Spring celebration approaches

Music, games and more will mark final day of classes

Kurt Koehler

Upon the conclusion of classes for the semester, the normally tranquil Pine Grove will transform into a temporary amusement park. The Social Activities Committee (SAC) will sponsor this year’s Spring Fling on April 25.

“Spring Fling is probably the most highly anticipated SAC event of the year. Every year we exceed over 1,000 students at this event and it has become a favorite among students,” said SAC Director Mary Chambers ’03. “The Social Activities Committee has arranged with the college to transform Pine Grove into a temporary amusement park. The normally tranquil Pine Grove will become a temporary amusement park.

Occupation of Iraq begins as combat slows

Anjey Dykhuis

For 27 days, Operation Iraqi Freedom continues after considerable progress for coalition forces. With major military operations winding down, Iraqi citizens are preparing for a military occupation whose duration is currently unknown. Bush administration National Security Advisor Condoleezza Rice conjectured that the occupation will be short but also admitted that anything could happen and may necessitate a longer concentration of forces in Iraq.

Although before combat began in Iraq public opinion clearly was divided about the war, now that intense combat is becoming less of an element in Operation Iraqi Freedom, many students agree the American Action was a good thing and they hope that we can help Iraq rebuild in a short amount of time.

“I think it’s a good thing. I know that they were going in there and blowing up everything. Now that everyone is more calm and settled down we can start making peace and compromises. It was really bad, but hopefully now we can get along better and start making deals,” said Dina Rios ’05.

As far as recent developments, the United States seems to think things are going the Coalition’s way now. Two U.S. aircraft carriers are scheduled to leave the Gulf soon. Marine transport ships have left the Gulf, and seven U.S. POWs were recently released into U.S. custody.

The U.S. has accused Syria of aiding Saddam Hussein’s regime and Syria has denied the claim. Some believe that Saddam and the remnants of his administration have fled to Syria with weapons of mass destruction (WMD). No WMD have been found in Iraq to date, but some materials are still being tested in the U.S. Military analysts cite Syria’s past harboring of terrorist groups as good reason to believe that Saddam has taken refuge there.

Last week, the last major tactical Saddam’s hometown of Tikrit, was taken by coalition forces. Looters continue in Baghdad and Iraqi citizens are becoming edgy. One Iraqi woman fleeing Baghdad commented that at least her children were safe at night before the war began. However, Monday was the first day Iraqi schools were reopened since the beginning of the war.

Although many ask how the Coalition will determine whether or not the campaign has been victorious, President Bush said, “Our victory in Iraq is certain but it is not complete.”

As for international relations, French President Jacques Chirac has renewed communications with the White House, the U.N. began shipping in humanitarian aid supplies and have increased deliveries in the past few days, and Turkey has become more and more ill at ease with Kurdish talk of an independent Kurdistan.

However, here at Hope, students seem relaxed at the end of combat and hopeful for more WAR on 2.

Three longtime faculty members retire

Shepanie Szydłowski

As the end of the semester approaches, the class of 2003 and three faculty members will be parting with Hope. As Hope’s tradition is shaken by this year’s faculty retirement of a combined 80 years of service, their achievements and contributions to campus will not be forgotten.

Anne Irwin, professor of kinesiology, athletic director for women and director of intramural sports; Del Michel, professor of art; and David Zwart, associate professor of education, will be marking the end of the 2003 school year with retirement. Joining Hope at a time in which equality between men and women’s athletics was dubious, Irwin has devoted much of her time to the closing that gap.

“The emphasis and the effort has always been to make it equal and make it fair and equitable for both,” Irwin said, as she noted that she believes Hope’s approach to this matter has been a positive one. She compliments Hope on its ability to enhance the women’s program while maintaining the strength of men’s sports as well.

Irwin began her career at Hope in 1976. During her tenure, at Hope, Irwin has coached women’s basketball, softball and field hockey, as well as assisting volleyball and soccer, later narrowing her focus to the coaching of intramural sports. Under Irwin’s leadership, the intramural program has grown from approximately 300 participants to 1,500 by including men’s, women’s and co-educational athletic programs.

Irwin will remain at Hope through December 2004, and hopes to receive more RETIREES on 2.

