HOPE FRATS TAKE A STAND: 120 MEN PLEDGE AGAINST SEXUAL ASSAULT

White Ribbons—Andrew Abeita ('07), a member of the Centauri fraternity, ties a white ribbon on a tree outside Dimnent Chapel on April 5. The ribbon symbolizes his personal commitment against sexual violence. Abeita joined over 120 other fraternity members in signing a pledge, symbolizing their own personal commitment to combating sexual violence on the Hope College campus.

Disability Awareness Week continues on campus
Disability Awareness Week continues Wednesday, April 12 through Thursday, April 13. Students, faculty and staff pledged to undergo mobility impairment during the week. Some confined themselves to wheelchairs; other students experienced vision or learning impairments.

Johanie Tietel will present an address Wednesday, April 12 at 7 p.m., focusing on disability issues. The address is entitled, “Pay it forward: Awakening a deeper sense of purpose.”

Toole co-founded Alternatives in Motion, an organization that purchases wheelchairs for people in need, in 1995. He is also co-author of six children’s books in the Gone Lake Adventure Series. He is a member of the Michigan Commission for Disability Concerns and national spokesperson for Permobil.

Disability Awareness Week will close with an ice cream social Thursday, April 13, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Kollen suffers vandalism, pyrotechnics
Dividers in the stalls of the men’s bathroom in Kollen Hall were mysteriously removed this past week. Campus safety reports that the property damage at Kollen occurred Friday, April 7.

Other recent incidents at Kollen include the use of a bike tire as a frisbee, a broken window and bottle rockets set off inside the building.

APARTMENT HOUSING FALLS SHORT

Apartment demand exceeds availability as more seniors choose to stay on-campus

Lindsey Bartels
Guest Writer

Nicky Brummel ('08) sat down to quickly check her email for the third time in three hours. One new message: Fwd: Four person apartment, the subject line read.

Brummel hurried into the kitchen of Kraker apartment 230, to grab the soup she had made herself for dinner and then situated herself on her roommate’s bed in the next room to discuss plan B with the girls.

Brummel, along with several other Hope sophomores, were met with disappointing news throughout the week of March 12, that they had not received on-campus apartment housing for the coming fall semester.

Brummel and friends applied for a four-person apartment after not being pulled into one of Hope’s cottages. Because there was only limited room in the flex cottages, they decided that applying for an apartment would be the safe way to go.

The girls were sent a discouraging email from the housing department.

“This year there has been an increase of senior status students remaining on campus,” the email explained. “We in residential life and housing are excited about this, but we may realize that this also causes many upper class students to not receive housing of their choice.”

Many were let down by the number of rising juniors who did not receive apartment housing. For many, this meant they would be going back to room-draw.

The housing department realized that students were concerned with the options they had the same number of living options as found on our campus,” the email read. “Because of that diversity, a number of students who will have senior academic standing next year have the first choice in the housing process. This is why the increase of seniors staying on-campus housing and is based on academic diversity.”

More than 120 Hope men also signed a pledge, solidifying their commitment to this cause.

“The ‘Frat Guy’ initiative is a step in the right direction to dispel some of the stereotypes that many people have about Greek men,” I hope that by taking a stand, Hope will be a more safe and welcoming place for sexual violence.”

HOPE TO CELEBRATE FLYING DUTCH DIVISION III CHAMPIONSHIP

On Wednesday, April 12, Hope College will host a celebration in honor of the Flying Dutch, NCAA Division III women’s basketball champions.

The celebration will start at 7:30 p.m. in the DeVos Fieldhouse. It will include video highlights, music by the Anchor Band and appearances by players and coaches. Refreshments and champion souvenir will be available.

REACHING ACCOUNTABILITY TOGETHER

On Wednesday, April 12. Hope's men gathered outside Dimnent Chapel to take a stand against the sexual assault of women.

GUEST WRITER

Caroline Coleman

Caroline Coleman was a female student on the sidewalk. As I was walking quickly through the cold and other fraternities, I passed a female student on the sidewalk. As I was walking quickly through the cold and wet streets, I passed a female student on the sidewalk. As I was walking quickly through the cold and rain, I passed a female student on the sidewalk. As I was walking quickly through the cold and wind, I passed a female student on the sidewalk. As I was walking quickly through the cold and snow, I passed a female student on the sidewalk.
IMMIGRATION BILL DEBATE PROMPTS RALLIES

Danielle Reevers
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

Recently the nation has been abuzz with talk of immigrants, border security, and guest worker programs. The past week has seen demonstrations in nearly every major American city advocating both for immigrant rights and for sending guest worker programs. The past two years have seen a bipartisan effort of Senators John McCain (R-Ariz.) and Edward M. Kennedy (D-Mass.) go less strict on immigrants than the bill passed by the House in December and is labeled by many conservatives as "amnesty."

