Celebration of Culture

Hope proudly displays talent in annual IMAGES performance

Hope students explore activism

Reactions to the GLCA’s Student of Color Leadership Conference

The Office of Multicultural Education, Hope College

Recently, a group of Hope students went to the Great Lakes Colleges Association (GLCA) Student of Color Leadership Conference (SOCLC). It was held at Denison University, and this year’s theme was Picture This: 21st Century Scholar-Activism. This conference helps students understand various topics, issues and perspectives of diversity and inclusion. Below are some of the reflections from students who attended the conference:

“My favorite part of the GLCA conference was the movie and Q & A session with Curtis Chin,” Katelyn Wescott ('15) said. “Being able to ask questions to a prominent Asian American activist so closely involved in creating a film about the seminal Vincent Chin case was a unique experience I will always remember and value.”

“This year was my second year attending the GLCA conference,” Sarah Harvin ('16) said. “At the end of last year’s conference, I was already anxiously awaiting this year’s. The conference, for me, is a perfect opportunity to get together with brilliant student leaders/activists to talk about the change we would like to be and see in the world. There’s nothing more satisfying, as a student of color, to walk into a room of students and not feel like a fish out of water.

Black squirrels celebrated in Ohio

Kent State University’s black squirrels are highly honored

Claire Johnson

Campus News Co-editor

It appears that Hope College is not the only college campus with a love/hate relationship with black squirrels. In fact, recent sources have divulged that Kent State University in Kent, Ohio adores the black squirrel so much that it has been adopted as the school’s unofficial mascot for the last 52 years.

Black squirrels were first introduced to Kent State in 1961 as part of “Operation Black Squirrel,” a mission spearheaded by Larry Wooddell, then the campus ground superintendent, and “Biff” Staples, a retired Davey Tree employee. Wooddell in particular was taken by the black squirrel when on a trip to Chardon, Ohio in the 1950s. Due to natural selection, the black squirrel died out in the area; however, Wooddell found them too fascinating to lose. Thus, “Operation Black Squirrel” originated. In 1961, after months of communication between Canadian and United States governments, Wooddell and Staples picked up 10 black squirrels from Canadian wildlife authorities. These 10 squirrels were released on the campus of Kent State and the black squirrel population has been thriving ever since.

Each fall, Kent State celebrates its acquisition of the black squirrel with the university’s Black Squirrel Festival. This year was the 32nd annual event.

At right, students celebrate the unveiling in Kent State’s student center.

TRUE LOVE— At left, President Lester A. Lefton and wife Linda with the bronze squirrel bust they donated in 2009. At right, students celebrate the unveiling in Kent State’s student center.

SPOTTED— Black squirrels pause in action around Hope’s campus to pose for the camera.

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### Relay for Life marches on

Hope throws an uppercut in the fight against cancer

Participants raised $55,847.43—yet again a smashing success as a fundraiser for the American Cancer Society.

### Chaplain chit-chat

**LOVE, SEX & DATING SERIES—** Discussing real-life questions in an informal, comfortable setting. Pictured here are Hope’s cool, confident Chaplains, Dan and Grace Claus. Take a look at the calendar featured on this page for the next meeting time and place.

**MORTAR BOARD RECOGNIZED**

Hope College’s chapter of Mortar Board was recently recognized as an outstanding Mortar Board chapter at the 2013 Mortar Board National Conference in Atlanta, Ga. Hope’s Mortar Board was named a finalist for the Ruth Weiner Mount Chapter Excellence Award, the most prestigious award for a collegiate chapter and one that Hope won in 2010. Winners are chosen based upon campus visibility, member participation, advising, communication and chapter projects. Although Hope is ineligible to win the award again until 2015, that has not stopped Hope’s Mortar Board from being a finalist almost every year.

This year, Hope also took home the Golden Torch Award, which is presented to the most successful chapters of Mortar Board nationwide. Additionally, Hope received nearly 20 Project Excellence awards for campus events such as Relay for Life and the Last Lecture Series. Mortar Board was founded in 1918 as the premier national honor society recognizing college seniors for outstanding achievement in scholarship, leadership and service.

### SOCLC conference generates inspiration for Hope activists

The GLCA SOCLC is an annual event and is open to any student who wishes to attend. If you want more information, please contact ome@hope.edu.
Emotions and water levels are running high in the Philippines this week. On Nov. 8, a deadly typhoon swept across the shores of the Eastern Philippines, devastating more than 10 central islands along the way.

