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**Staff leads class of 2002 into a Orientation**

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**Hope ranks high**

> Hope receives second tier ranking in U.S. News and World Report.

**WHOLE NEW WORLD: An orientation group meets on a stage in the Pine Grove this weekend. See pages 4 and 5 for more orientation details and photos.**

BATTLE OF THE BOOKS attends.

> My job will involve looking holistically at the student body and examining student relations as well as community relations," she said. "I'm anxious to meet with students and to be available to hear their concerns."

In addition, a number of new faces can be seen on campus. Residential Life has hired the following new Resident Directors: Jennifer Krzewa in Dykstra Hall, Doreen Bierz in Gilmore Hall, Amy Weideler in Wyckoff/Zimmerman Hall and Sherril Meyer in Col-lege East.

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Students gain skills and experience through Hope's Summer Repertory Theater. Intermission, page 6.


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President John Jacobson outlined his goals for the final year of his presi-dency in his State of the College Ad-dress presented on August 27.

"I am looking forward to this last year that I will spend among you and hope it may be an exciting, produc-tive, and pleasant year for all of us," President Jacobson said.

Jacobson highlighted the areas he hopes to focus upon, including fund raising for the science building addi-
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New web site posted

A new addition to the KnowHope site will make students better informed about crime and other campus incidents.

Beginning in mid-August, a Campus Safety Report was posted at http://www.hope.edu/knowhope/incident.html. This site reports the incidents that public safety responds to each day.

"We are trying to be better communicators with the campus in this area," said Tom Renner, Director of Public Relations. "The site is updated daily and each incident is posted for a two week period. This site should help students avoid potential crime," Renner said.

"This site should help students know everything that is going on, they will be able to help prevent crime," said Duane Terpstra of Public Safety. "It's important for us to communicate with students and also for them to communicate with us. "We feel a better informed campus will be safer with the awareness gained," Renner said.

Sutton on national panel

Kate Sutton ('00) was appointed to serve a two to three year term on the College Board's Admission Policies and Student Success Committee (APSC).

The national panel meets twice a year to discuss concerns of college students. It is comprised of 16 high school and college students whose voices are heard by various college presidents and administration.

Sutton was chosen from a pool of over 400 applicants. "I work in the financial aid office and they suggested I apply," said Sutton.

In addition to the bi-annual panel meetings, Sutton is also required to serve on another college committee or council.

Sutton will also be involved in College Scholarship Services, which meets in December and July.

In addition, Sutton will participate in the Washington Honors program during the spring semester.

Here she will hold an internship with the U.S. Department of Education and in a congressional office.

"Kate is very interested in public policy and educational access," said Phylis Kleder Hoyoom, director of Financial Aid. "She is a natural for this position."

"Sutton is a political science major who has been active in Hope Democrats and Hope's Model United Nations," Rademaker, Director of the Physician Assistant Program.

"I enjoy public policy and many college issues," Sutton said.

The 30's are coming back (again).

The One-Hit Wonders, Puffy Hair, Para-chute Pants, and Brat Pack days are back. But only on 89.9 WTHS. Wednesday, 10 p.m. to midnight. Listen to the show Ronald Reagan would want you to.

Welcome to Campus. Now Please Leave. (But we just got here).

No, not for good! How about for just an hour or so? We welcome you to venture on over to the "other" Community of Hope and be renewed through worship & fellowship this Sunday.

SNACK TIME: New booths give students more room to eat and relax in the newly-renovated Kletz.

Dean Frost stressed the positive additions. "New changes should have an impact on the students. "We do a lot to improve the campus over the summer," he said. "When students leave each spring, a new phase begins in preparation of a new year. We hope the changes contribute to the overall educational value of Hope."

Student Congress prepares for upcoming elections

SARA E LAMERS

campusbeat editor

Student Congress encourages the campus to get involved and voice their opinions by picking up a petition for the upcoming elections for student representatives.

"Students can stop by the Student Congress office in Dewitt or the Student Union desk to pick up a petition," said Matt Fretz ('99), Student Congress Vice President. "Often students don't know what Student Congress is involved in on campus."

One of the ways Student Congress hopes to hear the voices of the student body is through a program called Dinner with the Dean.

"Dean Frost hopes to make himself more accessible to students so we thought this would be a good way to do just that," Marolt said.

Since a month, Student Congress will hold a raffle to choose a student to enjoy a dinner with Dean Frost. Students who wish to participate can fill out a constituency concern card with their comments on a specific issue affecting Hope's campus.

"The cards will be available in our office or from the Student Union desk," Marolt said. "When the new representatives are elected, students will be able to get the cards from them."