The Senate bill, according to CNN, "would allow the 12 million illegal immigrants to apply for a six-year visa if they work, pay a $1,000 fine, back taxes, pass a background check and learn English.

A separate bill passed by the House in December calls for the building of fences along the border of Mexico and forces employers to prove the legality of workers. Anyone caught in the country without proper documentation, crossing the border illegally or employing or assisting those living in the U.S. illegally would be considered to be committing a felony and could face prison time.

If the Senate's bill passes, the House and the Senate will have to create a joint committee to compromise between the two bills.

The United States is estimated to have between 11 and 12 million undocumented residents, who make up roughly 3.8 percent of the total population of over 295 million people. Many of these residents come to the United States to give their children a chance at a better education and find work.

President Bush is in favor of a guest worker program in which immigrants who already have jobs in the United States can receive temporary worker status for up to six years, enabling them to apply for permanent residency. Bush has also called on Congress to raise the number of green cards issued each year.

American economic stability hangs in the balance and the contrasting sides of law enforcement versus compassion for those trying to forge a better life are at the heart of the battle.

DELPHI'S BANKRUPTCY

Chris Lewis
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

Who usually happens when one of the largest auto parts suppliers files for bankruptcy protection? Employees are left looking for another job and money.

This may not be the case for as many as 13,000 hourly employees of Delphi and members of the United Auto Workers, based in Troy, Michigan, who have been induced to retire by the company, in exchange for sum payments.

Last Friday, Judge Robert Drain, of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Manhattan, approved Delphi's plan to offer all eligible employees a $35,000 lump sum payment in exchange for their retirements, according to the Associated Press of New York.

In his ruling, Judge Drain believed that the attrition agreement between UAW and Delphi workers provide an important option for UAW workers.

"This right is significant in that there is tremendous uncertainty with regard of the future of Delphi's operation and the future of the collective bargaining agreement," Drain said.

The some workers at Delphi may not be ready to retire, Delphi has offered to give employees more money than originally expected.

Some Delphi employees may be offered up to $140,000, depending on seniority and health care benefits.

About 25 percent of Delphi's 33,100 hourly workers are expected to be induced to retire. General Motors, the former owner of Delphi, will fund all attrition payments, as part of an attrition agreement with UAW and Delphi.

"We believe that it's not only in the best interest of the employees, but it's also in the best interest of the company," Delphi's Chief Executive Officer, Bob Lutz, told the Detroit Free Press.

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"Both GM and Delphi believe the agreement will help the turn around of both businesses, which have had major financial struggles and setbacks in recent years.

GM hopes that the attrition plan will slash wage and benefit costs for employees so that Delphi's money loses in the United States can be reversed.

"We believe that it's not only a good exercise of business judgment, but it's fundamentally right to offer as many options to our labor forces as we can," Delphi lawyer Jack Butler said.

"I think the attrition agreement is going to be good for the union and good for the company," said GM senior vice president of labor relations, Bill都被引用到，他们可能有违法行为，同时希望在未来的生活中改善自己的状况。

The trial of A1 Qaeda conspirator Zacarias Moussaoui moved to the death penalty stage Thursday after the jury in the long-running trial was out of evidence which could have prevented death in the attacks.

The only person charged in the United States in connection to the Sept. 11 attacks, Moussaoui originally claimed he had no connection with the attacks, only to reverse himself on March 27, when he be said that he would be shot down by the樓房 Richard Reid were supposed to hijack a fifth airplane and fly it into the White House.

In addition to Moussaoui's own conflicting statements, Moussaoui has attempted to represent himself, he has testified in his own defense against the advice of court-appointed lawyers and has also had several attempts to plead guilty denied by the court.

Briefs of interviews conducted by government interrogators of other terrorism suspects in custody described Moussaoui as "not right in the head" and "a hereditary condition which they claim explain Moussaoui's irrational behavior.