The storm, named Typhoon Haiyan, has been deemed one of the most tragic in history on the islands. Haiyan is said to have had 3.5 times the power of Hurricane Katrina and contained a wall of water that reached heights of 15 feet in some places.

This wave caused a large amount of the initial damage and flooding when it hit the shores and the surrounding towns. One northeastern town, Baclayon, is almost 80 percent underwater.

Philippine Secretary of the Interior said, "Imagine a situation where zero power, light, water, communication, nothing you have to build to the social infrastructures as well as the physical infrastructures for 27,500,000." The concern for recovery is real, and many government officials have growing concerns as the days pass. By mid-Friday, the death tolls were reported at 2,360 and rising. Some say this number may double when bodies are recovered in Tacloban, where thousands more are presumed dead.

In addition, 3,850 were injured and approximately 80 are still missing. Survivors are struggling to obtain access to food, water and shelter. Hospitals are quickly running out of supplies and food is scarce throughout community shelters. Over 2 million people need better nourishment.

The Philippine government has made the food crisis a top priority and have called on outside sources for help. U.S. Marines, The European Commission and the U.K. Rapid Response Facility are among the many who have answered the call. Humanitarians and Peace Corps members have also taken action. Relief is a challenge since communication and travel are limited. Many roads are unable to be travelled due to the immense amount of debris in the area. Airports are a source of hope for many, some of which may be able to offer flights out of the city.

Unfortunately, the airports themselves are also in turmoil and these flights are limited. Recently, competition for resources has led to increased violence. Many are concerned about not only the fighting that has resulted out of necessity, but of the many escaped convicts that are now on the loose. As physical and emotional terrors continue, many civilians are feeling hopeless.

One woman expressed her thoughts: "I have no house. I have no clothes. I don’t know how I will restart my life. I don’t know what happened to us. We are appealing for help. Whoever has a good heart, I appeal to you please help Guizan.”

As aid efforts continue, let us hope that these words will inspire those who are willing and able to help the people of the Philippine Islands.

Donate to the Red Cross of the Philippines at the following address: redcross.org.ph/donate

World's Top 5 Tallest Buildings

1. Burj Khalifa (2,717 ft.)
   Dubai, UAE

2. Makkah Royal Clock Tower Hotel (1,971 ft.)
   Mecca, Saudi Arabia

3. One World Trade Center (1,776 ft.)
   New York, U.S.

4. Taipei 101 (1,670 ft.)
   Taipei, Taiwan

5. Shanghai World Financial Center (1,614 ft.)
   Shanghai, China

Trade Center declared tallest building in U.S.

Alex Belica
World News Co-Editor

It’s official, the new World Trade Center does measure up. One World Trade Center, often referred to as New York’s Freedom Tower and the largest building in the redevelopment of the Trade Center complex, is now officially the tallest building in the United States at a symbolic 1,776 feet.

Although measuring the height of a skyscraper would seem relatively straightforward, there were a number of factors leading up to the official ruling announced on Nov. 17 by the Council on Tall Buildings and Urban Habitat (CTBUH).

The CTBUH, a non-profit council based at the Illinois Institute of Technology in Chicago, determines the heights of tall buildings and also maintains an official database.

Controversy has evolved around whether a 408-foot spire atop the One World Trade Center would be counted in the total height of the tower. This 408-foot spire contains broadcast equipment that will eventually broadcast local radio and TV station signals to the city below. The CTBUH has traditionally not included the height of an antenna when measuring the official height of a building.

The council reasons that antennas and flag poles are "functional technical equipment subject to change" and not necessarily part of a building’s permanent design. The rule was also likely created to prevent building owners from vying for the title of tallest building by simply installing even larger antennas.

In the tower’s original design, architects included a decorative fiberglass and steel spire. The building’s name and the covering would undoubtedly have made the spire an architectural element of the building that counted toward its official height.

However, after the project went significantly over budget, the building’s owners, the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey and developer Douglas Durst, cited maintenance concerns and announced in May 2012 that the spire’s outer covering would not be installed. The decision left only the sharp metal interior antenna. The decision reportedly saved over $20 million in construction costs.

