**Violent attacks reported over break**

by Julie Blair

In two separate incidents, a physical battering and sexual assault sent a Hope College student and employee reeling after being attacked on campus grounds over recent days.

At approximately 1:30 a.m. on Monday, March 21, an employee was out for a walk and passing by the 13th St. side of Lichte Hall when two men came charging out of the dark-ness toward him. One man struck the victim twice with his fists while the other watched nearby. The victim fled the assailants, running to the south entrance of Kollen Hall where a student opened the locked door for him. The victim sustained only minor injuries.

Public Safety officers are also in hot pursuit of two men who sexually assaulted a male student during the week of March 13-19, an incident reported one week after it occurred. According to reports, the victim was approached by a car at 10th St. Sensing a weapon might be present, the man entered the car as requested. The student was then driven to a remote area where he was sexually assaulted.

None of the att-ackers in either case had been apprehended. Public Safety, in coopera-tion with the Holland P.D., continue to follow up leads.

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Anyone with any information on either of these cases should contact Duane Terpstra at the Public Safety Office, x7770.

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**Homeless sleeping in campus buildings**

by Jodi McFarland

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Many students went to the warm south for their spring breaks, but here in Holland homeless sought the avenues that often accompany those with disabilities. It's Disability Awareness Week, with its Disability Awareness Week, with knowledge of the exceptional talents that often accompany those with disabilities.

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**Disability Awareness Week educates and informs students and faculty**

by Jim Rieker

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Hope College is in the midst of its Disability Awareness Week, with activities that focus on educating Hope's population about various disabilities, as well as increasing knowledge of the exceptional talents that often accompany those with disabilities.

The week will also heighten students' awareness to Hope's own population of disabled students, a group that tends to be a quiet minority. The definition of a disabled student as, "Anyone with a physical or mental condition that alters one or more activities." This definition includes 85 Hope students, with many of the individuals having hidden disabilities such as arthritis, heart conditions, or visual or learning impairments.

Percentage wise, Hope's enrollment of 2,300 students is far below the national average of 9 to 10 percent, but according to Shumaker there is good reason.

"You'll often find a greater number of disabled students in community colleges or public universities," Shumaker said. "The high numbers in community college is due to the fact that many students are not seen as having the potential for four years of college. The popularity of state funded universities is based on financial reasons, since the Michigan Commissioner for the Blind earns its hefty $5,500 price tag by reading out loud any paper set inside.

On Wednesday night from 9 to 11, the movie Sister Act will be shown in the Kletz. This is a unique opportunity for Hope students, since it will be a descriptive video, in which a soft female voice in the background explains what is happening on the screen, giving visually impaired students a better idea of what is happening in the movie.

Thursday night from 7 to 8 in Peale 50, there will be a presentation on Women and Disabilities. Shumaker sees the need to focus on disabled women because they face even more discrimination than disabled males. In fact, 85 percent of educated, capable disabled women are unemployed compared to 65 percent of men. Other activities are planned throughout the week, and those interested should contact Louise Shumaker.

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Peace of Mind
David Charin

Presidental paralysis is no news excuse

Spring Break '94 was a blast. Images of Miami'soubuild will keep me warm for the rest of the school year, and the sunny 85 degree weather left me with a moderate tan that allows me to go to less fortunate others that I spent break in south Florida's warm climate. The wonderful weather only worsened my standard break syndrome of retreat. My vacations tend to be excerecies in escapist thought: I forget the real world, do not read the Journal, and do no homework. The philosophy is simple; No work, no paper, no worries.

Yet this idyllic and well-planned break was interrupted by a source that I would have never expected: television. Normally, I, t.v. does not fit into my schedule. But, time off from school seemed like a great opportunity to watch Night Court re-runs as well as pro basketball on TNT.

My plans to avoid all news fell through just as I was about to turn off the Friday night re-run of Saturday Night Live. NORTH KOREA HAS THREATENED TO ATTACK THE SOUTH LIHTE SINGAPORE. This is no longer a surprise. The North Koreans once again had threatened to fire missiles through just as I was about to turn basketball on TNT.

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As I sat back and thought about the whole thing, I became more and more concerned. The catchy headline glou my tired late-night eyes to that station, but the sketchy details did nothing for my immune Little mention was given to the 30,000 U.S. combat troops who live and work right along the DMZ. These troops are on high alert because the North Korean aggression, up to and including a full invasion.

Personally, I do not have any relatives or acquaintances stationed in Korea, but if I did, I would have appreciated a much more accurate and in-depth report.

Because of my foreign policy interests, I wanted to know what the President's reaction would be to this new threat, and what general course the United States would intended to pursue. Thus, I was shocked when the news of the next day continued to focus on the domestic concerns following Clinton's personal Vietnamese Whitewater: A DAMAGED PRESIDENCY! The news opened to turn upon each and every news development of the Clinton's tax returns. Why was Korea relegated to second fiddle?