Hope awards four alumni

The Hope College Alumni Association will present four alumni with Distinguished Alumni Awards during the college’s Alumni Day on May 3. Being honored this year are: Dr. Lawrence Schut of Maple Lake, Minn.; the Rev. Eugene Bottoms of Washington, D.C.; Barbara Timmer of Washington, D.C.; and Johanne Tietel of Grand Rapids.

The annual Distinguished Alumni Awards are in recognition of the awards’ contributions to society and service to Hope. The award is the highest honor that alumni can receive from the college’s Alumni Association.
No progress in search for new Dean of Chapel

Glenn Lester

While no date is set for the con-
firmation of a new Dean of the
Chapel, search committee mem-
bers remain assured that all is go-
ing well.

Tim Brown, the current Dean of
Chapel, is stepping down July 1, fol-
lowing his teaching position at
Western Theological Seminary.
Brown, a professor of preaching at
Western Theological Seminary, was
designated Dean of Chapel after Ben
Patterson’s departure in Decem-

“The clear shape of the search
hasn’t emerged yet,” said Mansoon
Kim, professor of music and
chaplain search committee mem-
er. Many candidates are being
considered but no decision has been
reached. “The doors are still open
now,” Kim said.

No deadline has been set for the
end of the search for a new Dean of
Chapel.

“We’d like to be finished as soon as
possible,” said Griffen, who is a
professor of church history and
associate professor of religion. “But
we take the process very seriously
to find the right person.”

Three methods have been used
to search for a new Dean of Chapel.
First, advertisements were placed
in periodicals of higher education.

“They have responded to
invitations to participate,” said
Kim, who noted that a panel of 35
people have been interviewed by the
search committee.

Second, a number of
students, faculty, staff, and alumni
were invited to participate in a
workshop on campus.

And third, the search commit-
tee has been consulting with other
deans from various seminaries.

“We have been reaching out
broadly, and we’re hearing from a
lot of people who are interested,”
Kim said.

Several candidates have been
invited to campus for interviews.

“One candidate was a faculty
member of or be willing to join the
Christian Reformed Church,” said
Kim, who noted that the search
committee has been considering
various denominations for the new
Dean of Chapel.

Candidates will be interviewed
in person on campus, and their
qualifications will be evaluated
through a variety of methods.

“Essentially, we’re looking for
someone who is a strong leader
who can bring together the various
classes and departments at Hope,”
Kim said.

Kim acknowledged that the
search process has been challeng-
ing for everyone involved.

“The process has been very
lengthy and complex,” Kim said.

Despite these emerging prob-
lems, many members of the class of
2003 are nearing the final
stretch of their college careers.
On Sunday, May 4, at 3 p.m.
in DeVos Fieldhouse, seniors will be
part of Hope’s 138th commencement
events at the Holland Municipal
Stadium. Baccalaureate will be held
at 9 a.m., with commencement set
for 9:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. in Dimnent
Memorial Chapel. Rev. Eugene
Bultman, an ordained minister of the
Reformed Church of America,
will deliver the Baccalaureate ser-
vice and the Commencement
address.

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Easter Hours on Campus

Van Wylen Library

Thursday: Friday: 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
Saturday: CLOSED
Sunday: 5 p.m.-midnight

Music Library

Friday-Saturday: CLOSED
Sunday: 5 p.m.-11 p.m.

Cook Dining Hall

Thursday-Sunday: CLOSED

Pheils Dining Hall

Thursday: Dinner 4:30 p.m.-6 p.m.
Friday: Breakfast 8 a.m.-9 a.m.
Lunch 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
Dinner 5 p.m.-6 p.m.
Saturday: Breakfast 9 a.m.-10 a.m.
Lunch Noon - 1 p.m.
Dinner 5 p.m.
Sunday: Breakfast 8-9 a.m.
Lunch 12 p.m.-1 p.m.
Dinner 4:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m.

Dow Center

Friday: 11 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Saturday: 12 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Sunday: CLOSED

Cook Dining Hall

Open 24 hours

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have classes conclude at 1 p.m. on April 25. At that time, we will
start a large, all campus party to celebrate the conclusion of the
academic year. Located in the Pine Grove, we will have a num-
ber of large inflatable rides, a live band and DJ music, an all
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Spring Fling will feature a live performance by local West
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“We have also begun work on an exciting new CD which
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interplay and a more upbeat direction.”