To be sentenced to the death penalty, prosecutors must prove that Moussaoui's actions resulted in at least one death.
**Art seniors’ last hurrah at gallery**

Matt Oosterhouse
Arts Exxon

"Wherefore Art Thou Art?" Denis thy father and refuse thy name!

The senior art students will not have to deny anyone admission to their free art exhibition, "Wherefore Art?" The gallery’s title plays off a famous line of William Shakespeare’s "Romeo and Juliet," and features the artworks of 15 members of the class of 2006.

From steel propellers and dogs, to slide mounts, to multiple "all on canvas" portraits, to cartoon-style art pieces, to artistic photography, the gallery features a variety of work from the graduates-to-be.

Dustin Fiddler ('06), who has several pieces on display, admitted that much time has gone into such a presentation, and that the gallery is almost entirely student produced.

"[The senior art students] have been meeting since November as a group," Fiddler said. "We’ve made everything from the art pieces, to the arrangements, to the invitations."

Putting together such a display is not easy, Fiddler admits. During the planning stage the private event was downsized from 4:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. on April 26, at 7:30 p.m. in the DeVitt Center main theater.

Cast members include: Rachel Achtemeier ('06) as the Princess of France; Jennifer Blair ('08) as Rosaline; Steven Brandford ('08) as Damaine; Dave Clark ('08) as Berewone; Heather Janoski ('06) as Katherine; Stephen McEwan ('08) as Longsville; Jon Sprik ('08) as the King of Navarre; and Kendra Stock ('06) as Maria.

Tickets are $4 and are available at the DeVos Ticket Office. The DeVitt Center Ticket Office will be open shortly before 8 p.m. on performance nights.

**SILENCE OF THE ART: STUDENT ART TO BENEFIT INTERNSHIP PROGRAM**

Elizabethe Shuter
Art Seniors

Students will be showing their artwork in a silent auction in the Science Center Atrium from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m., Wednesday, April 12.

The auction is a fundraiser for the Social and Vocational Entrepreneurship internship program headed up by Professor Robin Klasy and involving 14 students, working to finance the cost of the trip that will take place during May and June. Approximately 70 items will be featured ranging from pottery, poetry, photography, and artwork.

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**CONCERT REVIEW**

"It’s a spicy meat-a-ball!" Matt Wertz rocks out in Dimment

Danielle Revers
Snow Weather

If there’s one thing that can be said of Matt Wertz concerts, it is that everyone has fun and lots of it.

The show on Saturday night at Dimment Memorial Chapel began with The Gabe Dixon Band, a trio who met at the University of Miami. They had jazz-rock feel reminiscent of Jamie Cullum with a unique ethnic flare from the salsa influences in Miami.

The second act, Matt Kearney, wowed the audience with a rap-like style on his upbeat songs and crooning ballads.

At long last, Matt Wertz entered the stage and opened his set with "23 Places." He played other classics such as "Counting to 100," "Sweetness in Starlight," "Everything’s Right" and "Maryann" and also played five new songs from his upcoming album. The audience packed the entire chapel save the balcony.

Wertz was a goofball as usual and kept everyone laughing along with him all night in between moonwalks, jokes and cries of "it’s a spicy meatball!"

The night took a serious turn, however, when Wertz talked about an organization that he is involved in called the Mocha Club (www.mochachub.org) in which one pledges to give up two mochas a month (17) which will be sent to those in need in Africa. Wertz encouraged everyone to sign up and gave away either a free t-shirt or CD to those who did.

After more than two hours of performing, Wertz closed out the evening by playing an unplugged and intimate version of the fan favorite "Red Meets Blue."
PLEDGE, from page 1

all," said Jon Von Koenig ('07), a Cenlutarian fraternity member.

Piers organized "Greek men take a stand" in hopes that his fellow fraternity members would become more aware of sexual assault and the damage it causes to the victim. He explained that sexual harassment and assault has disturbed him since high school.

"Professor Hoogerwerf's Christian Love class was the catalyst for getting me started on this initiative. Some girls in the class put together a presentation on sexual assault and shared experiences and how destructive it really is," Piers said.

Though Piers said fraternity men "are working with Piers, helped organize the 'Greek men take a stand' also plan to attend the 'Heal with Teal 5K run/walk' an event for sexual assault awareness in Holland on April 22.

Nick DeKoster ('06), who has been working with Piers, helped organize the event with Women In Transition.

Piers said they "hope to have a good turn out."