Without a covering, the official height of the building was cast into doubt. If the antenna was considered merely a piece of functional equipment, then the building would be measured only to the height of its roof at 1,368 feet, which exactly matches the height of the old World Trade Center destroyed by the terrorist attacks on Sept. 11, 2001.

That height (1,368 feet) is considerably shorter than the official architectural height of Chicago’s Willis Tower (formerly the Sears Tower), which is a towering 1,451 feet, meaning the new World Trade Center would not capture the title of tallest building in the country.

To the relief of New Yorkers, the council ruled in their favor, saying that the needle “was in fact a spire” - a vertical element that completes the architectural expression of the building and is intended as permanent.”

Upon completion, which is expected in early 2014, One World Trade Center will officially become the tallest occupied structure within the U.S. and the third largest in the world. It will also show the world that New York has risen from the ashes bigger and bolder than ever.
China’s leaders hold key meeting

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Though China is a one-party state, the system in place has been referred to as “one party, two factions.”

One faction, led by President Xi, tends to favor free trade, export and for accelerated growth for the coastal regions. Xi’s faction includes many “princelings,” children of former Central Committee members who have grown up in the system.

The other faction, including premier Li and former president Hu Jintao, has been more focused on balanced growth, harmonious society and spreading wealth to inland regions. Though this system allows for different views to be heard within the collective leadership, the culture of the party is still heavily reliant on consensus, which can cause problems for independent-minded party politicians like the now infamous Bo Xilai. Though a princeling himself, Bo Xilai engaged in a radical populist style of leadership during his time as governor of Chongqing. Bo won popularity by cracking down on organized crime and organized Maoist-style mass rallies. Many in the party feared Bo intended to seize power. This eventuality, which led to Bo’s followers being put to jail, has produced mixed reactions from the Chinese public. Though imprisoned, Bo has galvanized his followers to found a new political party: Zhi Xian “Constitution is Supreme Party.”

By forming such a party, Bo’s followers have put themselves on the side of China “constitutionalists,” activists who want to reform China by pressuring the Communist Party to obey its own constitution. In the past, those who have tried to set up opposition parties have been jailed. As the Central Committee’s Plenum works and President Xi presents his policies, it remains to be seen if the party’s reforms will allow for debate outside its “One party, two factions” comfort zone.

Enrollment decline at private colleges

Are private colleges even worth attending with the increase in cost?

Andrew Gomez-Seoane Guest Writer

With the start of the 21st century upon us, private colleges in the United States are facing a crisis unlike anything they have before. New data suggests that as we head into the next 30 years, enrollment in many of our private colleges will decline, leading many struggling to survive.

According to a report by the Wall Street Journal, data obtained over the last few years since the Great Recession showed that from 2010 through 2013, the number of students enrolling at for-profit private schools decreased more than a quarter of private four-year schools declined 10 percent or more. During the 2000s, enrollment grew by about one in five in five had experienced a similar decline.

Partly attributable to this, schools are closing, laying off staff, initiating cutbacks, merging with other colleges and implementing new recruitment strategies. Unfortunately some still see signs on the horizon that point to a certain reduction in private colleges.

“I think it’s fair to say 30 percent of these private schools won’t exist in a decade,” said Jonathan Henry, vice president for enrollment at Husson University, a private school in Bangor, Maine.

Furthermore, while enrollment has generally increased during good times and fallen during times of economic hard ships, there are long-term trends that point to hard times for these schools. At the same time, a nationwide decline in the number of graduating high school seniors, brought about by demographic shifts with an aging population, has compounded things further.

It does not help that the rising costs of college are more than tripling the inflation rate and to soft job market is discouraging many from seeking more student debt with persistently stagnant wages. Except for the most selective colleges, these dynamics have squeezed most private and public schools. Those private colleges in the “mid-tier” category that have lower endowments and those that are positioned for success will survive and those that are not will fade into the fabric of history.

But, as we progress into the next century, some schools could be hard-pressed to find ways to remain relevant in an interconnected world where infinite knowledge is just one click away.

The future of information seems brighter for those seeking to be educated, but it comes with a price. Sometimes that price is the loss of institutions that we care so much about.
Old doctors return for the ‘Doctor Who 50th Anniversary Special’

Jimmy Champiane  Arts Co-Editor

"Doctor Who" has always been somewhat of a cultural phenomenon in the United States. The show started in 1963, although most people in the United States are more familiar with it only recently on its 11th doctor. However, Dr. Who has been somewhat of a cultural phenomenon in the United States as well, with many Americans familiar with the show's characters and plot points.