A member of Student Congress will also be present at the dinner in order to hear the concerns of the student and then relay the information to the rest of the congress.

"Hopefully this program will make both Student Congress and Dean Frost more accessible to the students," Marolt said.

Student Congress meetings will take place on Thursday at 8 p.m. in the Herrick room of Dewitt.

Committee narrows potential candidates for new president

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After weeding through hundreds of nominations for the presidency, the Presidential Search Committee has begun the process of finalizing a list of favorites.

The committee met Wednesday, Aug. 26 and reduced the list to those whom they want to pursue further. "For the next three weeks we will be checking references and we hope to narrow down the candidates by mid-September," said Joel Bouwens, Presidential Search Committee Chair.

After this stage of the process occurs, the Committee will begin inviting candidates to campus sometime in November.

"The interviews will be confidential and will take place off-campus. Upon completion of these meetings, candidates will be invited to campus sometime in November. "At this time we plan to give as many of the constituents of the college as possible the opportunity to meet the finalist candidates," Bouwens said. "Individuals meeting with the candidates will be asked to provide written evaluations to the Search Committee.

The summer months were spent collecting submissions for nominations. By the August 1 deadline, over 100 persons had made nominations; many of whom accepted the Search Committee's invitation to become candidates. The committee also solicited nominations by letter from over 800 individuals. These individuals came from a variety of groups, including the Board of Trustees and Honoray Trustees, the Great Lakes College Association, the Michigan Intercolligate Athletic Association, and New Brunswick and Western Theological Seminars. "I believe the search is going very well at this point," Bouwens said. "Our efforts have resulted in a large pool of qualified candidates."

Provost Jacob Nyenhuis shares Bouwens optimism in the progress of the search thus far. "I believe the Presidential Search Committee has done a fine job of keeping us informed of their accomplishments," he said. "I'm confident in their ability to find many qualified candidates. President Jacobson is clearly working to maintain the momentum he has established over the past 11 years. I expect he will continue to be fully in charge until June 1999."
More than Money

I never left Hope’s campus this summer. Instead, I woke up at 6:15 every morning to drive from Hudsonville to work on the Physical Plant’s paint crew. We were the people who attempted to cover up most of the bumps, gashes, and holes in walls that are left every spring as the campus clears out (so that clever people had attempted to fill in with toothpaste to avoid fines).

After the first day of my job, I thought the most treacherous summer of my life was stretching before me. I was standing in an abandoned campus with 11 strangers with a paintbrush and a scraper, knowing this was my life for the next four months. I know I’m not the only person on this campus to have a summer job that seems less than perfect at first glance. I’m one of the many others in college, most of what is gained in the end is just minimal as possible will probably be.

But as time went on something happened to my daily grind. Although I was never excited to drag my tired body to the paint shop in the morning, and the work didn’t suddenly become non-stop excitement, those eleven other strangers became just the opposite.

They became some of my closest friends. The people who I laughed with, took breaks with, complained to, and occasionally painted on. We had deep discussions for hours; sometimes it was as if we thought we could figure out all of mankind and fix all of its problems without leaving the dorm room we were painting bone white. (The whole dorm campus is bone white.)

At the end of the summer it was almost a struggle to let “the old paint crew” go. I’ve discovered that with this experience and so many others in college, most of what is gained in the end is just that, the experience.

Those times that I was at work, spacy from the paint fumes and counting down the minutes until it was time to punch out, I will remember as some of the most valuable moments I’ve ever had at a job.

The debt I am trying keep as minimal as possible will probably teach me more than just making a few walls sparkle. "It is an expensive, but I feel bad if a book is never used. It has been interesting to see the prices and the cost against the price of a new Psychology book.

The bookstore’s goal is to keep as many used books on stock as possible to keep costs down for students. Besides taking as many books in as they can from book buy-back at the end of every semester, they also shop used book companies. But "publishers don’t like that," said Cook. "They like to come out with new editions every few years. Our ideal is if a book is used every year, but the faculty wants good books that are up-to-date and we have to support that."

Cook says the bookstore can’t require professors to use the books they require. Then it feels like a good value, the price doesn’t seem out of line."

RANKING from 1 class sizes, the percentage of full-time faculty, the percentage freshman who were in the top 10 percent of their high school senior class and the alumni giving rate.

Over time we have seen a steady increase in applications and improvements in the quality of the application pool, Bekkering said. "This has led to an increase in the freshman class size."

Increases also occurred in the graduation rate and the acceptance rate since last year’s guide. While the ratings are of value to incoming students, both Renner and Bekkering felt it important to remember that the quality of the institution cannot be based solely on numbers.

ADDRESS from 1 result of this, Hope needs to continue to focus on raising the endowment.