Personally, I remain unconvincing that the Clinton's were completely above board in their business dealings. However, the severity of the scare that sweep from Pyongyang warranted a strong U.S. response.

Listening further I discovered that North Korea's Kim II-Sung does not act or respond in a rational manner when confronted with complex or rapidly developing crises. The media should be responsible enough to report on world developments in a timely and accurate manner. Though Bill Clinton was elected upon the strength of his domestic agenda, as the President he is our foreign policy leader. The media should not ignore domestic scandal, but neither should it emphasize such scandal or supposed scandal to the exclusion of developing world affairs.

I fear not—the President is never on vacation—at all times his decisions affect the nation, and the media should inform the public of both the situations he encounters and the decisions that he makes.

For the sixth year in a row, Hope College students have won the "Best Delegation Award" during the Midwest Model League of Arab States. In addition, five of the nine Hope students who participated won individual awards.

The Hope Model League of Arab States, working on one of five committees: Political, Economic, Social, Cultural and Palestinian Affairs. Hope's students wrote position papers outlining Egypt's stand on the various issues being discussed and wrote resolutions, which they presented to their committees for discussion and voting.

Some of the issues discussed were: "The Arab World and the International Community, "Arms Control in the Arab World, "Arab Economic Cooperation, Management of the Environment, "the Status of Women, "the Arab Image: Myth and Reality, the Peace Process: Protecting the Legal Rights of Palestinians' and "Arab Support for the Palestinian Cause."

Participating from Hope were: Jalaah Abd-el-wahab, a freshman and Palestinian; Hanan Awwad, a sophomore and Palestinian; Heeg, Muhawi, a freshman and Palestinian; Pereira and Vasisht, a senior from Hollywood Hills, California. The students researched Egypt, reviewed the current political situation in all of the countries of the Arab League and practiced Robert's Rule of Order. The Hope students have the option of earning one credit hour for their participation.

The Midwest Model League of Arab States is sponsored by the League of Arab States Information Office. The plan is to help strengthen U.S.-Arab understanding and cooperation.

KJK to hold rallies in Michigan by Jodi McFarland

The Michigan region of the KJK has petitioned to hold rallies in both Lansing and Charlotte. Jerry Lawler of the Michigan Capitol Committee has said that the petition has not yet been granted, will get approval as long as the group is willing to take responsibility for any damages.

David Neumann, unit commander of the Michigan chapter of the Ku Klux Klan, explains that the chapter, the original site, will still be used in conjunction with the Charlotte, the original site, will now be used in conjunction with the Charlotte.

In past rallies 20 to 25 attendants was the norm, but Neumann has received responses from 80 to 100 people from Michigan, Indiana, and Ohio. The rally will be held in Charlotte from 9 to 11 a.m., on the 23rd, and then will continue in Lansing from 1 to 4 that afternoon, according to a tentative schedule.

Newmann encourages all white Christians to come "to hear the message of hope and deliverance for Christian America." He adds that this message is not what is seen in the media, concluding his statement by saying "Thank you and white power."
Living Cheap in Holland
I'll buy that for a dollar
by Jodi McFarland
staff reporter

Have you caught yourself paying full price for things like batteries, or school supplies? Well, stop paying full price and seek out the nearest dollar store.

All for One, located next to Wal-Mart on US 31, and at the Dollar Tree, in the Westgate Mall, anyone on a budget can afford everyday necessities, because each item is only a buck.

Many people are under the false impression that stores featuring all their products for a dollar are cheap in more ways than one. They think that low price equates with poor product. Not so, said White. I wouldn't recommend the Christmas candy, the majority of the items available are in good condition.

We've searched high and low and scouted out some of the great things you can get at either of these stores.

School supplies—Why pay full price for those scissors, three subject notebooks, markers, and even paper clips when you don't have to? These products are not any different from the ones available at Target and Meijer, except they are much more economical.

"Kitchen needs—The dollar stores have everything from plastic tumblers and popcorn bowls to paper cups, napkins, and the wrap. They have attractive coffee cups, brooms, and even supernatural. Anyone who will be living in a cottage or apartment next year and lacks the things that make a kitchen work would be a fool not to take advantage of these great deals.

Miscellaneous—Greeting cards that are actually funny, cute, and even sentimental are all sold at All for One. Check them out and be prepared to save.

Also sold are packages of six plastic hangers, cotton swabs, bobby pins, and even cool picture frames.

At the Dollar Tree you can even find biographies, like Miller's Book, dedicated to Barbara Bush.

At Holland's two "everything for a dollar" stores, you'll not only find the many different things you'd buy anyway for more, but you'll also find things that you never knew you needed. The dollar stores are great places to find those necessities and right gift tags. When it all costs just a buck, how can you go wrong?

Students receive NEH Younger Scholars grants

The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) has awarded prestigious Younger Scholars grants to two Hope College students: David Evenhuis, professor of history, and David Evenhuis ('95) of Novi.