"Doctor Who" has always been a British television show, with episodes airing on BBC One in the United Kingdom. However, in recent years, the show has gained a wider audience in the United States, with episodes airing on BBC America and other networks.

While the show has gained a wide audience in the United States, it has also faced criticism. Some fans have complained that the show is too intellectual or too dark for their liking. However, the show has also received praise for its creative storytelling and unique characters.

"Doctor Who" has also been adapted into a series of films, including "Doctor Who: The Movie" and "The Day of the Doctor." These films have been well-received by fans, with many calling them a fitting tribute to the show's 50th anniversary.

Overall, "Doctor Who" has been a beloved show for many years, with both fans and critics alike enjoying its unique blend of storytelling and character development. With the show's 50th anniversary special approaching, fans are eagerly anticipating what will happen next in the series.

Kelsey Graham  Guest Writer

"Doctor Who" is a British science-fiction television show that has been on the air since 1963. It is produced by the BBC and has gained a loyal following over the years. The show follows a time traveller known as The Doctor, played by various actors throughout the years.

The show has been praised for its unique blend of science fiction and fantasy, as well as its strong female characters and complex storylines. It has also been criticized for its slow pacing and sometimes confusing plotlines, but these are often part of the show's appeal to fans.

"Doctor Who" has been a popular show in the United States, even though it is not as widely watched as in the United Kingdom. However, with the 50th anniversary special approaching, fans are looking forward to seeing what the show has in store for them.

Photo courtesy of BBC Worldwide

WHEN WORLDS COLLIDE— "Dr. Who" has always been somewhat of a cultural phenomenon in the United Kingdom. Breaking 50 years is quite a feat. This is the first time that an episode of "Dr. Who" will air in the United States at the same time as the U.K.

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If you have not previously watched an episode, it is recommended that you start off earlier in the series, specifically at the show's revival. This is essentially a reboot of the series, so if you haven't been watching for over 40 years, you won't feel at all left out of the fun.

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Photo courtesy of BBC Worldwide

A CLAP OF THUNDER— The saving grace of "Thor: The Dark World" is without a doubt Chris Hemsworth gets as much out of Thor's dialogue as possible, while Tom Hiddleston's performance as Loki is Oscar-worthy.

"The best scenes in "Thor: The Dark World" are the ones where Loki is on camera. It's said that so much of the film's two-hour runtime is spent developing the overall predictable plot, because it results in Loki's screen-time feeling a little rushed. It also doesn't help that this time around Thor doesn't have Tony Stark or Captain America around when Loki isn't there to provide some depth and tension. Kate Dinosaurs returns as Davy Crockett's granddaughter, Thorsfeld (Idris Elba), his one job is to protect the gates of Asgard, and once again he pretty much fails in every conceivable way. The rainbow bridge Bifrost isn't totally destroyed this time around, but it comes pretty close thanks to Heimdall's incompetence.

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JRVWS welcomes Patricia Smith

Brady Van Malsen
Arts Co-Editor

The Jack Ridl Visiting Writers Series finished the fall season off last Thursday with slam poet Patricia Smith. An author of six critically-acclaimed volumes of poetry and a four-time national individual champion of “Poetry Slam,” Patricia Smith is a master storyteller who Hope College was privileged to experience.

Smith prefers the title of
storyteller rather than poet. She
sees life as a continuous narrative in which she can take little snapshots in time to tell a story. Each day is exhilarating because it offers a blank canvas. She allows her passion to feed her, and she doesn’t allow her passion to have limits. In this way, Smith fearlessly pursues defining the human condition in whichever genre she sees fit. Poetry is simply the genre she uses most often and is the one she most respects due to its ability to tell big stories in small spaces.

However, becoming the world’s most decorated slam poet does not happen by coincidence. Growing up as a minority in Chicago, Smith had many stories to tell and questions to reconcile: How does a woman with Lysol hoping to make it less black? How do I help this little family we all share.