Oregon Dreamchild consists of Rich Burkholder on vocals and
guitar, Scott Makukii on drums, Kyle Hines on bass and vocals,
and Rado Coomeau on guitar, vocals, and violin. The band is also
playing Friday and Saturday at the Highlandaur in Zeeland.
The band has released a CD titled Travelogue I-94 West.
In addition to the live music, Spring Fling will offer several
large inflatable rides including an extreme obstacle course,
bouncy boxing, beanz bikes, an ultimate sports challenge, and
sumo wrestling. Students choosing to participate in these
events must sign a waiver and present their Hope ID card.

Seniors wrap up Hope years on May 4

Anje y Dykhuysen

After four years of learning,
"An important part of teaching
in the art field is that art teachers
are artists," Michel said.

Bringing him with a history of
undergraduate studies at Hope Col-
lege, David Zwart returned to Hope
in 1989. He focused on de-
veloping a proposal for a grant from the W.K. Kellogg Foundation
of Battle Creek to link colleges and
local schools with the goal of en-
hancing elementary science edu-
cation.

It eventually became the di-
rector of student teaching and cer-
ification, and has contributed to the
co-establishment of a May Term at
the Rosebud Indian Reservation in
South Dakota. “I think that in
today’s world it’s important that we
have a bigger perspective as we
work with children,” it’s excep-
tional for our students,” Zwart says.

A strong focus on volunteer
work has brought him and his wife
Karen the VA Melzer Award, an annual
Holland community award for the
area’s most outstanding volunteer.

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to concentrate on teaching and run-
ning the intramural program. Then
he plans to run a Web-based art
antiquing business.

Det Michel has become interna-
tionally known as an artist since
1964, when he completed his master’s
tute of fine arts degree. Located in the Pine Grove, we will have a num-
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“In addition to our 80’s repertoire we have added some 70’s
classics, motown hits, and newer 90’s current party favorites.
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According to Chambers, this year’s novelty item is the spin
art Fribbee. Students can place a Fribbee on a turntable and
dip paint onto it while it is spinning. Fribbess, paint, and the
spinning contraption will be provided on a first come, first
serve basis.

While all of these events are going on, a free picnic lunch
and dinner in the Pine Grove will be served for students on
real plan. Others must pay for the meal at the regular Din-
ing Services’ prices. Dinner will be served until 6 p.m. and
music will continue playing until the meal is concluded.

To make the Pine Grove a little more comfortable, students
may bring blankets, chairs, and furniture into the Pine Grove
as long as they are removed at the end the day. In the event of
inclement weather the festivities will be moved into the Dow,
Pheils, and the Maas Conference Center.

Oregon Dreamchild
They'll take the Knickerbocker a combined choirs concert to take place in Dimnent Chapel. The combined performers will join forces in a religious program consisting of music and director of the Hope College Choirs come together in religious program

Maureen Yonovitz

At 8 p.m. on Tuesday, the Hope College Chorus and Chapel Choir will join forces in a combined choir concert to take place in Dimnent Chapel. "Together there would be about 110 voices," said Brad Richmond, choral director. According to Richmond, the annual concert always takes on a different form. In past years, for example, the choirs have performed along with the Orchestra. "This year's concert, however, will feature organist Hew Lewis.

One highlight of the concert is the piece "Let the Bright Seraphim," by Malcolm Archer, a specially commissioned piece being performed for only the second time since its premiere at the Chautauqua (New York) Amphitheatre in August 2002. The piece, which was commissioned by thre

Holland's First United Methodist Church. The combined performers will present two pieces by French composer Gabriel Faure.

First on the program will be the Faure 'Pavane for the Dead', a piece for orchestra, followed by the composer's Requiem for chamber orchestra, organ, soprano and baritone solo and chorus. The collaboration between the Orchestra and First United Methodist came out of a concert performed at the church in February by the Symphonette. "Dave Johnson (music director at First United) and I had a conversation about doing a collaborative work with his orchestra to perform this piece," said Nicholas Toben (03), cellist in the Orchestra. "Mr. Richmond was, however, Requiem out after the combined choir performance of the Durufle's Requiem last year. I then approached Mr. Pippop and proposed this collaboration to him." Pippop believes that students will enjoy attending the concert because, "It's just some of the most beautiful choral/orchestra music ever written."

The performance will take place at 7 p.m. on Friday at First United Methodist Church, which is on 57 West 10th St. in Holland. Admission is free, and all are invited to attend. The Orchestra will be joined by voiceists Linda Dykstra, Assistant Professor of Music, and Dave Johnson, First United music director, baritone.

