Greek organizations change over time

Change occurs by necessity and may not be a bad thing

Jen Troke

Greek organizations will probably be changing this year. Then again, they change every year.

"My concern is, 'how do I help support Greeks evolve now to where we are today' and not just let them stay where they were because I think there are some compelling reasons to change," said Richard Frost, dean of students.

Those reasons include the 25 new organizations that have been added to the list of student groups in the last 14 years. Also, students' expectations and desires have changed over time.

Some of the issues Greek members can expect deal with relatively soon include aspects of advising and alumni involvement.

"What I want to do is assure that the groups that have history and the group that are just new, for example the Promelians, continue to be here," Frost said.

First he dealt with the Greeks for years, and, many times, the same areas are emphasized for growth.

"For many years, I've tried to talk to fraternity about their numbers and how do we develop different recruitment strategies; how do we do different kinds of public relations; how do we do different kinds of service in terms of more consistent and more noteworthy kinds of things," Frost said. "I think we're at a point where we may need to do some things more collaboratively and more directly," Frost said.

Many times, changes originate within Greek organizations such as the Inter Fraternity Council or the Pan-Hellenic Council. Other times, the groups are forced to change based on outside forces. For example, last year, the Greek organizations had to adjust to insurance policies. Alumni and the administration can also play roles in bringing about changes.

Though neither Frost nor Amber Garrison, Greek advisor, has any specific changes in more GREEKS on 2

New groups join Hope community

Salon and a coffeehouse strive to better campus discussion

Rebecca Hillyard

Although Hope College has a wide variety of student groups to suit a myriad of interests, as evidenced by the number of organizations seeking formal recognition each year, some students feel that there are gaps within the collegiate community that need to be filled.

They came, they saw, and now they're ready to conquer:

Two of the latest phenomena are the Coffeehouse and Salon. The students who spearheaded the movement behind these organizations have visions of intellectual growth and stimulation that they're determined to see through to reality.

The Coffeehouse is the project of Phil Waalkes ('04). The idea for the coffeehouse was born last year in one of Professor Natalie Dykstra's English 113 classes. She then approached Phil with the idea, and the plans took off. He desires to create a permanent, full-time coffeehouse where students can gather to have discussions and social interaction without the distractions of blaring televisions or people attempting to do homework.

"We think this coffeehouse can enhance the intellectual community and we want to be artistic too with student art and musicians," Waalkes said.

The philosophy of the committee in charge of the coffeehouse is as follows: "Our committee wants to create a student-centered coffeehouse that will give Hope students a place to gather, a place to converse, and a place to belong.

The formation of the coffeehouse is still in the beginning stages, however. Approval to create the coffeehouse is needed by the Provost and/or the Dean of Students. The committee plans to meet with James Boelkins, provost within the coming week.

In addition, the committee is seeking out locations, either on or near campus, to hold the coffeehouse. They are talking with local businesses to find partners for this project.

Jane Bast ('03) and Sarah McCluskey ('03) are also seeking to promote intellectual stimulation in a social setting on Hope's campus. The Salon, as it is entitled, grew out of a meeting of graduate-school bound English majors who realized a need for a community within the English Department and a space in which literature and ideas could be freely exchanged by those who possess a great interest in the subject.

The women spent the summer writing the proposal and trying to get it approved by the Dean of the Arts and Humanities, along with the department housed within Lubbers more GROUPS on 2

Panel focuses on ethics crisis in business world

Experts look at corporate 'crime wave' in America

Jen Troke

The department of communication and the department of economics, management and accounting are sponsoring a panel discussion entitled "Ethical Issues Today in Business, the Media and Beyond." Four qualified participants will discuss the issue, including Christina Ritsema, professor of business and economics at Hope.

James Herrick, chair of Hope's communication department, will moderate the discussion.

"Because Hope offers liberal arts education with a solid moral grounding, and because the school prepares a lot of students to work in both business and the media, this seemed like an especially appropriate topic for us to consider as a community," Herrick said.

According to Ritsema, the topic is valuable for students whether or not they plan on entering the business world.

"I think it's helpful just so that students are aware of their options in terms of how to handle ethical dilemmas," Ritsema said.

The speakers will discuss a variety of issues related to the recently publicized scandals happening in the U.S.

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New access cards have replaced outdated ones

Kurt Koehler
Scribner

"The debut of Hope College's new access control system has been less than smooth, with technical difficulties that have dogged the system since its installation this summer."

"We had sporadic problems all over campus. Most of them were different programming issues," said Mike Lafata, public safety officer.

According to Lafata, malfunctions are to be expected with any large security system.

"There weren't any unforeseen problems. This is a very large access card system so we expected a few bugs. There were some programming bugs and some networking issues," said Mike Lafata, public safety officer.

"The bugs were supposed to have been fixed during the summer."

"Everything got put on hold. It was supposed to be done before students arrived. There were problems with the actual access card reader. We had to find a different reader."

"We're excited about it," Lafata said. "The students should be pleased."

"There really weren't any unforeseen things, but everything should be working fine now," Lafata said.