“A POEM FOR EVERY PLACE— Smith chooses poems to read that she thinks her audience needs to hear. After spending a day in Holland, she had more poems than she could read. Smith brought these stories to her city, to open-mic nights and smoky taverns. There she met powerful storytellers and witnessed the ability of poetry to

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This Week In Art

Juried Student Art Show
-DePree Art Gallery
Nov. 1-Dec. 8

Knickerbocker Film Series: “Wadjda”
-Knickerbocker Theatre, 7:30 p.m.
Nov. 18-23

“The Playboy of the Western World”
-DeWitt Theater, 8 p.m.
Nov. 20-23

Wind Chamber Recital
-Wichers Auditorium, 11 a.m.
Nov. 21

Choral Evensong
-Mulder Chapel, 5 p.m.
Nov. 21

Jazz Arts Collective and Jazz Combos Concert
-Dimnent Chapel, 7:30 p.m.
Nov. 21

Fall Student Dance Showcase
-Dow Center
Nov. 22-23

Wind Ensemble Concert
-Dimnent Chapel, 7:30 p.m.
Nov. 23

Fall Student Dance Showcase
-Knickerbocker Theatre
Nov. 25-26

Irish Culture & Celtic Wisdom
May 5 - May 26, 2014
Senior Seminar or Independent Study

If interested, please contact the Instructors:
Prof. John Tammi, Theatre Department (tammi@hope.edu)
and
Prof. Dana Robbins, Theatre Department (robbins@hope.edu)

This course will pose questions of “value and belief” within the complex context of Irish history and culture. The aim is to experience the rich heritage of Irish art, literature, politics, and wit, and to discover the spiritual qualities in these and other dimensions of Irish life and thought.
Through Thick and Thin

We’re more than halfway through the hairiest month of the year, folks. So, who has folded, raising a razor to shed the scraggle? Who is sticking with it through thick and thin? It’s time to check in with Hope’s prickly No-Shave November observers and participants.

“People should shave. The end.”
- Jackie Zavislak (‘14)

“After one week of not shaving, I only had a trashy ’stache and other types of trash on my face.”
- Joseph Beemer (‘16)

“‘One day I hope to be able to grow a glorious full beard and mustache.’
- Joseph Beemer (‘16)

“I like No-Shave November because I always have little snacks trapped in my mustache that I can eat whenever I’m hungry.”
- Kyle Gibson (‘12)

The Official Movement

According to the American Cancer Society, “The goal of No-Shave November is to grow awareness by embracing our hair, which many cancer patients lose, and letting it grow wild and free. Donate the money you usually spend on shaving and grooming for a month to educate about cancer prevention, save lives, and aid those fighting the battle. Participate by growing a beard, cultivating a mustache, letting those legs get mangly, and skipping that waxing appointment. Give back even more by picking up some sweet merchandise to show your support. If you’re not ready to sport a new shaggy look, consider donating anyway to support the cause.”

To learn more, visit www.no-shavenovember.com

The Famously Unshaven:
- Phil and the rest of the Duck Dynasty
- Abraham Lincoln
- Dr. Stephen Hemenway, Professor of English at Hope College
- Zach Galifianakis
- Allen Ginsberg
- Dutch, the official mascot of Hope College
- Albus Dumbledore, Headmaster of Hogwarts

The Perseverant

“I’m blessed with such a good beard, I feel like it’s my duty to participate.”
- Matt Rolain (‘16)

“I’ve done it for the past few years and I think it’s a great tradition. And some of us are blessed with the ability to grow great beards.”
- Luke Wehner (‘15)

The Resigned

“People should shave. The end.”
- Jackie Zavislak (‘14)

“After one week of not shaving, I only had a trashy ’stache and other types of trash on my face.”
- Joseph Beemer (‘16)
All the ruckus
In case you’re still not a feminist

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Co-Editor-in-Chief

Lauren Madison
Columnist

A recent College Humor article ranked the top 15 sexiest traits in men and women, as decided by College Humor readers. The list contains the usual suspects for both genders, with qualities pertaining to physical attractiveness, intelligence and personality all included.

However. When perusing through the article, which was (of course) presented in list form, we couldn’t help but notice something. Something a little troubling.

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One of the greatest gifts that I have been given and will forever be grateful for is the ability to love. laugh and make the most of every moment I have with those around me. I am thankful for every experience, good or bad, that has helped shape the person I have become. — DARIA SOLomon

I am thankful for the friends I have made here at Hope. They have made the transition from high school to college seamless and easy, and I could not be more blessed to have met them. — MIHAILA BISSON

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Food on the run
College cookery: from Italy with love

Meredith Busman
Columnist

The spring I lived in Siena, Italy during what was one of the wettest, coldest winters in history—at least according to the locals. I had packed as económically as I could to save room for the inevitable souvenirs and mementos and neglected to bring a sufficient sweater supply. Neither did I have waterproof boots, a knee-length coat, nor many of the other accessories that allow Italians to walk around for hours in the icy drizzle, apparently immune to wet feet and frozen fingers.