Bonnie Jo Campbell, left, and Mong-Lan read at 7 p.m. on Tuesday for the last VWS reading of the year. Claims that the best thing about being a writer is, well, writing. "It is such a pleasure to create a story that feels like a new world. It's something like having a baby; the urge to create life seems similar to the urge to create a story," Campbell said. Campbell also finds the feedback from readers to be a positive aspect of her profession. She hopes that especially during this worrisome time of war, her readers can help people escape for a little while.

"My stories are not overtly political, and they do not address events on the world stage, but perhaps they can remind folks of some of the other important, personal issues that we shouldn't lose track of," Campbell said. All are encouraged to come early to hear the Hope College Jazz Chamber Ensemble at 6:30 p.m.

Gabriel Faure works presented

Orchestra travels to Methodist Church for duo performance

Nick Denis

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Editor-in-Chief Nick Denis ('03) gets story ideas at the biweekly news meetings. Any stories not taken by Staff Reporters are taken by Section Editors.

Campus Beat Editor Kurt Koehler ('03) conducts an interview over the phone for one of his stories.

Faculty Advisor Mark Lewison shows a few copy editing changes to Campus Beat Editor Anjey Dykhuis ('06).

Production Editor Chad Sampson ('03) assists Sports Editor Dave Yetter ('05) layout his page on Tuesday night. Page layout is one of the main duties of Section Editors.

Nick Denis sends the finalized pages via email to Zeeland Record for printing before getting a few hours of sleep before his morning classes.

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Coffeehouse group seeks more space for college life

Kristin Scofield
GUEST WRITER

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"Right now, students don’t really feel challenged to interact with people they don’t know well. To step outside their comfort zone. Everyone is diverse in some way, and students having these new experiences will help the students they don’t know well can definitely be beneficial and help to open their mind to new perspectives,” Barton said.

According to Barton, a student space is defined as a place where large groups of people can interact and just hang out.

"On a smaller scale, such as within campus groups, you have a sense of community. But you don’t get the sense of true community on the whole. We think that by having a laid back, coffeehouse environment, large groups would have the chance to interact and learn together," Barton said.

Some students agree with the committee’s argument.

"Since I’m a member of a Greek organization, I hang out with a majority of Greeks, so I don’t know a lot of non-Greeks," said Sarah Asbell. "I think a new student space on campus would be a positive thing to get to know more students." "JP’s and Lemonjello’s are great coffee shops, but I definitely think Hope could really benefit from a new student hangout, especially having a place on campus where all students could have access to," said Alicia Ahoo (’04).

Other students disagree that Hope lacks in quality student space.

"We have lots of places to hang out here—in the dorms, at the Kletz, at the Dow, at JP’s, in classes...I know a variety of people that I hang out with, and we have many different ways to hang out, so I don’t think we’re lacking socially," said Laura Winters (’04).

The committee’s goal is to create an inviting coffeehouse environment where “…people feel comfortable doing homework, playing guitar, jamming on the guitar, or having intellectual conversations and lively debates,” Barton said.

The Kletz Cool Beans coffeehouse is one of the major options for student hangs on Hope’s Campus. The Coffeehouse Committee is searching for a more laid back atmosphere.

The main level held the large theater with a studying capacity on the bookstore, a snack bar, and outdoor plazas. The upper level had a student art gallery, seminar rooms, a lounge, a balcony-type lounge that overlooked the snack bar, and a student lounge with a kitchenette. A committee of seven students and three faculty determined the decor for the Center.

U.S. Representative Gerald Ford was the keynote speaker at the dedication ceremony, and commented on how the student center would aid in Hope students’ growth and development. Ford advised students to “…use [the center] to light the candle in the world, the candle of knowledge and understanding, so that together we will make a great light and illuminate the universe for ourselves and for all men.”

However, DeWitt’s purpose as a student center was taken away in the early 1980’s when Van Raalte Hall, an administrative building behind Dimnent Chapel, was completely destroyed by a fire. Hope administration decided to not re-build Van Raalte in order to create more open space in the center of campus.” Instead, in February 1981, they approved a new plan to renovate the DeWitt Center to house the administrative offices, taking out many of the student spaces.