The NEH awarded only 152 of the grants this year to college students, and 63 to high school students. There were 920 applications. Students who are interested in history and political science will support original research projects that Chamin and Evenhuis will be conducting individually this summer. They will be advised by members of the Hope faculty.

"These awards are a tremendous opportunity for our students and faculty, and recognize both scholarly achievement and scholarly promise," said John H. Jacobson, "I am particularly pleased that two of our students, along with their faculty mentors, have been recognized this year."

Chamin, a history and political science double major, will work with Anthony Perovich Jr., associate professor of philosophy and chairperson of the political science department. The project grew out of work they conducted during the Fall, 1993, semester.

Chamin is the son of Robert and make Chamin of Grand Rapids and is a 1992 graduate of Holland High School. His activities at Hope include serving as a research assistant at The Anchor and working as a research assistant in the department of political science. He is also a member of the Centurian Fraternity.

Evenhuis is the son of James and Rosemarie Evenhuis of Novi, and is a member of the Phi Beta Kappa Society. Evenhuis was a member of the French Revolution of 1789, the central European revo-

ife features

HABITAT VOLUNTEERS gas up for their trip down south. From left: Zachary Johnson, Jennifer Sails, Jennifer Joy, Shannon Moses, Kathy Heath, Cathy Miller, and Jason Kooyer.

Group builds houses and friendships

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The End of the Line
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Many of us are unclear about our future. Is it fun and the American Revolution the end? The "real world" can be fun and frightening, and we know it will probably be hard to find a job. Many of us may opt for more education—graduate school.

I chose to attend graduate school for the joy I find in my chosen field, chemistry. Just like finding a job, finding a graduate school is just as trying. I am lucky, in the hard sciences graduate students earn money by doing research and teaching. Basically, all tuition and living expenses are covered.

My search began last summer. I had to look at the vast number of graduate programs and choose the ones I would be comfortable in and do well. I felt like I was in high school all over again. Then came the GRE test (GRE and GRE subject). And again I was bombarded by the feeling of being in high school when I started filling out applications.

Feelings of doubt were rampant. I often questioned my abilities, I wondered if I would get in to anything at all. Christmas break became hectic as I scrambled to gather all of the information required. Letters of recommendation, GRE scores, all the prerequisites of the college level and the tests used!!

Soon the acceptances (and a few denials) came in. The final count was Cornell, UCLA, University of Washington, UC Berkeley, and UT Austin—Yes, MIT and CalTech—No.

Graduate school is a big step in a person's life and it is a decision to be made lightly. Visitation is a must. Graduate study is a bit different that undergraduate study. Typically, coursework is not stressed and original research becomes the focus. Graduate school is at once more focused and a little freer.

Trips for visitation had to be arranged. I questioned Hope professors about graduate school and I talked to friends. Finally, I had all of my trips arranged and I had a list of questions I would want answered.

On Friday of Spring Break I began my visitation schedule, four cities in ten days. The good thing about it was that the schools paid for my travel expenses.

After a little study tour (I got lost going to the airport) I found myself on the plane heading for Seattle. I was excited and confident. However, this was not to last as I began talking to the man next to me. He worked for a mobile home company. As he talked about the bad market even for well trained people I was amazed and I feared what my future would be in a few years.

I stepped of the plane in Seattle a little tired and was met by a UW student. Graduate schools go out of their way to provide an easy atmosphere for prospective students. I was in a buyers market. Pizza and beer were provided for the first meal and the second dinner the next day was at the head of the departments house. UW had all prospective graduate students there at once and I felt overwhelmed. I began talking to the various professors and only found one I would be interested in working for. This would not leave me much choice if I were there for study so I began to rule UW out.

The next stop was UCLA. Here I had individual visitations and I felt more comfortable. The professors were interesting and the area was OK (it was even more run down than Detroit).

Berkeley was interesting. I had

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HABITAT VOLUNTEERS gas up for their trip down south. From left: Zachary Johnson, Jennifer Sails, Jennifer Joy, Shannon Moses, Kathy Heath, Cathy Miller, and Jason Kooyer.
...and safety for all.

Everyone knows that safety is a big issue on college campuses across the country. We are constantly told statistics about the number of attacks that occur on average every year. We are educated about these things. However, one thing which isn’t usually brought up in these discussions is that campus safety is not just an issue for women.

The incidents which occurred on campus over Spring Break brought a new dimension of fear for many members of the Hope community. This is particularly the male population of this community. Women are constantly being told not to walk alone at night and to make sure to use Public Safety escorts whenever possible. But, men are rarely given such severe warnings, under the assumption that they can “take care of themselves.”

The fact that reports of two men being attacked, on two separate occasions, makes us realize that safety is an issue for everyone. But, shouldn’t this be something we are told from the beginning?

Occasionally, during sexual assault awareness seminars and workshops, we are told that rapes of males do happen. However, because most of us never hear about this actually happening in real life, we tend to dismiss the warning as irrelevant.