I did, however, have one distinct advantage over my other equally ill-equipped American classmates; I had strata. Whenever my Italian host mom, Barbara, whipped up a pan of this creamy concoction for dinner, I was in luck. For her, strata used up leftover bread and cheese, in that order. I could take you through my whole birthday. It was an uplifting boost to receive love from all around, and I don’t thank people enough for the kind words.

I had a couple of classes, packed for a cross-country trip to Grand Rapids, listened to Taylor Swift’s “22” (and watched the music video) and received a birthday brownie at Macaroni Grill in GR. I also played some fairtrade, talked with my parents and praised God for life.

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Barbara’s Ham and Cheese Strata
18 slices stale bread (such as ciabatta or sourdough)
6 oz. prosciutto or high-quality deli ham
8 oz. provolone or gruyere cheese, shredded
5 eggs
1 c. whole milk (though it’s 2 c. whole milk (though it’s
2 oz. onion or green onion, minced
Pepper to taste

Grease the bottom and sides of a 13x9-inch baking dish. Cover the bottom with a layer of bread slices, cutting some slices to fit. Arrange half of prosciutto evenly over the bread. Sprinkle with half of the cheese. Top with a second layer of bread, prosciutto and cheese, in that order.

In a separate bowl, whisk together eggs, milk, salt and pepper to taste. Pour egg mixture over strata, pressing down with a spatula to help the bread absorb the liquid. Cover and refrigerate for at least 1 hour or up to overnight.

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. While oven is heating, uncover strata and let come to room temperature. Bake for 50-60 minutes, or until the center is set and slightly puffed. Remove from oven. Preheat broiler. Place the strata under broiler until top is golden, about 45 seconds. Let rest for 10 minutes before cutting into squares and serving.

Letters from Nana and Gramps
A view from 22

James Rogers
Co-Editor-in-Chief

I turned 22 years old on Nov. 15, and I’m officially the age I will be when I graduate from college.

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Editor’s choice
Quotes of Illumination

“We are all searching for someone whose demons play well with ours.”
Anonymous

“Every flower must grow through dirt.”
Anonymous

“Don’t cry because it’s over, smile because it happened.”
– De Suess

“I’m selfish, impatient and a little insecure. I make mistakes, I am out of control and at times hard to handle. But if you can’t handle me at my worst, then you sure as hell don’t deserve me at my best.”
– Marilyn Monroe

““I’d thought about this before I turned 22, but I gave it greater thought on Nov. 15 when I pondered about having roughly six months of school left. I thought about life and how fleeting it is, but I also thought about how much time remains to make a difference and make the most of my time on earth.

I thought about 10 years ago, when I was a boy at the age of 15, not even a teenager and still trying to find my identity and interests. Considering how distant that age seemed, I fast-forwarded my life 10 years to the age of 32. I didn’t give enough thought to where I’d be or what my work life would look like, but I did say to myself, “Wow, that’s still young.” At 32, I will be 10 years out of college. So much can happen in that span of time, and that gives me hope and excitement. It’s a cool, weird thought.

I think several of us get to the end of our school career feeling satisfied, fatigued and all that’s-next-in-life, when really there is so much ahead. My cousin, who is currently 33 years old, recently posted something on Facebook that connected with this thought. And, what’s better, he posted it on the day of my birthday.

Here’s what he had to say: “Why is it that I didn’t actually want to start learning until long after I graduated from college?? I feel like I went through 20-some odd years thinking that I was pretty much near the end of the book as it related to learning, and now I’ve realized that I’m not even through the first sentence of the first page of the first chapter!”

I can’t wait to keep learning and keep asking questions. It’s my senior year and I still set foot on places on campus that I didn’t even know existed. I’ve learned from freshmen, and I’ve asked some questions that you’d think a senior should surely know the answer to. That’s the power of learning, of experiencing.

I’m never going to know everything or see everything in this life, and this fact exhilarates me and assures me that learning that will never stop.