Greek Men Take a Stand

In signing my name to this cause, I vow myself to the end of sexual harassment and violence against women in the world around me. I do not give my signature lightly, and have considered the implications of this promise in my own life and worldview. I vow to hold other men accountable for their actions, and to accept responsibility for my own, whether or not I am held accountable by others. I understand that my silence belies acceptance, and that my ignorance bestows permission, and so my stand will be loud and unmistakable.

Sincerely,
Taking the Earth’s temperature

Jenny Cencer
Evelyn Daniel

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the past, and the temperatures
aren't higher than in the past,"
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tributing to it as a species. That's

"This itself doesn't threaten
catastrophic disaster," said Han-
sen. "Melt all the glaciers, and
we'll still have plenty of land
above water. It probably will
drive some plants and animals to
tinction, and it may cause some
human suffering."

Many ecologists and environ-
mental advocates see the destruc-
tion of species as its own tragedy.
Animals like polar bears and
many species of birds, amphib-
ians and plants have become ex-
tinct or are highly threatened.

Global warming in West Mich-
igan could mean less snow cover,
more intense heat waves and the
greater rates of evaporation that
go along with them. Without more
precipitation, this could lead to
lower lake levels.

With many effects of global
warming, many scientists believe
the earth has already passed a
point of no return.

"If it's a question of how much
and how fast and what the con-
sequences are going to be, those
questions were answered long
ago," Murray said.

The problem, according to
many scientists, could at least
be slowed by a decreased depen-
dence on fossil fuels and a reduc-
tion in the amount of carbon diox-
die released into the atmosphere.
To truly make a significant
difference, consumers would need to
overlook short-term gains for the
long-term health of the environ-
ment.

"I think we're in this continued
reliance on cars and coal and we
could be more rational," Murray
said. "We need to make a choice
that's not solely made on short-
term economics."

College students can also edu-
cate themselves to make more
earth-conscious decisions that
effect global warming and other
concerns.

"The best thing students can
do is educate themselves," said
Steven Bouna-Prediger, profes-
sor of religion.

He stressed that Hope Col-
lege offers several options for
students to learn more about en-
vironmental issues. The science
department offers GEMS courses
concerning the environment that
fulfill the general education sci-
ence requirement. These classes
include Global Climate Change,
Atmosphere and Environment
Change, The Planet Earth and the
100-level religion course Earth
and Ethics.

"All of us can do something,"
Bouna-Prediger said. "Actions
have consequences. As Christians,
we need to do what is right."

Earth Jam to feature
food, speakers, music

Meredith Praamsa

For the past 17 years, the Envi-
ronmental Issues Group of Hope
College has held a music festival
on Earth Day to raise awareness
about environmental issues and
encourage people to get out and
enjoy nature.

This year's Earthjam will be
held on Saturday, April 22 from
noon - 6 p.m. in the Pine Grove.
The rain location is the Klitz.

This year, Earth Jam will host
bands such as the Michael Blair
Project (Michael Blair is a mem-
er of the band Madison Greene),
John Mallinen. They Were
Thieves and Rob Kenagy.

In addition to these bands,
there will also be speakers includ-
ing Hope's Dr. Bouna-Prediger
and others from local environ-
mental groups.

Free organic food and cof-
fee will be provided by Nature's
Market and Lemonjello's. A raffle
will also go along with prizes
from the Holland Peanut Store,
Ben and Jerry's, the Apothecary
Shop, Subs and More, Coldstone
and others.

The money raised from the
raffle will be donated to a local
environmental organization.

In an effort to turn Earth Day
into a week-long event, speakers
will give talks on the April 17
and 19 in the Mass Conference
Room at 3 p.m., and movies will
be shown on April 18 and 20 in
Winiars Auditorium at 8 p.m.

Organizers of Hope's Envi-
ronmental Issues Group stress
the importance of environmental
awareness, "especially at Hope
College where we are affiliated
with Christianity."

The Environmental Issues
Group invites students to take a
study break on April 22 to enjoy
the valuable earth.

This group encourages students
to take the time not just on Earth
Day, but every day to think about
how their actions affect the earth.
Can we change a culture?"

To the Editor:

Dr. Janet Hyde, professor of psychology and women's studies at the University of California, Berkeley, had the opportunity last Friday, April 7, to present some of the results of her research at Hope. Referring to the poor quality of comprehensive sex education in many school districts, and to the quantity of demeaning, sex-laden imagery that saturates contemporary popular media, she concluded with a question and a challenge to the audience: "How can we change a culture?"