The truth of the matter is that sexual assault is a potential threat to everyone. It just isn’t talked about.

We have gotten to the point where we can finally talk in depth about the rape of women, but it’s not something that’s supposed to happen to men. (It’s not really something that’s supposed to happen to anyone.)

It’s pretty safe to say that most of us have been guilty of, at one time or another, talking about rape ... and implying rape of women, not even thinking about the possibility that such a person could also be raped.

The truth is that both sexual assault and rape occur on college campuses. We are all guilty of making the assumption that when we talk about safety issues, particularly when talking about walking alone at night and the threat of sexual assault, we are talking about women. The incidents which took place over Spring Break should serve as a proof that this is not the reality.
Student digs way out of hairy exam | Arranged marriages return!

by Lynne Berger

Paper donates muchos buckos to BAG-os

by Guanophore Cache

WHAT? I don't know, man, it's all Greek to me, or something like that.

by Lynne Berger

The Arranged-Marriage Project, the latest program funded by the Dope in the Future campaign.

Last Thursday, to the resounding applause of the Board of Trustees, President Jacob Johnson unveiled the Arranged-Marriage Project, the latest program funded by the Dope in the Future campaign.

The project will be located in what is now Damstra Hall, the site chosen by the Board's Arranged-Marriage Committee. This project, explained Johnson, has been designed to fill the gaps in Dope College's MRS degree program, which many students have complained is sorely lacking in the coursework needed to achieve the degree.

Johnson gave the Board a brief outline of how the Project will run once underway. All participating first-year women students will be placed in Damstra Hall for housing. Early in the fall semester, they will undergo rigorous psychiatric and medical screenings, then begin a round of interviews with prospective male students/suitors who have achieved sophomore standing or above. After a series of chaperoned dates with their three top candidates, each woman will then fill out detailed evaluation sheets which the matchmaker/RD will use in making the final pairing decision. Already, Johnson announced, Reformed Church missionaries in India and China are searching for qualified applicants for the RD position.

Funding for the Arranged-Marriage Project will come from the portion of the Dope in the Future Campaign earmarked for furthering the Christian development of students on campus. During last week's Board meeting, Johnson called Chaplain Gerard VanVanderYeast forward to speak on Biblical examples of match-made marriages. VanVanderYeast cited such luminaries as Adam and Eve (Gen. 2:18), Moses and Zipporah (Ex. 2:21), and David and Michal (1 Sam. 18:20-28) as evidence that the Lord intended for marriages to be arranged by third parties. VanVanderYeast also assured the Board that arranged marriages are not linked to such pagan practices as May Day.

Campan reaction to the Arranged-Marriage Project has been overwhelmingly positive. Kirsten VanHoesara ('96) thinks the program will do a lot to help freshmen get over the anxieties that accompany their first year at college. "This is great!" she said. "I think a lot of girls will be very relieved knowing that they have one less thing to worry about when they get here. I wish they had offered this when I was a freshman."

Dirk DenBoursema ('97) agreed. "I think it's cool. This way there's no sweat about finding myself a good wife 'cuz someone's doing it for me. I just won't be able to get any.... or, um... meet anyone until at least my sophomore year."

Board of Trustees President Martin Kaalhuson ('52) was encouraging as well. "This program will help a great deal in getting students to focus on their studies," reported Kaalhuson. "It will also completely eliminate the need for off-campus parties, which we've been trying to do for years. My daughter has even decided to come to Dope because of this program, even though Wheaton and Calvin both offered her more scholarships money."

The Arranged-Marriage Project is slated to begin next fall.

money given to The Ranchor just couldn't be completely used up. The paper used some of the money to buy more computer equipment and better anonymous equipment. Instead of opting to save the money for future use, the kind-hearted souls of The Ranchor staff decided to help out their fellow student organizations. Because BAG had been suffering so greatly this year due to their lack of funding, it was decided that the money should go there.

"They're good folks," said Dani Sullivan, random reader and pretty good swimmer.

According to BAG officials, plans are already being made to spend the money. Ideas in the works include hiring mimes to entertain in Phelps during the dinner hours as well as bringing the world famous group, Peter and His Pipers, to campus.

"They are truly amazing." BAG member Snt Soicky said of the group. "You just haven't heard these guys play"

If you think I'm taking credit for this, you're nuts!

Paper donates muchos buckos to BAG-os

by Lynne Berger

In an unprecedented move this week, The Ranchor turned over a check for some 12.5 million pesos to BAG.

Due to an excess of fundage in The Ranchor budget, they decided to donate the leftovers to BAG, who has been going through financial difficulties since Congress drastically cut their budget.

"Basically, Congress just gave us too much money," said me, editor of The Ranchor. "We didn't know what to do with it."

Apparently, when Congress went through appropriations last year, they felt The Ranchor really needed more money than they were requesting. They felt that the staff members did so much for the college that they deserved to be paid more.