“We want to see, to explore. We, as human beings... We need that.” – Buzz Aldrin

“I want you to know what a man’s like, take a good look at how he treats his inferiors, not his equals.”
– J.K. Rowling

“No matter how big or soft or warm your bed is, you still have to get out of it.”
– Grace Slick

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Kent State celebrates 32nd annual Black Squirrel Festival

and includes live music, food, local vendors and an overload of “Black Squirrel spirit.” Kent State representatives comment that the Black Squirrel Festival is meant to welcome new and returning students to campus, just as the black squirrel was once welcomed onto campus. The spirit of the black squirrel’s immigration is celebrated more than the squirrels themselves.

And yet, in 2009 for the university’s 100-year anniversary in 2010, Kent State’s President Lester Lefton, with his wife Linda, donated a 30-inch statue of the black squirrel which resides in the student center. The design for the statue was the result of a class project and competition in an animation and computer design class at Kent State.

Clearly, Hope is not the only school harboring a not-so-secret love of the black squirrel. Perhaps Hope students in the future will memorialize and appreciate the uniqueness of black squirrels like students at Kent State.

Phi Sig sock drive a success

MISSION ACCOMPLISHED—Men of Phi Sigma Kappa organized a collection of socks for the Holland Rescue Mission. In total, over 100 pairs of socks were collected and donated. The Holland Rescue Mission is an organization that seeks to provide services and necessities to homeless men, women and children in the Holland area.

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Hope students visit Denison University for GLCA conference

LEADING THE WAY—Students from over a dozen colleges attended the conference to learn about diversity and inclusion. Pictured L to R: Lequiletta Perkins (Albion College), Lauren Adejumo (Denison University), Ashton Shelton (Hope College ’15) and Jasmine Jefferson (Denison University).

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Men's soccer upended by Wartburg
Nicole Metzler

Hope's men's soccer team upset ninth-ranked Wisconsin-Oshkosh on Friday in the first round of the NCAA Division III Tournament but lost in the second round to Wartburg on Saturday.

Head coach Steve Smith's Dutchmen travelled to Waverly, Iowa last weekend in hopes of extending their season with a win in the NCAA Tournament. "I knew the team that we were playing first was very talented, so that got our team really excited," Toby Bloom ('16) said. "However, I knew that we were ready for the challenge and that every player was going to step up." From the beginning of the game against Wisconsin-Oshkosh, Hope made its presence known. Logan Sikkenga ('15) scored the first goal in the 13th minute with an assist by Grant Neil ('14). This goal gave Sikkenga ('15) and Neil ('14) a 1-0 lead for Hope over the Titans. Hope's second goal came from Matthew VanZytveld ('14) in the 54th minute. This marked a second assist by Neil, his 10th of the season. VanZytveld ended the season with two goals. Wisconsin-Oshkosh tried to rally back but could only produce one goal during the game. Scoring in the 87th minute, the Titans did not have time to make a full comeback. Hope won the game 2-1.

The team continued through the playoffs with the NCAA Division III second-round game at Wartburg in Iowa. "Obviously, any time a team plays at home it is nice because you don't have to travel, you are use to the playing surface, and you have fans that come and support," Bloom said. "I would not necessarily say they had an advantage, but they were a great team." The game against Wartburg on Saturday started at a slow pace. Both teams were tied at 0-0 at the end of the first half. It wasn't until late in the second period when the goals started to appear. Wartburg scored in the 74th minute of play. Hope fans anxiously bit their nails as they waited for their team to come back. Just three minutes after the initial goal, Jason Muller ('14) leveled the score at 1-1. It was his 16th and final goal of the season.

Regulation time ended with the score remaining at 1-1. A period of overtime was added to the clock. The first team to score a goal would win the game and move on to the next round. Unfortunately for Hope, that goal came from Wartburg in the 98th minute of play. After their first three attempts missed, the Knights were able to sneak one past Hope.

Beswick saved six shots before the last one went by him. He finished the season with 93 saves. Hope had recorded 10 shots in regulation time, but none in overtime.

Muller was the recipient of this year's Dr. Marv Zuidema Award. The award honors a senior for their contributions to team play, leadership qualities and demonstration of ethical virtues, as well as their excellence in both athletics and academics. Muller, Neil, Sikkenga and Tarwo Kombola ('15) were selected by MIAA coaches for the All-MIAA First Team, while Cameron Dice ('15) and Beswick were named Second-Team selections.