This challenge followed a summary of policy recommendations Dr. Hyde suggested in a conclusion to the recent research presented at the lecture. Among the several recommendations were two which I want to highlight briefly.

One recommendation was to strengthen families, since, as Dr. Hyde said, there is significant research showing a correlation between adolescents who come from strong families and those who delay intercourse. Hyde also recommended a more widespread availability of contraceptives to adolescents.

It is worth asking whether these recommendations -- strong families and greater availability of contraceptives -- are simultaneously achievable. Strong families with children rely for their existence on a sexuality that results in procreation. These families imply that the purpose of sexuality is towards procreation. Contraceptives, on the other hand, inhibit procreation; their use and existence imply that the purpose of sexuality is towards an end other than procreation. In both recommendations, whether opposing, mutually exclusive purposes of sexuality, there is tension between these recommendations.

If the government were to support either of these two recommendations, they would also tacitly support that recommendation's stance on the purpose of sexuality. Insofar as a government makes contraceptives more available, it supports the second stance (that the purpose of sexuality is towards an end other than procreation), while embracing (that the purpose of sexuality is towards procreation).

Support of either of these recommendations thus yields a reciprocally constraining effect on the other stance towards sexuality. Fully embracing one recommendation would lead to a complete elimination of the other, while embracing both would lead to an uneasy compromise between the two, a mixed message regarding the purpose of sexuality. If the government were to increase the availability of contraceptives to adolescents, contraception's implied stance on the purpose of sexuality would, to the extent contraceptives were made more available, undermine any efforts the government could make to strengthen families with children, and vice versa. Because of their reciprocally negative relationship, these recommendations cannot both be simultaneously implemented to their fullest potential.

As far as these two recommendations are concerned, Dr. Janet Hyde fails to present a cohesive set of policy recommendations. If she is sincere about finding an answer to her question, "How can we change a culture?" -- and equally sincere about promoting the rights of women nationwide -- Dr. Hyde would be well advised to consider her recommendations more carefully.

Nicholas Engel (‘08)

HOUSING, FROM PAGE 1

ing on campus has left the rising juniors with little room in the cottages and apartments.

According to the student housing life website, "Most students should expect to live in college residential facilities for at least their first three years of enrollment. The housing situation further states, "The main goal of the Housing Office is to provide a benefit of the facility, their fellow students, and the offerings of the college."

These are only a few of the reasons so many seniors have chosen to remain on campus for their fourth year. John Davidson (‘07) is one of the many Hope juniors who has decided to remain on campus next semester. Davidson said he and his friends wanted to stay on campus because they "don't have to pay separate utility bills and it is close and nice."

Not all seniors have decided to stay on campus, however. Some have made the decision to express the freedom they have as seniors by living off campus. Kate Pageau (‘07) lives in the Kavanaugh Duplex on 14th street, will be moving to off-campus housing next semester.

"I chose to live off campus because that's where my friends were moving," Pageau explained, "and because we'll be able to drink alcoholic beverages in our house."

Although the stress of housing can cause tension between roommates and within the Hope community, the housing department has reassured students there will be room for everyone next semester. Students who did not receive apartments have been put on a wait list, and slowly more juniors have been granted apartments. Earlier this week, Brewell offered a four-person apartment after arrangements fell through with the first group of students who received the apartment.

For the juniors who have yet not made housing arrangements, Johnson has confidence that they will find satisfactory housing in a residential hall. Johnson encouraged students in an email, "When Cook Hall was originally constructed, it was done so with housing junior-level students in mind."

Although most juniors are itching to get out of residential halls, Johnson assures, "Both the great independence afforded by the suite design and the ability to dine in the Cook service are benefits enjoyed by Cook Hall residents."

THE THOUGHTS THAT LIE UNDER HOPE

The Anchor unfolds

Oct 2004: The Anchor printed porn. Remember that? Laugh, nod your head. Come Fall season, page four and five featured a spread of Pullers heaving rope, but naked women. It was complete with complementing article entitled "Porn at Hope," quoting comments like, "porn is kinda funny."

I don't mean to say that struggles surrounding pornography aren't present at Hope College, as I'm sure wide email talking about our failure, student congress for not reading it. People looked at the content and knew it wasn't worth reading. And I was left with an audience who didn't care.