The 53.4 million renovation moved the bookstore and the Kletz to the lower level, put student organization offices and student service offices on the main level, and put the cafe on the upper level. The DeWitt Center was rededicated on Oct. 14, 1983.

“We hope to eventually get a large white-lettered coffeehouse, and we will be able to get our ideal coffeehouse environment with the funky couches, art walls, coffee bars, and scattered furniture,” Barton said. “We just want a cool, funky college space where students can hang out at.”
Memories need not be built on cash contributions

It’s getting to be that time of year again: the time when we say goodbye to all of our graduating friends. A big difference this year for me is that I am one of them. To go along with our newly acquired alumni status, we will also be put on the infamous call list for the college to ask for money. In fact, the begging for more of our money has already started with this year’s Senior Legacy campaign.

If you’re thinking of a monetary donation as the only way to express your gratitude for the time you have spent here, there are alternative ways to give back, especially to those who will be coming after you. For the past four years, everything I have done here has been building my legacy. All of the memories I have made with my friends will endure in my mind for a long time. I have both established my legacy and given back to the community by being a part of the Anchor staff. In the past two years alone, campus reaction to world events has helped forge our collective legacy.

So, when it comes time to fill out that card with the total amount of your monetary gift or you answer that phone call from the Phonethon, think really hard about your legacy at Hope. Do you need to give money to further it, or have you made your name in four years? I know that I do not need to give more money for this purpose, so I will not. Besides, I’m broke.

Conversation Coffeehouse is indeed needed

To the Editor:

Thanks to Phil Walske for his refreshing editorial several weeks ago on the subject of a conversation-oriented coffee house, a place where students can come together in a welcoming environment, to talk about the issues and ideas that matter. I appreciate the fact that I am not the only individual who notices a lack of creative thought, imagination, and enlightening dialogue outside of class. Coming to Hope College as a freshman was exciting, new people to meet, new ideas to be exposed to, and even a different culture in a scene here at Hope. I was born and raised in Maquette, and as some of you know, U.P. culture is nothing like what you will experience down in the south or anywhere else. Hope was a big change for this sheltered Yooper, an awakening to different people and different experiences.

I am now a sophomore, and I feel as though my journey through life has hit a stand still. As time goes on, I feel as though the world of Hope College is becoming smaller, unfortunately in a negative way. Gone is the diversity of living arrangements that I experienced my freshman year, as I now live with my closest friends. Consequently, there is less need to extend my hand to others in friendship, or in other words, the campus has “cliquified” to a greater degree. Certain people associate almost exclusively with certain people, and therefore fail to immerse themselves in a living situation that holds any type of diversity. By diversity, I refer to thoughts, ideas, and experiences that are different from one’s own. For many, interacting with unfamiliar people who fail to share a common upbringing or familiar ideals could lead to an uncomfortable experience. A conversation with such a person could lead one to question the meaning of life, his or her faith in God, political associations, and other core beliefs. Is this not what college is truly about?

A sort of right of passage to adulthood, or the forming of legitimate beliefs that are not indoctrinated through parents, schools, or other authorities.

—Keith Janofski ‘05

Does Hope’s administration really care about Greeks?

To the Editor:

Anyone who is Greek at Hope can tell you that the condition of the Greek community is far from fine. These tough times are affecting the fraternity’s, the sorority’s, and the current greek organization’s budget, putting financial problems and being and left with a feeling that the school does not care about them. I find it extremely hard to believe that the school really cares about Greeks here on Hope. Only 5 years ago the percentage of Greeks on Hope’s campus was nearly 40%. How could it be that this number is so low, when the administration done much about it? No. We have asked countless times for salaries to be raised. We have requested a full time Greek coordinator, someone that can work as a medium between the Greek organizations and the university. Right now we have someone who tries her best, but frankly has too many other responsibilities to handle all of the Greek problems effectively. If Hope College is serious about saving the existing Greek organizations then they should start responding to the requests of these organizations. Start listening to what we have to say instead of giving excuses. Instead of trying to fix the problem by bringing in a new Fraternity and trying to fix the problems within the school and the current system. These problems stem from a lack of cooperation and lack of understanding. All I ask for is to be provided a place that actually does care, show us a sign that they want us to survive, and continue on for years to come. On January 30th there was a meeting between leaders of each Greek organization, President Bultman and Dean Frost. In that meeting both Bultman and Frost seemed to have the same reply, that they could not, it is now time to move you to your dorm. Instead of saying that you understand our worries and concerns, actually address our worries and concerns. We are a strong and organized group of students, before they are gone. Or is that what you want?