The Dutchmen finished the season with a 17-5-2 record. The team scored 57 goals and had 35 assists. Hope struck 428 shots this season, averaging 17.8 shots per game.

"The team this year was something special, the guys on the team bonded very well and we were like a brotherhood," Toby Bloom ('16) said. "Everyone had everyone's back and this was really cool to see. We had some great leaders on the team this year and that made the season much more enjoyable for everyone." Hope will look to bounce back next season and make another appearance in the NCAA Tournament.
The Flying Dutchmen football team suffered a heartbreaking loss on Saturday, Nov. 16 as they hosted Albion College for their final game of season. After one of the most thrilling games for Hope all season, the Dutchmen could not hang on and fell 34-31.

Hope got the opportunity to play for the conference championship after compiling a 7-2 overall record and 4-1 record in conference play with their only losses to Illinois Wesleyan and Adrian. The Britons had the same overall record, but had a 5-0 MIAA record.

The stage was set. It was sure to be a great matchup between two longtime conference rivals. Last year, the Flying Dutchmen pulled out an eight-point win against the Britons in the last game of the season.

Hope had to feed off of a tremendous turnout of over 2,300 fans in Holland and play a fundamentally sound game.

“Our only real goal was to beat Albion and win the MIAA ‘Conference championship,’ Greg Bird (’14) said.

Albion won the coin toss and chose to defer to the Dutchmen. Hope started the game with a dead-end drive, and the Britons answered with much of the same, only running three plays before being forced to punt the ball away.

On Hope’s second possession, the Dutchmen marched 76 yards to Albion’s six-yard line where they settled for a field goal and went ahead 3-0.

The next two possessions for Albion ended each time with a punt. First, they kicked a field goal from 33 yards out to knot the score at 3-3. Then, on the third play of the next drive, the Britons rushed 39 yards for a touchdown. They were now ahead 10-3.

The quarter ended with a fumble from running back Shawn Jackson (’14) with 31 seconds left to play.

To begin the second quarter, Albion capitalized on the Hope fumble and ended the drive with a field goal. Adding to their lead, the field goal made the score 13-3. If Hope wanted to avoid a blowout, they had to act now.

From the 12-minute mark on in the second quarter, the Dutchmen went off by scoring twice. The first came at 11:27 as quarterback Michael Atwell (’14) completed a 28-yard pass to Matt Kroll (’16) for a touchdown. Then, at 6:49, Vincent Boddie (’14) caught a 72-yard pass from Atwell to score.

The momentum in the game had turned, and the Flying Dutchmen were now ahead 17-3. A huge defensive play came after Hope scored its last touchdown. Bird sacked Albion quarterback Dominic Bona for an eight-yard loss at Hope’s own 38-yard line. This stiffled the Albion drive and forced them to punt the ball away.

After a Briton field goal to make the score 17-16 in favor of the Dutchmen, Hope’s Adam Drooger (’14) intercepted a pass and returned it 67 yards for a touchdown. This gave the Dutchmen some insurance as they went into halftime leading 24-16.

The majority of the third quarter can be characterized by back-and-forth drives that resulted in punts from either team. Hope’s punt defense was truly tested during this quarter as they gave up a multitude of quality returns to the Britons. With 2:01 remaining in the third quarter, Albion rushed 53 yards for a touchdown, then completed the two-point conversion to tie the game at 24-24.

The fourth quarter was the final straw for the Dutchmen. Everything they worked for in the off-season and during the summer would be tested in this mere 15 minutes.

Just under the 10-minute mark, Hope had the first chance to strike with a field goal. Unfortunately, Evan Finch (’14) missed short on a 40-yard attempt. As Albion took over downs, they capitalized and took the lead with a field goal of their own. The Britons were now ahead 27-24.

With just four seconds left on the game clock, Hope called a timeout and set up for a field goal at Albion’s 14-yard line; it would be a 30-yard attempt for Finch. After a high snap, Finch’s kick hit the left crossbar and was no good. The Britons were victorious.

Amid the heartbreak, the Dutchmen had a successful season. It was the first time since 2007 they were in contention late for the MIAA Championship. Also, from an individual standpoint, many players flourished extensively by putting up record-breaking numbers.

“I thought we played the best as a team this year compared to every other year I have been here,” Atwell said. “We did everything as a team.”