"The new system was installed this year to accommodate growth on campus and to replace the older, outdated version."

"The old access control system was about 12 years old, and we couldn't get parts for it anymore. They didn't write the program anymore and with the new Peale building going up and a couple more buildings down the line here soon, we couldn't expand anymore, so we had to update the entire system," Lafata said.

The new access card readers were manufactured by Rossicare Security Products, a subsidiary of Hong Kong-based Rossicare Enterprises Ltd. The new system works by scanning the cards rather than swiping them through the reader.

Lafata feels the campus community should be pleased with the system.

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"[We're] looking for an extension of classroom learning that is informally structured," Mc Cluskey said.

Recycle The Anchor

The final beam of the new addition to the Peale science building was placed late on Friday morning.

Kellie Bollick ('04) uses her new access card to Brumler Apartments.
Diversity at Hope: Fact or Fiction?

Administrators speak about the lack of ethnic diversity on campus, and their quest for balance

David Gutierrez
In Focus

Look around any given classroom and scan the faces that occupy each seat. Sit back in Phelps room and scan the faces that oc

there is a lack of ethnic diversity.

Minority students make up about six percent of the student body at Hope, said Glenda Rawls, Dean of Multicultural Life. In fact, Hope has one of the lowest percentages of color population within the Great Lakes Collegiate Association, and that's very disheartening.

This disparity can have a number of negative effects on the campus community, not only does the possibility exist of creating separatism, but classrooms run the risk of hosting an incomplete and unrealistic atmosphere.

The lack of diversity really hinders students from being fully educated, so not having a strong proportional representation is a real concern, said Richard Frost, Dean of Students. "Without a fuller range of opportunities for the students to get to know people of different ethnic backgrounds, we're not really reflecting the United States, or the world that they're going to live in."

But why does this disparity exist?

A number of contributing factors have played a key role in this lack of diversity. In order to improve upon the current dilemma, and to begin making changes, these problems need to be identified. Some of these issues and trends are more universal within private colleges, while others are more unique to Hope's campus.

"As a general rule private colleges do not do nearly as well, in terms of multicultural enrollment, as public institutions," said James Bekkering, Vice President of Admissions.

Potential students of color look at various colleges and public institutions and see a significant number of minority students, and then they come visit Hope where this doesn't really exist," said Bekkering. "The fact is that a student's college life is not limited only to academic endeavors, but also a social life, that's something they should be entitled to enjoy.

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Along with a lack of opportunities on Hope's campus, atmosphere and overall attitude of the college community contribute to this imbalance.

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Who cleans this place?

Talking with custodians on campus about their responsibility

Nicole Lantz

Well, to answer the question, Shelley Schrotenboer for one. She was able to get the job at Hope through her father-in-law, who was the head of Hope’s custodial department. Her favorite part of her job is cleaning the bathrooms. She’s been a custodian here for 19 years and is currently working in Voorhees and Van Vleck Hall, one of her favorite places on campus.

“It’s homey, clean, and quiet,” Schrotenboer said. Vacuумing, dusting, mopping and all the things that keep Hope College’s campus looking beautiful can often be taken for granted because they’re always taken care of. The custodians are relentlessly attacking jobs that often don’t get noticed on campus. The dorms are maintained and the grounds look beautiful, but rarely are the custodians seen doing their jobs. We see the finished version of an often times thankless job that needs to be done over and over again. After all, college students aren’t exactly getting any nearer. Although the custodians on campus can be seen sometimes in the morning, they’re missing during the afternoon hours because their day is already done. They begin their day as some students are still going to bed.

“The worst part is getting up at 5 in the morning,” said Sharon Grotenhuis, a custodian here for 10 years. When asked what her least favorite part of the job was, she begins her work day at 6 AM, and some of the staff begins even earlier than that. The classrooms are ready to go by 8:30 for the early morning classes. The cleaning staff works in teams on campus, some of them beginning their day as early as 4:30. Grotenhuis started on the north side of campus, but now works in Nykerk, her favorite place to be. Why?

“It’s a one person job,” Grotenhuis said. “It’s mine.” Because they start so early, along with Grotenhuis, usually all of the staff is gone by 2:30 in the afternoon.

Most of the custodians interviewed have been here for some time. “You wouldn’t believe it,” said John Wolding, the current custodian in Durfee. “I’ve been here for 30 years.” He began working here right out of high school, and liked it so much that he’s stayed ever since.

Joan Kamps, the custodian in Cook Hall, has been here for 14 years now. She needed a stable place to work to support her family, and found that Hope also provided good benefits. Although for the moment, she’s working in Cook, she and the other custodians have been almost everywhere on campus.

“I’ve liked most buildings I’ve been in, it’s just a matter of getting to know the people and the routines,” Kamps said. She tends to prefer classrooms while some prefer the dorms.

“I go wherever they send me,” Wolding said. “I like them all.” When asked if they felt appreciated, the students and faculty on campus, they all responded positively.

“Oh yes, they ask me if there’s anything they can do to help. I tell them that they could work weekends...” said Wolding.