—Matthew Cooper ‘04

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Conversational Coffeehouse is indeed needed

To the Editor:

In the last issue there was a piece by Maxine Gray titled “Affirmative Action.” While I will refrain from commenting on Gray’s arguments for affirmative action, I cannot help from pointing out one significant error. Gray stated, “President Abraham Lincoln was proven to have owned slaves of his own...” Although Lincoln did believe blacks were ultimately inferior to whites, there most certainly is no proof that Lincoln actually owned slaves. Lincoln was born in 1809 in Kentucky but lived a majority of his life in Indiana and Illinois, where slavery had been outlawed since 1787 by the Northwest Ordinance.

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come increasingly concerned with the amount of plagiarism occurring in their courses. We had one faculty meeting devoted to the topic; a group of faculty rewrote the college's policy on plagiarism to bring greater clarity; and the matter was reviewed by the Academic Affairs Board. In addition, faculty have been more intentional in advising students about the nature of plagiarism.

Since all cases of plagiarism are supposed to be reported to the Provost's Office, I maintain a record of the incidents and send a letter to the involved parties. I thought it would be useful to share this information with the entire student body. My goal is to encourage students not to plagiarize and to know that the penalty can be very costly, especially when it involves failure in a course.

So far this academic year there have been 48 reported cases of plagiarism with the following outcomes: 8 students were failed in the course; 32 students received a zero or "F" on the assignment; and 8 students received reduced grades on an assignment. Two students appealed their sanctions of "F" in the course, but the sanction was upheld in both cases. As we approach the end of the semester and students may be tempted to submit work that is not their own, they should be aware of the following: 1) Plagiarism is reasonably easy for faculty to identify using the GOOGLE search engine. It is not hard for faculty to decipher professional writing from a student's writing. 2) College policy states that the "ordinary penalty for plagiarism will be failure in the course." Although there are always different levels of infractions, eight students have already paid a serious price for their plagiarism by being failed in a course. 3) Plagiarism records are maintained by the Provost's Office for a student's full residence at the college and repeated violations could result in dismissal from the college. The records are destroyed at the time of graduation. 4) Plagiarism has many victims beyond the person doing the plagiarism and includes the following: the faculty person who has to spend extra hours tracking down the perpetrator and documenting the incident, possibly the family of the faculty member who is deprived of the time it takes to prosecute the incident and contend with the stress that it creates; the other students in the class who are following the expected rules; and the Provost who has to respond to each of the incidents and bear the appeals.

Therefore, I urge all students to review guidelines for assignments and follow them carefully; properly annotate and attribute all materials in your assignments; think twice about lifting information from the Internet which itself may already be plagiarized material; demonstrate integrity in all of your work; and, when in doubt, ask your faculty about how to handle particular materials. You will be more successful if you demonstrate integrity and honesty in all of your work.

—James N. Boekins, Provost

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**Public Comment on Hope College Higher Learning Commission North Central Association of Colleges and Schools 30 North LaSalle Street, Suite 2400 Chicago, IL 60602**

Comments must address substantive matters related to the quality of the institution or its academic programs. Comments must be in writing and signed; comments cannot be treated as confidential. Comments must be received by Friday, Aug. 1, 2003.

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Baseball splits with Adrian, defeats Calvin

Flying Dutchmen are now 6-1 in MIAA
Bradley Vanderberg

Guest Writer

After splitting a doubleheader with Adrian on Saturday, the Flying Dutchmen defeated Calvin 17-6 on Tuesday.

With the wind blowing out, Hope collected 19 hits, 11 of them for extra bases.

The Dutchmen now have a 6-1 MIAA record and 9-10 overall.

On Saturday, Hope played an MIAA doubleheader against the Adrian Bulldogs.

Game one saw a seesaw battle between the Dutch and Bulldogs that ended up in an extra-inning 7-6 decision in favor of the Adrian, giving Hope their first MIAA loss of the season.

Matt Widmer's ('03) started the game and pitched five innings, yielding six runs and nine hits while striking out five.

Bruce Lund ('05) suffered the loss in the eighth inning, dropping the Dutchmen to 1-2 on the season.

The Bulldogs had a 2-0 lead after three innings, but Hope answered with a run in the fourth.