"It has been interesting to see where Hope falls in the rankings and the U.S. News study is only one of many in which Hope has appeared," Renner said. "Hope can probably expect to move back and forth between second and third tier in the years to come."

"We have enjoyed great success for many years and I feel that the importance of this rating is that more people are understanding and appreciating the quality of Hope," Bekkering said.

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1. We have a phat couch.
2. Sleep is overrated anyway.
3. You might get a date.
4. Our editor wears tight clothing.
5. You might actually have fun.
READY TO SET SAIL: Groups of freshmen and orientation assistants gather in front of the Hope College anchor to discuss campus life. The meetings covered a variety of topics including diversity issues, explanations of the campus layout, and helpful advice from experienced Hope College students.

MAKING THEIR MARK: Freshmen take time out of their busy weekend schedules to leave their handprints on the 1998 orientation banner. The banner, which blanketed the DeWitt patio was easily covered by the freshmen's prints.

BALANCING ACT: Freshmen brought all sorts of items for college life with them. Lofts, rugs, and dorm room refrigerators were most popular. And most weighty.

The members of the class of 2002 averaged into the top 20% of their graduating class.

All Photos taken by Johnathan Muenk
This past weekend was a busy one on the Hope College campus, as it was again time for freshmen orientation, who showed up in record breaking, 750-plus strong numbers.

The freshmen class began its transfer to Hope College life on Friday morning by moving into their residences on campus.

"I had heard that you were helped when you moved in," said Jane Murfey ('02). "But I didn't expect it to be as great a job. It was really kind of strange seeing a bunch of people just carrying up my stuff."

While Dykstra residence hall had the largest influx of freshmen, each hall received at least a few freshmen. The move in proceeded smoothly thanks to the help of the volunteers in the orientation staff, who assist new Hope students and parents with their moving in each fall.

"Being an orientation assistant shows the new students that someone at Hope cares about them and is excited that they've come," said Sherrie Cunningham ('01), one of many orientation assistants to help out with freshman orientation.

In addition to the moving in, the orientation staff's job was also to get the freshmen class integrated into life away from home and to provide an opportunity to meet a variety of new people.

"It's hard to meet everyone in your class because it's so big," said Emily White ('02).

Groups of freshmen were introduced to each other by their orientation assistants. Name learning and recreational games were combined with serious discussion and explanation of college issues to allow the new students to learn about college life while having a lot of fun.

"The orientation groups really let you meet a lot of people," said Chuck Whitney ('02). "They were a really good idea."

In addition to their small group experiences, the freshmen were provided with activities that gave them a chance to meet many of their fellow new arrivals at Hope. Organized events like the Orientation Extravaganza, Playfair, and a luau in the Kletz brought the entire class of 2002 together.

Members of the freshmen class also got the opportunity to see "Orange and Blue for You," a skit about adjusting to college performed by some of the orientation staff and master hypnotist Michael Anthony.

"The hypnotist was awesome," said Morgan Llewellyn ('02). "They should have had three nights of him."

This year's freshmen class has a combined grade point average of 3.64 on a 4.0 scale.
Hope Summer Rep Theatre opens doors

**JOSLIN FEINAUER**

Intermission editor

Hope seems an unlikely place to find many theatrical opportunities. The Hope Summer Repertory Theatre provides the Holland community with professional theater productions and gives students a chance to work with interns and professionals from across the country.

"I was one of the two acting interns in HSRT from Hope College. The others were from out of state," said Larry Young (99).

In addition to acting, interns taught children's workshops in singing and acting.

"We also worked on stage changes because there were four shows performed on main stage during the same period of time. So many stage changes made for long nights," Young said.

Acting was not the only dimension of theater in which Hope's students participated this summer. Other positions included lighting, sound, wardrobe, and publicity.

"I interviewed with Mary Schelke, Producing Director, and was hired as a sound technician. I also worked on designing children's shows," said Geoff Abbas (99).

"I had worked on Hope productions in the past. HSRT allowed me to focus on theater directly without juggling classes. Everyone is there just for theater. It's also really good to get exposure to what techniques professional sound technicians are using," Abbas said.

Chris Mahlmann ('00) interned in lighting design. "Basically I set up the lighting and made sure everything was working before running it. I also assisted with design work."

HSRT features many professional performers and technicians. Hope students found summer theater more challenging that productions during the academic year.

"Working at HSRT was different than college productions because I worked with professionals who had a lot of experience. Everyone knew exactly what to do. I had a sense of how theater worked in the real world; theater in an academic setting is always different than professional theater," Mahlmann said.

Shari Johnson ('00) wanted to pursue a summer job related to her area of study as a theater major. Johnson worked in HSRT's costume shop.