"They didn't ask for any more money," Congress president Dee Forestor said. "But, we thought we'd surprise them. They've been such a good influence on us in the past that we wanted to pay them back."

Unfortunately, the extra...
This was written under medication

Who cares?
Is there not a cause alive you won't support? A demonstration you won't attend? A boycott you won't organize?

When I came to this campus, I had no idea that its students were of the radical variety that you have shown yourself to be. I thought, as most students hope, that I would be able to slide through my academic career without having to think about all those societal issues being pushed on us in the real world. I thought I'd be able to escape from any debates over abortion and animal rights. I thought I'd be able to live the closed-minded existence I have searched for all my life.

I was wrong... dead wrong.

What I have found on the campus of Dope College is a sickening display of do-goodism. For some unknown reason, you people think you can change the world and make it a better place.

From what I've witnessed, your extremely liberal views have supported everything from socialist health care reform to legalized drug use. There have been countless petitions calling for coed dorm assignments. You were within inches of dismantling all Greek organizations on campus. Where will this all end?

Last week's march on Windmill Island was the last straw. Claiming that selling wooden shoes and mocking Dutch thriftiness were insensitive to authentic Dutch heritage, you stormed the Island. In true Don Quixote fashion, you attacked the windmill which has identified Holland for so many years. How dare you!

Tell me, what good is it for you to make your voices heard in this world? Do you honestly think that anyone is going to give a damn what you think?
Dying Cheap in Holland

by Daisy Pusher

A three hundred pound lab mouse named Miraculo-Cro currently holds a position as its chief correspondent. "Miraculo-Cro currently holds a position as its chief correspondent. He is a very significant, very important, very important individual."

He went on to list several reasons why Miraculo-Cro is important: He is a very important person; he is a very important person; he is a very important person.

Hey! Read this!!!

A few minutes later, the room was filled with sound. "Hey! Is that the Village People?" someone shouted. "Hey! Read this!!!" someone else yelled.

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LESSON FOR TODAY:
THIS IS WHAT WE CALL "WHITE SPACE."

Dope wins celebrity charity gala

by Opie Taylor

A real nice kid

Dope college soundly spanking its competition in "Save the Andean Finch Celebrity Charity Gala/Roast/Fishing Tournament."

The event was organized by Whoopi Goldberg who commented that "The ball of cheese went off without a hitch, except for that Ted Danson who showed up in black-face."

The extravaganza, which could only be rivaled by the anti-trust suit against J.P. Morgan, was held off the shores of the Falkland Islands. A land fame for its rolling hills and vast amount of sheep, Dope College was able to steal the show by snaring a dead sheep out of the coastal waters, under the direction of Captain Professor of Math Jim "Dog" Pennies.

The sheep, which was water logged, weighed in at an incredible 17,856 pounds. Since the sheep was hauled out of the water it counted as a fish under the Gregor Samsa rules of metamorphosis and fishing.

To make the whole thing all the more exciting for the local sheriff Andy Taylor handed out the award for largest fish. After handing out the trophy Taylor was grinning ear to ear for more than an eight hours. He explained, "I couldn't help it, it was a biggin'."

Fishin' wasn't the only piece of pie going down. There was the hula contest in which Wilford Brimley grabbed the golden cup, followed by a disguised Andean Camus, who had to be forcibly removed by Elvis and Yoko Ono.

The tag team of a Hustler to share disco moments would not be denied their fair share.

After that sad little episode it was Bill Cosby's turn to take stage center. The Cos had the well deserved honor to hand out the Russian Greek Orthodox Tammeliane life-time achievement award. The award went to Chet Lemon, star player of the Detroit Tigers and shoe-in Hall of Fame.

Chet's speech was short and sweet like a puppy in rain. He raised the award over his head and cried out with the bravado of an angry '97 Pull Coach, "Today, I am, the greatest of all-time, thank-you!"

Following that tear-jerking moment, which sent Rod Stewart running away crying and screaming, "Ohf I were a woman, I would bear his children." This only confused and scared people because they didn't know if he was begging to have Cosby's or Lemon's offspring.

But we move on down the lonely road of art to get to the musical portion of the evening. The masses were appeased with sweet honey pipes of Bob Dylan singing "If I were a rich man", while Village People cleared out the desert crossing scene in "Lawrence of Arabia". The entire peanut gallery cut a rug and got down.

Gary Coleman could be heard asking all "What you talkin' bout dad!" These were his code words for; Hey man give me some pot, it will make me grow I'm serious dude. All that can be said about this is Emmanuel Lewis, of "Webster" fame, was jealous.

To cap off the whole night Bob Sagat finally came out of the closet, and Bad Brains led the crowd in a rousing rendition of "Kumb by Ya" and everyone retired to the hills to sleep and be among the sheep as it was a sunny 72 degrees.