March 2005: The Anchor shut down. Yes, shut down. Student Congress told us to stop the presses. No one on staff knew why. Or so they said. Our editor sent a campus wide email asking about our failure, student congress asked us to submit a letter of apology for our fiscal irresponsibility and I was mad. Very mad. Rightfully, I knew I was about to do something, something, I knew.

The next day I didn’t go to class, instead, I knocked on professors' doors, rained money through faculty donations to print one last issue of the Anchor without Student Congress approval. The Anchor staff littered the floor of bathroom stalls with newspapers, let Anchors roll across campus like tumbleweeds. And we were reclaimed. Our dedication to the paper caused Student Congress to fully fund us next year, and the adventure of my editorship began.

May 2005: I turned down two internships that summer. Instead, I spent four months traveling, brainstorming how to revamp the Anchor. I redesigned the internal structure of the organization, hired nine new staff members including a new faculty advisor. I checked out books from the library with the other editors, looked at 1940s newspapers as models for a redesign. We bought new thousand dollar state of the art software, moved into The Mart. The Anchor hit news stands the first day of class.

All two copies were gone in three hours. And Anchor 2.0 began.

My dream became reality. People began to recognize the Anchor as an outlet of expression. Students stopped by our office hinting news tips, visitors came daily looking to advertise. Our ads and subscription revenue increased 120 percent, our staff tripled in size. We’re tackling real issues and rising up student journalists. New editorship is in place for next year, each issue flies off the new stands.

And I love the Ank staff. Thank you for making the Anchor so beautiful.
When you talk, God listens

To the Editor:
I am sitting in my room listening to a beautiful Vineyard instrumental music CD as I munch my own. A battle I think I won. But it was a battle I had to fight on my own. A battle I think I won. I learned one thing and that was no matter what I go through, what I am blamed for, how I feel or even cry, “When I talk, God listens.”

I came across that phrase in a random magazine I got in my mail one day. I put it next to my laptop as a loud and visible reminder that God is there. I went home for spring break. My mission was to remove my brakes at the same time, I talked a lot to my parents. One night I was lying on our guest room bed as we spoke about my year at Hope. My parents knew I was battling between various issues, so they allowed me to share and cry about it as well. I cried till I couldn’t that night and when it was all done, my mom reminded me that even though my real dad is miles away from me, God is my dad who is always there.

So if you are reading this right now, and feel down, just remember that you are almost there. Some of us are graduating and we have no clue what is next, or if you are like me, you haven’t found a summer job and you are getting worried as the days get closer to the first week of May. I would like to encourage you to talk to God today. I know it is probably hard—but just hold on to God’s hand and He will take you through it.

Last week when I was showing off my big teeth at dinner, a good friend of mine Nixon Omole (’06) said that no one could take the smile off my face no matter what happened. I did not say anything in response, but on the inside, I said “Well said Nixon.” So keep smiling, we are almost there—just keeping talking to God, and He will listen no matter what you have to say! Beula Pandian (’08)

Lacrosse fans earned win

To the Editor:

On behalf of Head Coach Mike Schanhals, Assistant Coach Jim Budke, and the entire Hope College Club Lacrosse Team, we would like to thank all of the Hope College students and friends (as well as the parents, of course) who came out in attendance to support the lacrosse team at our home game this past Saturday, April 8 versus the University of Michigan-Dearborn.

It was indeed a great feeling and sight to see such a nice crowd. Obviously, it was a beautiful day and even better with our 8-5 win over a very fast and talented U-MDearborn team. We greatly appreciate your support and especially your enthusiasm as we represent Hope College during the collegiate lacrosse season. Thank you all very much. We hope to see you again at the remaining home games this spring if your time permits.

Dr. Todd F. Harburn (’78)
Orthopedic Consultant/Team Physician, Hope College Lacrosse, Head Coach Mike Schanhals (’92) and Assistant Coach Jim Budke (’88), and the members of the 2006 Hope Lacrosse Team

VOICES

Shea Tuttie

What Spring Break?

Ah, spring. The subject of countless poems and love songs, the bringer of showers, flowers and romantic superpowers. Spirits are as light as the evenings; freedom is on the horizon. And Hope College women are in more danger than they were a month ago.

The Council on Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence confirms a logical supposition: sexual assaults increase during warmer months. But reader, beware: this is not another publication on safe spring breaks, responsible alcohol consumption, or date rape. This issue is about sexual assault, and you are almost there.