"I did alterations on costumes and helped the actors and actresses make quick dress changes between acts. HSRT is more intense than college theater. This summer was hard work with seven productions each having about 15 performances," Johnson said.

"It was good to meet a lot of new people. HSRT included people from all over the country," Johnson said.

Most students gained experience with the creative or technical elements of theater, but others chose to explore the business of producing shows.

"Being a publicist meant a lot of writing for press releases and radio releases. Being a theater and English major, HSRT gave me a good background in both of my areas of study," said Christina Malkowski ('99).

Students agreed that HSRT was more grueling than theater during the school year.

"If I could, I would have continued to bring writers to campus to read for more student work. It benefited me to meet 'real life' poets and writers," Smits said.

"I try to involve students with the writers as much as possible. It's a benefit to the students to meet 'real life' poets and writers," Smits said. The first Visting Writer's Series event will take place Thursday, Sept. 10 at the Knickerbocker Theatre.

Hope professor Jack Riehl will be featured and accompanied by a local jazz ensemble, the John Shea Trio. Six other Hope faculty will also share shorter poetry selections: Priscilla Atkins, Jackie Bartley, Julie Fiedler, Nancy Niccolomero, Jane Bach, Kim Douglas and Francis Fike.

Opus will also repeat last spring's Beaux Arts Ball because of the overwhelming success it had.

The 1998-99 Opus staff does not have many returning members. Smits hopes new staff can offer different ideas. Applications for the staff are currently being accepted and will be due on Sept. 11. Between 10 and 15 new staff members will be chosen.

"We are going to try to revamp this year and change Opus to better accommodate students creativity," Smits said.

**Photo courtesy of Hope Summer Repertory Theatre**
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SPORTS REPORT

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Sports

Football looking for repeat on the field

MIKE ZUIDEMA
Sports editor

Based on preseason rankings and accolades, the Hope College football team is poised to capture its second straight conference championship. A little less than a year ago, the Flying Dutchmen were celebrating their first Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association championship. The team has achieved a 56% pass completion percentage and is the Favorite in the MIAA.

Offense and defense will definitely be our strength.
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TIME OUT: Hope huddles around head coach Glenn Van Wieren in the first half of a loss to Nuova Drenthe, during the Flying Dutchmen's August trip to the Netherlands.

From Holland to Holland

PAUL LOODEEN
Sports editor

This year, head coach Glenn Van Wieren's 15-year dream became a reality. The Hope College men's basketball team returned last year's favor and beat Nuova Drenthe with a 21-13 record. The team was led by Vander Veldman ('01) and Craig Veldman ('01) led the Dutch in scoring with 20 points. The third game was in Zwolle, where the Dutch lost again to the Zwolle Hammers. Craig Veldman ('01) led the Dutch in scoring with 20 points.

Sports rerewinds for recap on spring season

PAUL LOODEEN
Sports editor

Baseball: The Dutchmen finished the year with their first berth into the National Collegiate Athletic Association Division III tournament. They finished their historic season with two losses in the Midwest Regional tournament. The Dutchmen finished with a school record of 25 wins and a second straight Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association championship. Also, six players were selected to the All-MIAA first team: Matt Klein ('99), Matt Klein ('99), Adam Labbe ('99), Chad Ruby ('98), and Mike Mouros ('99) who was also voted MIAA's most valuable player.

Softball: Finishing their fifth straight season of twenty wins, the Flying Dutch placed third in the MIAA with a 21-13 record. Lisa Larzulie ('97) set a Hope record with 44 career wins and was also named to the All-MIAA first team along with Gina Zanin ('99). Sarah Paccione ('00) also received accolades by being voted to the Central All-Region First team for a second straight year. Men's Tennis: The Dutchmen finished in a tie for second place in the MIAA standings. Of the nine championships matches in the conference finals, Hope competed in seven.

Women's Tennis: First-year coach Karen Page made a mark in her first season. The women's tennis team finished with a school record of 23-1 in dual match play and a third straight MIAA championship. The team earned a berth into the NCAA team championship. The Dutch finished the season losing to Claremont-Mudd-Smithshire, California, 6-3. It was the team's first time in the tournament since 1989.

MIAA most valuable player for the season was Lindsey Ethridge ('00).

Women's Track: The Flying Dutch finished in a second place tie in the MIAA standings. The athletes who made the All-MIAA track team were Jennifer Ernst ('00), Ellen Schulte ('00), and Emily Sowers ('01). Schultz and Sowers also qualified for the NCAA Division III championships. Schultz finished 12th in the 5,000 meters, and 11th in the 10,000 meters run. Sowers finished 5th in the discuss.

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Show starts at 8:30 p.m.