Announcing the 1st Annual
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First Place: A wooden shoe carved in the likeness of Jacob Johnson himself! (Hey, it ain't much, but it's Dutch!)

All entries become property of The Ranchor
To be judged by Jacob Johnson Fan Club

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Musical Showcase tickets now available
by Brian Calandra

The only sounds that will be heard at DeVos Hall on Monday, April 11, at 7:30 p.m. will be the sound of more than 200 Hope College students, music majors and non-music majors alike, from 16 states and five foreign countries. These students, along with two recent Hope Graduates and three Hope Professors who have joined the College Chorus, will be participating in the sixth annual Hope College Choral Showcase.

The showcase will feature all of Hope’s major musical groups along with many smaller ensembles and several soloists.

The concert will be presented rapid-fire style, with no pauses between selections, and promises to be an evening of dazzling entertainment.

Tickets for the Musical Showcase are available for $9 in the Office of Performing Arts, the second floor of the DeWitt Center. They are also available at the Grand Center ticket office which is open Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

The Paper turns out to be much ado about nothing
by Brian Calandra

In 1989’s Parenthood director Ron Howard proved that he could take a successful made-for-television cast and turn it into something very entertaining. It didn’t hurt that “Parenthood” was based on the book by Grolier’s fantastic comic series ever accentuated, and a wonderful script, but Howard man… age. However, the film displays an unlikely capability: the movie could fail and come up with a rare gem. In his latest film, Howard tries to make light-ning strike twice, but may deficien-ties, a lousy script, and a ludicrous plot. The film’s only redeeming quality is, if this was the film’s only plot, then more than half of its problem with the cast. But even then, it is clear to the point of almost being unutterably dull. The film is simply a waste of time and talent. See MOVIE REVIEW page 8

Knickerbocker houses Detroit Dance Collective

This is not the first company that has hosted. “We are doing a sort of exchange program,” DeRyn says. Small companies are always looking for chances to perform so we host them and they will host us on exchanges.”

The Detroit Dance Collective, which is a company of modern dance performers, is hosting a week-long stay in the Hope College dance department. The collective is made up of five women and two men. The company’s represen-tative features the work of its founding and present artistic directors, Paula Kramer and Barbara Selinger. Their dances are highly theatrical, abstract, fast-paced, complex and dramatic. Detroit Dance Col-lective conducts numerous per-forming and teaching residencies in communities, colleges, universities and schools throughout the United States and in foreign countries.

The collective has hosted guest choreographers including Brian Hurlin, Michael Keaton and Barry. The film starts at 7 a.m. on the Thursday of the first week and ends exactly 24 hours later, on the Friday of the second week.

The Paper is crisp, stylish, funny, and thoroughly entertaining. When Ray Byrke reviewed Dave’s new film in November, he called it, “I’m going to see that film. It’s going to be great.” But no, it was the film’s only redeeming quality is, if this was the film’s only plot, then more than half of its problem with the cast. But even then, it is clear to the point of almost being unutterably dull. The film is simply a waste of time and talent. See MOVIE REVIEW page 8

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Opportunities for special things in life don’t come along all that often. You know, things in life don’t come along advantage of some of the opportunities that life does have to offer.

The following is one of those tales.

Last Friday was the third anniversary of one of the greatest hockey games ever played on National Hockey League ice.

The tailgating at a Friday’s restaurant in a suburb of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. I was on spring break, visiting my grandparents and my next-door neighbor/friend, Kevin, and I were stopping for a bite to eat. He said that it was a great place to go because of a lot the Penguins are there.

The Penguins had played the night before and didn’t have another game for three days. I didn’t think that I’d get to see a Penguin player up close.

“We’d been there an hour or so when I just jumped out of my chair. “Holy cow, Kevin Stevens just slid into the door!”

“I’m pretty sure he was playing street hockey with us,” my friend said.

“Yeah, not too bad,” I said.

“I have a better idea,” Stevens said. “Do you two skate?”

“We can do this,” we asked him.

“Sure, we skate here late all the time.”

He took us into the Penguin dressing room. “Put these on,” he said. We got the equipment on and the oversized Penguins practice jerseys on and he led us out to the tunnel to the ice.

“It’s a great world out there! The thought of the seats being filled sent chills up my spine, this was... It was happening. •

Out of the tunnel came Ron Francis and Ulf Samuelsson and a tall player that from the looks of it was... “Mario.”

“We looked at each other, just about filled my pants (and they belonged to the team). This wasn’t happening. Or was it? I just looked at them, I looked at us. I blinked a lot. It was happening.

“First team to touch you two, and Mario, we’ll switch it up after that.” Stevens said.

We played for a couple of hours, I put a pass from Mario in for a goal and almost pucked, I was that excited. Life was just seemed to come true in the corner, Ron Francis pretended to let me win in a mock light. We were playing on the Civic Arena with them! Nobody believed the story, no one ever has, but it pretty much something to do with it is being just too unrealistic, people have said that we should have just said it was Kevin Stevens and shouldn’t have added so many players. Or maybe it’s because it was on April 1, that it didn’t all really happen. Or did it?