Here come the semantics: how should I name this incident? Creepy? Comical? Complimentary? I call it sexually violent. For at least three reasons.

First, actions and words faced with sexual intent do make us smaller. When this man interacted with me in these ways, he made me into a thing, an object of his momentary whims and wishes. He made me less of a human.

Second, outside of a mutual, loving context, the sacredness of sexual interaction becomes profane. It becomes difficult to internally distinguish flattery and degradation. Because sexuality is integral to identity, actions and words such as his compromise my self-concept and confuse my self-worth.

Third, language shapes our reality. By calling this man’s actions and words violent, I assert to myself and others that they are intolerable. I inwardly charge the wrong done to me. I outwardly set a precedent for other interactions.

This definition of sexual violence includes everything from whistling, body proximity, and suggestive comments to rape and other sexual assaults. It seeks not to minimize the latter, but to justify naming the former. It seeks to recognize that those incidents we so easily overlook share the same roots with those we wish no one ever faced. Ultimately, this definition seeks to empower. Do I believe semantics can single-handedly solve the problem of sexual assault? Of course not. But problems as complex and destructive as this require our attention to all of their aspects, especially their roots.

By accurately naming even “minor” incidents sexually violent, we purposefully undermine the forces that lead to sexual assault. By speaking truth, we actively pursue the day when we may all meet the coming spring without fear, with only the lightness and freedom it brings.

CLASSIFIEDS

The 3rd Annual Earth Day Pub Crawl will begin at 7pm on April 22 at Via Maria’s restaurant on 7th. For $10, participants will receive a “free” t-shirt and discounts on drinks at several Holland venues. All proceeds will benefit the Alliance for the Great Lakes. Contact Oliver O’Beire for more details at (231) 218-0440.

The Anchor staff wishes faculty, staff, administration, students and pets safe travel and a restful Easter weekend. All students are welcome to join us at our next planning meeting on Wed., April 12 at 8:30 p.m. We have a bottomless bowl of candy!

The Council on Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence

Let me illustrate with a story. A few weeks ago, a man I have known for over twenty years made me patently uncomfortable. His behavior shifted. Whereas once he kept an appropriate distance and spoke respectfully, he now began encroaching on my space: leaning in too close, blocking my path, bending over my chair to speak with his face only inches from mine. These actions culminated in a couple of truculent pauses and a (light)hearted threat to follow me home.

What Spring Break?

Ah, spring. The subject of countless poems and love songs, the bringer of showers, flowers and romantic superpowers. Spirits are as light as the evenings; freedom is on the horizon. And Hope College women are in more danger than they were a month ago.

The Council on Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence confirms a logical supposition: sexual assaults increase during warmer months. But reader, beware: this is not another publication on safe spring breaks, responsible alcohol consumption, or date rape. This issue is about sexual assault, and you are almost there.

Here come the semantics: how should I name this incident? Creepy? Comical? Complimentary? I call it sexually violent. For at least three reasons.

First, actions and words faced with sexual intent do make us smaller. When this man interacted with me in these ways, he made me into a thing, an object of his momentary whims and wishes. He made me less of a human.

Second, outside of a mutual, loving context, the sacredness of sexual interaction becomes profane. It becomes difficult to internally distinguish flattery and degradation. Because sexuality is integral to identity, actions and words such as his compromise my self-concept and confuse my self-worth.

Third, language shapes our reality. By calling this man’s actions and words violent, I assert to myself and others that they are intolerable. I inwardly charge the wrong done to me. I outwardly set a precedent for other interactions.

This definition of sexual violence includes everything from whistling, body proximity, and suggestive comments to rape and other sexual assaults. It seeks not to minimize the latter, but to justify naming the former. It seeks to recognize that those incidents we so easily overlook share the same roots with those we wish no one ever faced. Ultimately, this definition seeks to empower. Do I believe semantics can single-handedly solve the problem of sexual assault? Of course not. But problems as complex and destructive as this require our attention to all of their aspects, especially their roots.

By accurately naming even “minor” incidents sexually violent, we purposefully undermine the forces that lead to sexual assault. By speaking truth, we actively pursue the day when we may all meet the coming spring without fear, with only the lightness and freedom it brings.

CLASSIFIEDS

Remember to vote in Student Congress elections online from 7 a.m. Wed., April 12 until 5 p.m. Thurs., April 13. More information on the candidates is available at www.hope.edu/student/congress/springrunning.html.