Mike VanBeek ('03) singled and scored on catcher Eric MacKenzie's ('04) hit that was bobbled by the Bulldogs left fielder.

Adrian got the run right back off Widmer in the bottom of the inning, however, with back-to-back doubles that put them up 3-1.

Hope battled back to take a 6-5 lead, but Adrian tied the score at 6 with a sacrifice fly by first baseman Rob Heumann.

He single again in the eighth to give Adrian the win.

Despite dropping game one, Hope rebounded in game two with a 14-7 pounding of the Bulldogs.

Dutchmen had multi-hit games for the team had expected at the beginning of the season.

Everyone is starting to click together offensively," said Hope infielder Justin Kribs ('04).

Coach Sin Fritz said he felt that the Bulldogs played well.

"I felt that Adrian was a pretty good team," Fritz said. "Obviously you would like to win all of the games, but you have to be satisfied with what we did."

The Dutchmen will make up two more games this week as they host Calvin again in a doubleheader on Wednesday at 2 p.m.

Track teams fall to Calvin

Hope does well in odd MIAA dual-meet at Calvin College
David Yetter

Women's and men's track teams posted three victories in a strange dual-meet at Calvin last Saturday.

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Both teams will compete this Saturday at the Western Michigan University Invitational.

Tennis team fourth in GLCA

Dutch beat Denison, fall to Kalamazoo
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The Hope College men's tennis team finished fourth in the 10-team Great Lakes Colleges Athletic Conference tournament that was played in Holland last weekend.

They got off to a good start on Friday, beating Denison 5-3. Dan Mann ('09) continued his dominant play, defeating Chris Compton by scores of 7-5 and 6-1.

Erik Frost ('04) (6-3, 6-2) and Andy Ruemenapp ('06) (6-4, 6-4) were other singles winners for Hope.

In doubles competition, Hope won three out of the four matches played, including an 8-2 win by Andy Phillips ('06) and Jason Wagemaker ('05).

The Dutchmen then rolled into the semifinal game against Kalamazoo, whom they had not beaten in match play since 1962.

Kalamazoo won the point for the doubles match, but Hope gained three victories in singles competition.

Strong games by Mann, Ruemenapp, and Deveney Dugan ('94) tied the score 3-3 going into the last singles match.

Unfortunately, Hope could not pull out the victory and the tournament moved on to the championship game against Kenyon, Ohio.

Hope then moved on to the third place game, where they faced DePauw.

Each team won three singles games, but DePauw got the point in doubles to give them a 4-3 victory and a third place finish.

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DePauw's Greg Nunnari by scores of 6-4 and 6-3. Andy Phillips (6-4, 7-6) and Andy Ruemenapp (7-6, 1-6, 6-4) also gained victories for the Dutchmen.

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Softball splits again

David Yetter

For the third time in fewer than two weeks, the Hope softball team split a doubleheader in league play.

After splitting games with Calvin and Olivet in the last two weekends, Hope beat St. Mary's in the early game, but lost in the nightcap. The Dutch are now 3-3 in MIAA play and have an 11-10 overall record.

The morning game saw Hope defeat St. Mary's by a score of 5-1. Senior Andrea Adams pitched a great game for the Dutch, going the full seven innings. She only gave up one hit and one run, while striking out four.

Hope jumped on St. Mary's early, scoring in the first inning on a RBI groundout by Kelly Kroll ('04). They scored two more runs in the third, and added another two in the fifth with RBI's from Lauren Vande Kopple ('05) and Candace Graham ('05).

Adams pitched three perfect innings in the fifth, sixth, and seventh to give Hope the win.

The Dutch could not carry that momentum into the second game as they fell to St. Mary's by a score of 6-4. The women were unable to capitalize on good defense and only managed six hits on the day.

Bridget Gaul of St. Mary's pitched a great game and all four of Hope's runs were unearned as St. Mary's made four errors. Emily Adams ('06) had two RBI's for Hope, but nobody on the team managed more than one hit.

Coach Katha Walters was pleased with the way the team played this weekend and the effort that the girls gave.

"We worked very hard over the weekend. We had two great wins and two very tough losses," she added. "She also thinks that the girls can be very competitive in the league that has many strong teams.

"We were disappointed to lose the two games but we remain determined to do well in the MIAA."

The team plays a makeup game against Adrian on Thursday.

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