls’ games were something else. I never saw so much heart and they tried so hard to win!

Girls, you made a fan out of me. And then my wife, Sally says, “I told you so. I told you about the emotion in women’s sports and you didn’t believe me.” On St. Pat’s weekend I had to eat crow.

March 17 was here. Sally and I talked about getting a babysitter again for our two and four year old boys. I don’t think they would sit through a game like this, as I tried it before. Sally said we might never get a chance to see the NCAA division championship again for a long time. “Let’s do it,” I said. I didn’t care what it cost after last night. I wouldn’t have forgiven myself for not going. I enjoy working at Hope with the young men and women there. I like to keep up with sports and some kids even tell me what they’re going to do when they get out of college – that’s nice.

We got there early again. I could feel the excitement in the air. It was so thick you could cut it with a knife. Then it happened – game time! Hope vs. St. John Fisher, the number one ranked team.

The first half seemed pretty even to me, but I’m a custodian, not a basketball expert. Then all of a sudden, St. John was 20 points ahead of Hope. “Time out!” Hope bench yelled. St. John’s side roared because they were ahead. Sally said, “What do you think, now?” I said, “I have a feeling we are going to win, but I don’t know how. We have to come back but we didn’t do it before, though, I understand.”

Then the cheerleader came and said, “Give me an H, give me an O, give me an E, what’s that spell? Louder!” she yelled. It was plain to me that the crowd didn’t give up either. A lot can happen in five minutes, and a lot did.

After the time out, the teams came roaring back to our side of the court. St. John shot, and missed. Robin Schout from Hope got the rebound. I looked in her face, for a split second when she had the ball, then I saw it – the eye of the Tiger! The whole team had the eye of the Tiger. Somewhere with all the noise, and all the excitement I knew Hope was going to win – I could feel it!

The Hope fans cheered the team on. I never saw anything like it before. Hope’s girls would steal the ball, and they all scored points, especially the free throws from fouls. But what feeling and what heart! Yes, I’ll have some crow please. Then on our end of the court again, Dina Disney knocked to the floor. We all stood on our feet. I yelled, “Get up, Dina, get up!” She was crying of the pain, she hurt, but she had too much heart to quit. She even had a janitor sniffing a little. She got up and went back in the game. Then she went to the other end of the court and pumped in a three pointer!

I wouldn’t have missed that game for anything. The score was now tied, and the referee called a foul on St. John with no time left on the clock! I don’t believe it – a foul in our favor! Dina Disney gets two shots, two points for Hope, and we win! Our team and our coach, assistant coach and trainer: my congratulations! You are truly national champs of the NCAA.

So, then, not all kids in college are on drugs, or like to party, or they couldn’t play basketball like that. And I mean all the teams, not just Hope. You’re all champs. You know though, girls, you not only showed me how to win with grace and style and class, but a lot of faith in the Lord, too. Dina gave her testimony for the Lord over TV. She quoted Philippians 4:13 also in the Holland paper. And I understand that the team prayed together on the last time out. The testimony will change their lives with God. I’m glad that I work at Hope College with young people of this caliber. I think our lives with the Lord are the most important thing for us. You truly are champs of the Lord.

Sincerely,
Rick Wissink