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MICKELSON WINS SECOND GREEN JACKET AT MASTERS

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For the second time in three years, Phil Mickelson, the number four ranked golfer in the world, donned the green jacket, becoming the oldest Masters champion, eclipsing Jack Nicklaus’ record by three months. In addition, if victorious he would move to number two in the world rankings behind Tiger Woods, and watched Hope games all the time,” Carlson said. After a year of playing for the Grand Rapids Flight, Carlson has returned to play for his hometown team once again.

“I played in the league for 14 years and make his history. Carlson has many fond memories of playing at Hope with his brother. Jeff Carlson said, “That was a dream come true for both of us and it made that year a lot of fun,” Carlson said.

Instead, Carlson treasures his time playing at Hope with his brother. Jeff Carlson said, “I am getting the chance to learn how to coach from a different viewpoint and experience. Whether he is coaching, playing or observing basketball, it seems the sport will always be a crucial aspect of Chad Carlson’s life.”

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SPORTS

SEMI-PRO HOPE ALUM: FORMER DUTCHEMAN AND JV BASKETBALL COACH NOW SHOOTS WITH THE BLAST

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From Holland High School to Hope College and now to semi-pro, basketball seems to be a never ending career for one Holland native.

Hope alumni Chad Carlson (‘02) recently joined the local semi-pro basketball team named the Holland Blast. Carlson has enjoyed playing at every competitive level and has loved basketball all his life. “I played a lot growing up with my family and friends and watched Hope games all the time,” Carlson said. After a year of playing for the Grand Rapids Flight, Carlson has returned to play for his hometown team once again.

“I played in the league last year for the Grand Rapids Flight,” Carlson said. “I just got talking to the owners about playing in Holland this year because it would be more convenient.”

As a player, Carlson realizes the semi-pro level produces very competitive and athletic players. “There are a lot of good athletes in this league. My role as a player is much more defined because of all the athleticism,” Carlson said.

After his assessment of the league, Chad does not plan on being the league’s most flashy player. Instead, he will rely on his fundamentals and personal strengths. “When you are playing against players better than you, you have to rely on your strengths and be confident,” Carlson said. “My strengths are my shooting and my knowledge of the game, so I will try to let those guide me.”

Carlson’s knowledge is certainly a key aspect for him as a player. While at Hope, he was a four year varsity player and became the 24th all-time scorer in Hope’s history. Carlson has many fond memories of Hope, but one of his most cherished memories was not about scoring any amount of points.

Instead, Carlson treasures his time playing at Hope with his brother, Jeff Carlson (‘08). Playing for Hope as senior with his freshman brother remains one of Carlson’s most fond memories in his basketball career.

“That was a dream come true for both of us and it made that year a lot of fun,” Carlson said.

Today, Carlson primarily uses his playing experience, talent and knowledge as a coach. He currently coaches for the Hope men’s junior varsity basketball team. He brings his excellent talent and experience to help current Hope players achieve their goals. “Coaching is an unbelievable privilege,” Carlson said, “I have had the opportunity to coach some guys here at Hope that are not only terrific players but are all great people as well.”

In addition, Carlson believes his Holland Blast experience as a player will help him as a coach. He is able to see the game from a different viewpoint and experience a variety of coaching strategies. “I am getting the chance to learn how different coaches approach the game,” Carlson said. “It also helps to be able to actively participate in the game so I can see both a coach’s and player’s perspective.”

UPCOMING HOME GAMES

• April 12 Women’s Track v. Albion and St. Joseph, 2 p.m.
  Match will be played at Buys Athletic Fields, 13th and Fairbanks.

• April 13 Softball v. Alma, 3:30 p.m. (DH)
  Games will be played at Buys Athletic Fields, 13th and Fairbanks.

• April 15 Baseball v. Kalamazoo, 1 p.m. (DH)
  Games will be played at Buys Athletic Fields, 13th and Fairbanks.

• April 15 Softball v. Olivet, 1 p.m. (DH)
  Games will be played at Buys Athletic Fields, 13th and Fairbanks.

• April 19 Men’s Tennis v. Calvin, 4 p.m.
  Match will be played at 13th and Columbia Ave.

• April 21 Women’s Tennis v. Albion, 3 p.m.
  Match will be played at 13th and Columbia Ave.

Coaches: Coach now shoots with the Blast.