Kamps even mentioned receiving a Christmas card from some of the students living in Van Vleck, where she worked last year.

“I hear lots of thank-you’s and the fact that people care and work well with me,” Grotenhuis said. Especially during the mornings, they get time to interact with students and faculty.

When asked what her favorite part of the job was, Kamps said, “I like to take some time to sit on my front porch.” Wolding said. When asked what the students could do to make their jobs easier, most of them just said that the only thing would be to pick up after themselves. Kamps focused on the garbage and the recycling program. “I like to take some stress off them and sometimes very gross,” Kamps said.

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It’s happened to all of us. You know the scenario: you’re walking down the sidewalk, let’s say, around the Pine Grove on your way to the library. (I know we’ve always got somewhere to be; I know I do.) And coming from the other direction, straight towards you, is someone who you’ve never seen before or maybe talked to once in your life. While you’re still some distance away, you pretend that you haven’t noticed; you’re zoning out staring into space and not paying any attention. (If you say something too fast, there’ll be one awkward moment just before you’ve passed the person when you’ve got nothing left to say.) Then, just when you’ve got a mere five feet away, you look up and begin to say hello or give a little smile. It’s the least you could do; it’s common courtesy. Except that, to your surprise, instead of looking at you, they’ve turned the other way and basically ignored you altogether. You know they saw you walk by. Now, I know that everyone has bad days. For about a week now I’ve been wandering around like I’ve got my head cut off because I feel like I have so much to do. But that’s no reason not to say hello to someone. They might need to see a smile more than you do.

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Of course, not everyone looks the other way when you say hello. I simply love some people, who I’m not necessarily even close friends with, who smile at everyone and always take the time to ask me how I’m doing. And, of course, your friends will always say hello. But besides that, I hate feeling snubbed when I walk around campus. I’m always running around campus somewhere with about 4,000 things to do, and sometimes a smile or a hello would do a lot to brighten up my ordinarily crazy day.

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Of course, not everyone looks the other way when you say hello. I simply love some people, who I’m not necessarily even close friends with, who smile at everyone and always take the time to ask me how I’m doing. And, of course, your friends will always say hello. But besides that, I hate feeling snubbed when I walk around campus. I’m always running around campus somewhere with about 4,000 things to do, and sometimes a smile or a hello would do a lot to brighten up my ordinarily crazy day.

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Football falls short again

Flying Dutchmen drop second straight game in tight contest
Ben DeHaan
Staff Reporter

As hard as it may be to believe, lightning can strike twice. And after a hard week of practice, it didn’t appear possible for the Flying Dutchmen to drop another game this season.

Even when they trailed, DePauw was able to overcome the Dutchmen attacks and counter with scores of their own. Hope found themselves on the lower end of the scoreboard again, as DePauw took the win 28-21.

Turnovers played a major role in the game, as Hope gave the ball back to the Tigers seven times in the game. After forcing DePauw to punt on their first possession, Hope was able to score within the first few minutes of the game on Phil Butler’s (’04) 15-yard pass to Joe Verschueren (’04). DePauw responded late in the first quarter as Hope was forced to punt the ball away. DePauw would cap off a six-play drive with a 15-yard touchdown pass of their own, tying the game at 7-7.

Hope’s only score in the second quarter came late when fullback Devin Quinn (’04) hauled in a touchdown pass from Butler to give Hope a 14-7 lead. The Tigers were not about to let the game get away, and they did just that.

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Women’s soccer splits two

Flying Dutch travel to Ohio, split games with Capital College and Otterbein College
Ollen Allmon
Sports Reporter

The Hope women’s soccer team was on the road last weekend playing two tough games in Ohio. Coming into Fridays game with no wins for the season, the Flying Dutch rose to the challenge by taking 15 shots on goal and blanking Capital College 2-0. Catie Neidlinger (’04) scored the first goal for the Lady Bucks on a breakaway and Negren Maishati (’06) added one more goal to seal the first victory of the season.

On Saturday Hope suffered its fourth one-goal defeat in six games. “It was another disappointment,” Ayres recalled. The only goal for Hope came from its captain, Danielle Nave (’04) on the 65th minute that tied the game. But Otterbein responded with a goal of its own to beat the Dutch 2-1. Otterbein also held a 15-4 advantage in shots on goal. “We have a lot of young individual talent, so it will take time to bring all the elements of the game together,” Nave explained.

Hope has a young squad with 12 freshmen on the roster. Currently, the Flying Dutch are 1-1 and 0-2 and on Wednesday they face a strong Calvin College team that has 3 wins and 2 losses. The Dutch are not phased, and feel that they can beat their rival. “There is nothing that we can’t care for,” Nave confidently pointed out.

Upcoming Sports

• Women’s soccer at Kalamazoo, Noon
• Men’s Golf, MIAA tournament @ Alma, 1:00 p.m.
• Women’s Golf, MIAA tournament @ Calvin, 1:00 p.m.
• Football at Platteville, 3:00 p.m.
• Ultimate Frisbee Sectional Tourney @ K-Zoo