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Five freshmen play, with Audrey Coates andAlma on the 7th.

Hope College’s men’s swim team captured fifth place at the NCAA Division III national swimming and diving championships in Williamstown, Mass. Every Hope competitor gained All-American status, which is something, let it be known.

This is the third consecutive year that coach John Patnott has put his Dutchmen among the top five teams in the nation. This victory was an especially fine one for Hope, as it comes just one week after the women finished second in the nation for Division III.

To the surprise of no one Kenyon College of Ohio took it all for the 15th consecutive year with 615.5 points. Hope finished, with 256 points, which was the second highest point total in men’s swimming history. The Dutchmen had 335 last year to put them in third place.

This year Hope qualified 20 men and women’s swimmers for nationals and every participant became an NCAA All-American.

The teams combined for five national championships and with 28 All-American Performances. The Flying Dutchmen took the gold medal in the 800-yard freestyle relay for the second time in four years. The relay squad consisted of Kirk Aasland, ’95, Shawn Kinsler, ’96, Steve Hope, ’95, and senior Brad Gonsom. Gonsom was the man that had the true gift to have been on both national championship relay teams, the first coming in 1991 when Gonsom was a freshman. The only senior among Hope’s qualifiers, he anchored four All-American relay teams.

The Dutchmen had four individual and five relay All-American performances. Asstisand was the silver medalist in the 200-yard freestyle and finished fourth in the 500-yard freestyle with a school record performance. Asstisand has been an NCAA All-American eight times in his career. For the second year in a row sophomore Keith Nykamp became a two-time All-American in the backstroke events. He was a bronze medalist in the 200-yard backstroke and eighth in the 100-yard backstroke.

Kathy Van Tubbergen, fared better in the south, taking 4 of 5 matches, and hold a 6-4 overall record. The Dutch have also been spurred by freshmen play, with Audrey Coates and Becky Lucas both holding 9-1 records. Hope lost a nail biter, 4-5 to Albion in their premier MIAA match. The Dutch are looking to improve on their 3rd place tie with Calvin in last year’s standings.

Men’s and women’s tennis teams set to start MIAA season

by Jim Riekse

After being dropped down to play against Hilton Head, S.C., Hope’s tennis teams have returned trained and ready to delve into the MIAA season.

Steve Gomes’s Flying Dutchmen currently have a 5-4 overall record, dropping 3 of 5 at Hilton Head, but winning when it counts, discounting division rivals Albion 8 to 1. The team has been rejuvenated by the addition of five freshmen, including San Ramah and Evan Llewellyn, who have taken over 1st and 4th singles respectively. The team has shown marked improvement from last year’s 4th place finish in the MIAA. They are hoping to “steak up” on division powers Kalamazoo and Calvin.

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A 1991 graduate of Novi High School, Amero is a Hope College student who participates in several musical ensembles, is the leader of a jazz quintet, Straight Black, and was a performer in Hope College Theatre’s productions of Hamlet, Working and The Caucasian Chalk Circle.

Three other Hope students have received NEH Younger Scholars grants in the recent past: Anne-Luc Costa, a senior from Holland, in 1992; Kevins Bonio, a 1992 graduate, in 1990; and Craig Dupont, a 1999 graduate, in 1998.

—from Hope College news service

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This is the first Spring Break trip that Habitat has had since the chapter formed here last year, and was a success because of the many people that served, but also on a more personal level for the volunteers. One student said that the trip was a way of expressing his faith, while another called it a faith increase.

“I feel like I gained something,” one student said. “I hope to be a little more successful.”

—from Hope College news service

GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE

From 11:00 a.m. - 4:45 p.m. at Maas Conf.
Everyone is welcome!
I appreciated Jeremy Van Ek’s letter in the last Anchor, because it gives me the chance to clear up his misunderstandings about my argument. I also appreciated his investment of time and effort in preparing a reply. In answering him, I have several points to make.

First, I do not know of any legislation against any expressions of Christian belief. The rules restricting such expressions are to my knowledge strictly creations of judicial fiat, not products of the popular will.

Second, I realize that non-Christian does not imply anti-Christian. That’s why I used the term anti-Christian—I was referring to people who attacked Fورد because they are against Christianity and Christians. And no, I did not find their attacks particularly challenging to my worldview. Perhaps it was a result of the sampling I read, but I didn’t find much substance to the attacks beyond mere invective.

Third, the purpose of the reference to the Supreme Court was to show that at one time the perception of America as a Christian nation was commonplace. It was a reference to our pre-1960s heritage, not an argument.

Fourth, Van Ek does not attack the evidence I offered. He does not cite even one contradictory poll. Instead, he simply expresses his opinion that the polls are “highly questionable” (never mind that the polling agency, Gallup, is highly reputable) and advises us that he does “believe everything he reads.” I would like to reassure that I am also generally skeptical of polls—I only believe them when they come near a consensus. In this matter, there is a consensus among all the polls that I have seen that a majority of Americans consider themselves Christian. Given this consensus, I find it reasonable to conclude that a majority of Americans do in fact consider themselves Christian.

Fifth, a major reason that this country does not exhibit a Christian worldview is that its elites—the people trained for political, academic, and media jobs—are overwhelmingly liberal and hostile to public Christianity. It is this anti-Christian elite consensus that bears most of the responsibility for what author Richard John Neuhaus calls the “naked public square,” the stripping of all religions but secularism from the public life of this nation. The point I was trying to make is that this consensus is hostile to the beliefs and ideals of the ordinary people of this nation—that their faith is unfairly excluded from the public life of their country, where it should be allowed.

Last, Van Ek managed to impressively misunderstand that simple point. I do not believe that Christianity should “rule [this nation],” and hence mix Church and State. Such mixing is unconstitutional for good reason—it has never done either church or state any good except in small and limited circumstances for short periods of time. I do not wish to forcibly impose my beliefs on others—I believe God created us as beings with free will, not robots. Such mind control is anathema to God, and thus should be banished. I only wish to tear down the walls that the government of this country has built against the Christian church and allow its members the “free exercise of religion” in public as well as in their closets. If a majority of students in a school desire public prayer in that school, as long as it is not coercive, I see nothing wrong with that, nor would I be unwilling to accept the opposite situation as long as religious freedom was not restricted.

This stands in contrast to Van Ek’s desire to retain current restrictions on Christian practice, a contrast which I think points up the different objectives of each side. One side wishes Christians to be allowed the same legal protection for expression and exercise of our beliefs as every other group. The other wishes Christianity to be excluded from the public arena, even as it proclaims tolerance and open-mindedness as its guiding virtues. There is a double standard against Christianity here, and it operates across all aspects of public discourse in this nation. It is this that motivates me, not any desire for a theocracy. We’ll talk more later.

**“If this is the nation of toleration, why must our faith be out of sight and sound?”**

—Mark Gersmehl

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**Impressions**

Rob Harrison

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three artists will show very different types of work. Krzowski explores two- and three-dimensional abstract figurative art with a surreal twist. She will be presenting her paper on Andy Warhol, discussing how Valerie Solanas’s attempt on Warhol’s life affected his artistic career as well as his lifestyle. Conceptual artist Dennis Oppenheim is the subject of Kooistra’s paper. She will be discussing Oppenheim’s expression through earth works, performance pieces and kinetic sculpture. Van Faassen will be exploring the Pre-Columbian civilization.

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Comedian

David Naster

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(Doors open at 7:30)
This is when Barry's career really took off. In 1982 Barry was invited to join a group known as the Heri title Singers for a world tour. For the next three months Barry performed with the group playing guitar and singing background vocals as they ministered throughout the United States, South Africa, Australia, and New Zealand.

When he returned home, Barry worked with a friend to form the band "Change of Heart," which Brown of Contemporary Christian Music Magazine gave the thumbs up to. "Barry's passionate vocals and energetic performing approach evoke comparison to Wes King, while the depictions realize the reality of living Jesus through some of the things I have experienced. The ad- venturism of a lifetime is made living life, unconditionally sold out to the absolute authority of Jesus Christ. That is a purpose worth pursuing!"

Again, Barry will be in the Kletz on Friday, April 8, at 8 p.m. Early arrival is encouraged as seating is limited.

The audience "listen to it with their eyes closed" to get the full effect of the piece, while he had the choir members stand in a circle on the stage where they created unusual, guttural sounds with their mouths or any, stringy tones in the piece to expressively convey the text. The performance of their performance, often sounding like an ensemble of sustaining vibraphones moving chromatically down the scale. The piece was serialism and surrealism combined, and the choir proved their talent through exotic use of the human voice.

The second half of the concert focused on more traditional repertoire, from pieces ranging from Peter Wishart's "E'en so, Lord Jesus Come" and the singing of the Hope Alumni Ensemble attests: "What a peaceful place for the lead role, spicing up the proceedings periodically with some of the other cast members. Particularly impressive was 20-year-old nicotine smoker, John-Tyler, who exudes the essence of a life well spent."

The program ended with an en- core of "Everyone," barrel rolling up to the apocalyptic na- ture of the themes that the script goes on. The final culmination was a night on 6th street (a street where they had the money and equipment. They called the place "The Anchor"), which Brown of Contemporary Christian Music Magazine gave the thumbs up to. "Barry's passionate vocals and energetic performing approach evoke comparison to Wes King, while the depictions realize the reality of living Jesus through some of the things I have experienced. The adventurism of a lifetime is made living life, unconditionally sold out to the absolute authority of Jesus Christ. That is a purpose worth pursuing!"

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